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**Cris Negron\*** ([negron@uw.edu](mailto:negron@uw.edu)). *Twisting Cochains and Hochschild Cohomology.*

Given a Koszul algebra  $A$ , there is a canonical dg algebra structure on the tensor product  $A^! \otimes A$  so that the Hochschild cohomology ring of  $A$  is given as the cohomology  $H^\bullet(A^! \otimes A)$ , where  $A^!$  is the Koszul dual of  $A$ . This result is a specific occurrence of a general phenomenon. Namely, given any “acyclic twisting cochain”  $\pi : C \rightarrow A$  from a dg coalgebra  $C$  to a dg algebra  $A$ , we get an identification of graded rings between the Hochschild cohomology  $HH^\bullet(A)$  and the cohomology of the “twisted hom complex”  $\text{Hom}^\pi(C, A)$ . Examples of twisting cochains arise in topology (e.g. K.–T. Chen’s twisting cochains for loop space homology) and ring theory (e.g. the canonical twisting cochain associated to a Koszul algebra). In this talk I will recall the definition of a twisting cochain and explain a bit about the aforementioned general result and its specific application to Koszul algebras. (Received July 30, 2015)