

# Hopf Algebras

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## Abstract

The present notes summarize the content of a course on the algebraic foundation of Hopf algebra theory given at the university of Zurich in 2018.

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# 1 Basics

## 1.1 Tensor products

We let  $R$  denote a ring (with 1, not necessarily commutative).

**Definition 1.1** (universal middle-linear maps). *Let  $X$  be a right  $R$ -module,  $Y$  a left  $R$ -module, and  $T$  an abelian group.*

- 1) A map  $\tau : X \times Y \rightarrow T$  is termed *middle linear*, if for all  $x, x' \in X$ ,  $y, y' \in Y$ ,  $r \in R$  it holds that

$$\begin{aligned}\tau(x + x', y) &= \tau(x, y) + \tau(x', y), \\ \tau(x, y + y') &= \tau(x, y) + \tau(x, y'), \\ \tau(xr, y) &= \tau(x, ry).\end{aligned}$$

- 2) A middle-linear map  $\tau : X \times Y \rightarrow T$  is *universal*, if for any abelian group  $M$  and any middle-linear map  $\varphi : X \times Y \rightarrow M$  there exists a unique group homomorphism  $\bar{\varphi} : T \rightarrow M$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times Y & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & M \\ \downarrow \tau & \nearrow \bar{\varphi} & \\ T & & \end{array}$$

*commutes.*

**Theorem 1.2** (tensor products). *Let  $X$  be a right  $R$ -module and  $Y$  a left  $R$ -module.*

- 1) If  $\tau : X \times Y \rightarrow T$  and  $\tau' : X \times Y \rightarrow T'$  are both universal middle-linear maps, then there is a unique isomorphism  $\varphi : T \rightarrow T'$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times Y & \xrightarrow{\tau'} & T' \\ \downarrow \tau & \nearrow \varphi & \\ T & & \end{array}$$

*commutes.*

- 2) There is an abelian group  $T$  with an universal middle-linear map  $\tau : X \times Y \rightarrow T$ . Notation:  $T = X \otimes Y$  and  $\tau(x, y) = x \otimes_R y$  for all  $x \in X$ ,  $y \in Y$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbb{Z}^{(X \times Y)}$  be the free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module with basis  $X \times Y$ . Let  $N$  be the submodule that is generated by all elements of the form

$$\begin{aligned} (x + x', y) - (x, y) - (x', y) \\ (x, y + y') - (x, y) - (x, y') \\ (xr, y) - (x, ry) \end{aligned}$$

with  $x, x' \in X$ ,  $y, y' \in Y$ , and  $r \in R$ . Let  $T = \mathbb{Z}^{(X \times Y)} / N$  and define  $\tau$  by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z}^{(X \times Y)} & \xrightarrow{\text{can}} & T \\ \text{can} \uparrow & \nearrow \tau & \\ X \times Y & & \end{array}$$

□

**Remark 1.3.** 1)  $(x \otimes y)_{x \in X, y \in Y}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -span of  $X \otimes_R Y$ . We often denote  $\mathbb{Z}$ -linear maps on the tensor product by stating how they act on this spanning family, but care has to be taken whether such maps actually exist (or are "well-defined").

- 2)  $\mathbb{Z}/(n) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

**Definition 1.4** (bimodules). Let  $R$  and  $S$  be rings. Suppose that the set  $X$  is equipped both with a left  $R$ -module structure and an right  $S$ -module structure.

- 1) We say  $X$  is an  $(R, S)$ -bimodule, if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $r \in R$ , and  $s \in S$  it holds that

$$(rx)s = r(xs)$$

- 2) A map  $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$  between  $(R, S)$ -bimodules  $X$  and  $Y$  is  $(R, S)$ -linear if it is both  $R$ -linear (from the left) and  $S$ -linear (from the right).

**Theorem 1.5** (module structures on tensor products). Let  $R, S, T, U$  be rings,  $X$  an  $(R, S)$ -bimodule,  $Y$  an  $(S, T)$ -bimodule, and  $Z$  an  $(T, U)$ -bimodule.

- 1) The tensor product  $X \otimes_S Y$  is an  $(R, T)$ -bimodule via  $r(x \otimes y) = rx \otimes y$  and  $(x \otimes y)s = x \otimes ys$ .

- 2)  $(X \otimes_S Y) \otimes_T Z \simeq X \otimes_S (Y \otimes_T Z)$  is an  $(R, U)$ -linear isomorphism that is functorial in  $X, Y,$  and  $Z$ .
- 3)  $X \otimes_S S \simeq X$  with  $x \otimes s \mapsto xs$  is  $(R, S)$ -linear and functorial in  $X$ .  
 $R \otimes_R X \simeq X$  with  $r \otimes x \mapsto rx$  is  $(R, S)$ -linear and functorial in  $X$ .
- 4) If  $R$  is commutative and  $M, N$  are  $R$ -modules, then

$$M \otimes_R N \simeq N \otimes_R M \quad \text{with} \quad m \otimes n \mapsto n \otimes m$$

is  $R$ -linear and functorial.

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $X, X'$  be right  $R$ -modules,  $Y, Y'$  be left  $R$ -modules, and  $f : X \rightarrow X', g : Y \rightarrow Y'$  be  $R$ -linear maps. Then we let

$$f \otimes g : X \otimes_R Y \rightarrow X' \otimes_R Y', \quad x \otimes y \mapsto f(x) \otimes g(y).$$

**Theorem 1.7** (coproducts and tensors). Let  $(X_i)_{i \in I}$  be a family of right  $R$ -modules,  $Y$  a left  $R$ -module. Then  $\phi : \coprod_{i \in I} (X_i \otimes_R Y) \rightarrow (\coprod_{i \in I} X_i) \otimes_R Y$  defined via  $X_i \otimes_R Y \xrightarrow{\text{can} \otimes \text{id}} (\coprod_{i \in I} X_i) \otimes_R Y$  for all  $i \in I$  is a functorial isomorphism.

**Corollary 1.8** (bases of tensor products). 1) Let  $X$  be a right  $R$ -module with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  and let  $Y$  be a left  $R$ -module. Then each element  $t \in X \otimes_R Y$  has a unique representation  $t = \sum_{i \in I} x_i \otimes y_i$  with  $y_i \in Y$  for all  $i \in I$  and  $y_i = 0$  for almost all (=all but finitely many)  $i \in I$ .

2)  $k$  field,  $V, W$   $k$ -vector spaces with bases  $(v_i)_{i \in I}, (w_j)_{j \in J}$ . Then the family  $(v_i \otimes w_j)_{i \in I, j \in J}$  is a basis of  $V \otimes_k W$ .

**Theorem 1.9** ( $\otimes$  is right exact). Let  $A, B, C$  be left  $R$ -modules and let  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence of  $R$ -linear maps. Then for all right  $R$ -modules  $Y$  it holds that the sequence  $Y \otimes_R A \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes f} Y \otimes_R B \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes g} Y \otimes_R C \rightarrow 0$  is exact too.

*Proof.* See exercises. □

## 1.2 Algebras

We let  $k$  denote a commutative ring (with 1).

**Definition 1.10.** 1) Let  $A$  be a ring (with 1) and a  $k$ -module. We say  $A$  is a  $k$ -algebra if for all  $\lambda \in k$  and  $x, y \in A$  it holds that  $\lambda.(xy) = x(\lambda.y)$ .

2) An algebra homomorphism from a  $k$ -algebra  $A$  to a  $k$ -algebra  $B$  is a  $k$ -linear ring homomorphism.

3) The center of an algebra  $A$  is the subalgebra

$$Z(A) = \{x \in A \mid xy = yx \text{ for all } y \in A\}.$$

**Remark 1.11.** 1) Let  $A$  be a  $k$ -algebra. The unique ring homomorphism  $\eta : k \rightarrow A$  satisfies  $\text{im}(\eta) \subset Z(A)$ .

2) Conversely, if  $A$  is a ring and  $\eta : k \rightarrow A$  is a ring homomorphism with  $\text{im}(\eta) \subset Z(A)$ , then  $A$  is a  $k$ -algebra via  $\lambda.x = \eta(\lambda)$  for all  $\lambda \in k$ ,  $x \in A$ .

**Remark 1.12.** 1) Let  $A$  be a  $k$ -algebra. The linear map  $\mu : A \otimes_k A \rightarrow A$  with  $\mu(a \otimes b) = ab$  and the ring homomorphism  $\eta : k \rightarrow A$  satisfy

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} k \otimes_k A & \xrightarrow{\eta \otimes \text{id}} & A \otimes_k A & \xleftarrow{\text{id} \otimes \eta} & A \otimes_k k \\ & \searrow \text{can} & \downarrow \mu & \swarrow \text{can} & \\ & & A & & \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes_k (A \otimes_k A) & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \mu} & A \otimes_k A \xrightarrow{\mu} A \\ \downarrow \text{can} & & \nearrow \mu \\ (A \otimes_k A) \otimes_k A & \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes \text{id}} & A \otimes_k A \end{array}$$

2) Conversely, let  $A$  be a  $k$ -module. If  $\mu : A \otimes_k A \rightarrow A$  and  $\eta : k \rightarrow A$  are  $k$ -linear maps such that these diagrams commute, then  $A$  is a  $k$ -algebra with  $xy = \mu(x \otimes y)$  and  $1_A = \eta(1_k)$ .

**Remark 1.13.** 1)  $M_n(k)$  and  $\text{End}_k(V)$  ( $V$  a  $k$ -module) are  $k$ -algebras.

- 2) If  $A$  is a  $k$ -algebra, then we define the algebra  $A^{\text{op}}$  by setting  $A^{\text{op}} := A$  as  $k$ -module and defining  $\eta_{A^{\text{op}}} := \eta_A$  and  $\mu_{A^{\text{op}}} := \mu_A \circ \tau$  with the linear map  $\tau : A \otimes_k A \rightarrow A \otimes_k A$ ,  $\tau(x \otimes y) = y \otimes x$ .
- 3) If  $A$  is a  $k$ -algebra then

$$\begin{aligned}\delta : A &\rightarrow \text{End}_k(A), a \mapsto (x \mapsto ax) \\ \delta' : A &\rightarrow \text{End}_k(A)^{\text{op}}, a \mapsto (x \mapsto xa)\end{aligned}$$

are algebra homomorphisms.

**Remark 1.14.** 1) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $k$ -algebras, then so is  $A \otimes_k B$ .

- 2) If  $\varphi : A \rightarrow A'$  and  $\psi : B \rightarrow B'$  are algebra homomorphisms then so is  $\varphi \otimes \psi : A \otimes_k B \rightarrow A' \otimes_k B'$ .

**Definition 1.15.** Let  $G$  be a monoid. Then  $k[G] := k^{(G)}$  (also denoted by  $kG$ ) is a  $k$ -algebra with  $\mu(g \otimes h) = gh$  (product in  $G$ ). It satisfies the universal property, that for any algebra  $A$  and any monoid homomorphism  $\varphi : G \rightarrow (A, \cdot)$  there is a unique algebra homomorphism  $\bar{\varphi} : k[G] \rightarrow A$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & A \\ \text{can} \downarrow & \nearrow \bar{\varphi} & \\ k[G] & & \end{array}$$

**Remark 1.16.** 1) Let  $G = \mathbb{N}_0$  be the additive monoid. Then  $k[G] \simeq k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  polynomial ring in  $n$  indeterminates.

- 2) Let  $X$  be a set,  $\langle X \rangle$  the free monoid over  $X$ , then  $k\langle X \rangle$  is called the free algebra over  $X$ .

**Proposition 1.17.** Let  $A$  be a  $k$ -algebra and  $I \subset A$  a both-sided ideal. Then for any algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$  with  $\varphi(I) = 0$  there is a unique algebra homomorphism  $\bar{\varphi} : A/I \rightarrow B$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & B \\ \text{can} \downarrow & \nearrow \bar{\varphi} & \\ A/I & & \end{array}$$

### 1.3 Category theory

The language of category theory allows us to express complex relationships in a concise and elegant way. Setting up a rigorous foundation for the set-theoretic background does not lie within the scope of this lecture. We naively define *classes* to be collections of sets which we can define and talk about. Hence we may form the class of all sets, which is a *proper class* as it cannot be a set. We may also consider maps between classes.

**Definition 1.18.** *A category  $\mathcal{C}$  consists of a class  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ , whose elements are called the objects of the class, with the following additional structures:*

- *For any two objects  $X, Y \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  we are given a set  $\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$  whose elements are called the morphisms from  $X$  to  $Y$ . We require that*

$$\mathcal{C}(X, Y) \cap \mathcal{C}(X', Y') = \emptyset$$

*for all  $X, X', Y, Y' \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  with  $X \neq X'$  or  $Y \neq Y'$ . Instead of  $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$  we also write  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  or  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ .*

- *For any  $X, Y, Z \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  we are given a map*

$$\mathcal{C}(Y, Z) \times \mathcal{C}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X, Z), (g, f) \mapsto gf = g \circ f.$$

*We require that for all  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y, Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$  and  $Z \xrightarrow{h} U$*

$$h(gf) = (hg)f.$$

- *For any  $X \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  there is a distinguished element  $\text{id}_X \in \mathcal{C}(X, X)$ . We require that*

$$f \text{id}_X = f = \text{id}_Y f$$

*for all  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ .*

**Example 1.19.** 1) *The category  $\text{Set}$  of all sets with maps as morphisms.*

2) *The category  $\text{Gr}$  of all groups with group homomorphisms as morphisms.*

3) *The categories  ${}_R\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_R$  of left  $R$ -modules and right  $R$ -modules.*

**Remark 1.20.** *A category  $\mathcal{C}$  is termed small, if  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  is a set.*

**Definition 1.21.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a category. A morphism  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  is termed an isomorphism, if there exists a morphism  $Y \xrightarrow{g} X$  with  $gf = \text{id}_X$  and  $fg = \text{id}_Y$ . If this is the case then  $g$  is uniquely determined and we may write  $g = f^{-1}$ .

**Definition 1.22.** Given a category  $\mathcal{C}$  we may form the category  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}$  with  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}) = \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}(X, Y) = \mathcal{C}(Y, X)$  for all objects  $X, Y$ .

**Definition 1.23.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  be categories.

1) A (covariant) functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  consists of a map

$$\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \text{Ob}(\mathcal{D}), X \mapsto F(X)$$

together with a family of maps

$$\mathcal{C}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(F(X), F(Y)), f \mapsto F(f),$$

for  $X, Y \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ , such that

$$F(gf) = F(g)F(f) \quad \text{and} \quad F(\text{id}_X) = \text{id}_{F(X)}$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ , and  $g \in \mathcal{C}(Y, Z)$ .

2) A contravariant functor  $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is a functor  $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ .

**Example 1.24.** 1) Let  $k$  be a commutative ring.  ${}_k\mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_k\mathcal{M}$  defined by

$$V \mapsto V^* = \text{Hom}_k(V, k) \quad \text{and} \quad f \mapsto (f^* : g \mapsto gf)$$

is a contravariant functor.

2) Let  $R, S$  be rings and  $X$  an  $(R, X)$ -bimodule. Then

$$X \otimes_S - : {}_S\mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_R\mathcal{M}$$

is a covariant functor.

3) Let  $R$  be a ring and  $X \in {}_R\mathcal{M}$ . Then

$$\text{Hom}_R(X, -) : {}_R\mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_R\mathcal{M}$$

is a covariant functor, and

$$\text{Hom}_R(-, X) : {}_R\mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_R\mathcal{M}$$

is a contravariant functor.

4) Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a category and  $X \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ . Then

$$\mathcal{C}(X, -) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

is a covariant functor, and

$$\mathcal{C}(-, X) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

is a contravariant functor.

**Remark 1.25.** Any category  $\mathcal{C}$  admits the trivial functor  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ . We may concatenate a functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  with a functor  $G : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  to form a functor  $GF : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ . This operation is associative and the functors behave like neutral elements.

**Definition 1.26.** 1) Let  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}$  be categories and  $F, G : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be functors. A natural transformation  $\alpha : F \rightarrow G$  is a family  $\alpha = (\alpha_C)_{C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})}$  of morphisms  $\alpha_C : F(C) \rightarrow G(C)$  such that for all  $C, C' \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $f \in \mathcal{C}(C, C')$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(C) & \xrightarrow{F(f)} & F(C') \\ \downarrow \alpha_C & & \downarrow \alpha_{C'} \\ G(C) & \xrightarrow{G(f)} & G(C') \end{array} .$$

2) The natural transformation  $\alpha$  is a natural isomorphism, if  $\alpha_C$  is an isomorphism for each  $C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ . We denote the existence of a natural isomorphism between  $F$  and  $G$  by

$$F \simeq G.$$

3) We may think of natural transformation as “morphisms between functors”. Any functor  $F$  admits the trivial natural isomorphism  $\text{id}_F : F \rightarrow F$ . We may concatenate a natural transformation  $\alpha : F \rightarrow G$  with a natural transformation  $\beta : G \rightarrow H$  to form a natural transformation  $\beta\alpha : F \rightarrow H$ . This operation is associative and the trivial natural isomorphisms behave like neutral elements.

4) The natural transformation  $\alpha : F \rightarrow G$  is a natural isomorphism, if and only if there exists a natural transformation  $\beta : G \rightarrow F$  such that  $\beta\alpha = \text{id}_F$  and  $\alpha\beta = \text{id}_G$ .

**Example 1.27.** 1) Suppose that  $k$  is a field. For any  $k$ -vector space  $V$  let  $\alpha_V : V \rightarrow V^{**}, v \mapsto (f \mapsto f(v))$ . Then  $\alpha = (\alpha_V)_V$  is a natural transformation  $\text{id} \rightarrow ()^{**}$ .  $\alpha$  is a natural isomorphism when restricted to finite dimensional vector spaces.

2) Let  $k$  be commutative ring and let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $k$ -modules. The map  $X \otimes_k Y^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}(Y, X)$  with  $x \otimes f \mapsto (y \mapsto f(y)x)$  is functorial in  $X$  and  $Y$ . That is,

$$- \otimes_k Y^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_k(Y, -)$$

is a natural transformation of covariant functors, and

$$X \otimes_k ()^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}_k(-, X)$$

is a natural transformation of contravariant functors.

**Definition 1.28.** A functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is an equivalence of categories if there is a functor  $G : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  such that  $GF \simeq \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $FG \simeq \text{id}_{\mathcal{D}}$ .

**Definition 1.29.** A functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is termed left adjoint to a functor  $G : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ , if there is a family of bijections  $\varphi_{C,D} = \mathcal{D}(F(C), D) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(C, G(D))$  (with  $C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}), D \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{D})$ ) that is functorial in  $C$  and  $D$ . In this case there is a canonical natural transformation  $\eta : \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow GF$  with  $\eta_C = \varphi_{C, F(C)}(\text{id}_{F(C)})$  for all  $C \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ .

*Proof.* Diagram chasing. □

**Proposition 1.30.** Let  $R, S,$  and  $T$  be rings.

1) Let  ${}_R X_S$  and  ${}_R Y_T$  be bimodules. Then  $\text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S, {}_R Y_T)$  is an  $(S, T)$ -bimodule with

$$(s.f)(x) = f(x.s)$$

$$(f.t)(x) = f(x).t$$

(“Left Hom from  $(R, S)$  to  $(R, T)$  gives  $(S, T)$ ”; we may use the notation  ${}_S \text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S, {}_R Y_T)_T$ )

2) Let  ${}_R X_S$  and  ${}_T Y_S$  be bimodules. Then  $\text{Hom}_S({}_R X_S, {}_T Y_S)$  is an  $(T, R)$ -bimodule with

$$(f.r)(x) = f(rx)$$

$$(t.f)(x) = tf(x)$$

(“Right Hom from  $(R, S)$  to  $(T, S)$  gives  $(T, R)$ ”; we may use the notation  ${}_T\text{Hom}_S({}_R X_S, {}_T Y_S)_R$ )

3) Let  ${}_R X_S$  be a bimodule. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S, -) &: {}_R \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_S \mathcal{M} \\ \text{Hom}_S({}_R X_S, -) &: \mathcal{M}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_R\end{aligned}$$

are covariant functors, and

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hom}_S(-, {}_R X_S) &: \mathcal{M}_S \rightarrow {}_R \mathcal{M} \\ \text{Hom}_R(-, {}_R X_S) &: {}_R \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_S\end{aligned}$$

are contravariant functors.

**Proposition 1.31.** 1) There is a canonical isomorphism of right  $T$ -modules:

$$\text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S \otimes_S {}_S Y, {}_R Z_T)_T \simeq \text{Hom}_S({}_S Y, \text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S, {}_R Z_T))_T$$

2) The functor

$${}_R X_S \otimes_S - : {}_S \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_R \mathcal{M}$$

is left adjoint to

$$\text{Hom}_R({}_R X_S, -) : {}_R \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_S \mathcal{M}.$$

**Corollary 1.32.** If  $S \subset R$  is a subring, then

$${}_R R_S \otimes_S - : {}_S \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_R \mathcal{M}$$

is left-adjoint to

$$\text{Hom}_R({}_R R_S, -) : {}_R \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_S \mathcal{M}.$$

## 2 Coalgebras and Hopf algebras

Unless otherwise stated,  $k$  always denotes a field and all vector spaces are over  $k$ . We let  $\otimes = \otimes_k$  denote the tensor product over  $k$ .

### 2.1 Coalgebras

**Definition 2.1** (coalgebras). *Let  $C$  be a vector space over  $k$ , and let  $\Delta : C \rightarrow C \otimes C$  and  $\epsilon : C \rightarrow k$  be  $k$ -linear maps. The tuple  $(C, \Delta, \epsilon)$  is a coalgebra, if the following diagrams commute:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 k \otimes_k C & \xleftarrow{\epsilon \otimes \text{id}} & C \otimes_k C & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \epsilon} & C \otimes_k k \\
 & \searrow \simeq & \uparrow \Delta & \nearrow \simeq & \\
 & & C & & 
 \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C \otimes_k (C \otimes_k C) & \xleftarrow{\text{id} \otimes \Delta} & C \otimes_k C & \xleftarrow{\Delta} & C \\
 \uparrow \simeq & & & \searrow \Delta & \\
 (C \otimes_k C) \otimes_k C & \xleftarrow{\Delta \otimes \text{id}} & C \otimes_k C & & 
 \end{array}$$

- Example 2.2.** 1) If  $G$  is a set, then  $k^{(G)}$  is a coalgebra with  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ ,  $\epsilon(g) = 1$  for all  $g \in G$ .
- 2) Let  $C$  be a vector space over  $k$  with basis  $(x_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}$ .  $C$  is a coalgebra with  $\Delta(x_{i,j}) = \sum_{k=1}^n x_{i,k} \otimes x_{k,j}$ ,  $\epsilon(x_{i,j}) = \delta_{i,j}$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to verify the axioms on the basis of  $C$ .

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \Delta(x_{i,k}) \otimes x_{k,j} = \sum_{1 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq n} x_{i,k_1} \otimes x_{k_1, k_2} \otimes x_{k_2, j} = \sum_{k=1}^n x_{i,k} \otimes \Delta(x_{k,j})$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon(x_{i,k}) \otimes x_{k,j} = 1 \otimes x_{i,j}, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n x_{i,k} \otimes \epsilon(x_{k,j}) = x_{i,j} \otimes 1.$$

□

3)  $C$  a vector space over  $k$  with basis  $(x_i)_{i \geq 0}$ .  $C$  is a coalgebra with  $\Delta(x_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i \otimes x_{n-i}$  and  $\epsilon(x_n) = \delta_{0,n}$ .

*Proof.*

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \Delta(x_i) \otimes x_{n-i} = \sum_{i_1+i_2+i_3=n} x_{i_1} \otimes x_{i_2} \otimes x_{i_3} = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i \otimes \Delta(x_{n-i}).$$

The rest is clear.  $\square$

4) Let  $C$  be a vector space over  $k$  with basis  $g, h, x$ . Then  $C$  is a coalgebra with  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ ,  $\epsilon(g) = 1$ ,  $\Delta(h) = h \otimes h$ ,  $\epsilon(h) = 1$ ,  $\Delta(x) = g \otimes x + x \otimes h$ ,  $\epsilon(x) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.3** (Sweedler notation). Let  $C$  be a coalgebra,  $x \in C$ . We use the notation

$$\Delta(x) =: \sum_i x_{1,i} \otimes x_{2,i} =: x_{(1)} \otimes x_{(2)} =: x_1 \otimes x_2,$$

$$\Delta^n(x) =: (\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\Delta^{n-1})(x) =: x_{(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes x_{(n+1)} =: x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_{n+1}.$$

For  $f : C^n \rightarrow X$  multilinear,  $\bar{f} : \bigotimes_{1 \leq i \leq n} C \rightarrow X$  the induced map, we set

$$\bar{f}(\Delta^{n-1}(x)) =: f(x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)}) =: f(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

**Definition 2.4.** A  $k$ -linear map  $f : C \rightarrow C'$  between coalgebras is called a coalgebra homomorphism if for all  $x \in C$  it holds that  $\epsilon_{C'}(f(x)) = \epsilon_C(x)$  and  $f(x)_1 \otimes f(x)_2 = f(x_1) \otimes f(x_2)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** A an algebra,  $C$  a coalgebra,  $f, g \in \text{Hom}_k(C, A)$ . Then  $f * g \in \text{Hom}_k(C, A)$  with  $(f * g)(x) = f(x_1)g(x_2)$  is called the convolution of  $f$  and  $g$ . That is:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} C & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & C \otimes C & \xrightarrow{f \otimes g} & A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\mu} & A \\ & & \searrow & & \nearrow & & \\ & & & f * g & & & \end{array}$$

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $A$  be an algebra,  $C$  a coalgebra.

1) Then  $\text{Hom}_k(C, A)$  is an algebra with product  $*$  and unit element  $\eta\epsilon$ .

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Associativity:} \quad & ((f * g) * h)(x) = f(x_1)g(x_2)h(x_3) = (f * (g * h))(x) \\ \text{Unit element:} \quad & (f * (\eta\epsilon))(x) = f(x_1)\epsilon(x_2) = f(x_1\epsilon(x_2)) = f(x) \\ & ((\eta\epsilon) * f)(x) = \epsilon(x_1)f(x_2) = f(\epsilon(x_1)x_2) = f(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

2) We have the following functors:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_k(C, -) &: \text{Algebras}_k \rightarrow \text{Algebras}_k \\ \text{Hom}_k(-, A) &: \text{Coalgebras}_k^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Algebras}_k \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi : A \rightarrow A'$  be an algebra homomorphism. Then

$$\text{Hom}_k(\text{id}, \varphi) : \text{Hom}_k(C, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_k(C, A'), f \mapsto \varphi f$$

is an algebra homomorphism, because

$$(\varphi\eta_A\epsilon)(x) = \varphi(\epsilon(x)1_A) = \epsilon(x)1_{A'} = (\eta_{A'}\epsilon)(x)$$

and

$$(\varphi(f * g))(x) = \varphi(f(x_1)g(x_2)) = \varphi(f(x_1))\varphi(f(x_2)) = ((\varphi f) * (\varphi g))(x).$$

This shows that  $\text{Hom}_k(C, -)$  is a functor  $\text{Algebras}_k \rightarrow \text{Algebras}_k$ .

Let  $\psi : C \rightarrow C'$  be a coalgebra homomorphism. Then

$$\text{Hom}_k(\psi, \text{id}) : \text{Hom}_k(C', A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_k(C, A), f \mapsto f\psi$$

is an algebra homomorphism, because

$$(\eta_{C'}\psi)(x) = 1_{A\epsilon_{C'}}(\psi(x)) = 1_{A\epsilon_C}(x) = (\eta_{C}\epsilon)(x)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ((f * g)\psi)(x) &= (f \odot g)((\psi(x))_1 \otimes (\psi(x))_2) \\ &= (f \odot g)(\psi(x_1) \otimes \psi(x_2)) \\ &= ((f\psi) * (g\psi))(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.7.** *If  $C$  is a coalgebra, then  $C^*$  is an algebra.*

**Example 2.8.** 1) *If  $G$  is a finite set, then the coalgebra  $k^G$  from Example 2.2, 1) satisfies  $(k^G)^* \simeq k^G$  as algebras.*

2) *The coalgebra  $C$  from Example 2.2, 2) satisfies  $C^* \simeq M_n(k)$  as  $k$ -algebras.*

3) *The coalgebra  $C$  from Example 2.2, 3) satisfies  $C^* \simeq k[X]$  as  $k$ -algebras.*

*Proof.* See exercises.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.9.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be vector spaces over  $k$ . Then*

$$X^* \otimes Y^* \rightarrow (X \otimes Y)^*, \quad f \otimes g \mapsto (f \odot g : x \otimes y \mapsto f(x)g(y)).$$

*If  $X$  or  $Y$  is finite dimensional, then this linear map is an isomorphism.*

*Proof.* As the functor  $X \otimes -$  is left-adjoint to the functor  $\text{Hom}(X, -)$ , it holds that

$$\text{Hom}(X \otimes Y, k) \simeq \text{Hom}(Y, \text{Hom}(X, k)) = \text{Hom}(Y, X^*).$$

We have seen in the exercises that for all vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$  it holds that

$$V \otimes W^* \rightarrow \text{Hom}(W, V), \quad v \otimes f \mapsto (w \mapsto f(w)v)$$

is an isomorphism if  $V$  or  $W$  is finite dimensional. In particular,

$$\text{Hom}(Y, X^*) \simeq X^* \otimes Y^*$$

if  $X$  or  $Y$  is finite dimensional.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *Let  $A$  be a finite dimensional algebra. Then  $A^*$  is a coalgebra with  $\epsilon(f) = f(1)$  and  $\Delta(f) = f_1 \otimes f_2$  uniquely determined by  $f_1(a)f_2(b) = f(ab)$  for all  $a, b \in A$ . That is,*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A^* & \xrightarrow{\eta^*} & k^* & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & k \\ & \searrow & \uparrow & \nearrow & \\ & & \epsilon & & \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A^* & \xrightarrow{\mu^*} & (A \otimes A)^* & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & A^* \otimes A^* \\ & \searrow & \uparrow & \nearrow & \\ & & \Delta & & \end{array}$$

*Proof.*  $\epsilon$  is a counit because  $\eta$  is a unit, that is

$$(\epsilon(f_1)f_2)(x) = f_1(1)f_2(x) = f(1x) = f(x)$$

and

$$f_1\epsilon(f_2)(x) = f_1(x)f_2(1) = f(x1) = f(x).$$

$\Delta$  is coassociative because  $\mu$  is associative, that is for all  $a, b, c \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{11}(a)f_{12}(b)f_2(c) &= f_1(ab)f_2(c) = f(abc) \\ f_1(a)f_{21}(b)f_{22}(c) &= f_1(a)f_2(bc) = f(abc) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$f_{11} \otimes f_{12} \otimes f_2 = f_1 \otimes f_{21} \otimes f_{22}.$$

□

**Example 2.11.** Let  $G$  be a finite monoid and  $k[G]$  the corresponding monoid algebra. Let  $(e_g)_{g \in G}$  be the dual basis of  $(g)_{g \in G}$ . Then  $\epsilon(e_g) = e_g(1_G) = \delta_{g,1_G}$  and  $\Delta(e_g) = \sum_{a,b \in G, ab=g} e_a \otimes e_b$  because for  $x, y \in G$ :

$$\sum_{ab=g} e_a(x)e_b(y) = \sum_{ab=g} \delta_{a,x}\delta_{b,y} = \delta_{g,xy} = e_g(xy).$$

**Corollary 2.12.** We have an equivalence of categories

$$\{C \mid C \text{ f. d. } k\text{-coalgebra}\}^{\text{op}} \simeq \{A \mid A \text{ f. d. } k\text{-algebra}\}$$

with  $C \mapsto C^*$  and  $A \mapsto A^*$ .

*Proof.* These functors are well-defined: We have already seen that  $\text{Hom}_k(-, k) : \text{Coalgebras}_k^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Algebras}_k$  is a functor. It is also easy to check that if  $\kappa : A \rightarrow A'$  is an homomorphism between finite dimensional algebras, then  $\kappa^* : (A')^* \rightarrow A^*$  is a coalgebra homomorphism.

We already know that  $\text{id} \simeq ()^{**}$  for finite dimensional vector spaces. It remains to show that this natural isomorphism restricts to isomorphisms of finite dimensional coalgebras and algebras.

That is, for  $A$  a finite dimensional algebra, consider the bijective map

$$\varphi : A \rightarrow A^{**}, a \mapsto (f \mapsto f(a)).$$

We have to check that  $\varphi$  is an algebra homomorphism. For  $F, G \in A^{**}$ ,  $f \in A^*$  we have  $(F \cdot G)(f) = F(f_1)G(f_2)$  with  $f_1(a)f_2(b) = f(ab)$  for all  $a, b \in A$ . This implies that

$$\varphi(ab)(f) = f(ab) = f_1(a)f_2(b) = (\varphi(a) \cdot \varphi(b))(f).$$

Also,

$$\varphi(1)(f) = f(1) = 1_{A^{**}}(f).$$

This shows that  $A \simeq A^{**}$  as algebras.

Likewise, for  $C$  a finite dimensional coalgebra, the linear bijection

$$\psi : C \rightarrow C^{**}, x \mapsto (f \mapsto f(x))$$

preserves the coalgebra structures: For  $F \in C^{**}$  we have that  $\Delta(F) = F_1 \otimes F_2$  is uniquely determined by  $F_1(f)F_2(g) = F(f * g)$  for all  $f, g \in C^*$ . So

$$\psi(x_1)(f)\psi(x_2)(g) = f(x_1)g(x_2) = (f * g)(x) = \psi(x)(f * g)$$

implies that

$$\Delta(\psi(x)) = \psi(x_1) \otimes \psi(x_2).$$

Moreover,  $\epsilon_{C^{**}}(F) = F(1_{C^*}) = F(\epsilon_C)$  implies that

$$\epsilon_{C^{**}}(\psi(x)) = \psi(x)(\epsilon_C) = \epsilon_C(x).$$

This shows that  $C \simeq C^{**}$  as coalgebras. The isomorphism is easily seen to be functorial.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.13.** *Let  $C$  and  $D$  be  $k$ -coalgebras. Then so is  $C \otimes D$  is a coalgebra with a componentwise structure. That is,  $\Delta(x \otimes y) = (x_1 \otimes y_1) \otimes (x_2 \otimes y_2)$  and  $\epsilon(x \otimes y) = \epsilon_C(x)\epsilon_D(y)$ .*

**Definition 2.14.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra.*

- 1) *An element  $g \in C$  is called grouplike, if  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$  and  $\epsilon(g) = 1$ .*
- 2) *We set  $G(C) := \{g \in C \mid g \text{ is grouplike}\}$ .*
- 3) *Let  $x \in C$ ,  $g, h \in G(C)$ . We say  $x$  is  $(g, h)$ -primitive or skew-primitive, if  $\Delta(x) = g \otimes x + x \otimes h$ .*

**Proposition 2.15.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra.*

1) If  $g \in C$  satisfies  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$  and  $g \neq 0$  then  $\epsilon(g) = 1$ .

2) If  $x \in C$  is skew-primitive, then  $\epsilon(x) = 0$ .

**Proposition 2.16.** *If  $A$  is a finite dimensional algebra, then  $G(A^*) = \text{Alg}_k(A, k)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in A^*$ . Then  $f \in G(A^*)$  if and only if  $1 = \epsilon_{A^*}(f) = f(1_A)$  and  $f_1 \otimes f_2 = f \otimes f$ , which is equivalent to  $f(a)f(b) = f(ab)$  for all  $a, b \in A$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.17** (Dedekind). *Let  $M$  be a set,  $\mu : M \times M \rightarrow M$  a map,  $k$  a field. Then*

$$X = \{f \in k^M \setminus 0 \mid f(\mu(a, b)) = f(a)f(b) \text{ for all } a, b \in M\}$$

*is a linear independent subset of  $k^M$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $X$  is not linear independent. Then there are distinct elements  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in X$  that linear dependent such that all proper subsets of  $\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  are linear independent. Hence we may write

$$f_1 = \sum_{i \geq 2} \lambda_i f_i.$$

Thus for all  $a, b \in M$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i \geq 2} \lambda_i f_i(a) \right) \left( \sum_{j \geq 2} \lambda_j f_j(b) \right) &= f_1(a)f_2(b) \\ &= f_1(\mu(a, b)) \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 2} \lambda_i f_i(\mu(a, b)) \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 2} \lambda_i f_i(a)f_i(b). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $f_2, \dots, f_n$  are linear dependent, contradicting our minimality assumption.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.18.** *If  $C$  is a coalgebra, then  $G(C) \subset C$  is linear independent.*

*Proof.* The injective coalgebra homomorphism

$$\psi : C \rightarrow C^{**}, \quad x \mapsto (f \rightarrow f(x))$$

restricts to an injective linear map

$$G(C) \rightarrow G(C^{**}) = \text{Alg}(C^*, k).$$

Since  $\text{Alg}(C^*, k) \subset C^{**}$  is linear independent by Dedekind's lemma, it follows that  $G(C) \subset C$  is linear independent.  $\square$

**Definition 2.19.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra. A subspace  $I \subset C$  is a coideal if  $\Delta(I) \subset C \otimes I + I \otimes C$  and  $\epsilon(I) = 0$ . In this case  $C/I$  is a coalgebra as well.*

*Proof.* The conditions on  $I$  are precisely what we require for  $\epsilon$  to factor over  $C/I$  and for  $\Delta$  to factor over  $C/I \otimes C/I$ . The coalgebra axioms of  $C/I$  then follow from the coalgebra axioms of  $C$ .  $\square$

**Remark 2.20.** *If  $X, Y$  are vector spaces and  $U \subset X, V \subset X$  are subspaces, then  $U \otimes V \subset X \otimes Y$  is a subspace. This needs not hold for tensor products over arbitrary rings.*

**Proposition 2.21.** *Let  $\varphi : C \rightarrow C'$  be a coalgebra homomorphism. Then  $\ker(\varphi) \subset C$  is a coideal and  $\text{im}(\varphi) \subset C'$  is a subcoalgebra. The map  $\varphi$  induces a coalgebra isomorphism*

$$\bar{\varphi} : C/\ker(\varphi) \rightarrow \text{im}(\varphi), \quad \bar{x} \mapsto \varphi(x).$$

*Proof.* The homomorphism theorem for modules gives us that  $\bar{\varphi}$  is a well-defined  $k$ -linear map. As  $\varphi$  is a coalgebra homomorphism it follows that  $\bar{\varphi}$  is also a coalgebra homomorphism.  $\square$

## 2.2 Hopf algebras

**Definition 2.22.** *Let  $H$  be a  $k$ -algebra and let  $\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$  and  $\epsilon : H \rightarrow k$  be  $k$ -linear maps.*

- 1)  $H$  is a bialgebra, with  $(H, \Delta, \epsilon)$  is a coalgebra and  $\Delta$  and  $\epsilon$  are algebra homomorphisms.

2)  $H$  is a Hopf algebra if it is a bialgebra and  $\text{id} \in \text{Hom}_k(H, H)$  has an  $*$ -inverse  $S$ . That is, if there exists a linear map  $S : H \rightarrow H$  such that

$$S(x_1)x_2 = \epsilon(x)1_H = x_1S(x_2)$$

for all  $x \in H$ . We say  $S$  the antipode of  $H$ . Note that any bialgebra may have at most one antipode.

**Example 2.23.** 1) If  $G$  is a group then  $k[G]$  is a Hopf algebra.

*Proof.*  $\Delta$  and  $\epsilon$  are algebra homomorphisms by construction (via the universal property of the monoid algebra). Let  $S : k[G] \rightarrow k[G]^{\text{op}}$  be the algebra homomorphism with  $S(g) = g^{-1}$ . Then  $S$  satisfies the antipode axioms.  $\square$

2) If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra and  $g \in G(H)$  then  $S(g) = g^{-1}$ .

*Proof.*  $\epsilon(g) = 1$  implies  $S(g)g = 1_H = gS(g)$ .  $\square$

3) If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra, and  $x \in H$  is  $(g, h)$ -primitive, then  $S(x) = -g^{-1}xh^{-1}$ .

*Proof.*  $\Delta(x) = g \otimes x + x \otimes h$  and  $\epsilon(x) = 0$  implies

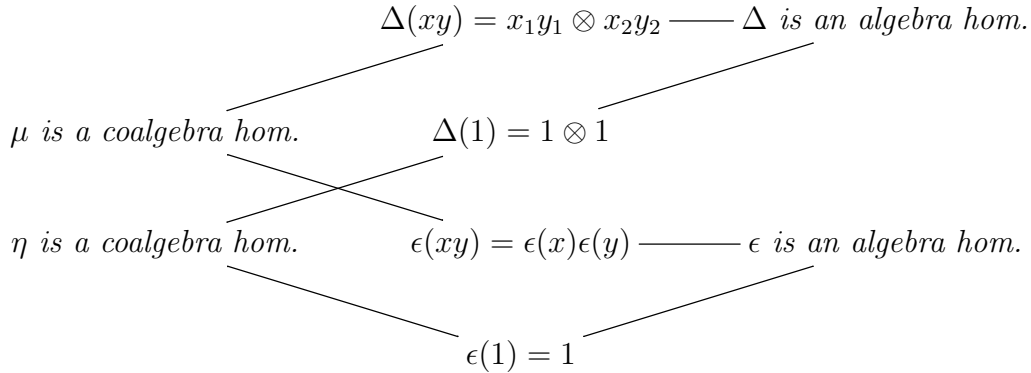
$$0 = S(g)x + S(x)h = g^{-1}x + S(x)h.$$

We know that  $h$  is invertible because it is grouplike, hence

$$S(x) = -g^{-1}xh^{-1}.$$

$\square$

**Proposition 2.24.** Let  $H$  be an algebra and  $(H, \Delta, \epsilon)$  a coalgebra. Then



- Definition 2.25.** 1) If  $C$  is a coalgebra, we may form the coalgebra  $C^{\text{cop}}$  with  $\Delta_{C^{\text{cop}}}(x) = x_2 \otimes x_1$ .
- 2) We say a coalgebra  $C$  is cocommutative, if  $x_1 \otimes x_2 = x_2 \otimes x_1$  for all  $x \in C$ .
- 3) Let  $A, B$  be algebras. An anti-algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$  is an algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : A^{\text{op}} \rightarrow B$ .
- 4) Let  $C, D$  be coalgebras. An anti-coalgebra homomorphism  $\psi : C \rightarrow D$  is a coalgebra homomorphism  $\psi : C^{\text{cop}} \rightarrow D$ .
- 5) Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be bialgebras. A linear map  $\varphi : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  is a bialgebra homomorphism if  $\varphi$  is both an algebra homomorphism and a coalgebra homomorphism.
- 6) Hopf algebra homomorphisms are bialgebra homomorphisms.
- 7) Subcoalgebras, subbialgebras and sub Hopf algebras are defined in a canonical way.

- Theorem 2.26.** 1) Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be Hopf algebras and  $\varphi : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  a bialgebra homomorphism. Then  $S_{H_2}\varphi = \varphi S_{H_1}$ .
- 2) Let  $H_1 \subset H_2$  be a sub Hopf algebra. Then  $S_{H_2}(H_1) \subset H_1$  and  $S_{H_1} = (S_{H_2})|_{H_1}$ .

*Proof.* 1) The idea is to show that  $S_{H_2}\varphi$  and  $\varphi S_{H_1}$  are both  $*$ -inverse to  $\varphi$  in the algebra  $\text{Hom}_k(H_1, H_2)$ . To this end, note that for all  $x \in H_1$

$$S_{H_2}(\varphi(x_1))\varphi(x_2) = S_{H_2}(\varphi(x)_1)\varphi(x)_2 = \epsilon(\varphi(x))1 = \epsilon(x)1$$

and likewise  $\varphi(x_1)S_{H_2}(\varphi(x_2)) = \epsilon(x)1$ . Thus  $S_{H_2}\varphi$  the  $*$ -inverse of  $\varphi$ .

It also holds that

$$\varphi(S_{H_1}(x_1))\varphi(x_2) = \varphi(S_{H_1}(x_1)x_2) = \varphi(\epsilon(x)1) = \epsilon(x)1$$

and likewise  $\varphi(x_1)\varphi(S_{H_1}(x_2)) = \epsilon(x)1$ . This shows that  $\varphi S_{H_1}$  is the  $*$ -inverse of  $\varphi$  and hence must be identical to  $S_{H_2}\varphi$ .

2) Let  $\iota : H_1 \subset H_2$  be the inclusion map. By 1) we know that  $S_{H_2}\iota = \iota S_{H_1}$ , so  $S_{H_2}(H_1) \subset H_1$  and  $S_{H_1} = (S_{H_2})|_{H_1}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.27.** 1) If  $C$  is a coalgebra, then  $k^{(G(C))} \subset C$  is a subcoalgebra.

2) If  $B$  is a bialgebra, then  $G(B)$  is a monoid and  $k[G(B)] \subset B$  is a subbialgebra.

3) If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra, then  $G(H)$  is a group and  $k[G] \subset H$  is a sub Hopf algebra.

**Proposition 2.28.** Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra with antipode  $S$ .

1)  $S$  is an anti-algebra homomorphism.

*Proof.* Consider the map

$$\varphi : H \otimes H \rightarrow H, \quad x \otimes y \mapsto S(xy)$$

and the map

$$\psi : H \otimes H \rightarrow H, \quad x \otimes y \mapsto S(y)S(x).$$

We are going to show  $\phi = \psi$  by verifying that both maps are both left  $*$ -inverse to the multiplication  $\mu$ .

Indeed

$$\varphi(x_1 \otimes y_1) \mu(x_2 \otimes y_2) = S(x_1 y_1)(x_2 y_2) = S((xy)_1)(xy)_2 = \epsilon(xy)1_H = \epsilon(x)\epsilon(y)1_H$$

implies that  $\varphi * \mu = \eta_H \epsilon_{H \otimes H}$ . Analogously we may check that  $\mu * \varphi = \eta_H \epsilon_{H \otimes H}$ . Furthermore

$$\psi(x_1 \otimes y_1) \mu(x_2 \otimes y_2) = S(y_1)S(x_1)x_2 y_2 = \epsilon(x)S(y_1)y_2 = \epsilon(x)\epsilon(y)1_H.$$

Hence  $\psi = \mu^{-1} = \varphi$  in  $\text{Hom}(H \otimes H, H)$ .  $\square$

2)  $S$  is an anti-coalgebra homomorphism.

*Proof.* Consider

$$\varphi : H \rightarrow H \otimes H, \quad x \mapsto S(x_2) \otimes S(x_1)$$

and

$$\psi : H \rightarrow H \otimes H \otimes H, \quad x \mapsto S(x)_1 \otimes S(x)_2.$$

We are going to show that  $\varphi = \Delta^{-1} = \psi$  in the algebra  $\text{Hom}(H, H \otimes H)$ .

To this end, note that for all  $x \in H$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x_1)\varphi(x_2) &= (x_1 \otimes x_2)(S(x_4) \otimes S(x_3)) \\ &= x_1S(x_4) \otimes x_2S(x_3) \\ &= x_1S(x_3) \otimes \epsilon(x_2)1_H \\ &= x_1S(\epsilon(x_2)x_3) \otimes 1_H \\ &= x_1S(x_2) \otimes 1_H \\ &= \epsilon(x)1_H \otimes 1_H. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $\Delta * \varphi = \eta_{H \otimes H} \epsilon_H$  in  $\text{Hom}(H, H \otimes H)$ . Analogously, we may check that  $\varphi * \Delta = \eta_{H \otimes H} \epsilon_H$ .

Furthermore, it holds that

$$\Delta(x_1)\psi(x_2) = \Delta(x_1)\Delta(S(x_2)) = \Delta(x_1S(x_2)) = \epsilon(x)\Delta(1) = \epsilon(x)1 \otimes H.$$

This show that  $\psi = \Delta^{-1}$  in  $\text{Hom}(H, H \otimes H)$ .  $\square$

3) *The following three conditions are equivalent:*

- a)  $S^2 = \text{id}$
- b)  $x_2S(x_1) = \epsilon(x)1_H$  for all  $x \in H$
- c)  $S(x_2)x_1 = \epsilon(x)1_H$  for all  $x \in H$

*Proof.* a)  $\Rightarrow$  b): Suppose that a) holds. Then  $S$  is bijective and

$$S(x_2S(x_1)) = S^2(x_1)S(x_2) = x_1S(x_2) = \epsilon(x)1 = S(\epsilon(x)1).$$

hence  $x_2S(x_1) = \epsilon(x)$ .

b)  $\Rightarrow$  a): Suppose that b) holds. Then

$$\epsilon(x)1_H = S^2(x_1)S(x_2).$$

Hence  $S^2$  is left- $*$ -inverse to  $S$ , yielding  $S^2 = \text{id}$ .

The equivalence a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  c) may be proven analogously.  $\square$

4) *In particular, if  $H$  is commutative or cocommutative then  $S^2 = \text{id}$ .*

**Corollary 2.29.** *Let  $H$  be an algebra and  $M \subset H$  an algebra generating system.*

- 1) *Suppose that  $\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$ , and  $\epsilon : H \rightarrow k$  are algebra homomorphisms. Then  $H$  is a bialgebra if the axioms are satisfied on  $M$ .*
- 2) *Suppose that  $H$  a bialgebra,  $S : H \rightarrow H$  an anti-algebra homomorphism. Then  $H$  is a Hopf algebra if the axioms are satisfied on  $M$ .*

**Corollary 2.30.** 1) *Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $A$  a commutative algebra. Then  $\text{Alg}_k(H, A)$  is a monoid. If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra, then it is a group.*

*Proof.* For  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Alg}_k(H, A)$  the commutativity of  $A$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi * \psi)(xy) &= \varphi(x_1 y_1) \psi(x_2 y_2) \\ &= \varphi(x_1) \psi(x_2) \varphi(y_1) \psi(y_2) \\ &= (\varphi * \psi)(x) (\varphi * \psi)(y) \end{aligned}$$

As  $(\varphi * \psi)(1) = \varphi(1) \psi(1) = 1$  this implies that  $\text{Alg}_k(H, A)$  is a monoid.

Suppose that  $H$  is a Hopf algebra. As  $A$  is commutative it follows that  $\varphi S$  is an algebra homomorphism. We are going to check that  $\varphi S$  is the inverse of  $\varphi$ . To this end:

$$\varphi(S(x_1)) \varphi(x_2) = \varphi(S(x_1) x_2) = \epsilon_H(x) 1$$

and

$$\varphi(x_1) \varphi(S(x_2)) = \varphi(x_1 S(x_2)) = \epsilon_H(x) 1.$$

□

- 2) *Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $C$  a cocommutative coalgebra. Then  $\text{Coalg}_k(C, H)$  is a monoid. If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra, then it is a group.*

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Coalg}_k(C, H)$ . Then the cocommutativity of  $C$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_H((\varphi * \psi)(x)) &= \Delta_H(\varphi(x_1)) \Delta_H(\psi(x_2)) \\ &= (\varphi(x_1) \otimes \varphi(x_2)) (\psi(x_3) \otimes \psi(x_4)) \\ &= \varphi(x_1) \psi(x_3) \otimes \varphi(x_2) \psi(x_4) \\ &= \varphi(x_1) \psi(x_2) \otimes \varphi(x_3) \psi(x_4) \\ &= (\varphi * \psi)(x_1) \otimes (\varphi * \psi)(x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$\epsilon_H((\varphi*\psi)(x)) = \epsilon_H(\varphi(x_1))\epsilon_H(\psi(x_2)) = \epsilon_C(x_1)\epsilon_C(x_2) = \epsilon_C(\epsilon_C(x_1)x_2) = \epsilon_C(x).$$

This shows that  $\text{Coalg}_k(C, H)$  is a monoid.

Suppose that  $H$  is a Hopf algebra. We are going to show that  $S\varphi$  is the  $*$ -inverse of  $\varphi$ . Indeed:

$$(S\varphi)(x_1)\varphi(x_2) = S(\varphi(x_1))\varphi(x_2) = S(\varphi(x)_1)\varphi(x)_2 = \epsilon_H(\varphi(x))1_H = \epsilon_C(x)1_H.$$

That is,  $S\varphi*\varphi = \eta_H\epsilon_C$ . Likewise, we may check that  $\varphi*S\varphi = \eta_H\epsilon_C$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.31.** *We have an equivalence of categories*

$$\{B \mid B \text{ f. d. } k\text{-bialgebra}\}^{\text{op}} \simeq \{B \mid B \text{ f. d. } k\text{-bialgebra}\}$$

with  $B \mapsto B^*$ . It restricts to

$$\{H \mid H \text{ f. d. Hopf algebra over } k\}^{\text{op}} \simeq \{H \mid H \text{ f. d. Hopf algebra over } k\}$$

*Proof.* We know that if  $B$  is a finite dimensional  $k$ -bialgebra then  $B^*$  is both an algebra and a coalgebra. In order to check that it is a bialgebra, we have to verify that  $\Delta_{B^*}$  and  $\epsilon_{B^*}$  are algebra homomorphisms.

Recall that

$$B^* \xrightarrow{\mu_B^*} (B \otimes B)^* \xrightarrow{\simeq} B^* \otimes B^*.$$

$\Delta_{B^*}$

The map

$$B^* \xrightarrow{\mu_B^*} (B \otimes B)^*, \quad f \mapsto (x \otimes y \mapsto f(xy))$$

is an algebra homomorphism (since  $\mu_B : B \otimes B \rightarrow B$  is a coalgebra homomorphism), and the isomorphism

$$B^* \otimes B^* \simeq (B \otimes B)^*, \quad (f \otimes g) \mapsto (x \otimes y \mapsto f(x)g(y))$$

is an algebra homomorphism as well. This shows that  $\Delta_{B^*}$  is an algebra homomorphism.

Recall that

$$B^* \xrightarrow{\eta_B^*} k^* \xrightarrow{\simeq} k.$$

$\epsilon_{B^*}$

The map  $\epsilon_{B^*}$  is an algebra homomorphism: The map

$$B^* \xrightarrow{\eta_B^*} k^*, \quad f \mapsto (\lambda \mapsto \lambda f(1))$$

preserves the algebra structure (as  $\eta : k \rightarrow B$  is a coalgebra homomorphism) and the map

$$k^* \simeq k, \quad g \mapsto g(1)$$

is an algebra isomorphism. Here  $k^*$  becomes an algebra via the coalgebra structure  $\Delta_k(\lambda) = \lambda 1_k \otimes 1_k$  and  $\epsilon_k(\lambda) = \lambda$  for  $\lambda \in k$ .

The functorial vector space isomorphism

$$\varphi : B \rightarrow B^{**}, \quad b \mapsto (f \mapsto f(b))$$

preserves both the algebra and coalgebra structures, and is hence a bialgebra isomorphism. This proves the first equivalence of categories.

In order to prove the second equivalence, it remains to show that if  $H$  is a finite dimensional Hopf algebra, then  $H^*$  is a Hopf algebra with antipode  $S_{H^*} = S_H^*$ , that is  $S_{H^*}(f) = fS$  for all  $f \in H^*$ .

Indeed, it holds that

$$f_1 * f_2(S) = \epsilon_{H^*}(f) 1_{H^*}$$

because for all  $x \in H$

$$f_1(x_1) f_2(S(x_2)) = f(x_1 S(x_2)) = f(\epsilon(x) 1_H) = \epsilon(x) f(1_H) = 1_{H^*}(x) \epsilon_{H^*}(f).$$

Likewise we may verify that

$$f_1(S) * f_2 = \epsilon_{H^*}(f) 1_{H^*}.$$

□

**Definition 2.32.** 1)  $H$  a bialgebra,  $I \subset H$  a subspace. We say  $I$  is a biideal, if it is both an ideal and a coideal. In this case  $H/I$  is a bialgebra.

2) If  $\phi : H \rightarrow H'$  is a bialgebra homomorphism then  $\ker \phi \subset H$  is a biideal. The usual homomorphism theorems hold.

3) If  $H$  and  $H'$  are bialgebras then so is  $H \otimes H'$ .

**Definition 2.33.** 1)  $H$  a Hopf algebra. A biideal  $I \subset H$  is a Hopf ideal if  $S(I) \subset I$ . In this case  $S/I$  is a Hopf algebra.

2) If  $\phi : H \rightarrow H'$  is a Hopf algebra homomorphism then  $\ker \phi \subset H$  is a Hopf ideal.

3) If  $H$  and  $H'$  are Hopf algebras, then so is  $H \otimes H'$ .

**Proposition 2.34.** Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $G \subset G(H)$  a subset. Then  $I = \langle g - 1 \mid g \in G \rangle$  (the ideal generated by all elements  $g - 1$ ) is a biideal of  $H$ . If  $H$  is Hopf algebra, then it is a Hopf ideal.

*Proof.*  $I$  is an ideal by definition. It is a coideal because for all  $g \in G$  it holds that  $\epsilon(g - 1) = 0$  and

$$\Delta(g - 1) = g \otimes g - 1 \otimes 1 = g \otimes (g - 1) + (g - 1) \otimes 1 \in H \otimes I + I \otimes H.$$

Moreover, if  $H$  is a Hopf algebra then  $I$  is an Hopf ideal, since  $S(g - 1) = S(g) - 1 = g^{-1} - 1 = -g^{-1}(g - 1) \in HI \subset I$ .  $\square$

## 2.3 Examples

In the previous section we saw that when  $H$  is a Hopf algebra, then  $\text{Alg}(H, -)$  is a functor from the category of commutative algebras to the category of groups. The following are few examples of Hopf algebras for which we may determine this functor explicitly.

**Example 2.35.** 1) The polynomial algebra  $k[T]$  is a Hopf algebra with  $T$  primitive. It holds that

$$\Delta(T^n) = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} T^i \otimes T^{n-i}$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ . If  $A$  is a commutative algebra then

$$\text{Alg}_k(k[T], A) \rightarrow (A, +), \quad \varphi \mapsto \varphi(T)$$

is a group isomorphism.

*Proof.* For  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Alg}_k(k[T], A)$  it holds that

$$(\varphi * \psi)(T) = \varphi(T)\psi(1) + \varphi(1)\psi(T) = \varphi(T) + \psi(T).$$

$\square$

2) If  $\text{char}(k) = p$  then  $(T^p) \subset k[T]$  is a Hopf-ideal and  $k[T]/(T^p)$  is a quotient Hopf algebra. For any commutative algebra  $A$  set  $\alpha_p(A) = \{a \in A \mid a^p = 0\}$ . Then

$$\text{Alg}_k(k[T]/(T^p), A) \rightarrow \alpha_p(A), \quad \varphi \mapsto \varphi(\bar{T})$$

is a group isomorphism that is functorial in  $A$ .

**Example 2.36.** The polynomial ring  $B = k[T_{i,j} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n]$  is a bialgebra with  $\Delta(T_{i,j}) = \sum_{1 \leq \ell \leq n} T_{i,\ell} \otimes T_{\ell,j}$  and  $\epsilon(T_{i,j}) = \delta_{i,j}$ . Consider the matrix  $M = (T_{i,j})_{i,j} \in M_n(B)$  and set  $d = \det(M)$ . Then  $d$  is a group-like element, because

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(d) &= \det\left(\sum_{1 \leq \ell \leq n} T_{i,\ell} \otimes T_{\ell,j}\right)_{i,j} \\ &= (\det(T_{i,j} \otimes 1))_{i,j} (\det(1 \otimes T_{i,j}))_{i,j} \\ &= (d \otimes 1)(1 \otimes d) \\ &= d \otimes d. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(d - 1) \subset B$  is a biideal and  $H = B/(d - 1)$  is a bialgebra.

By Cramer's rule there is a matrix  $N = (t_{i,j})_{i,j} \in M_n(B)$  with

$$MN = NM = dI.$$

Note that this implies  $\det(N) = d^{n-1}$  since  $B$  is an integral domain. Let  $S : B \rightarrow H$  be the algebra homomorphism with  $S(T_{i,j}) = \bar{t}_{i,j}$ . Then

$$S(d - 1) = \det(\bar{t}_{i,j})_{i,j} - 1 = 0.$$

Hence  $S$  induces an algebra homomorphism  $\bar{S} : H \rightarrow H$  with

$$\bar{S}(\bar{T}_{i,j}) = \bar{t}_{i,j}.$$

We may verify that  $\bar{S}$  is an antipode of  $H$ , making  $H$  a Hopf algebra:

$$(\Delta(T_{i,j}))_{i,j} = (T_{i,j} \otimes 1)_{i,j} (1 \otimes T_{i,j})_{i,j}$$

and hence

$$((\bar{T}_{i,j})_1 \bar{S}((\bar{T}_{i,j})_2))_{i,j} = (S((\bar{T}_{i,j})_1) (\bar{T}_{i,j})_2)_{i,j} = I = (\bar{\epsilon}(\bar{T}_{i,j}) 1)_{i,j}.$$

If  $A$  is a commutative algebra, then

$$\text{Alg}(k[T_{i,j}]/(d - 1), A) \rightarrow \text{SL}_n(A), \quad \varphi \mapsto (\varphi(\bar{T}_{i,j}))_{i,j}$$

is a group isomorphism that is functorial in  $A$ .

**Definition 2.37.** Let  $v$  be an indeterminate. In the field  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$  we define for  $0 \leq i \leq n$

$$(n)_v = \frac{v^n - 1}{v - 1} = 1 + \dots + v^{n-1} \in \mathbb{Z}[v] \quad (2.1)$$

$$(n)_v! = (1)_v \cdot \dots \cdot (n)_v \in \mathbb{Z}[v] \quad (2.2)$$

$$\binom{n}{i}_v = \frac{(n)_v!}{(i)_v!(n-i)_v!} \in \mathbb{Z}[v]. \quad (2.3)$$

For  $i < 0$  or  $i > n$  we set  $\binom{n}{i}_v = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.38.** For  $0 < i < n$  it holds that

$$\binom{n}{i}_v = \binom{n-1}{i-1}_v + v^i \binom{n-1}{i}_v.$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{n-1}{i-1}_v + v^i \binom{n-1}{i}_v &= \frac{(n-1)_v!}{(i-1)_v!(n-i)_v!} + \frac{v^i(n-1)_v!}{(i)_v!(n-i-1)_v!} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)_v!((i)_v + v^i(n-i)_v)}{(i)_v!(n-i)_v!} \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$(i)_v + v^i(n-i)_v = 1 + \dots + v^i + v^i(1 + \dots + v^{n-i}) = (n)_v$$

it follows that this expression is equal to  $\binom{n}{i}_v$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.39.** Given  $q \in k$  there is a ring homomorphism  $\mathbb{Z}[v] \rightarrow k$  with  $v \mapsto q$ . We let  $(n)_q$ ,  $(n)_q!$ , and  $\binom{n}{i}_q$  denote the images of  $(n)_v$ ,  $(n)_v!$ , and  $\binom{n}{i}_v$  under this homomorphism.

**Corollary 2.40.** Let  $A$  be an algebra,  $a, b \in A$ ,  $ba = qab$  for some  $q \in k$ .

- 1)  $(a + b)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}_q a^i b^{n-i}$
- 2) If  $q$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity then  $\binom{n}{i}_q = 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  and hence  $(a + b)^n = a^n + b^n$ .

*Proof.* 1) By induction on  $n$ . If  $(a+b)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}_q a^i b^{n-i}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)(a+b)^n &= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}_q a^{i+1} b^{n-i} + q^i \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}_q a^i b^{n+1-i} \\ &= a^n + b^n + \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \binom{n}{k-1}_q + q^k \binom{n}{k}_q \right) a^k b^{n+1-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{k}_q a^k b^{n+1-k}. \end{aligned}$$

2) Suppose that  $n \geq 2$ . Since

$$(q-1)(i)_q = q^i - 1$$

it follows that  $(i)_q \neq 0$  for  $0 \leq i < n$  and  $(n)_q = 0$ . Hence for  $0 < i < n$  it follows that

$$(i)_q! (n-i)_q! \binom{n}{i}_q = (n)_q! = 0,$$

and hence  $\binom{n}{i}_q = 0$ . □

**Example 2.41.** 1) For  $q \in k^\times$  the bialgebra

$$H = k \langle g, x \mid gx = qxg \rangle = k \langle g, x \rangle / (gx - qxg)$$

with  $g$  group-like and  $x$   $(g, 1)$ -primitive is called the quantum plane.

*Proof.* We may define a bialgebra structure on  $k \langle g, x \rangle$  with  $g$  group-like and  $x$   $(g, 1)$ -primitive. The ideal  $(gx - qxg)$  is a biideal, since

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(gx - qxg) &= g^2 \otimes gx + gx \otimes g - qg^2 \otimes xg - qxg \otimes g \\ &= g^2 \otimes (gx - qxg) + (gx - qxg) \otimes g \end{aligned}$$

This makes  $H = k \langle g, x \mid gx = qxg \rangle$  a bialgebra. □

2) For  $q \in k^\times$  the Hopf algebra

$$H = \langle g, h, x \mid gh = 1 = hg, gx = qxg \rangle$$

with  $g, h$  group-like,  $x$   $(g, 1)$ -primitive has an antipode with  $S(x) = q^{-1}x$ .

*Proof.* It is clear that  $H$  is a bialgebra. Let  $\hat{S} : k[G, H, X] \rightarrow H$  be the anti-algebra homomorphism with  $\hat{S}(G) = h$ ,  $\hat{S}(H) = g$ , and  $\hat{S}(x) = -hx$ . Then  $\hat{S}$  factorizes over  $H$ , since

$$\hat{S}(GH) = \hat{S}(hg) = 1$$

and

$$\hat{S}(GX - qXG) = -hxx + qh^2x = 0.$$

It is clear that the induced map  $S$  satisfies the antipode axioms. Moreover,  $S^2(x) = S(-hx) = hxg = q^{-1}hgx = q^{-1}x$ .  $\square$

3) Let  $q \in k^\times$  be a primitive  $n$ th root of unity. Then

$$H = k \langle g, x \mid g^n = 1, x^n = 0, gx = qxg \rangle$$

with  $g$  group-like and  $x$   $(g, 1)$ -primitive is called the Taft Hopf algebra. Its antipode satisfies  $S^2(x) = q^{-1}x$ .

*Proof.* Consider  $B = k \langle G, X \rangle$  as a bialgebra with  $G$ -grouplike and  $X$   $(G, 1)$ -primitive. Then  $I = (G^n - 1, X^n - 0, GX - qXG)$  is a biideal: We know that

$$\Delta(G^n - 1) \in I \otimes B + B \otimes I$$

because  $G$  is group-like. We already made the calculations to verify

$$\Delta(GX - qXG) \in I \otimes B + B \otimes I.$$

Since  $q$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity it follows by the  $q$ -binomial formula that

$$\Delta(X)^n = (g \otimes x + x \otimes 1)^n = g^n \otimes x^n + x^n \otimes 1 = 0.$$

Hence  $H$  is a bialgebra. It is easy to check that  $H$  is a Hopf algebra with antipode  $S(g) = g^{-1}$  and  $S(x) = q^{-1}x$ .  $\square$

### 3 $H$ -module algebras and smash products

**Remark 3.1.** 1) Let  $M$  be an abelian group,  $R$  a ring. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \{\mu : R \times M \rightarrow M \mid \mu \text{ } R\text{-module structure}\} &\simeq \text{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}}(R, \text{End}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M)) \\ \mu &\mapsto (\lambda \mapsto (m \mapsto \mu(\lambda, m))) \\ ((\lambda, m) \mapsto \delta(\lambda)(m)) &\leftrightarrow \delta \end{aligned}$$

is a bijection.

2) Let  $V$  be a  $k$ -vector space,  $A$  a  $k$ -algebra. Let us call an  $A$ -module structure on  $V$  “extending”, if the  $k$ -module structure on  $V$  induced by  $\eta : k \rightarrow A$  is identical to the vector space structure that is already present on  $V$ . (That is,  $\lambda.v = (\lambda 1_A).v$  for  $\lambda \in k$ ,  $v \in V$ .) Then the above bijection induces a vector space isomorphism

$$\{\mu : A \times V \rightarrow V \mid \mu \text{ extending } A\text{-module struct.}\} \simeq \text{Alg}_k(A, \text{End}_k(V)).$$

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $A$  be an algebra and let  $S : A^{\text{op}} \rightarrow A$ ,  $\Delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ ,  $\epsilon : A \rightarrow k$  be algebra homomorphisms. Then for all  $V, W \in {}_A\mathcal{M}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} k \in {}_A\mathcal{M} \text{ via } \epsilon, & \quad \text{that is } a.\lambda = \epsilon(a)\lambda \\ V \otimes_k W \in {}_A\mathcal{M} \text{ via } \Delta, & \quad \text{that is } a.(v \otimes w) = a_1v \otimes a_2w \\ \text{Hom}_k(V, W) \in {}_A\mathcal{M} \text{ via } \Delta, S, & \quad \text{that is } (a.f)(v) = a_1f(S(a_2)v) \\ V^* \in {}_A\mathcal{M} \text{ via } S, & \quad \text{that is } (a.f)(v) = f(S(a).v) \end{aligned}$$

Note that the module structure on  $V^*$  needs not be a special case of the module structure on  $\text{Hom}_k(V, k)$  (with  $(a.f)(v) = f(S(\epsilon(a_1)a_2).v)$ ), but it is if  $\epsilon$  satisfies the counit axioms. In this setting:

- 1) The  $k$ -linear isomorphism  $(U \otimes V) \otimes W \simeq U \otimes (V \otimes W)$  is  $A$ -linear for all  $U, V, W \in {}_A\mathcal{M}$ , if and only if  $\Delta$  is coassociative.
- 2) The  $k$ -linear isomorphism  $V \otimes k \simeq V \simeq k \otimes V$  is  $A$ -linear for all  $V \in {}_A\mathcal{M}$ , if and only if  $\Delta, \epsilon$  satisfy the counit axioms.
- 3) The evaluation map  $V^* \otimes V \rightarrow k$  is  $A$ -linear for all  $V \in {}_A\mathcal{M}$ , if and only if  $S(a_1)a_2 = \epsilon(a)1_A$  for all  $a \in A$ .
- 4) The map  $k \rightarrow \text{End}_k(V)$  is  $A$ -linear for all  $V \in {}_A\mathcal{M}$ , if and only if  $a_1S(a_2) = \epsilon(a)1_A$  for all  $a \in A$ .

*Proof.* 1) It holds that

$$a.((u \otimes v) \otimes w) = a_{11}u \otimes a_{12}v \otimes a_2w$$

and

$$a.(u \otimes (v \otimes w)) = a_1u \otimes a_{21}v \otimes a_{22}w.$$

If  $\Delta$  is coassociative then these two expressions are identical. Conversely, taking  $U = V = A$  and  $u = v = w = 1_A$  would yield coassociativity.

2) It holds that

$$a.(v \otimes \lambda) = a_1v \otimes \epsilon(a_2)\lambda = \lambda(\epsilon(a_2)a_1)v \otimes 1.$$

and

$$a(\lambda v) = \lambda(av).$$

If  $\epsilon$  is a counit, then the first expression corresponds to the second under the canonical isomorphism. Conversely, taking  $V = A$ ,  $v = 1_A$  and  $\lambda = 1_k$  would yield the counit axiom.

3) It holds that

$$a.(f \otimes v) = a_1.f \otimes a_2v = f(S(a_1) \cdot -) \otimes a_2v$$

gets mapped to

$$f(S(a_1)a_2v).$$

If  $S(a_1)a_2 = \epsilon(a)$  then this is equal to  $\epsilon(a)f(v) = a.f(v)$ . Conversely, if the evaluation map is always  $A$ -linear, then taking  $V = A$ ,  $v = 1_A$  yields  $f(S(a_1)a_2) = f(\epsilon(a)1_A)$  for all  $f \in A^*$  which implies  $S(a_1)a_2 = \epsilon(a)1_A$ .

4) The element  $a.\lambda = \epsilon(a)\lambda$  gets mapped to

$$v \mapsto \epsilon(a)\lambda v.$$

This is equal to

$$a.(v \mapsto \lambda v) = (v \mapsto a_1S(a_2)v)$$

if  $S$  satisfies the second antipode axiom. Conversely, taking  $V = A$ ,  $v = 1_A$  yields the second antipode axiom if  $k \rightarrow \text{End}_k(A)$  is  $A$ -linear.  $\square$

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $A$  an algebra.

- 1) Let  $H$  be an  $A$ -left-module such that  $H \rightarrow \text{End}_k(A)$  is an algebra homomorphism. We say  $A$  is an  $H$  left module algebra if for all  $a, b \in A$  and  $x \in H$

$$x.(ab) = (x_1.a)(x_2.b) \quad \text{and} \quad x.1_A = \epsilon(x)1_A.$$

That is, we require that  $\mu_A$  and  $\eta_A$  are  $H$ -linear. It suffices to verify these axioms on an algebra generating set of  $H$ .

- 2) Let  $\sigma, \tau \in \text{Alg}_k(A, A)$ ,  $\delta \in \text{Hom}_k(A, A)$ . We say  $\delta$  is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation, if

$$\delta(ab) = \sigma(a)\delta(b) + \delta(a)\tau(b).$$

This is equivalent to requiring that

$$A \rightarrow M_2(A), \quad a \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \sigma(a) & \delta(a) \\ 0 & \tau(a) \end{pmatrix}$$

is an algebra homomorphism.

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $A$  a  $H$  left module algebra,  $g, h \in G(H)$ , and  $x \in H$   $(g, h)$ -primitive. Then the element  $g \in B$  operates on  $A$  as an algebra homomorphism. That is,  $A \rightarrow A, a \mapsto g.a$  is an algebra homomorphism. The element  $x$  operates on  $A$  as a  $(g.-, h.-)$ -derivation.

*Proof.* It holds that

$$g.(ab) = (g_1.a)(g_2.b) = (g.a)(g.b)$$

and

$$g.(1_A) = \epsilon(g)1_A = 1_A.$$

Moreover,

$$x.(ab) = (g.a)(x.b) + (x.a)(h.b).$$

□

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $A$  an  $H$  left module algebra. The algebra  $A\#H := A \otimes H$  as vector space, with  $a\#h = a \otimes h$  and

$$(a\#g)(b\#h) = ag_1.b\#g_2.h$$

for all  $a, b \in A$ ,  $g, h \in H$  is called the smash product algebra of  $A$  and  $H$ . We use the notation

$$a = a\#1 \in A\#H, \quad g = 1\#g \in A\#H.$$

Thus  $a\#g = (a\#1)(1\#g) = ag$  and

$$ga = g_1.a\#g_2 = g_1.a.g_2.$$

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $A$  be a  $k$ -algebra,  $\sigma \in \text{Alg}_k(A, A)$ ,  $\delta : A \rightarrow A$  a  $(\sigma, \text{id})$ -derivation. We define the algebra extension  $A \subset A[x, \sigma, \delta]$  as follows. Let  $H = k \langle g, x \rangle$  be the bialgebra with  $g$  group-like and  $x$   $(g, 1)$ -primitive. The algebra  $A$  becomes an  $H$  left module algebra via  $g.a = \sigma(a)$  and  $x.a = \delta(a)$  for all  $a \in A$ . We define the sub algebra

$$A[x, \sigma, \delta] := A \otimes k[x] \subset A\#H.$$

This is well-defined since  $\Delta(k[x]) \subset H \otimes k[x]$ . The extension  $A \subset A[x, \sigma, \delta]$  is termed Ore extension. Every element  $y \in A[x, \sigma, \delta]$  has a unique representation  $y = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i x^i$  (with but finitely many coefficients equal to zero). For  $a \in A$  it holds that

$$xa = g.a\#x + x.a\#1 = \sigma(a)x + \delta(a).$$

**Example 3.7.** 1) Weyl algebra:  $k \langle x, t \mid xt = tx + 1 \rangle \simeq k[T][X, \text{id}, \frac{d}{dT}]$ . Hence  $(t^i x^j)_{i, j \geq 0}$  is a  $k$ -basis of the Weyl algebra.

2) Quantum plane:  $k \langle g, x \mid gx = qxg \rangle \simeq k[X]\#k[G]$ ,  $q \in k^\times$ , with  $G$  group-like and  $G.X = qX$ . Hence  $(x^i g^j)_{i, j \geq 0}$  is a  $k$ -basis of the quantum plane.

3)  $k \langle g, h, x \mid gh = 1 = hg, gx = qxg \rangle \simeq k[X]\#k(G)$ ,  $q \in k^\times$  with  $G$  group-like and  $G.X = qX$ . Hence  $(x^i g^j)_{i \geq 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is a  $k$ -basis.

4) Taft Hopf algebra: For  $q \in k^\times$  a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity

$$k \langle g, x \mid g^n = 1, x^n = 0, gx = qxg \rangle \simeq k[X]/(X^n)\#k[G]/(G^n - 1)$$

with  $G$  group-like,  $G.X = qX$ . Hence the Taft Hopf algebra has dimension  $n^2$  and  $(x^i g^j)_{0 \leq i, j < n}$  is basis.

**Remark 3.8.** For the Taft Hopf algebra  $B$  we are in the situation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} k[g] & \hookrightarrow & B \\ \downarrow = & \searrow & \\ k[g] & & \end{array}$$

with the arrows denoting Hopf algebra homomorphisms. This is analogous to the semi-direct product: If  $M$  and  $H$  are groups with

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \xhookrightarrow{\iota} & M \\ \downarrow = & \searrow \pi & \\ H & & \end{array}$$

then  $M \simeq G \rtimes H$  with  $G = \ker \pi$ .

**Example 3.9** (Quantum enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ ). Let  $q \in k \setminus \{0, \pm 1\}$ . Then the algebra  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  generated by indeterminates  $E, F, K, K^{-1}$  subject to the relations

$$\begin{aligned} KK^{-1} &= 1 = K^{-1}K \\ KEK^{-1} &= q^2E \\ KFK^{-1} &= q^{-2}F \\ EF - FE &= \frac{K - K^{-1}}{q - q^{-1}} \end{aligned}$$

is a Hopf algebra with  $K$  group-like,  $E$   $(K, 1)$ -primitive,  $F$   $(1, K^{-1})$ -primitive. It holds that

$$U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \simeq A[E, \sigma, \delta]$$

with

$$A = k \langle F, K, K^{-1} \mid KK^{-1} = 1 = K^{-1}K, KF = q^{-2}FK \rangle,$$

and  $\sigma \in \text{Alg}_k(A, A)$  the algebra endomorphism with  $\sigma(K) = q^{-2}K$  and  $\sigma(F) = F$ , and  $\delta : A \rightarrow A$  the  $(\sigma, \text{id})$ -derivation given by  $\delta(K) = 0 = \delta(K^{-1})$  and  $\delta(F) = (K - K^{-1})(q - q^{-1})$ . In particular,  $(F^i K^j E^\ell)_{i \in \mathbb{N}_0, j \in \mathbb{Z}, \ell \in \mathbb{N}_0}$  is a  $k$ -basis of  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ .

*Proof.* Checking that  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is a Hopf algebra will be an exercise. We are going to verify that  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \simeq A[E, \sigma, \delta]$ .

To this end, let us first check that  $A[E, \sigma, \delta]$  is well-defined. It is clear that  $\sigma$  is a well-defined algebra homomorphism. As for  $\delta$ , we need to show that the algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : A \rightarrow M_2(A)$  with

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(F) &= \begin{pmatrix} F & \frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}} \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix} \\ \varphi(K) &= \begin{pmatrix} q^{-2}K & 0 \\ 0 & K \end{pmatrix} \\ \varphi(K^{-1}) &= \begin{pmatrix} q^2K^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & K^{-1} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

is well-defined. Indeed,

$$\varphi(K)\varphi(K^{-1}) = I = \varphi(K^{-1})\varphi(K),$$

and

$$\varphi(K)\varphi(F) = \begin{pmatrix} q^{-2}K & 0 \\ 0 & K \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} F & \frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}} \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q^{-2}KF & q^{-2}K\frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}} \\ 0 & KF \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(F)\varphi(K) &= \begin{pmatrix} F & \frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}} \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q^{-2}K & 0 \\ 0 & K \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} q^{-2}FK & \frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}}K \\ 0 & FK \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} KF & K\frac{K-K^{-1}}{q-q^{-1}} \\ 0 & q^2KF \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

The relations of the  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  hold in the Ore extension  $A[E, \sigma, \delta]$ . It is clear that

$$KK^{-1} = 1 = K^{-1}K \quad \text{and} \quad KF = q^{-2}FK$$

holds in  $A[E, \sigma, \delta]$ . Moreover,

$$EK = \sigma(K)E + \delta(K) = q^{-2}KE$$

and

$$EF = \sigma(F)E + \delta(F) = FE + \frac{K - K^{-2}}{q - q^{-1}}.$$

This yields well-defined algebra homomorphism

$$\psi : U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \rightarrow A[E, \sigma, \delta].$$

By our previous examples we know that  $A$  has a  $k$ -basis  $(F^i K^j)_{i \geq 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ . Hence  $A[E, \sigma, \delta]$  has a  $k$ -basis  $(F^i K^j E^\ell)_{i \geq 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}, \ell \geq 0}$ . The algebra homomorphism  $\varphi$  maps the vector space generating family  $(F^i K^j E^\ell)_{i \geq 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}, \ell \geq 0}$  of  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  to the  $k$ -basis  $(F^i K^j E^\ell)_{i \geq 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}, \ell \geq 0}$  of  $A[E, \sigma, \delta]$ . Hence it is an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Remark 3.10.**  $\mathfrak{sl}_2 = \{A \in M_2(k) \mid \text{tr}(A) = 0\}$  has a  $k$ -basis given by

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\mathfrak{sl}_2$  is a Lie algebra with Lie bracket given by  $[A, B] = AB - BA$ . Thus

$$[h, e] = 2e, \quad [h, f] = -2f, \quad [e, f] = h.$$

Its universal enveloping algebra

$$U(\mathfrak{sl}_2) = k \langle e, f, h \mid he - eh = 2e, hf - fh = -2f, ef - fe = h \rangle$$

is a cocommutative Hopf algebra with  $e, f, h$  primitive.

## 4 Comodules and comodule algebras

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra.

- 1) Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes C$  a  $k$ -linear map that we denote by  $\delta(v) = v_0 \otimes v_1$ . We say  $(V, \delta)$  is a right  $C$  comodule if

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(v_0) \otimes v_1 &= v_0 \otimes \Delta(v_1) \\ v &= v_0 \epsilon(v_1) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $v \in V$ . That is:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V \otimes_k (C \otimes_k C) & \xleftarrow{\text{id} \otimes \Delta} & V \otimes_k C \xleftarrow{\delta} V \\ \simeq \uparrow & & \searrow \delta \\ (V \otimes_k C) \otimes_k C & \xleftarrow{\delta \otimes \text{id}} & V \otimes_k C \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V \otimes_k C & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \epsilon} & V \otimes_k k \\ \delta \uparrow & \simeq \nearrow & \\ V & & \end{array}$$

- 2) Let  $(V, \delta_V)$  and  $(W, \delta_W)$  be  $C$  right comodules. A  $k$ -linear map  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is termed  $C$ -colinear or  $C$  comodule homomorphism if

$$\delta_W(f(v)) = f(v_0) \otimes v_1$$

for all  $v \in V$ .

- 3) Left comodules are defined analogously. We let  $\mathcal{M}^C$  and  ${}^C\mathcal{M}$  denote the categories of  $C$  right comodules and  $C$  left comodules.
- 4) A subspace  $V' \subset V$  of a  $C$  right comodule  $V$  is a subcomodule if  $\delta(V') \subset V' \otimes C$ .

**Remark 4.2.** 1) A coalgebra homomorphism  $\varphi : C \rightarrow D$  induces a functor  $\mathcal{M}^C \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^D$  with  $(V, \delta) \mapsto (V, (\text{id} \otimes \varphi)\delta)$ .

- 2) Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $V, W \in \mathcal{M}^H$ . Then  $V \otimes_k W \in \mathcal{M}^H$  via  $\delta(v \otimes w) = v_0 \otimes w_0 \otimes v_1 w_1$ . Also  $k \in \mathcal{M}^H$  via  $k \rightarrow k \otimes H$ ,  $1 \mapsto 1 \otimes 1$ .

*Proof.* It holds that

$$v_0 \otimes w_0 \otimes \Delta(v_1 w_1) = v_0 \otimes w_0 \otimes v_1 w_1 \otimes v_2 w_2 = \delta(v_0 \otimes w_0) \otimes v_1 w_1$$

and

$$(v_0 \otimes w_0)\epsilon(v_1 w_1) = v \otimes w.$$

□

**Lemma 4.3.** *C a coalgebra, V a finite dimensional vector space with basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ .*

- 1) *Let  $\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes C$  be a  $k$ -linear with  $\delta(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i \otimes c_{i,j}$ . The map  $\delta$  is a  $C$  right comodule structure if and only if  $\Delta(c_{i,j}) = \sum_{\ell} c_{i,\ell} \otimes c_{\ell,j}$  and  $\epsilon(c_{i,j}) = \delta_{i,j}$ .*

*Proof.* It holds that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \delta(v_i) \otimes c_{i,j} = \sum_{h=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n v_h \otimes c_{h,i} \otimes c_{i,j}.$$

□

- 2) *Let  $(e_{i,j})_{i,j}$  be the standard basis of  $M_n(k)$  and  $(x_{i,j})_{i,j}$  the corresponding dual basis of  $M_n(k)^*$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \{\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes C \mid \delta \text{ right comodule structure}\} &\simeq \text{Coalg}(M_n(k)^*, C) \\ \delta &\mapsto \left( x_{i,j} \mapsto c_{i,j} \text{ with } \delta(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i \otimes c_{i,j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* It holds that  $\Delta(x_{i,j}) = \sum_{\ell=1}^n x_{i,\ell} \otimes x_{\ell,j}$  because

$$\sum_{\ell} x_{i,\ell}(A) x_{\ell,j}(B) = \sum_{\ell} a_{i,\ell} b_{\ell,j} = x_{i,j}(AB)$$

for all  $A = (a_{i,j}) \in M_n(k)$ ,  $B = (b_{i,j}) \in M_n(k)$ . Also

$$\epsilon(x_{i,j}) = x_{i,j}(I) = \delta_{i,j}.$$

□

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra,  $V \in \mathcal{M}^C$ .*

- 1)  $V$  is the union of all its finite dimensional  $C$  subcomodules.
- 2)  $C$  is the union of all its finite dimensional subcoalgebras.

*Proof.* It suffices to verify 1). Let  $0 \neq v \in V$ . We need to show that  $v$  is contained in some finite dimensional subcomodule. Let  $(c_i)_{i \in I}$  be a basis of  $C$ . Let  $(v_i)_i \in V$  be the unique elements with

$$\delta(v) = \sum_i v_i \otimes c_i.$$

Here all but finitely many  $v_i = 0$ . It clearly holds that

$$v = v_0 \epsilon(v_1) \in V' := \sum_i kv_i.$$

Moreover,

$$\sum_i \delta(v_i) \otimes c_i = \sum_i v_i \otimes \Delta(c_i) \in V' \otimes C \otimes C.$$

As  $C = \bigoplus_i kc_i$  we have  $V \otimes C \otimes C \simeq \bigoplus_i V \otimes C \otimes kc_i$ . Applying the projection to the  $i$ th component to  $\sum_i \delta(v_i) \otimes c_i$  yields

$$\delta(v_i) \in V' \otimes C$$

for all  $i$ . □

**Definition 4.5.** *Let  $H$  be a bialgebra,  $A$  an algebra,  $\delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes H$  an  $H$  right comodule structure. We say  $(A, \delta)$  is a right comodule algebra if  $\delta$  is an algebra homomorphism.*

*This is equivalent to requiring that  $\mu$  and  $\eta$  are colinear.*

*Proof.* It holds that

$$(\mu \otimes \text{id})\delta_{A \otimes A}(a \otimes b) = a_0 b_0 \otimes a_1 b_1$$

and

$$\delta(\mu(a \otimes b)) = (ab)_0 \otimes (ab)_1.$$

That is,  $\mu$  is colinear if and only if  $\delta(ab) = \delta(a)\delta(b)$  for all  $a, b$ . Likewise  $\delta(1) = 1_A \otimes 1_H$  if and only if  $\eta$  is colinear, since

$$(\eta \otimes \text{id})\delta_k(\lambda) = \lambda 1_A \otimes 1_H$$

and

$$\delta(\eta(\lambda)) = \lambda\delta(1_A).$$

□

**Remark 4.6.** 1) Let  $A$  be an algebra,  $H$  a bialgebra.  $A$  is an  $H$  left module algebra, if it is an algebra in  ${}_H\mathcal{M}$  with respect to  $\otimes_k$ . (That is, if  $\mu$  and  $\eta$  are  $H$ -linear.)  $A$  is an  $H$  right comodule algebra if it is in algebra in  $\mathcal{M}^H$  with respect to  $\otimes_k$ . (That is, if  $\mu$  and  $\eta$  are  $H$ -colinear.)

2) Let  $A$  be an algebra,  $H$  a bialgebra,  $\delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes H$  an algebra homomorphism. Then  $\delta$  is a right comodule algebra structure if the axioms are satisfied on some algebra generating set of  $A$ .

3) A bialgebra homomorphism  $\varphi : H \rightarrow H'$  induces a functor from the category of  $H$  right comodule algebras to  $H'$  right comodule algebras.

**Example 4.7.** 1) If  $H$  is a bialgebra,  $A$  an  $H$  left module algebra. Then  $A\#H$  is an  $H$  right comodule algebra via  $\text{id} \otimes \Delta$ .

2)  $G$  a group,  $N \triangleleft G$  a normal subgroup. Then  $k[G]$  is a  $k[G/N]$  right comodule algebra via  $\delta(g) = g \otimes \bar{g}$ .

3) If  $\varphi : H \rightarrow H'$  is a bialgebra homomorphism, then  $H$  is a  $H'$  right comodule algebra via  $(\text{id} \otimes \varphi)\Delta$ .

4)  $k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  is a  $k[X_{i,j} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n]$  right comodule algebra via  $\delta(x_n) = \sum_{\ell=1}^n x_\ell \otimes x_{\ell,n}$ . (Recall  $\Delta(X_{i,j}) = \sum_{\ell=1}^n X_{i,\ell} \otimes X_{\ell,j}$  and  $\epsilon(X_{i,j}) = \delta_{i,j}$ .)

**Lemma 4.8.** Let  $X, Y, Z$  be vector spaces such that  $Z$  is finite dimensional. Then

$$\text{Hom}(X, Y \otimes Z) \simeq \text{Hom}(Z^* \otimes X, Y), \quad \delta \mapsto (f \otimes x \mapsto x_0 f(x_1)).$$

*Proof.* The tensor product is left-adjoint to the Hom functor, hence

$$\text{Hom}(Z^* \otimes X, Y) \simeq \text{Hom}(X, \text{Hom}(Z^*, Y)).$$

As  $Z$  is finite dimensional we have  $Z \simeq Z^{**}$  and

$$\text{Hom}(Z^*, Y) \simeq Y \otimes Z^{**} \simeq Y \otimes Z.$$

Here  $y \otimes z$  corresponds to  $Z^* \rightarrow Y, f \mapsto f(z)y$ . So a linear map  $\delta : X \rightarrow Y \otimes Z$  corresponds to  $x \mapsto (f \mapsto x_0 f(x_1))$ . And this map in turn corresponds to  $Z^* \otimes X \rightarrow Y, f \otimes x \mapsto x_0 f(x_1)$ . □

**Definition 4.9.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra,  $V$  a vector space,  $\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes C$   $k$ -linear. Then  $(V, \delta)$  is a  $C$  right comodule structure if and only if the corresponding map

$$\mu : C^* \otimes V \rightarrow V, \quad f \otimes v \mapsto v_0 f(v_1)$$

is a module structure (that extends the  $k$ -vector space structure on  $V$ ). We say the  $C^*$ -module structure  $\mu$  is adjungated to  $\delta$ . If  $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear map with  $V, W \in \mathcal{M}^C$  then  $\varphi$  is a  $C$  comodule homomorphism if and only if it is  $C^*$ -linear.

*Proof.* Consider the map

$$\kappa : C^* \rightarrow \text{End}_k(V), \quad f \mapsto (v \mapsto v_0 f(v_1)).$$

Then

$$\kappa(f * g)(v) = v_0(f \odot g)(\Delta(v_1))$$

and

$$\kappa(f)\kappa(g)(v) = \kappa(f)(v_0 g(v_1)) = v_{00} f(v_{01}) g(v_1).$$

The two expressions are equal for all  $f, g \in C^*$  if and only if

$$\delta(v_0)v_1 = v_0\Delta(v_1).$$

Moreover,  $\kappa(1_{C^*})(v) = \kappa(\epsilon)(v) = v_0\epsilon(v_1)$  is equal to  $\text{id}(v) = v$  if and only if  $v_0\epsilon(v_1) = v$ . This shows that  $\delta$  is a comodule structure if and only if  $\mu$  is an extending module structure.

For  $f \in C^*$ ,  $v \in V$  it holds that

$$\varphi(f.v) = \varphi(v_0 f(v_1)) = \varphi(v_0) f(v_1)$$

and

$$f.(\varphi(v)) = \varphi(v)_0 f(\varphi(v)_1).$$

The two expressions are equal for all  $f \in C^*$  if and only if

$$\varphi(v_0) \otimes v_1 = \varphi(v)_0 \otimes \varphi(v)_1.$$

□

**Theorem 4.10.** 1) Let  $C$  be a finite dimensional coalgebra,  $V$  a vector space. Then the  $C$  right comodule structures on  $V$  correspond bijectively to the extending  $C^*$  left module structures.

- 2) Let  $H$  be a finite dimensional algebra,  $A$  an algebra. Then the  $H$  right comodule algebra structures on  $A$  correspond bijectively to the extending  $H^*$  left module algebra structures.
- 3)  $\mathcal{M}^C \simeq {}_{C^*}\mathcal{M}$  and likewise for the categories of  $H$  right comodule algebras and  $H^*$  left module algebra structures.

*Proof.* We already verified 1). In order to check 2), let the comodule structure  $\delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes H$  correspond to the module structure  $\mu : H^* \otimes A \rightarrow A$ .

Then  $\delta$  is a comodule algebra structure if and only if  $\mu_A : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$  and  $\eta_A : k \rightarrow A$  are  $H$  colinear with respect to the comodule structures on  $A \otimes A$  and  $k$ .

We know that  $\mu$  is a module algebra structure if and only if  $\mu_A$  and  $\eta_A$  are  $H^*$ -linear with respect to the  $H^*$  module structures on  $A \otimes A$  and  $k$ .

We also know that  $H$  colinearity is equivalent to  $H^*$  linearity on the adjungated  $H^*$  module structure. Hence it suffices to show that  $H^*$  module structures on  $A \otimes A$  and  $k$  induced by  $\Delta_{H^*}$  and  $\epsilon_{H^*}$  are the adjungated structures to the  $H$  comodule structures on  $A \otimes A$  and  $k$ .

Indeed, for all  $a, b \in A$  and  $f \in H^*$

$$\begin{aligned} f.(a \otimes b) &= f_1.a \otimes f_2.b \\ &= a_0 f_1(a_1) \otimes b_0 f_2(b_1) \\ &= (a_0 \otimes b_0) f_1(a_1) f_2(b_1) \\ &= (a_0 \otimes b_0) f(a_1 b_1). \end{aligned}$$

This verifies that  $A \otimes A$  carries the  $H^*$  module structure that is adjungated to the  $H$  module structure.

Also, for all  $f \in H^*$

$$f.1_k = \epsilon_{H^*}(f) = f(1_H) = (\text{id} \odot f)(1_k \otimes 1_H).$$

Hence  $k$  carries the  $H^*$  module structure that is adjungated to its  $H$  comodule structure.

Part 3) follows from parts 1) and 2). □

## 5 Affine groups

### 5.1 Affine schemes, monoids, and groups

**Definition 5.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a category. A functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$  is representable if there is an object  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $F \simeq \mathcal{C}(C, -)$ .*

**Lemma 5.2** (Yoneda). *1) Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$  be a functor and  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  an object. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mor}(\mathcal{C}(C, -), F) &\simeq F(C) \\ (\alpha_E)_E &\mapsto \alpha_C(\text{id}_C) \\ (\alpha_E : \mathcal{C}(C, E) \rightarrow F(E), \quad f &\mapsto F(f)(x))_E \leftarrow x \end{aligned}$$

*2) For  $C, D \in \mathcal{C}$ :*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mor}(\mathcal{C}(C, -), \mathcal{C}(D, -)) &\simeq \mathcal{C}(D, C) \\ (\alpha_E)_E &\mapsto \alpha_C(\text{id}) \\ \mathcal{C}(g, -) &\leftarrow g \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* It is clear that 2) follows from 1). Let us first check that the two maps are well-defined. If  $(\alpha_E)_E$  is a natural transformation from  $\mathcal{C}(C, -)$  to  $F$  then  $\alpha_C : \mathcal{C}(C, C) \rightarrow F(C)$  and consequently  $\alpha_C(\text{id}_C) \in F(C)$ . Conversely, if  $x \in F(C)$  then the maps

$$\alpha_E : \mathcal{C}(C, E) \rightarrow F(E), \quad f \mapsto F(f)(x), \quad E \in \mathcal{C}$$

are well-defined and functorial in  $E$ . Indeed, if  $g : E \rightarrow E'$  is a morphism in  $\mathcal{C}$ , then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}(C, E) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}(\text{id}, g)} & \mathcal{C}(C, E') \\ \downarrow \alpha_E & & \downarrow \alpha_{E'} \\ F(E) & \xrightarrow{F(g)} & F(E') \end{array}$$

because

$$(F(g)\alpha_E)(f) = F(g)F(f)(x) = F(gf)(x) = \alpha_{E'}(gf) = (\alpha_{E'}\mathcal{C}(\text{id}, g))(f).$$

To see that the two constructions are inverse to each other, note that for  $x \in F(C)$  it holds that

$$F(\text{id}_C)(x) = x.$$

Conversely, if  $(\alpha_E)_E$  is a natural transformation from  $\mathcal{C}(C, -)$  to  $F$ , then for each  $f \in \mathcal{C}(C, E)$  it holds that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}(C, C) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}(\text{id}, f)} & \mathcal{C}(C, E) \\ \downarrow \alpha_C & & \downarrow \alpha_E \\ F(C) & \xrightarrow{F(f)} & F(E) \end{array}$$

and hence

$$F(f)(\alpha_C(\text{id}_C)) = \alpha_E(\mathcal{C}(\text{id}, f)(\text{id}_C)) = \alpha_E(f).$$

□

**Remark 5.3.** *We are sweeping some set-theoretic aspects under the table, since our naive definition that classes are just collections of sets does not work for the collection  $\text{Mor}(\mathcal{C}(C, -), F)$ .*

**Remark 5.4.** *Let  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  be a functor.*

1)  *$F$  is called faithful, if for each  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$  the map*

$$\mathcal{C}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(X, Y), \quad f \mapsto F(f)$$

*is injective. We say  $F$  is full, if this map is surjective, and fully faithful if it is bijective.*

2) *We say  $F$  is essentially surjective, if for each  $D \in \mathcal{D}$  there is an object  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $F(C) \simeq D$ .*

3) *The functor  $F$  is an equivalence of categories, if and only if it is fully faithful and essentially surjective.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $F$  is fully faithful and for each  $D \in \mathcal{D}$  there is an object  $G(D) \in \mathcal{C}$  with an isomorphism  $\beta_D : F(G(D)) \simeq D$ . This defines a map  $G$  from the objects of  $\mathcal{D}$  to the objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  (using a suitable axiom of choice). Since  $F$  is fully faithful it holds that for any morphism  $D \xrightarrow{g} D'$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  there is a unique morphism  $G(D) \xrightarrow{f} G(D')$  with  $F(f) = \beta_{D'}^{-1} g \beta_D$ . We set  $G(g) = f$ , hence

$$\begin{array}{ccc} FG(D) & \xrightarrow{\beta_D} & D \\ \downarrow FG(g) & & \downarrow g \\ FG(D') & \xrightarrow{\beta_{D'}} & D' \end{array}$$

Since  $F$  is a functor it follows that  $FG$  is a functor too, and  $(\beta_D)_D$  is natural isomorphism from  $FG$  to  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{D}}$ . As  $F$  is faithful, this implies that  $G$  is also a functor. It remains to verify that  $GF \simeq \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}$ . To this end, note that

$$F(GF) = (FG)F \simeq (\text{id}_{\mathcal{D}})F \simeq F.$$

In other words, for all  $C \xrightarrow{h} C'$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} FGF(C) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & F(C) \\ \downarrow FGF(h) & & \downarrow F(h) \\ FGF(C') & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & F(C'). \end{array}$$

Since  $F$  is fully faithful, it follows that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} GF(C) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & C \\ \downarrow GF(h) & & \downarrow h \\ GF(C') & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & C'. \end{array}$$

□

**Remark 5.5.** *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  denote categories.*

1) *A functor  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$  is representable, if there is an object  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $F \simeq \mathcal{C}(C, -)$ . We may form the category  $\mathcal{E}$  of representable functors from  $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$  with natural transformations as sets.*

2) *The functor*

$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}, \quad C \mapsto \mathcal{C}(C, -)$$

*is fully faithful by the Yoneda lemma and hence an equivalence of categories.*

**Definition 5.6.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}_k$  denote the category of commutative  $k$ -algebras. We let  $\text{Mon}$  denote the category of monoids and  $\text{Gr}$  the category of groups. The forgetful functors from these categories to the category  $\text{Set}$  of sets will be denoted by  $\text{Fo}$ .*

1) *A representable functor  $F : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Set}$  is called an affine scheme. We let  $\text{Sch}_k$  denote the category of affine schemes.*

- 2) A representable functor  $F : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Mon}$  is called an affine monoid. We let  $\text{Mon}_k$  denote the category of affine monoids.
- 3) A representable functor  $F : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Gr}$  is called an affine group. We let  $\text{Gr}_k$  denote the category of affine groups.
- 4) For each algebra  $A \in \mathcal{A}_k$  the affine scheme  $\text{Sp}(A) := \text{Alg}_k(A, -)$  is called the spectrum of  $A$ . Thus

$$\text{Sp} : \mathcal{A}_k^{\text{op}} \simeq \text{Sch}_k.$$

- Example 5.7.**
- 1)  $\mathbb{A}_n : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Gr}$ ,  $A \mapsto (A^n, +)$  is an affine group with  $\mathbb{A}_n \simeq \text{Sp}(k[T_1, \dots, T_n])$ .
  - 2)  $GL_n : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Gr}$ ,  $A \mapsto GL_n(A)$  is an affine group with  $GL_n \simeq \text{Sp}(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}, d^{-1} \mid d^{-1} \det(T_{i,j})_{i,j} = 1])$ .
  - 3) If  $\text{char} k = p > 0$  then  $\alpha_p : \mathcal{A}_k \rightarrow \text{Gr}$ ,  $A \mapsto (\{a \in A \mid a^p = 0\}, +)$  is an affine group with  $\alpha_p \simeq \text{Alg}_k(k[T]/(T^p), -)$ .

## 5.2 Groups in the category of affine schemes

- Theorem 5.8.**
- 1) If  $H$  is a commutative bialgebra, then  $\text{Sp}(H)$  is an affine monoid with respect to the  $*$ -product. For a bialgebra homomorphism  $\varphi : H \rightarrow H'$  the natural transformation  $\text{Sp}(\varphi) : \text{Sp}(H') \rightarrow \text{Sp}(H)$  is a morphism of monoids. Hence we obtain a functor

$$\text{Sp} : \{\text{com. } k\text{-bialgebras}\}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Mon}_k$$

This functor is fully faithful. In  $\text{Sp}(H)(H \otimes H)$  it holds that  $\Delta = i_1 * i_2$  if  $i_1(x) = x \otimes 1$  and  $i_2(x) = 1 \otimes x$ . In  $\text{Sp}(H)(k)$  it holds that  $\epsilon$  is the unit element.

*Proof.* Let  $H$  and  $H'$  be bialgebra. Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Alg}_k(H', H) & \xrightarrow{\text{Sp}} & \text{Sch}_k(\text{Sp}(H), \text{Sp}(H')) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \text{BiAlg}_k(H', H) & \xrightarrow{\text{Sp}} & \text{Mon}_k(\text{Sp}(H), \text{Sp}(H')) \end{array}$$

and the first row is a bijection. This readily yields that  $\mathrm{Sp}$  is full. What is left to show is that if  $\varphi : H' \rightarrow H$  is an algebra homomorphism such that  $\mathrm{Sp}(\varphi)$  respects the monoid structures on  $\mathrm{Sp}(H)$  and  $\mathrm{Sp}(H')$  then  $\varphi$  is already a bialgebra homomorphism. Indeed, since

$$\mathrm{Alg}_k(H, A) \rightarrow \mathrm{Alg}_k(H', A), \quad \psi \mapsto \psi\varphi$$

is a monoid homomorphism for all commutative  $k$ -algebras  $A$ , the special case  $A = H \otimes H$  and  $\psi = \Delta_H = i_1 * i_2$  yields

$$\Delta_H \varphi = (i_1 \varphi) * (i_2 \varphi),$$

that is

$$\varphi(x)_1 \otimes \varphi(x)_2 = \varphi(x_1) \otimes \psi(x_2).$$

Likewise, for  $A = k$  and  $\psi = \epsilon_H$  the unit element in  $\mathrm{Alg}_k(H, k)$  it follows that

$$\epsilon_{H'} = \epsilon_H \varphi.$$

□

- 2) If  $H$  is a commutative Hopf algebra, then  $\mathrm{Sp}(H)$  is an affine group. Hence we obtain a fully faithful functor

$$\mathrm{Sp} : \{\text{com. } k\text{-Hopf algebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Gr}_k$$

In  $\mathrm{Sp}(H)(H)$  it holds that  $S = \mathrm{id}^{-1}$ .

- 3) If  $A$  and  $B$  are commutative  $k$ -algebras / bialgebras / Hopf algebras, then

$$\mathrm{Sp}(A \otimes B) \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(A) \times \mathrm{Sp}(B).$$

as affine schemes / monoids / groups.

- 4) If  $G$  is an affine monoid / group, then there is a commutative bialgebra / Hopf algebra  $H$  with  $G \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(H)$  as affine monoids / groups. In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Sp} : \{\text{com. } k\text{-bialgebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}} &\simeq \mathrm{Mon}_k \\ \mathrm{Sp} : \{\text{com. } k\text{-Hopf algebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}} &\simeq \mathrm{Gr}_k. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we may assume that there is a commutative algebra  $H$  with  $G(A) = \mathrm{Sp}(H)(A)$  for all commutative algebras  $A$ . We are going to show that there is a bialgebra structure / Hopf algebra structure  $(H, \Delta, \epsilon)$  such that the monoid structure / group structure on  $G(A)$  is the  $*$ -multiplication monoid / group structure on  $\mathrm{Sp}(H)(A)$  for all commutative algebras  $A$ .

Consider the multiplication of  $\mathrm{Sp}(H)$  as a functor

$$\mu : \mathrm{Sp}(H) \times \mathrm{Sp}(H) \rightarrow \mathrm{Sp}(H)$$

and the unit element as a functor

$$\eta : 1 \mapsto \mathrm{Sp}(H).$$

Since  $\mathrm{Sp}$  is fully faithful, there is an algebra homomorphism  $\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$  such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{Sp}(H \otimes H \otimes H) & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Sp}(\mathrm{id} \otimes \Delta)} & \mathrm{Sp}(H \otimes H) \\
 \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id}) & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\Delta) \\
 & \mathrm{Sp}(H) \times \mathrm{Sp}(H) \times \mathrm{Sp}(H) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id} \times \mu} \mathrm{Sp}(H) \times \mathrm{Sp}(H) & \\
 & \downarrow \mu \times \mathrm{id} & \downarrow \mu \\
 & \mathrm{Sp}(H) \times \mathrm{Sp}(H) \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathrm{Sp}(H) & \\
 \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id}) & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\Delta) \\
 \mathrm{Sp}(H \otimes H) & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Sp}(\Delta)} & \mathrm{Sp}(H)
 \end{array}$$

Since  $\mathrm{Sp}$  is faithful, this implies that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H \otimes H \otimes H & \xleftarrow{\mathrm{id} \otimes \Delta} & H \otimes H \\
 \Delta \otimes \mathrm{id} \uparrow & & \uparrow \Delta \\
 H \otimes H & \xleftarrow{\Delta} & H.
 \end{array}$$

The rest of the proof works analogously.  $\square$

5) From an abstract point of view, what happened in the last proof is that the equivalence  $\mathrm{Sp} : \mathcal{A}_k^{\mathrm{op}} \simeq \mathrm{Sch}_k$  induces equivalences

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathrm{Mon}_k &\simeq \{\text{monoids in } \mathrm{Sch}_k \text{ with respect to } \times\} \\
 &\simeq \{\text{monoids in } \mathcal{A}_k^{\mathrm{op}} \text{ with respect to } \otimes\} \\
 &\simeq \{\text{commutative } k\text{-bialgebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Gr}_k &\simeq \{\text{groups in } \mathrm{Sch}_k \text{ with respect to } \times\} \\ &\simeq \{\text{groups in } \mathcal{A}_k^{\mathrm{op}} \text{ with respect to } \otimes\} \\ &\simeq \{\text{commutative } k\text{-Hopf algebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 5.9.** *Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$ ,  $H$  a commutative Hopf algebra,  $G \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(H)$  an affine group. Then*

$$\{\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes H \mid \delta \text{ } H\text{-comodule structure}\} \simeq \mathrm{Gr}_k(G, GL_n).$$

*Proof.* Since  $H$  is a Hopf algebra and

$$d := \det(T_{i,j})_{i,j} \in k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}]$$

is group-like, it follows that any bialgebra homomorphism from  $k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}]$  to  $H$  factors through the localization

$$k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}, d^{-1} \mid dd^{-1} = 1].$$

Hence the injection

$$\mathrm{BiAlg}_k(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}, d^{-1}], H) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{BiAlg}_k(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}], H)$$

induced by the epismorphism

$$k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}] \twoheadrightarrow k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}, d^{-1} \mid dd^{-1} = 1]$$

is actually a bijection. Using that  $k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j}, d^{-1}]$  is a Hopf algebra and that we established that  $\mathrm{Sp} : \{\text{commutative Hopf algebras}\}^{\mathrm{op}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Gr}_k$  is an equivalence

$$\begin{aligned} \{\delta : V \rightarrow V \otimes H \mid \delta \text{ } H\text{-comodule structure}\} &\simeq \mathrm{BiAlg}_k(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}], H) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{BiAlg}_k(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}, d^{-1}], H) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{Gr}_k(\mathrm{Sp}(H), \mathrm{Sp}(k[(T_{i,j})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}, d^{-1}]))) \\ &\simeq \mathrm{Gr}_k(\mathrm{Sp}(H), GL_n). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 5.10.** 1) *An affine scheme  $X$  is algebraic if  $X \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(A)$  for an algebra  $A$  that is finitely generated as algebra.*

2) A morphism  $X \xrightarrow{\alpha} Y$  of affine schemes is a closed embedding, if the algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : B \rightarrow A$  with  $X \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(A)$ ,  $Y \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(B)$  and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y \\ \left| \simeq \right. & & \left. \simeq \right| \\ \mathrm{Sp}(A) & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Sp}(\varphi)} & \mathrm{Sp}(B) \end{array}$$

is surjective.

**Remark 5.11.** 1) If  $X \xrightarrow{\alpha} Y$  is a closed embedding, then  $X(R) \xrightarrow{\alpha_R} Y(R)$  is injective for all  $R \in \mathcal{A}_k$ .

2) The inverse needs not hold. For example,  $k[T] \subset k(T)$  is not surjective, but  $\mathrm{Sp}(k(T))(R) \rightarrow \mathrm{Sp}(k[T])(R)$  is injective for all  $R \in \mathcal{A}_k$ .

**Theorem 5.12.** If  $G$  is an affine algebraic group, then there is a closed embedding  $G \hookrightarrow \mathrm{GL}_n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $H$  be a commutative Hopf algebra with  $G \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(H)$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  be an algebra generating set of  $H$  that is linear independent. Then there is a finite dimensional subcomodule  $V \subset H$  with  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in V$ . We may extend  $(x_i)_i$  to a basis  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  of  $V$ . The corresponding algebra homomorphism

$$k[(T_{i,j})_{i,j} d^{-1}] \rightarrow H, \quad T_{i,j} \mapsto x_{i,j}$$

with  $\Delta(x_j) = \sum_i x_i \otimes x_{i,j}$  is surjective, because  $x_j = \sum_\ell \epsilon(x_\ell) x_{\ell,j}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 5.13.**  $X$  an affine scheme,  $G$  an affine group,  $\mu : X \times G \rightarrow X$  a morphism. We say  $(X, \mu)$  is a  $G$ -scheme and  $\mu$  is an operation of  $G$  on  $X$  if for all  $R \in \mathcal{A}_k$

$$\mu_R : X(R) \times G(R) \rightarrow X(R)$$

is an operation of the group  $G(R)$  on the set  $X(R)$ .

**Example 5.14.**  $\mathbb{A}^n \times \mathrm{SL}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^n$  is an operation.

**Theorem 5.15.** Let  $G \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(H)$  be an affine group,  $X \simeq \mathrm{Sp}(A)$  an affine scheme. Then

$$\{\mu : X \times G \rightarrow X \text{ operation}\} \simeq \{\delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes H \text{ right comodule algebra struct}\}$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mu : X \times G \rightarrow X$  is an operation. Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{Sp}(A \otimes H \otimes H) & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Sp}(\mathrm{id} \otimes \Delta)} & \mathrm{Sp}(A \otimes H) . \\
 \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\delta \otimes \mathrm{id}) & \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \simeq \\ X \times G \times G \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id} \times \mu} X \times G \\ \downarrow \mu \times \mathrm{id} \quad \downarrow \mu \\ X \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} X \\ \nearrow \simeq \end{array} & \downarrow \mathrm{Sp}(\Delta) \\
 \mathrm{Sp}(A \otimes H) & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Sp}(\delta)} & \mathrm{Sp}(A)
 \end{array}$$

Since  $\mathrm{Sp}$  is faithful, this implies that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes H \otimes H & \xleftarrow{\mathrm{id} \otimes \Delta} & A \otimes H \\
 \delta \otimes \mathrm{id} \uparrow & & \uparrow \delta \\
 A \otimes H & \xleftarrow{\delta} & A .
 \end{array}$$

□

## 6 Lie algebras and their universal enveloping algebras

### 6.1 Lie algebras

**Definition 6.1.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a  $k$ -vector space and  $[-, -] : \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  a  $k$ -bilinear map. We say  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra if

$$[x, x] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad [[x, y], z] + [[y, z], x] + [[z, x], y] = 0$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathfrak{g}$ .

**Remark 6.2.** 1) If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra then  $[x, y] = -[y, x]$ .

*Proof.* It holds that  $0 = [x - y, x - y] = 0 - [x, y] - [y, x] + 0$ .  $\square$

2) Any vector space  $V$  is a Lie algebra with  $[v, v] = 0$  for all  $v \in V$ .

3) If  $A$  is an associative algebra then  $A^-$  with  $A^- := A$  and  $[x, y] := xy - yx$  is a Lie algebra.

**Definition 6.3.** 1) A linear map  $f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}'$  between Lie algebras is a Lie algebra homomorphism, if  $f([x, y]) = [f(x), f(y)]$  for all  $x, y \in \mathfrak{g}$ .

2) A subspace  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  is a sub Lie algebra if  $[x, y] \in \mathfrak{a}$  for all  $x, y \in \mathfrak{a}$ .

3) A subspace  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  is an ideal if  $[x, y] \in \mathfrak{a}$  for all  $x \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $y \in \mathfrak{g}$ .  
Notation:  $\mathfrak{a} \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$ . In this case  $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{a}$  is a Lie algebra.

4) If  $f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}'$  is a Lie algebra homomorphism, then  $\ker f \triangleleft \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\text{im} f \subset \mathfrak{g}$  is a sub Lie algebra, and

$$\text{im} f \simeq \mathfrak{g}/\ker f.$$

**Definition 6.4.** 1) Let  $A$  be a  $k$ -vector spaces and  $\mu : A \times A \rightarrow A$  a  $k$ -bilinear map. We say a linear map  $d : A \rightarrow A$  is a derivation, if  $d(\mu(a, b)) = \mu(d(a), b) + \mu(a, d(b))$  holds for all  $a, b \in A$ . The set  $\text{Der}(A, A) \subset \text{End}_k(A)$  of all derivations is a sub Lie algebra. If  $(A, \mu)$  has a unit element then  $d(1) = 0$ .

- 2) If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra, then for all  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$  the map  $\text{ad}_x : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}, y \mapsto [x, y]$  is a derivation. The map

$$\text{ad} : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \text{Der}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g})$$

is a Lie algebra homomorphism.

*Proof.* It holds that

$$\text{ad}_x([y, z]) = [x, [y, z]] = [[x, y], z] + [y, [x, z]] = [\text{ad}_x(y), z] - [y, \text{ad}_x(z)]$$

and

$$\text{ad}_{[x, y]}(z) = [[x, y], z] = [x, [y, z]] - [y, [x, z]] = (\text{ad}_x \text{ad}_y - \text{ad}_y \text{ad}_x)(z).$$

□

- 3) Let  $H$  be a bialgebra. Then  $P(H) = \{x \mid \Delta(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x\} \subset H^-$  is a subalgebra. If  $\text{char} k = p > 0$  then  $x \in P(H)$  implies  $x^p \in P(H)$ .

*Proof.* For  $x, y \in P(H)$  it holds that  $\Delta(xy - yx)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & (x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x)(y \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes y) - (y \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes y)(x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x) \\ &= xy \otimes 1 + x \otimes y + y \otimes x + 1 \otimes xy - (yx \otimes 1 + y \otimes x + y \otimes x + 1 \otimes yx) \\ &= (xy - yx) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (xy - yx). \end{aligned}$$

□

- 4) Let  $H$  be a bialgebra. Then  $\text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k)$  denotes the set of all  $\epsilon$ -derivations from  $H$  to  $k$ , that is linear maps  $d : H \rightarrow k$  with  $d(ab) = d(a)\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)d(b)$  for all  $a, b \in H$ . It holds that  $\text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k) \subset (H^*)^-$  is a sub Lie algebra.

*Proof.* For  $d, d' \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k)$  it holds that  $d * d' - d' * d \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k)$  because for all  $a, b \in H$

$$\begin{aligned} & (d * d' - d' * d)(ab) = d(a_1 b_1) d'(a_2 b_2) - d'(a_1 b_1) d(a_2 b_2) \\ &= (d(a_1)\epsilon(b_1) + \epsilon(a_1)d(b_1))(d'(a_2)\epsilon(b_2) + \epsilon(a_2)d'(b_2)) \\ &\quad - (d'(a_1)\epsilon(b_1) + \epsilon(a_1)d'(b_1))(d(a_2)\epsilon(b_2) + \epsilon(a_2)d(b_2)) \\ &= (d * d' - d' * d)(a)\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)(d * d' - d' * d)(b). \end{aligned}$$

□

5)  $H \mapsto \text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k)$  is a functor from the category of Hopf algebras over  $k$  to the category of Lie algebras over  $k$ .

**Example 6.5.** 1)  $\mathfrak{sl}_n = \{A \in M_n(k) \mid \text{tr}(A) = 0\} \subset M_n(k)^-$  is a sub Lie algebra.

2) For  $Q \in M_n(k)$  it holds that  $\mathfrak{o}(Q) = \{X \in M_n(k) \mid QX + X^\top Q = 0\} \subset M_n(k)^-$  is a sub Lie algebra.

**Remark 6.6.** We saw in the exercises that if  $B$  is a bialgebra, then for each  $x \in B^+ = \ker(\epsilon)$  it holds that

$$\Delta(x) \in 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1 + B^+ \otimes B^+.$$

**Theorem 6.7.** Let  $A$  be a commutative Hopf algebra,  $G = \text{Sp}(A)$  an affine group,  $A^+ = \ker(\epsilon_A)$  the augmentation ideal.

1) It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k) &\simeq (A^+/(A^+)^2)^* \\ d &\mapsto (\bar{a} \mapsto d(a)) \\ (a \mapsto f(\overline{a - \epsilon(a)1_A})) &\leftarrow f \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The ideal  $(A^+)^2$  is generated by terms of the form  $ab$  with  $a, b \in A^+$ , and for each such term and each  $d \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k)$  it holds that

$$d(ab) = d(a)\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)d(b) = 0.$$

This shows that the map  $\text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k) \rightarrow (A^+/(A^+)^2)^*$  is well-defined. Conversely, given  $f \in (A^+/(A^+)^2)^*$  it follows that the map

$$d_f : A \rightarrow k, \quad a \mapsto f(\overline{a - \epsilon(a)1_A})$$

is an  $\epsilon$ -derivation. To see this, note that for all  $a, b \in A$

$$d_f(a)\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)d_f(b) = f(\overline{a\epsilon(b) - \epsilon(a)\epsilon(b)1_A + \epsilon(a)b - \epsilon(a)\epsilon(b)1_A})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &a\epsilon(b) - 2\epsilon(a)\epsilon(b)1_A + \epsilon(a)b - (ab - \epsilon(ab)1_A) \\ &= -ab + a\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)b - \epsilon(ab)1_A \\ &= (a - \epsilon(a)1_A)(\epsilon(b)1_A - b) \\ &\in (A^+)^2. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that the two constructions are inverse to each other, yielding  $\text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k) \simeq (A^+/(A^+)^2)^*$ .  $\square$

2) The quotient algebra  $k[T]/(T^2)$  is generated by  $\tau = \bar{T}$ . Let  $\pi : k[\tau] \rightarrow k$  be the algebra homomorphism with  $\pi(\tau) = 0$ . We set

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lie}(G) &:= \ker(G(\pi) : G(k[\tau]) \rightarrow G(k)) \\ &= \{\varphi \in \text{Alg}_k(A, k[\tau]) \mid \pi\varphi = \epsilon\} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k) &\simeq \text{Lie}(G) \\ d &\mapsto (a \mapsto \epsilon(a) + d(a)\tau) \end{aligned}$$

is a bijection.

*Proof.* Let  $d \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k)$  and  $\varphi_d : A \rightarrow k[\tau], a \mapsto \epsilon(a) + d(a)\tau$ . Then  $\varphi_d$  is an algebra homomorphism, because  $d(1) = 0$  and for all  $a, b \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_d(a)\varphi_d(b) &= (\epsilon(a) + d(a)\tau)(\epsilon(b) + d(b)\tau) \\ &= \epsilon(ab) + (d(a)\epsilon(b) + \epsilon(a)d(b))\tau \\ &= \epsilon(ab) + d(ab)\tau. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, any element  $\varphi \in \text{Lie}(G)$  is of the form  $\varphi_d$  for some  $d \in A^*$ , and using that  $1, \tau$  is a basis a similar calculation yields that this already implies that  $d \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k)$ .  $\square$

3) The isomorphism

$$\text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k) \simeq \text{Lie}(G)$$

is an isomorphism of Lie algebras. We define the a vector space structure and Lie algebra structure on  $\text{Lie}(G)$  as follows. Let  $\Delta, i_1, i_2 \in \text{Alg}_k(k[\tau], k[\tau] \otimes k[\tau])$  be the algebra homomorphisms with

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(\tau) &= \tau \otimes \tau \\ i_1(\tau) &= \tau \otimes 1 \\ i_2(\tau) &= 1 \otimes \tau. \end{aligned}$$

For each  $\lambda \in k$  we let  $f_\lambda \in \text{Alg}_k(k[\tau], k[\tau])$  be the algebra homomorphism with  $f_\lambda(\tau) = \lambda\tau$ . For  $\varphi, \varphi' \in \text{Lie}(G)$ ,  $\varphi = \epsilon + d\tau$ ,  $\varphi' = \epsilon + d'\tau$ ,  $d, d' \in \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k)$  we set

$$\varphi + \varphi' := \varphi * \varphi' = \epsilon + (d + d')\tau$$

and

$$\lambda \cdot \varphi = G(f_\lambda)(\varphi) = f_\lambda \varphi = \epsilon + (\lambda d)\tau.$$

We define  $[\varphi, \varphi']$  by

$$G(\Delta)([\varphi, \varphi']) = [G(i_1)(\varphi), G(i_2)(\varphi')] = ghg^{-1}h^{-1}$$

with  $g = G(i_1)(\varphi)$ ,  $h = G(i_2)(\varphi')$ . That is

$$[\varphi, \varphi'] = \epsilon + [d, d']\tau.$$

4) It holds that

$$(A \mapsto \text{Lie}(\text{Sp}(A))) \simeq (A \mapsto \text{Der}_\epsilon(A, k))$$

functors from commutative Hopf algebras over  $k$  to Lie algebras over the field  $k$ .

**Corollary 6.8.** 1) If  $G \subset G'$  is an affine closed subgroup, then  $\text{Lie}(G) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(G')$  is a sub Lie algebra.

*Proof.* Without loss of generality  $G = \text{Sp}(H)$  and  $G' = \text{Sp}(H')$ . Let the closed embedding  $G \rightarrow G'$  be given by  $\text{Sp}(\varphi)$  with  $\varphi : H' \rightarrow H$  a surjective Hopf algebra homomorphism. Then

$$\text{Der}_\epsilon(H, k) \rightarrow \text{Der}_\epsilon(H', k), \quad d \mapsto d\varphi$$

is injective and an Lie algebra homomorphism.  $\square$

2) It holds that  $\text{Lie}(GL_n) \simeq M_n(k)^-$

*Proof.* We have

$$\text{Lie}(GL_n) = \ker(GL_n(k[\tau]) \xrightarrow{GL_n(\pi)} GL_n(k)) = \{E + \tau A \mid A \in M_n(k)\}.$$

because any element of the form  $E + \tau A$  is invertible with inverse  $E - \tau A$  (since  $\tau^2 = 0$ ).

The sum of  $X = E + A\tau \in \text{Lie}(GL_n)$  and  $Y = E + A'\tau \in \text{Lie}(GL_n)$  is given by

$$X + Y = (E + A\tau)(E + A'\tau) = E + (A + A')\tau$$

and for  $\lambda \in k$  the scalar product of  $\lambda$  and  $E + A\tau$  in  $\text{Lie}(GL_n)$  is given by

$$\lambda.X = E + \lambda A.$$

The Lie bracket of  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined by

$$[X, Y] = E + \tau C$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} E + \tau \otimes \tau C &= (E + \tau \otimes 1A)(E + 1 \otimes \tau A')(E - \tau \otimes 1A)(E - 1 \otimes \tau A') \\ &= E + \tau \otimes \tau(AA' - A'A). \end{aligned}$$

□

3) In particular, for any affine algebraic group  $G$  it holds that  $\text{Lie}(G) \hookrightarrow M_n(k)^-$  is a sub Lie algebra for some  $n$ .

## 6.2 The universal enveloping algebra

**Definition 6.9.** Let  $V$  be a vector space. Then

$$T(V) := \coprod_{n \geq 0} V^{\otimes n}$$

is an algebra with multiplication given by

$$V^{\otimes m} \times V^{\otimes n} \rightarrow V^{\otimes m+n}, \quad (a, b) \mapsto a \otimes b.$$

We call  $T(V)$  the tensor algebra of  $V$ . If  $(v_i)_{i \in I}$  is a basis of  $V$  then

$$T(V) \simeq k \langle x_i, i \in I \rangle$$

as algebras. For any algebra  $A$  and any  $k$ -linear map  $f : V \rightarrow A$  there is a unique algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : T(V) \rightarrow A$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{f} & A \\ \text{can} \downarrow & \nearrow \varphi & \uparrow \\ T(V) & & \end{array}$$

commutes. That is,

$$\text{Hom}_k(V, A) \simeq \text{Alg}_k(T(V), A).$$

**Definition 6.10.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra. The factor algebra

$$U(\mathfrak{g}) = T(\mathfrak{g}) / \langle x \otimes y - y \otimes x - [x, y] \mid x, y \in \mathfrak{g} \rangle$$

is called the universal enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We let  $\sigma$  denote the canonical map  $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g}), x \mapsto \bar{x}$ . For any algebra  $A$  and any Lie algebra homomorphism  $f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow A^-$  there is a unique algebra homomorphism  $\varphi : U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow A$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{f} & A \\ \sigma \downarrow & \nearrow \varphi & \\ U(\mathfrak{g}) & & \end{array}$$

commutes. That is,

$$\text{LieAlg}_k(\mathfrak{g}, A^-) \simeq \text{Alg}_k(U(\mathfrak{g}), A).$$

**Remark 6.11.** 1) If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  and  $[x_i, x_j] = \sum_{\ell \in I} a_{i,j}^\ell x_\ell$  for all  $i, j$  then

$$U(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq k \langle (x_i)_{i \in I} \mid x_i x_j - x_j x_i = \sum_{\ell \in I} a_{i,j}^\ell x_\ell \text{ for all } i, j \rangle.$$

2) This yields the representation of the enveloping algebra  $U(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  of Remark 3.10.

**Corollary 6.12.** 1)  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is a Hopf algebra with  $\sigma(x)$  primitive for all  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ .

*Proof.* The maps

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Delta} : \mathfrak{g} &\rightarrow (U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes U(\mathfrak{g}))^-, & x &\mapsto \sigma(x) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \sigma(x) \\ \tilde{\epsilon} : \mathfrak{g} &\rightarrow k^-, & x &\mapsto 0 \\ \tilde{S} : \mathfrak{g} &\rightarrow (U(\mathfrak{g})^{\text{op}})^-, & x &\mapsto -x. \end{aligned}$$

are Lie algebra homomorphisms. Hence they induce algebra homomorphisms  $\Delta : U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes U(\mathfrak{g}), \epsilon : U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow k$  and  $S : U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g})^{\text{op}}$  that satisfy the Hopf algebra axioms on the algebra generating set  $\sigma(\mathfrak{g}) \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$ .  $\square$

- 2) For any bialgebra  $H$  and any Lie algebra homomorphism  $f : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow P(H)$  there is a unique bialgebra homomorphism  $\varphi : U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow H$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{g} & \xrightarrow{f} & P(H) \hookrightarrow H \\ \sigma \downarrow & & \nearrow \varphi \\ U(\mathfrak{g}) & & \end{array}$$

commutes. That is,

$$\text{LieAlg}_k(\mathfrak{g}, P(H)) \simeq \text{BiAlg}_k(U(\mathfrak{g}), H).$$

**Definition 6.13.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra,  $V$  a vector space, and  $\mu : \mathfrak{g} \times V \rightarrow V$  a bilinear map that we denote by  $\mu(x, v) = x.v$  for all  $x \in \mathfrak{g}, v \in V$ . The pair  $(V, \mu)$  is called a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module if for all  $x, y \in \mathfrak{g}, v \in V$  it holds that

$$[x, y].v = x.(y.v) - y.(x.v).$$

**Definition 6.14.** Let  $V, W$  be  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules. A linear map  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is called  $\mathfrak{g}$ -linear, if for all  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$  and  $v \in V$  it holds that  $f(x.v) = x.f(v)$ .

**Remark 6.15.** 1) Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $\mathfrak{g}$  a Lie algebra. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \{\mu : \mathfrak{g} \times V \rightarrow V \text{ } \mathfrak{g} \text{ module structure}\} \\ & \simeq \text{LieAlg}_k(\mathfrak{g}, \text{End}_k(V)^-) \\ & \simeq \text{Alg}_k(U(\mathfrak{g}), \text{End}_k(V)) \\ & \simeq \{\mu : U(\mathfrak{g}) \times V \rightarrow V \text{ } U(\mathfrak{g}) \text{ module structure}\}. \end{aligned}$$

A linear map  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is  $\mathfrak{g}$ -linear with respect to  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module structures on  $V$  and  $W$  if and only if it is  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -linear with the corresponding  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module structures.

- 2)  ${}_{U(\mathfrak{g})}\mathcal{M} \simeq \{\mathfrak{g} \text{ modules}\}$  is an equivalence of categories.

### 6.3 Hopf algebra filtrations

**Definition 6.16.** 1)  $(A, (A_n)_{n \geq 0})$  filtered algebra: A algebra,

$$A_0 \subset A_1 \subset \dots \subset A, \quad A = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} A_n$$

sub vector spaces,  $1 \in A_0, A_n A_m \subset A_{n+m}$  for all  $n, m \geq 0$ .

2)  $(C, (C_n)_{n \geq 0})$  filtered coalgebra:  $C$  coalgebra,

$$C_0 \subset C_1 \subset \dots \subset C, \quad C = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} C_n$$

sub vector spaces,  $\Delta(C_n) \subset \sum_{i=0}^n C_i \otimes C_{n-i}$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

3)  $(H, (H_n)_{n \geq 0})$  filtered bialgebra:  $H$  bialgebra and  $(H_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is both an algebra and coalgebra filtration.

4)  $(H, (H_n)_{n \geq 0})$  filtered Hopf algebra:  $H$  Hopf algebra,  $(H_n)_{n \geq 0}$  bialgebra filtration,  $S(H_n) \subset H_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

**Definition 6.17.** Let  $(A, (A_n)_{n \geq 0})$  be a filtered algebra.

1) The algebra

$$\text{gr}(A) = \prod_{n \geq 0} A_n/A_{n-1}, \quad A_{-1} = 0$$

with multiplication

$$A_m/A_{m-1} \times A_n/A_{n-1} \rightarrow A_{m+n}/A_{m+n-1}, \quad (\bar{a}, \bar{b}) \mapsto \bar{a}\bar{b}$$

is the graded algebra associated to  $A$ .

2)  $(M, (M_n)_{n \geq 0})$  filtered  $A$  right module:  $M$   $A$  right module,  $M_m A_n \subset M_{m+n}$  for all  $m, n \geq 0$ .

$$\text{gr}(M) = \prod_{n \geq 0} M_n/M_{n-1}, \quad M_{-1} = 0$$

is a  $\text{gr}(A)$  right-module via

$$M_m/M_{m-1} \times A_n/A_{n-1} \rightarrow M_{m+n}/M_{m+n-1}, \quad (\bar{m}, \bar{a}) \mapsto \bar{m}\bar{a}.$$

**Remark 6.18.** A left/right module is noetherian if any ascending sequence of left/right modules stabilizes. Equivalently, all left/right submodules are finitely generated.

A ring is left/right noetherian if it is left/right noetherian as left/right module over itself.

**Lemma 6.19.** Let  $(A, (A_n)_{n \geq 0})$  be a filtered algebra.

1) If  $\text{gr}(A)$  is an integral domain, then so is  $A$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that there are  $m, n \geq 0$  with  $m + n$  minimal such that there exist  $0 \neq x \in A_m$  and  $0 \neq y \in A_n$  with  $xy = 0$ . Then  $\bar{x}\bar{y} = 0$  in  $\text{gr}(A)$  with  $\bar{x} \in A_n/A_{n-1}$ ,  $\bar{y} \in A_m/A_{m-1}$ . We assumed that  $\text{gr}(A)$  is an integral domain, hence it follows that  $x \in A_{n-1}$  or  $y \in A_{m-1}$ . This contradicts the minimality assumption on  $m + n$ .  $\square$

2) If  $\text{gr}(A)$  is right- or left-noetherian, then so is  $A$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\text{gr}(A)$  is right-noetherian. Let  $I \subset \text{gr}(A)$  be a right-ideal. Then  $(I, (I \cap A_n)_{n \geq 0})$  is a filtered  $A$  right module,  $\text{gr}(I) \subset \text{gr}(A)$  with

$$(I \cap A_n)/(I \cap A_{n-1}) \hookrightarrow A_n/A_{n-1}$$

is a right ideal of  $\text{gr}(A)$ . We assumed that  $\text{gr}(A)$  is right noetherian, hence  $\text{gr}(I)$  is finitely generated. That is, there are elements  $\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_N \in \text{gr}(I)$ ,  $\bar{a}_i \in (I \cap A_{n_i})/(I \cap A_{n_i-1})$  for all  $i$ , with

$$\text{gr}(I) = \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{a}_i \text{gr}(A).$$

We are going to show by induction that  $I \cap A_n \subset \sum_{i=1}^N a_i A$  for all  $n$ . For  $n = 0$  this is trivial. Suppose that  $n \geq 1$  and let  $x \in I \cap A_n$ . Then  $\bar{x} \in \text{gr}(I)$  with  $\bar{x} \in (I \cap A_n)/(I \cap A_{n-1})$ . Hence

$$\bar{x} \in \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{a}_i \text{gr}(A).$$

In fact, it even holds that

$$\bar{x} \in \sum_{i, n_i \leq n} \bar{a}_i (A_{n-n_i}/A_{n-n_i-1}).$$

That is, there are  $\lambda_i \in I_n \cap A_{n_i}$  (with  $n_i \leq n$  such that

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i, n_i \leq n} \overline{a_i \lambda_i} = \overline{\sum_{i, n_i \leq n} a_i \lambda_i}$$

This implies that

$$x - \sum_{i, n_i \leq n} a_i \lambda_i \in I \cap A_{n-1}.$$

By induction hypothesis it holds that  $I \cap A_{n-1} \subset \sum_{i=1}^N a_i A$ . Thus

$$x \in \sum_{i=1}^N a_i A.$$

□

**Proposition 6.20.** *Let  $A$  be an algebra and  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  an algebra generating set. Then  $(A_n)_{n \geq 0}$  with  $A_n$  the  $k$ -span of all  $x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_m}$  with  $m \leq n$ ,  $i_1, \dots, i_m \in I$  is the natural filtration of  $A$ .*

## 6.4 The Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt theorem

**Definition 6.21.** *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$ . We let  $(U_n(\mathfrak{g}))_{n \geq 0}$  denote the natural filtration of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  with respect to  $(\sigma(x_i))_{i \in I}$  and let  $\text{gr}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$  denote the corresponding graded algebra.*

**Lemma 6.22.** *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$ . Let  $\leq$  be a total order on  $I$ .*

1)  $\text{gr}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$  is commutative.

*Proof.*  $\text{gr}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$  is generated as an algebra by  $(\overline{\sigma(x_i)})_{i \in I}$  with  $\overline{\sigma(x_i)} \in U_1(\mathfrak{g})/U_0(\mathfrak{g})$ . For all  $i, j \in I$  it holds that

$$\sigma(x_i)\sigma(x_j) - \sigma(x_j)\sigma(x_i) = \sigma([x_i, x_j]) \in U_1(\mathfrak{g})$$

and hence

$$\overline{\sigma(x_i)\sigma(x_j)} = \overline{\sigma(x_j)\sigma(x_i)}$$

in  $U_2(\mathfrak{g})/U_1(\mathfrak{g})$ . □

2)  $U_n(\mathfrak{g})$  is already generated (as vector space) by all  $\sigma(x_{i_1}) \cdots \sigma(x_{i_m})$  with  $m \leq n$  and  $i_1 \leq \dots \leq i_m$ .

*Proof.* Follows from 1) and induction on  $n$ . □

**Lemma 6.23.** *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  and suppose that  $I$  is equipped with a total order. Let  $\mathfrak{M} = \{(i_1, \dots, i_n) \mid n \geq 0, i_1 \leq \dots \leq i_n \text{ elements of } I\}$ . For each  $M = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \in \mathfrak{M}$  set*

$$v_M = \sigma(x_{i_1}) \cdots \sigma(x_{i_n}).$$

For each  $i \in I$  we set

$$i \# M = (i_1, \dots, i_\ell, i, i_{\ell+1}, \dots, i_n)$$

with  $i_\ell \leq i \leq i_{\ell+1}$ . We write  $i \leq M$  if  $i \leq i_1$  and in this case we set  $iM := i \# M$ .

- 1)  $(v_M)_{M \in \mathfrak{M}}$  is a  $k$ -linear generating set of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ .
- 2)  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module via  $\mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\text{can}} U(\mathfrak{g})^- \rightarrow \text{End}_k(U(\mathfrak{g}))^-$ . That is,  $x.v = \sigma(x)v$  for all  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$  and  $v \in U(\mathfrak{g})$ . Recall that  $M = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ .
  - a) For all  $i \in I$  with  $i \leq M$  it holds that  $x_i.v_M = v_{iM}$ .
  - b)  $[x_i, x_j].v_M = x_i.(x_j.v_M) - x_j.(x_i.v_M)$
  - c) For all  $i \in I$  it holds that  $x_i.v_M = v_{i \# M} \pmod{U_n(\mathfrak{g})}$
- 3) If there is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V$  with basis  $(u_M)_{M \in \mathfrak{M}}$  such that a), b), and c) hold analogously in  $V$ , then  $(v_M)_{M \in \mathfrak{M}}$  is a basis of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ . (Here we have to replace  $U_n(\mathfrak{g})$  by the span of all  $u_M$ ,  $M \in \mathfrak{M}$  with length at most  $n$ .)

*Proof.* If  $\sum_M \lambda_M v_M = 0$ , then it follows that  $0 = \sum_M \lambda_M v_M u_\emptyset = \sum_{\lambda_M} u_M$  and hence  $\lambda_M = 0$  for all  $M$ .  $\square$

- 4) Suppose that  $V$  is a vector space with basis  $(u_M)_{M \in \mathfrak{M}}$  and  $\mu : \mathfrak{g} \times V \rightarrow V$  is a  $k$ -bilinear map such that a), c) hold and b) holds for all  $i, j$  with  $j < i$  and  $j \leq M$ . Then b) holds and  $V$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module.
- 5) A pair  $(V, \mu)$  as in 4) exists.

**Theorem 6.24** (Poincaré–Birkhoff–Witt). *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  and suppose that  $I$  is equipped with a total order. Then  $(v_M)_{M \in \mathfrak{M}}$  is a  $k$ -linear basis of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ .*

**Corollary 6.25.** 1) *If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra, then  $(U(\mathfrak{g}), (U_n(\mathfrak{g}))_{n \geq 0})$  is a filtered Hopf algebra.*

2) If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is finite dimensional then  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is left- and right-noetherian.

3)  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is an integral domain.

**Lemma 6.26.** *Let  $A$  be an algebra and  $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in A$ ,  $a_i b_j = b_j a_i$  for all  $i, j$ . Then*

$$(a_1 + b_1) \cdots (a_n + b_n) = \sum_{v=0}^n \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in S_n \\ \sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(v) \\ \sigma(v+1) < \dots < \sigma(n)}} a_{\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(v)} b_{\sigma(v+1)} \cdots b_{\sigma(n)}$$

**Lemma 6.27.** 1) *The canonical map  $\sigma : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g})$  is injective.*

2) *The map*

$$k[T_i \mid i \in I] \rightarrow \text{gr}(U(\mathfrak{g})), \quad T_i \mapsto \overline{\sigma(x_i)} \in U_1(\mathfrak{g})/U_0(\mathfrak{g})$$

*is an algebra isomorphism.*

## 7 Selected classical algebraic results

### 7.1 The Jacobson radical of noncommutative rings

In this section  $R$  denotes a ring and  $M$  denotes an  $R$  left-module (or right-module).

**Definition 7.1.** 1)  $M$  is called simple if  $M \neq 0$  and if  $0$  and  $M$  are the only submodules of  $M$ .

2) For any subset  $X \subset M$  we set

$$\text{Ann}(X) = \{r \in R \mid rX = 0\}.$$

**Proposition 7.2.** For  $N \subsetneq M$  a submodule it holds that  $M/N$  is simple if and only if  $N \neq M$  is a maximal submodule.

**Proposition 7.3.** For all  $m \in M$  it holds that  $R/\text{Ann}(m) \simeq Rm$ .

**Proposition 7.4.** Suppose that  $M \neq 0$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

- 1)  $M$  is simple
- 2) There is a maximal left-ideal  $I \triangleleft R$  such that  $M \simeq R/I$  as left-modules.
- 3) For any  $0 \neq m \in M$  it holds that  $M = Rm$ .

**Proposition 7.5.** 1) The Jacobson radical  $\text{Ra}(M)$  is defined as the intersection of all maximal submodules  $U \subsetneq M$ . (If no such submodules exist then we set  $\text{Ra}(M) = M$ .)

2) It holds that  $\text{Ra}(M/\text{Ra}(M)) = 0$ .

3) If  $M$  is finitely generated then  $\text{Ra}(M) \subsetneq M$ .

**Lemma 7.6.** Let  $R$  be a ring and  $a, b \in R$ .

- 1) Then  $1 - ab$  has a left-inverse (right-inverse) if and only if  $1 - ba$  has a left-inverse (right-inverse).
- 2) More precisely, If  $x$  is a left-inverse (right-inverse) of  $1 - ab$  then  $1 + bxa$  is a left-inverse (right-inverse) of  $1 - ba$ .

3) The set

$$I = \{r \in R \mid 1 - rx \text{ has a left-inverse for all } x \in R\}$$

is a two-sided ideal of  $R$ .

**Lemma 7.7.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and  $r \in R$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- 1)  $r \in \text{Ra}({}_R R)$
- 2)  $r \in \text{Ra}(R_R)$
- 3) For any  $x \in R$  it holds that  $1 - xr$  has a left-inverse
- 4) For any  $x \in R$  it holds that  $1 - rx$  has a right-inverse
- 5) For all  $x, y \in R$  it holds that  $1 - xry \in R^\times$
- 6) For any simple left  $R$ -module  $M$  it holds that  $rM = 0$
- 7) For any simple right  $R$ -module  $M$  it holds that  $Mr = 0$

**Corollary 7.8.** *For any ring  $R$  it holds that  $\text{Ra}(R) := \text{Ra}({}_R R) = \text{Ra}(R_R) \triangleleft R$  is an ideal.*

**Proposition 7.9.** *If  $M$  is simple then any ring homomorphism  $R \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M)$  factorizes over  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$ . The two ring  $R$  and  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$  have the same simple left-modules and right-modules.*

**Proposition 7.10.** *For any any  $r \in R$  it holds that  $r \in R^\times$  if and only if  $\bar{r} \in (R/\text{Ra}(R))^\times$ .*

**Proposition 7.11.** *It holds that  $\text{Ra}(R) {}_R M \subset \text{Ra}({}_R M)$ .*

**Lemma 7.12** (Nakayama). *Suppose that  $0 \neq M$  is finitely generated. Let  $U \subset M$  be a submodule with  $M = \text{Ra}(R)M + U$ . Then it follows that  $M = U$ .*

**Proposition 7.13.** *A left-ideal  $I \subset R$  is called nil if each element  $x \in I$  is nilpotent. If this is the case then  $I \subset \text{Ra}(R)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in I$ . Then for all  $r \in R$  it holds that  $rx \in I$ , yielding that  $rx$  is nilpotent. This means that  $1 + rx$  is invertible. As this holds for all  $r \in R$  it follows that  $x \in \text{Ra}(R)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 7.14.** We say  $M$  is artinian if any non-empty set of submodules has a minimal element. This is equivalent to requiring that any descending chain of submodules stabilizes.

**Proposition 7.15.** Let  $0 \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence. Then  $M$  is artinian if and only if  $M'$ ,  $M''$  are artinian.

**Proposition 7.16.** If  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  are artinian then so is  $M_1 \otimes \dots \otimes M_n$ .

*Proof.* The sequence  $0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow 0$  is exact.  $\square$

**Proposition 7.17.** If  ${}_R R$  is artinian and  $M$  is finitely generated then  $M$  is artinian.

**Definition 7.18.** An ideal  $I$  is called nilpotent if  $I^n = 0$  for some  $n \geq 1$ .

**Proposition 7.19.** If  ${}_R R$  or  $R_R$  is artinian, then  $\text{Ra}(R) \triangleleft R$  is the largest nilpotent ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  ${}_R R$  is artinian. Set  $I = \text{Ra}(R)$ . Then there is an  $n \geq 1$  with  $I^n = I^{2n}$ . Suppose that  $I^n \neq 0$ . Then there is a left-ideal  $0 \neq L \triangleleft R$  that is minimal with  $I^n L = L$ . Hence there is an element  $0 \neq x \in L$  with  $0 \neq I^n x \subset L$ . It holds that  $I^n(I^n x) = I^{2n} x = I^n x$ . By minimality of  $L$  it follows that  $L = I^n x$ . Since  $x \in L$  it follows that there is an element  $y \in I^n$  with  $yx = x$ . This implies  $(y - 1)x = 0$ . But  $y \in \text{Ra}(R)$  implies that  $y - 1 \in R^\times$  and hence  $x = 0$ . This contradicts our assumption. It follows that  $I^n = 0$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 7.20.**  $R$  is a skew field if and only if  ${}_R R$  is simple (equivalently, if  $R_R$  is simple).

**Definition 7.21.** We say a ring  $R$  is local if any of the following equivalent conditions is satisfied.

- 1)  $R$  has a unique maximal left ideal
- 2)  $R$  has a unique maximal right ideal
- 3)  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$  is a skew field
- 4)  $\text{Ra}(R) = R \setminus R^\times$
- 5)  $R \setminus R^\times$  is closed under addition

6)  $R \setminus R^\times$  is an ideal of  $R$

*Proof.* The first three equivalences are clear. For any  $r \in R$  it holds that  $r \in R^\times$  if and only if  $\bar{r} \in (R/\text{Ra}(R))^\times$ . Hence  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$  is a skew field if and only if  $\text{Ra}(R) = R \setminus R^\times$ . Suppose that  $R \setminus R^\times$  is closed under addition. Let  $x \in R \setminus \text{Ra}(R)$ . Then there is a maximal ideal  $I \triangleleft R$  with  $x \notin I$ . Hence  $R = I + Rx$ . That is, there is an  $y \in I, r \in R$  with  $1 = y + rx$ . Since  $y$  is not invertible and we assumed that  $R \setminus R^\times$  is closed under addition it follows that  $rx$  is invertible. In particular,  $x$  has a left-inverse. As this holds for all  $x \in R \setminus \text{Ra}(R)$  it follows that  $N := R/\text{Ra}(R)$  is simple as a left  $R$  module. Consequently,  $N$  is also simple as an  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$  left module. Hence  $R/\text{Ra}(R)$  is a skew field.  $\square$

**Proposition 7.22.** *If  $R$  is local then any element  $e \in R$  with  $e^2 = e$  satisfies  $e = 1$  or  $e = 0$ .*

*Proof.* If  $e \in R^\times$  then it follows that  $e = 1$ . If  $e \notin R^\times$  then it follows that  $1 - e$  is invertible and hence  $e = 0$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 7.23.** *Let  $R$  be a ring and suppose that each element  $r \in R \setminus R^\times$  is nilpotent. Then  $R$  is local.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R$  is not local. Then there are  $x, y \in R \setminus R^\times$  with  $x + y \in R^\times$ . We may assume that  $x + y = 1$ . But this implies that  $y = 1 - x$  is invertible since  $x$  is nilpotent.  $\square$

## 7.2 The Krull–Schmidt theorem

In this section  $R$  denotes a ring and  $M$  a left  $R$ -module.

**Proposition 7.24.** *There is a bijection between the collection of families  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$  of submodules of  $M$  with  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  and the collection of families  $(e_i)_{i \in I}$  of endomorphisms of  $M$  that satisfy  $e_i e_j = \delta_{i,j} e_i$  for all  $i, j$  and  $\text{id} = \sum_{i \in I} e_i$ .*

*Here such a family  $(e_i)_{i \in I}$  of endomorphisms gets mapped to the family  $(e_i(M))_{i \in I}$  of submodules. Conversely, a family  $(M_i)_{i \in I}$  of submodules with  $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$  gets mapped to the family  $(\pi_i \iota_i)_{i \in I}$  of endomorphisms with  $\iota_i : M_i \subset M$  the subset embedding and  $\pi_i : M \rightarrow M_i$  the projection.*

**Proposition 7.25.** *Let  $f \in \text{End}(M)$ .*

- 1) If  $M$  is artinian and  $f$  a monomorphism, then  $f$  is an isomorphism.
- 2) If  $M$  is noetherian and  $f$  an epimorphism, then  $f$  is an isomorphism.
- 3) If  $M$  is artinian and noetherian then there exists an integer  $N$  such that for all  $n \geq N$  it holds that  $M = \text{im } f^n \oplus \ker f^n$ .

*Proof.* 1) Suppose that  $M$  is artinian. The descending chain  $\text{im } f \subset \text{im } f^2 \subset \dots$  stabilizes after a finite number  $n$  of steps. Then for any  $x \in M$  there is an element  $y \in M$  with  $f^{2n}(y) = f^n(x)$ . This implies  $x - f^n(y) \in \ker f^n$ . Since this holds for all  $x$  it follows that  $M = \text{im } f^n + \ker f^n$ . In particular, if  $f$  is injective it follows that  $f$  is also surjective.

2) Suppose that  $M$  is noetherian. Then the ascending chain  $\ker f \subset \ker f^2 \subset \dots$  stabilizes after a finite number  $n$  of steps. This implies  $\text{im } f^n \cap \ker f^n = 0$ . If  $f$  is surjective then this implies that  $f$  is also injective.

3) If  $M$  is artinian and noetherian then we obtain  $M = \text{im } f^n \oplus \ker f^n$ .  $\square$

**Definition 7.26.** We say  $M$  is indecomposable if  $M \neq 0$  and for any submodules  $X, Y \subset M$  with  $M = X \oplus Y$  it holds that  $X = 0$  or  $X = M$ .

**Proposition 7.27.** Let  $M \neq 0$ .

- 1)  $M$  is indecomposable if and only if  $\text{End}(M)$  has no idempotent elements besides 0 and id.
- 2) If  $\text{End}(M)$  is local then  $M$  is indecomposable.

**Proposition 7.28.** Let  $M \neq 0$  be artinian and noetherian. Then  $M$  is indecomposable if and only if  $\text{End}(M)$  is local.

**Lemma 7.29.** Suppose that the following diagram has exact diagonals:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & 0 & & \\
 & & \searrow & & \nearrow \\
 & & A & & B & & 0 \\
 & & \searrow & & \nearrow & & \\
 & & & X & & & \\
 & & \nearrow & & \searrow & & \\
 & & C & & B & & \\
 & & \nearrow & & \searrow & & \\
 & & 0 & & & & 0
 \end{array}$$

The  $gi$  is an isomorphism if and only if  $fh$  is an isomorphism.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $gi$  is an isomorphism. Then

$$X = \text{imi} \oplus \ker g = \text{im}h \oplus \ker f.$$

Thus  $fh$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 7.30.** Let  $X, X', Y, Y'$  be modules and  $\phi : X \oplus X' \rightarrow Y \oplus Y'$  an isomorphism. Let  $\alpha, \alpha', \beta, \beta'$  be the morphism with

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & Y & \\
 & \alpha & & \nearrow & \beta \\
 X & \longrightarrow & X \oplus X' & \xrightarrow{\phi} & Y \oplus Y' & \longrightarrow & Y & \\
 & \searrow & & \nwarrow & \nearrow & & \nwarrow & \beta \\
 & & & & Y' & & & \\
 & \alpha' & & \searrow & \beta' & & & \\
 & & & & Y' & & & \\
 & & & & & & & X
 \end{array}$$

Then it holds that

$$\text{id} = \beta\alpha + \beta'\alpha'.$$

- 1) If  $\beta\alpha$  is an isomorphism then  $X' \simeq \ker \beta \oplus Y'$ .
- 2) If  $\beta'\alpha'$  is an isomorphism then  $X' \simeq Y \oplus \ker \beta'$ .

**Lemma 7.31.** Let  $X, X', Y, Y'$  be modules,  $X \oplus X' \simeq Y \oplus Y'$ ,  $X \simeq Y$ ,  $\text{End}(X)$  local. Then it follows that  $X' \simeq Y'$ .

**Lemma 7.32.** Let  $Y, Y', X_1, \dots, X_n$  be modules such that  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n X_i \simeq Y \oplus Y'$ ,  $\text{End}(X_i)$  local for all  $i$ , and  $Y \neq 0$ . Then there is an index  $i$  such that the composition  $X_i \rightarrow Y \rightarrow X_i$  is an automorphism of  $X_i$ .

**Theorem 7.33** (Krull–Schmidt). Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  be indecomposable (and hence nonzero) modules. Suppose that  $\text{End}(X_i)$  is local for all  $i$  and

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^n X_i \simeq \bigoplus_{j=1}^m Y_j.$$

Then  $m = n$  and there is a permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  with

$$X_i \simeq Y_{\sigma(i)}$$

for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

**Theorem 7.34.** *Let  $M \neq 0$  be artinian and noetherian. Then there are up to reordering unique indecomposable submodules  $M_1, \dots, M_n \subset M$  with*

$$M = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n M_i.$$

**Definition 7.35.** *We say  $M$  is projective if for all modules  $X, Y$ , any epimorphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and any morphism  $g : M \rightarrow Y$  there is a morphism  $h : M \rightarrow X$  with  $g = fh$ .*

**Proposition 7.36.** *The module  $M$  is projective if and only if there is a free module  $F$  with submodules  $P, P' \subset F$  such that  $F = P \oplus P'$  and  $M \simeq P$ .*

**Proposition 7.37.** *Suppose that  $M$  is finitely generated. Then  $M$  is projective if there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  and submodules  $P, P' \subset R^n$  such that  $R^n = P \oplus P'$  and  $M \simeq P$ .*

**Proposition 7.38.** *If  $R$  is local then any finitely generated projective  $R$  module is free.*

*Proof.* Let  $P \neq 0$  be a finitely generated projective  $R$  module. Then there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  and a module  $P'$  with

$$R^n \simeq P \oplus P'.$$

The endomorphism ring  $\text{End}_R(R) \simeq R$  is local. It follows that one of the compositions  $R \rightarrow P \rightarrow R$  is an automorphism of  $R$ . This yields  $P \simeq P_1 \oplus R$  and hence

$$R^n \simeq P_1 \oplus R \oplus P'.$$

Using again that  $\text{End}_R(R)$  is local it follows that we may cancel the summand  $R$  from the direct sum, yielding

$$R^{n-1} \simeq P_1 \oplus P'.$$

If  $P_1 = 0$  we are done. Otherwise we may iterate. □

### 7.3 The Wedderburn–Artin theorem

**Definition 7.39.** 1) *We say  $R$  is simple if  $R \neq 0$  and  $0$  and  $R$  are the only two-sided ideals of  $R$ .*

2) We say  $R$  is semi-simple if  $\text{Ra}(R) = 0$  and  $R$  is left-artinian or right-artinian.

**Theorem 7.40** (Wedderburn–Artin). *Let  $R$  be a semisimple (left- or right-artinian) ring. Then*

$$R \simeq M_{n_1}(D_1) \times \dots \times M_{n_r}(D_r)$$

for some skew fields  $D_1, \dots, D_r$  and integers  $r, n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 1$ . The pairs  $(D_i, n_i)$  are unique up to reordering.

**Lemma 7.41.** *Suppose that  $k$  is an algebraically closed field and  $D$  is a finite dimensional  $k$ -algebra. If  $D$  is a skew field then  $D = k$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in D$ . Then there is a minimal integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $1, x, \dots, x^n$  are linear independent. This implies that there is a monic polynomial  $f \in k[x]$  with degree  $n$  such that  $f(x) = 0$ . Since  $k$  is algebraically closed it follows that  $f$  has a zero  $\zeta \in k$ . Hence we may write  $f = (X - \zeta)g$  for some monic polynomial  $g$ . Since  $n$  is minimal it follows that  $g(x) \neq 0$  and  $0 = (x - \zeta)g(x)$ . Hence  $x = \zeta \in k$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 7.42.** *Suppose that  $k$  is an algebraically closed field and  $A$  is a finite dimensional semi-simple  $k$ -algebra. Then there is a unique integer  $r \geq 1$  and up to reordering unique integers  $n_1, \dots, n_r$  such that*

$$A \simeq M_{n_1}(k) \times \dots \times M_{n_r}(k).$$

For each integer  $n \geq 1$  it holds that  $M_n(k)$  is simple. In particular,  $A$  is simple if and only if  $A \simeq M_n(k)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ .

## 8 Cocommutative Hopf algebras in characteristic 0

### 8.1 Irreducible and pointed coalgebras

**Definition 8.1.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra.

- 1)  $C$  is called simple, if  $C \neq 0$  and  $0$  and  $C$  are the only subcoalgebras of  $C$ .
- 2) The subcoalgebra

$$C_0 = \sum_{D \subset C \text{ simple}} D$$

is called the coradical of  $C$ .

- 3) We say  $C$  is pointed if every simple subcoalgebra  $\neq 0$  of  $C$  has dimension 1.
- 4) We say  $C$  is irreducible if  $C$  has precisely one simple subcoalgebra.

**Proposition 8.2.** 1) A coalgebra  $C$  is cocommutative if and only if  $C^*$  is commutative.

*Proof.* If  $C$  is cocommutative then  $C^*$  is commutative. Conversely, suppose that  $C^*$  is commutative. Let  $(x_i)_i$  be a basis of  $C$  and  $(e_i)_i$  the corresponding dual basis. For  $x \in C$  write  $\Delta(x) = \sum_{i,j} \lambda_{i,j} x_i \otimes x_j$ . Then for all  $k, \ell$  it holds that

$$\lambda_{k,\ell} = (e_k * e_\ell)(x) = (e_\ell * e_k)(x) = \lambda_{\ell,k}.$$

□

- 2) Let  $D \subset C$  be a one-dimensional subcoalgebra. Then  $D$  is simple and there is a group-like element  $g \in C$  with  $D = kg$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D \subset C$  be a one-dimensional subcoalgebra,  $0 \neq x \in D$ . It must hold that  $\Delta(x) \neq 0$  because otherwise  $x = x_1 \epsilon(x_2) = 0$ . Hence there is  $\lambda \in k^\times$  with  $\Delta(x) = \lambda x \otimes x$ . Hence  $g = \lambda x$  satisfies  $g \neq 0$  and  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ . Hence  $g$  is grouplike and  $D = kg$ . □

- 3) If  $C$  is a simple coalgebra then  $C$  is finite dimensional and  $C^*$  is a simple algebra. If additionally  $k$  is algebraically closed then there is a unique integer  $n \geq 1$  with  $C \simeq M_n(k)^*$ .

*Proof.*  $C$  is finite dimensional since it is the union of its finite dimensional subcoalgebras. Let  $I \triangleleft C^*$  be an ideal. Then  $C^* \rightarrow C^*/I$  is a surjective algebra homomorphism. Consequently,  $(C^*/I)^* \rightarrow C^{**}$  is an injective coalgebra homomorphism. Since  $C^{**} \simeq C$  is simple it follows that  $\dim_k(C^*/I)^* \in \{0, \dim_k(C)\}$ . That is,  $I = 0$  or  $I = C^*$ .

If  $k$  is algebraically closed, then the Wedderburn–Artin theorem yields that  $C^* \simeq M_n(k)$  for a unique integer  $n \geq 1$ .  $\square$

- 4) If  $C$  is a cocommutative coalgebra and  $k$  is algebraically closed then  $C$  is pointed.

*Proof.* Let  $D \subset C$  be a simple subcoalgebra. Then  $D$  is finite dimensional and  $D \simeq M_n(k)^*$  as coalgebra for a unique  $n$ . Since  $D$  is cocommutative it follows that  $n = 1$ , that is  $D$  is one-dimensional.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.3.** *Let  $0 \neq C$  be a coalgebra. Then there is a subcoalgebra  $0 \neq D \subset C$  that is simple.*

*Proof.* Any coalgebra is the union of its finite dimensional subcoalgebras.  $\square$

**Definition 8.4.** *Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $X \subset V$  and  $Y \subset V^*$  linear subspaces. We set*

$$X^\perp = \{f \in V^* \mid f(X) = 0\}$$

$$Y^\perp = \{v \in V \mid f(v) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in Y\}.$$

**Proposition 8.5.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra (not necessarily finite dimensional).*

- 1) *For  $I \subset C^*$  it holds that  $I$  is a two-sided ideal if and only if  $I^\perp \subset C$  is a subcoalgebra.*
- 2) *For  $D \subset C$  it holds that  $D$  is a subcoalgebra if and only if  $D^\perp$  is an ideal.*

**Proposition 8.6.** *Let  $C$  be a finite dimensional coalgebra. Then  $X \mapsto X^\perp$  and  $Y \mapsto Y^\perp$  yield inclusion inverting bijections:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\{X \subset C \mid X \text{ linear subspace}\} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \{Y \subset C^* \mid Y \text{ linear subspace}\} \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\{D \subset C \mid D \text{ subcoalgebra}\} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \{I \triangleleft C^* \mid I \text{ two-sided ideal}\} \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\{D \subset C \mid D \text{ simple subcoalgebra}\} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \{I \triangleleft C^* \mid I \text{ maximal two-sided ideal}\}
\end{array}$$

*In particular it holds that  $\text{Ra}(C^*) = C_0^\perp$  with  $C_0$  the coradical of  $C$ .  $C$  is a simple coalgebra if and only if  $C^*$  is a simple algebra.*

*Proof.* It holds that

$$C_0^\perp = \left( \sum_{D \subset C \text{ simple}} D \right)^\perp = \bigcap_{D \subset C \text{ simple}} D^\perp = \bigcap_{I \triangleleft C^* \text{ maximal ideal}} I = \text{Ra}(C^*).$$

□

**Theorem 8.7.** *Let  $(C, (\tilde{C}_n)_{n \geq 0})$  be a filtered coalgebra. Then  $C_0 \subset \tilde{C}_0$ . In particular, if  $\tilde{C}_0$  is one-dimensional then  $C$  is pointed and irreducible.*

*Proof.* Suppose that there is a simple coalgebra  $D \subset C$  that is not a subset of  $\tilde{C}_0$ . Then there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  with  $D \subset \tilde{C}_n$  and  $D \cap \tilde{C}_{n-1} = 0$ . In particular  $D \cap \tilde{C}_0 = 0$ . Hence there is an  $f \in C^*$  with  $f(C_0) = 0$  and  $f|_D = \epsilon|_D$ . This yields for all  $d \in D$

$$d = d_1 f(d_2) \in \sum_{i=0}^n \tilde{C}_i f(\tilde{C}_{n-i}) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \tilde{C}_i f(\tilde{C}_{n-i}) \in \tilde{C}_{n-1}.$$

□

**Corollary 8.8.** *If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Lie algebra then  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is pointed and irreducible.*

**Theorem 8.9.** *Suppose that  $k$  is characteristic 0. Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra with basis  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$ . Let  $\simeq$  be a total order on  $I$ . For any  $m = (m_i)_i \in \mathbb{N}_0^{(I)}$  we set*

$$e_m = \frac{\prod_{i \in I} x_i^{m_i}}{\prod_{i \in I} m_i!}.$$

- 1)  $(e_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}_0^{(I)}}$  is a  $k$ -basis of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ .
- 2) For all  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0^{(I)}$  it holds that  $\Delta(e_m) = \sum_{a+b=m} e_a \otimes e_b$ .
- 3) For any bialgebra  $H$  and any injective Lie algebra homomorphism

$$\mathfrak{g} \hookrightarrow P(H)^-$$

it holds that the induced bialgebra homomorphism

$$U(\mathfrak{g}) \hookrightarrow H$$

is injective.

- 4)  $U(\mathfrak{g})^* \simeq k[[T_i \mid i \in I]]$ ,  $f \mapsto \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}_0^{(I)}} f(e_m) T^m$ .
- 5)  $P(U(\mathfrak{g})) = \mathfrak{g}$

## 8.2 The coradical filtration

**Definition 8.10.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra. For any two linear subspaces  $X, Y \subset C$  we define the wedge product of  $X$  and  $Y$  as the preimage

$$X \wedge Y = \Delta^{-1}(X \otimes C + C \otimes Y).$$

We also set  $\wedge^0 X = 0$  and

$$\wedge^n X = (\wedge^{n-1} X) \wedge X = \Delta^{-1}((\wedge^{n-1} X) \otimes C + C \otimes X).$$

**Lemma 8.11.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra and  $X, X', Y, Y', Z \subset C$  linear subspaces.

- 1)  $X \wedge Y = (X^\perp Y^\perp)^\perp$
- 2)  $(X \wedge Y) \wedge Z = X \wedge (Y \wedge Z)$
- 3) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are subcoalgebras then so is  $X \wedge Y$
- 4) If  $X \subset X'$  and  $Y \subset Y'$  then  $X \wedge Y \subset X' \wedge Y'$

*Proof.* 1) It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} (X^\perp Y^\perp)^\perp &= \left\{ \sum_i f_i * g_i \mid f_i \in X^\perp, g_i \in Y^\perp \text{ for all } i \right\}^\perp \\ &= \{c \in C \mid (f * g)(c) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in X^\perp, g \in Y^\perp\} \\ &= X \otimes C + C \otimes Y. \end{aligned}$$

2) It follows that

$$(X \wedge Y) \wedge Z = ((X \wedge Y)^\perp Z^\perp)^\perp = (X^\perp Y^\perp Z^\perp)^\perp = X \wedge (Y \wedge Z).$$

3) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are subcoalgebras, then  $X^\perp$  and  $Y^\perp$  are ideals. Hence  $X^\perp Y^\perp$  is an ideal and consequently  $X \wedge Y = (X^\perp Y^\perp)^\perp$  is a subcoalgebra. (There is no problem with  $C$  not being finite dimensional.)

4) This is clear.  $\square$

**Definition 8.12.** Let  $C$  be a coalgebra and  $C_0$  its coradical. For all  $n \geq 1$  set

$$C_n = \wedge^{n+1} C_0.$$

Then

$$C_0 \subset C_1 \subset C_2 \subset \dots$$

is a coalgebra filtration. We call  $(C_i)_{i \geq 0}$  the coradical filtration of  $C$ .

*Proof.* 1) We show that  $C_n \subset C_{n+1}$  for all  $n \geq 0$  by induction.  $C_0$  is a subcoalgebra and consequently it holds that  $C_0 \subset C_1$ . If  $C_{n-1} \subset C_n$  then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} C_n &= \Delta^{-1}(C_{n-1} \otimes C + C \otimes C_0) \\ &\subset \Delta^{-1}(C_n \otimes C + C \otimes C_0) \\ &= C_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

2) We show that  $\Delta(C_n) \subset \sum_{i=0}^n C_i \otimes C_n$  for all  $n$ . This is clear for  $n = 0$ . For  $n \geq 1$  it holds for all  $0 \leq i \leq n+1$  that

$$C_n = (\wedge^i C_0) \wedge (\wedge^{n+1-i} C_0).$$

Setting  $C_{-1} = 0$  this may be expressed by

$$C_n = C_{i-1} \wedge C_{n-i}.$$

It also holds that  $\Delta(C_n) \subset C_n \otimes C_n$  since the wedge product of sub-coalgebras is a subcoalgebra. Hence Hence

$$\Delta(C_n) \subset \bigcap_{i=0}^{n+1} (C_{i-1} \otimes C_n + C_n \otimes C_{n-i})$$

Choose any supplementary subspace  $D_i$  of  $C_{i-1}$  inside  $C_i$ . Then

$$C_i = D_0 \oplus \dots \oplus D_i$$

for all  $i \geq 0$ . This implies

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{i=0}^{n+1} (C_{i-1} \otimes C_n + C_n \otimes C_{n-i}) &= \bigcap_{i=0}^{n+1} \bigoplus_{r \leq i-1 \text{ or } s \leq n-i} D_r \otimes D_s \\ &= \bigoplus_{r+s \leq n} D_r \otimes D_s \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n C_i \otimes C_{n-i}. \end{aligned}$$

- 3) We show that  $\bigcup_{i \geq 0} C_i = C$ . If  $D \subset C$  is a subcoalgebra then the corresponding coradical filtration  $(D_i)_{i \geq 0}$  satisfies  $D_i \subset C_i$  for all  $i$ . Hence without loss of generality we assume that  $C$  is finite dimensional. Then  $C_0^\perp = \text{Ra}(C^*)$  is nilpotent, that is

$$0 = (C_0^\perp)^n$$

for some  $n \geq 1$ . Applying  $\perp$  to both sides yields

$$C = ((C_0^\perp)^n)^\perp = \wedge^n C_0.$$

□

**Corollary 8.13.** *If  $f : C \rightarrow D$  is a surjective coalgebra homomorphism, then  $D_0 \subset f(C_0)$ .*

*Proof.* It holds that

$$f(C_0) \subset f(C_1) \subset \dots$$

is a coalgebra filtration. Consequently,  $D_0 \subset f(C_0)$ .

□

### 8.3 Irreducible cocommutative Hopf algebras in characteristic 0

**Theorem 8.14.** *Suppose that  $k$  has characteristic 0. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \{\mathfrak{g} \mid \mathfrak{g} \text{ Lie alg.}\} &\simeq \{H \mid H \text{ irred. cocom. Hopf alg.}\} \\ \mathfrak{g} &\mapsto U(\mathfrak{g}) \\ P(H) &\leftarrow H. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The functors are well-defined and we already showed that  $P(U(\mathfrak{g})) \simeq \mathfrak{g}$ . We also know that the Hopf algebra morphism  $U(P(H)) \rightarrow H$  that we obtain from the universal property of the enveloping algebra is injective (since  $k$  has characteristic 0). It remains to check that it is also surjective. We will do this at the end of this section.  $\square$

**Definition 8.15.** 1) We let  $\mathcal{C}_k$  denote the category of cocommutative coalgebras.

2) We let  $\mathcal{E}_k$  denote the category of cocommutative coalgebras.

3) For any  $C \in \mathcal{C}_k$  we let

$$\text{Cosp}(C) : \mathcal{E}_k^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}, \quad E \mapsto \text{Coalg}(E, C)$$

denote the cospectrum functor.

**Proposition 8.16.** 1) Let  $C \in \mathcal{C}_k$  and let  $R$  be a commutative finite dimensional algebra. Then  $R \otimes_k C$  is an  $R$ -coalgebra with comultiplication and counit given by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \otimes_k C & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \Delta_C} & R \otimes_k C \otimes_k C \xrightarrow{\simeq} (R \otimes_k C) \otimes_R (R \otimes_k C) \\ & \searrow \Delta & \nearrow \end{array}$$

and

$$\epsilon : R \otimes_k C \rightarrow R, \quad r \otimes c \mapsto r\epsilon(c).$$

We have a functorial bijection of sets

$$\begin{aligned} G(R \otimes_k C) &\simeq \text{Coalg}(R^*, C) = \text{Cosp}(C)(R^*) \\ t &\mapsto (f \mapsto (f \odot \text{id})(t)). \end{aligned}$$

If  $C = H$  is a cocommutative Hopf algebra then  $R \otimes_k H$  is a Hopf algebra over  $R$  and this is a natural isomorphism of groups.

*Proof.* Let

$$x = \sum_i r_i \otimes c_i \in R \otimes C$$

and let

$$\varphi : R^* \rightarrow C, \quad f \mapsto \sum_i f(r_i)c_i$$

be the corresponding map under the isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} R \otimes_k C &\simeq \text{Hom}_k(R^*, C) \\ r \otimes c &\mapsto (f \mapsto f(r)c). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(\varphi(f)) &= \varphi(f_1) \otimes \varphi(f_2) \quad \text{for all } f \in R^* \\ \Leftrightarrow \sum_i f(r_i)\Delta(c_i) &= \sum_{s,t} f_1(r_s)f_2(r_t)c_s \otimes c_t \quad \text{for all } f \in R^* \\ \Leftrightarrow \sum_i r_i\Delta(c_i) &= \sum_{s,t} \underbrace{f_1(r_s)f_2(r_t)}_{f(r_sr_t)} c_s \otimes c_t \quad \text{for all } f \in R^* \\ \Leftrightarrow \Delta(x) &= x \otimes x. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\epsilon(x) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i r_i\epsilon(c_i) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\sum_i f(r_i)\epsilon(c_i)}_{\epsilon(\varphi(f))} = \underbrace{f(1)}_{\epsilon(f)} \quad \text{for all } f \in R^*.$$

Now suppose that  $C = H$  is cocommutative Hopf algebra. It remains to check that

$$\phi : G(R \otimes H) \simeq \text{Coalg}(R^*, H)$$

is a group homomorphism. To this end, let  $x = \sum_i r_i \otimes c_i$  and  $y = \sum_j s_j \otimes d_j$  be elements of  $G(R \otimes H)$ . It holds for all  $f \in R^*$  that

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi(x) * \phi(y))(f) &= \phi(x)(f_1)\phi(y)(f_2) \\ &= \sum_i f_1(r_i)c_i \sum_j f_2(r_j)d_j \\ &= \sum_{i,j} f(r_ir_j)c_id_j \\ &= \phi(xy)(f) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\phi(1 \otimes 1)(f) = f(1)1_H.$$

□

- 2) For any  $C \in \mathcal{C}_k$  and any two finite dimensional commutative algebras  $R$  and  $S$  it holds that

$$G((R \times S) \otimes C) \simeq G(R \otimes C) \times G(S \otimes C).$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} G((R \times S) \otimes C) &\simeq \text{Coalg}((R \times S)^*, C) \\ &\simeq \text{Coalg}(R^*, C) \times \text{Coalg}(S^*, C) \\ &\simeq G(R \otimes C) \times G(S \otimes C). \end{aligned}$$

□

- 3) Let  $C \xrightarrow{f} D$  be a morphism in  $\mathcal{C}_k$  such that for any finite dimensional commutative algebra  $R$  it holds that the map  $G(R \otimes C) \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes f} G(R \otimes D)$  is bijective. Then  $f$  is an isomorphism.

*Proof.* For any finite dimensional commutative algebra  $R$  it holds that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G(R \otimes C) & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes f} & G(R \otimes D) \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ \text{Coalg}(R^*, C) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_k(\text{id}, f)} & \text{Coalg}(R^*, D). \end{array}$$

That is, for any  $E \in \mathcal{E}_k$  it holds that

$$\text{Coalg}(E, C) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_k(\text{id}, f)} \text{Coalg}(E, D)$$

is bijective. This means that under the Yoneda bijection

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_k(C, D) &\rightarrow \text{Mor}(\text{Cosp}(C), \text{Cosp}(D)) \\ g &\mapsto \mathcal{C}_k(\text{id}, g) \end{aligned}$$

the map  $f$  gets mapped to a natural isomorphism. Since

$$\mathcal{C}_k \simeq \{F : \mathcal{E}_k^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set} \mid F \simeq \text{Cosp}(C) \text{ for some } C \in \mathcal{C}_k\}$$

is an equivalence of categories this implies that  $f$  is a bijection. □

**Lemma 8.17.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra over  $k$  and  $k \subset K$  a field extension. Then  $(K \otimes C)_0 \subset K \otimes C_0$ . In particular, if  $C$  is pointed and irreducible then so is  $K \otimes C$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $C_0 \subset C_1 \subset \dots$  be the coradical filtration of  $C$ . Then  $K \otimes C_0 \subset K \otimes C_1 \subset \dots$  is a coalgebra filtration of  $K \otimes C$  and consequently

$$(K \otimes C)_0 \subset K \otimes C_0.$$

□

**Theorem 8.18.** *Let  $H$  be an irreducible, cocommutative Hopf algebra and  $R$  a finite dimensional commutative algebra. Then*

$$G(R \otimes H) = \{g \in 1 \otimes 1 + \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H \mid \Delta(g) = g \otimes g\}.$$

*Proof.* Since  $R$  is finite dimensional the collection  $\text{Max}(R)$  of maximal ideals is finite by the Chinese remainder theorem. With  $\text{Max}(R) = \{I_1, \dots, I_n\}$ ,  $K_i = R/I_i$ ,  $k \subset K_i$  finite field extension it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} G(R/\text{Ra}(R) \otimes H) &\simeq G((K_1 \times \dots \times K_t) \otimes H) \\ &\simeq G(K_1 \otimes H) \times \dots \times G(K_t \otimes H). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $H$  is pointed and irreducible it follows that  $K_i \otimes H$  is pointed and irreducible for all  $i$ . In particular the unit element of  $K_i \otimes H$  is its only group-like element. It follows that

$$|G(R/\text{Ra}(R) \otimes H)| = 1.$$

That is,

$$G(R \otimes H) = \ker(G(R \otimes H) \rightarrow G(R/\text{Ra}(R) \otimes H)).$$

This implies

$$G(R \otimes H) - 1 \otimes 1 \in \ker(R \otimes H \rightarrow R/\text{Ra}(R) \otimes H) = \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H.$$

For each  $g \in 1 \otimes 1 + \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H$  it holds that

$$\epsilon(g) \in 1 + \text{Ra}(R) \subset R^\times$$

since each element of  $\text{Ra}(R)$  is nilpotent. Hence  $g$  is group-like if and only if  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ . □

**Theorem 8.19.** *Let  $H$  be an irreducible cocommutative Hopf algebra and  $\text{char}(k) = 0$ . Then for each finite dimensional commutative algebra  $R$  it holds that*

$$\text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(H) \xrightarrow{\text{exp}} G(R \otimes H), \quad x \mapsto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

*is bijective and functorial in  $R$  and  $H$ .*

*Proof.*  $\text{Ra}(R)$  is nilpotent, so  $\text{exp}$  yields a functorial bijection

$$\text{Ra}(R) \otimes H \simeq 1 \otimes 1 + \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H$$

with inverse given by  $\log$ . The sequence

$$0 \rightarrow P(H) \subset H \xrightarrow{\Delta-f} H \otimes H$$

is exact with  $f(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$  for all  $x \in H$ . Since  $\otimes_k$  is exact it follows that

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(H) \rightarrow \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H \rightarrow \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H \otimes H$$

is exact. Here  $r \otimes y \in \text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(H)$  gets mapped to

$$r \otimes y_1 \otimes y_2 - r \otimes y \otimes 1 - r \otimes 1 \otimes y.$$

Applying the canonical bijection  $R \otimes H \otimes H \simeq (R \otimes H) \otimes_R (R \otimes H)$  yields that

$$\text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(H) = \{x \in \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H \mid \Delta(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x\}.$$

For any  $x \in \text{Ra}(R) \otimes H$  it holds that  $\Delta(x) = 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1$  if and only if  $\Delta(\text{exp}(x)) = \text{exp}(x) \otimes \text{exp}(x)$ . This follows from

$$\text{exp}(\Delta(x)) = \Delta(x)$$

and

$$\text{exp}(1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1) = (1 \otimes \text{exp}(x))(\text{exp}(x) \otimes 1) = \text{exp}(x) \otimes \text{exp}(x).$$

□

*Remaining proof of Theorem 8.14.* In order to finalize the proof of Theorem 8.14 it remains to show that the monomorphism  $U(P(H)) \rightarrow H$  is surjective. We know that

$$\psi : P(U(P(H))) = P(H).$$

Hence for any commutative algebra  $R$  it holds with  $\tilde{H} = U(P(H))$  that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(\tilde{H}) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & G(R \otimes \tilde{H}) \\ \downarrow \text{id} \otimes \psi & & \downarrow \text{id} \otimes \psi \\ \text{Ra}(R) \otimes P(H) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & G(R \otimes H). \end{array}$$

□

## 8.4 Cocommutative Hopf algebras in characteristic 0

**Remark 8.20.** Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra,  $G$  a group,  $H$  a  $k[G]$  left module algebra such that for each  $g \in G$  it holds that

$$\hat{g} : H \rightarrow H, \quad x \mapsto g.x$$

is a coalgebra homomorphism. That is, we assume that the left module algebra structure is induced by a group homomorphism

$$\rho : G \rightarrow \text{BiAlg}(H, H).$$

Then  $H \# k[G]$  is a Hopf algebra with smash product algebra structure and

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x \# g) &= x_1 \# g \otimes x_2 \# g \\ \epsilon(x \# g) &= \epsilon(x) \\ S(x \# g) &= (1 \# g^{-1})(S(x) \# 1) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ .

*Proof.* For any  $x, y \in H$  and  $g \in G$  we have

$$g.(xy) = (g_1.x)(g_2.x) = (g.x)(g.x) \quad \text{and} \quad g.1 = \epsilon(g)1 = 1.$$

That is,  $k[G]$  left module algebra structures correspond to algebra homomorphisms  $k[G] \rightarrow \text{Alg}(H, H)$ , that is a group homomorphism

$$G \rightarrow \text{Alg}(H, H), \quad g \mapsto \hat{g}.$$

Hence requiring that  $\hat{g}$  is a coalgebra homomorphism is equivalent to requiring that this group homomorphism is actually a morphism

$$G \rightarrow \text{BiAlg}(H, H).$$

It's easy to see that  $\Delta, \epsilon$  satisfy the coalgebra axioms. Let's check that they are algebra homomorphisms. It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta((x\#g)(y\#h)) &= \Delta(x(g.y)\#gh) \\ &= x_1(g.y)_1\#gh \otimes x_2(g.y)_2\#gh \\ &= x_1(g.y_1)\#gh \otimes x_2(g.y_2)\#gh \\ &= (x_1\#g \otimes x_2\#g)(y_1\#h \otimes y_2\#h) \\ &= \Delta(x\#g)\Delta(y\#h). \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon((x\#g)(y\#h)) &= \epsilon(xg.y\#gh) \\ &= \epsilon(x)\epsilon(g.y) \\ &= \epsilon(x)\epsilon(y) \\ &= \epsilon(x\#g)\epsilon(y\#h). \end{aligned}$$

As for the antipode axioms:

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_1\#g)x_2\#g &= (1\#g^{-1})(S(x_1)\#1)(x_2\#g) \\ &= (1\#g^{-1})(S(x_1)x_2\#g) \\ &= \epsilon(x)(g^{-1}.1\#g^{-1}g) \\ &= \epsilon(x)1\#1. \end{aligned}$$

The rest is clear. □

**Lemma 8.21.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra,  $C_i \subset C$  a subcoalgebra for each  $i \in I$ , and  $E \subset \sum_{i \in I} C_i$  a simple subcoalgebra. Then there is an index  $i \in I$  with  $E \subset C_i$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $E$  is finite dimensional we may assume that  $I$  is finite. By induction it suffices to show that if  $E \subset C_i + C_j$  and  $E \not\subset C_i$  then  $E \subset C_j$ . In this case it holds that  $E \cap C_i = 0$  since  $E$  is simple. Hence there is a

functional  $f \in C^*$  with  $f|_E = \epsilon$  and  $f|_{C_i} = 0$ . Let  $x \in E$ . Then there are  $a \in C_i$  and  $b \in C_j$  with  $x = a + b$ . Hence

$$x = x_1\epsilon(x_2) = x_1f(x_2) = b_1f(b_2) \in C_j.$$

□

**Remark 8.22.** *Recall: If  $A$  is a finite dimensional algebra, then  $A$  is artinian and noetherian as  $A$ -module. By the Krull–Schmidt theorem it follows that  $A = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_i$  for some indecomposable  $A$ -submodules  $A_i \subset A$ . In particular,  $\text{End}_A(A_i)$  is a local ring for all  $i$ . Writing  $1 = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i$  with  $e_i \in A_i$  it follows that  $e_i e_j = \delta_{i,j} e_i$  for all  $i, j$  and  $A_i = Ae_i$ . Moreover,*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{End}_A(Ae_i)^{\text{op}} &\simeq e_i Ae_i \\ \varphi &\mapsto \varphi(e_i) = \varphi(e_i^2) = e_i \varphi(e_i) \\ (x \mapsto xy) &\longleftarrow y. \end{aligned}$$

If  $A$  is commutative, this implies that  $A_i \simeq \text{End}_A(A_i)^{\text{op}}$  is a local ring with unit element  $e_i$ . In particular,

$$A = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_i \simeq \prod_{i=1}^n A_i$$

is the product of local subrings.

**Definition 8.23.** *A subcoalgebra  $D$  of a coalgebra  $C$  is an irreducible component if  $D$  is a maximal irreducible subcoalgebra.*

**Theorem 8.24.** *Let  $C$  be a coalgebra.*

- 1) *Every sum of pairwise distinct simple subcoalgebras is direct.*

*Proof.* If  $E_i \subset C$  is simple for all  $i \in I$  and the sum  $\sum_i E_i$  is not direct, then there is an index  $i \in I$  with  $E_i \cap \bigcap_{j \neq i} E_j \neq 0$ . But this would entail  $E_i \subset E_j$  for some  $j \neq i$ . □

- 2) *Every irreducible subcoalgebra of  $C$  is contained in a unique irreducible component of  $C$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $D \subset C$  be a simple subcoalgebra. It suffices that the sum of all irreducible subcoalgebras  $C'_i$ ,  $i \in I$  that contain  $D$  is irreducible. Indeed, if  $E \subset \sum_i C'_i$  is a simple coalgebra then it follows that  $E \subset C'_i$  for some  $i$ . Since  $C'_i$  is irreducible and  $D \subset C'_i$  it follows that  $E = D$ .  $\square$

3) *The sum of all irreducible components of  $C$  is direct.*

*Proof.* Let  $C_i \subset C$ ,  $i \in I$  be the irreducible components. If the sum is not direct, then there is an index  $i \in I$  such that  $C_i \cap \sum_{j \neq i} C_j \neq 0$ . Let  $E \subset C_i$  be the unique simple subcoalgebra. Since  $C_i \cap \sum_{j \neq i} C_j$  is a non-trivial subcoalgebra of  $C_i$  that contains a simple coalgebra it follows that  $E \subset C_i \cap \sum_{j \neq i} C_j$ . Hence there is an index  $j \neq i$  with  $E \subset C_j$ . But this would imply  $C_i = C_j$ .  $\square$

4) *If  $C$  is cocommutative, then  $C = \bigoplus_{D \subset C \text{ irred. comp.}} D$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to show that  $C$  is the sum of irreducible subcoalgebras. Without loss of generality we assume that  $C$  is finite dimensional. Then  $C^*$  is a finite dimensional commutative algebra, yielding

$$C^* \simeq \prod_{i=1}^n A_i$$

for some local subalgebras  $A_i \subset C^*$ . This implies that  $A_i^*$  is an irreducible coalgebra for all  $i$  and

$$C \simeq \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_i^*.$$

$\square$

**Proposition 8.25.** *Let  $C, D$  be coalgebras. Then  $(C \otimes D)_0 \subset C_0 \otimes D_0$ . In particular, if  $C$  and  $D$  are pointed then so is  $C \otimes D$ .*

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we assume that  $C$  and  $D$  are finite dimensional. We define the ideal

$$I := C_0^\perp \otimes D^* + C^* \otimes D_0^\perp \triangleleft C^* \otimes D^* = (C \otimes D)^*.$$

Our aim is to show that

$$(C \otimes D)_0 \subset I^\perp \subset C_0 \otimes D_0.$$

As for the first inclusion, note that

$$C_0^\perp = \text{Ra}(C^*)$$

is nilpotent since  $C^*$  is finite dimensional (and hence artinian). Likewise it holds that  $D_0^\perp$  is nilpotent. This implies that  $I$  is nilpotent. Since  $\text{Ra}((C \otimes D)^*)$  is the largest nilpotent ideal of  $(C \otimes D)^*$  it follows that

$$I \subset \text{Ra}((C \otimes D)^*) = (C \otimes D)_0^\perp.$$

That is,  $(C \otimes D)_0 \subset I^\perp$ .

As for the second inclusion, let  $x = \sum_i c_i \otimes d_i \in I^\perp$  with  $(d_i)_i$  linear independent. Then for all  $f \in C_0^\perp$  and  $g \in D^*$  it follows that

$$0 = \sum_i f(c_i)g(d_i) = g\left(\sum_i f(c_i)d_i\right).$$

Hence

$$\sum_i f(c_i)d_i = 0$$

and consequently

$$f(c_i) = 0$$

for all  $i$ . That is,  $c_i \in C_0^{\perp\perp} = C_0$  for all  $i$  and consequently

$$I^\perp \subset C_0 \otimes D.$$

Analogously, it follows that

$$I^\perp \subset C \otimes D_0$$

and hence

$$I^\perp \subset C_0 \otimes D_0.$$

□

**Theorem 8.26** (Cartier–Kostant). *Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra,  $G = G(H)$ . For each  $g \in G$  let  $H^g$  be the irreducible component that contains  $g$ . We set*

$$H' = \bigoplus_{g \in G} H^g.$$

1) The map

$$\rho : G \rightarrow \text{HopfAut}(H^1), \quad \rho(g)(x) = gxg^{-1}$$

is a well-defined group homomorphism. It holds that

$$H^1 \# k[G] \simeq H', \quad x \# g \mapsto xg$$

is an isomorphism of Hopf algebras.

2) If  $H$  is pointed and cocommutative, then

$$H^1 \# k[G] \simeq H.$$

*Proof.* 2) follows from 1), because if  $H$  is pointed and cocommutative then  $H$  is the sum of its irreducible components and all irreducible components are of the form  $H^g$ ,  $g \in G(H)$ . It remains to verify 1). We proceed in small steps.

a) For all  $g \in G$  it holds that  $H^g = gH^1 = H^1g$ .

The map  $H \rightarrow H, x \mapsto gx$  is a coalgebra isomorphism because  $g$  is group-like. Hence  $gH^1 \subset H$  is an irreducible component. Since  $g \in gH^1$  it follows that  $g.H^1 = H^g$ . Likewise it follows that  $H^1g = H^g$ .

b) For all  $g \in G$  it holds that  $S(H^g) \subset H^{g^{-1}}$ .

$S : H^{\text{cop}} \rightarrow H$  is a coalgebra homomorphism and  $\tilde{H} := H^g \subset H^{\text{cop}}$  is a subcoalgebra. This entails that  $S(\tilde{H}) \subset H$  is a subcoalgebra and  $g^{-1} \in S(\tilde{H})$ . So  $S(\tilde{H})_0 \subset S(\tilde{H}_0) = kg^{-1}x$ . Hence  $S(\tilde{H})$  is irreducible, yielding  $S(H^g) \subset H^{g^{-1}}$ .

c)  $(H^1)^2 = H^1$  and  $H^1 \subset H$  is a sub Hopf algebra.

$H^1$  is pointed and irreducible, and hence so is  $H^1 \otimes H^1$ . Hence  $(H^1)^2 = \text{im}(H^1 \otimes H^1 \rightarrow H^1)$  is also pointed and irreducible. This yields  $(H^1)^2 \subset H^1$ . Conversely,  $H^1 = H^1 1 \subset (H^1)^2$ .

d)  $H'$  is a sub Hopf algebra.

For any  $g, h \in G$  it holds by a) that

$$H^g H^h = H^1 g h H^1 = H^1 H^{gh} = H^1 H^1 g h = H^1 g h = H^{gh}.$$

Hence  $H'$  is a subalgebra. It is a subcoalgebra because all irreducible components are subcoalgebras. It is a sub Hopf algebra by b).

e)  $\rho$  is well-defined and hence  $H^1\#k[G]$  is a Hopf algebra

$$\text{For all } g, h \in G \text{ it holds by a) that } gH^hg^{-1} = H^{ghg^{-1}}.$$

f)  $H^1\#k[G] \simeq H^g$  as Hopf algebras

For any  $g \in G$  it holds that the multiplication  $H^1\#kg \rightarrow H^g$  is an isomorphism of vector spaces, yielding a linear isomorphism

$$\varphi : H^1\#k[G] \rightarrow H^g, \quad x\#g \mapsto xg.$$

This is already a Hopf algebra isomorphism, since

$$\varphi((x\#g)(y\#h)) = \varphi(xgyg^{-1}\#gh) = xgyh = \varphi(x\#g)\varphi(y\#h)$$

and

$$(\varphi \otimes \varphi)(x_1\#g \otimes x_2\#g) = x_1g \otimes x_2g = \Delta(xg).$$

□

**Theorem 8.27** (Cartier–Kostant). *Suppose that  $k$  is characteristic 0 and is algebraically closed. Let  $H$  be a cocommutative Hopf algebra and set  $G = G(H)$ ,  $\mathfrak{g} = P(H)^-$ . Define*

$$\rho : G \rightarrow \text{LieAut}(\mathfrak{g}), \quad g \mapsto (x \mapsto gxg^{-1}).$$

Then

$$U(\mathfrak{g})\#k[G] \simeq H, \quad x\#g \mapsto xg$$

is an isomorphism of Hopf algebras with  $U(\mathfrak{g})\#k[g]$  a Hopf algebra via  $\rho$ .

*Proof.* It holds that  $\text{LieAut}(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \text{HopfAut}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$ , so  $\rho$  yields a group isomorphism from  $G$  to  $\text{HopfAut}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$  that sends an element  $g \in G$  to the corresponding conjugation map.

$H$  is pointed since it is cocommutative and  $k$  is algebraically closed (recall that we deduced this from the Artin–Wedderburn theorem, since the dual of a simple sub coalgebra must be of the form  $M_n(k)^*$  because  $k$  is algebraically closed, and  $n = 1$  follows from cocommutativity). It follows that

$$H^1\#k[G] \simeq H$$

as Hopf algebras.

It holds that (using that  $k$  is characteristic 0)

$$H^1 \simeq U(P(H^1)) \subset U(P(H)) \subset H.$$

As the monomorphic image of  $U(P(H))$  in  $H$  is irreducible and contains  $H^1$  it follows that  $H^1 = \text{im}(U(P(H)) \subset H)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 8.28.** *If  $H$  is finite dimensional cocommutative Hopf algebra over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 then  $H \simeq k[G(H)]$  is a group algebra.*

*Proof.* We have  $U(P(H)) \subset H$  and hence  $P(H) = 0$  since  $H$  is finite dimensional.  $\square$

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