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## Hopf algebra

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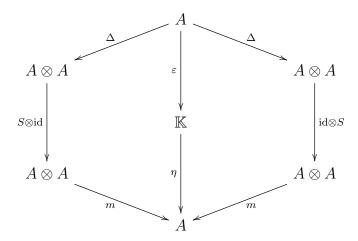
Defines antipode

A **Hopf algebra** is a bialgebra A over a field  $\mathbb{K}$  with a  $\mathbb{K}$ -linear map  $S: A \to A$ , called the **antipode**, such that

$$m \circ (S \otimes id) \circ \Delta = \eta \circ \varepsilon = m \circ (id \otimes S) \circ \Delta,$$
 (1)

where  $m: A \otimes A \to A$  is the multiplication map  $m(a \otimes b) = ab$  and  $\eta: \mathbb{K} \to A$  is the unit map  $\eta(k) = k\mathbb{I}$ .

In of a commutative diagram:



The category of commutative Hopf algebras is anti-equivalent to the category of affine group schemes. The prime spectrum of a commutative Hopf algebra is an affine group scheme of multiplicative units. And going in the opposite direction, the algebra of natural transformations from an affine group scheme to its http://planetmath.org/AffineSpaceaffine 1-space is a commutative Hopf algebra, with coalgebra structure given by dualising the group structure of the affine group scheme. Further, a commutative Hopf algebra is a cogroup object in the category of commutative algebras.

### **Example 1** (Algebra of functions on a finite group)

Let A = C(G) be the algebra of complex-valued functions on a finite group G and identify  $C(G \times G)$  with  $A \otimes A$ . Then, A is a Hopf algebra with comultiplication  $(\Delta(f))(x,y) = f(xy)$ , counit  $\varepsilon(f) = f(e)$ , and antipode  $(S(f))(x) = f(x^{-1})$ .

#### Example 2 (Group algebra of a finite group)

Let  $A = \mathbb{C}G$  be the complex group algebra of a finite group G. Then, A is

a Hopf algebra with comultiplication  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ , counit  $\varepsilon(g) = 1$ , and antipode  $S(g) = g^{-1}$ .

The above two examples are dual to one another. Define a bilinear form  $C(G) \otimes \mathbb{C}G \to \mathbb{C}$  by  $\langle f, x \rangle = f(x)$ . Then,

$$\langle fg, x \rangle = \langle f \otimes g, \Delta(x) \rangle,$$

$$\langle 1, x \rangle = \varepsilon(x),$$

$$\langle \Delta(f), x \otimes y \rangle = \langle f, xy \rangle,$$

$$\varepsilon(f) = \langle f, e \rangle,$$

$$\langle S(f), x \rangle = \langle f, S(x) \rangle,$$

$$\langle f^*, x \rangle = \overline{\langle f, S(x)^* \rangle}.$$

#### **Example 3** (Polynomial functions on a Lie group)

Let  $A = \operatorname{Poly}(G)$  be the algebra of complex-valued polynomial functions on a complex Lie group G and identify  $\operatorname{Poly}(G \times G)$  with  $A \otimes A$ . Then, A is a Hopf algebra with comultiplication  $(\Delta(f))(x,y) = f(xy)$ , counit  $\varepsilon(f) = f(e)$ , and antipode  $(S(f))(x) = f(x^{-1})$ .

#### Example 4 (Universal enveloping algebra of a Lie algebra)

Let  $A = \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$  be the universal enveloping algebra of a complex Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Then, A is a Hopf algebra with comultiplication  $\Delta(X) = X \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes X$ , counit  $\varepsilon(X) = 0$ , and antipode S(X) = -X.

The above two examples are dual to one another (if  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the Lie algebra of G). Define a bilinear form  $\operatorname{Poly}(G) \otimes \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathbb{C}$  by  $\langle f, X \rangle = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}|_{t=0} f(\exp(tX))$ .