

Hopf Algebra

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Motivation

- Let R be an F -algebra (we may think $F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R})
- M be a right R -module ($M \in Mod - R$)
- N be a left R -module ($N \in R - Mod$)
- In general, $M \otimes_R N$ does not have an R -module structure.
- We want to see what conditions should be imposed on R to give the tensor product a module structure.

Modules

- Now let R be a \mathbb{C} algebra and $M, N \in R - Mod$
- Then, $M \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} N$ is an $R \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} R$ module

$$(r_1 \otimes r_2) \cdot (m \otimes n) := r_1 m \otimes r_2 n$$

- If we had a ring hom $\Delta : R \rightarrow R \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} R$, then we can possibly make $M \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} N$ an R -mod by defining:

$$a \cdot (m \otimes n) := \Delta(a) \cdot (m \otimes n)$$

Modules

- We would also like to have the $R\text{-mod}$ isomorphism:

$$(L \otimes M) \otimes N \cong L \otimes (M \otimes N)$$

- Let $\Delta(a) = \sum_i a_1^i \otimes a_2^i =: a_1 \otimes a_2$ (Sweedler notation)
- Then,

$$\Delta(a) \cdot ((I \otimes m) \otimes n) = a_1 \cdot (I \otimes m) \otimes a_2 n = (a_{11} I \otimes a_{12} m) \otimes a_2 n$$

and,

$$\Delta(a) \cdot (I \otimes (m \otimes n)) = a_1 I \otimes a_2 \cdot (m \otimes n) = a_1 I \otimes (a_{21} m \otimes a_{22} n)$$

Modules

- To have our desired $R\text{-mod}$ isomorphism, we must have:

$$(a_{11}l \otimes a_{12}m) \otimes a_2n = a_1l \otimes (a_{21}m \otimes a_{22}n)$$

- So, we would like to have:

$$(a_{11} \otimes a_{12}) \otimes a_2 = a_1 \otimes (a_{21} \otimes a_{22})$$

$$\implies \Delta(a_1) \otimes a_2 = a_1 \otimes \Delta(a_2)$$

$$\implies (\Delta \otimes id) \circ \Delta(a) = (id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta(a)$$

Modules

- We also want $\mathbb{C} \in R\text{-mod}$ such that
 $C \otimes M \cong M \cong M \otimes \mathbb{C}$
- So we need a ring hom $\varepsilon : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
- Then we need:

$$a \cdot (c \otimes m) = a \cdot (cm) = a \cdot (m \otimes c)$$

$$\implies a_1 \cdot c \otimes a_2 m = a \cdot (cm) = a_1 m \otimes a_2 \cdot c$$

$$\implies \varepsilon(a_1)c \otimes a_2 m = a \cdot (cm) = a_1 m \otimes \varepsilon(a_2)c$$

- So, we would like to have:

$$\varepsilon(a_1) \otimes a_2 = a = a_1 \otimes \varepsilon(a_2)$$

$$\implies (\varepsilon \otimes id) \circ \Delta(a) = a = (id \otimes \varepsilon) \circ \Delta(a)$$

Bialgebra

Definition

A \mathbb{C} -bialgebra is a triplet (R, Δ, ε) such that:

- R is a \mathbb{C} -algebra
- The algebra morphism $\Delta : R \rightarrow R \otimes R$ is a comultiplication map i.e it satisfies:

$$(\Delta \otimes id) \circ \Delta = (id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta \quad (\text{Coassociativity})$$

- The algebra morphism $\varepsilon : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a counit map i.e it satisfies:

$$(\varepsilon \otimes id) \circ \Delta = id = (id \otimes \varepsilon) \circ \Delta \quad (\text{counit law})$$

Bialgebra example

Example

For a group G , $\mathbb{C}[G]$ becomes a bialgebra with:

- $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$
- $\varepsilon(g) = 1$

Example

For a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} , its universal algebra $U(\mathfrak{g})$ becomes a bialgebra with:

- $\Delta(v) = v \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes v$
- $\varepsilon(v) = 0$

Duals

- Now let $M \in R\text{-mod}$ with its \mathbb{C} -vector space dual M^*
- We want to see what conditions should be imposed on R to make M^* an R -module
- If we wanted to define:

$$(a \cdot f)(v) := f(av)$$

Then we would have:

$$(a \cdot (b \cdot f))(v) = (b \cdot f)(av) = f(bav) \neq f(abv) = ((ab) \cdot f)(v)$$

Thus, it does not provide us with any R -mod structure.

Duals

- However, if we have an antialgebra morphism $S : R \rightarrow R$ i.e $S(ab) = S(b)S(a)$ and $S(a + b) = S(a) + S(b)$,

then we can possibly make M^* an R -module by defining the following action:

$$(a \cdot f)(v) := f(S(a)v)$$

And we have our desired relation:

$$(a \cdot (b \cdot f))(v) = f(S(b)S(a)v) = f(S(ab)v) = ((ab) \cdot f)(v)$$

Duals

- We further want the following maps to be R -algebra morphisms.

$$ev_1 : M^* \otimes M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$ev_2 : M \otimes M^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$coev_1 : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow M \otimes M^*$$

$$coev_2 : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow M^* \otimes M$$

- Then for all $f \otimes v \in M^* \otimes M$, we need:

$$ev_1(a \cdot (f \otimes v)) = a \cdot ev_1(f \otimes v)$$

$$\implies ev_1(a_1 f \otimes a_2 \cdot v) = a \cdot (f(v))$$

$$\implies (a_1 \cdot f)(a_2 v) = \varepsilon(a)f(v)$$

$$\implies f(S(a_1)a_2 v) = f(\varepsilon(a)v)$$

$$\implies S(a_1)a_2 = \varepsilon(a)\mathbf{1}_R$$

Duals

- Also for the map $\text{coev}_1 : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow M \otimes M^*$, we need,

$$\text{coev}_1(a \cdot 1) = a \cdot \text{coev}_1(1)$$

$$\implies \text{coev}_1(\varepsilon(a)) = a \cdot \sum_i (e_i \otimes e^i)$$

$$\implies \varepsilon(a) \sum_i (e_i \otimes e^i) = \sum_i (a_1 e_i \otimes a_2 e^i)$$

$$\implies \varepsilon(a) \sum e_i \cdot e^i(v) = \sum a_1 e_i \cdot a_2 e^i(v)$$

$$\implies \varepsilon(a)v = \sum a_1 e_1 \cdot e^i(S(a_2)v) = a_1 S(a_2)v$$

$$\implies \varepsilon(a)\mathbf{1}_R = a_1 S(a_2)$$

- If S is invertible, then the conditions from the last two results imply ev_2 and coev_2 are algebra morphisms too.

Hopf Algebra

Note that we can write:

$$S(a_1)a_2 = m \circ (S \otimes id) \circ \Delta(a) \quad \text{and} \quad a_1 S(a_2) = m \circ (id \otimes S) \circ \Delta(a)$$

Definition

A Hopf Algebra is a tuple $(H, \Delta, \varepsilon, S)$ such that:

- (H, Δ, ε) is a bialgebra
- Antialgebra morphism $S : R \rightarrow R$ is an antipode map i.e it satisfies:

$$m \circ (S \otimes id) \circ \Delta = \varepsilon(\cdot) \mathbf{1}_H = m \circ (id \otimes S) \circ \Delta$$

Example

- $\mathbb{C}[G]$ is a Hopf algebra with $S(g) = g^{-1}$.
- $U(\mathfrak{g})$ is a Hopf algebra with $S(v) = -v$

Braiding

- Now we want to see when we have H -algebra isomorphism between $M \otimes N$ and $N \otimes M$
- Note that if $\Delta = \tau \circ \Delta$ (cocommutativity), then the H -algebra isomorphism can be simply given by $m \otimes n \rightarrow n \otimes m$ or in other words $x \rightarrow \tau(x)$.

In this case, we call H a symmetric Hopf algebra.

- However, this condition is too strong. We often look for weaker conditions. For example, consider:

$$x \rightarrow \tau(\mathcal{R}x)$$

where $\mathcal{R} = \sum \mathcal{R}_1 \otimes \mathcal{R}_2$ is an invertible element in $H \otimes H$.

Brading

- We want the map to be R -linear.

$$\tau(\mathcal{R}a(m \otimes n)) = a\tau(\mathcal{R}(m \otimes n))$$

$$\implies \tau(\mathcal{R}_1 a_1 m \otimes \mathcal{R}_2 a_2 n) = a\tau(\mathcal{R}_1 m \otimes \mathcal{R}_2 n)$$

$$\implies \mathcal{R}_2 a_2 n \otimes \mathcal{R}_1 a_1 m = a_1 \mathcal{R}_2 n \otimes a_2 \mathcal{R}_1 m$$

$$\implies \mathcal{R}_1 a_1 m \otimes \mathcal{R}_2 a_2 n = a_2 \mathcal{R}_1 m \otimes a_1 \mathcal{R}_2 n$$

$$\implies \mathcal{R}\Delta(a)(m \otimes n) = \tau(\Delta(a))\mathcal{R}(m \otimes n)$$

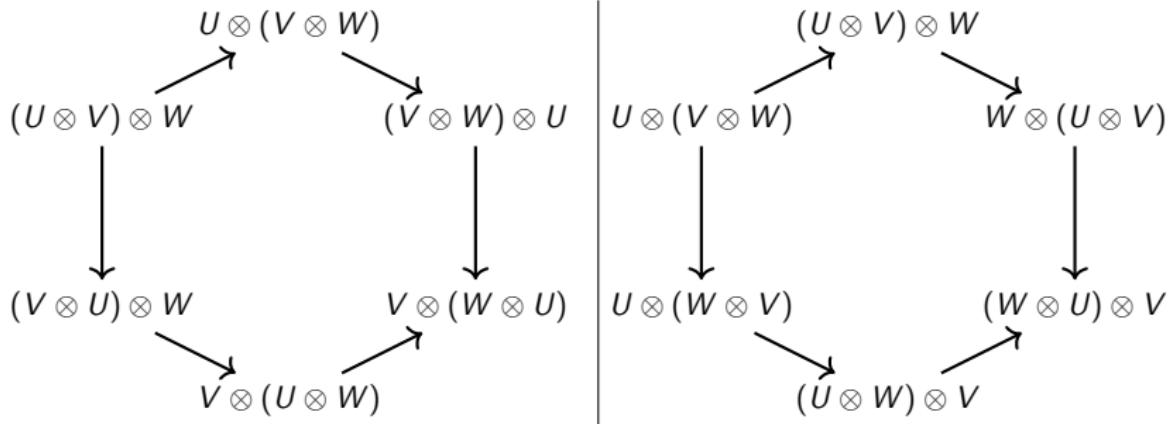
- So, we would like to have:

$$\mathcal{R}\Delta(a) = \tau(\Delta(a))\mathcal{R}$$

$$\implies \mathcal{R}\Delta(a)\mathcal{R}^{-1} = \tau(\Delta(a))$$

Braiding

- We also want the following hexagon identities to hold.



Quasitriangular Hopf Algebra

- It can be shown that the Hexagon identities are true if:

$$(\Delta \otimes id)\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_{13}\mathcal{R}_{23}, \quad (id \otimes \Delta)\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_{13}\mathcal{R}_{12}$$

where, $\mathcal{R}_{13} = \mathcal{R}_1 \otimes 1 \otimes \mathcal{R}_2$, $\mathcal{R}_{23} = 1 \otimes \mathcal{R}_1 \otimes \mathcal{R}_2$
and $\mathcal{R}_{12} = \mathcal{R}_1 \otimes \mathcal{R}_2 \otimes 1$

Definition

A Hopf algebra H is called quasitriangular if there is an invertible $\mathcal{R} \in H \otimes H$, such that:

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$$\mathcal{R}\Delta(a)\mathcal{R}^{-1} = \tau(\Delta(a))$$

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$$(\Delta \otimes id)\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_{13}\mathcal{R}_{23}, \quad (id \otimes \Delta)\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_{13}\mathcal{R}_{12}$$

Quantized Heisenberg Algebra

Example

We know that the Heisenberg algebra is generated by X, Y, H with:

$$[H, X] = [H, Y] = 0, \quad [X, Y] = H$$

Now, we define the q -Heisenberg algebra to be the algebra generated by $X, Y, K = q^{\frac{H}{2}}, K^{-1} = q^{-\frac{H}{2}}$ subject to the conditions:

$$[K^{\pm 1}, X] = [K^{\pm 1}, Y] = 0, \quad [X, Y] = \frac{K - K^{-1}}{q - q^{-1}}$$

If we take $q = e^{\hbar}$, then taking $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ i.e. $q \rightarrow 1$ in the q -Heisenberg algebra, we can recover the Heisenberg algebra.

Quantized Heisenberg Algebra

Example

The q -Heisenberg algebra has a Hopf algebra structure.

The comultiplication map defined by:

$$\Delta(K) = K \otimes K, \quad \Delta(X) = X \otimes K + K^{-1} \otimes X,$$

$$\Delta(Y) = Y \otimes K + K^{-1} \otimes Y$$

The counit map defined by:

$$\varepsilon(K) = 1, \quad \varepsilon(X) = \varepsilon(Y) = 0$$

The antipode map given by:

$$S(K) = K^{-1}, \quad S(X) = -X, \quad S(Y) = -Y$$

Quantized Heisenberg Algebra

Example

The extended q -Heisenberg algebra has additional generators $L^{\pm 1} = q^{\pm N}$ with:

$$LXL^{-1} = q^{-1}X, \quad LYL^{-1} = qY, \quad [L, K] = 0$$

For $q \rightarrow 1$, we get the commutation relations satisfied by the number operator N .

The Hopf algebra structure is extended by:

$$\Delta(L) = L \otimes L, \quad \varepsilon(L) = 0, \quad S(L) = L^{-1}$$

It is in fact quasitriangular over $\mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}]$ with

$$\mathcal{R} = q^{-(N \otimes H + H \otimes N)} e^{(q - q^{-1})(KX \otimes K^{-1}Y)}$$

Summary

Theorem (Tannaka duality)

- R is a \mathbb{C} -algebra $\implies R\text{-mod}$ is an Abelian category
- R is a bialgebra $\implies R\text{-mod}$ is a monoidal category
- R is a Hopf algebra $\implies R\text{-mod}$ is a rigid monoidal category
- R is a quasi triangular Hopf algebra $\implies R\text{-mod}$ is a braided rigid monoidal category

Further reading

- Shahn Majid, Foundations of Quantum Group Theory
- Chari and Pressley, A Guide to Quantum Groups
- P Schlösser, Quantum Groups talk on YouTube,
<https://youtu.be/tMpZxrzYwbM?si=DXAn27y3RRGvyh9I>
- Christoph Schweigert, Hopf algebras, quantum groups and topological field theory

Thank you!