We will freely use the results of ?? in this section. In what follows, fix an A-graded ring R. Further suppose that for all  $a, b \in A$ , there exists units  $\theta_{a,b} \in R_0$  such that:

- For all  $a \in A$ ,  $\theta_{a,0} = \theta_{0,a} = 1$ ,
- For all  $a, b \in A$ ,  $\theta_{a,b}^{-1} = \theta_{b,a}$ ,
- For all  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $\theta_{a,b} \cdot \theta_{a,c} = \theta_{a,b+c}$  and  $\theta_{b,a} \cdot \theta_{c,a} = \theta_{b+c,a}$ .
- For all  $x \in R_a$  and  $y \in R_b$ ,

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x \cdot \theta_{a,b}.$$

## **Definition 0.1.** Let *R*-**GrCAlg** denote the following category:

• The objects are pairs  $(S, \varphi)$  where S is an A-graded ring and  $\varphi : R \to S$  is an A-graded ring homomorphism such that for all  $x \in S_a$  and  $y \in S_b$ , we have

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x \cdot \varphi(\theta_{a,b}),$$

• The morphisms  $(S, \varphi) \to (S', \varphi')$  are A-graded ring homomorphisms  $f: S \to S'$  such that  $f \circ \varphi = \varphi'$ .

**Lemma 0.2.** Let  $(S, \varphi)$  be an object in R-**GrCAlg**. Then S is canonically an A-graded R-bimodule via the action maps  $(r, s) \mapsto \varphi(r) \cdot s$  and  $(s, r) \mapsto s \cdot \varphi(r)$  for  $r \in R$  and  $s \in S$ .

Proof.

**Proposition 0.3.** Let  $(B, \varphi_B)$  and  $(C, \varphi_C)$  in R-**GrCAlg**. Then since B and C are A-graded R-bimodules (Lemma 0.2), their R-tensor product  $B \otimes_R C$  is also an A-graded R-bimodule (??). Then  $B \otimes_R C$  is canonically an element of R-**GrCAlg**, with product

$$(B \otimes_R C) \times (B \otimes_R C) \to (B \otimes_R C)$$

sending pure homogeneous tensors  $(b \otimes c, b' \otimes c')$  to the element

$$\theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes cc'),$$

(where here  $\cdot$  denotes the left module action of R on  $B \otimes_R C$ ), and with structure map

$$\varphi: R \to B \otimes_R C$$
$$r \mapsto \varphi_B(r) \otimes 1_C.$$

*Proof.* First we claim the indicated map is well-defined and actually gives  $B \otimes_R C$  the structure of an A-graded ring. Here we are employing  $\ref{eq:condition}$ , so it suffices to check the map is well-defined, unital, associative, and distributive with respect to homogeneous elements. By distributivity, it further suffices to check this for pure homogeneous tensors. First, to see that this product is well-defined and distributive, it suffices to check that for all homogeneous  $b \in B$  and  $c \in C$  that the assignments  $B \times C \to B \otimes_R C$ 

$$(b',c')\mapsto (b\otimes c)(b'\otimes c')=\theta_{|c|,|b'|}\cdot (bb'\otimes cc')\qquad\text{and}\qquad (b',c')\mapsto (b'\otimes c')(b\otimes c)=\theta_{|c'|,|b|}\cdot (b'b\otimes c'c)$$

are R-balanced, as then we get that the product  $(B \otimes_R C) \times (B \otimes_R C) \to B \otimes_R C$  is an A-graded homomorphism of abelian groups in each argument, as desired. We show that the first assignment is R-balanced, showing the second is entirely analogous. To see this, note that given  $b, b', b'' \in B$ ,

 $c, c', c'' \in C$ , and  $r \in R$  homogeneous with |b'| = |b''| and |c'| = |c''|, that

$$(b \otimes c)((b' + b'') \otimes c') = \theta_{|c|,|b'+b''|} \cdot ((b(b' + b'')) \otimes cc')$$

$$= \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes cc') + \theta_{|c|,|b''|} \cdot (bb'' \otimes cc')$$

$$= (b \otimes c)(b' \otimes c') + (b \otimes c)(b'' \otimes c'),$$

where in the second equality we are using that |b' + b''| = |b'| = |b''|,

$$(b \otimes c)(b' \otimes (c' + c'')) = \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes c(c' + c''))$$

$$= \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes cc') + \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes cc'')$$

$$= (b \otimes c)(b' \otimes c') + (b \otimes c)(b' \otimes c''),$$

and

$$(b \otimes c)(b'r \otimes c') = \theta_{|c|,|b'r|}(bb'r \otimes cc')$$

$$\stackrel{(1)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot (bb' \otimes rcc')$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot (bb' \otimes cr\varphi_{C}(\theta_{|r|,|c|})c')$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot (bb' \otimes \varphi_{C}(\theta_{|r|,|c|})crc')$$

$$\stackrel{(4)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot (bb'\varphi_{B}(\theta_{|r|,|c|}) \otimes crc')$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot (\varphi_{B}(\theta_{|r|,|c|})bb' \otimes crc')$$

$$\stackrel{(5)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|} \cdot \theta_{|r|,|c|} \cdot (bb' \otimes crc')$$

$$\stackrel{(6)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot (bb' \otimes crc')$$

$$= (b \otimes c)(b' \otimes rc'),$$

where:

- (1) follows by the fact that |b'r| = |b'| + |r|, by definition, so that  $\theta_{|c|,|b'r|} = \theta_{|c|,|b'|+|r|} = \theta_{|c|,|b'|} \cdot \theta_{|c|,|r|}$ ,
- (2) follows by the fact that since  $(C, \varphi_C)$  is an object in R-GrCAlg that  $rcc' = cr\varphi_C(\theta_{|r|,|c|})c'$ ,
- Each occurrence of (3) follows by the fact that since  $\theta_{|r|,|c|}$  is of degree 0, it commutes with everything, since  $\theta_{|r|,|c|} \cdot x = x \cdot \theta_{|r|,|c|} \cdot \theta_{0,x} = x \cdot \theta_{|r|,|c|} \cdot 1 = x \cdot \theta_{|r|,|c|}$ ,
- (4) follows by definition of the tensor product,
- (5) follows by definition of the R-bimodule structure on  $B \otimes_R C$ , and
- (6) follows by the fact that  $\theta_{|c|,|r|}^{-1} = \theta_{|r|,|c|}$ .

Now, to see this product is associative, let  $b, b', b'' \in B$  and  $c, c', c'' \in C$  homogeneous. Then

$$\begin{split} ((b\otimes c)(b'\otimes c'))(b''\otimes c'') &= (\theta_{|c|,|b'|}\cdot (bb'\otimes cc'))(b''\otimes c'') \\ &= \theta_{|cc'|,|b''|}\cdot \theta_{|c|,|b'|}\cdot (bb'b''\otimes cc'c'') \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b''|}\cdot \theta_{|c'|,|b''|}\cdot \theta_{|c|,|b'|}\cdot (bb'b''\otimes cc'c'') \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \theta_{|c|,|b''|+|b'|}\cdot \theta_{|c'|,|b''|}\cdot (bb'b''\otimes cc'c'') \\ &= (b\otimes c)(\theta_{|c'|,|b''|}(b'b''\otimes c'c'')) \\ &= (b\otimes c)((b'\otimes c')(b''\otimes c'')), \end{split}$$

as desired.

**Definition 0.4.** An R-ring is a monoid object (??) in the category of A-graded R-bimodules. An R-coring is a monoid object in the opposite category of the category of A-graded R-bimodules.

**Definition 0.5.** A right R-bialgebroid B consists of an R-bimodule B with the structure of an  $R \otimes R^{\text{op}}$ -ring (B, s, t) and an R-coring  $(B, \Delta, \varepsilon)$  such that:

(i) The bimodule structure in the *R*-coring  $(B,\Delta,\varepsilon)$  is related to the  $R\otimes R^{\mathrm{op}}$  ring (B,s,t) via

$$r \cdot b \cdot r' = b \cdot s(r') \cdot t(r), \quad \text{for } r, r' \in R, b \in B.$$

**Definition 0.6.** A Hopf algebroid