# Hopf Module Algebras

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# History

- (1939) Heinz Hopf works on homology of sphere groups
- (1969) Moss Sweedler writes seminal book "Hopf Algebras"
- (1986) Vladimir Drinfeld gives ICM address on quantum groups
- (1992) Susan Montogomery writes "Hopf Algebras and Their Actions on Rings"

#### Goal

To understand the actions of Hopf algebras on other algebras

### Quantum Plane

Notation: 
$$\mathbb{C}[v_1,\ldots,v_n]=\mathbb{C}\langle v_1,\ldots,v_n\mid v_jv_i-v_iv_j\rangle$$

#### Quantum Polynomial Ring

Let  $Q=(q_{ij})$  be an  $n\times n$  matrix of roots of unity where  $q_{ii}=1=q_{ji}q_{ij}$ .  $\mathbb{C}_Q[v_1,\ldots,v_n]=\mathbb{C}\left\langle v_1,\ldots,v_n\mid v_jv_i-q_{ij}v_iv_j\right\rangle$  is called a **quantum polynomial ring**.

Example: 
$$\mathbb{C}_{-1}[v_1, v_2] = \mathbb{C} \langle v_1, v_2 | v_1 v_2 + v_2 v_1 \rangle$$

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These motivating examples generalize to a Hopf alg, H, a structure that is both an alg and a coalg with an antipode  $S:H\to H$ . We also require the alg and coalg structures of H to be compatible, so  $\triangle$  and  $\varepsilon$  are alg homomorphisms. As well, S will be forced to be an alg antihomomorphism.

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Let  $\tau$  be the 'flip' over the tensor product, so  $\tau(u \otimes v) = v \otimes u$ . Note that  $\tau \circ \triangle(g) = \triangle(g)$  but  $\tau \circ \triangle(x) \neq \triangle(x)$ , this is what is called non-cocommutativity.

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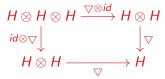
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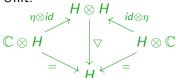
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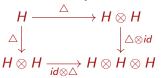
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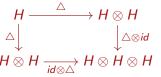
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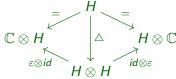
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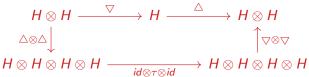


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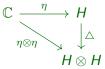


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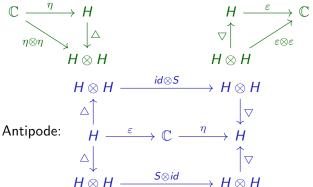


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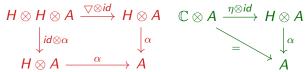
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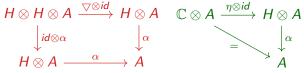


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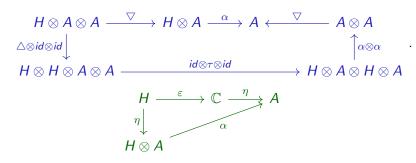
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In words, H acts on A, iff

$$(hh')(a) = h(h'(a)), \quad 1_h(a) = a.$$

And A is an H-module alg iff H acts on A and

$$h(aa') = \sum h_i(a) \cdot h_j(a), \quad h(1_A) = \varepsilon(h)1_A$$

where 
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### Semidirect Product

Let G and G' be groups where G' acts on G by automorphisms. Then one can define the semidirect product group,  $G \rtimes G'$ . The action can be extended to the group algebras,  $\mathbb{C}G$  and  $\mathbb{C}G'$ . This will give the group algebra

$$\mathbb{C}(G \rtimes G') = \mathbb{C}G\#\mathbb{C}G'$$

with product  $g'g = (g' \cdot g)g'$ .

### Smash Product Algebra

If H is a Hopf algebra and A an H-module algebra, then A#H is the smash product algebra defined as  $A\otimes H$  as a vector space and with product

$$ha = \sum_{i} (g_i \cdot a) k_i$$

where  $a \in A$ ,  $h \in H$  and  $\triangle(h) = \sum_i g_i \otimes k_i$ .

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### "Group-like" and "Lie-like"

Let H be a Hopf algebra, define  $G(H) = \{h \in H \mid \triangle(h) = h \otimes h\}$  and  $P(H) = \{h \in H \mid \triangle(h) = h \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes h\}$ .

G(H) is the set of grouplike elements of H and forms a group under the product.

P(H) is the set of primitive elements of H and forms a Lie algebra under the commutator bracket.

#### Cartier-Kostant-Milnor-Moore Theorem

Let H be a cocommutative Hopf algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ , then

$$H \cong \mathcal{U}(P(H)) \# \mathbb{C}G(H)$$

as Hopf algebras.

As a corollary, any finite-dimensional Hopf algebra over  $\mathbb C$  is isomorphic to a group algebra.

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- If B is a Koszul algebra, are there nontrivial PBW deformations of  $B\#\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ ?