

# **Examples of bimonoids in species**

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# 1 Species characteristic of chambers

Define the species  $x$  by

$$(1) \quad x[F] := \begin{cases} \mathbb{k} & \text{if } F \text{ is a chamber,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The maps  $\beta_{G,F}$  are defined to be the identity. This is the [species characteristic of chambers](#).

The  $k$ -th Cauchy power of  $x$  is given by

$$(2) \quad x^k[F] := \begin{cases} \bigoplus_{C: C \geq F} \mathbb{k} & \text{if } F \text{ has corank } k - 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In the first alternative, there is one copy of  $\mathbb{k}$  for each chamber greater than  $F$ .

Equivalently, in terms of flats, the species  $x$  can be defined by

$$(3) \quad x[Y] := \begin{cases} \mathbb{k} & \text{if } Y \text{ is the maximum flat,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The  $k$ -th commutative Cauchy power of  $x$  is given by

$$(4) \quad x^k[Y] := \begin{cases} \mathbb{k} & \text{if } Y \text{ has corank } k - 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## 2 Exponential species

### 2.1 Exponential set-species

The **exponential set-species**  $\mathbb{E}$  is defined by

$$\mathbb{E}[A] := \{*\}$$

for any face  $A$ . In other words, each  $A$ -component is a singleton. For faces  $A$  and  $B$  of the same support, there is a unique map

$$\beta_{B,A} : \mathbb{E}[A] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[B].$$

The exponential set-species  $\mathbb{E}$  is the terminal object in the category of set-species.

## 2.2 Exponential species

The **exponential species**  $E$  is defined by

$$E[A] := \mathbb{k}$$

for any face  $A$ . For faces  $A$  and  $B$  of the same support, define

$$\beta_{B,A} : E[A] \rightarrow E[B]$$

to be the identity map  $\mathbb{k} \rightarrow \mathbb{k}$ .

This is the linearization of the exponential set-species.

In terms of flats, the exponential species  $E$  can be defined by

$$E[X] := \mathbb{k}$$

for any flat  $X$ .

Observe from (4) that

$$(5) \quad E = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots,$$

the sum of all commutative Cauchy powers of  $x$ .

## 2.3 Exponential bimonoid

For the exponential species  $E$ , define

$$\mu_A^F : E[F] \rightarrow E[A] \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_A^F : E[A] \rightarrow E[F]$$

to be the identity maps  $\mathbb{k} \rightarrow \mathbb{k}$  for all  $F \geq A$ .

This turns  $E$  into a bimonoid.

We call it the [exponential bimonoid](#).

For clarity, let us write  $H_A$  for the basis element  $1 \in E[A]$ . By this convention,

$$\beta_{B,A}(H_A) = H_B, \quad \mu_A^F(H_F) = H_A \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_A^F(H_A) = H_F.$$

Observe that  $E$  is bicommutative. So one can express all the above using flats instead of faces as follows. We let  $E[X] := \mathbb{k}$  for any flat  $X$ , and

$$\mu_Z^X : E[X] \rightarrow E[Z] \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_Z^X : E[Z] \rightarrow E[X]$$

be the identity maps for all  $X \geq Z$ . The basis element in  $E[Z]$  may now be denoted  $H_Z$ .

The exponential bimonoid  $E$  is self-dual. The self-duality is via the canonical identification of  $\mathbb{k}$  with  $\mathbb{k}^*$ .



## 2.4 Primitive part

The primitive part of  $E$  is given by

$$\mathcal{P}(E) = x.$$

Explicitly, the components  $E[C]$ , as  $C$  varies over chambers, are primitive, while the remaining components do not contain any nonzero primitives.

Let us now consider the primitive filtration of  $E$ .

The first term  $\mathcal{P}_1(E)$  equals the primitive part  $\mathcal{P}(E)$ .

The second term  $\mathcal{P}_2(E)$  is the species, which is  $\mathbb{k}$  on chambers and panels, and 0 otherwise.

In general,  $\mathcal{P}_k(E)$  is the species, which is  $\mathbb{k}$  on faces with corank at most  $k - 1$ , and 0 otherwise.

Observe that this can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{P}_k(E) = x + x^2 + \cdots + x^k,$$

the sum of the first  $k$  commutative Cauchy powers of  $x$ .

## 2.5 (Co)freeness

The exponential bimonoid  $E$  is free as a commutative monoid and cofree as a cocommutative comonoid, both on the species  $x$ .

Further,  $E$  is the free commutative bimonoid on  $x$  viewed as a trivial comonoid, and it is the cofree cocommutative bimonoid on  $x$  viewed as a trivial monoid.

In other words, there is an isomorphism of bimonoids

$$E \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{S}(x) = \mathcal{S}^\vee(x)$$

which on the  $Z$ -component, send  $H_Z$  to  $1 \in x[T]$ .

The formula for the primitive filtration of  $E$  given above can now also be seen as a consequence of cofreeness.

### 3 Species of chambers

#### 3.1 Species of chambers

The **set-species of chambers**  $\Gamma$  is defined by setting  $\Gamma[A]$  to be the set of chambers greater than  $A$ . For clarity, we denote an element of  $\Gamma[A]$  by  $C/A$  instead of just  $C$ . For  $A$  and  $B$  of the same support, define

$$\beta_{B,A} : \Gamma[A] \rightarrow \Gamma[B], \quad C/A \mapsto BC/B.$$

The **species of chambers**  $\Gamma$  is obtained by linearizing the set-species of chambers. Explicitly,  $\Gamma[A]$  is the linear span of chambers greater than  $A$ . We use the letter  $H$  for the canonical basis of  $\Gamma[A]$ . For  $A$  and  $B$  of the same support, we write

$$\beta_{B,A} : \Gamma[A] \rightarrow \Gamma[B], \quad H_{C/A} \mapsto H_{BC/B}.$$

We claim that

$$(6) \quad \Gamma = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots,$$

the sum of all Cauchy powers of  $x$ .

By (2), the  $F$  component of the rhs is a vector space with basis indexed by chambers  $C$  greater than  $F$ , and we identify this with the H-basis of  $\Gamma[F]$ .

Compare and contrast (6) with (5).

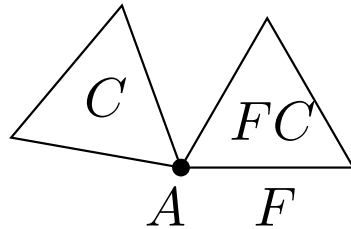
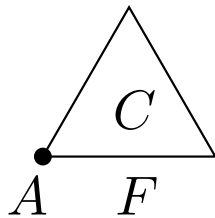
## 3.2 Bimonoid of chambers

The species  $\Gamma$  carries the structure of a bimonoid.

The product and coproduct are defined by

$$(7) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \mu_A^F : \Gamma[F] \rightarrow \Gamma[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Gamma[A] \rightarrow \Gamma[F] \\ \mathbf{H}_{C/F} \mapsto \mathbf{H}_{C/A} & \mathbf{H}_{C/A} \mapsto \mathbf{H}_{FC/F}. \end{array}$$

Illustrative pictures for the product and coproduct are shown below.

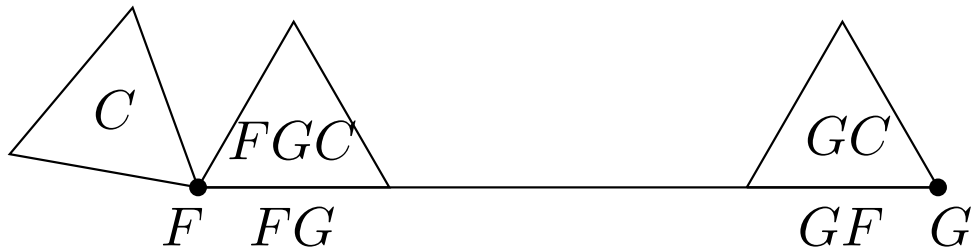


The bimonoid axiom is checked below.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 H_{C/F} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_{C/A} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_{GC/G} \\
 \downarrow & & & & \uparrow \\
 H_{FGC/FG} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & & & H_{GC/GF}
 \end{array}$$

Here  $F$  and  $G$  are faces both greater than  $A$ , while  $C$  is a chamber greater than  $F$ .

An illustrative picture is shown below, with  $A$  as the central face.



The bimonoid  $\Gamma$  is cocommutative but not commutative. Hence it cannot be self-dual.

### 3.3 $q$ -bimonoid of chambers

More generally, for any scalar  $q$ , the species of chambers carries the structure of a  $q$ -bimonoid which we denote by  $\Gamma_q$ .

The product and coproduct are defined by

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \mu_A^F : \Gamma_q[F] &\rightarrow \Gamma_q[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Gamma_q[A] &\rightarrow \Gamma_q[F] \\ \mathbf{H}_{C/F} &\mapsto \mathbf{H}_{C/A} & \mathbf{H}_{C/A} &\mapsto q^{\text{dist}(C, FC)} \mathbf{H}_{FC/F}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that for  $q = 1$ , we have  $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma$ , the bimonoid of chambers.



The  $q$ -bimonoid axiom is checked below. It generalizes the previous calculation.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{H}_{C/F} \longmapsto \mathbf{H}_{C/A} \longmapsto q^{\text{dist}(C, GC)} \mathbf{H}_{GC/G} & & \\
 \downarrow & & \uparrow \\
 q^{\text{dist}(C, FGC)} \mathbf{H}_{FGC/FG} \longmapsto q^{\text{dist}(C, FGC)} q^{\text{dist}(FGC, GC)} \mathbf{H}_{GC/GF} & & 
 \end{array}$$

We used that  $\text{dist}(C, GC) = \text{dist}(C, FGC) + \text{dist}(FGC, GC)$ .

### 3.4 Dual bimonoid

Let  $\Gamma^*$  denote the bimonoid dual to  $\Gamma$ .

Let  $M$  denote the basis which is dual to the  $H$ -basis.

The product and coproduct of  $\Gamma^*$  are obtained by dualizing formulas (7).

They are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9) \quad & \mu_A^F : \Gamma^*[F] \rightarrow \Gamma^*[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Gamma^*[A] \rightarrow \Gamma^*[F] \\
 & M_{D/F} \mapsto \sum_{\substack{C: C \geq A \\ FC=D}} M_{C/A} & M_{C/A} \mapsto \begin{cases} M_{C/F} & \text{if } F \leq C, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3.5 Dual $q$ -bimonoid

More generally, let  $\Gamma_q^*$  denote the  $q$ -bimonoid dual to  $\Gamma_q$ .

Dualizing formulas (8), observe that its product and coproduct are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (10) \quad \mu_A^F : \Gamma_q^*[F] &\rightarrow \Gamma_q^*[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Gamma_q^*[A] &\rightarrow \Gamma_q^*[F] \\
 \mathbb{M}_{D/F} &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{C: C \geq A \\ FC=D}} q^{\text{dist}(FC, C)} \mathbb{M}_{C/A} & \mathbb{M}_{C/A} &\mapsto \begin{cases} \mathbb{M}_{C/F} \\ 0 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

In contrast to  $\Gamma_q$ , the scalar  $q$  now appears in the product as opposed to the coproduct.

### 3.6 Primitive part

Observe from the coproduct formula (10) that

$$\mathcal{P}(\Gamma_q^*) = \mathbf{x}.$$

Explicitly, the components  $\Gamma_q^*[C]$ , as  $C$  varies over chambers, are primitive, while the remaining components do not contain any nonzero primitives.

Let us now consider the primitive filtration of  $\Gamma_q^*$ .

The first term  $\mathcal{P}_1(\Gamma_q^*)$  equals the primitive part  $\mathcal{P}(\Gamma_q^*)$ .

The second term  $\mathcal{P}_2(\Gamma_q^*)$  is the species whose  $F$ -component is  $\Gamma_q^*[F]$  if  $F$  is either a chamber or a panel, and 0 otherwise.

In general,  $\mathcal{P}_k(\Gamma_q^*)$  is the species whose  $F$ -component is  $\Gamma_q^*[F]$  if  $F$  has corank at most  $k - 1$ , and 0 otherwise.

Observe that this can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{P}_k(\Gamma_q^*) = x + x^2 + \cdots + x^k,$$

the sum of the first  $k$  Cauchy powers of  $x$ .

Mention:

The primitive part of  $\Gamma$  is the [Lie species](#).

For  $q$  not a root of unity,

$$\mathcal{P}(\Gamma_q) = \mathbf{x}.$$

### 3.7 (Co)freeness

The  $q$ -bimonoid of chambers  $\Gamma_q$  is free as a monoid on the species  $x$ . Further, it is the free  $q$ -bimonoid on  $x$  viewed as a trivial comonoid.

More precisely, there is an isomorphism of  $q$ -bimonoids

$$\Gamma_q \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{T}_q(x), \quad H_{C/A} \mapsto 1 \in x[C].$$

This can be checked using the (co)product formulas of  $\mathcal{T}_q(x)$ .

Dually,  $\Gamma_q^*$  is cofree as a comonoid on the species  $x$ . Further, it is the cofree  $q$ -bimonoid on  $x$  viewed as a trivial monoid.

More precisely, there is an isomorphism of  $q$ -bimonoids

$$\Gamma_q^* \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{T}_q^\vee(x), \quad \mathbb{M}_{C/A} \mapsto 1 \in x[C].$$

This can also be checked directly using the (co)product formulas of  $\mathcal{T}_q^\vee(x)$ .

The formula for the primitive filtration of  $\Gamma_q^*$  given above can also be seen as a consequence of cofreeness.



### 3.8 $q$ -norm

Consider the map

(11)

$$\Gamma_q \rightarrow \Gamma_q^*, \quad H_{C/A} \mapsto \sum_{D: D \geq A} q^{\text{dist}(C,D)} M_{D/A}.$$

It is a self-dual morphism of  $q$ -bimonoids. It arises from the freeness of  $\Gamma_q$  and the cofreeness of  $\Gamma_q^*$ .

Nontrivial fact: This map is an isomorphism whenever  $q$  is not a root of unity, and in this case, the bimonoid  $\Gamma_q$  is self-dual.

Can you check this fact for the rank-one arrangement?

The cases  $q = 0$  and  $q = 1$  of (11) are discussed in more detail below.

### 3.9 0-bimonoid

Let  $q = 0$ . Observe that the product and coproduct of  $\Gamma_0$  are given by:

$$\mu_A^F : \Gamma_0[F] \rightarrow \Gamma_0[A] \quad \Delta_A^F : \Gamma_0[A] \rightarrow \Gamma_0[F]$$

$$H_{C/F} \mapsto H_{C/A} \qquad H_{C/A} \mapsto \begin{cases} H_{C/F} & \text{if } F \leq C, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

This is free as a monoid and cofree as a comonoid, both on the species  $x$ , which is its primitive part.

Also note that the product and coproduct of  $\Gamma_0^*$  are given by the same formulas (with  $M$  replacing  $H$ ). In other words, the map

$$\Gamma_0 \rightarrow \Gamma_0^*, \quad H_{C/A} \mapsto M_{C/A}$$

is a morphism of 0-bimonoids, implying that  $\Gamma_0$  is self-dual. The above map is the case  $q = 0$  of the map (11).

### 3.10 Abelianization

There is a close connection between the species of chambers and the exponential species as follows.

The map  $\pi : \Gamma \rightarrow E$  given by

$$\pi_A : \Gamma[A] \rightarrow E[A], \quad H_{C/A} \mapsto H_A$$

is a surjective morphism of bimonoids.

This follows since the product and coproduct of  $\Gamma$  take a basis element to another basis element (rather than a sum as is the case for  $\Gamma^*$ ).

The kernel of  $\pi_A$  is the subspace spanned by elements of the form

$$H_{C/A} - H_{D/A},$$

as  $C$  and  $D$  vary over chambers in  $A$ . These are precisely elements of the form **(??)**, thus  $\pi$  is the abelianization map.

Note that the kernel of  $\pi$  equals the kernel of the morphism of bimonoids

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma^*, \quad \mathbb{H}_{C/A} \mapsto \sum_{D: D \geq A} \mathbb{M}_{D/A}.$$

This map is the case  $q = 1$  of the map (11). Its image is one-dimensional. This yields the following commutative diagram of bimonoids.

$$(12) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma & \longrightarrow & \Gamma^* \\ \pi \downarrow & & \uparrow \pi^* \\ \mathbb{E} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathbb{E}^* \end{array}$$

## 4 Species of flats

### 4.1 Species of flats

Define a set-species  $\Pi$  as follows. For any flat  $X$ , let  $\Pi[X]$  be the set of all flats greater than  $X$ .

Equivalently, it is the set of flats of  $\mathcal{A}_X$ .

We denote the linearization of  $\Pi$  by  $\Pi$ . This is the [species of flats](#). Let  $H$  denote its canonical basis.

We claim that

$$(13) \quad \Pi = E + E^2 + E^3 + \dots,$$

the sum of all commutative Cauchy powers of the exponential species  $E$ .

Explicitly, the  $Z$ -component of the rhs is  $\bigoplus_{X \geq Z} E[X]$ . This is a vector space with basis indexed by flats  $X$  greater than  $Z$ , and we identify this with the  $H$ -basis of  $\Pi[Z]$ .



## 4.2 Bimonoid of flats

The species of flats  $\Pi$  carries the structure of a bicommutative bimonoid, with the product and coproduct given by

$$(14) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \mu_Z^Y : \Pi[Y] \rightarrow \Pi[Z] & \Delta_Z^Y : \Pi[Z] \rightarrow \Pi[Y] \\ H_{X/Y} \mapsto H_{X/Z} & H_{X/Z} \mapsto H_{X \vee Y/Y}. \end{array}$$

The bicommutative bimonoid axiom is checked below.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_{W/X} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_{W/Z} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ H_{W \vee (X \vee Y)/X \vee Y} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H_{W \vee Y/Y} \end{array}$$

### 4.3 Birkhoff algebra

The bimonoid of flats  $\Pi$  also carries an internal structure.

For each flat  $Z$ , the component  $\Pi[Z]$  is an algebra with product in the  $H$ -basis given by

$$(15) \quad H_{X/Z} \cdot H_{Y/Z} = H_{X \vee Y/Z}.$$

The unit element is  $H_{Z/Z}$ .

This algebra can be identified with the Birkhoff algebra of the arrangement  $\mathcal{A}_Z$ .

## 4.4 Dual bimonoid

Let  $\Pi^*$  denote the bimonoid dual to  $\Pi$ .

Let  $M$  be the basis which is dual to  $H$ .

The product and coproduct in the  $M$ -basis is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad \mu_Z^Y : \Pi^*[Y] &\rightarrow \Pi^*[Z] & \Delta_Z^Y : \Pi^*[Z] &\rightarrow \Pi^*[Y] \\
 M_{W/Y} &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{X: X \geq Z, \\ X \vee Y = W}} M_{X/Z} & M_{X/Z} &\mapsto \begin{cases} M_{X/Y} & \text{if } X \geq Y, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 4.5 Primitive part

Observe from the coproduct formula (16) in the  $\mathbb{M}$ -basis that

$$(17) \quad \mathcal{P}(\Pi^*) = \mathbb{E}.$$

Each component  $\mathcal{P}(\Pi^*)[Z]$  is one-dimensional, and is spanned by  $\mathbb{M}_{Z/Z}$ .

More generally, the primitive filtration of  $\Pi^*$  can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{P}_k(\Pi^*) = \mathbb{E} + \mathbb{E}^2 + \cdots + \mathbb{E}^k,$$

the sum of the first  $k$  commutative Cauchy powers of  $\mathbb{E}$ .

## 4.6 (Co)freeness

The bimonoid  $\Pi$  is the free commutative bimonoid on  $E$ , viewed as a comonoid.

Dually,  $\Pi^*$  is the cofree cocommutative bimonoid on  $E$ , viewed as a monoid.

More precisely, there are isomorphisms of bimonoids

$$(18) \quad \Pi \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{S}(E) \quad \text{and} \quad \Pi^* \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{S}^\vee(E).$$

On the  $Z$ -component, the first map sends  $H_{X/Z}$  to  $H_X$ , while the second map sends  $M_{X/Z}$  to  $H_X$ .

## 4.7 Self-duality

Is  $\Pi$  self-dual?

Yes.

In fact, every finite-dimensional bicommutative bimonoid is self-dual.

This is a consequence of the Borel-Hopf theorem.

See notes for more details.

## 5 Species of faces

### 5.1 Species of faces

For any face  $A$ , let  $\Sigma[A]$  denote the set of faces greater than  $A$ . For faces  $A$  and  $B$  with the same support, there is a bijection

$$\beta_{B,A} : \Sigma[A] \rightarrow \Sigma[B], \quad F/A \mapsto BF/B.$$

Thus,  $\Sigma$  is a set-species.

We denote the linearization of  $\Sigma$  by  $\bar{\Sigma}$ . This is the **species of faces**. Explicitly,  $\Sigma[A]$  is the linear span of the set of faces greater than  $A$ . We use the letter  $H$  for the canonical basis of  $\Sigma[A]$ . For faces  $A$  and  $B$  of the same support, we write

$$\beta_{B,A} : \Sigma[A] \rightarrow \Sigma[B], \quad H_{F/A} \mapsto H_{BF/B}.$$

We claim that

$$(19) \quad \Sigma = E + E^2 + E^3 + \dots,$$

the sum of all Cauchy powers of the exponential species  $E$ .

Explicitly, the  $A$ -component of the rhs is  $\bigoplus_{F \geq A} E[F]$ . This is a vector space with basis indexed by faces  $F$  greater than  $A$ , and we identify this with the H-basis of  $\Sigma[A]$ .



## 5.2 Bimonoid of faces

The species  $\Sigma$  carries the structure of a bimonoid. The product and coproduct are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (20) \quad & \mu_A^F : \Sigma[F] \rightarrow \Sigma[A] & \Delta_A^G : \Sigma[A] \rightarrow \Sigma[G] \\
 & \mathbb{H}_{K/F} \mapsto \mathbb{H}_{K/A} & \mathbb{H}_{K/A} \mapsto \mathbb{H}_{GK/G}.
 \end{aligned}$$

### 5.3 $q$ -bimonoid of faces

More generally, for any scalar  $q$ , the species of faces carries the structure of a  $q$ -bimonoid which we denote by  $\Sigma_q$ . The product and coproduct are defined by

(21)

$$\mu_A^F : \Sigma_q[F] \rightarrow \Sigma_q[A] \quad \Delta_A^G : \Sigma_q[A] \rightarrow \Sigma_q[G]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{K/F} \mapsto \mathbf{H}_{K/A} \quad \mathbf{H}_{K/A} \mapsto q^{\text{dist}(K,G)} \mathbf{H}_{GK/G}$$

Note that for  $q = 1$ , we have  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma$ , the bimonoid of faces.

## 5.4 Tits algebra

The bimonoid of faces  $\Sigma$  also carries an internal structure.

For each face  $A$ , the component  $\Sigma[A]$  is an algebra with product in the H-basis given by

$$(22) \quad H_{F/A} \cdot H_{G/A} = H_{FG/A}.$$

The unit element is  $H_{A/A}$ .

This algebra can be identified with the Tits algebra of the arrangement  $\mathcal{A}_A$ .

## 5.5 Dual bimonoid

Let  $\Sigma^*$  denote the bimonoid dual to  $\Sigma$ .

Let  $M$  denote the basis which is dual to the  $H$ -basis.

The product and coproduct of  $\Sigma^*$  are obtained by dualizing formulas (20). They are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (23) \quad \mu_A^G : \Sigma^*[G] &\rightarrow \Sigma^*[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Sigma^*[A] &\rightarrow \Sigma^*[F] \\
 M_{H/G} &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{K: K \geq A \\ GK = H}} M_{K/A} & M_{K/A} &\mapsto \begin{cases} M_{K/F} & \text{if } F \leq K \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 5.6 Dual $q$ -bimonoid

Let  $\Sigma_q^*$  denote the  $q$ -bimonoid dual to  $\Sigma_q$ .

Dualizing formulas (21), its product and coproduct are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (24) \quad \mu_A^G : \Sigma_q^*[G] &\rightarrow \Sigma_q^*[A] & \Delta_A^F : \Sigma_q^*[A] &\rightarrow \Sigma_q^*[F] \\
 \mathbb{M}_{H/G} &\mapsto \sum_{\substack{K: K \geq A \\ GK=H}} q^{\text{dist}(H,K)} \mathbb{M}_{K/A} & \mathbb{M}_{K/A} &\mapsto \begin{cases} \mathbb{M}_{K/F} & \text{if } K \geq F \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 5.7 Primitive part

We deduce from the coproduct formula (24) in the  $\mathbb{M}$ -basis that

$$\mathcal{P}(\Sigma_q^*) = E.$$

Each component  $\mathcal{P}(\Sigma_q^*)[F]$  is one-dimensional, and is spanned by  $\mathbb{M}_{F/F}$ . More generally, the primitive filtration of  $\Sigma_q^*$  can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{P}(\Sigma_q^*) = E + E^2 + \cdots + E^k,$$

the sum of the first  $k$  Cauchy powers of  $E$ .

Mention:

The primitive part of  $\Sigma$  is the [Zie species](#).

For  $q$  not a root of unity,

$$\mathcal{P}(\Sigma_q) = E.$$

## 5.8 (Co)freeness

The  $q$ -bimonoid  $\Sigma_q$  is the free  $q$ -bimonoid on  $E$ , viewed as a comonoid.

Dually,  $\Sigma_q^*$  is the cofree  $q$ -bimonoid on  $E$ , viewed as a monoid.

More precisely, there are isomorphisms of  $q$ -bimonoids

$$(25) \quad \Sigma_q \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{T}_q(E) \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma_q^* \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{T}_q^\vee(E).$$

On the  $A$ -component, the first map sends  $H_{F/A}$  to  $H_F$ , while the second map sends  $M_{F/A}$  to  $H_F$ .