

Last time, defined bialgebra - an algebra  $(m, \eta)$  and a coalgebra  $(\Delta, \varepsilon)$  ①  
LEC 9

with compatible defns. (expressed via commutative diagrams)

Example:  $\mathbb{k}G$  is bialgebra with  $m(eg, eh) = eg * h$ ,  $\Delta(eg) = eg \otimes eg$

check, for example, that  $\Delta(m(eg, eh)) = m(\underbrace{\Delta(eg)}, \underbrace{\Delta(eh)})$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta(eg * h) \\ &= eg * h \otimes eg * h \\ & \text{means } = \cancel{m((eg \otimes eg) \otimes (eh \otimes eh))} \end{aligned}$$

$\cancel{m((eg \otimes eg) \otimes (eh \otimes eh))} = eg * h \otimes eg * h.$  ✓

As some of us discussed after class on

Friday, given any set  $S$ , form a

coalgebra on vector space  $\mathbb{k}^{|S|}$  with

same definitions. But in case of  $\mathbb{k}G$ , get bialgebra.

Nevertheless, subset of elts.  $x \in H$  with  $\Delta(x) = x \otimes x$  will be  
"group-like elements"  
important in sequel.

One nice property of bialgebra - Given algebra modules  $V, W$ , then  $H$   
 $V \otimes W$  has natural  $H \otimes H$ -module structure. But if we compose  
with coproduct  $\Delta: H \rightarrow H \otimes H$ , we get natural  $H$ -module

so you may have seen  $\mathbb{k}G$ -action on  $V \otimes W$  given by  $g \cdot (v \otimes w)$   
(or equivalently  $\mathbb{k}G$  action)  $= gv \otimes gw$

now understand that as

coproduct in  $\mathbb{k}G$   
 $\Delta: g \mapsto g \otimes g$ .

Similarly tensor ~~algebra~~ algebra has  
action from complicated  $\Delta$  structure.

One further axiom to get from bialgebra to Hopf algebra -

$$\text{Antipode map } S: H \rightarrow H \quad \text{with} \quad m \circ (S \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = \eta \circ \varepsilon \\ = m \circ (\text{id} \otimes S) \circ \Delta$$

or in diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & \text{counit} & & \text{unit} & \\ & \varepsilon & & \eta & \\ H & \longrightarrow k & \longrightarrow & H & \\ \Delta \downarrow & & & \uparrow m & \\ H \otimes H & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes S} & & H \otimes H & \\ & S \otimes \text{id} & & & \end{array} \quad (\text{two diagrams})$$

kG example:  $S: e_g \leftrightarrow e_{g^{-1}}$  (indeed, think of antipode as a "quantum gp" version of inversion)

T(v) example:  $S: v \mapsto -v$  note - not requiring  $S^2 = \text{id}$ .  
in  $T'(v)$ ,  
extend.

Proposition on antipodes S:  $S$  is an antialgebra map  $S(hg) = S(g)S(h)$

and anti coalgebra map  $S(1_H) = 1_H$ .

$$(S \otimes S) \circ \Delta = \tau \circ \Delta \circ S \quad \forall h.g.$$

$$\varepsilon \circ S = \varepsilon.$$

Moreover  $S$  is unique.

Pf: For example, for uniqueness, mimic pf. that gp. inverses are unique.

Suppose there were two:  $S, S'$  linearity

$$\text{then } S'(h) = S'(h_{(1)} \varepsilon(h_{(2)})) \stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} S'(h_{(1)}) \varepsilon(h_{(2)})$$

count axiom:  $H \otimes H$   
 $\xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon} H \otimes k \cong H$

$\xrightarrow{\Delta} H \otimes H$

$\stackrel{=} S'(h_{(1)}) m \circ (\text{id} \otimes S)(\underbrace{h_{(2)(1)} \otimes h_{(2)(2)}}_{m(h_{(2)(1)}, Sh_{(2)(2)})})$

antipode axiom:  $= \underbrace{m}_{\text{id} \otimes S \circ m} \circ \text{id} \otimes S \circ m$

$$\text{Had} = S'(h_{(1)}) m(h_{(2)(1)}, Sh_{(2)(2)})$$

$$= S'(h_{(1)(1)}) h_{(1)(2)} Sh_{(2)} \quad (\text{coassociativity})$$

$$= \varepsilon(h_{(1)}) Sh_{(2)} \quad (\text{antipode axiom})$$

$$= S(h) \quad (\text{counit axiom})$$


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coassociativity in Sweedler notation:  $c_{(1)(1)} \otimes c_{(1)(2)} \otimes c_{(2)} =$

$$c_{(1)} \otimes c_{(2)(1)} \otimes c_{(2)(2)}$$

Further adjects: commutativity / cocommutativity.

$\nwarrow$   
multiplication is commutative.

In diagrams.  $H \otimes H \xrightarrow{\tau} H \otimes H$  where  $\tau : h_1 \otimes h_2 \mapsto h_2 \otimes h_1$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} m & \downarrow & m \\ & \swarrow & \\ H & & \end{array}$$

and for cocommutative, as usual, we reverse the arrows:

$$\tau \circ \Delta = \Delta \text{ on } H \rightarrow H \otimes H.$$

Some things are immediately nicer:

Proposition: If  $H$  is commutative or cocommutative, then  $S^2 = \text{id}$ .

Check:  $kG, T(V)$  are cocommutative.

( $e_g \cdot e_h = e_{gh}, \text{ so}$

$kG$  commutative if  $G$  is abelian. check that

$T(V)$  is only commutative if  $\dim(V) \leq 1$ )

Immediate from defin- If  $H$  is cocommutative

then  $H$ -module structure on  $V \otimes W$   
is isomorphic to that of  $W \otimes V$ .

Another example:  $\mathfrak{g}$ : Lie algebra - vector space with a

Lie bracket  $[,] : \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  satisfying Jacobi identity + antisymmetry props (if  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$ )

then  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$  is quotient of  $T(\mathfrak{g})$ : tensor Hopf algebra on vector space  $\mathfrak{g}$

with relation  $g_1 \otimes g_2 - g_2 \otimes g_1 = [g_1, g_2]$

$$(J): [x, [y, z]] + [y, [z, x]] + [z, [x, y]] = 0$$

$$(A): [x, y] = -[y, x]$$

This gives Hopf algebra structure on  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$ , which remains cocommutative.

( Hopf's initial motivation - unified treatment for groups, Lie algebras particularly their cohomologies )

Majid's comments = - Any theorem true for both group algebra + univ. env. alg. is true for all co-commutative Hopf algebras.

- See Sweedler's book for attempts to classify finite-dimensional Hopf algebras (some important open questions remain)

- non-commutative, non-cocomm. Hopf algebras in short supply, before Drinfeld-Jimbo's constructions for Lie algebras.

Simplest non-comm., non-cocomm. example:  $H := \mathcal{U}_q(b_+)$  generated by  $1, X, g, g^{-1}$

with:  $g \cdot g^{-1} = 1 = \bar{g}^{-1}g$   $gX = g \times g$  ( $g \in k^\times$ )

with  $\Delta X = X \otimes 1 + g \otimes X$

$\Delta g = g \otimes g$ ,  $\Delta g^{-1} = \bar{g}^{-1} \otimes \bar{g}^{-1}$

$\varepsilon(X) = 0$

$\varepsilon(g) = \varepsilon(\bar{g}^{-1}) = 1$

$S(X) = -\bar{g}^{-1}X$

$S(g) = g^{-1}$

$S(\bar{g}^{-1}) = \bar{g}$

(check  $S^2 X = \bar{g}^{-1}X$ )

You can think of  $\mathcal{U}_q(b^+)$  as deforming  $\mathcal{U}(b^+)$  where  $b^+$  is Lie algebra of  $B^+ = \text{upper triangular matrices in } SL_2(\mathbb{C}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, a, b \in \mathbb{C} \atop a \neq 0 \right\}$

Good exercise: Check this is a non-comm, non-cocomm. Hopf algebra.

But at the moment, this is just an ad-hoc construction and we'd prefer some understanding of where it came from and why.