

• Last time: modules, comodules, bimodules

Example (exercise to check): Let H be any bialgebra and V any vector space (over the same field). Then, $H \otimes V$ is endowed with both a (free)^H comodule structure as well as a natural H -module structure $H \otimes (H \otimes V) \rightarrow H \otimes V$ via $a \otimes (b \otimes v) \mapsto ab \otimes v$. In fact, $H \otimes V$ is an H -bimodule.

With this example in mind, we can now state the "Structure theorem for bimodules" (it will be on HWK #1):

Theorem: Let H -Hopf algebra, M - H -bimodule. Define $N := \{m \in M \mid \Delta_H(m) = 1 \otimes m\}$. Then, the multiplication map $\mu_N: H \otimes N \rightarrow M$ is an H -bimodule isomorphism.

• General Picture

We shall now discuss how Hopf algebras and comodules over them arise naturally in the context of algebraic groups and their action on algebraic varieties.

1] Assume an algebraic variety G is endowed with a monoid structure with unit i.e. we have an associative map $\mu: G \times G \rightarrow G$ as well as $\eta: \{e\} \rightarrow G$ s.t. $\mu(e, g) = g = \mu(g, e) \forall g \in G$. Then, on the level of regular/polynomial functions we get the maps opposite way

$$\Delta := \mu^*: \mathbb{k}[G] \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{k}[G \times G]}_{=\mathbb{k}[G] \otimes \mathbb{k}[G]} \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon := \eta^*: \mathbb{k}[G] \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[\{e\}] = \mathbb{k}$$

Remarks (physics audience): a) "Baby version" of this is G -finite monoid, $\mathbb{k}[G] = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{k}\text{-valued} \\ f: \text{point} \rightarrow G \end{array} \right\}$

b) In general, given a map $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$ of two sets, we always get a map $\varphi^*: \mathbb{k}[Y] \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[X]$ defined via $(\varphi^* f)(x) := f(\varphi(x)) \forall x \in X, f \in \mathbb{k}[Y]$.

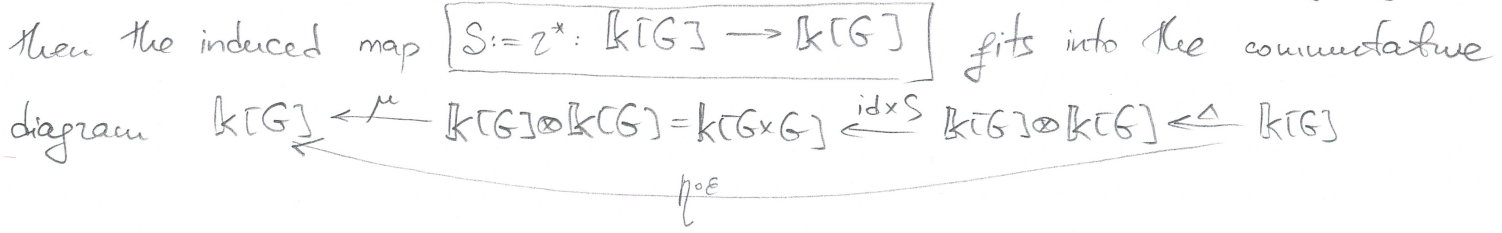
Warning: This $\mathbb{k}[G]$ is different from the same notation we used in Lecture 1.

Exercise 1a: Verify that $(\mathbb{k}[G], \Delta, \varepsilon)$ is a coalgebra.

On top of that, $\mathbb{k}[G]$ has an obvious structure of a commutative algebra.

Exercise 1b: Verify that $\mathbb{k}[G]$ is actually a bialgebra.

2] If G is not just a monoid, but is a group, i.e. we have the inverse map $z: G \rightarrow G$ s.t. $G \xrightarrow{\text{diag}} G \times G \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times z} G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G$ is just sending $\forall g \mapsto e$,



[Exercise 1c]: Check the above and conclude that $k[G]$ is a Hopf algebra if G -group

3] Finally, let's now assume that our monoid/group G algebraically acts on an algebraic variety X , denoted $G \curvearrowright X$. That is, we have a map $G \times X \xrightarrow{\mu_X} X$ which fits into

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G \times G \times X & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times \mu_X} & G \times X \\
 \downarrow \mu \times \text{id} & & \downarrow \mu_X \\
 G \times X & \xrightarrow{\mu_X} & X
 \end{array}$$

(and compatible with unit $e \in G$, i.e. $\mu_X(e, x) = x$)

then on the level of functions we get

$$\Delta_X := \mu_X^*: k[X] \rightarrow k[G \times X] = k[G] \otimes k[X]$$

so that the above commutative diagram immediately implies the following:

[Exercise 1d): $k[X]$ is a $k[G]$ -comodule via the above Δ_X

In fact, since $k[X]$ has an internal algebra structure, one can upgrade the above by showing that (the definition is given on the next page):

[Exercise 1e): $k[X]$ is a $k[G]$ -comodule-algebra

Remark: a) Again a "baby version" is finite monoid/group G acting on a finite set X so that $k[X] = \{ \text{all } k\text{-valued functions on } X \}$.

b) If one considers other setups with different classes of functions, it may happen that $k[X \times Y] \neq k[X] \otimes k[Y]$. In this case, a deeper analysis is needed.

Upshot: Alg. Group $G \rightsquigarrow$ Hopf algebra $k[G]$
 Alg. Gp. $G \curvearrowright$ Alg. var. $X \rightsquigarrow k[G]$ -comodule-algebra $k[X]$

Def: Let $H=(H, \mu_H, \eta_H, \Delta_H, \epsilon_H)$ be a bialgebra, $A=(A, \mu_A, \eta_A)$ -algebra.

Then, A is called an H-comodule-algebra if

- a) there is an H-comodule structure $\Delta_A: A \rightarrow H \otimes A$
- b) the maps $\mu_A: A \otimes A \rightarrow A$, $\eta_A: \mathbb{k} \rightarrow A$ are H-comodule morphisms.

Lemma 1: Given H, A as above with $\Delta_A: A \rightarrow H \otimes A$ defining comodule structure, condition b) is equivalent to
 b') the map $\Delta_A: A \rightarrow H \otimes A$ is an algebra morphism

Rmk: With this result in mind, you can easily derive Exercise 1e).

▶ The proof is straightforward comparison of the commutative diagrams.

b) μ_A -H-comodule morphism iff the following commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\mu_A} & A \\
 (\mu_H \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id})(\text{id} \otimes \tau_{23} \otimes \text{id}) \downarrow \Delta_A \otimes \Delta_A & & \downarrow \Delta_A \\
 H \otimes (A \otimes A) & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \mu_A} & H \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{Fig 1}$$

η_A -H-comodule morphism iff the following commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{k} & \xrightarrow{\eta_A} & A \\
 \downarrow \eta & & \downarrow \Delta_A \\
 \mathbb{k} \otimes \mathbb{k} & \xrightarrow{\eta_H \otimes \eta_A} & H \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{Fig 2}$$

b') Δ_A -algebra morphism iff the following commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\Delta_A \otimes \Delta_A} & (H \otimes A) \otimes (H \otimes A) \\
 \downarrow \mu_A & & \downarrow (\mu_H \otimes \mu_A)(\text{id} \otimes \tau_{23} \otimes \text{id}) \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\Delta_A} & H \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{Fig 1'}$$

unit η_A compatibility iff the following commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{k} & \xrightarrow{\eta_A} & A \\
 \downarrow \eta_A & & \downarrow \eta_H \otimes \eta_A \\
 A & \xrightarrow{\Delta_A} & H \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{Fig 2'}$$

Clearly, commutativity of Fig 1 & Fig 1' are equivalent, and so are Fig 2 & Fig 2'

Lecture #4

While we did discuss the very general picture of $G \curvearrowright X$ in pages 1-2, this week we shall be looking at the very simple case of this:

- $G = \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{k}) =: M_2(\mathbb{k})$ or $G = (\text{invertible } 2 \times 2 \text{ matrices}) = GL_2(\mathbb{k})$
 or $G = (\det=1 \text{ } 2 \times 2 \text{ matrices}) = SL_2(\mathbb{k})$.
- $X = \mathbb{k}^2 = (\text{column vectors of height } 2)$, so that $G \curvearrowright X$ via multiplication.

Following Kassel's notations, let $M(\mathfrak{a}) := \mathbb{k}[M_2(\mathbb{k})] = \mathbb{k}\langle a, b, c, d \rangle$. Note that for any commutative algebra A , we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}_{\text{alg}}(M(\mathfrak{a}), A) & \xleftrightarrow{1 \text{ to } -1} & M_2(A) \\ \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \\ \mathfrak{f} & \longrightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} f(a) & f(b) \\ f(c) & f(d) \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

The general scheme from p.1 shows that multiplication of 2×2 matrices induces a coproduct map

$$\Delta: M(\mathfrak{a}) \rightarrow M(\mathfrak{a}) \otimes M(\mathfrak{a}) \text{ given by } \Delta \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. $\Delta(a) = a \otimes a + b \otimes c, \Delta(b) = a \otimes b + b \otimes d, \Delta(c) = c \otimes a + d \otimes c, \Delta(d) = c \otimes b + d \otimes d$.

Likewise, an embedding of the unit matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \hookrightarrow M_2(\mathbb{k})$ induces a counit map

$$\varepsilon: M(\mathfrak{a}) \rightarrow \mathbb{k} \text{ given by } \varepsilon \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus: $M(\mathfrak{a})$ is a bialgebra (as follows from Exercise 1b)).

However, to get a Hopf algebra that way, one would need the inverse map on matrices. To get this, we shall restrict to invertible or $(\det=1)$ matrices.

Following Kassel (Sect I.5), define

$$\begin{aligned} GL(\mathfrak{a}) &:= \mathbb{k}[GL_2(\mathbb{k})] = M(\mathfrak{a})\langle t \rangle / ((ad-bc)t-1) \\ SL(\mathfrak{a}) &:= \mathbb{k}[SL_2(\mathbb{k})] = GL(\mathfrak{a}) / (t-1). \end{aligned}$$

so that for any commutative algebra A we have

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{alg}}(GL(\mathfrak{a}), A) = GL_2(A) \text{ and } \text{Hom}_{\text{alg}}(SL(\mathfrak{a}), A) = SL_2(A)$$

Then: inversion of matrices in $GL_2(\mathbb{k}), SL_2(\mathbb{k})$ will make $GL(\mathfrak{a}), SL(\mathfrak{a})$ into Hopf algebras.