

• Hopf algebras

Given an algebra (A, μ, η) and a coalgebra (C, Δ, ε) , we define a bilinear map "convolution" on $\text{Hom}_{\text{Lin}}(C, A)$ as follows:

$$C \xrightarrow{\Delta} C \otimes C \xrightarrow{\mu \circ \tau} A \otimes A \xrightarrow{\mu} A \quad \text{equiv.} \quad (f * g)(x) = \sum_{(x)} f(x') g(x'')$$

Prop: (a) $(\text{Hom}(C, A), *, \eta \circ \varepsilon)$ is an algebra.

(b) The natural map $A \otimes C^* \xrightarrow{\bar{\tau}} \text{Hom}(C, A)$ is a morphism of algebras, where C^* is viewed as an algebra via Lemma 1(a).

► (a) Due to associativity of μ and coassociativity of Δ , we get:

$$((f * g) * h)(x) = \sum_{(x)} f(x') g(x'') h(x''') = (f * (g * h))(x)$$

We also have:

$$((\eta \varepsilon) * f)(x) = \sum_{(x)} \varepsilon(x') f(x'') = f\left(\sum_{(x)} \varepsilon(x') x''\right) = f(x)$$

$$(f * (\eta \varepsilon))(x) = \sum_{(x)} f(x') \varepsilon(x'') = f\left(\sum_{(x)} x' \varepsilon(x'')\right) = f(x)$$

(b) To check that $\bar{\tau}$ is compatible with products, we argue:

$$(\bar{\tau}(a * \alpha) * \bar{\tau}(b * \beta))(x) = \sum_{(x)} \alpha(x') \beta(x'') ab = (\alpha \beta)(x) ab = (\bar{\tau}(ab \otimes \alpha \beta))(x)$$

for any $a, b \in A, \alpha, \beta \in C^*, x \in C$. To see the compatibility of units:

$$(\bar{\tau}(1 \otimes \varepsilon))(x) = \varepsilon(x) 1 = \eta \varepsilon(x)$$

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Def: Let $(H, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon)$ be a bialgebra and $*$ be the convolution on $\text{End}(H)$.

An element $S \in \text{End}(H)$ is called an antipode if $S * \text{Id}_H = \text{Id}_H * S = \eta \circ \varepsilon$.

Def: A Hopf algebra is a bialgebra with an antipode.

A morphism of Hopf algebras is a morphism of bialgebras commuting with the antipodes.

Note: If an antipode exists, then it is unique, due to:

$$S = S * (\eta \varepsilon) = S * (\text{Id}_H * S') = (S * \text{Id}_H) * S' = (\eta \varepsilon) * S' = S' \quad \text{for two antipodes } S, S'$$

Notation: We will denote Hopf algebras by tuples $(H, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon, S)$.

Note that in Sweedler's notation, conditions on antipode S read as follows:

$$\sum_{(x)} S(x') x'' = \varepsilon(x) 1 = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x''). \quad (\diamond)$$

Lemma: Let H be a finite-dimensional algebra with antipode S . Then the bialgebra H^* is a Hopf algebra with antipode S^* .

► For any $x \in H, \alpha \in H^*$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{(\alpha)} \alpha' S^*(\alpha'') \right)(x) &= \sum_{(\alpha)(x)} \alpha'(x') S^*(\alpha'')(x'') = \sum_{(\alpha)(x)} \alpha'(x') \alpha''(Sx'') = \\ &= \alpha \left(\sum_{(x)} x' S(x'') \right) = \alpha(\eta \varepsilon(x)) = \varepsilon^* \eta^*(\alpha)(x) \end{aligned}$$

Completely analogously: $\left(\sum_{\alpha} S^*(\alpha') \alpha'' \right)(x) = \varepsilon^* \eta^*(\alpha)(x)$

Ex 1: If X is a monoid, then $k[X]$ is a bialgebra, due to Ex 5(a).

Then, $k[X]$ has an antipode iff X is a group (as (\circ) reads $xS(x) = S(x)x = \varepsilon(x) = 1$).

The following result summarizes a few properties of antipode.

Prop 1: Let $(H, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon, S)$ be a Hopf algebra.

(a) S is a bialgebra morphism from H to $H^{op, cop}$, i.e.

$$S(xy) = S(y)S(x), S(1) = 1, (S \otimes S)\Delta = \Delta^op S, \varepsilon \circ S = \varepsilon.$$

(b) TFAE

(i) $S^2 = Id_H$

(ii) $\sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' = \varepsilon(x)1 \quad \forall x \in X.$

(iii) $\sum_{(x)} x''S(x') = \varepsilon(x)1 \quad \forall x \in X.$

(c) If H is commutative or cocommutative, then $S^2 = Id_H$.

► (b) The implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) follows from

$$\sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \stackrel{(i)}{=} S^2 \left(\sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \right) \stackrel{(a)}{=} S \left(\sum_{(x)} S(x')S^2(x'') \right) \stackrel{(i)}{=} S \left(\sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \right) = S(\varepsilon(x)1) = \varepsilon(x)1$$

To prove (ii) \Rightarrow (i) it suffices to prove $S^* * S^2 = \mu \varepsilon$, due to uniqueness of inverse,

$$(S^* * S^2)(x) = \sum_{(x)} S(x')S^2(x'') \stackrel{(a)}{=} S \left(\sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \right) \stackrel{(ii)}{=} S(\varepsilon(x)1) = \varepsilon(x)S(1) = \varepsilon(x)1$$

The equivalence (ii) \Leftrightarrow (iii) is proved analogously.

(c) If H is commutative, then $\eta \varepsilon(x) = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x'') \stackrel{comm}{=} \sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \stackrel{(b)}{\Rightarrow} S^2 = Id_H$

If H is cocommutative, then $\eta \varepsilon(x) = \sum_{(x)} S(x')x'' \stackrel{cocomm}{=} \sum_{(x)} S(x'')x' \stackrel{(b)}{\Rightarrow} S^2 = Id_H$.

It remains to prove part (a), which is a bit more technical.

► (Continuation of proof of Prop 1)

(a) First, plugging $x=1$ into $(\text{Id}_H \star S)(x) = \eta \varepsilon(x)$, we immediately get $S(1) = 1$.

$$\text{Second, } \varepsilon(S(x)) = \varepsilon\left(S\left(\sum_{(x)} \varepsilon(x') x''\right)\right) = \varepsilon\left(\sum_{(x)} \varepsilon(x') S(x'')\right) = \varepsilon(\eta \varepsilon(x)) = \varepsilon(x)$$

Next, we prove $S(xy) = S(y)S(x)$. Define $\nu, \rho \in \text{Hom}(H \otimes H, H)$ via

$$\nu(x \otimes y) = S(y)S(x), \quad \rho(x \otimes y) = S(xy).$$

As $\eta \varepsilon$ is the identity (see Prop 2(a)), it suffices to prove $\rho \star \mu = \mu \star \nu = \eta \varepsilon$.

$$\bullet (\rho \star \mu)(x \otimes y) = \sum_{(x \otimes y)} \rho((x \otimes y)') \mu((x \otimes y)'') = \sum_{(x)(y)} \rho(x' \otimes y') \mu(x'' \otimes y'') = \sum_{(x)(y)} S(x' y') x'' y''$$

$$\stackrel{\Delta(x \otimes y) = \Delta(x) \Delta(y)}{=} \sum_{(x)(y)} S((xy)') (xy)'' = \eta \varepsilon(xy)$$

$$\bullet (\mu \star \nu)(x \otimes y) = \sum_{(x \otimes y)} \mu((x \otimes y)') \nu((x \otimes y)'') = \sum_{(x)(y)} \mu(x' \otimes y') \nu(x'' \otimes y'') = \\ = \sum_{(x)(y)} x' y' S(y'') S(x'') = \sum_{(x)} x' \eta \varepsilon(y) S(x'') = \eta \varepsilon(y) \cdot \eta \varepsilon(x) = \eta \varepsilon(xy)$$

This completes the proof of $S(xy) = S(y)S(x)$.

Finally, we need to prove $(S \otimes S) \Delta = \Delta^{\text{op}} S$, or equivalently:

$$\Delta \circ S = (S \otimes S) \circ \Delta^{\text{op}}. \text{ Denote } \rho := \Delta \circ S, \nu := (S \otimes S) \circ \Delta^{\text{op}} \in \text{Hom}(H, H \otimes H).$$

As above, it suffices to prove $\rho \star \Delta = \Delta \star \nu = (\eta \otimes \eta) \varepsilon$

$$\bullet (\rho \star \Delta)(x) = \sum_{(x)} \Delta(S(x')) \Delta(x'') = \Delta\left(\sum_{(x)} S(x') x''\right) = \Delta(\eta \varepsilon(x)) = (\eta \otimes \eta) \varepsilon(x)$$

$$\bullet (\Delta \star \nu)(x) = \sum_{(x)} \Delta(x') \left((S \otimes S)(\Delta^{\text{op}}(x'')) \right) = \sum_{(x)} (x' \otimes x'') (S(x''')) \otimes S(x''') \\ = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x''') \otimes x'' S(x''') = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x'') \otimes \varepsilon(x''') 1 = \\ = \sum_{(x)} x' \varepsilon(x'') S(x''') \otimes 1 = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x'') \otimes 1 = \varepsilon(x) 1 \otimes 1 = (\eta \otimes \eta) \varepsilon(x)$$

Corollary: Let $H = (H, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon, S)$ be a Hopf algebra.

(a) Then $H^{\text{op cop}} = (H, \mu^{\text{op}}, \eta, \Delta^{\text{op}}, \varepsilon, S)$ is also a Hopf algebra and $S: H \rightarrow H^{\text{op cop}}$ is a morphism of Hopf algebras.

(b) If S is an isomorphism, then $H^{\text{op}} = (H, \mu^{\text{op}}, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon, S^{-1})$, $H^{\text{cop}} = (H, \mu, \eta, \Delta^{\text{op}}, \varepsilon, S^{-1})$ are isomorphic Hopf algebras, the isomorphism given by S .

As it is not always easy to check the conditions $\sum_{(x)} S(x') x'' = \varepsilon(x) 1 = \sum_{(x)} x' S(x'')$ the following result will be helpful:

Lemma 2: Let H be a bialgebra and $S: H \rightarrow H^{\text{op}}$ be an algebra morphism.

Assume H is generated as an algebra by a subset X and

$$(\diamond) \quad \sum_{(x)} x' S(x'') = \varepsilon(x) 1 = \sum_{(x)} S(x') x'' \quad \forall x \in X$$

Then, S is an antipode for H .

It suffices to prove that if (\diamond) holds for $x, y \Rightarrow (\diamond)$ also holds for xy .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(xy)} (xy)' S((xy)'') &= \sum_{(x)(y)} x' y' S(x'' y'') = \sum_{(x)(y)} x' y' S(y'') S(x'') = \sum_{(x)} x' \varepsilon(y) S(x'') \\ &= \varepsilon(x) \varepsilon(y) 1 = \varepsilon(xy) 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(xy)} S((xy)') (xy)'' &= \sum_{(x)(y)} S(x' y') x'' y'' = \sum_{(x)(y)} S(y') S(x') x'' y'' = \sum_{(y)} S(y') \varepsilon(x) y'' \\ &= \varepsilon(x) \varepsilon(y) 1 = \varepsilon(xy) 1 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1: Recall the bialgebra structure on $T(V)$ from [Lecture 1, Exercise 2]

Prove that $S(1) = 1$, $S(v_1 \dots v_k) = (-1)^k v_k \dots v_2 v_1 \quad \forall v_1, \dots, v_k \in V$ determine an antipode of $T(V)$.

Let us now consider a symmetric algebra $S(V) := T(V)/I(V)$, where $I(V)$ is the 2-sided ideal generated by all elements $\{xy - yx \mid x, y \in V\}$.

Ex 2: The above Hopf algebra structure on $T(V)$ induces a Hopf algebra structure on its quotient $S(V)$.

It suffices to prove that $I := \text{Ker}(T(V) \rightarrow S(V))$ is a coideal of $T(V)$.

Note that I is spanned by the elements of the form $\{x \cdot [v_1, v_2] \cdot y \mid \begin{smallmatrix} x, y \in T(V) \\ v_1, v_2 \in V \end{smallmatrix}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \Delta(x [v_1, v_2] y) &= \sum_{(x)(y)} (x' [v_1, v_2] y' \otimes x'' y'' + x' y' \otimes x'' [v_1, v_2] y'') \in I \otimes T(V) + T(V) \otimes I, \\ \varepsilon(x [v_1, v_2] y) &= \varepsilon(x) \varepsilon([v_1, v_2]) \varepsilon(y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Def: An element $x \neq 0$ of a coalgebra (H, Δ, ε) is group-like if $\Delta(x) = x \otimes x$.

$\mathcal{G}(H) :=$ set of group-like elements.

Lemma 3: Let H be a bialgebra. Then $\mathcal{G}(H)$ is a monoid w.r.t multiplication of H .

Furthermore, if H is a Hopf alg, $x \in \mathcal{G}(H) \Rightarrow S(x) \in \mathcal{G}(H)$ and $x S(x) = 1 = S(x) x$

As $\Delta^{\text{op}} \circ S = (S \otimes S) \Delta(x) \Rightarrow \Delta(S(x)) = S(x) \otimes S(x)$.

By def-n of S : $x S(x) = S(x) x = \varepsilon(x) \cdot 1$. But $x = \varepsilon(x) x = x \varepsilon(x) \Rightarrow \varepsilon(x) \in \{0, 1\} \Rightarrow \varepsilon(x) = 1$ □ ④

Hopf algebra modules

Since a Hopf algebra is an algebra, we can speak about its modules.

- If U, V are modules over a bialgebra A , then $U \otimes V$ is also an A -module. The latter is given via $\Delta: A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ and $A \otimes A \curvearrowright U \otimes V$. In Sweedler's notation

$$a(u \otimes v) = \sum_{(a)} a' u \otimes a'' v$$

- Any vector space V is equipped with a trivial A -module structure via counit

$$a(v) = \varepsilon(a) \cdot v$$

Lemma 4: If A is a bialgebra, U, V, W - A -modules, k - trivial A -module, then

$$(U \otimes V) \otimes W \cong U \otimes (V \otimes W), \quad k \otimes V \cong V \cong V \otimes k \quad \text{as } A\text{-modules}$$

Moreover, if A is cocommutative, then $\tau_{V,W}: V \otimes W \cong W \otimes V$

Follows immediately from the coassociativity, counitality, cocommutativity.

- If A is a Hopf algebra, then given A -modules V, V' , the space $\text{Hom}_{\text{Lin}}(V, V')$ is naturally equipped with the A -module structure as follows:

- First, we endow $\text{Hom}(V, V')$ with an $A \otimes A^{\text{op}}$ -module structure via

$$((a \otimes a') \cdot f)(v) = a f(a' v)$$

Indeed:

$$((a \otimes a')(b \otimes b') \cdot f)(v) = ((ab \otimes b'a') \cdot f)(v) = ab f(b'a' v) = a((b \otimes b') \cdot f)(a' v) = (a \otimes a' \cdot ((b \otimes b') \cdot f))(v)$$

- Second, we have an algebra homomorphism $(\text{Id} \otimes S) \circ \Delta: A \rightarrow A \otimes A^{\text{op}}$.

In Sweedler's notation, the resulting A -action on $\text{Hom}(V, V')$ is given via

$$(a \cdot f)(v) = \sum_{(a)} a' f(S(a'') v)$$

- In the particular case $V' = k$ with a trivial A -module structure, we obtain an A -action on the dual vector space V^* :

$$(a \cdot f)(v) = \sum_{(a)} \varepsilon(a') f(S(a'') v) = f\left(\sum_{(a)} \varepsilon(a') S(a'') v\right) = f\left(S\left(\sum_{(a)} \varepsilon(a') a''\right) v\right) = f(S(a) v)$$

So: $A \curvearrowright V^*$ via $(a \cdot f)(v) = f(S(a) v)$