

0. Let (H, R) be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra. Let us recall the axioms:

(i) H is a unital associative algebra together with

(coproduct) • $\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$ alg. hom. which is coassociative:

$$\Delta \otimes \text{id} (\Delta(x)) = \text{id} \otimes \Delta (\Delta(x)) \quad \forall x \in H.$$

(counit) • $\varepsilon : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ alg. hom. s.t.

$$\varepsilon \otimes \text{id} (\Delta(x)) = 1 \otimes x \in \mathbb{C} \otimes H$$

$$\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon (\Delta(x)) = x \otimes 1 \in H \otimes \mathbb{C}$$

(antipode) • $S : H \rightarrow H$ alg. anti-hom ($S(xy) = S(y)S(x)$) which is invertible and

$$\text{mult} \circ (S \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = \varepsilon = \text{mult} \circ (\text{id} \otimes S) \circ \Delta.$$

(Note: $\Delta(S(x)) = S \otimes S (\Delta^{\text{op}}(x)) \quad \forall x \in H.$)

(ii) $R \in H \otimes H$ is an invertible element s.t.

$$\Delta^{\text{op}}(x) = R \Delta(x) R^{-1} \quad \forall x \in H. \quad (\text{interluning eq}^n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \otimes \text{id} (R) &= R_{13} R_{23} \\ \text{id} \otimes \Delta (R) &= R_{13} R_{12} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{cabling identities})$$

1. Sweedler's notation: Since Δ is coassociative, different ways of extending it to an alg. hom.

$$\Delta^{(n)} : H \longrightarrow H^{\otimes n} \quad \text{are equal. That is,}$$

if we define $\Delta^{(n)}$ ($n \geq 0$) as follows:

$$(\Delta^{(0)} : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}) = \text{counit}; \quad (\Delta^{(1)} : H \rightarrow H) = \text{id.}$$

$$(\Delta^{(2)} : H \rightarrow H \otimes H) = \Delta; \quad \text{and for } n \geq 3:$$

$$\Delta^{(n)} = \Delta \otimes \text{id}^{\otimes n-2} \circ \Delta^{(n-1)},$$

then $\Delta^{(n)}$ also equals $\text{id}^{\otimes k} \otimes \Delta \otimes \text{id}^{\otimes (n-2-k)} \circ \Delta^{(n-1)}$.

Employing Sweedler's notation, we will write:

$$\Delta^{(n)}(x) = x^{(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{(n)}.$$

Thus, the axioms from the previous page take the following form:

Counit $\epsilon(x^{(1)}) \otimes x^{(2)} = 1 \otimes x$

$$x^{(1)} \otimes \epsilon(x^{(2)}) = x \otimes 1$$

Antipode $S(x^{(1)}) \cdot x^{(2)} = \epsilon(x) \cdot 1 = x^{(1)} \cdot S(x^{(2)})$

If $R = \sum_k a_k \otimes b_k$, then:

Intertwining eqⁿ: $a_k x^{(1)} \otimes b_k x^{(2)} = x^{(2)} a_k \otimes x^{(1)} b_k$

Cabling id-s $a_k^{(1)} \otimes a_k^{(2)} \otimes b_k = a_k \otimes a_k \otimes b_k$

$$a_k \otimes b_k^{(1)} \otimes b_k^{(2)} = a_k \otimes b_k \otimes b_k$$

Ex: Show that, $\forall n \geq 2$:

$$\Delta^{(n)} \otimes \text{id}(R) = R_{1,n+1} R_{2,n+1} \dots R_{n,n+1} \quad (\text{in } H^{\otimes (n+1)}).$$

2. Some identities following directly from the axioms :

Prop. (1) $\epsilon \otimes id (R) = 1 \otimes 1 = id \otimes \epsilon (R)$

(2) $S \otimes id (R) = R^{-1} = id \otimes S^{-1} (R)$

Proof (1) Start from $\Delta \otimes id (R) = R_{23} \cdot R_{23}$; apply $\epsilon \otimes id \otimes id$ and multiply 1st and 2nd tensors :

$$a_k^{(1)} \otimes a_k^{(2)} \otimes b_k = a_k \otimes a_l \otimes b_k b_l$$

$\leadsto \frac{\epsilon(a_k^{(1)}) a_k^{(2)}}{\text{counit axiom}} \otimes b_k = \epsilon(a_k) a_l \otimes b_k b_l$

$\Rightarrow R = \epsilon \otimes id (R) \cdot R \Rightarrow \epsilon \otimes id (R) = 1 \otimes 1.$

Proof of $id \otimes \epsilon (R) = 1 \otimes 1$ is similar.

(2): Again $\Delta \otimes id (R) = R_{13} \cdot R_{23}$ \leftarrow apply $S \otimes id \otimes id$ and multiply 1st & 2nd tensor factors

$$\epsilon \otimes id (R) = S \otimes id (R) \cdot R$$

\parallel
 $1 \otimes 1 \Rightarrow S \otimes id (R) = R^{-1}$

□

3. Drinfeld element $u \in H$ is defined to be :

$$u = \text{mult} \circ S \otimes id (R_{21})$$

$$= S(b_k) a_k$$

Proposition. (i) For every $x \in H$, $[\Delta(x), R_{21}R] = 0$.

(ii) $S^2(x) \cdot u = u \cdot x, \forall x \in H$.

(iii) $u \in H$ is invertible with $v = u^{-1} = b_k S^2(a_k)$
(i.e., $v = (\text{mult} \circ \text{id} \otimes S^2)(R_{21})$.)

(iv) $\Delta(u) \cdot R_{21}R = u \otimes u$.

Proof. (i) Since $\Delta^{\text{op}}(x) \cdot R = R \cdot \Delta(x)$, we get by applying (1.2):

$$\Delta(x) \cdot R_{21} = R_{21} \cdot \Delta^{\text{op}}(x) = R_{21} \cdot R \Delta(x) R^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta(x) \cdot R_{21}R = R_{21}R \cdot \Delta(x). \quad \square$$

(ii) Consider the relation $R_{12} \cdot \Delta^{(3)}(x) = \Delta^{\text{op}} \otimes \text{id}(\Delta(x)) \cdot R_{12}$.

Written in Sweedler's notation, with $R = a_k \otimes b_k$:

$$a_k x^{(1)} \otimes b_k x^{(2)} \otimes x^{(3)} = x^{(2)} a_k \otimes x^{(1)} b_k \otimes x^{(3)}$$

Apply $\text{id} \otimes S \otimes S^2$ to this identity, and multiply factors 3rd, 2nd, 1st:

$$(*) : S^2(x^{(3)}) \cdot S(x^{(2)}) S(b_k) \cdot a_k x^{(1)} = S^2(x^{(3)}) \cdot S(b_k) S(x^{(2)}) \cdot x^{(1)} a_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S. of } (*) &= S(x^{(2)} \cdot S(x^{(3)})) \cdot u \cdot x^{(1)} \\ &= u \cdot x \end{aligned}$$

(antipode and counit axiom:
 $x^{(1)} \otimes x^{(2)} \cdot S(x^{(3)})$
 $= \text{id} \otimes \epsilon(\Delta(x))$
 $= x \otimes 1$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S. of } (*) &= S^2(x^{(3)}) \cdot S(b_k) \boxed{S(x^{(1)}) \cdot x^{(2)}} a_k \\ &\quad \text{antipode axiom} \end{aligned}$$

$$= S^2(x) \cdot u \quad \text{as claimed.} \quad \square$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii)} \quad \forall u &= b_k S^2(a_k) \cdot u = b_k \cdot u \cdot a_k \quad (\text{by (ii)}) \\
 &= b_k S(b_l) a_l a_k \quad (\text{defn. of } u) \\
 &= S(b_k) S(b_l) a_l S(a_k) \quad (\text{since } S \otimes S(R) = R \text{ by Prop. 2 above})
 \end{aligned}$$

Now $S \otimes \text{id}(R) = R^{-1}$. Let us write $R^{-1} = \sum a'_k \otimes b'_k$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \forall u &= S(b'_k) S(b_l) a_l a'_k = 1 \quad \text{since } a_l a'_k \otimes b_l b'_k \\
 &= R \cdot R^{-1} = 1 \otimes 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of $u \cdot v = 1$ is similar.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad \Delta(u) \cdot R_{21} R &= \Delta(S(b_k)) \cdot \Delta(a_k) \cdot R_{21} R \\
 &= S \otimes S(\Delta^{\text{op}}(b_k)) \cdot R_{21} R \cdot \Delta(a_k) \quad (\text{using (i) above}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using cabling identities:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(a_k) \otimes \Delta^{\text{op}}(b_k) &= \Delta \otimes \Delta^{\text{op}}(R) \\
 &= R_{13} R_{14} R_{23} R_{24} = R_{13} R_{23} R_{14} R_{24} \in H^{\otimes 4}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To write $\Delta(u) R_{21} R$ more compactly, we use the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (H \otimes H) \curvearrowright H^{\otimes 4} : \quad X \triangleleft (A \otimes B) \\
 = S \otimes S(B) \cdot X \cdot A \\
 (\forall A, B, X \in H \otimes H)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(u) R_{21} R &= R_{21} \triangleleft \left(\overbrace{R_{12} R_{13} R_{23} R_{14} R_{24}} \right) \quad \text{Yang-Baxter eq}^n \\
 &= R_{21} \triangleleft \left(\overbrace{R_{23} R_{13} R_{12} R_{14} R_{24}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

we will compute this one term at a time :

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{21} \triangleleft R_{23} &= (S(b_\ell) \otimes 1) \cdot (b_k \otimes a_k) \cdot (1 \otimes a_\ell) \\
 &= S(b_\ell) b_k \otimes a_k a_\ell \\
 &= S \otimes \text{id} \left(\bar{S}^{-1} \otimes \text{id} (R_{21}) \cdot R_{21} \right) = 1 \otimes 1
 \end{aligned}$$

because $\text{id} \otimes \bar{S}^{-1}(R) = R^{-1}$
by Prop. 2 above.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \otimes 1 \triangleleft R_{13} &= S(b_\ell) \otimes 1 \cdot 1 \otimes 1 \cdot a_\ell \otimes 1 = S(b_\ell) a_\ell \otimes 1 \\
 &= u \otimes 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$u \otimes 1 \triangleleft R_{12} = (u \otimes 1) R = u a_k \otimes b_k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (u \otimes 1) R \triangleleft R_{14} &= (1 \otimes S(b_\ell)) (u a_k \otimes b_k) (a_\ell \otimes 1) \\
 &= u a_k a_\ell \otimes S(b_\ell) b_k = u \otimes 1 \quad \text{because}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u \otimes 1 \triangleleft R_{24} &= 1 \otimes S(b_\ell) \cdot u \otimes 1 \cdot 1 \otimes a_\ell \\
 &= u \otimes u
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence : $\Delta(u) R_{21} R = u \otimes u.$ □

4. $H = U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g})$. Recall the formulae for Δ and S on the generators $\{E_i, F_i\}_{i \in I}$

$$\Delta(E_i) = E_i \otimes 1 + K_i \otimes \bar{E}_i$$

$$\Delta(F_i) = F_i \otimes \bar{K}_i^{-1} + 1 \otimes F_i$$

$$S(E_i) = -\bar{K}_i^{-1} E_i$$

$$S(F_i) = -F_i K_i$$

$$\Delta(K) = K \otimes K$$

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

for any $K = g^h$
 $h \in \mathfrak{h}$.

$$\Rightarrow S^2(E_i) = -S(E_i)S(K_i^{-1}) = K_i^{-1}E_iK_i (= q_i^{-2}E_i)$$

$$S^2(F_i) = -S(K_i)S(F_i) = K_i^{-1}F_iK_i (= q_i^2F_i) \quad \forall i \in I.$$

Therefore, if we set $K_{2\rho} = q^{2\nu(\rho)}$ where $\rho \in \mathfrak{h}^* \xrightarrow{\nu} \mathfrak{h}$ is

such that $\rho(h_i) = 1 \quad (\forall i \in I)$; then

$$S^2(x) = K_{2\rho}^{-1} x K_{2\rho} \quad \forall x \in U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g})$$

Let $u \in U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g})$ be the Drinfeld element. By Prop. 3 (ii),

$$S^2(x) = u \cdot x \cdot u^{-1} \quad \forall x \in U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g}).$$

Thus, we obtain: $\theta = K_{2\rho}^{-1} \cdot u^{-1}$ is central in $U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g})$

Proposition: (1) $R_{21} \cdot R = \Delta(\theta) \cdot \theta^{-1} \otimes \theta^{-1}$

(2) For an iso. $\psi : U_{\mathfrak{h}}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g})[[\hbar]]$;

$$\psi(\theta) = e^{\frac{\hbar}{2}C} \quad \text{where } C \in U(\mathfrak{g}) \text{ is the Casimir element.}$$

Proof. (1) Using Prop 3 (iv): $\Delta(u) R_{21} R = u \otimes u$

$$\Rightarrow R_{21} \cdot R = \Delta(u^{-1}) \cdot u \otimes u$$

$$= \Delta(K_{2\rho} \theta) \cdot K_{2\rho}^{-1} \otimes K_{2\rho}^{-1} \cdot \theta^{-1} \otimes \theta^{-1}$$

$$= \Delta(\theta) \cdot \theta^{-1} \otimes \theta^{-1} \quad \text{since } \Delta(K_{2\rho}) = K_{2\rho} \otimes K_{2\rho}.$$

(2) Recall: $C = C_0 + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} x_{\alpha}^+ x_{\alpha}^- + x_{\alpha}^- x_{\alpha}^+$

Cartan part

$$= C_0 - 2\nu(\rho) + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} x_\alpha^+ x_\alpha^-$$

$\Rightarrow C$ acts on a lowest weight vector of weight $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ as:

$$C = (\mu, \mu) - (\mu, 2\rho)$$

(i.e. if $U(\mathfrak{g}) \curvearrowright V$ and $v \in V[\mu]$ is such that $f_i v = 0 \forall i \in I$

then $C \cdot v = (\mu, \mu - 2\rho) v$.

Since C is central; if this $v \in V[\mu]$ generates the entire V as

a $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module, then $C|_V = (\mu, \mu - 2\rho) \cdot \text{Id}_V$.

$HH^1(U(\mathfrak{g}); \text{End } V) = 0 \Rightarrow V$ cannot be non-trivially deformed.

Considering the lowest weight repr. of $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g})$, and

$$R = \hbar^{\Omega_0} \cdot \sum_{\gamma} F_{\gamma} \otimes E_{\gamma}$$

we get that $u = \text{mult} \circ \text{id} \otimes S \otimes \text{id} (R_{21})$ acts on $v \in V[\mu]$ lowest wt. vector

by $\frac{1}{\hbar} (\mu, \mu)$.

$$\Rightarrow \theta \text{ acts on } v \text{ as : } \theta = K_{2\rho}^{-1} \cdot u^{-1} : v \mapsto \hbar^{(\mu, \mu) - (\mu, 2\rho)} \cdot v$$

i.e. $\theta = \hbar^G$ (on f.d. reps.) □