

Quasitriangular structures

Idea: want things which are ~~not~~ commutative & not cocommutative BUT are still close to being cocommutative.

Def: A quasitriangular bialgebra/Hopf algebra is (H, R)

where (1) H is a bialgebra/Hopf algebra

(2) $R \in H \otimes H$ is invertible and obeys $\tau \circ \Delta h = R(\Delta h)R^{-1}$

(3) $(\Delta \otimes id)R = R_{13}R_{23} \in H \otimes H \otimes H$
 $(id \otimes \Delta)R = R_{13}R_{12} \in H \otimes H \otimes H$

If $R = a_i \otimes b_i \in H \otimes H$

$R_{13} = a_i \otimes 1 \otimes b_i \in H \otimes H \otimes H$

$R_{23} = 1 \otimes a_i \otimes b_i \in H \otimes H \otimes H$

$R_{12} = a_i \otimes b_i \otimes 1 \in H \otimes H \otimes H$

Lemma: Suppose (H, R) is quasi-triangular bialgebra. Then:

(1) $(\eta \otimes id)R = (id \otimes \eta)R = 1$ ($R_{21} = b_i \otimes a_i$)

(2) (H, R_{21}^{-1}) is also quasi-triangular

(3) $R_{12}R_{13}R_{23} = R_{23}R_{13}R_{12}$ (Yang-Baxter Equation)

Proof:

(1) $(\eta \otimes id \otimes id)(\Delta \otimes id)R = R_{23} \in H \otimes H \otimes H$ (b/c $(\eta \otimes id)\Delta = id$)

$(\eta \otimes id \otimes id)R_{13}R_{23} =$

so $(\eta \otimes id \otimes id)R_{13} = 1_{H \otimes H \otimes H}$ (b/c R_{23} is invertible)

$(id \otimes \eta)R = 1$ (if $(id \otimes \eta)R = 1$)

(2) $\tau \circ \Delta h = R(\Delta h)R^{-1}$

$\Delta h = \tau \circ (R(\Delta h)R^{-1})$
 $= R_{21}(\tau \circ \Delta h)R_{21}^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow R_{21}^{-1}(\Delta h)R_{21} = \tau \circ \Delta h$

$(\Delta \otimes id)R_{21}^{-1} = ((\Delta \otimes id)R_{21})^{-1}$

$= (R_{31}R_{32})^{-1}$
 $= R_{32}^{-1}R_{31}^{-1}$

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(3) $(id \otimes (\tau \circ \Delta))R = (id \otimes \tau)(id \otimes \Delta)R$

$= (id \otimes \tau)R_{13}R_{12}$
 $= R_{12}R_{13}$

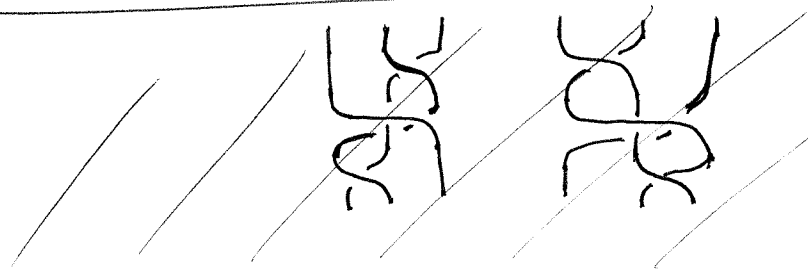
$(id \otimes (\tau \circ \Delta))R = R_{23}(id \otimes \Delta)R R_{23}^{-1}$

$= R_{23}(R_{13}R_{12})R_{23}^{-1}$

So... $R_{12}R_{13} = R_{23}R_{13}R_{12}R_{23}^{-1}$

$R_{12}R_{13}R_{23} = R_{23}R_{13}R_{12}$

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Lemma: Let (H, R) be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra. Then

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

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

$(S \otimes S)R = R$

Proof:

Notation: $R = a \otimes b$ (drop the i in $a_i \otimes b_i$ for convenience)

$\Delta a = a_{(1)} \otimes a_{(2)}$ (subscript will be coproduct parts)

~~Claim: $a_{(1)} \otimes S a_{(2)} = \eta(a) \cdot 1$~~

Claim: $a_{(1)} S a_{(2)} \otimes b = 1$

part 1: Show $a_{(1)} S a_{(2)} = \eta(a) \cdot 1$ via $m(id \otimes S)\Delta = \eta$

part 2: Show $\eta(a) \otimes b = 1$ via $(\eta \otimes id) \circ \Delta = 1$

So $(m \otimes id)(id \otimes S \otimes id)(\Delta \otimes id)R = 1$

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$(m \otimes id)(id \otimes S \otimes id)R \cdot R$

$$(m \otimes id)(id \otimes S \otimes id)(\Delta \otimes id)R = 1$$

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$$(m \otimes id)(id \otimes S \otimes id)(a \otimes 1 \otimes b) \cdot (1 \otimes a \otimes b)$$

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~~$$(m \otimes id)(a \otimes S a \otimes b^2)$$~~
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~~$$(m \otimes id)(a \otimes 1 \otimes b)(id \otimes S \otimes id)(1 \otimes a \otimes b)$$~~
$$a S a \otimes b^2 = R(S \otimes id)R$$

$$S \cdot R(S \otimes id)R = 1$$

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

others are similar.

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