

# EXTENSION THEORY FOR CONNECTED HOPF ALGEBRAS

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $K$  be a fixed commutative ring with unit. We will deal with graded algebras, coalgebras, and Hopf algebras over  $K$  as defined in Milnor-Moore [4], but we assume that the underlying  $K$ -modules are connected.

Suppose  $A, B$  are Hopf algebras;  $A$  commutative and  $B$  cocommutative. By an extension of  $B$  by  $A$  we mean a diagram of Hopf algebras and Hopf maps

$$(1.1) \quad A \xrightarrow{\alpha} C \xrightarrow{\beta} B$$

in which  $C$  is isomorphic to  $A \otimes B$  simultaneously as a left  $A$ -module and right  $B$ -comodule. In this paper we announce results which describe and classify all extensions by  $B$  by  $A$ . Proofs will appear in [5].

**2. Matched pairs.** If  $B$  is an algebra we write

$$\eta: K \rightarrow B, \quad \mu_B: B \otimes B \rightarrow B$$

for the unit and multiplication, respectively. If  $A$  is a coalgebra we write

$$\epsilon: A \rightarrow K, \quad \psi_A: A \rightarrow A \otimes A$$

for the counit and comultiplication.

As the first step in classifying extensions, we will show in [5] how a diagram (1.1) determines a pair of  $K$ -linear maps

$$\sigma_A: B \otimes A \rightarrow A, \quad \rho_B: B \rightarrow A.$$

$\sigma_A$  is the "action" of base on fiber that one expects in an extension problem;  $\rho_B$  is its dual. We prove:

- (a)  $\sigma_A$  gives  $A$  the structure of a left  $B$ -module algebra;
- (b)  $\rho_B$  gives  $B$  the structure of a right  $A$ -comodule coalgebra;
- (c) the diagram commutes:

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\sigma_A} & A & \xrightarrow{\psi_A} & A \otimes A \\
 \downarrow \psi_B \otimes \psi_A & & & & \uparrow \\
 B \otimes B \otimes A \otimes A & & & & A \otimes \mu_A \\
 \downarrow \rho_B \otimes B \otimes A \otimes A & & & & \\
 B \otimes A \otimes B \otimes A \otimes A & & & & \\
 \downarrow (1, 4, 2, 3, 5) & & & & \\
 B \otimes A \otimes A \otimes B \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\sigma_A \otimes A \otimes \sigma_A} & & & A \otimes A \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \tag{2.1}$$

(d) the diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B \otimes B & \xrightarrow{\mu_B} & B & \xrightarrow{\rho_B} & B \otimes A \\
 \downarrow \psi_B \otimes B & & & & \uparrow \\
 B \otimes B \otimes B & & & & \mu_B \otimes \mu_A \\
 \downarrow \rho_B \otimes B \otimes \rho_B & & & & \\
 B \otimes A \otimes B \otimes B \otimes A & & & & \\
 \downarrow (1, 4, 2, 3, 5) & & & & \\
 B \otimes B \otimes A \otimes B \otimes A & \xrightarrow{B \otimes B \otimes A \otimes \sigma_A} & & & B \otimes B \otimes A \otimes A
 \end{array}
 \tag{2.2}$$

Conversely, suppose given a pair of Hopf algebras  $(A, B)$  with  $A$  commutative and  $B$  cocommutative, and suppose given  $K$ -linear maps  $\sigma_A, \rho_B$  satisfying conditions (a)–(d). Then we call  $(A, B)$  a “matched pair”.

**3. Bimodules over a matched pair.** Suppose  $(A, B)$  is a matched pair. Suppose  $N$  is simultaneously a left  $B$ -module under  $\sigma_N: B \otimes N \rightarrow N$ , and a right  $A$ -comodule under

$$\rho_N: N \rightarrow N \otimes A.$$

Then we call  $N$  an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule if the diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 B \otimes N & \xrightarrow{\sigma_N} & N & \xrightarrow{\rho_N} & N \otimes A \\
 \downarrow \psi_B \otimes N & & & & \uparrow N \otimes \mu_A \\
 B \otimes B \otimes N & & & & \\
 \downarrow \rho_B \otimes B \otimes \rho_N & & & & \\
 B \otimes A \otimes B \otimes N \otimes A & & & & \\
 \downarrow (1, 4, 2, 3, 5) & & & & \\
 B \otimes N \otimes A \otimes B \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\sigma_N \otimes A \otimes \sigma_A} & N \otimes A \otimes A & & 
 \end{array}
 \tag{3.1}$$

For example, if  $(A, B)$  is a matched pair we can give  $A$  the structure of an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule, with left  $B$ -action  $\sigma_A: B \otimes A \rightarrow A$ , and right  $A$ -coaction  $\psi_A: A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ . A dual construction makes  $B$  into an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule. We say  $f: M \rightarrow N$  is a map of  $(A, B)$ -bimodules if  $f$  is simultaneously a map of left  $B$ -modules and right  $A$ -comodules.

The interpretation of diagrams (2.1), (2.2), (3.1) is found in:

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $N$  be a bimodule over the matched pair  $(A, B)$ . Let the map  $\bar{\sigma}_{N \otimes A}: B \otimes N \otimes A \rightarrow N \otimes A$  be the composition  $(N \otimes \mu_A)(\sigma_N \otimes A \otimes \sigma_A)(1, 4, 2, 3, 5)(\rho_B \otimes B \otimes N \otimes A)(\psi_B \otimes N \otimes A)$ .*

*Let the map  $\bar{\rho}_{N \otimes A}: N \otimes A \rightarrow N \otimes A \otimes A$  be  $N \otimes \psi_A$ . Then:*

- (a)  $\bar{\sigma}_{N \otimes A}$  gives  $N \otimes A$  the structure of a left  $B$ -module;
- (b)  $\bar{\rho}_{N \otimes A}$  gives  $N \otimes A$  the structure of a right  $A$ -comodule;
- (c) with these structure maps  $N \otimes A$  is in fact an  $(A, B)$  bimodule which we denote  $N \tilde{\otimes} A$ ;
- (d)  $\rho_N: N \rightarrow N \tilde{\otimes} A$  is a map of  $(A, B)$ -bimodules.

Theorem 3.1 has a dual. Given an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule  $M$ , Theorem (3.1)\* tells how to give  $B \otimes M$  the structure of an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule, denoted  $B \tilde{\otimes} M$ , in such a way that  $\sigma_M: B \tilde{\otimes} M \rightarrow M$  is a map of  $(A, B)$ -bimodules.

**4.  $(A, B)$ -algebras and  $(A, B)$ -coalgebras.** By an  $(A, B)$ -algebra we mean an  $(A, B)$ -bimodule  $N$  that is also a commutative algebra, in such a way that  $\mu_N: N \otimes N \rightarrow N$  is both a map of left  $B$ -modules and right  $A$ -comodules.  $(A, B)$ -coalgebras are defined similarly. For example if  $(A, B)$  is a matched pair, then  $A$  itself is an  $(A, B)$ -algebra, and  $B$  is an  $(A, B)$ -coalgebra.

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $N$  be an  $(A, B)$ -algebra. Let  $N \tilde{\otimes} A$  have the algebra structure of the tensor product  $N \otimes A$ . Then  $N \tilde{\otimes} A$  is an  $(A, B)$ -algebra, and  $\rho_N: N \rightarrow N \tilde{\otimes} A$  is a map of  $(A, B)$ -algebras.*

Theorem 4.1 can be interpreted in the language of “triples” [1], [2]. Let  $\Gamma$  be the category of  $(A, B)$ -algebras. Let  $S: \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$  be the functor which carries  $N$  to  $N \tilde{\otimes} A$ , and let  $I: \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$  be the identity functor. Define functor transforms  $\delta: I \rightarrow S, \sigma: S^2 \rightarrow S$  by

$$\delta(N) = \rho_N: N \rightarrow N \tilde{\otimes} A; \quad \sigma(N) = N \otimes \epsilon \otimes A: N \tilde{\otimes} A \tilde{\otimes} A \rightarrow N \tilde{\otimes} A.$$

Then  $V \equiv (S, \delta, \sigma)$  is a triple on the category  $\Gamma$ .

Similarly, the dual of Theorem 4.1 gives a cotriple  $W \equiv (T, d, s)$  on the category  $\Delta$  of  $(A, B)$ -coalgebras. Here  $T(M) = B \tilde{\otimes} M, d(M) = \sigma_M: B \tilde{\otimes} M \rightarrow M$ , and  $S(M) = B \otimes \eta \otimes M: B \tilde{\otimes} M \rightarrow B \tilde{\otimes} B \tilde{\otimes} M$ .

**5. The cohomology of matched pairs.** If  $\phi$  is any category, write  $S^*(\phi)$  for the category of cosimplicial objects over  $\phi$ , and  $S_*(\phi)$  for the category of simplicial objects over  $\phi$ . Then the triple  $V$  of §4 gives rise in the usual way [1], [2] to a functor  $V: \Gamma \rightarrow S^*\Gamma$ ; the cotriple  $W$  gives rise to a functor  $W: \Delta \rightarrow S_*\Delta$ . For example, if  $(A, B)$  is a matched pair, then  $V(K)$  is the acyclic cobar construction on  $A$ , but it has some structure not present in the classical case . . . an action of  $B$  compatible with the coface operators. Similarly,  $W(K)$  is the acyclic bar construction on  $B$ , with an  $A$ -coaction added.

If  $M$  is an  $(A, B)$ -coalgebra and  $N$  an  $(A, B)$ -algebra, let  $\text{Hom}_{(A, B)}(M, N)$  denote the set of maps of  $(A, B)$ -modules  $f: M \rightarrow N$  for which  $f_0: M_0 \rightarrow N_0$  is the identity on  $K$ . Then  $\text{Hom}_{(A, B)}(M, N)$  is an abelian group under the composition law  $f + g = \mu_N(f \otimes g)\psi_M$ .

Now to any matched pair  $(A, B)$  we associate a double cosimplicial abelian group  $X(B, A)$  by setting:

$$(5.1) \quad X^{p,q}(B, A) = \text{Hom}_{(A, B)}(W(K)_p, V(K)_q).$$

Let  $\bar{X}(B, A)$  be the associated “total” cochain complex. Then we define the cohomology of the matched pair  $(A, B)$  by:

$$(5.2) \quad H^*(B, A) = H^*(\bar{X}(B, A)).$$

**6. Classification of extensions.** Let  $(A, B)$  be a matched pair under  $(\sigma_A, \rho_B)$ . Denote by  $\text{Opext}(B, A)$  the set of equivalence classes of extensions (1.1) which give rise to the given “matching.” Our main result is:

**THEOREM 6.1.** *There is a natural isomorphism:*

$$H^3(B, A) = \text{Opext}(B, A).$$

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