

Introduction

We define the notion of **quasitriangularity** for C^* -quantum groups using **unitary R-matrices** which are solutions of the **Yang-Baxter Equation**. Then the corepresentation category of Hilbert spaces along with the unitary R-matrix becomes a **braided tensor category**. Finally, we describe the **quantum codouble** and the **Drinfeld double** in the C^* -algebraic setting associated to a C^* -quantum group, and construct a **unitary R-matrix** on the quantum codouble. The theory of C^* -quantum groups involved in this game is based on the concept of **manageable multiplicative unitaries**. In particular, we do not assume the existence of Haar weights

C^* -quantum groups $\mathbb{G} = (C, \Delta)$

- A locally compact quantum space (C^* -algebra) C .
- A non-degenerate $*$ -homomorphism (comultiplication) $\Delta: C \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(C \otimes C)$ which is coassociative:
($\text{id}_C \otimes \Delta$) \circ Δ = ($\Delta \otimes \text{id}_C$) \circ Δ .

Example: $C_0(G)$ with $\Delta(f)(g_1, g_2) := f(g_1 g_2)$ for all $f \in C_0(G)$ and $g_1, g_2 \in G$, where G is a locally compact group.

Dual quantum group $\widehat{\mathbb{G}} = (\widehat{C}, \widehat{\Delta})$

- A locally compact quantum space (C^* -algebra) \widehat{C} .
- A non-degenerate coassociative $*$ -homomorphism (comultiplication) $\widehat{\Delta}: \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\widehat{C} \otimes \widehat{C})$.

Example: $C_{\text{red}}^*(G)$ with $\widehat{\Delta}(\lambda_g) = \lambda_g \otimes \lambda_g$, where λ_g is the left regular representation on $L^2(G)$ for $g \in G$ – a locally compact group.

Reduced bicharacter and dual pairing

There exists a unitary bicharacter $W \in \mathcal{M}(\widehat{C} \otimes C)$:
($\text{id}_{\widehat{C}} \otimes \Delta$) $W = W_{12}W_{13}$ ($\widehat{\Delta} \otimes \text{id}_C$) $W = W_{23}W_{13}$.

Notation: We write $W \in \mathcal{UM}(\widehat{\mathbb{G}} \otimes \mathbb{G})$ for the above reduced bicharacter W .

Quasitriangular C^* -quantum groups

A C^* -quantum group $\mathbb{G} = (C, \Delta)$ is **quasitriangular** if there exists a unitary bicharacter $R \in \mathcal{M}(\widehat{C} \otimes \widehat{C})$:

- Bicharacter condition:
($\text{id}_{\widehat{C}} \otimes \widehat{\Delta}$) $R = R_{12}R_{13}$ ($\widehat{\Delta} \otimes \text{id}_{\widehat{C}}$) $R = R_{23}R_{13}$

- R-matrix condition:
 $R(\sigma \circ \widehat{\Delta}(\widehat{c}))R^* = \widehat{\Delta}(\widehat{c})$ for all $\widehat{c} \in \widehat{C}$,
where $\sigma(\widehat{c}_1 \otimes \widehat{c}_2) = \widehat{c}_2 \otimes \widehat{c}_1$ for all $\widehat{c}_1, \widehat{c}_2$.

Such an R satisfies the **Yang-Baxter Equation**:

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

Corepresentation of C^* -quantum groups

A unitary $U \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{K}(\mathcal{H}) \otimes C)$ is said to be a corepresentation of $\mathbb{G} = (C, \Delta)$ on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} if it is a character in the second leg: ($\text{id} \otimes \Delta$) $U = U_{12}U_{13}$.

Example:

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \pi: \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H}) \\ \text{representation of} \\ \widehat{C} \text{ on } \mathcal{H} \end{array} \right) \implies \left(\begin{array}{l} U = (\pi \otimes \text{id}_C)W \\ \text{corepresentation of} \\ \mathbb{G} \text{ on } \mathcal{H} \end{array} \right)$$

Remark: Not every corepresentation of \mathbb{G} comes from a representation of \widehat{C} .

Tensor product of corepresentations

Let $U \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{K}(\mathcal{H}) \otimes C)$ and $V \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{K}(\mathcal{K}) \otimes C)$ be corepresentations of \mathbb{G} on \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} respectively. Then $U \oplus V := U_{13}V_{23} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{K}(\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}) \otimes C)$ is a corepresentation of \mathbb{G} on $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}$.

Theorem (Meyer, R., Woronowicz, 2012)

There exists a unitary $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K})$ which defines a map $\times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})} := \Sigma \circ X$ with the \mathbb{G} -equivariant property: $\times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})}(U \oplus V) = (V \oplus U) \times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})}$, where Σ is the flip operator acting on $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}$. $\times^{(\cdot, \cdot)}$ defines a **braiding** on the **corepresentation category** of Hilbert spaces associated to a quasitriangular quantum group.

Let, $\pi: \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $\rho: \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{K})$ are representations. Then the following are representations of \widehat{C}

- $\pi \oplus \rho := (\pi \otimes \rho) \circ \sigma \circ \widehat{\Delta}$ on $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}$
- $\rho \oplus \pi := (\rho \otimes \pi) \circ \sigma \circ \widehat{\Delta}$ on $\mathcal{K} \otimes \mathcal{H}$.

Moreover, $\times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})} := \Sigma \circ (\pi \otimes \rho)R$ satisfies $\times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})} \circ \pi \oplus \rho = \rho \oplus \pi \circ \times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})}$, where Σ is the flip operator. In particular, $\times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})}U \oplus V = V \oplus U \times^{(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})}$ for the corepresentations $U = (\pi \otimes \text{id}_C)W$ and $V = (\rho \otimes \text{id}_C)W$ of \mathbb{G} on \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} respectively.

Theorem (Woronowicz, 2011)

There exist $\alpha: \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $\beta: C \rightarrow \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ for some Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with the commutation relation:

$$W_{1\beta}W_{13}W_{\alpha 3} = W_{\alpha 3}W_{13}W_{1\beta} \text{ in } \mathcal{UM}(\widehat{C} \otimes \mathbb{K}(\mathcal{H}) \otimes C)$$

and $D := [\alpha(\widehat{C})\beta(C)] = [\beta(C)\alpha(\widehat{C})]$ is a C^* -algebra where $[\cdot]$ denotes the closed linear span.

Quantum codouble: $\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G}) := (C \otimes \widehat{C}, \Delta_{\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})})$,

$$\Delta_{\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})}(c \otimes \widehat{c}) := W_{23}((\text{id}_C \otimes \sigma \otimes \text{id}_{\widehat{C}})(\Delta(c) \otimes \widehat{\Delta}(\widehat{c})))W_{23}^*$$

Drinfel'd double: $D(\mathbb{G}) := (D, \Delta_{D(\mathbb{G})})$,

$$\Delta_{D(\mathbb{G})}(\alpha(\widehat{c})\beta(c)) := ((\alpha \otimes \alpha)\widehat{\Delta}(\widehat{c}))((\beta \otimes \beta)\Delta(c)).$$

Reduced bicharacter:

$$V := W_{\alpha 2}\widehat{W}_{\beta 3} \in \mathcal{UM}(D(\mathbb{G}) \otimes \widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})) \text{ where}$$

$$\widehat{W} := \sigma(W^*) \text{ in } \mathcal{UM}(C \otimes \widehat{C}).$$

Hence $\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})$ and $D(\mathbb{G})$ are dual to each other, and the dual pairing is established by V .

R-matrix for $\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})$

The bicharacter $R := (\alpha \otimes \beta)W \in \mathcal{UM}(D \otimes D)$ satisfies the R-matrix condition. Hence $\widehat{D}(\mathbb{G})$ is quasitriangular C^* -quantum group.