

From left modules to algebras over an operad: application to combinatorial Hopf algebras

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S-modules and tensor product

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$$(V \otimes^S W)(n) = \bigotimes_{p+q=n} V(p) \otimes W(q) \otimes_{S_p \times S_q} K[S_n].$$

Notation

- $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$
- $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$
- st stands for *standardization*

$$\text{st}(2, 7, 9, 3) = (1, 3, 4, 2)$$

- $\sigma|_{\{a_1, \dots, a_p\}} = \text{st}(\sigma(a_1), \dots, \sigma(a_p))$.

$$(2, 4, 5, 6, 3, 1)|_{\{1, 3, 6\}} = \text{st}(2, 5, 1) = (2, 3, 1).$$

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Any $x \in (V \otimes^{\mathbb{S}} W)(n)$ writes $v \otimes w \otimes (I, J)$. For $I \sqcup J = [n]$.
Define $\pi_{I,J} : (V \otimes^{\mathbb{S}} V)(n) \rightarrow V(|I|) \otimes V(|J|)$

The category **Smod** is monoidal symmetric

$$\begin{aligned} \tau : \quad M \otimes^{\mathbb{S}} N &\rightarrow N \otimes^{\mathbb{S}} M \\ m \otimes n \otimes (I, J) &\mapsto n \otimes m \otimes (J, I) \end{aligned}$$

Twisted associative and twisted Hopf algebras

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Example

$$T(V) = \bigoplus_n V^{\otimes n}$$

is the free twisted commutative algebra generated by V for the concatenation product

Example 1 : the symmetric groups

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The cosymmetrized Hopf algebra $(P, \bar{w}_f, \hat{\Delta})$ is *NCQSym* (after Bergeron, Zabrocki, Novelli, Thibon).

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Example

The Hopf algebra of Malvenuto Reutenauer is cofree.

The Hopf algebra NCQSym is free.

Left modules and algebras over an operad

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The category $(\mathbf{Smod}, \circ^{\mathbb{S}}, I)$ is monoidal (non symmetric). An operad is a monad in this category.

$$\mu_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathcal{P} \circ^{\mathbb{S}} \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$$

$$\eta_{\mathcal{P}} : I \rightarrow \mathcal{P}.$$

Left modules–Algebras

Definition

Let \mathcal{P} be an operad.

- A left module (or twisted algebra) over \mathcal{P} is a **S-module** M together with

$$\mathcal{P} \circ^{\mathbb{S}} M \rightarrow M.$$

- An algebra over \mathcal{P} is a **vector space** V together with

$$\mathcal{P} \circ V \rightarrow V.$$

- $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{A}s$: twisted associative algebras.
- \mathcal{P} is the free twisted algebra over \mathcal{P} generated by I .

Hopf operads, Hopf \mathcal{P} -algebras

Definition

A Hopf operad is an operad in the category of co-unital co-associative algebra. For all n

$$\delta_n : \mathcal{P}(n) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(n) \otimes \mathcal{P}(n)$$

$$\epsilon_n : \mathcal{P}(n) \rightarrow K$$

Theorem

The tensor product of two \mathcal{P} -algebras is a \mathcal{P} -algebra, when \mathcal{P} is a Hopf operad.

Connected Hopf operads

Definition

a Hopf operad \mathcal{P} is connected if

$$\mathcal{P}(0) = K = K \cdot 1_0, \mathcal{P}(1) = K \cdot 1_1.$$

For $\mu \in \mathcal{P}(n)$, $S \subset [n]$

$$\mu|_S = \mu(x_1, \dots, x_n), \text{ with, } \begin{cases} x_i = 1_1 & \text{if } i \in S \\ x_i = 1_0 & \text{if } i \notin S \end{cases}, \in \mathcal{P}(|S|).$$

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Multiplicative Hopf operads

Given data : a Hopf operad \mathcal{P} and $\mathcal{A}s \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$.

- Any Hopf \mathcal{P} -algebra is a twisted Hopf algebra.
- In particular the \mathbb{S} -module \mathcal{P} is a twisted Hopf algebra. So is $(\mathcal{P} \circ^{\mathbb{S}} M)$ for any connected \mathbb{S} -module M .

Example : Zinbiel

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It is a “Hopf operad” and there is a morphism $Com \rightarrow Zin$.

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Remark

The twisted Hopf algebra on the set compositions (that gives NCQSym) comes from the operad defining commutative tridendriform algebras.

Example : $T(V)$

$T(V) = \mathcal{C}om \circ^{\mathbb{S}} V$ where V is concentrated in arity 1.

- free twisted commutative algebra generated by V .
- Product : concatenation.
- Coproduct is

$$\Delta(v) = \sum_{S \sqcup T = [k]} v|_S \otimes v|_T \otimes (S, T),$$

where if $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_l\}$, $(v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_k)|_S = v_{s_1} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{s_l}$.

Case 1

Theorem (L., L.-Patras, Patras-Reutenauer, Loday-Ronco)

Let \mathcal{P} be a multiplicative Hopf operad and M a \mathbb{S} -module. Let $H = \mathcal{P} \circ^{\mathbb{S}} M$.

- (H, m, δ) is a twisted Hopf algebra.
- $(H_*, \bar{m}, \hat{\Delta})$ is a Hopf algebra, free.
- $(H_*, \hat{m}, \bar{\Delta})$ is a Hopf algebra, cofree.
- If δ is cocommutative, so is $\hat{\Delta}$ and in characteristic 0,
 $\text{Prim}_{\hat{\Delta}}(H_*) = \mathbb{L}\text{Prim}_{\bar{\Delta}}(H_*)$.

Case 2

Theorem (L.)

Let \mathcal{P} be a multiplicative regular Hopf operad and V be a vector space. let $H_* = \mathcal{P} \circ V$.

- (H_*, m, Δ) is a Hopf algebra
- $(H_*, m, \bar{\Delta})$ is a unital Hopf algebra.
- (H_*, m, Δ) is a free algebra

The Hopf algebra structure on $\bigoplus_n K[Y_n]$ considered by Chapoton comes from the operad of tridendriform algebras defined by Loday and Ronco.