

# On Left Bicrossproduct Hopf Algebras<sup>1</sup>

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## Abstract

Let  $X = GM$  be a factorization of a group into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and a left inverse property. A bialgebra  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  with basis  $m \otimes \delta_g$  where  $m \in M$  and  $g \in G$  is called a left Hopf algebra if there is a one-sided antipode map  $S$  such that  $S(m \otimes \delta_g) = (m \triangleleft g)^L \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g)^{-1}}$ . In this paper, we show that the quantum double  $D(kM \bowtie k(G))$  can be generated by  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  and its dual  $H^* = k(M) \bowtie kG$  with specific cross relations. Moreover, an interesting example for these left Hopf algebras is introduced.

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## 1 Introduction

If we talk about non-commutative and non-cocommutative Hopf algebras we should mention the bicrossproducts that are associated to a factorization of groups. These bicrossproduct Hopf algebras can be applied in the quantum mechanics, geometry and the interrelation between them (see [9]). Many authors discussed and analyzed these algebras and their dual (see [1], [2] and [4]).

For a finite-dimensional Hopf algebra  $H$ , the quantum double is a Hopf algebra double-crossproduct  $D(H) = H^{*op} \bowtie H$ . More precisely, it is a Hopf algebra factorising into  $H^{*op}$  and  $H$  and given via a double-semidirect product by mutual coadjoint actions of these two factors on each other. This

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formulation is from [8] which is based on the work of Drinfeld [5].

Beggs et al. [3] computed the quantum double for the bicrossproduct Hopf algebras associated to a factorization of a finite group into two subgroups.

Green et al. [7] defined a left Hopf algebra to be a  $k$ -bialgebra  $(B, m, \Delta, \eta, \epsilon : k)$  with a left antipode  $S$ , i.e.,  $S \in \text{Hom}_k(B, B)$  and  $S * id = \eta\epsilon$ .

In this paper, we continue what we have started in [6] and generalize some results of [3] using this definition of left Hopf algebras in a specific case. Explicitly, for a left Hopf algebra  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  associated to the factorization  $X = GM$  of a group  $X$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and left inverse property, we show that the quantum double  $D(kM \blacktriangleright k(G))$  can be generated by  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  and its dual  $H^* = k(M) \blacktriangleleft kG$  with specific cross relations, where  $k(G)$  is the Hopf algebra of function on  $G$  and  $kM$  is the semigroup left Hopf algebra of  $M$ .

## 2 Preliminaries and Definitions

In this section we present some basic concepts and definitions from [3], [6] and [8] that will be used later.

Let  $X = GM$  be a group which factorizes into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup with identity  $M$ . Then  $M$  acts on  $G$  through the left action  $\triangleright: M \times G \rightarrow G$  and  $G$  acts on  $M$  through the right action  $\triangleleft: M \times G \rightarrow M$ . These actions are defined by the unique factorization

$$mg = (m \triangleright g)(m \triangleleft g),$$

where  $m \in M$  and  $g \in G$ . Comparing with [3], it can be easily shown that these actions satisfy the following equalities for all  $m, m' \in M$  and  $g, g' \in G$ :

$$m \triangleleft e = m, (m \triangleleft g) \triangleleft g' = m \triangleleft (gg'); e \triangleleft g = e,$$

$$(mm') \triangleleft g = (m \triangleleft (m' \triangleright g))(m' \triangleleft g),$$

$$e \triangleright g = g, m \triangleright (m' \triangleright g) = (mm') \triangleright g; m \triangleright e = e,$$

$$m \triangleright (gg') = (m \triangleright g)((m \triangleleft g) \triangleright g').$$

We can associate to this factorization a bicrossproduct bialgebra  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  with basis  $m \otimes \delta_g$  where  $m \in M$  and  $g \in G$ . The product, unit, coproduct and counit are defined as follows:

$$(m \otimes \delta_g)(m' \otimes \delta_{g'}) = \delta_{g,m' \triangleright g'}(mm' \otimes \delta_{g'}),$$

$$1_H = \sum_g e \otimes \delta_g,$$

$$\Delta(m \otimes \delta_g) = \sum_{x,y \in G: xy=g} m \otimes \delta_x \otimes (m \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y,$$

$$\epsilon_H(m \otimes \delta_g) = \delta_{g,e}.$$

If there exists a left inverse  $m^L \in M$  for each  $m \in M$ , then  $H$  becomes a left Hopf algebra and the left antipode will be given by:

$$S(m \otimes \delta_g) = (m \triangleleft g)^L \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g)^{-1}}.$$

It can be noted that  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  has the smash product algebra structure by the induced action of  $M$  and the smash coproduct coalgebra structure by the induced coaction of  $G$ .

For the notation  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$ ,  $kM$  is the semigroup left Hopf algebra of the semigroup  $M$  with identity and the left inverse property. A basis of  $kM$  is given by the elements of  $M$ , with multiplication given by the semigroup product in  $M$ , and comultiplication given by  $\Delta m = m \otimes m$  for  $m \in M$ . Also,  $k(G)$  is the Hopf algebra of functions on  $G$  with basis given by  $\delta_g$  for  $g \in G$ . The product is just multiplication of functions, and the coproduct is

$$\Delta \delta_g = \sum_{x,y \in G: xy=g} \delta_x \otimes \delta_y.$$

Moreover, a dual bicrossproduct bialgebra  $H^* = k(M) \bowtie kG$  can be defined with basis  $\delta_m \otimes g$  where  $m \in M$  and  $g \in G$ . The product, unit, coproduct and counit are defined as follows:

$$(\delta_m \otimes g)(\delta_{m'} \otimes g') = \delta_{m \triangleleft g, m'}(\delta_m \otimes gg'),$$

$$1_{H^*} = \sum_m \delta_m \otimes e,$$

$$\Delta(\delta_m \otimes g) = \sum_{a,b \in M: ab=m} (\delta_a \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \otimes (\delta_b \otimes g),$$

$$\epsilon_{H^*}(\delta_m \otimes g) = \delta_{m,e}.$$

If there exists a left inverse  $m^L \in M$  for each  $m \in M$ , then  $H^*$  becomes a left Hopf algebra and the left antipode will be given by:

$$S(\delta_m \otimes g) = \delta_{(m \triangleleft g)^L} \otimes (m \triangleright g)^{-1}.$$

**Definition 2.1** Let  $X = GM$  be a factorization of a group into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and a left inverse property. A bialgebra  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  with basis  $m \otimes \delta_g$  where  $m \in M$  and  $g \in G$  is called a left Hopf algebra if there is a left antipode  $S$  such that

$$S(m \otimes \delta_g) = (m \triangleleft g)^L \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g)^{-1}}.$$

**Definition 2.2** Given any two groups  $X$  and  $Y$  (not necessarily subgroups of a given group) and a group homomorphism  $\varphi : Y \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$ , the new group  $X \rtimes_{\varphi} Y$  (or simply  $X \times Y$ ) is called the semidirect product of  $X$  and  $Y$  with respect to  $\varphi$  with an operation  $*$  defined by

$$(x_1, y_1) * (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 \varphi(y_1)(x_2), y_1 y_2)$$

for all  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ .

### 3 Example

Here we try to illustrate the concept of the generalized bicrossproduct bialgebras and the left bicrossproduct Hopf algebras by the following example:

**Example 3.1** Consider the set  $X = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}, ad - bc = 1 \right\}$ . It easy to check that  $X$  is an associative group under the usual matrices multiplication with identity equal to the usual  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix  $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

For any element  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix} \in X$ , the inverse is  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & -b_1 \\ -c_1 & a_1 \end{pmatrix} \in X$ .

Now, we take a subset  $G$  of  $X$  to be  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} u & -v \\ v & u \end{pmatrix} \mid u, v \in \mathbb{R}, u^2 + v^2 = 1 \right\}$ . One can check that  $G$  is a subgroup of  $X$ . Indeed if  $U = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & -v_1 \\ v_1 & u_1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $V = \begin{pmatrix} u_2 & -v_2 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{pmatrix}$  are elements in  $G$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} U \cdot V &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & -v_1 \\ v_1 & u_1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} u_2 & -v_2 \\ v_2 & u_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1u_2 - v_1v_2 & -u_1v_2 - v_1u_2 \\ u_2v_1 + u_1v_2 & -v_1v_2 + u_1u_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1u_2 - v_1v_2 & -(v_1u_2 + u_1v_2) \\ v_1u_2 + u_1v_2 & u_1u_2 - v_1v_2 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

with  $u_1^2 + v_1^2 = 1$  and  $u_2^2 + v_2^2 = 1$ . To verify that  $U \cdot V$  is in  $G$ , we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (u_1u_2 - v_1v_2)^2 + (v_1u_2 + u_1v_2)^2 &= u_1^2u_2^2 + v_1^2v_2^2 + v_1^2u_2^2 + u_1^2v_2^2 \\ &= u_1^2(u_2^2 + v_2^2) + v_1^2(u_2^2 + v_2^2) \\ &= (u_1^2 + v_1^2)(u_2^2 + v_2^2) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $G$  is closed under the usual matrices multiplication. Next, for an element  $\acute{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \acute{u} & -\acute{v} \\ \acute{v} & \acute{u} \end{pmatrix} \in G$  the inverse element is  $\acute{U}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\acute{u}^2 + \acute{v}^2} \begin{pmatrix} \acute{u} & \acute{v} \\ -\acute{v} & \acute{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \acute{u} & \acute{v} \\ -\acute{v} & \acute{u} \end{pmatrix} \in G$ .

Now, we take the subset  $M$  of  $X$  to be  $M = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0 \right\}$ .

We show that  $M$  is a semigroup of  $X$  with identity. Let  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  be elements of  $M$ . Then

$$S \cdot T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_1 + t_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

with  $t_1 \geq 0$  and  $t_2 \geq 0$  that implies  $t_1 + t_2 \geq 0$ . Hence,  $S \cdot T \in M$ . The identity matrix  $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is in  $M$ . However,  $M$  does not have an inverse element for each  $\acute{S} \in M$ . So  $M$  is not a subgroup of  $X$ .

Next, if we take  $U = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & -v_1 \\ v_1 & u_1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$  and  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} U \cdot S &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & -v_1 \\ v_1 & u_1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1 - v_1 t_1 & -v_1 \\ v_1 + u_1 t_1 & u_1 \end{pmatrix} \in X, \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_1^2 + v_1^2 = 1$ ,  $t_1 > 0$  and  $u_1, v_1, t_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ . It is clear that  $G \cdot M \subseteq X$ . Now we can forget our original group  $X$  and put  $\hat{X} = G \cdot M$ . It can be noted that  $\hat{X}$  is just a subset of  $X$  and not necessarily a subgroup. So we can construct a generalized bicrossproduct bialgebra from  $G$  and  $M$  to be  $H = \mathbb{R}M \blacktriangleright \mathbb{R}(G)$ . If, somehow, we can define a left antipode  $\mathbf{S}$  on the generalized bicrossproduct bialgebra  $H = \mathbb{R}M \blacktriangleright \mathbb{R}(G)$ , then the left bicrossproduct Hopf algebra is obtained.

### 4 The Quantum Double

For a finite-dimensional left Hopf algebra  $H$ , the quantum double is a left Hopf algebra double-crossproduct  $D(H) = H^{*op} \blacktriangleright H$ . More precisely, it is a left Hopf algebra factorising into  $H^{*op}$  and  $H$  and given via a double-semidirect product by mutual coadjoint actions of these two factors on each other. This formulation is based on the work of Majid [8] which is itself based on the work of Drinfeld [5]. More specifically, it is built on  $H^* \otimes H$  as a linear space with product

$$(\hat{h}^* \otimes h)(\tilde{h}^* \otimes h') = \Sigma \langle S\tilde{h}_{(1)}^*, h_{(1)} \rangle \tilde{h}_{(2)}^* \hat{h}^* \otimes h_{(2)} h' \langle \tilde{h}_{(3)}^*, h_{(3)} \rangle \tag{1}$$

$$\hat{h}^*, \tilde{h}^* \in H^*, h, h' \in H.$$

The formulas for tensor product unit, counit, coproduct, and antipode are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} 1_{D(H)} &= 1_{H^*} \otimes 1_H, \\ \epsilon_{D(H)} &= \epsilon_{H^*} \otimes \epsilon_H, \\ \Delta_{D(H)} &= (id \otimes \tau \otimes id) \circ (\Delta \circ \Delta), \\ S_{D(H)}(\hat{h}^* \otimes h) &= (1 \otimes Sh)(S^{-1}\hat{h}^* \otimes 1), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tau(\hat{h}^* \otimes h) = h \otimes \hat{h}^*$ . The Hopf algebra structure takes the double cross product from the formula

$$(\hat{h}^* \otimes h)(\tilde{h}^* \otimes h') = \sum (h_{(1)} \blacktriangleright \tilde{h}_{(1)}^*) \hat{h}^* \otimes (h_{(2)} \blacktriangleleft \tilde{h}_{(2)}^*) h'. \tag{2}$$

The required mutual coadjoint actions are defined by

$$h \triangleright \widehat{h}^* = \sum \widehat{h}_{(2)}^* \langle h, (S\widehat{h}_{(1)}^*)\widehat{h}_{(3)}^* \rangle, \tag{3}$$

$$h \triangleleft \widehat{h}^* = \sum h_{(2)} \langle \widehat{h}^*, (Sh_{(1)})h_{(3)} \rangle, \tag{4}$$

where  $\widehat{h}^* \in H^*$  and  $h \in H$ .

It can be noted that in all these formulas, the expressions are given in terms of the Hopf algebras  $H$  and  $H^*$ . Also, for  $h \in H$  and  $\widehat{h}^* \in H^*$ , we have  $\langle S(h), S(\widehat{h}^*) \rangle = \langle h, \widehat{h}^* \rangle$ .

**Proposition 4.1** *Let  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  be a left Hopf algebra associated to a factorization of a group  $X = GM$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and a left inverse property. Then the formula for the action of  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  on its dual  $H^* = k(M) \blacktriangleleft kG$  is given by*

$$(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleright (\delta_m \otimes g) = \delta_{g, (m \triangleright g)g_1} (\delta_{m'_1 m m'_1 L} \otimes m'_1 \triangleright g),$$

where  $m, m_1 \in M$ ,  $g, g_1 \in G$ ,  $m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1} \in H$ ,  $\delta_m \otimes g \in H^*$  and  $m'_1 = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\widehat{h}^* = \delta_m \otimes g \in H^*$  and  $h = m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}$ , we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta \otimes id)\Delta(\delta_m \otimes g) &= (\Delta \otimes id) \sum_{a,b \in M: ab=m} \left( \delta_a \otimes (b \triangleright g) \right) \otimes \left( \delta_b \otimes g \right) \\ &= \sum_{a,b \in M: ab=m} \Delta \left( \delta_a \otimes (b \triangleright g) \right) \otimes id(\delta_b \otimes g) \\ &= \sum_{a,b \in M: ab=m} \left( \sum_{c,d \in M: cd=a} (\delta_c \otimes (d \triangleright (b \triangleright g))) \otimes (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \right) \otimes (\delta_b \otimes g) \\ &= \sum_{c,d,b \in M: cdb=m} (\delta_c \otimes ((db) \triangleright g)) \otimes (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \otimes (\delta_b \otimes g). \end{aligned}$$

This yields

$$\widehat{h}_{(1)}^* = \delta_c \otimes (db \triangleright g),$$

$$\widehat{h}_{(2)}^* = \delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g),$$

$$\widehat{h}_{(3)}^* = \delta_b \otimes g.$$

Now, if we substitute these values into equation (3) we get  $h \triangleright \widehat{h}^* = \sum \widehat{h}_{(2)}^* \langle h, (S\widehat{h}_{(1)}^*) \widehat{h}_{(3)}^* \rangle$ , or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned}
 (m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleright (\delta_m \otimes g) &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, S(\delta_c \otimes (db \triangleright g))(\delta_b \otimes g) \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \left\langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, \left( \delta_{(c \triangleleft (db \triangleright g))^L} \otimes (c \triangleright (db \triangleright g))^{-1} \right) (\delta_b \otimes g) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \left\langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, \left( \delta_{c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)} \otimes (m \triangleright g)^{-1} \right) (\delta_b \otimes g) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \left\langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, \delta_{(c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)) \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}, b} \left( \delta_{c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)} \otimes (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g \right) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \left\langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, \delta_{c^L, b} \left( \delta_{c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)} \otimes (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g \right) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \delta_{c^L, b} \left\langle m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}, \left( \delta_{c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)} \otimes (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g \right) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{cdb=m} (\delta_d \otimes (b \triangleright g)) \delta_{c^L, b} \delta_{m_1, c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)} \delta_{g_1, (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To have a non-trivial answer we must have  $c^L = b$ . So we get

$$(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleright (\delta_m \otimes g) = \delta_{g_1, (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g} \sum_{cdc^L=m} (\delta_d \otimes (c^L \triangleright g)) \delta_{m_1, c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)}. \tag{5}$$

To obtain the desired action we solve for  $c$  which is fixed by the delta function inside the summation. We should have  $m_1 = c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)$ , or equivalently

$$m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} = c^L \triangleleft (m \triangleright g) \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1},$$

which implies

$$m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} = c^L = m'_1.$$

Also, we have  $cdc^L = m$  which can be recalculated to be  $d = c^L m c = m'_1 m m'^L_1$ . Therefore, equation (5) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleright (\delta_m \otimes g) &= \delta_{g_1, (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g} (\delta_d \otimes (c^L \triangleright g)) \\
 &= \delta_{g_1, (m \triangleright g)^{-1} g} (\delta_{m'_1 m m'^L_1} \otimes (m'_1 \triangleright g)) \\
 &= \delta_{g, (m \triangleright g) g_1} (\delta_{m'_1 m m'^L_1} \otimes m'_1 \triangleright g),
 \end{aligned}$$

as required.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.2** *Let  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  be a left Hopf algebra associated to a factorization of a group  $X = GM$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$*



with identity and a left inverse property. Then the formula for the action of  $H^* = k(M) \bowtie kG$  on its dual  $H = kM \bowtie k(G)$  is given by

$$(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleleft (\delta_m \otimes g) = \delta_{m \triangleleft g, m_1' L(m_1 \triangleleft g_1)} (m_1' \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g)g_1 g^{-1}}),$$

where  $m, m_1 \in M$ ,  $g, g_1 \in G$ ,  $m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1} \in H$ ,  $\delta_m \otimes g \in H^*$  and  $m_1' = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\widehat{h}^* = \delta_m \otimes g \in H^*$  and  $h = m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1} \in H$ , we calculate  $(\Delta \otimes id)\Delta(h)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta \otimes id)\Delta(h) &= (\Delta \otimes id)\Delta(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \\ &= (\Delta \otimes id)\left(\sum_{x,y \in G: xy=g_1} (m_1 \otimes \delta_x) \otimes ((m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y)\right) \\ &= \sum_{x,y \in G: xy=g_1} \Delta(m_1 \otimes \delta_x) \otimes id((m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y \in G: xy=g_1} \left(\sum_{w,z \in G: wz=x} (m_1 \otimes \delta_w) \otimes (m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z\right) \otimes (m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y \\ &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} (m_1 \otimes \delta_w) \otimes ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \otimes ((m_1 \triangleleft wz) \otimes \delta_y). \end{aligned}$$

From the last equation we get the following summands:

$$h_{(1)} = m_1 \otimes \delta_w,$$

$$h_{(2)} = (m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z,$$

$$h_{(3)} = (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \otimes \delta_y.$$

Now, if we substitute these values into equation (4) we get  $h \triangleleft \widehat{h}^* = \sum h_{(2)} \langle (Sh_{(1)})h_{(3)}, \widehat{h}^* \rangle,$

or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned}
 (m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleleft (\delta_m \otimes g) &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \langle S(m_1 \otimes \delta_w)(m_1 \triangleleft wz \otimes \delta_y), \delta_m \otimes g \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \left\langle \left( (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L \otimes \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left( (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \otimes \delta_y \right), \delta_m \otimes g \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \left\langle \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \triangleright y} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left( (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \otimes \delta_y \right), \delta_m \otimes g \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \triangleright y} \\
 &\quad \left\langle (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \otimes \delta_y, \delta_m \otimes g \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{wzy=g_1} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft wz) \triangleright y} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft wz), m} \delta_{y, g}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

To have a non-trivial answer we must have  $y = g$ . Consequently, we have  $wzg = g_1$  which implies  $wz = g_1g^{-1}$ . Hence, the last form of equation (6) can be rewritten as

$$(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleleft (\delta_m \otimes g) = \sum_{wz=g_1g^{-1}} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft g_1g^{-1}) \triangleright g} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft g_1g^{-1}), m}. \tag{7}$$

Next we solve these equations for  $w$  and  $z$ . We need the following calculations for the double-crossproduct groups:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (m_1 \triangleleft w) \triangleright w^{-1} &= (m_1 \triangleright (ww^{-1}))(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1} \\
 &= (m_1 \triangleright e)(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1} \\
 &= e(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1} \\
 &= (m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1^L \triangleleft (m_1 \triangleright w) &= ((m_1^L m_1) \triangleleft w)(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L \\
 &= (e \triangleleft w)(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L \\
 &= e(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L = (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L.
 \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Now, by the Kronecker map we have:  $(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1} = (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g$  and  $m = (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1})$ . Using equation (8), we get  $(m_1 \triangleleft w) \triangleright w^{-1} = (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g$ , or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned} w^{-1} &= (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L \triangleright ((m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g) \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g \\ &= m \triangleright g. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} w &= (m \triangleright g)^{-1}, \\ wz = g_1 g^{-1} &\Rightarrow z = w^{-1} g_1 g^{-1} = (m \triangleright g) g_1 g^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$m_1 \triangleleft w = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} = m'_1.$$

The second delta function in the summation of equation (7) can be simplified noting that

$$(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) = m'^L_1 (m_1 \triangleleft g_1) \triangleleft g^{-1}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleleft (\delta_m \otimes g) &= \sum_{wz=g_1 g^{-1}} ((m_1 \triangleleft w) \otimes \delta_z) \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft w)^L (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}), m} \\ &= \sum_{wz=g_1 g^{-1}} (m'_1 \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g) g_1 g^{-1}}) \delta_{(m_1 \triangleright w)^{-1}, (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g} \delta_{m'^L_1 (m_1 \triangleleft g_1) \triangleleft g^{-1}, m} \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned} (m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) \triangleleft (\delta_m \otimes g) &= m'_1 \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g) g_1 g^{-1}} \delta_{m \triangleleft g, m'^L_1 (m_1 \triangleleft g_1)} \\ &= \delta_{m \triangleleft g, m'^L_1 (m_1 \triangleleft g_1)} (m'_1 \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g) g_1 g^{-1}}), \end{aligned}$$

as required.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3** *Let  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  be a left Hopf algebra associated to a factorization of a group  $X = GM$  into a subgroup  $G$  and a subsemigroup  $M$  with identity and a left inverse property. Then the quantum double  $D(kM \triangleright \triangleleft k(G))$  is generated by  $H = kM \blacktriangleright k(G)$  and  $H^* = k(M) \blacktriangleright kG$  with cross relations defined by the product*

$$(1 \otimes m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) (\delta_m \otimes g \otimes 1) = \delta_{m'_1 m (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1})^L} \otimes (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g \otimes m'_1 \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g) g_1 g^{-1}},$$

where  $m, m_1 \in M, g, g_1 \in G$  and  $m'_1 = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $h = m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1} \in H$  and  $\widehat{h}^* = \delta_m \otimes g \in H^*$ . We want to find out  $(1 \otimes h)(\widehat{h}^* \otimes 1)$  using equation (2). To do so, we need the following calculations:

$$\Delta(m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1}) = \sum_{x,y \in G:xy=g_1} m_1 \otimes \delta_x \otimes (m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y,$$

and

$$\Delta(\delta_m \otimes g) = \sum_{w,z \in M:wz=m} \delta_w \otimes (z \triangleright g) \otimes \delta_z \otimes g.$$

These yield  $h_{(1)} = m_1 \otimes \delta_x$ ,  $h_{(2)} = (m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y$ ,  $\widehat{h}_{(1)}^* = \delta_w \otimes (z \triangleright g)$  and  $\widehat{h}_{(2)}^* = \delta_z \otimes g$ . Applying proposition 4.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_{(1)} \triangleright \widehat{h}_{(1)}^* &= (m_1 \otimes \delta_x) \triangleright (\delta_w \otimes (z \triangleright g)) \\ &= \delta_{z \triangleright g, (w \triangleright (z \triangleright g))x} (\delta_{m'_1 w m'_1 L} \otimes m'_1 \triangleright (z \triangleright g)) \\ &= \delta_{z \triangleright g, (wz \triangleright g)x} (\delta_{m'_1 w m'_1 L} \otimes (m'_1 z \triangleright g)) \\ &= \delta_{z \triangleright g, (m \triangleright g)x} (\delta_{m'_1 w m'_1 L} \otimes (m'_1 z \triangleright g)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $m'_1 = m_1 \triangleleft (w \triangleright (z \triangleright g))^{-1} = m_1 \triangleleft ((wz) \triangleright g)^{-1} = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}$ , since  $wz = m$ . Next, applying proposition 4.2 gives

$$\begin{aligned} h_{(2)} \triangleleft \widehat{h}_{(2)}^* &= ((m_1 \triangleleft x) \otimes \delta_y) \triangleleft (\delta_z \otimes g) \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1} \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft y, (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1} \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft xy), (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1} \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}} \delta_{(m_1 \triangleleft g_1), (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} \\ &= \delta_{m_1 \triangleleft g_1, (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} ((m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1}) \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}} \\ &= \delta_{m_1 \triangleleft g_1, (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} m''_1 \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $m''_1 = (m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1}$ . Now, formula (2) and these calculations give

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1})(\delta_m \otimes g \otimes 1) &= \sum (h_{(1)} \triangleright \widehat{h}_{(1)}^*) 1 \otimes (h_{(2)} \triangleleft \widehat{h}_{(2)}^*) 1 \\ &= \sum_{xy=g_1, wz=m} \delta_{z \triangleright g, (m \triangleright g)x} \delta_{m_1 \triangleleft g_1, (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)} \\ &\quad (\delta_{m'_1 w m'_1 L} \otimes (m'_1 z \triangleright g) \otimes m''_1 \otimes \delta_{(z \triangleright g)yg^{-1}}). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

The delta functions in equation (10) imply that  $z \triangleright g = (m \triangleright g)x$  and  $m_1 \triangleleft g_1 =$

$(m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g)$ . To simplify equation (10), we calculate the following:

$$\begin{aligned} m'_1 z \triangleleft g &= (m'_1 \triangleleft (z \triangleright g))(z \triangleleft g) \\ &= \left( (m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1}) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g) \right) (z \triangleleft g) \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} (z \triangleright g))(z \triangleleft g) \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} (m \triangleright g)x)(z \triangleleft g) \\ &= (m_1 \triangleleft x)(z \triangleleft g) = m_1 \triangleleft g_1, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently,

$$m'_1 z = (m_1 \triangleleft g_1) \triangleleft g^{-1} = m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}. \tag{11}$$

Also, as  $z \triangleright g = (m \triangleright g)x$  and  $xy = g_1$ , we have

$$(z \triangleright g)y = (m \triangleright g)xy = (m \triangleright g)g_1, \tag{12}$$

and

$$m''_1 = (m_1 \triangleleft x) \triangleleft (z \triangleright g)^{-1} = m_1 \triangleleft x(z \triangleright g)^{-1} = m_1 \triangleleft (m \triangleright g)^{-1} = m'_1. \tag{13}$$

Finally, as  $wz = m$ , we have  $m'_1 w m_1'^L = m'_1 m (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1})^L$ . Substituting these values in the right hand side of equation (10) gives

$$(1 \otimes m_1 \otimes \delta_{g_1})(\delta_m \otimes g \otimes 1) = \delta_{m'_1 m (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1})^L} \otimes (m_1 \triangleleft g_1 g^{-1}) \triangleright g \otimes m'_1 \otimes \delta_{(m \triangleright g)g_1 g^{-1}},$$

as required.  $\square$

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