

# 1 Introduction

A compact quantum group is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  together with a coassociative map  $\Delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$  such that  $\Delta(A)(A \otimes 1)$  and  $\Delta(A)(1 \otimes A)$  are linearly dense in  $A \otimes A$ . We get the Haar measure  $\varphi$  which is the unique state on  $A$  with  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a) = (\iota \otimes \varphi)\Delta(a) = \varphi(a)1$  for all  $a \in A$ .

As argued in my PAMS paper, we can find a maximal family of irreducible unitary corepresentations  $\{v^\alpha = (v_{ij}^\alpha)_{i,j=1}^{n_\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{A}\}$  such that the associated “ $F$ -matrices” are all diagonal.

Firstly, if  $\mathcal{A}$  is the linear span of  $\{v_{ij}^\alpha\}$ , then  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Hopf- $*$ -algebra and is dense in  $A$ . We have that

$$\Delta(v_{ij}^\alpha) = \sum_k v_{ik}^\alpha \otimes v_{kj}^\alpha, \quad S(v_{ij}^\alpha) = (v_{ji}^\alpha)^*, \quad \epsilon(v_{ij}^\alpha) = \delta_{ij}, \quad \varphi(v_{ij}^\alpha) = \delta_{\alpha, \alpha_0},$$

where  $\alpha_0$  is the unique member of  $\mathbb{A}$  with  $v_{ij}^{\alpha_0} = 1$ .

Then we have positive numbers  $(\lambda_i^\alpha)_{i=1}^{n_\alpha}$  such that  $\sum_i \lambda_i^\alpha = \sum_i (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1} = \Lambda_\alpha$  say. We have that

$$\varphi((v_{ij}^\alpha)^* v_{kl}^\beta) = \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha}, \quad \varphi(v_{ij}^\alpha (v_{kl}^\beta)^*) = \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} \frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}.$$

We define characters  $f_z$ , for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , on  $\mathcal{A}$  by

$$f_z(v_{ij}^\alpha) = \delta_{i,j} (\lambda_i^\alpha)^z,$$

where of course  $t^z = \exp(z \log t)$  for  $t > 0$ . Then the modular automorphism group for  $\varphi$ , restricted to  $\mathcal{A}$ , is given by

$$\sigma_z : v_{ij}^\alpha \mapsto \sum_{k,l} f_{iz}(v_{ik}^\alpha) v_{kl}^\alpha f_{iz}(v_{lj}^\alpha) = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{iz} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{-iz} v_{ij}^\alpha.$$

For example, we can show that  $\varphi(ba) = \varphi(a\sigma_{-i}(b))$  for all  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$ . Also, as  $J\Lambda(a) = \Lambda(\sigma_{i/2}(a)^*)$  for  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ , we see that

$$J\Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha) = (\lambda_i^\alpha \lambda_j^\alpha)^{-1/2} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*).$$

Similarly, the scaling group on  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by

$$\tau_z : v_{ij}^\alpha \mapsto (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{iz} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{-iz} v_{ij}^\alpha.$$

Thus in particular,

$$S(v_{ij}^\alpha) = (v_{ji}^\alpha)^* = R\tau_{-i/2}(v_{ij}^\alpha) = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{1/2} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{-1/2} R(v_{ij}^\alpha) \implies R(v_{ij}^\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}} (v_{ji}^\alpha)^*.$$

However, also  $R(x) = \hat{J}x^*\hat{J}$ , and so

$$\hat{J}v_{ij}^\alpha \hat{J} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}} v_{ji}^\alpha.$$

## 2 Reduced case and duality

Now suppose that  $\varphi$  is faithful. Let  $(H, \Lambda)$  be the GNS construction for  $\varphi$ .

For each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{A}$ , let  $H_\alpha$  be the finite-dimensional subspace of  $H$  spanned by  $\{\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) : 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\}$ . Notice that  $H_\alpha$  is orthogonal to  $H_\beta$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$ . As  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense in  $H$ , it follows that

$H$  is isomorphic to the Hilbert space direct sum of  $\{H_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{A}\}$ . There is a bijective linear map  $U_\alpha : H_\alpha \rightarrow \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  given by

$$U_\alpha : \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) \mapsto \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.$$

We have that  $U_\alpha$  is unitary, because

$$(U_\alpha((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | U_\alpha((v_{kl}^\alpha)^*)) = \frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha} (\delta_i \otimes \delta_j | \delta_k \otimes \delta_l) = \varphi(v_{kl}^\alpha(v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = (\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | \Lambda((v_{kl}^\alpha)^*)).$$

From the general LCQG theory, we form the unitary operator  $W^*$  on  $H \otimes H$  by

$$W^*(\Lambda(a) \otimes \Lambda(b)) = (\Lambda \otimes \Lambda)(\Delta(b)(a \otimes 1)) \quad (a, b \in A).$$

Notice that it is very easy to show that  $W^*$  is unitary in the compact case. It follows that

$$W^*(\xi \otimes \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*)) = \sum_k (v_{ik}^\alpha)^*(\xi) \otimes \Lambda((v_{kj}^\alpha)^*).$$

Now we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (W(\xi \otimes \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*)) | \eta \otimes \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*)) &= \sum_p (\xi \otimes \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | (v_{kp}^\beta)^*(\eta) \otimes \Lambda((v_{pl}^\beta)^*)) \\ &= (v_{ki}^\alpha(\xi) | \eta) \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{j,l} \frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha} \\ &= \sum_p (v_{pi}^\alpha(\xi) \otimes \Lambda((v_{pj}^\alpha)^*) | \eta \otimes \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that for each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{A}$ , the unitary  $W$  restricts to  $H \otimes H_\alpha$  and is the map

$$W(\xi \otimes \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*)) = \sum_p v_{pi}^\alpha(\xi) \otimes \Lambda((v_{pj}^\alpha)^*).$$

In particular,  $(1 \otimes U_\alpha)W(1 \otimes U_\alpha^*)$  makes sense on  $H \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  and is

$$w_\alpha = (1 \otimes U_\alpha)W(1 \otimes U_\alpha^*) : \xi \otimes \delta_i \otimes \delta_j \mapsto \sum_p v_{pi}^\alpha(\xi) \otimes \delta_p \otimes \delta_j.$$

Thus actually

$$w_\alpha = \sum_{ij} v_{ij}^\alpha \otimes e_{ij} \otimes 1,$$

where  $e_{ij}$  is the usual matrix unit in  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} \cong \mathcal{B}(\ell_{n_\alpha}^2)$ .

### 2.0.1 Positive cone

The positive cone of  $L^2(\mathbb{G})^+$  is by definition the closure of  $\{xJxJ\Lambda(1) : x \in L^\infty(\mathbb{G})\}$ . If  $x \in L^\infty(\mathbb{G})$  then there is a norm-bounded net  $(a_\alpha)$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  converging to  $x$  strongly. In particular  $\Lambda(x) = x\Lambda(1) = \lim_\alpha a_\alpha\Lambda(1) = \lim_\alpha \Lambda(a_\alpha)$  where the limits are in the norm of  $L^2(\mathbb{G})$ . Then

$$xJxJ\Lambda(1) = xJ\Lambda(x) = \lim_\alpha a_\alpha J\Lambda(x) = \lim_\alpha a_\alpha J\Lambda(a_\alpha),$$

as  $\|a_\alpha J\Lambda(x) - a_\alpha J\Lambda(a_\alpha)\| \leq \|a_\alpha\| \|J\Lambda(x) - J\Lambda(a_\alpha)\| \rightarrow 0$ . Thus the positive cone is the closure of the set  $\{aJ\Lambda(a) : a \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . Recall that  $aJ\Lambda(a) = a\Lambda(\sigma_{i/2}(a)^*) = \Lambda(a\sigma_{i/2}(a)^*)$ . In particular,

$$P^{it}\Lambda(a\sigma_{i/2}(a)^*) = \Lambda(\tau_t(a\sigma_{i/2}(a)^*)) = \Lambda(\tau_t(a)\sigma_{i/2}(\tau_t(a)^*)),$$

which is in the positive cone (as  $\tau_t\sigma_s = \sigma_s\tau_t$  for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ).

## 2.1 Further facts about the irreducible corepresentations

We refer to later results; from our choices (compare Proposition [A.21](#) prop:fmatrixes) we have that  $F^\alpha$  is diagonal, with entries  $(\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1}$ . By (the comment after) Corollary [A.27](#) cor:fmatrixkappa, it follows that

$$\sum_k u_{k,i}^\alpha \frac{\lambda_k^\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha} (u_{k,j}^\alpha)^* = \delta_{i,j}, \quad \sum_k (u_{i,k}^\alpha)^* \frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_k^\alpha} u_{j,k}^\alpha = \delta_{i,j}.$$

We could also prove these by writing down what it means for  $u^\alpha$  to be unitary, and then applying the map  $R$ , given the form for this which we have established above (though if  $A$  is not reduced, we then have to argue a little about the uniqueness of the Hopf algebra.)

Below, we'll see that for each  $\alpha$ , the contragredient representation  $\overline{u^\alpha}$  is also irreducible (Lemma [A.18](#) lem:contra\_irrep) and is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation (Proposition [A.19](#) prop:conjugitary). So there is an invertible scalar matrix  $T$  (which is unique, up to a scalar, by Schur's Lemma, Proposition [A.15](#) prop:schur) and some  $\beta$ , with  $(1 \otimes T^{-1})\overline{u^\alpha}(1 \otimes T) = u^\beta$ . In Lemma [A.26](#) lem:fmatrixkappa it's shown that  $TT^*$  is a scalar multiple of  $\overline{F^\alpha}$ ; by considering the traces of these positive definite matrices, this scalar multiple is a positive number. It follows that, by rescaling  $T$ , we may suppose that  $T = (\overline{F^\alpha})^{1/2}U$  for some scalar unitary matrix  $U$ .

Thus we find that  $(1 \otimes U^*(F^\alpha)^{-1/2})\overline{u^\alpha}(1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^{1/2}U) = u^\beta$ , and so

$$\overline{u^\beta} = (1 \otimes U^T(F^\alpha)^{-1/2})u^\alpha(1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^{1/2}\overline{U}) \implies (1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^{1/2}\overline{U})\overline{u^\beta}(1 \otimes U^T(F^\alpha)^{-1/2}) = u^\alpha.$$

However, by the same reasoning, there is a scalar unitary  $V$  with  $(1 \otimes V^*(F^\beta)^{-1/2})\overline{u^\beta}(1 \otimes (F^\beta)^{1/2}V) = u^\alpha$ . By Schur,  $V^*(F^\beta)^{-1/2} = \overline{\mu}(F^\alpha)^{1/2}\overline{U}$  for some  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$ . Thus  $\mu(F^\alpha)^{1/2}U(F^\beta)^{1/2}$  is unitary, that is,

$$|\mu|^2(F^\beta)^{1/2}U^*F^\alpha U(F^\beta)^{1/2} = I \iff |\mu|^2F^\alpha U = U(F^\beta)^{-1}.$$

As  $U(F^\beta)^{-1}U^* = |\mu|^2F^\alpha$ , taking the trace of both sides shows that  $\Lambda_\beta^2 = |\mu|^2$ . Thus  $F^\alpha U = U\Lambda_\beta^{-2}(F^\beta)^{-1}$ . Notice that both the matrices  $F^\alpha$  and  $\Lambda_\beta^{-2}(F^\beta)^{-1}$  are diagonal, with strictly positive diagonal entries, and with unit trace.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $U$  be a unitary matrix, and let  $A, B$  be diagonal matrices with non-zero diagonal entries  $(a_i)$  and  $(b_i)$ . For each diagonal entry  $a$  of  $A$ , let  $E_a^A$  be the eigenspace of  $a$ , which is  $\text{lin}\{e_i : a_i = a\}$ . Similarly define  $E_b^B$ . Suppose that  $AU = UB$ . Then, counting multiplicities, the sequences  $\{a_i\}$  and  $\{b_i\}$  are the same, and  $U$  restricts to a unitary between  $E_{a_i}^A$  and  $E_{a_i}^B$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $i$ , notice that  $A(Ue_i) = UB e_i = b_i Ue_i$ , so  $b_i$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , and hence there exists  $j$  with  $a_j = b_i$ . Similarly, for each  $j$  there is  $i$  with  $b_i = a_j$ , so the sets  $\{a_i\}$  and  $\{b_j\}$  agree.

Now observe that  $U$  maps  $E_{b_i}^B$  into  $E_{b_i}^A$ , so as  $U$  is invertible, the dimensions of these eigenspaces agree. Thus, counting multiplicities, the sequences  $\{a_i\}$  and  $\{b_j\}$  agree, and the proof is complete.  $\square$

So in our case  $\{(\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1}\}$  and  $\{\lambda_j^\beta/\Lambda_\beta\}$  agree counting multiplicity, and  $U$  has the stated simple form. Then  $\Lambda_\alpha^2 = \sum_i \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha = \sum_i \Lambda_\beta/\lambda_i^\beta = \Lambda_\beta^2$ , so  $\Lambda_\alpha = \Lambda_\beta$ . Hence  $\{\lambda_i^\alpha\}$  and  $\{1/\lambda_j^\beta\}$  biject according to multiplicity.

## 2.2 Duality

### 2.2.1 The involution on $L^1(A)$

From general LCQG theory we have the homomorphism  $\lambda : L^1(A) \rightarrow \hat{A}$  given by  $\omega \mapsto (\omega \otimes \iota)(W)$ . Recall the involution  $\sharp$  defined on  $L_\sharp^1(A)$  which satisfies

$$\langle a, \omega^\sharp \rangle = \overline{\langle S(a)^*, \omega \rangle} \quad (a \in \mathcal{A}, \omega \in L^1(A)_\sharp).$$

Then  $\lambda$  is a  $*$ -homomorphism when restricted to  $L^1_{\#}(A)$ .

For  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  we define  $\omega(a, b) = \omega_{\Lambda(a), \Lambda(b)} \in L^1(A)$ . Then for  $c \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\langle S(c)^*, \omega(a, b) \rangle} &= \overline{\langle b^* S(c)^* a \rangle} = \overline{\langle S(b^* S(c)^* a) \rangle} = \overline{\langle S(a) c^* S(b^*) \rangle} = \overline{\langle S(b^*)^* c S(a)^* \rangle} \\ &= \langle c, \omega(S(a)^*, S(b^*)) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

That  $\varphi$  is  $S$ -invariant follows immediately from the action of  $\varphi$  and  $S$  on the elements  $v_{ij}^\alpha$ . Thus  $\omega(a, b) \in L^1_{\#}(A)$  with  $\omega(a, b)^{\#} = \omega(S(a)^*, S(b^*))$ .

### 2.2.2 Identifying the dual

Define the linear functional on  $\mathcal{A}$  by

$$\omega_{ij}^\alpha : v_{kl}^\beta \mapsto \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \delta_{i, k} \delta_{j, l}.$$

Notice that

$$(v_{kl}^\beta \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | \Lambda(1)) \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} = \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \delta_{i, k} \delta_{j, l} = \langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \rangle,$$

from which it follows that

$$\omega_{ij}^\alpha = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \omega_{\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*), \Lambda(1)}.$$

From the discussion above,  $\omega_{ij}^\alpha \in L^1_{\#}(A)$ .

We now compute

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*) &= \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} (\omega_{\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*), \Lambda(1)} \otimes \iota)(W) \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*) \\ &= \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \sum_p (v_{pk}^\beta \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | \Lambda(1)) \Lambda((v_{pl}^\beta)^*) = \delta_{\alpha, \beta} \delta_{j, k} \Lambda((v_{il}^\beta)^*). \end{aligned}$$

Thus each  $H_\beta$  is an invariant subspace for  $\lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha)$ , and  $\lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) = 0$  on  $H_\beta$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$ . Furthermore,

$$U_\alpha \lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) U_\alpha^* (\delta_k \otimes \delta_l) = \delta_{j, k} \delta_i \otimes \delta_l.$$

Hence  $U_\alpha \lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) U_\alpha^* = e_{ij}$  the  $(i, j)$ th matrix entry of  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ , which acts on the 1st component of  $\ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  in the canonical way.

**Lemma 2.2.** *The linear span of  $\{\omega_{ij}^\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{A}, 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\}$  is dense in  $L^1(A)$ .*

*Proof.* As  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense in  $A$ , it follows that  $\{\omega_{\Lambda(a), \Lambda(b)} : a, b \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is linearly dense in  $L^1(A)$ . For  $a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\langle c, \omega_{\Lambda(a), \Lambda(b)} \rangle = \varphi(b^* c a) = \varphi(\sigma_i(a) b^* c) = \langle c, \omega_{\Lambda(\sigma_i(a) b^*), \Lambda(1)} \rangle.$$

By continuity, this also holds when  $c \in A$ , and so we see that  $\{\omega_{\Lambda(a), \Lambda(1)} : a \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is linearly dense in  $L^1(A)$ , from which the result follows.  $\square$

We hence conclude that

$$\hat{A} = \bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}.$$

Here, for each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{A}$ , the copy of  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$  acts on the first factor of  $\ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \cong H_\alpha$  and acts as 0 on  $H_\beta$  for  $\beta \neq \alpha$ , all this happening on  $H \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} H_\alpha$ .

We know that  $W \in M \overline{\otimes} \hat{M}$  and thus we can identify  $W$  as a member of  $M \overline{\otimes} \prod_{\alpha} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} = \prod_{\alpha} M \overline{\otimes} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ . The calculation in the previous section immediately shows that  $W = (v_{ij}^\alpha) \in \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}(M) \cong M \overline{\otimes} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ .

Henceforth, write  $e_{ij}^\alpha \in \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$  for the standard matrix units, acting on the  $\alpha$  part of  $H \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} H_\alpha$ .

### 2.2.3 Scaling group

We know that  $\lambda(\omega \circ \tau_{-t}) = \hat{\tau}_t \lambda(\omega)$ . Firstly, we calculate that

$$\langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \circ \tau_{-t} \rangle = (\lambda_k^\beta)^{-it} (\lambda_l^\beta)^{it} \langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \rangle = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-it} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{it} \langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \rangle.$$

Thus

$$\hat{\tau}_t(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha \circ \tau_{-t}) = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-it} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{it} \lambda(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-it} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{it} e_{ij}^\alpha.$$

### 2.2.4 The weight on $\hat{M}$

From LCQG theory, we have a GNS construction for  $\hat{M}$  given by

$$(\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)) | \Lambda(a)) = \langle a^*, \omega \rangle \quad (a \in A),$$

for a suitable, dense collection of  $\omega \in L^1(A)$ . Thus

$$(\hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) | \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*)) = \langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \varphi(v_{kl}^\beta (v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} (\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*)).$$

Thus

$$\hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) \in H_\alpha \implies U_\alpha \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.$$

We now see that

$$\hat{\varphi}((e_{kl}^\beta)^* e_{ij}^\alpha) = (\hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) | \hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta)) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha^2}{\lambda_j^\alpha \lambda_l^\alpha} (\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) | \Lambda((v_{kl}^\beta)^*)) = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_l^\alpha}.$$

In particular,

$$\hat{\varphi}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \delta_{i,j} \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}.$$

Let  $\hat{T}$  be the Tomita map,  $\hat{T}\hat{\Lambda}(a) = \hat{\Lambda}(a^*)$  for  $a \in \hat{M}$ ; notice that this will respect the decomposition  $\hat{M} = \prod_\alpha \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ . Then, on  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\nabla} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) | \hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\alpha)) &= (\hat{T} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\alpha) | \hat{T} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha)) = (\hat{\Lambda}(e_{lk}^\alpha) | \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ji}^\alpha)) = \hat{\varphi}(e_{ij}^\alpha e_{lk}^\alpha) = \delta_{j,l} \hat{\varphi}(e_{ik}^\alpha) \\ &= \delta_{j,l} \delta_{i,k} \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha = \frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \hat{\varphi}(e_{lk}^\alpha e_{ij}^\alpha) = \frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} (\hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) | \hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\alpha)), \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\hat{\nabla} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) \implies U_\alpha \hat{\nabla} U_\alpha^*(\delta_i \otimes \delta_j) = \frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.$$

By uniqueness of positive square-roots, it follows that

$$\hat{J} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ji}^\alpha) = \hat{J} \hat{T} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \hat{\nabla}^{1/2} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{ij}^\alpha).$$

This also shows that

$$\hat{J} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}} \Lambda((v_{ji}^\alpha)^*) = \lambda_j^\alpha \hat{J} \Lambda(v_{ji}^\alpha) \implies \hat{J} \hat{J} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = \lambda_j^\alpha \Lambda(v_{ji}^\alpha).$$

Finally, we also see that

$$U_\alpha \hat{J} U_\alpha^*(\delta_i \otimes \delta_j) = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} U_\alpha \hat{J} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}} U_\alpha \Lambda((v_{ji}^\alpha)^*) = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_i^\alpha}} U_\alpha \Lambda((v_{ji}^\alpha)^*) = \delta_j \otimes \delta_i.$$

## 2.2.5 The antipode

We calculate that

$$\hat{R}(e_{ij}^\alpha)\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) = \frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta} J e_{ji}^\alpha J \Lambda((u_{kl}^\beta)^*) = \frac{\Lambda_\beta \sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta \lambda_l^\beta}}{\lambda_l^\beta} J e_{ji}^\alpha \Lambda(u_{kl}^\beta).$$

From above, there is some  $\gamma$  and a scalar unitary matrix  $U$  with  $(1 \otimes U^*(F^\beta)^{-1/2})\overline{u}^\beta(1 \otimes (F^\beta)^{1/2}U) = u^\gamma$  and  $\Lambda_\gamma^2 F^\beta U = U(F^\gamma)^{-1}$ . So  $(1 \otimes (F^\beta)^{1/2}U)u^\gamma(1 \otimes U^*(F^\beta)^{-1/2}) = \overline{u}^\beta$  and thus  $(1 \otimes (F^\beta)^{1/2}\overline{U})\overline{u}^\gamma(1 \otimes U^T(F^\beta)^{-1/2}) = u^\beta$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{R}(e_{ij}^\alpha)\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) &= \frac{\Lambda_\beta \sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta \lambda_l^\beta}}{\lambda_l^\beta} \sum_{p,q} J e_{ji}^\alpha ((F^\beta)^{1/2}\overline{U})_{k,p} (U^T(F^\beta)^{-1/2})_{q,l} \Lambda((u_{pq}^\gamma)^*) \\ &= \frac{\Lambda_\beta \sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta \lambda_l^\beta}}{\lambda_l^\beta} \sum_{p,q} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_l^\beta}}{\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta}} U_{k,p} \overline{U}_{l,q} J e_{ji}^\alpha \Lambda((u_{pq}^\gamma)^*) \\ &= \Lambda_\beta \sum_{p,q} U_{k,p} \overline{U}_{l,q} \frac{\lambda_q^\gamma}{\Lambda_\gamma} J e_{ji}^\alpha \Lambda(e_{pq}^\gamma) = \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \Lambda_\beta \sum_q U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} \frac{\lambda_q^\gamma}{\Lambda_\gamma} J \hat{\Lambda}(e_{jq}^\gamma) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \Lambda_\beta \sum_q U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} J \Lambda((u_{jq}^\gamma)^*) = \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \Lambda_\beta \sum_q U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_q^\gamma} \Lambda(u_{jq}^\gamma) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \Lambda_\beta \sum_q U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_q^\gamma} \sum_{s,t} (U^*(F^\beta)^{-1/2})_{j,s} ((F^\beta)^{1/2}U)_{t,q} \Lambda((u_{st}^\beta)^*) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \Lambda_\beta \sum_q U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_q^\gamma} \sum_{s,t} \overline{U}_{s,j} U_{t,q} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_s^\beta}}{\sqrt{\lambda_t^\beta}} \Lambda((u_{st}^\beta)^*) \end{aligned}$$

Now, we know that  $\Lambda_\gamma U_{i,j} = U_{i,j} \Lambda_\beta \lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_i^\beta$ , for each  $i, j$ . Similarly, as  $\Lambda_\gamma^2 U^* F^\beta U = (F^\gamma)^{-1}$ , by the uniqueness of positive square-roots, also  $\Lambda_\gamma U^*(F^\beta)^{1/2}U = (F^\gamma)^{-1/2}$ , so  $\sqrt{\Lambda_\gamma} U_{i,j} = \sqrt{\Lambda_\beta \lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_i^\beta} U_{i,j}$ . So we get

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{R}(e_{ij}^\alpha)\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \sqrt{\Lambda_\beta} \sum_{q,s,t} U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{l,q} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_s^\beta} \sqrt{\Lambda_\gamma} U_{t,q} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_s^\beta}}{\lambda_t^\beta} \Lambda((u_{st}^\beta)^*) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \sqrt{\Lambda_\beta \Lambda_\gamma} \sum_s U_{k,i} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_s^\beta} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_s^\beta}}{\lambda_l^\beta} \Lambda((u_{sl}^\beta)^*) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \sqrt{\Lambda_\beta \Lambda_\gamma} \sum_s U_{k,i} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma \lambda_s^\beta} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_s^\beta}}{\lambda_l^\beta} \frac{\lambda_l^\beta}{\Lambda_\beta} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{sl}^\beta) \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\gamma}{\Lambda_\beta}} U_{k,i} \sqrt{\lambda_j^\gamma} \sum_s \overline{U}_{s,j} \sqrt{\lambda_s^\beta} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{sl}^\beta) = \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \frac{\Lambda_\gamma}{\Lambda_\beta} U_{k,i} \sum_s \overline{U}_{s,j} \hat{\Lambda}(e_{sl}^\beta). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that, with  $\beta$  being the unique index such that  $\overline{u}^\alpha$  is equivalent to  $u^\beta$ , and recalling that  $\Lambda_\alpha = \Lambda_\beta$ , we have that

$$\hat{R}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \sum_{p,k} \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\Lambda_\beta} U_{k,i} \overline{U}_{p,j} e_{p,k}^\beta = (U^* e^\beta U)_{j,i}.$$

Hence indeed  $\hat{R}$  is an isometry etc.

Next we calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\tau}_{-i/2}(e_{ij}^\alpha)\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) &= \nabla^{1/2}e_{ij}^\alpha\nabla^{-1/2}\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) = \frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}\nabla^{1/2}e_{ij}^\alpha\nabla^{-1/2}\Lambda((u_{kl}^\beta)^*) \\
&= \frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}\nabla^{1/2}e_{ij}^\alpha\Lambda(\sigma_{i/2}((u_{kl}^\beta)^*)) = \frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}\nabla^{1/2}e_{ij}^\alpha\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta\lambda_l^\beta}\Lambda((u_{kl}^\beta)^*) \\
&= \nabla^{1/2}e_{ij}^\alpha\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta\lambda_l^\beta}\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta) = \delta_{j,k}\delta_{\alpha,\beta}\nabla^{1/2}\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta\lambda_l^\beta}\hat{\Lambda}(e_{il}^\beta) \\
&= \delta_{j,k}\delta_{\alpha,\beta}\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta\lambda_l^\beta}\frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}\Lambda(\sigma_{-i/2}((u_{il}^\beta)^*)) = \delta_{j,k}\delta_{\alpha,\beta}\sqrt{\lambda_k^\beta\lambda_l^\beta}\frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}(\lambda_i^\beta\lambda_l^\beta)^{-1/2}\Lambda((u_{il}^\beta)^*) \\
&= \delta_{j,k}\delta_{\alpha,\beta}\sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\beta}{\lambda_i^\beta}}\hat{\Lambda}(e_{il}^\beta) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\beta}{\lambda_i^\beta}}e_{ij}^\alpha\hat{\Lambda}(e_{kl}^\beta)
\end{aligned}$$

So in conclusion, with  $\alpha, \beta$  linked as before,

$$\hat{S}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\beta}{\lambda_i^\beta}}(U^*e^\beta U)_{j,i}.$$

## 2.2.6 The coproduct

For  $\omega \in L^1(\mathbb{G})$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\Delta}(\lambda(\omega_{\xi,\eta})) &= \hat{\Delta}((\omega_{\xi,\eta} \otimes \iota)(W)) = (\omega_{\xi,\eta} \otimes \iota \otimes \iota)(W_{13}W_{12}) \\
&= \sum_i (\omega_{\xi,e_i} \otimes \iota)(W) \otimes (\omega_{e_i,\eta} \otimes \iota)(W) = \sum_i \lambda(\omega_{\xi,e_i}) \otimes \lambda(\omega_{e_i,\eta}),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $(e_i)$  is an orthonormal basis for  $H$ .

We'll use the orthonormal basis  $\{U_\alpha^*(\delta_i \otimes \delta_j) : \alpha \in \mathbb{A}, 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\}$ . Now,

$$(\omega_{\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*), U_\beta^*(\delta_k \otimes \delta_l)} \otimes \iota)(W) = \sum_{\gamma,s,t} e_{st}^\gamma \langle v_{st}^\gamma, \omega_{\Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*), U_\beta^*(\delta_k \otimes \delta_l)} \rangle = \sum_{\gamma,s,t} e_{st}^\gamma \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}} \varphi(v_{kl}^\beta v_{st}^\gamma (v_{ij}^\alpha)^*),$$

and also

$$(\omega_{U_\beta^*(\delta_k \otimes \delta_l), \Lambda(1)} \otimes \iota)(W) = \sum_{\gamma,s,t} \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_l^\beta}} e_{st}^\gamma \varphi(v_{st}^\gamma (v_{kl}^\beta)^*) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_l^\beta}{\Lambda_\beta}} e_{kl}^\beta.$$

Thus

$$\hat{\Delta}(e_{ij}^\alpha) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \sum_{\beta,k,l} \sum_{\gamma,s,t} \varphi(v_{kl}^\beta v_{st}^\gamma (v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) e_{st}^\gamma \otimes e_{kl}^\beta.$$

Then

$$\hat{\varphi}((e_{st}^{\gamma*} \otimes \iota)\hat{\Delta}(e_{ij}^\alpha)) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \sum_{\beta,k,l} \varphi(v_{kl}^\beta v_{st}^\gamma (v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) \hat{\varphi}(e_{kl}^\beta) = \frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha} \sum_{\beta,k} \varphi(v_{kk}^\beta v_{st}^\gamma (v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) \frac{\Lambda_\beta}{\lambda_k^\beta}$$

## 2.3 Aspects of the locally compact setting

Recall the operator  $P$  defined by  $P^{it}\Lambda(a) = \Lambda(\tau_t(a))$  (the scaling constant is trivial). Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
U_\alpha P^{it} U_\alpha^*(\delta_i \otimes \delta_j) &= U_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} P^{it} \Lambda((v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = U_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} \Lambda(\tau_t(v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) \\
&= U_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-it} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{it} \Lambda(\tau_t(v_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-it} (\lambda_j^\alpha)^{it} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.
\end{aligned}$$

### 3 Using the right regular representation

It is more common to use the right regular representation, which we shall denote by  $V$ . This satisfies

$$V(\Lambda(a) \otimes \Lambda(b)) = (\Lambda \otimes \Lambda)(\Delta(a)(1 \otimes b)),$$

where of course in generality  $\Lambda$  is using the right Haar weight; in the compact case, this agrees with the left Haar weight, of course. Thus we see that

$$V(\Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha) \otimes \xi) = \sum_k \Lambda(v_{ik}^\alpha) \otimes v_{kj}^\alpha(\xi).$$

For each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{A}$ , let  $H'_\alpha$  be the subspace of  $H$  spanned by  $\{\Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha) : 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\}$ . As  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense in  $H$ , it follows that  $H$  is isomorphic to the Hilbert space direct sum of  $\{H'_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{A}\}$ . We can construct a unitary  $U'_\alpha : H_\alpha \rightarrow \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  given by

$$U'_\alpha : \Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha) \mapsto (\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1/2} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.$$

This is clearly a linear bijection, and it is unitary because

$$(U'_\alpha(v_{ij}^\alpha) | U'_\alpha(v_{kl}^\alpha)) = \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \sqrt{\lambda_i^\alpha \lambda_k^\alpha}} (\delta_i \otimes \delta_j | \delta_k \otimes \delta_l) = \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha} = (\Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha) | \Lambda(v_{kl}^\alpha)).$$

So again  $V$  restricts to an operator on  $H_\alpha \otimes H$ , and

$$(U'_\alpha \otimes 1)V(U_\alpha^* \otimes 1) : \delta_i \otimes \delta_j \otimes \xi \mapsto \sum_k \delta_i \otimes \delta_k \otimes v_{kj}^\alpha(\xi).$$

Setting

$$\omega_{ij}^\alpha = \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha \omega_{\Lambda(1), \Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha)},$$

we see that

$$\langle v_{kl}^\beta, \omega_{ij}^\alpha \rangle = \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha \varphi((v_{ij}^\alpha)^* v_{kl}^\beta) = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) \Lambda(v_{kl}^\beta) &= (\iota \otimes \omega_{ij}^\alpha)(V) \Lambda(v_{kl}^\beta) = \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha (\iota \otimes \omega_{\Lambda(1), \Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha)})(V) \Lambda(v_{kl}^\beta) \\ &= \Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha \sum_p \Lambda(v_{kp}^\beta) (\Lambda(v_{pl}^\beta) | \Lambda(v_{ij}^\alpha)) = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{j,l} \Lambda(v_{ki}^\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\rho(\omega_{ij}^\alpha)$  restricts to the zero map on each  $H_\beta$  with  $\beta \neq \alpha$ , and

$$U'_\alpha \rho(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) U_\alpha^* : \delta_k \otimes \delta_l \mapsto \delta_{j,l} \delta_k \otimes \delta_i \implies U'_\alpha \rho(\omega_{ij}^\alpha) U_\alpha^* = 1 \otimes e_{ij}.$$

## A Finding the unitary corepresentations

### A.1 The left regular representation

**Definition A.1.** A (unitary) corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$  is a (unitary) element  $U$  of  $M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$  such that  $(\Delta \otimes \iota)U = U_{13}U_{23}$ .



Let  $H$  have an orthonormal basis  $(e_n)$ , and let  $U_{n,m}$  be the matrix elements of  $U$ ; this means that  $U_{n,m} = (\iota \otimes \omega_{e_m, e_n})U \in M(A)$ . Then  $U$  is a corepresentation if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(U_{n,m}) &= (\iota \otimes \iota \otimes \omega_{e_m, e_n})(U_{13}U_{23}) = \sum_k (\iota \otimes \iota \otimes \omega_{e_k, e_n})(U_{13})(\iota \otimes \iota \otimes \omega_{e_m, e_k})(U_{23}) \\ &= \sum_k U_{n,k} \otimes U_{k,m}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\varphi$  be the Haar state on  $A$  and let  $L^2(\varphi)$  be the GNS space, with cyclic vector  $\xi_0$ . Let  $K$  be some auxiliary Hilbert space upon which  $A$  acts non-degenerately, say with  $*$ -homomorphism  $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ . At this stage, we shall not assume that  $\pi$  is injective.

**Proposition A.2.** *There is a (unique) unitary operator  $U$  on  $K \otimes L^2(\varphi)$  with  $U^*(\xi \otimes a\xi_0) = (\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a)(\xi \otimes \xi_0)$  for  $a \in A$  and  $\xi \in K$ .*

*Proof.* For  $(a_i) \subseteq A$  and  $(\xi_i) \subseteq K$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_i (\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a_i)(\xi_i \otimes \xi_0) \right\|^2 &= \sum_{i,j} ((\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a_j^* a_i)\xi_i \otimes \xi_0 | \xi_j \otimes \xi_0) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} (\pi((\iota \otimes \varphi)\Delta(a_j^* a_i))\xi_i | \xi_j) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \varphi(a_j^* a_i)(\xi_i | \xi_j) = \left\| \sum_i \xi_i \otimes a_i \xi_0 \right\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $U^*$  is an isometry; clearly  $U^*$  is densely defined, and so  $U^*$  extends to an isometry on all of  $K \otimes L^2(\varphi)$ . As  $\Delta(A)(A \otimes 1)$  is linearly dense in  $A \otimes A$ , we see that the image of  $U^*$  contains the closed linear span of

$$\{\pi(a)\xi \otimes b\xi_0 : a, b \in A, \xi \in K\}.$$

As  $A$  acts non-degenerately on  $K$ , this shows that  $U^*$  is a surjection, so  $U$  is unitary as required.  $\square$

**Proposition A.3.** *The operator  $U$  is a member of  $M(\pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi)))$ , and for  $a \in A$ , we have that  $(\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a) = U^*(1 \otimes a)U$  in  $\mathcal{B}(K \otimes L^2(\varphi))$ .*

*Proof.* For  $a, b \in A$  and  $\xi \in K$ , we have that  $U^*(1 \otimes a)(\xi \otimes b\xi_0) = (\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(ab)(\xi \otimes \xi_0) = (\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a)U^*(\xi \otimes b\xi_0)$  and so  $U^*(1 \otimes a)U = (\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a)$ .

Let  $a, b \in A, \xi_1, \xi_2 \in L^2(\varphi)$  and  $\xi \in K$ . For  $\epsilon > 0$  we can find  $\sum_i a_i \otimes b_i \in A \otimes A$  with  $\|\sum_i a_i \otimes b_i - \Delta(a)(b \otimes 1)\| < \epsilon$ . Then

$$U^*(\pi(b) \otimes \theta_{a\xi_0, \xi_1})(\xi \otimes \xi_2) = (\xi_2 | \xi_1)U^*(\pi(b)\xi \otimes a\xi_0) = (\xi_2 | \xi_1)(\pi \otimes \iota)(\Delta(a)(b \otimes 1))(\xi \otimes \xi_0).$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \left( U^*(\pi(b) \otimes \theta_{a\xi_0, \xi_1}) - \sum_i \pi(a_i) \otimes \theta_{b_i \xi_0, \xi_1} \right) (\xi \otimes \xi_2) \right\| \\ &= \left\| (\xi_2 | \xi_1) (\pi \otimes \iota) (\Delta(a)(b \otimes 1)) (\xi \otimes \xi_0) - \sum_i \pi(a_i) \xi \otimes b_i \xi_0 (\xi_2 | \xi_1) \right\| \\ &\leq \epsilon \|\xi_2\| \|\xi_1\| \|\xi\| \|\xi_0\|. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\epsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, this shows that  $U^*(\pi(b) \otimes \theta_{a\xi_0, \xi_1}) \in \pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))$ . By linearity and continuity,  $U^*(\pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))) \subseteq \pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))$ .

Now consider

$$U(1 \otimes \theta_{a\xi_0, \xi_1})(\xi \otimes \xi_2) = (\xi_2 | \xi_1) U(\xi \otimes a\xi_0).$$

For  $\epsilon > 0$  we can find  $(a_i), (b_i) \subseteq A$  with  $\|\sum_i \Delta(a_i)(b_i \otimes 1) - 1 \otimes a\| < \epsilon$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_i (\pi(b_i)\xi \otimes a_i\xi_0) - U(\xi \otimes a\xi_0) \right\| = \left\| \sum_i U^*(\pi(b_i)\xi \otimes a_i\xi_0) - \xi \otimes a\xi_0 \right\| \\ & = \left\| \sum_i (\pi \otimes \iota)(\Delta(a_i)(b_i \otimes 1))(\xi \otimes \xi_0) - \xi \otimes a\xi_0 \right\| < \epsilon \|\xi \otimes \xi_0\|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can approximate  $U(1 \otimes \theta_{a\xi_0, \xi_1})$  by  $\sum_i \pi(b_i) \otimes \theta_{a_i\xi_0, \xi_1}$ . We conclude that  $U(\pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))) \subseteq \pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))$ . Hence  $U \in M(\pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi)))$ .  $\square$

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**Lemma A.4.** *We have that for  $a, b \in A$ ,*

$$(\iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U) = \pi(\iota \otimes \varphi)(\Delta(b^*)(1 \otimes a)), \quad (\iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U^*) = \pi(\iota \otimes \varphi)((1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a)).$$

Consequently, the collections  $\{(\iota \otimes \omega)(U) : \omega \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi))_*\}$  and  $\{(\iota \otimes \omega)(U^*) : \omega \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi))_*\}$  are dense in  $\pi(A)$ .

*Proof.* For  $a, b \in A$  and  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in K$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} ((\iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U)\xi_1 | \xi_2) &= (\xi_1 \otimes a\xi_0 | U^*(\xi_2 \otimes b\xi_0)) \\ &= ((\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(b^*)\xi_1 \otimes a\xi_0 | \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0) = (\pi(\iota \otimes \varphi)(\Delta(b^*)(1 \otimes a))\xi_1 | \xi_2), \end{aligned}$$

which gives the first result. Similarly,

$$((\iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U^*)\xi_1 | \xi_2) = ((\pi \otimes \iota)((1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a))(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_0) | \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0),$$

which gives the second result. As  $\Delta(A)(1 \otimes A)$  is linearly dense in  $A \otimes A$ , the density result follows.  $\square$

Suppose now that  $\pi$  is faithful, so we can identify  $A$  with  $\pi(A)$ , and so  $U$  is a member of  $M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi)))$ .

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**Proposition A.5.** *Suppose there is a  $*$ -homomorphism  $\Phi : \pi(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K \otimes K)$  with  $\Phi\pi = (\pi \otimes \pi)\Delta$ . Then  $U_{13}U_{23} = (\Phi \otimes \iota)U$ . In particular, when  $\pi$  is faithful,  $U$  is a unitary corepresentation.*

*Proof.* We shall instead equivalently show that  $(\Phi \otimes \iota)(U^*) = U_{23}^*U_{13}^*$ . For  $a, b \in A$  and  $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in K$ , we have that

$$U_{13}^*(\pi(a)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes b\xi_0) = ((\pi \otimes \iota)((\Delta(b)(a \otimes 1)))_{13}(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0).$$

Similarly,

$$U_{23}^*(\pi(a_1)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes a_2\xi_0) = \pi(a_1)\xi_1(\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(a_2)(\xi_2 \otimes \xi_0) = (\pi \otimes \pi \otimes \iota)((\iota \otimes \Delta)(a_1 \otimes a_2))(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0).$$

As  $\Delta(b)(a \otimes 1) \in A \otimes A$ , it follows by continuity that

$$\begin{aligned} U_{23}^*U_{13}^*(\pi(a)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes b\xi_0) &= (\pi \otimes \pi \otimes \iota)((\iota \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(b)(a \otimes 1)))(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0) \\ &= (\pi \otimes \pi \otimes \iota)(\Delta^2(b))(\pi(a)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0). \end{aligned}$$

By hypothesis, this is equal to

$$(\Phi\pi \otimes \iota)\Delta(b)(\pi(a)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2 \otimes \xi_0).$$

It hence follows that for  $a, b \in A$ ,

$$(\iota \otimes \iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U_{23}^*U_{13}^*) = \Phi\pi((\iota \otimes \varphi)(1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a)).$$

By the previous lemma, this is equal to

$$\Phi((\iota \otimes \omega_{a\xi_0, b\xi_0})(U^*)),$$

and the result follows.  $\square$

## A.2 Irreducible representations

**Definition A.6.** Let  $U \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$  be a corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$ . A closed subspace  $H_1$  of  $H$  is *invariant* for  $U$  if  $(1 \otimes e)U(1 \otimes e) = U(1 \otimes e)$  where  $e$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $H_1$ .

$U$  is said to be *irreducible* if the only invariant subspaces are  $\{0\}$  and  $H$ .

**Lemma A.7.** Let  $H_1$  be an invariant subspace for a corepresentation  $U$ . Let  $e$  be the orthogonal projection onto  $H_1$ , and let  $U_e = (1 \otimes e)U(1 \otimes e)$ . Then  $U_e$  is a corepresentation on  $H_1$ , unitary if  $U$  is.

*Proof.* We have that

$$(\Delta \otimes \iota)(U_e) = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes e)U_{13}U_{23}(1 \otimes 1 \otimes e) = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes e)U_{13}(1 \otimes 1 \otimes e)U_{23}(1 \otimes 1 \otimes e) = (U_e)_{13}(U_e)_{23}.$$

Thus  $U_e$  is a corepresentation. If  $U$  is unitary then

$$U_e^*U_e = (1 \otimes e)U^*(1 \otimes e)U(1 \otimes e) = (1 \otimes e)U^*U(1 \otimes e) = 1 \otimes e.$$

So  $U_e$  is unitary, as a member of  $M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1))$ .  $\square$

**Definition A.8.** A corepresentation of the form  $U_e$  is a *sub-corepresentation* of  $U$ .

**Proposition A.9.** Let  $U$  be a unitary corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$ . Let  $B$  be the norm closure of  $\{(\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes 1)) : a \in A\}$ . Then  $B$  is a non-degenerate  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $\mathcal{B}(H)$ , and  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a \in A$  and set  $x = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes 1)) \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U(\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)(U_{23}(\Delta(a) \otimes 1)) &= (\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)(U_{13}U_{23}(\Delta(a) \otimes 1)) \\ &= (\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)((\Delta \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes 1))) \\ &= 1 \otimes (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes 1)) = 1 \otimes x. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $U^*(1 \otimes x) = (\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)(U_{23}(\Delta(a) \otimes 1))$ .

So if also  $y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(b \otimes 1))$  for some  $b \in A$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} y^*x &= (\varphi \otimes \iota)((b^* \otimes 1)U^*(1 \otimes x)) = (\varphi \otimes \iota)((b^* \otimes 1)U^*(1 \otimes x)) \\ &= (\varphi \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)((b^* \otimes U)(\Delta(a) \otimes 1)) \\ &= (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(c \otimes 1)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $c = (\varphi \otimes \iota)((b^* \otimes 1)\Delta(a)) \in A$ . So we have shown that  $B^*B \subseteq B$ . As  $(A \otimes 1)\Delta(A)$  is dense in  $A \otimes A$ , as  $a$  and  $b$  vary,  $c$  varies over a dense subset of  $A$ . Thus  $B^*B$  is dense in  $B$ . In particular,  $B$  is self-adjoint. Thus also  $BB \subseteq B$ , and we conclude that  $B$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra.

Now let  $\theta \in \mathcal{B}_0(H)$  and  $a \in A$ , so that  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes \theta)) \in B\mathcal{B}_0(H)$ . As  $U$  is a unitary multiplier of  $M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$ , the set  $\{U(a \otimes \theta) : a \in A, \theta \in \mathcal{B}_0(H)\}$  is linearly dense in  $A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H)$ . It follows that  $B\mathcal{B}_0(H)$  is linearly dense in  $\mathcal{B}_0(H)$ , which is enough to show that  $B$  acts non-degenerately on  $H$ .

Finally, we show that  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$ . For  $b \in A$  and  $x$  as above,

$$U^*(b \otimes x) = (\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota)(U_{23}(\Delta(a)(b \otimes 1) \otimes 1)).$$

As  $\Delta(a)(b \otimes 1) \in A \otimes A$ , we see immediately that  $U^*(b \otimes x) \in A \otimes B$ . Moreover, as  $\Delta(A)(A \otimes 1)$  is dense in  $A \otimes A$ , we set  $\{U^*(b \otimes x) : b \in A, x \in B\}$  is linearly dense in  $A \otimes B$ . So also  $U(A \otimes B) \subseteq A \otimes B$ , and  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$  as required.  $\square$

**Proposition A.10.** *Let  $U$  be a unitary corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$ , and let  $H_1$  be an invariant subspace of  $H$  for  $U$ . Then  $H_1^\perp$  is also invariant.*

*Proof.* Let  $e$  be the orthogonal projection of  $H$  onto  $H_1$ . Let  $x = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes 1)) \in B$ , so as  $U(1 \otimes e) = (1 \otimes e)U(1 \otimes e)$ , it follows that

$$xe = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U(a \otimes e)) = (\varphi \otimes \iota)((1 \otimes e)U(a \otimes e)) = exe.$$

As  $B = B^*$ , also  $ex = (x^*e)^* = (ex^*e)^* = exe$ , and so  $ex = xe$ . Thus  $H_1$  is an invariant subspace for  $B$ , and as  $B$  acts non-degenerately on  $H$ , it follows that  $ex = xe$  for all  $x \in M(B)$ .<sup>1</sup> As  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$ , it follows that  $(1 \otimes e)U = U(1 \otimes e)$ , and then a short calculation shows that

$$(1 \otimes e^\perp)U(1 \otimes e^\perp) = U(1 \otimes e^\perp),$$

where  $e^\perp = 1 - e$ , as required.  $\square$

**Definition A.11.** Let  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  be unitary corepresentations of  $(A, \Delta)$  on  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  respectively. The *direct sum* of  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  is  $U_1 \oplus U_2 \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \oplus H_2))$  is

$$U_1 \oplus U_2 = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where here we make the identification

$$\mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \oplus H_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{B}_0(H_1) & \mathcal{B}_0(H_2, H_1) \\ \mathcal{B}_0(H_1, H_2) & \mathcal{B}_0(H_2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The *tensor product* of  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  is  $U_1 \otimes U_2 = (U_1)_{12}(U_2)_{13} \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \otimes H_2)) \cong M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_2))$ .

An *intertwiner* between  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  is a bounded operator  $T : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  with  $(1 \otimes T)U_1 = U_2(1 \otimes T)$ . We denote the collection of intertwiners by  $\text{Mor}(U_1, U_2)$ . Two corepresentations are *equivalent* if there is an invertible intertwiner, and *unitarily equivalent* if there is a unitary intertwiner.

**Lemma A.12.** *Let  $U$  and  $V$  be corepresentations of  $(A, \Delta)$  on  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  respectively. Let  $x \in \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2)$ , and set*

$$y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U).$$

*Then  $y \in \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2)$ , and  $V^*(1 \otimes y)U = 1 \otimes y$ .*

*Proof.* We identify  $\mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2)$  with a ‘‘corner’’ of  $\mathcal{B}(H_1 \oplus H_2)$  in the obvious way. Then  $U$  and  $V$  are both (on diagonal) corners of  $M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \oplus H_2))$ ; thus  $V^*(1 \otimes x)U \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \oplus H_2))$  and so  $y$  makes sense as a member of  $M(\mathcal{B}_0(H_1 \oplus H_2)) = \mathcal{B}(H_1 \oplus H_2)$ . A simple calculation shows that  $y$  only has non-zero component in the  $\mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2)$  corner; thus  $y$  is well-defined.

Notice that

$$(\Delta \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U) = V_{23}^* V_{13}^*(1 \otimes 1 \otimes x)U_{13}U_{23}.$$

Then observe that

$$(\varphi \otimes \iota \otimes \iota)(\Delta \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U) = 1 \otimes (\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U) = 1 \otimes y,$$

while

$$(\varphi \otimes \iota \otimes \iota)V_{23}^* V_{13}^*(1 \otimes 1 \otimes x)U_{13}U_{23} = V^*(1 \otimes y)U,$$

and the result follows.  $\square$

<sup>1</sup>Indeed, let  $x \in M(B)$  so for  $y \in B, \xi \in H$ , we have that  $xe(y\xi) = (xy)e\xi = e(xy)\xi = ex(y\xi)$ . By non-degeneracy, it follows that  $xe = ex$ .

The obvious use of this lemma is that if  $V$  is unitary, then  $(1 \otimes y)U = V(1 \otimes y)$ , and so  $y \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$ . Notice that an obvious modification of the proof shows that if  $x$  is compact, then also  $y$  will be compact.

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**Proposition A.13.** *Let  $U$  be an invertible<sup>2</sup> corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$ . Then  $U$  is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation.*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  act on  $H$ , and set

$$y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U^*U).$$

By the previous lemma,  $U^*(1 \otimes y)U = 1 \otimes y$ . Clearly  $y \geq 0$  and as  $U$  is invertible,  $U^*U \geq \epsilon 1$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ ; thus also  $y \geq \epsilon 1$ , so  $y$  is invertible. Now set

$$V = (1 \otimes y^{1/2})U(1 \otimes y^{-1/2}).$$

Then  $(\Delta \otimes \iota)V = (1 \otimes 1 \otimes y^{1/2})U_{13}U_{23}(1 \otimes 1 \otimes y^{-1/2}) = V_{13}V_{23}$  and so  $V$  is a corepresentation. Then

$$V^*V = (1 \otimes y^{-1/2})U^*(1 \otimes y)U(1 \otimes y^{-1/2}) = (1 \otimes y^{-1/2})(1 \otimes y)(1 \otimes y^{-1/2}) = 1,$$

and as  $V$  is clearly invertible, it follows that  $V$  is unitary. By definition,  $y^{1/2}$  intertwines  $U$  and  $V$ , and so  $U$  is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation, as required.  $\square$

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**Theorem A.14.** *Let  $U$  be a unitary corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$  on a Hilbert space  $H$ . Then there is a family of mutually orthogonal, finite-dimensional projections  $\{e_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$  with sum 1, with  $U(1 \otimes e_\alpha) = (1 \otimes e_\alpha)U$  for each  $\alpha$ , and with  $U(1 \otimes e_\alpha)$ , considered as an element of  $A \otimes \mathcal{B}(e_\alpha H)$ , being a finite-dimensional unitary corepresentation.*

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be the collection of operators  $x \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  with  $(1 \otimes x)U = U(1 \otimes x)$ . Then  $B$  is clearly a norm-closed subalgebra, and as  $U$  is unitary, it is easy to see that  $B$  is self-adjoint. So  $B$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra.

By Lemma <sup>lem:one</sup>A.12, if  $x \in \mathcal{B}_0(H)$  then  $y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(U^*(1 \otimes x)U)$  will be in  $B$ , and will be compact. Let  $(x_i)$  be an increasing net in  $\mathcal{B}_0(H)$  with supremum 1. Then the associated family  $(y_i)$  is an increasing net in  $B$  with supremum 1. As each  $y_i$  is compact, we see that  $B$  will contain sufficiently many finite-rank projections to form the required family  $(e_\alpha)$ .  $\square$

The following is then a quantum Schur's Lemma.

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**Proposition A.15.** *Let  $U, V$  be corepresentations of  $(A, \Delta)$ . For each  $T \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$ , the space  $\ker T$  is invariant for  $U$ , and the closure of the image of  $T$  is invariant for  $V$ . Suppose that one of the following conditions holds:*

1.  $U$  and  $V$  are irreducible;
2.  $U$  or  $V$  are finite-dimensional of the same dimension, and one of  $U$  or  $V$  is irreducible.

*If  $U$  and  $V$  are not equivalent, then  $\text{Mor}(U, V) = \{0\}$ ; otherwise  $\text{Mor}(U, V) = \mathbb{C}x$  for some invertible  $x \in \mathcal{B}(H_U, H_V)$ . Furthermore, if  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary, then  $x$  can be chosen to be unitary.*

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<sup>2</sup>This simply means that there is some operator  $U^{-1} \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$  with  $U^{-1}U = UU^{-1} = 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $U$  act on  $H_U$ , and  $V$  act on  $H_V$ . Let  $T \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$ . We first show that  $\ker T$  and  $\overline{T(H_U)}$  are invariant for  $U$  and  $V$  respectively. Let  $e$  be the orthogonal projection onto  $\ker T$ . Then  $0 = V(1 \otimes Te) = (1 \otimes T)U(1 \otimes e)$ , and it follows that  $(1 \otimes e)U(1 \otimes e) = U(1 \otimes e)$ . Similarly, if  $e$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $T(H_U)$ , then we wish to show that  $(1 \otimes e)V(1 \otimes e) = V(1 \otimes e)$ . Equivalently, as  $e(H_V) = T(H_U)$ , we wish to show that  $(1 \otimes e)V(1 \otimes T) = V(1 \otimes T)$ . However,

$$(1 \otimes e)V(1 \otimes T) = (1 \otimes e)(1 \otimes T)U = (1 \otimes T)U = V(1 \otimes T),$$

as required.

Then, if  $U$  and  $V$  are both irreducible, we immediately see that any  $T \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$  is an isomorphism, or is 0. If  $U$  is both finite-dimensional and irreducible, then any  $T \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$  is 0 or injective, but as  $\dim(H_U) = \dim(H_V) < \infty$ , then  $T$  injective means that  $T$  is an isomorphism. Similarly, if  $V$  is irreducible then  $T$  is either 0 or surjective (and so an isomorphism).

So in either case, if  $U$  and  $V$  are not equivalent, then  $\text{Mor}(U, V) = \{0\}$ . If  $T \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$  is non-zero, then  $U$  and  $V$  are equivalent. If now  $S \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$  is also non-zero, then for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , the operator  $\lambda T - S$  is in  $\text{Mor}(U, V)$  and so is an isomorphism  $H_U \rightarrow H_V$ , or is 0. So choosing  $\lambda$  with  $\det(\lambda T - S) = 0$ , we see that actually  $\lambda T = S$  as required.

Finally, suppose that  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary, so as  $U = (1 \otimes T^{-1})V(1 \otimes T)$ ,

$$1 = U^*U = (1 \otimes T^*)V^*(1 \otimes (TT^*)^{-1})V(1 \otimes T), \quad 1 = UU^* = (1 \otimes T^{-1})V^*(1 \otimes TT^*)V(1 \otimes (T^*)^{-1}).$$

Thus

$$1 \otimes TT^* = V^*(1 \otimes TT^*)V,$$

so as  $V$  is unitary, we see that  $TT^* \in \text{Mor}(V, V)$ . Thus the previous work shows that  $TT^*$  is a (necessarily positive) scalar multiple of the identity. We may suppose then that  $TT^* = I$ , so as  $T$  is invertible,  $T$  is unitary, as required.  $\square$

Now let  $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$  be a faithful, non-degenerate  $*$ -homomorphism and form the regular corepresentation  $U$  as in Proposition [A.5](#).

**Theorem A.16.** *Let  $U$  be the regular corepresentation, acting on the GNS space  $H$ . Let  $V$  be an irreducible unitary corepresentation, acting on  $H_V$  say. Then  $V$  is equivalent to a sub-corepresentation of (that is, contained in)  $U$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathcal{B}_0(H, H_V)$  and set  $y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U) \in \mathcal{B}_0(H, H_V)$  so that  $(1 \otimes y)U = V(1 \otimes y)$ , by Lemma [A.12](#). By Proposition [A.15](#), if  $y$  is non-zero, then  $y$  is surjective. As  $U, V$  are unitary,

$$V^*(1 \otimes y) = (1 \otimes y)U^* \implies (1 \otimes y^*)V = U(1 \otimes y^*)$$

so  $y^* : H_V \rightarrow H$  is an intertwiner, and hence  $y^*$  is injective, and the image of  $y^*$  is invariant for  $U$ . So, if  $y$  is non-zero,  $y^*$  implements the required equivalence between  $V$  and a sub-corepresentation of  $U$ .

Alternatively,  $y = 0$  for all choices of  $x$ . So for any  $\xi \in H$  and  $\eta \in H_V$ , if  $x(\gamma) = (\gamma|\xi)\eta$ , then

$$0 = ((\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(1 \otimes x)U)\xi_1|\eta_1) = \langle \varphi, (\iota \otimes \omega_{\eta, \eta_1})(V^*)(\iota \otimes \omega_{\xi_1, \xi})(U) \rangle \quad (\xi_1 \in H, \eta_1 \in H_V).$$

By Lemma [A.4](#), this means that

$$\langle \varphi, (\iota \otimes \omega)(V^*)a \rangle = 0 \quad (a \in A, \omega \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*).$$

This implies that  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(a \otimes 1)) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ , and so also  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*(a \otimes x)) = 0$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $x \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)$ . As  $V$  is irreducible,  $H_V$  is finite-dimensional, and so  $V \in A \otimes \mathcal{B}(H_V)$ . Thus  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(V^*V) = 0$ , which contradicts that  $V$  is unitary.  $\square$

### A.3 Contragradient representations

Let  $U$  be a finite-dimensional corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$  on  $H$ . Given an orthonormal basis  $(e_i)_{i=1}^n$  for  $H$  we can let  $(e_{ij})$  be the matrix units of  $\mathbb{M}_n \cong \mathcal{B}(H)$ . Then we can write

$$U = \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$$

for some  $u_{ij} \in A$ . Recall from before that  $U$  being a corepresentation is equivalent to  $\Delta(u_{ij}) = \sum_k u_{ik} \otimes u_{kj}$ .

Let  $K$  be another finite-dimensional Hilbert space with orthonormal basis  $(f_j)_{j=1}^m$ . Then  $S \in \mathcal{B}(H, K)$  can be represented by a matrix in  $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}$ , say  $(s_{ij})$ . Then

$$(1 \otimes S)U = \sum_{i,j,p,q} u_{ij} \otimes s_{pq} e_{pq} e_{ij} = \sum_{i,j,p} s_{pi} u_{ij} \otimes e_{pj}.$$

Similarly, if  $V = \sum_{i,j=1}^m v_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$  is a corepresentation on  $K$ , then

$$V(1 \otimes S) = \sum_{i,j,p,q} v_{ij} \otimes e_{ij} s_{pq} e_{pq} = \sum_{i,j,q} v_{ij} s_{jq} \otimes e_{iq}.$$

Thus  $S \in \text{Mor}(U, V)$  if and only if, using matrix multiplication,  $(s_{ij})(u_{pq}) = (v_{pq})(s_{ij})$ .

**Definition A.17.** Given  $U$  and  $(e_n)$  as above, the *contragradient* corepresentation is  $\bar{U} = \sum_{i,j} u_{ij}^* \otimes e_{ij}$ .

The definition of  $\bar{U}$  does depend upon  $(e_n)$ . Indeed, picking a new orthonormal basis for  $H$  is equivalent to finding a unitary matrix  $S$  and setting  $V = (1 \otimes S^*)U(1 \otimes S)$ . So  $V$  is a corepresentation (unitarily) equivalent to  $U$ . Then  $\bar{V} = (1 \otimes \bar{S}^*)\bar{U}(1 \otimes \bar{S})$ , and so  $\bar{V}$  is equivalent to  $\bar{U}$ , but the equivalence is given by the matrix  $\bar{S}$ , which in general is not equal to  $S$ .

**Lemma A.18.** *Let  $U$  be a corepresentation. Then  $\bar{U}$  is also a corepresentation. If  $U$  is irreducible, then so is  $\bar{U}$ .*

*Proof.* We see that as  $\Delta$  is a  $*$ -homomorphism,

$$\Delta(u_{ij}^*) = \Delta(u_{ij})^* = \left( \sum_k u_{ik} \otimes u_{kj} \right)^* = \sum_k u_{ik}^* \otimes u_{kj}^*.$$

So  $\bar{U}$  is a corepresentation.

Let  $\gamma : \mathbb{M}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  be the transpose map, which is an anti-homomorphism. Notice that  $\bar{U} = (\iota \otimes \gamma)(U^*)$ . Suppose that  $e$  is an orthogonal projection on  $H$  with  $\bar{U}(1 \otimes e) = (1 \otimes e)\bar{U}(1 \otimes e)$ . Then applying  $\gamma$  gives that

$$(1 \otimes \gamma(e))U^* = (1 \otimes \gamma(e))U^*(1 \otimes \gamma(e)) \implies U(1 \otimes e') = (1 \otimes e')U(1 \otimes e'),$$

where  $e' = \gamma(e)^*$  is still an orthogonal projection. As  $U$  is irreducible,  $e' = 0$  or  $1$ , and hence also  $e = 0$  or  $1$ , showing that  $\bar{U}$  is irreducible.  $\square$

Notice that  $\iota \otimes \gamma$  is not an anti-homomorphism on all of  $\mathbb{M}_n(A)$ , unless  $A$  is commutative. Thus we have to work hard(er) to prove the next result.

**Proposition A.19.** *Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional irreducible unitary corepresentation. Then  $\bar{V}$  is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation.*

*Proof.* We again use Lemma [A.12](#), with  $U$  being the left regular representation, acting on the GNS space  $H$ . Let  $V$  act on the finite-dimensional Hilbert space  $H_V$ . Pick  $x \in \mathcal{B}_0(H, H_V)$  and set

$$y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(\overline{V}^*(1 \otimes x)U).$$

So  $y \in \mathcal{B}_0(H, H_V)$  with  $\overline{V}^*(1 \otimes y)U = 1 \otimes y$ . Then  $U^*(1 \otimes y^*)\overline{V} = 1 \otimes y^*$  and thus  $(1 \otimes y^*)\overline{V} = U(1 \otimes y^*)$ . So  $y^* \in \text{Mor}(\overline{V}, U)$ . By [Proposition A.15](#), as  $\overline{V}$  is irreducible,  $y^*$  has zero kernel, or  $y^* = 0$ . As in the proof of [Theorem A.16](#), the image of  $y^*$  is an invariant subspace of  $U$ , and so either  $y = 0$ , or  $y^*$  implements an isomorphism between  $\overline{V}$  and a sub-co-representation of  $U$ .

Thus, towards a contradiction, suppose that  $y = 0$  for any choice of  $x$ . Again, this implies that

$$\langle \varphi, (\iota \otimes \omega)(\overline{V}^*)a \rangle = 0 \quad (a \in A, \omega \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*).$$

Let  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*$  be the functional which sends  $e_{ij}$  to 1, and  $e_{pq}$  to 0 for all other  $(p, q)$ . Thus  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(\overline{V}^*) = v_{ji}$ . We hence see that

$$\langle \varphi, (\iota \otimes \omega)(V)a \rangle = 0 \quad (a \in A, \omega \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*).$$

Thus  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(V(a \otimes x)) = 0$  for  $a \in A, x \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)$ . This again implies that  $(\varphi \otimes \iota)(VV^*) = 0$ , contradicting  $V$  being unitary.  $\square$

In particular, if  $V$  is merely an invertible corepresentation, then  $V$  is equivalent to the direct sum of finite-dimensional unitary corepresentations; the same is then true of  $\overline{V}$ , and thus in particular  $\overline{V}$  is invertible.

## A.4 The Hopf $*$ -algebra of matrix elements

Let  $A_0$  be the linear span of the matrix elements<sup>3</sup> of unitary irreducible corepresentations. By the previous work,  $A_0$  is also the linear span of the matrix elements of finite-dimensional invertible corepresentations.

**Proposition A.20.** *The space  $A_0$  is a dense unital  $*$ -subalgebra of  $A$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $U$  and  $V$  be corepresentations, and let  $\omega_U \in \mathcal{B}(H_U)_*$  and  $\omega_V \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*$ . Then

$$(\iota \otimes \omega_U \otimes \omega_V)(U \oplus V) = (\iota \otimes \omega_U \otimes \omega_V)(U_{12}V_{13}) = (\iota \otimes \omega_U)(U)(\iota \otimes \omega_V)(V).$$

If  $U$  and  $V$  are finite-dimensional and unitary, then  $U \oplus V$  is also finite-dimensional and unitary. We conclude that  $A_0$  is an algebra. Notice that  $1 \in A = M(A \otimes \mathbb{C})$  is a unitary corepresentation; thus  $1 \in A_0$ .

Similarly, as  $\overline{U}$  is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation whenever  $U$  is finite-dimensional and unitary, it follows easily that  $A_0$  is closed under the  $*$  operation.

It remains to show that  $A_0$  is dense in  $A$ . Choose a faithful, non-degenerate  $*$ -representation  $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$  and form the left regular representation  $U$  as in [Proposition A.5](#). By [Theorem A.14](#),  $U$  decomposes as a direct sum of finite-dimensional, irreducible unitary corepresentations. By [Theorem A.16](#) every finite-dimensional, irreducible unitary corepresentation is equivalent to a sub-corepresentation of  $U$ . Hence  $A_0$  is the span of the matrix elements of finite-dimensional sub-corepresentations of  $U$ .

By [Lemma A.4](#), the space  $\{(\iota \otimes \omega)(U) : \omega \in \mathcal{B}(H)_*\}$  is dense in  $A$ . Given  $\xi, \eta \in H$ , we claim that we can approximate  $(\iota \otimes \omega_{\xi, \eta})(U)$  by elements of  $A_0$ ; this will show that  $A_0$  is dense in  $A$ . Let  $(e_\alpha)$  be a family of mutually orthogonal projections with sum 1, as given by

<sup>3</sup>That is, elements of the form  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(V)$  where  $V$  is a unitary corepresentation, and  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}(H_V)_*$ .



Theorem [A.14](#) when applied to  $U$ . Let  $U_\alpha = U(1 \otimes e_\alpha) = (1 \otimes e_\alpha)U$ , a finite-dimensional unitary corepresentation. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\iota \otimes \omega_{\xi,\eta})(U) &= \sum_{\alpha} (\iota \otimes \omega_{e_\alpha(\xi),\eta})(U) = \sum_{\alpha} (\iota \otimes \omega_{e_\alpha(\xi),\eta})(U(1 \otimes e_\alpha)) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} (\iota \otimes \omega_{e_\alpha(\xi),e_\alpha(\eta)})((1 \otimes e_\alpha)U(1 \otimes e_\alpha)) = \sum_{\alpha} (\iota \otimes \omega_{e_\alpha(\xi),e_\alpha(\eta)})(U_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(\iota \otimes \omega_{\xi,\eta})(U)$  is in the closure of  $A_0$ , as required.  $\square$

Let  $\{u_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$  be a maximal family of non-equivalent unitary corepresentations. For each  $\alpha$ , let  $u_\alpha \in A \otimes \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$  with  $u_\alpha = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_\alpha} u_{ij}^\alpha \otimes e_{ij}$ . We shall prove that  $\{u_{ij}^\alpha : \alpha \in I, 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\}$  is a (linear) basis for  $A_0$ .

We first take a small diversion. Let  $\sigma : A \otimes A \rightarrow A \otimes A$  be the swap map, which is a  $*$ -homomorphism. It is easy to see that  $\sigma\Delta$  is co-associative if and only if  $\Delta$  is, and so  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$  is a  $C^*$ -bialgebra (called the ‘‘opposite’’ or, less commonly but more accurately, the ‘‘co-opposite’’ quantum group). We see that  $(A, \Delta)$  satisfies the density conditions to be a compact quantum group if and only if  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$  does. In this case,  $\varphi$  remains the Haar measure for  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ . Notice however that  $U$  is a corepresentation for  $(A, \Delta)$  if and only if  $U^*$  is a corepresentation for  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ .

**Proposition A.21.** *For each  $\alpha \in I$ , there is a positive invertible matrix  $F^\alpha$  such that*

$$\langle \varphi, (u_{ip}^\beta)^* u_{jq}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} F_{j,i}^\alpha \quad (\beta \in I, 1 \leq i, p \leq n_\beta, 1 \leq j, q \leq n_\alpha).$$

The trace of each matrix  $F^\alpha$  is 1.

*Proof.* Consider the operator  $\theta_{e_i, e_j} \in \mathcal{B}_0(\ell_{n_\alpha}^2, \ell_{n_\beta}^2)$ . Then by Lemma [A.12](#),<sup>[lem:one](#)</sup>

$$y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(u_\beta^*(1 \otimes x)u_\alpha) = \sum_{p,b,c,q} \langle \varphi, (u_{bp}^\beta)^* u_{cq}^\alpha \rangle e_{pb} x e_{cq} = \sum_{p,q} \langle \varphi, (u_{ip}^\beta)^* u_{jq}^\alpha \rangle e_{pq}$$

is an operator in  $\mathcal{B}_0(\ell_{n_\alpha}^2, \ell_{n_\beta}^2)$  with  $(1 \otimes y)u_\alpha = u_\beta(1 \otimes y)$ . As  $u_\alpha$  and  $u_\beta$  are irreducible, by Proposition [A.15](#),<sup>[prop:schur](#)</sup> we see that  $y = 0$  if  $\alpha \neq \beta$ .

When  $\alpha = \beta$ , by Proposition [A.15](#),<sup>[prop:schur](#)</sup> we see that  $y$  must be a scalar multiple of the identity. Thus we obtain numbers  $F_{j,i}^\alpha$  with  $\langle \varphi, (u_{ip}^\beta)^* u_{jq}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} F_{j,i}^\alpha$ . That  $u^\alpha$  is unitary means that

$$\sum_k (u_{k,i}^\alpha)^* u_{k,j}^\alpha = \delta_{i,j} 1 \implies \delta_{i,j} = \sum_k \langle \varphi, (u_{k,i}^\alpha)^* u_{k,j}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{i,j} \sum_k F_{k,k}^\alpha.$$

Now consider  $y = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(\overline{u^\alpha}(u^\alpha)^*)$ . By Lemma [A.12](#),<sup>[lem:one](#)</sup> applied to  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ , we have that  $1 \otimes y = \overline{u^\alpha}(1 \otimes y)(u^\alpha)^*$ . Now,

$$y = \sum_{i,j,k} \langle \varphi, (\overline{u^\alpha})_{ik} ((\overline{u^\alpha})^*)_{kj} \rangle e_{ij} = \sum_{i,j,k} \langle \varphi, (u_{ik}^\alpha)^* u_{jk}^\alpha \rangle e_{ij} = n_\alpha \sum_{i,j} F_{j,i}^\alpha e_{ij}.$$

Thus  $y = n_\alpha (F^\alpha)^t$ . However, clearly  $y$  is a positive matrix, and so  $F^\alpha$  is positive. Now, as  $\overline{u^\alpha}$  is equivalent to a unitary corepresentation, and is hence invertible, we see that  $y$  intertwines the corepresentations  $(\overline{u^\alpha})^*$  and  $(\overline{u^\alpha})^{-1}$ , again working with  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ . Taking adjoints shows that  $\overline{u^\alpha}(1 \otimes y^*) = (1 \otimes y^*)(\overline{u^\alpha})^{*-1}$ . As  $\overline{u^\alpha}$  is irreducible and has the same dimension as  $(\overline{u^\alpha})^{*-1}$ , Proposition [A.15](#)<sup>[prop:schur](#)</sup> shows that  $y^* = 0$  or  $y^*$  is an isomorphism. As the trace of  $y$  is  $n_\alpha$ , we conclude that  $y$ , and hence also  $F^\alpha$  are invertible.  $\square$

**Proposition A.22.** *The collection  $\{u_{i,j}^\alpha\}$  is linearly independent, and hence forms a basis for  $A_0$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that the finite linear combination  $\sum_{\alpha,i,j} \lambda_{i,j}^\alpha u_{i,j}^\alpha$  is zero. Then, for any  $\beta, p, q$

$$0 = \sum_{\alpha,i,j} \lambda_{i,j}^\alpha \langle \varphi, (u_{p,q}^\beta)^* u_{i,j}^\alpha \rangle = \sum_i F_{i,p}^\beta \lambda_{i,q}^\beta.$$

As  $F^\beta$  is invertible,  $\lambda^\beta = 0$ , for any  $\beta$ , as required.  $\square$

Let  $m : A_0 \odot A_0 \rightarrow A_0$  be the multiplication map on the algebraic tensor product  $A_0 \odot A_0$ . We define linear maps  $\kappa : A_0 \rightarrow A_0$  and  $\epsilon : A_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

$$\epsilon(u_{i,j}^\alpha) = \delta_{i,j}, \quad \kappa(u_{i,j}^\alpha) = (u_{j,i}^\alpha)^* \quad (\alpha \in I, 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha).$$

Notice that then, for any finite-dimensional unitary corepresentation  $U$ , we have that

$$(\kappa \otimes \iota)(U) = U^*, \quad (\epsilon \otimes \iota)(U) = 1.$$

In particular,  $\kappa$  and  $\epsilon$  are well-defined, independent of our choice of maximal family  $\{u^\alpha\}$ . If  $a_i = (\iota \otimes \omega_i)(U_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  then

$$\epsilon(a_1 a_2) = (\epsilon \otimes \omega_1 \otimes \omega_2)(U_1 \oplus U_2) = (\omega_1 \otimes \omega_2)(1) = \langle 1, \omega_1 \rangle \langle 1, \omega_2 \rangle = \epsilon(a_1) \epsilon(a_2),$$

and so  $\epsilon$  is a character.

**Theorem A.23.** *The maps  $\kappa$  and  $\epsilon$  turn  $(A_0, \Delta)$  into a Hopf  $*$ -algebra. To be more precise,*

$$(\epsilon \otimes \iota)\Delta(a) = (\iota \otimes \epsilon)\Delta(a) = a, \quad m(\kappa \otimes \iota)\Delta(a) = m(\iota \otimes \kappa)\Delta(a) = \epsilon(a)1 \quad (a \in A_0).$$

*Automatically,  $\kappa$  is an anti-homomorphism, and  $\Delta\kappa = \sigma(\kappa \otimes \kappa)\Delta$ . Furthermore,  $\kappa * \kappa^* = \iota$ .*

*Proof.* As  $\Delta(u_{i,j}^\alpha) = \sum_k u_{i,k}^\alpha \otimes u_{k,j}^\alpha$ , it follows that  $\Delta$  restricts to a map  $A_0 \rightarrow A_0 \odot A_0$ . Then

$$(\epsilon \otimes \iota)\Delta(u_{i,j}^\alpha) = \sum_k \epsilon(u_{i,k}^\alpha) u_{k,j}^\alpha = u_{i,j}^\alpha,$$

showing that  $(\epsilon \otimes \iota)\Delta = \iota$  on  $A_0$ ; similarly  $(\iota \otimes \epsilon)\Delta = \iota$ .

Also

$$m(\kappa \otimes \iota)\Delta(u_{i,j}^\alpha) = \sum_k m((u_{k,i}^\alpha)^* \otimes u_{k,j}^\alpha) = \sum_k (u_{k,i}^\alpha)^* u_{k,j}^\alpha = \delta_{i,j} 1 = \epsilon(u_{i,j}^\alpha) 1,$$

using that  $u^\alpha$  is unitary. Similarly  $m(\iota \otimes \kappa)\Delta = \epsilon(\cdot)1$ .

That  $\kappa$  is an anti-homomorphism and an anti-co-homomorphism follows from the theory of Hopf algebras, see [4, Section 1.3.3] for example. That  $*\kappa * \kappa = \iota$  follows from our definition of  $\kappa$ .  $\square$

**Proposition A.24.** *Let  $\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$  be a finite-dimensional corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$  with  $a_{ij} \in A_0$  for all  $i, j$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

1. The matrix  $(a_{ij})$  is invertible;
2. If  $(\xi_j)_{j=1}^n \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  satisfies that  $\sum_j a_{ij} \xi_j = 0$  for all  $i$ , then  $\xi = 0$ .
3. If  $(\xi_j)_{j=1}^n \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  satisfies that  $\sum_j a_{ij} \xi_i = 0$  for all  $j$ , then  $\xi = 0$ .
4.  $\epsilon(a_{ij}) = \delta_{i,j}$  for all  $i, j$ ;
5. The matrix  $(a_{ij})$  is invertible with inverse  $(\kappa(a_{ij}))$ .

*Proof.* Clearly  $(1) \implies (2)$  and  $(1) \implies (3)$ , and  $(5) \implies (1)$ . If  $(2)$  then consider the map  $\pi : A'_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n; \mu \mapsto (\langle \mu, a_{ij} \rangle)$ ; here we write  $A'_0$  for the vector space of linear (not necessarily bounded) functionals  $A_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . This is a homomorphism, and so  $\pi(\epsilon)$  is a (not necessarily orthogonal) projection. If  $\pi(\epsilon)\xi = 0$  then  $\pi(\mu)\xi = \pi(\mu\epsilon)\xi = 0$  for all  $\mu$ . So  $\sum_j \langle \mu, a_{ij} \rangle \xi_j = 0$  for all  $i$  and  $\mu$ , that is,  $\sum_j a_{ij} \xi_j = 0$ . As  $(2)$  holds,  $\xi = 0$  and so  $\pi(\epsilon) = I$  which shows  $(4)$ .

Similar, if  $(3)$  then, if for all  $\mu \in A'_0$  and  $(\eta_j)_{j=1}^n \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  we have that  $\sum_{i,j} \eta_j \xi_i \langle \mu, a_{ij} \rangle = 0$ , then  $\xi = 0$ . Hence the linear span of

$$\left\{ \sum_j \langle \mu, a_{ij} \rangle \eta_j : \mu \in A'_0, \eta \in \mathbb{C}^n \right\}$$

is all of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Again, this implies that  $\pi(\epsilon) = I$ , showing  $(4)$ .

By the previous theorem, if  $(4)$  holds then

$$\sum_k \kappa(a_{ik}) a_{kj} = m(\kappa \otimes \iota) \Delta(a_{ij}) = \epsilon(a_{ij}) 1 = \delta_{i,j} 1.$$

Similarly,  $\sum_k a_{ik} \kappa(a_{kj}) = \delta_{i,j} 1$  and so  $(5)$  holds.  $\square$

Notice that the proof shows that condition  $(3)$  is equivalent to the homomorphism  $A'_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  being non-degenerate. Equivalent conditions are that the induced homomorphisms  $A^* \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  or  $L^1(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  are non-degenerate. Theorem A.32 below shows that if the Haar state is faithful on  $A$ , then any non-degenerate homomorphism  $L^1(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n$  arises from an invertible  $U$  in this way (that is, the hypothesis that each  $a_{ij} \in A_0$  can be removed).

## A.5 Automorphisms

We now study the “ $F$ -matrices”  $F^\alpha$  more closely.

**Proposition A.25.** *For  $\alpha, \beta \in I$ , we have that*

$$\langle \varphi, u_{ip}^\alpha (u_{jq}^\beta)^* \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} \frac{(F^\alpha)_{q,p}^{-1}}{\text{Tr}((F^\alpha)^{-1})}.$$

*Proof.* Consider the compact quantum group  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ . Then  $\{(u^\alpha)^* : \alpha \in I\}$  forms a complete set of unitary corepresentations for  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ . Thus we can apply Proposition A.21 to find positive, invertible, trace 1 matrices  $G^\alpha$  with

$$\langle \varphi, ((u^\alpha)_pi^*)^* (u^\beta)_{qj}^* \rangle = \langle \varphi, u_{ip}^\alpha (u_{jq}^\beta)^* \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} G_{q,p}^\alpha.$$

The proof of Proposition A.21 shows that  $1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^t = \overline{u^\alpha} (1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^t) (\overline{u^\alpha})^*$  and thus also that  $1 \otimes (G^\alpha)^t = (\overline{u^\alpha})^* (1 \otimes (G^\alpha)^t) \overline{u^\alpha}$ . Thus both  $(F^\alpha)^t$  and  $((G^\alpha)^{-1})^t$  intertwine  $\overline{u^\alpha}$  (which is irreducible) and  $((\overline{u^\alpha})^*)^{-1}$  (which is of the same dimension). Thus Proposition A.15 shows that  $G^\alpha = \lambda (F^\alpha)^{-1}$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , which may be determined by the condition that  $G^\alpha$  has trace 1.  $\square$

**Lemma A.26.** *Let  $T \in \mathbb{M}_n$  be such that  $(1 \otimes T^{-1}) \overline{u^\alpha} (1 \otimes T)$  is unitary. Then  $F^\alpha$  is a scalar multiple of  $\overline{TT}^t$ , and  $(F^\alpha)^{-1}$  intertwines  $u^\alpha$  and the corepresentation  $(\kappa^2(u^\alpha))$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition A.19 there is an invertible  $T \in \mathbb{M}_n$  with  $v = (1 \otimes T^{-1}) \overline{u^\alpha} (1 \otimes T)$  unitary. Thus

$$1 = vv^* = (1 \otimes T^{-1}) \overline{u^\alpha} (1 \otimes T) (1 \otimes T^*) \overline{u^\alpha}^* (1 \otimes (T^{-1})^*),$$

and so  $(1 \otimes TT^*) = \overline{u^\alpha} (1 \otimes TT^*) \overline{u^\alpha}^*$ . Hence by the proof of Proposition A.21,  $(F^\alpha)^t$  is a scalar multiple of  $TT^*$ , or equivalently,  $F^\alpha$  is a scalar multiple of  $\overline{TT}^* = \overline{TT}^t$ .

Now, as  $v$  is unitary,  $v^* = \kappa(v)$ , where  $\kappa(v)$  is the matrix  $(\kappa(v_{ij}))_{i,j=1}^n$ . So

$$\kappa(v)^t = \bar{v} = (1 \otimes \bar{T}^{-1})u^\alpha(1 \otimes \bar{T}).$$

However, also

$$\kappa(v)^t = ((1 \otimes T^{-1})\kappa(\bar{u}^\alpha)(1 \otimes T))^t = (1 \otimes T^t)\kappa^2(u^\alpha)(1 \otimes (T^{-1})^t),$$

here using that  $(\kappa(\bar{u}^\alpha)^t)_{i,j} = \kappa((u_{ji}^\alpha)^*) = \kappa^2(u_{ij}^\alpha)$ . Thus

$$(1 \otimes (T^{-1})^t \bar{T}^{-1})u^\alpha = \kappa^2(u^\alpha)(1 \otimes (T^{-1})^t \bar{T}^{-1}).$$

So conclude that  $(F^\alpha)^{-1}$  intertwines  $u^\alpha$  and  $\kappa^2(u^\alpha)$ .  $\square$

Notice that a corollary of this result is that  $T$  is determined up to a unitary matrix, and a scalar. Indeed, by rescaling, we may assume that  $TT^* = \bar{F}^\alpha$ . As  $\bar{F}^\alpha$  is positive and invertible, there is a unique unitary<sup>4</sup> matrix  $U$  with  $T = (\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}U$ .

**Corollary A.27.** *The matrix  $(F^\alpha)^{-1}$  intertwines the corepresentations  $\bar{u}^\alpha$  and  $((u^\alpha)^t)^{-1}$ , where of course  $(u^\alpha)^t$  has matrix  $(u_{j,i}^\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* Using the properties of  $\kappa$  established in Theorem [A.23](#) <sup>thm:ishopf</sup> we see that as  $u^\alpha$  is unitary, for any  $i, j$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_k u_{i,k}^\alpha (u_{j,k}^\alpha)^* &= \delta_{i,j} 1 = \sum_k (u_{k,i}^\alpha)^* u_{k,j}^\alpha \implies \sum_k u_{i,k}^\alpha \kappa(u_{k,j}^\alpha) = \delta_{i,j} 1 = \sum_k \kappa(u_{i,k}^\alpha) u_{k,j}^\alpha \\ \implies \sum_k u_{k,j}^\alpha \kappa^{-1}(u_{i,k}^\alpha) &= \delta_{i,j} 1 = \sum_k \kappa^{-1}(u_{k,j}^\alpha) u_{i,k}^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $((u^\alpha)^t)^{-1}$  is the matrix  $(\kappa^{-1}(u_{j,i}^\alpha)) = (\kappa((u_{j,i}^\alpha)^*))^* = (\kappa^2(u_{i,j}^\alpha)^*)$ . By the previous result, for all  $i, j$ ,

$$\sum_k (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{i,k} u_{k,j}^\alpha = \sum_k \kappa^2(u_{i,k}^\alpha) (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{k,j} \implies \sum_k \overline{(F^\alpha)^{-1}}_{i,k} (u_{k,j}^\alpha)^* = \sum_k \kappa^2(u_{i,k}^\alpha)^* \overline{(F^\alpha)^{-1}}_{k,j},$$

that is,  $\overline{(F^\alpha)^{-1}}$  intertwines  $\bar{u}^\alpha$  and  $((u^\alpha)^t)^{-1}$  as required.  $\square$

In particular, this result shows that

$$(u^\alpha)^t \overline{(F^\alpha)^{-1}} \bar{u}^\alpha = \overline{(F^\alpha)^{-1}}, \quad \bar{u}^\alpha F^\alpha (u^\alpha)^t = \bar{F}^\alpha.$$

Let us think about how the “ $F$ -matrices” are effected by unitary equivalence. Let  $v$  be a unitary corepresentation equivalent to  $u^\alpha$ , so by Proposition [A.15](#) <sup>prop:schur</sup>, there is a unitary intertwiner,  $X$  say. Thus  $v = (1 \otimes X^*)u^\alpha(1 \otimes X)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi, v_{ip}^* v_{jq} \rangle &= \sum \langle \varphi, (\overline{X_{ai} u_{ab}^\alpha X_{bp}})^* \overline{X_{cj} u_{cd}^\alpha X_{dq}} \rangle = \sum X_{ai} \overline{X_{bp} X_{cj}} X_{dq} \langle \varphi, (u_{ab}^\alpha)^* u_{cd}^\alpha \rangle \\ &= \sum X_{ai} \overline{X_{bp} X_{bq} X_{cj}} F_{c,a}^\alpha = \delta_{p,q} (X^* F^\alpha X)_{j,i}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the “ $F$ -matrix” associated with  $v$  is  $X^* F^\alpha X$ .

<sup>4</sup>For any vector  $x$  we have that  $\|T^*x\|^2 = (TT^*x|x) = (\bar{F}^\alpha x|x) = \|(\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}x\|^2$ . So there is a well-defined isometry  $U$  with  $UT^* = (\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}$ . As  $(\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}$  is invertible,  $U$  is everywhere defined and invertible, so a unitary. Then  $TU^* = (\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}$  so  $T = (\bar{F}^\alpha)^{1/2}U$  as required.

For each  $\alpha$ , set  $t_\alpha = \text{Tr}((F^\alpha)^{-1})$ . As  $F^\alpha$  is a positive invertible matrix,  $t_\alpha > 0$ . For each  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , define a linear map by

$$f_z : A_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; \quad u_{i,j}^\alpha \mapsto ((F^\alpha)^{-z})_{i,j} t_\alpha^{-z/2}.$$

Here we use the functional calculus to define  $F^z = \exp(z \log F)$  for a positive matrix  $F$ .

Because  $(T^*FT)^z = T^*F^zT$  for any positive invertible  $F$ , unitary  $T$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , we see that  $f_z$  is well-defined, independent of the choice of irreducibles  $\{u^\alpha\}$  (of course,  $t_\alpha$  is well-defined).

As is standard, we turn  $A^*$  into a Banach algebra, with the product denoted by  $*$ , by

$$\langle \mu * \lambda, a \rangle = \langle \mu \otimes \lambda, \Delta(a) \rangle \quad (a \in A, \mu, \lambda \in A^*).$$

Notice that  $*$  is also well-defined on the algebraic dual of  $A_0$ , because of Theorem [thm:ishopf](#) [A.23](#). Define  $\sigma : A_0 \rightarrow A_0$  by

$$\sigma(a) = f_1 * a * f_1 = (f_1 \otimes \iota \otimes f_1) \Delta^2(a) \quad (a \in A).$$

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**Proposition A.28.** *The maps  $f_z$  have the following properties:*

1. For  $a \in A_0$ , the map  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; z \mapsto f_z(a)$  is entire and of exponential growth in the right half-plane (meaning that there are  $C > 0$  and  $d \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|f_z(a)| \leq Ce^{d \text{Re}(z)}$  when  $\text{Re}(z) > 0$ );
2.  $f_0 = \epsilon$  the counit, and  $f_z * f_w = f_{z+w}$  for all  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ ;
3. for  $a, b \in A_0$ , we have that  $\langle \varphi, ab \rangle = \langle \varphi, b\sigma(a) \rangle$ .

*Proof.* (1) follows almost immediately. To see this easily, suppose that  $F^\alpha$  is diagonal (as we may, as  $F^\alpha$  is positive, so diagonalisable). Then, if  $t > 0$ , the function  $z \mapsto t^{-z} = e^{-z \log t}$  is of exponential growth in the right half-plane, as  $|e^{-zs}| = e^{-s \text{Re}(z)}$  for  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . As any  $a \in A_0$  is a finite linear combination of elements of the form  $u_{i,j}^\alpha$ , the result follows.

For (ii), first notice that  $F^0 = \exp(0) = I$  for any positive matrix  $F$ , and so  $f_0(u_{ij}^\alpha) = \delta_{i,j}$  as required to show that  $f_0 = \epsilon$ . Now notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_z * f_w, u_{ij}^\alpha \rangle &= \sum_k \langle f_z, u_{ik}^\alpha \rangle \langle f_w, u_{kj}^\alpha \rangle = \sum_k (F^\alpha)^{-z}_{ik} (F^\alpha)^{-w}_{kj} t_\alpha^{-z/2} t_\alpha^{-w/2} \\ &= ((F^\alpha)^{-z} (F^\alpha)^{-w})_{ij} t_\alpha^{-(z+w)/2} = (t_\alpha^{1/2} F^\alpha)^{-(z+w)}_{ij} = \langle f_{z+w}, u_{ij}^\alpha \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

For (iii), notice that

$$\sigma(u_{ij}^\alpha) = \sum_{k,l} \langle f_1, u_{il}^\alpha \rangle u_{lk}^\alpha \langle f_1, u_{kj}^\alpha \rangle = t_\alpha^{-1} \sum_{k,l} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{il} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{kj} u_{lk}^\alpha.$$

Thus, if  $a = u_{ip}^\alpha$  and  $b = (u_{jq}^\beta)^*$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi, b\sigma(a) \rangle &= t_\alpha^{-1} \sum_{k,l} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{il} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{kp} \langle \varphi, (u_{jq}^\beta)^* u_{lk}^\alpha \rangle = t_\alpha^{-1} \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_l (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{il} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{qp} F_{lj}^\alpha \\ &= t_\alpha^{-1} \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} (F^\alpha)^{-1}_{qp} = \langle \varphi, ab \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where the final equality uses Proposition [prop:haarotherway](#) [A.25](#). Then (iii) follows by linearity.  $\square$

**Theorem A.29.** *Each  $f_z$  is a character on  $A_0$ . Furthermore:*

1.  $f_z(1) = 1$ ,  $f_z(\kappa(a)) = f_{-z}(a)$  and  $f_z(a^*) = \overline{f_{-\bar{z}}(a)}$  for all  $a \in A, z \in \mathbb{C}$ ;
2.  $\kappa^2(a) = (f_1 \otimes \iota \otimes f_{-1}) \Delta^2(a)$  for each  $a \in A$ .

The characters  $f_z$  are uniquely determined by the properties shown in the previous proposition.

*Proof.* We first claim that  $\sigma$  is a character. For  $a, b, c \in A_0$ ,

$$\langle \varphi, abc \rangle = \langle \varphi, c\sigma(ab) \rangle = \langle \varphi, bc\sigma(a) \rangle = \langle \varphi, c\sigma(a)\sigma(b) \rangle.$$

As this holds for all  $c$ , we conclude that  $\sigma(ab) = \sigma(a)\sigma(b)$  as required. Then, for  $a \in A_0$ ,

$$\langle f_2, a \rangle = \langle f_1 * f_0 * f_1, a \rangle = \langle \epsilon, \sigma(a) \rangle,$$

and so  $f_2 = \epsilon \circ \sigma$  is a character. Then  $f_4 = f_2 * f_2 = (f_2 \otimes f_2) \circ \Delta$  is a character, as  $\Delta$  is a homomorphism. Similarly,  $f_{2k}$  is a character for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus, for  $a, b \in A_0$ , the functions

$$z \mapsto f_z(ab), \quad \text{and} \quad z \mapsto f_z(a)f_z(b)$$

are both entire and of exponential growth in the right-half plane, and are equal on  $\{2k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Thus they agree everywhere (see [\[5\] Page 228](#)). So  $f_z$  is a character for all  $z$ .

In this argument, we have only used the properties of the family  $(f_z)$  established by the previous proposition. Then  $\sigma$  is uniquely determined by condition (3) (of the previous proposition), and so  $f_2 = \epsilon \circ \sigma$  is uniquely determined. Thus also  $f_{2k}$  is uniquely determined, given condition (2). But then  $(f_z)$  is uniquely determined by the same complex analysis argument.

Clearly  $f_z(1) = 1$  for all  $z$ . Then

$$f_z \kappa = (f_z \kappa \otimes \epsilon) \Delta = (f_z \kappa \otimes f_0) \Delta = (f_z \kappa \otimes f_z \otimes f_{-z}) \Delta^2 = (f_z \otimes f_z \otimes f_{-z}) ((\kappa \otimes \iota) \Delta \otimes \iota) \Delta.$$

That  $f_z$  is a character means that  $f_z m = f_z \otimes f_z$ , and so

$$f_z \kappa = (f_z \otimes f_{-z}) (m(\kappa \otimes \iota) \Delta \otimes \iota) \Delta = f_z(1) (\epsilon \otimes f_{-z}) \Delta = f_{-z},$$

as required. Notice now that if  $t > 0$  then  $\overline{t^z} = \overline{\exp(z \log t)} = \exp(z \log t) = t^z$ . Being careful, this shows that  $(F^{\bar{z}})^* = F^z$  for a positive invertible matrix  $F$ . Thus

$$f_z((u_{ij}^\alpha)^*) = f_z(\kappa(u_{ji}^\alpha)) = f_{-z}(u_{ji}^\alpha) = (F^\alpha)_{j,i}^z t_\alpha^{z/2} = \overline{(F^\alpha)_{i,j}^{\bar{z}} t_\alpha^{\bar{z}/2}} = \overline{f_{\bar{z}}(u_{ij}^\alpha)},$$

which completes showing (1).

By Lemma [A.26](#),  $(1 \otimes (F^\alpha)^{-1}) u^\alpha (1 \otimes F^\alpha) = \kappa^2(u^\alpha)$ , and so

$$\kappa^2(u_{ij}^\alpha) = \sum_{k,l} (F^\alpha)_{i,k}^{-1} u_{k,l}^\alpha F_{l,j}^\alpha t_\alpha^{-1/2} t_\alpha^{1/2} = (f_1 \otimes \iota \otimes f_{-1}) \Delta^2(u_{ij}^\alpha),$$

which shows (2). □

**Proposition A.30.** For  $z, z' \in \mathbb{C}$ , define a map  $\rho_{z,z'} : A_0 \rightarrow A_0$  by

$$\rho_{z,z'} = (f_{z'} \otimes \iota \otimes f_z) \Delta^2.$$

Then  $\rho_{z,z'}$  is an algebra homomorphism, and for any  $w, w' \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{0,0} &= \iota, & \rho_{z,z'} \circ \rho_{w,w'} &= \rho_{z+w, z'+w'}, \\ \varphi \circ \rho_{z,z'} &= \varphi, & \rho_{z,z'} \circ * &= * \circ \rho_{-\bar{z}, -\bar{z}'} \\ \rho_{z,z'} \circ \kappa &= \kappa \circ \rho_{-z', -z}, & \Delta \circ \rho_{z,z'} &= (\rho_{w,z'} \otimes \rho_{z,-w}) \circ \Delta, \\ \kappa^{-1} &= \rho_{1,-1} \circ \kappa. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* These are all immediate from the previous proposition. □

In particular, define two one-parameter families of  $*$ -homomorphisms of  $A_0$  by

$$\sigma_t = \rho_{it, it}, \quad \tau_t = \rho_{-it, it} \quad (t \in \mathbb{R}).$$

These have analytic extensions to all of  $\mathbb{C}$ , and we see that  $\sigma = \rho_{1,1} = \sigma_{-i}$  while  $\kappa^2 = \rho_{-1,1} = \tau_{-i}$ . Also  $\Delta \tau_t = (\tau_t \otimes \tau_t) \Delta$  and  $\Delta \sigma_t = (\tau_t \otimes \sigma_t) \Delta$ . It follows that  $(\sigma_t)$  is the modular automorphism group of  $\varphi$ , while  $(\tau_t)$  is the scaling group of  $(A, \Delta)$ . Notice that  $\rho_{z,z'} = \sigma_{-i(z+z')/2} \tau_{-i(z'-z)/2}$ .

## A.6 Slicing against coreps

We take a slight diversion, and follow [6, Section 4].

**Proposition A.31.** *Let  $U \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$  be a unitary corepresentation, and let  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_0(H)^*$ . Then:*

1. Set  $a = (\iota \otimes \omega)(U) \in A$ . If  $\varphi(aa^*) = 0$  then  $a = 0$ .
2.  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U) = 0$  if and only if  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U^*) = 0$ .

For any  $a, b \in A$  fixed, we have that  $(\iota \otimes \varphi)(\Delta(b^*)(1 \otimes a)) = 0$  if and only if  $(\iota \otimes \varphi)((1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition A.9, if  $B$  is the norm closure of  $\{(c\varphi \otimes \iota)(U) : c \in A\}$ , then  $B$  is a non-degenerate C\*-algebra acting on  $H$ , and  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$ . In particular, we can find  $b_0 \in B, \omega_0 \in \mathcal{B}_0(H)^*$  with  $\omega = b_0\omega_0$ .

For (I), for any  $c \in A$ , we have by Cauchy-Schwarz that  $|\varphi(ac)|^2 \leq \varphi(aa^*)\varphi(c^*b) = 0$ , and so  $\langle (c\varphi \otimes \iota)(U), \omega \rangle = \langle c\varphi, a \rangle = 0$ . Thus  $\langle b, \omega \rangle = 0$  for all  $b \in B$ . As  $U \in M(A \otimes B)$  we can find a bounded net  $(u_i)$  in  $A \otimes B$  with  $u_i \rightarrow U$  strictly. Then

$$a = (\iota \otimes \omega)(U) = (\iota \otimes \omega_0)(U(1 \otimes b_0)) = \lim_i (\iota \otimes \omega_0)(u_i(1 \otimes b_0)) = \lim_i (\iota \otimes \omega)(u_i) = 0,$$

as  $u_i \in A \otimes B$ .

For (2), suppose that  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U) = 0$ . As just argued, this certainly implies that  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(V) = 0$  for any  $V \in M(A \otimes B)$ . In particular,  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U^*) = 0$ . Conversely, if  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U^*) = 0$  then  $(\iota \otimes \omega)(U^*)^* = (\iota \otimes \omega^*)(U) = 0$ , and so  $0 = (\iota \otimes \omega^*)(U^*) = (\iota \otimes \omega)(U)^*$  as required.

Finally, follow Section A.1, as applied to some faithful representation of  $A$ , to form the left regular corepresentation  $U$ . Then Lemma A.4 combined with (2) gives immediately the final claim.  $\square$

**Theorem A.32.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is faithful. If  $a \in A$  with  $\Delta(a)$  in the algebraic tensor product of  $A$  with itself, then  $a \in A_0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\Delta(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes b_i$ . For  $b \in A$ , notice that

$$(\iota \otimes \varphi)((1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \varphi(b^*b_i)a_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle b_i\varphi, b^* \rangle a_i.$$

Thus  $(\iota \otimes \varphi)((1 \otimes b^*)\Delta(a)) = 0$  if and only if  $b^* \in \ker(b_1\varphi) \cap \cdots \cap \ker(b_n\varphi)$ . By the previous proposition, this is equivalent to  $(\iota \otimes \varphi)(\Delta(b^*)(1 \otimes a)) = 0$ . In particular, we conclude that  $\{(\iota \otimes \varphi)(\Delta(b^*)(1 \otimes a)) : b \in A\}$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $A$ .

Now let  $b = u_{i,j}^\alpha$  to see that

$$\left\{ \sum_k (u_{i,k}^\alpha)^* \varphi((u_{k,j}^\alpha)^* a) : \alpha \in I, 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha \right\}$$

is also a finite-dimensional subspace of  $A$  (actually, of  $A_0$ ). As the set  $\{u_{i,j}^\alpha\}$  is a basis for  $A_0$ , it follows that there is a finite subset  $F \subseteq I$  such that

$$\varphi((u_{k,j}^\alpha)^* a) = 0 \quad (\alpha \notin F, 1 \leq j, k \leq n_\alpha).$$

Using Proposition A.21, if we set  $H_\alpha = \text{lin}\{u_{i,j}^\alpha \xi_0 : 1 \leq i, j \leq n_\alpha\} \subseteq L^2(\varphi)$ , then  $L^2(\varphi)$  is the orthogonal direct sum of the finite-dimensional subspaces  $\{H_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ . We have just shown that  $a\xi_0 \in \text{lin}\{H_\alpha : \alpha \in F\}$ . As  $\varphi$  is faithful, the GNS map  $A \rightarrow L^2(\varphi); b \mapsto b\xi_0$  is injective, and so  $a \in \text{lin}\{u_{i,j}^\alpha : \alpha \in F\} \subseteq A_0$  as required.  $\square$

An example given in [2] shows that this result may fail if  $\varphi$  is not faithful.

## A.7 Faithfulness of the Haar state

**Proposition A.33.** *The restriction of  $\varphi$  to  $A_0$  is a faithful state.*

*Proof.* Let  $a \in A_0$  with  $\langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = 0$ . By Cauchy-Schwarz,  $\langle \varphi, a^*b \rangle = 0$  for all  $b \in A_0$ . Thus, if  $a = \sum_{\alpha,i,j} \lambda_{i,j}^\alpha u_{i,j}^\alpha$  a finite linear combination, then taking  $b = u_{p,q}^\beta$  shows that

$$0 = \sum_{i,j} \overline{\lambda_{i,j}^\beta} \delta_{j,q} F_{p,i}^\beta = \sum_i \overline{\lambda_{i,q}^\beta} F_{p,i}^\beta.$$

Again, as  $F^\beta$  is invertible, this shows that  $\lambda^\beta = 0$  for all  $\beta$ , as required.  $\square$

**Proposition A.34.** *For any  $a \in A$ , we have that  $\langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $\langle \varphi, aa^* \rangle = 0$ . In particular:*

1.  $N_\varphi = \{a \in A : \langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = 0\}$  is a two-sided closed ideal of  $A$ ;
2. Let  $(L^2(\varphi), \pi, \Lambda)$  be the GNS construction for  $\varphi$ . Then  $\ker \Lambda = \ker \pi = N_\varphi$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $\langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = 0$ . By Cauchy-Schwarz,  $\langle \varphi, a^*b \rangle = 0$  for all  $b \in A$ , in particular, for all  $b \in A_0$ . As  $A_0$  is dense in  $A$ , we can find a sequence  $(a_n)$  in  $A_0$  with  $a_n^* \rightarrow a^*$  in norm. So

$$0 = \langle \varphi, a^* \sigma(b) \rangle = \lim_n \langle \varphi, a_n^* \sigma(b) \rangle = \lim_n \langle \varphi, ba_n^* \rangle = \langle \varphi, ba^* \rangle$$

where here we use Proposition [A.28](#). <sup>prop:firstpropsfz</sup> As this holds for all  $b \in A_0$ , again by density, we conclude that  $\langle \varphi, aa^* \rangle = 0$ , as required.

That  $N_\varphi$  is a left ideal follows from the inequality  $a^*x^*xa \leq \|x\|^2 a^*a$ ; clearly  $N_\varphi$  is closed. However, we have just shown that  $N_\varphi$  is self-adjoint, and hence is a right ideal as well, showing (1).

By definition,  $\ker \Lambda = N_\varphi$ . Suppose that  $\pi(a) = 0$ , so  $0 = \pi(a)\Lambda(1) = \Lambda(a)$ , so  $a \in N_\varphi$ . Conversely, if  $a \in N_\varphi$  then for  $b \in A$ , as  $abb^*a^* \leq \|b\|^2 a^*a$  and  $\langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = 0$ , also  $\langle \varphi, abb^*a^* \rangle = 0$ , so also  $\langle \varphi, b^*a^*ab \rangle = 0$ , showing that  $\pi(a)\Lambda(b) = 0$ . As  $b$  was arbitrary,  $\pi(a)\xi = 0$  for all  $\xi \in H$ , showing that  $\pi(a) = 0$ . Thus (2) holds.  $\square$

So we can form the quotient algebra  $A_r = A/N_\varphi$ , and let  $\varphi_r$  be the functional induced by  $\varphi$  on  $A_r$ ; it follows that  $\varphi_r$  is a faithful state on  $A_r$ . Let  $(L^2(\varphi), \pi, \Lambda)$  be the GNS construction for  $\varphi$  on  $A$ , and let  $(H_r, \pi_r, \Lambda_r)$  be the GNS construction for  $\varphi_r$  on  $A_r$ . Let  $q : A \rightarrow A_r$  be the quotient map. By Proposition [A.33](#), <sup>prop:haarfaithhopf</sup> we see that  $q$  restricts to an injection on  $A_0$ , and hence we can identify  $A_0$  as a dense subalgebra of  $A_r$ .

**Theorem A.35.** *The map  $\Lambda(a) \mapsto \Lambda_r(q(a))$  extends to an isometric isomorphism  $\theta$  from  $L^2(\varphi)$  to  $H_r$ . Then  $\pi_r(q(a))\theta = \theta\pi(a)$  for all  $a \in A$ , and so  $\pi(A), \pi(A_r)$  and  $A_r$  are all isometrically isomorphic.*

*There is a unital  $*$ -homomorphism  $\Delta_r : A_r \rightarrow A_r \otimes A_r$  with  $(q \otimes q)\Delta = \Delta_r q$ , and such that  $(A_r, \Delta_r)$  becomes a compact quantum group.  $\Delta_r$  restricts to  $\Delta$  on  $A_0$ . The corepresentation theory of  $(A_r, \Delta_r)$  agrees with that of  $(A, \Delta)$ .*

*Proof.* As  $\ker q = N_\varphi = \ker \Lambda$ , the map  $\theta$  is well-defined on  $\Lambda(A)$ . Then  $\|\theta\Lambda(a)\|^2 = \langle \varphi_r, q(a^*a) \rangle = \langle \varphi, a^*a \rangle = \|\Lambda(a)\|^2$ , and so  $\theta$  is an isometry with dense range, and hence extends to an isometric isomorphism. Clearly  $\theta$  intertwines  $\pi_r q$  and  $\pi$ , and so we can identify  $\pi(A)$  with  $\pi_r(A_r) \cong A_r$ . <sup>prop:corep gives comult</sup>

We now use Proposition [A.3](#). Use  $\tilde{\pi} : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi))$  to form  $U$ , a unitary in  $M(\pi(A) \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi))) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi) \otimes L^2(\varphi))$  with  $(\pi \otimes \pi)\Delta(a) = U^*(1 \otimes \pi(a))U$  for  $a \in A$ . Using the isomorphism with  $H_r$ , we obtain a unitary  $W \in \mathcal{M}(A_r \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H_r))$  with  $W^*(1 \otimes q(a))W = (\pi_r q \otimes \pi_r q)\Delta(a)$  for  $a \in A$ . Thus, if  $a \in \ker q$ , then  $(q \otimes q)\Delta(a) = 0$  (as  $\pi_r \otimes \pi_r$  injects on  $A_r \otimes A_r$ ).



Then we can set  $\Delta_r(a) = W^*(1 \otimes a)W$  for  $a \in A_r$ , and we see that  $\Delta_r(q(a)) = (q \otimes q)\Delta(a)$ , as required.

It is clear that  $\Delta_r$  agrees with  $\Delta$  on  $A_0$ . The statement about corepresentations follows as we can phrase everything in terms of  $A_0$ .<sup>[5]</sup>  $\square$

As an aside, from LCQG theorem, we define

$$W^*(\Lambda(a) \otimes \Lambda(b)) = (\Lambda \otimes \Lambda)(\Delta(b)(a \otimes 1)).$$

This is the same definition as given by Proposition [A.3](#).<sup>prop:corepgivescomult</sup>

We can now also construct the von Neumann algebraic version of  $A_r$ , as  $M = A_r''$  in  $\mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi))$ . It is easy to see that we can extend  $\Delta$  to a  $M$  by defining  $\Delta(x) = W^*(1 \otimes x)W$  for  $x \in M$  ( $\sigma$ -weak continuity shows that  $\Delta$  does map into  $M \overline{\otimes} M$ , and that  $\Delta$  is coassociative). We extend  $\varphi$  to  $M$  by identifying it with normal state  $\omega_{\Lambda(1)}$ .

**Lemma A.36.** *The extension of  $\varphi$  to  $M$  is a faithful normal state on  $M$ .*

*Proof.* We argue above. If  $x \in M$  with  $\varphi(x^*x) = 0$ , then  $x\Lambda(1) = 0$ . We can find a net  $(a_i)$  in  $A_0$  which converges strongly on  $x$  (by Kaplansky Density). Then, for  $b, c \in A_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (x\Lambda(\sigma(b)) | \Lambda(c)) &= \lim_n \varphi(c^* a_n \sigma(b)) = \lim_n \varphi(bc^* a_n) = \lim_n (a_n \Lambda(1) | \Lambda(cb^*)) \\ &= (x\Lambda(1) | \Lambda(cb^*)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

By density,  $(x\xi | \eta) = 0$  for all  $\xi, \eta \in L^2(\varphi)$ , so  $x = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem A.37.** *Let  $x \in M$  with  $\Delta(x)$  in the algebraic tensor product of  $M$  with itself. Then  $x \in A_0$ .*

*Proof.* We copy the proof of Theorem [A.32](#).<sup>thm:when\_in\_poly</sup> To do so, we need to use a version of Proposition [A.31](#),<sup>prop:slices</sup> where  $a \in M$  in the final claim. In turn, this follows from a version of Lemma [A.4](#),<sup>lem:dense</sup> which in turn follows from the construction of  $W \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(\varphi) \otimes L^2(\varphi))$  as  $W^*(\xi \otimes \Lambda(a)) = \Delta(a)(\xi \otimes \Lambda(1))$  for  $a \in A$ ,  $\xi \in L^2(\varphi)$ . For  $x \in M$ , if  $(a_n)$  is a net in  $A$  converging strongly to  $x$ , then  $\Delta(x)$  will be the strong limit of  $\Delta(a_n)$ , and  $\Delta(x) = x\Delta(1) = \lim_n a_n \Delta(1) = \lim_n \Delta(a_n)$  in norm. Thus  $W^*(\xi \otimes \Lambda(x)) = \Delta(x)(\xi \otimes \Lambda(1))$  for all  $x \in M$ , and the proof is complete.  $\square$

## B Character theory

Much of this theory comes from [\[7, Section 5\]](#).<sup>woro3</sup>

**Definition B.1.** Let  $U = (U_{ij}) \in A \otimes M_n$  be a (finite-dimensional, unitary) corepresentation. Then the *character* of  $U$  is the element  $\chi(U) = \chi_U = \sum_{i=1}^n U_{ii} \in A$ .

If  $\text{Tr}$  denotes the (non-normalised) trace, then  $\chi_U = (\iota \otimes \text{Tr})U$ , showing  $\chi_U$  to be coordinate independent.

**Lemma B.2.** *Let  $U, V$  be corepresentations of  $A$ . Then  $\chi(U \oplus V) = \chi(U) + \chi(V)$ ,  $\chi(U \otimes V) = \chi(U)\chi(V)$ ,  $\chi(\overline{U}) = \chi(U)^* = \kappa(\chi(U))$ . If  $U$  and  $V$  are equivalent of dimension  $n$ , then  $\chi(U) = \chi(V)$  and  $\epsilon(\chi(U)) = n$ .*

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<sup>5</sup>Should probably be more precise here— a target would be to prove: For  $V \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$  a unitary corepresentation of  $A$ , clearly  $(q \otimes \iota)V$  is a unitary corepresentation of  $A_r$ ; we claim that this establishes a bijection between unitary corepresentations of  $A$  and of  $A_r$ .

*Proof.* We only prove the non-obvious claims. We may suppose that  $U$  is unitary, so then  $\chi(\bar{U}) = \sum_i U_{ii}^* = \sum_i \kappa(U_{ii})$  and so  $\chi(\bar{U}) = \chi(U)^* = \kappa(\chi(U))$ . Similarly,  $\epsilon(\chi(U)) = \sum_i \epsilon(U_{ii}) = n$ .  $\square$

**Proposition B.3.** *If  $U, V$  are irreducible (unitary) corepresentations, then  $\varphi(\chi_U^* \chi_V) = \varphi(\chi_U \chi_V^*) = 1$  if  $U$  is equivalent to  $V$ , and equals 0 otherwise.*

*Proof.* This follows immediately from Proposition [A.21](#) and Proposition [A.25](#).  $\square$

Then, as for classical compact groups, knowing  $\chi_U$  allows us to find how  $U$  is decomposed as irreducibles. To be precise, if we set  $n_\alpha = \varphi(\chi_{u_\alpha}^* \chi_U)$ , then

$$U \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} (u^\alpha)^{\oplus n_\alpha}, \quad \chi_U = \sum_{\alpha} n_\alpha \chi(u^\alpha).$$

Furthermore, the space of intertwiners between  $U$  and itself has dimension  $\sum_{\alpha} n_\alpha^2 = \varphi(\chi_U^* \chi_U)$ .

**Lemma B.4.** *Assume diagonalised  $F$ -matrices.<sup>6</sup> Then  $f_1(\chi_U) = f_{-1}(\chi_U) = \Lambda_\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* Simply note that  $f_z(\chi_U) = \sum_i (\lambda_i^\alpha)^z$  and so  $f_1(\chi_U) = f_{-1}(\chi_U) = \Lambda_\alpha$ .  $\square$

Notice that

$$\Delta(\chi_U) = \sum_i \Delta(U_{ii}) = \sum_{i,j} U_{ij} \otimes U_{ji},$$

and so  $\Delta(\chi_U) = \sigma \Delta(\chi_U)$ . Woronowicz says that this corresponds to the classical situation where characters are always invariant under inner-automorphisms.<sup>7</sup>

## B.1 Woronowicz's question

Let  $A_{\text{cen}} = \{a \in A : \Delta(a) = \sigma \Delta(a)\}$  and  $A_{\text{cen}}^0 = A_0 \cap A_{\text{cen}}$ .

**Lemma B.5.** *Let  $a \in A_{\text{cen}}^0$ . Then  $a$  is a finite linear combination of characters.*

*Proof.* As  $a \in A_0$ , we can write  $a = \sum a_{\alpha,i,j} u_{ij}^\alpha$ . Then

$$\Delta(a) = \sum a_{\alpha,i,j} u_{ik}^\alpha \otimes u_{kj}^\alpha = \sigma \Delta(a) = \sum a_{\alpha,i,j} u_{kj}^\alpha \otimes u_{ik}^\alpha.$$

Then for all  $\beta, p, q$ ,

$$\sum_i a_{\beta,i,q} u_{ip}^\beta = \sum_j a_{\beta,p,j} u_{qj}^\beta.$$

But then looking at the  $u_{r,s}^\gamma$  component shows that for all  $\gamma, p, q, r, s$  we have that

$$a_{\gamma,r,q} \delta_{s,p} = a_{\gamma,p,s} \delta_{r,q}.$$

So if  $s \neq p$  then  $a_{\gamma,p,s} = 0$ , while taking  $r = q$  and  $s = p$  shows that  $a_{\gamma,r,r} = a_{\gamma,s,s}$  for all  $r, s$ . So there are scalars  $b_\alpha$  such that  $a_{\alpha,i,j} = \delta_{i,j} b_\alpha$ . Hence

$$a = \sum_{\alpha} b_\alpha \sum_i u_{ii}^\alpha = \sum_{\alpha} b_\alpha \chi(u^\alpha),$$

as required.  $\square$

Woronowicz asked:

- Is  $A_{\text{cen}}^0$  dense in  $A_{\text{cen}}$ ?
- Equivalently, is the span of characters dense in  $A_{\text{cen}}$ .

Again, if we believe that when  $A = C(G)$  then  $A_{\text{cen}}$  is the space of functions invariant under inner-automorphisms (i.e. the space of ‘‘class functions’’) then this is true in the classical group case.

<sup>6</sup>Maybe we don't need to do this– but then we need to define the ‘‘quantum-dimension’’ somewhere!

<sup>7</sup>Can we expand?

## C Diagonalisation

sec:diag

Recall (from Proposition [prop:fmatrixes](#) A.21) that the F-matrices satisfy

$$\langle \varphi, (u_{ip}^\beta)^* u_{jq}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} F_{j,i}^\alpha \quad (\alpha, \beta \in I, 1 \leq i, p \leq n_\beta, 1 \leq j, q \leq n_\alpha),$$

where  $F^\alpha$  is a positive invertible matrix with trace 1.

Then we can find a unitary matrix  $X^\alpha$  such that  $(X^\alpha)^* F^\alpha X^\alpha$  is diagonal, say with diagonal entries  $(\mu_i^{(\alpha)}) \subseteq (0, 1]$ , with  $\sum_i \mu_i^{(\alpha)} = 1$ .

Set  $v^\alpha = (X^\alpha)^* u^\alpha X^\alpha$ , a unitary corepresentation (unitarily) equivalent to  $u^\alpha$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi, (v_{i,p}^\beta)^* v_{j,q}^\alpha \rangle &= \sum_{a,b,c,d} \langle \varphi, ((X^\beta)^*_{i,a} u_{a,b}^\beta X_{b,p}^\beta)^* (X_{j,c}^\alpha)^* u_{c,d}^\alpha X_{d,q}^\alpha \rangle \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_{a,b,c,d} X_{a,i}^\alpha \overline{X_{b,p}^\alpha X_{c,j}^\alpha} X_{d,q}^\alpha \langle \varphi, (u_{a,b}^\alpha)^* u_{c,d}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_{a,b,c,d} X_{a,i}^\alpha \overline{X_{b,p}^\alpha X_{c,j}^\alpha} X_{d,q}^\alpha \delta_{b,d} F_{c,a}^\alpha \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_{a,c} X_{a,i}^\alpha \overline{X_{c,j}^\alpha} ((X^\alpha)^* X^\alpha)_{p,q} F_{c,a}^\alpha = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} ((X^\alpha)^* F^\alpha X^\alpha)_{j,i} \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} \delta_{i,j} \mu_i^{(\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

We now use Proposition [prop:haarotherway](#) A.25. First note that  $(X^\alpha)^* (F^\alpha)^{-1} X^\alpha$  is diagonal with entries  $(\mu_i^{-1})$ . As before, set  $t_\alpha = \text{Tr}((F^\alpha)^{-1}) = \sum_i \mu_i^{-1}$ . So we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi, v_{i,p}^\beta (v_{j,q}^\alpha)^* \rangle &= \sum_{a,b,c,d} \langle \varphi, (X^\beta)^*_{i,a} u_{a,b}^\beta X_{b,p}^\beta ((X_{j,c}^\alpha)^* u_{c,d}^\alpha X_{d,q}^\alpha)^* \rangle \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_{a,b,c,d} (X^\alpha)^*_{i,a} X_{b,p}^\alpha X_{c,j}^\alpha \overline{X_{d,q}^\alpha} \delta_{a,c} \frac{(F^\alpha)^{-1}_{d,b}}{t_\alpha} \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} \sum_{b,d} X_{b,p}^\alpha (X^\alpha)^*_{q,d} \frac{(F^\alpha)^{-1}_{d,b}}{t_\alpha} \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} \frac{((X^\alpha)^* (F^\alpha)^{-1} X^\alpha)_{q,p}}{t_\alpha} = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} \delta_{p,q} (\mu_p^{(\alpha)})^{-1} t_\alpha^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\lambda_i^\alpha = (\mu_i^{(\alpha)})^{-1} t_\alpha^{-1/2}$ , so that

$$\sum_i (\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1} = (t^\alpha)^{1/2}, \quad \sum_i \lambda_i^\alpha = (t^\alpha)^{-1/2} t_\alpha = (t^\alpha)^{1/2}.$$

So with  $\Lambda_\alpha = (t^\alpha)^{1/2}$ , we see that

$$\langle \varphi, (v_{i,p}^\beta)^* v_{j,q}^\alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{p,q} \delta_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_i^\alpha \Lambda_\alpha}, \quad \langle \varphi, v_{i,p}^\beta (v_{j,q}^\alpha)^* \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{i,j} \delta_{p,q} \frac{\lambda_p^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}.$$

Thus, to recap, for the new family of unitary corepresentations  $(v^\alpha)$ , the associated “F-matrices” are diagonal, with entries  $(\mu_i^{(\alpha)})$  or equivalently, with entries  $((\lambda_i^\alpha)^{-1} \Lambda_\alpha^{-1})$ .

Thus this does agree with my PAMS

paper. Notice that Lemma [lem:fmatrixkappa](#) A.26 shows that

$$\frac{\delta_{i,j}}{\lambda_i^\alpha \Lambda_\alpha} = \sum_{k,l} (\overline{v^\alpha})_{i,k} \frac{\delta_{k,l}}{\lambda_k^\alpha \Lambda_\alpha} (\overline{v^\alpha})_{l,j}^* = \sum_k (v_{i,k}^\alpha)^* v_{j,k}^\alpha \frac{1}{\lambda_k^\alpha \Lambda_\alpha}.$$

## C.1 Decomposing the left-regular corepresentation

[8]

Form the left-regular corepresentation  $U$  as in Proposition [A.5](#), so that  $U \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi)))$ . Recall that  $L^2(\varphi)$  is the GNS space for  $\varphi$ , with cyclic vector  $\xi_0$ . As at the start,  $L^2(\varphi)$  decomposes as the orthogonal direct sum  $L^2(\varphi) = \bigoplus_{\alpha} H_{\alpha}$  where  $H_{\alpha}$  is the span of the vectors  $(v_{ij}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0$ . There is then a unitary

$$U_{\alpha} : H_{\alpha} \rightarrow \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2; \quad (v_{ij}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0 \mapsto \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}{\Lambda_{\alpha}}} \delta_i \otimes \delta_j.$$

Let  $X = \bigoplus_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} : L^2(\varphi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\alpha} \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2$ . Then as before,

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes X)U^*(1 \otimes X^*)(\xi \otimes \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha}) &= \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} (1 \otimes X)U^*(\xi \otimes (v_{ij}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} \sum_k (1 \otimes X)((v_{ik}^{\alpha})^* \xi \otimes (v_{kj}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0) = \sum_k (v_{ik}^{\alpha})^* \xi \otimes \delta_k^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$(1 \otimes X)U^*(1 \otimes X^*) = \sum_{\alpha, i, k} (v_{ik}^{\alpha})^* \otimes e_{ki}^{\alpha} \otimes 1,$$

and so

$$(1 \otimes X)U(1 \otimes X^*) = \sum_{\alpha, i, k} v_{ik}^{\alpha} \otimes e_{ik}^{\alpha} \otimes 1.$$

Hence  $(1 \otimes X)U(1 \otimes X^*)$  decomposes as  $(v^{\alpha})$  where each  $v^{\alpha} \in M_n(A) = A \otimes M_n$  acts on the first component of  $\ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2$ .

## C.2 The right regular representation

Again, let  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$  be the opposite quantum group. Then  $\varphi$  remains the Haar weight for  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ , and so we can form the regular representation  $U^{\text{op}}$  for  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ , acting on  $L^2(\varphi)$ . It is easy to see that  $Y$  is a (unitary) corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$  if and only if  $Y^*$  is a (unitary) corepresentation of  $(A, \sigma\Delta)$ . Set  $V = (U^{\text{op}})^*$ , the *right regular representation* of  $(A, \Delta)$ . By definition,

$$V(\xi \otimes a\xi_0) = \sigma\Delta(a)(\xi \otimes \xi_0).$$

Thus we find that

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes X)V(1 \otimes X^*)(\xi \otimes \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha}) &= \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} (1 \otimes X)V(\xi \otimes (v_{ij}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} (1 \otimes X) \sum_k (v_{kj}^{\alpha})^* \xi \otimes (v_{ik}^{\alpha})^* \xi_0 = \sum_k (v_{kj}^{\alpha})^* \xi \otimes \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_k^{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} \delta_k^{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes X)V(1 \otimes X^*) &= \sum_{\alpha, j, k} (v_{kj}^{\alpha})^* \otimes 1 \otimes \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_k^{\alpha}}{\lambda_j^{\alpha}}} e_{kj}^{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha, j, k} (\tau_{-i/2}(v_{kj}^{\alpha}))^* \otimes 1 \otimes e_{kj}^{\alpha} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha, j, k} R(v_{jk}^{\alpha}) \otimes 1 \otimes e_{kj}^{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>8</sup>This is just a variant of the construction at the start, but where now we don't work with the *reduced* version of  $A$ .

### C.3 Products of compact quantum groups

Let  $(A, \Delta_A)$  and  $(B, \Delta_B)$  be compact quantum groups, with Haar states  $\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_B$ . We form a coproduct  $\Delta$  on  $A \otimes B$  by  $\Delta = (1 \otimes \sigma \otimes 1)(\Delta_A \otimes \Delta_B)$ . This is clearly a map  $A \otimes B \rightarrow (A \otimes B) \otimes (A \otimes B)$ . A tedious but easy calculation shows that this is cocommutative. We call  $(A \otimes B, \Delta)$  the *product* of  $A$  and  $B$ .

Let  $U$  be a corepresentation of  $A$ , and  $V$  be a corepresentation of  $B$ , both acting on the same space  $H$ . We shall say that  $U$  and  $V$  *commute* if  $U_{13}V_{23} = V_{23}U_{13}$ . Under this assumption, if we set  $X = U_{13}V_{23} = U \times V \in M(A \otimes B \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(H))$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta \otimes \iota)X &= (\iota \otimes \sigma \otimes \iota \otimes \iota)((\Delta_A \otimes \iota)(U)_{125}(\Delta_B \otimes \iota)(V)_{345}) = (\iota \otimes \sigma \otimes \iota \otimes \iota)(U_{15}U_{25}V_{35}V_{45}) \\ &= U_{15}U_{35}V_{25}V_{45} = U_{15}V_{25}U_{35}V_{45} = X_{13}X_{23}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $X$  is a corepresentation of  $A \otimes B$ .

In particular, set  $B = A$  and let  $U, V$  be the left (respectively, right) regular representations. Thanks to the previous calculations, we see that  $U$  and  $V$  commute. Furthermore, by taking suitable  $\mu \in A^* \odot A^* \subseteq (A \otimes A)^*$ , we have

$$(\mu \otimes \iota)(U_{13}V_{23}) = e_{ik}^\alpha \otimes e_{jl}^\alpha$$

for any  $\alpha, i, j, k, l$ . Hence  $U_{13}V_{23}$  is irreducible. This is in some sense the analogue of the classical Peter-Weyl theorem.

- Can we show that every irrep of  $A \times A$  occurs in this way?

### C.4 “Central” elements

In a similar manner, we can show that  $UV$  (or  $VU$ ) is a unitary corepresentation of  $(A, \Delta)$ ; indeed

$$(\Delta \otimes \iota)(UV) = U_{13}U_{23}V_{13}V_{23} = U_{13}V_{13}U_{23}V_{23} = (UV)_{13}(UV)_{23}.$$

We shall say that  $\eta \in L^2(\varphi)$  is *central* or *invariant* if  $(UV)(\xi \otimes \eta) = \xi \otimes \eta$  for all  $\xi$ . It is easy to see that this is equivalent to

$$(\mu \otimes \iota)(UV)\eta = \mu(1)\eta \quad (\mu \in A^*),$$

which also shows that the original definition is independent of the chosen faithful representation of  $A$ .

**Lemma C.1.** *The operator  $p = (\varphi \otimes \iota)(UV)$  is a projection, and  $\eta \in L^2(\varphi)$  is central if and only if  $p\eta = \eta$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be any (unitary) corepresentation of  $A$ , and for now, let  $p = (\varphi \otimes \iota)X$ . Applying  $\varphi \otimes \iota \otimes \iota$  to the relation  $(\Delta \otimes \iota)(X) = X_{13}X_{23}$  shows that  $(1 \otimes p)X = 1 \otimes p$ . Similarly, applying  $\iota \otimes \varphi \otimes \iota$  yields that  $X(1 \otimes p) = 1 \otimes p$ . Then, applying  $\varphi \otimes \iota$  gives that  $p^2 = p$ . Finally, as  $\varphi$  is a state and  $\|X\| \leq 1$ , it follows that  $\|p\| \leq 1$ , and so  $p$  must be an orthogonal projection.

Now say that  $\eta$  is invariant for  $X$  if  $(\mu \otimes \iota)(X)\eta = \mu(1)\eta$  for all  $\mu \in A^*$ . It follows immediately that if  $\eta$  is invariant, then  $p\eta = \eta$ . Conversely, if  $p\eta = \eta$  then

$$\xi \otimes \eta = (1 \otimes p)(\xi \otimes \eta) = X(1 \otimes p)(\xi \otimes \eta) = X(\xi \otimes \eta),$$

and so  $\eta$  is invariant.

The lemma now follows from the special case  $X = UV$ . □

- What happens if we instead use  $VU$ ?

Dropping now the isomorphism  $X$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (\varphi \otimes \iota)(UV) = \sum \varphi(v_{ik}^\alpha (v_{lj}^\alpha)^*) e_{ik}^\alpha \otimes e_{lj}^\alpha \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\lambda_j^\alpha}} = \sum_{\alpha, i, j} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_i^\alpha \lambda_j^\alpha}}{\Lambda_\alpha} e_{ij}^\alpha \otimes e_{ij}^\alpha \\ &= \sum_\alpha \sum_{i, j} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_j^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}} \theta_{\delta_i^\alpha \otimes \delta_i^\alpha, \delta_j^\alpha \otimes \delta_j^\alpha} = \sum_\alpha \theta_{e_\alpha, e_\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

say, where  $e_\alpha = \sum_i \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_i^\alpha}{\Lambda_\alpha}} \delta_i^\alpha \otimes \delta_i^\alpha$ . Here we use the obvious isomorphism  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} \cong \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha \times n_\alpha}$ . Notice that actually  $e_\alpha = X(\chi_\alpha^* \xi_0)$  where  $\chi_\alpha$  is the character of  $v^\alpha$ . It immediately follows that  $p(e_\alpha) = e_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha$ . Less obvious in this picture is that  $X(\chi_\alpha \xi_0)$  is also invariant. We can prove this by observing that

$$V(\xi \otimes \chi_\alpha \xi_0) = \sum_i \sigma \Delta(v_{ii}^\alpha)(\xi \otimes \xi_0) = \sum_{ij} v_{ji}^\alpha \xi \otimes v_{ij}^\alpha \xi_0 = \sum_j \Delta(v_{jj}^\alpha)(\xi \otimes \xi_0) = U^*(\xi \otimes \chi_\alpha \xi_0).$$

Hence  $UV(\xi \otimes \xi_0) = \xi \otimes \xi_0$ , which is true for any  $\xi$ , showing that  $\xi_0$  is invariant.

**Corollary C.2.** *The family  $(e_\alpha)$  is an orthonormal basis for the subspace of central vectors in  $L^2(\varphi)$ .*

*Proof.* From Proposition [B.3](#) <sup>prop:char\_are\_on</sup> we know that  $\varphi(\chi_\alpha \chi_\beta^*) = \delta_{\alpha, \beta}$ , showing that  $(\chi_\alpha^* \xi_0) = (e_\alpha)$  is an orthonormal set. The result now follows given the form of  $p$  established above.  $\square$

### C.4.1 Actions

In the commutative case, we can consider the action of  $G$  on itself given by  $s \cdot t = sts^{-1}$ . This gives a coaction  $\alpha : C(G) \rightarrow C(G \times G)$  given by  $\alpha(f)(s, t) = f(sts^{-1})$ . This is a left coaction, as

$$(\iota \otimes \alpha)\alpha(f)(s, t, r) = \alpha(f)(s, trt^{-1}) = f(strt^{-1}s^{-1}) = (\Delta \otimes \iota)\alpha(f)(s, t, r).$$

First observe that  $V\xi(s, t) = \xi(s, ts)$  for  $\xi \in L^2(G \times G)$ . Hence

$$V^*U^*(1 \otimes f)UV\xi(s, t) = V^*\Delta(f)V\xi(s, t) = \Delta(f)V\xi(s, ts^{-1}) = f(sts^{-1})V\xi(s, ts^{-1}) = \alpha(f)(s, t)\xi(s, t),$$

and so  $V^*U^*(1 \otimes f)UV = \alpha(f)$ .

However, in the compact quantum group case, this doesn't work, because in general  $V^*\Delta(v_{ij}^\alpha)V \in M(A \otimes \mathcal{B}_0(L^2(\varphi)))$  is not in  $A \otimes A$ . **How to show this? Is it true in the Kac case?**

## C.5 Convolution product

We identify a dense subspace of  $L^1(A)$  with a (dense) subspace of  $A$  by saying that  $\omega \in L^1(A)$  corresponds to  $a \in A$  when  $\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)) = a\xi_0$  in  $L^2(\varphi)$ . This is equivalent to

$$(a\xi_0 | b\xi_0) = \varphi(b^*a) = \langle \varphi, b^*a \rangle = \langle b^*, a\varphi \rangle = (\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)) | b\xi_0) = \langle b^*, \omega \rangle \quad (b \in A).$$

That is, if and only if  $a\varphi = \omega$ . Then, given  $a, b \in A$  we define the *convolution product*  $a * b$  to be (if it exists) the element  $c$  of  $A$  which corresponds to  $(a\varphi) * (b\varphi) \in L^1(A)$ , that is,  $c\varphi = (a\varphi) * (b\varphi)$ .

Let  $a = v_{ij}^\alpha$  and  $b = v_{kl}^\beta$ . Then to find  $c$ , it is enough that

$$\langle (v_{st}^\gamma)^*, c\varphi \rangle = \langle (v_{st}^\gamma)^*, (a\varphi) * (b\varphi) \rangle$$

for all  $\gamma, s, t$ . However,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (v_{st}^\gamma)^*, (a\varphi) * (b\varphi) \rangle &= \sum_r \varphi((v_{sr}^\gamma)^* v_{ij}^\alpha) \varphi((v_{rt}^\gamma)^* v_{kl}^\beta) = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{\alpha,\gamma} \delta_{s,i} \delta_{t,l} \delta_{j,k} \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha^2 \lambda_i^\alpha \lambda_j^\alpha} \\ &= \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{j,k} \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_j^\alpha} \varphi((v_{st}^\gamma)^* v_{il}^\alpha), \end{aligned}$$

from which it follows that

$$v_{ij}^\alpha * v_{kl}^\beta = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta_{j,k} \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_j^\alpha} v_{il}^\alpha.$$

In particular,

$$\chi_\alpha * \chi_\beta = \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_i \frac{1}{\Lambda_\alpha \lambda_i^\alpha} v_{i,i}^\alpha.$$

We could instead consider “twisted” convolution:

$$a \star \omega = \hat{\lambda}(\hat{\omega}[a\xi_0, \hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)^*)]).$$

Note quite sure where this goes– to copy the Dixmier idea, we’d need to find a “central bai” of such  $\omega$ , and it’s not clear when we can do this– at the very best, we’d need  $\mathbb{G}$  coamenable!

(So, maybe, spend some time thinking about what happens when for  $A(G)$  with  $G$  discrete??)

## C.6 Todo

- We do know that  $WV$  (and/or  $VW$ ) is a corep of  $\mathbb{G}$ , and so can talk about “central”  $L^2(\mathbb{G})$  vectors. However, should show that this does not (in non-Kac case?) give a coaction of  $A$  (unfortunately).
- Then think about Dixmier’s proof:
  - Does “convolution” of central elements of  $L^2(\mathbb{G})$  make sense?
  - I think want something like central  $\eta$  such that there is a bounded operator  $T$  with  $\Lambda(\hat{\lambda}(\hat{\omega}_{\xi,\eta})) = (\xi * \eta^*) = T(\xi)$ ? Then want these to give a bai...

## D Commutative case

Suppose now that  $(A, \Delta)$  is a compact quantum group with  $A$  commutative. We shall show that  $A = C(G)$  for some compact group  $G$ , and that  $\Delta$  is the canonical comultiplication.

As  $A$  is commutative,  $A = C(G)$  for some compact Hausdorff space  $G$ . Then  $\Delta : C(G) \rightarrow C(G \times G)$  is a  $*$ -homomorphism, and so corresponds to some map  $G \times G \rightarrow G$ . That  $\Delta$  is coassociative means that  $G$  becomes a compact semigroup. At this stage, we remark that it is possible to use some compact semigroup theory to show directly that the cancellation conditions imply that  $G$  must be a compact group. Instead, we shall use some general theory.

Let  $U \in M_n(C(G))$  be a finite-dimensional corepresentation, and let  $\pi : G \rightarrow M_n$  be the associated continuous map, given by the isomorphism  $M_n(C(G)) = C(G; M_n)$ . Then  $U$  being a corepresentation corresponds to  $\pi$  being a homomorphism. We now adapt an argument from [7]. For any finite-dimensional unitary representation  $\pi : G \rightarrow U(n)$  (where  $U(n)$  is the  $n$ -dimensional unitary group) we note that  $\pi(G)$  is a compact sub-semigroup of  $U(n)$ . If  $A \in \pi(G)$  then by compactness, we can find a sequence  $n(i)$  of naturals with  $n(i+1) > n(i) + 1$ ,

and with  $A^{n(i)} \rightarrow B$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ . Notice that  $B \in \pi(G)$ . Then set  $m(i) = n(i+1) - (n(i)+1) > 0$ , so that

$$A^{m(i)} = A^{n(i+1)}(A^{-1})^{n(i)+1} \rightarrow BB^{-1}A^{-1}.$$

Hence  $A^{-1} \in \pi(G)$ , and so  $\pi(G)$  is a compact subgroup of  $U(n)$ .

By following the general theory, we find a dense Hopf  $*$ -algebra  $P(G)$  inside  $C(G)$ ; we see that  $P(G)$  is precisely the collection of coefficients of finite-dimensional unitary representations of  $G$ .

**Proposition D.1.** *We have that  $G$  is a compact group, and the counit  $\epsilon$  and antipode  $\kappa$  extend to  $C(G)$  with the usual definitions coming from the group structure of  $G$ .*

*Proof.* That  $P(G)$  is dense in  $C(G)$  means that  $P(G)$  separates the points of  $G$ ; that is, for  $s, t \in G$  distinct, there is a unitary representation  $\pi : G \rightarrow U(n)$  with  $\pi(s) \neq \pi(t)$ .

Consider the collection  $\mathcal{N}$  of all subsets  $N_\pi = \{s \in G : \pi(s) = 1\}$  where  $\pi$  is a finite-dimensional unitary representation. Then each  $N_\pi$  is a non-empty compact set, as  $\pi(G)$  is a compact group. Then  $\mathcal{N}$  has the finite-intersection property, and  $N_{\pi_1} \cap \dots \cap N_{\pi_n} = N_\pi$  where  $\pi = \pi_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \pi_n$ . So  $\bigcap \mathcal{N}$  is non-empty, and thus there is some  $e_G \in G$  with  $e_G \in N_\pi$  for all  $\pi$ . As such  $\pi$  separate points,  $e_G$  is unique. Then, for any  $\pi$  and  $t \in G$ , we find that  $\pi(te_G) = \pi(t) = \pi(e_G t)$ , so by the separation of points property,  $e_G$  is the identity of  $G$ .

Now fix  $t_0 \in G$ . For each  $\pi$  there is at least one  $t \in G$  with  $\pi(t) = \pi(t_0)^{-1}$  so that  $\pi(tt_0) = \pi(t_0 t) = \pi(e_G)$ . Again by a finite-intersection property argument, we can show that there is at least one such  $t$  that works for all  $\pi$ . Then separation of points shows that  $t$  is unique, and that  $t = t_0^{-1}$ . So  $G$  is a group.

The defining properties of  $\epsilon$  and  $\kappa$  now easily show that, for  $f \in P(G)$ , we have  $\epsilon(f) = f(e_G)$ , and  $\kappa(f)(s) = f(s^{-1})$  for  $s \in G$ . These maps obviously extend by continuity to  $C(G)$ .  $\square$

The Haar state  $\varphi$  corresponds to a Borel probability measure,  $ds$ , on  $G$ . That  $\varphi$  is left and right invariant means that

$$\int_G f(st) ds = \int_G f(ts) ds = \int_G f(s) ds \quad (t \in G, f \in C(G)).$$

Then by uniqueness,  $ds$  must be the Haar measure on  $G$ . We quickly remind the reader why  $ds$  has full support (equivalently, why  $\varphi$  is faithful). Towards a contradiction, suppose that  $\varphi(f) = 0$  for some non-zero positive  $f \in C(G)$ . Then there is a non-empty open set  $U$  with  $|U| = 0$ . Then all (left) translates of  $U$  have zero measure; but as  $G$  is a group, these cover  $G$ , so by compactness, there is a finite subcover, and hence  $|G| = 0$ , contradiction. So  $\varphi$  is faithful. Hence  $A$  is already reduced, and we can identify  $L^2(G)$  with the GNS space for  $\varphi$ .

Let  $U$  be a (unitary) corepresentation, and consider the contragradient corepresentation  $\bar{U}$ , corresponding to  $\bar{\pi}$ . Then

$$\bar{\pi}(s) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{ij}^*(s) e_{ij} = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \overline{u_{ij}(s)} e_{ij} = \overline{\pi(s)},$$

where for  $x \in M_n$ , we again denote by  $\bar{x} = (x^*)^t = (x^t)^*$  the matrix obtained by pointwise conjugation of complex numbers. As  $A$  is commutative, it is clear that  $U$  unitary (respectively, invertible) implies also that  $\bar{U}$  is unitary (respectively, invertible), and so Proposition A.19 becomes a triviality in this case.

From Lemma A.26 we see that each “ $F$ -matrix” is a scalar multiple of the identity, and so in particular diagonal. Taking the normalisation that  $\text{Tr}(F^\alpha) = \text{Tr}((F^\alpha)^{-1})$ , we must have that  $F^\alpha = I_{n_\alpha}$ , and so  $\Lambda_\alpha = n_\alpha$ , for all  $\alpha$ . Then each character  $f_z$  is equal to the counit, and the scaling group (and of course the modular group) is trivial. Hence  $\kappa = R$  the unitary antipode.



## D.1 Some formulae

The GNS construction for  $\varphi$  has the concrete form that  $H = L^2(G)$ , the map  $\Lambda : C(G) \rightarrow L^2(G)$  is formal identification of functions, and  $\pi : C(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(L^2(G))$  is such that  $\pi(f)$  is the operator given by multiplication by  $f$ . Then  $Jf(s) = \overline{f(s)}$  for  $s \in G$ ,  $f \in L^2(G)$  and  $\hat{J}(f)(s) = \overline{f(s^{-1})}$ . Also

$$W \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(G \times G)); \quad W\xi(s, t) = \xi(s, s^{-1}t) \quad (\xi \in L^2(G \times G), s, t \in G).$$

Let  $(v^\alpha)$  be a complete family of pairwise non-equivalent irreducible unitary corepresentations, with associated unitary representations  $(\pi_\alpha)$ . Then we identify  $\ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  with a subspace of  $L^2(G)$  via

$$\delta_i^\alpha \otimes \delta_j^\alpha \mapsto \sqrt{n_\alpha} v_{ij}^\alpha.$$

Then identifying  $L^2(G)$  with  $\bigoplus \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2$  we again find that

$$W = (w_\alpha) = \left( \sum_{i,j} v_{ij}^\alpha \otimes e_{ij} \otimes 1 \right) \in \mathcal{B}\left(L^2(G) \otimes \bigoplus \ell_{n_\alpha}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_\alpha}^2\right).$$

The left-regular representation is  $\lambda : L^1(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(L^2(G))$  given by

$$\lambda(\omega) = (\omega \otimes \iota)(W); \quad \lambda(\omega)(f) = \omega * f \quad (\omega \in L^1(G), f \in L^2(G)),$$

that is,  $\lambda(\omega)$  is the operator of left convolution by  $\omega$ . In the above picture,

$$\lambda(\omega) = ((\omega \otimes \iota)w_\alpha) \in \bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha},$$

where for each  $\alpha$ ,

$$(\omega \otimes \iota)w_\alpha = \sum_{ij} \langle v_{ij}^\alpha, \omega \rangle e_{ij} \otimes 1 = \int_G \omega(s) \pi_\alpha(s) ds \otimes 1.$$

So as usual, as a C\*-algebra,  $C_r^*(G)$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_n \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$ , but when concretely acting on  $L^2(G)$ , we have to remember that each factor  $\mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$  acts with multiplicity  $n_\alpha$ ; here I have chosen to write this as  $e_{ij} \otimes 1$ , whereas classical sources usually add an “ $n_\alpha$ ” term to indicate multiplicity.

Let's just check this:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\omega)(\delta_i^\alpha \otimes \delta_j^\alpha) &\leftrightarrow n_\alpha^{1/2} \lambda(\omega)(\overline{v_{ij}^\alpha}) = n_\alpha^{1/2} \int_G \omega(s) \overline{v_{ij}^\alpha}(s^{-1}t) ds \\ &= n_\alpha^{1/2} \int_G \omega(s) \overline{\sum_k v_{ik}^\alpha(s^{-1}) v_{kj}^\alpha(t)} ds = n_\alpha^{1/2} \int_G \omega(s) \sum_k v_{ki}^\alpha(s) \overline{v_{kj}^\alpha(t)} ds \\ &\leftrightarrow \sum_k \int_G \omega(s) v_{ki}^\alpha(s) ds \delta_k^\alpha \otimes \delta_j^\alpha = \int_G \omega(s) \pi_\alpha(s) \delta_i^\alpha \otimes \delta_j^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

From general LCQG theory, it's easy<sup>9</sup> to see that  $\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)) = \omega$  for  $\omega \in L^1(G) \cap L^2(G)$ . From above, we find that the weight on  $C_r^*(G) \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha}$  is

$$\hat{\varphi}((x_\alpha)) = \sum_{\alpha} n_\alpha \text{Tr}(x_\alpha),$$

<sup>9</sup>We have  $(\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega))|\Lambda(a)) = \langle a^*, \omega \rangle = \int_G \omega(s) \overline{a(s)} ds$  and as  $\Lambda(a) = a$  under formal identification of functions  $C(G) \subseteq L^2(G)$  the result follows.

where  $\text{Tr} : \mathbb{M}_{n_\alpha} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is the usual trace  $\text{Tr}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_\alpha} x_{ii}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\Lambda}((x_\alpha)) | \hat{\Lambda}((y_\alpha))) &= \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha} \text{Tr}(y_{\alpha}^* x_{\alpha}) = \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha} \sum_{ij} \overline{y_{ij}^{\alpha}} x_{ij}^{\alpha} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} \left( \sum_{ij} \sqrt{n_{\alpha}} x_{ij}^{\alpha} \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha} \middle| \sum_{kl} \sqrt{n_{\alpha}} x_{kl}^{\alpha} \delta_k^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_l^{\alpha} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence there is an isomorphism  $H_{\hat{\varphi}} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\alpha} \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2$ ,

$$\hat{\Lambda}((x_{\alpha})) \mapsto \left( \sum_{ij} \sqrt{n_{\alpha}} x_{ij}^{\alpha} \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha} \right).$$

Under this, for  $\omega \in L^1(G) \cap L^2(G)$ ,

$$\omega = \hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega)) \mapsto \left( \sum_{ij} \sqrt{n_{\alpha}} \langle v_{ij}^{\alpha}, \omega \rangle \delta_i^{\alpha} \otimes \delta_j^{\alpha} \right).$$

If we identify  $\ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2$  with the space of Hilbert-Schmidt operators on  $\ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2$ , then the  $\alpha$ -component of  $\hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\omega))$  is precisely  $\sqrt{n_{\alpha}} \int_G \omega(s) \pi_{\alpha}(s) ds$ . We need to be a little careful: here

$$\ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \otimes \ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2 \ni \delta_i \otimes \delta_j \mapsto e_{ij} \in \mathcal{HS}(\ell_{n_{\alpha}}^2),$$

where  $e_{ij} : \delta_k \mapsto \delta_{j,k} \delta_i$  and so  $e_{ij} = \theta_{\delta_i, \delta_j}$ .

## D.2 The Fourier algebra

As usual,  $L^1(\hat{A})$  is the Fourier algebra  $A(G)$ . Let  $\xi, \eta \in L^2(G)$  and let  $\hat{\omega}_{\xi, \eta} \in A(G)$  be the functional

$$VN(G) \mapsto \mathbb{C}; \quad x \mapsto (x\xi | \eta).$$

Now, as  $VN(G) \cong \prod \mathbb{M}_{n_{\alpha}}$  it follows that  $A(G) \cong \ell^1 - \bigoplus \mathbb{T}_{n_{\alpha}}$ , an  $\ell^1$ -direct sum of trace-class spaces.

Let us introduce some notation. For a Hilbert space  $H$ , let  $\omega_{\xi, \eta} \in \mathcal{B}(H)_*$  be  $x \mapsto (x\xi | \eta)$ . Then let  $\theta_{\xi, \eta}$  be the (rank-one) operator  $\gamma \mapsto (\gamma | \eta) \xi$ . Then the map  $\omega_{\xi, \eta} \mapsto \theta_{\xi, \eta}$  extends to the identification of  $\mathcal{B}(H)_*$  with the trace-class operators  $\mathcal{T}(H)$ . For  $x \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  we have  $\text{Tr}(x\theta_{\xi, \eta}) = \text{Tr}(\theta_{\xi, \eta}x) = (x\xi | \eta) = \langle x, \omega_{\xi, \eta} \rangle$ .

When  $H = \ell_n^2$ , as usual we have  $e_{ij} = \theta_{\delta_i, \delta_j}$  and so  $\omega_{ij} = \omega_{\delta_i, \delta_j} = e_{ij}$  as a trace-class operator. Then

$$\langle e_{ij}, \omega_{kl} \rangle = \text{Tr}(e_{ij} e_{kl}) = \delta_{jk} \delta_{il}.$$

So  $\omega_{kl}$  sends  $e_{lk}$  to 1, and all the other matrix units to 0. (This is sometimes called ‘‘trace-duality’’ to distinguish it from ‘‘parallel-duality’’).

Suppose  $\xi, \eta \in L^1(G) \cap L^2(G)$  so that  $\xi = \hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\xi))$  and the same for  $\eta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle e_{ij}^{\alpha}, \hat{\omega}_{\xi, \eta} \rangle &= (e_{ij}^{\alpha} \hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\xi)) | \hat{\Lambda}(\lambda(\eta))) = \hat{\varphi}(\lambda(\eta)^* e_{ij}^{\alpha} \lambda(\xi)) \\ &= n_{\alpha} \text{Tr}(\pi_{\alpha}(\eta)^* e_{ij}^{\alpha} \pi_{\alpha}(\xi)) = n_{\alpha} \text{Tr}(e_{ij}^{\alpha} \pi_{\alpha}(\xi) \pi_{\alpha}(\eta)^*). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using that the integrated form of  $\pi_{\alpha}$  is a  $*$ -homomorphism  $L^1(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_{n_{\alpha}}$ ,

$$\hat{\omega}_{\xi, \eta} = (\omega_{\alpha}) \in \ell^1 - \bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathbb{T}_{n_{\alpha}} \quad \omega_{\alpha} = n_{\alpha} \int_G (\xi * \eta^*)(s) \pi_{\alpha}(s) ds.$$

Here  $\eta^*(s) = \overline{\eta(s^{-1})}$  and  $\xi * \eta^*$  is the convolution product (again, this reflects the use of the Takesaki–Tatsumma, aka quantum-group, embedding of  $A(G)$  into  $C_0(G)$ , not the Eymard embedding).

### D.3 Contragradient representations

For each  $\alpha$  consider the contragradient  $\overline{v_\alpha}$ . We have that

$$(\overline{v_\alpha})_{ij}(s) = \overline{v_{ij}^\alpha(s)} = \overline{\pi_\alpha(s)_{ij}} = \pi_\alpha(s^{-1})_{ji}.$$

Let  $\overline{\pi_\alpha}$  be the induced representation, which in this (commutative) situation is unitary. We can have two situations: either  $\overline{\pi_\alpha}$  is equivalent to  $\pi_\alpha$ , or it is not.

**Example D.2.** If  $G = SU(2)$  then it's well-known that for each  $n$  there is exactly one equivalence class of irreducible representations of dimension  $n$ . Hence here  $\overline{\pi_\alpha}$  is always equivalent to  $\pi_\alpha$ .

**Example D.3.** If  $G$  is abelian, then every irreducible representation is one-dimensional, and so is a continuous character  $\alpha : G \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ . Then  $\overline{\alpha}$  is just  $\overline{\alpha}(s) = \overline{\alpha(s)}$ . Then observe equivalence of one-dimensional representations corresponds exactly to genuine equality of functions  $G \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ . Then  $\alpha = \overline{\alpha}$  if and only if  $\alpha(s) \in \{1, -1\}$  for all  $s$ .

### D.4 Todo

Maybe try to write-down the coproduct (and/or product on  $A(G)$ ) using the ‘‘Fusion-rules’’??  
Try to write down the antipode on  $VN(G)$ ??

## E Completions of the Hopf algebra

It somewhat folklore that the Hopf  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  can be completed to give back  $C(\mathbb{G})$  or  $C^u(\mathbb{G})$ . We justified this (at the reduced level) in Section [A.7](#). sec:faith-haar

However, there are some subtle points here, going back to Woronowicz and especially highlighted by Dijkhuizen and Koornwinder. The issues is that in general a (unital)  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  need not have any interesting  $C^*$ -algebra completion. Let  $\mathcal{A}^+$  be the positive cone generated by elements of the form  $\{a^*a : a \in \mathcal{A}\}$ . Then a linear map  $\phi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is positive if  $\phi(\mathcal{A}^+) \subseteq [0, \infty)$  and is a state if additionally  $\phi(1) = 1$ . If  $\phi$  is a state on  $\mathcal{A}$  then we can form the pre-GNS space  $(H, \xi_0)$ . Indeed, the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality is enough to show that  $N_\phi = \{a \in \mathcal{A} : \phi(a^*a) = 0\}$  is a left ideal in  $\mathcal{A}$  (compare [\[3, Chapter I, Lemma 9.6\]](#) Lak for example), and so we define  $H = \mathcal{A}/N_\phi$ , let  $\xi_0$  be the equivalence class of 1, so that we can identify the equivalence class of  $a$  with  $a\xi_0$ , and then equip  $H$  with the inner-product  $(a\xi_0|b\xi_0) = \phi(b^*a)$ . Note that we have not completed  $H$  and so  $H$  is only a pre-Hilbert space.

Then for  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  define  $\pi(a) : H \rightarrow H$  by  $\pi(a)(b\xi_0) = (ab)\xi_0$ . That  $N_\phi$  is a left ideal shows that  $\pi(a)$  is well-defined; clearly  $\pi(a)$  is linear and adjointable, in the sense that

$$(\pi(a)b\xi_0|c\xi_0) = (b\xi_0|\pi(a^*)c\xi_0) \quad (a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}).$$

So the only missing piece of the usual GNS construction is whether  $\pi(a)$  is bounded, and hence extends to the completion of  $H$ . For a  $C^*$ -algebra this is a subtle point going back to the early days of the axiomatisation of the subject.

The following can be found in Dijkhuizen and Koornwinder.

**Proposition E.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the Hopf  $*$ -algebra associated to a CQG  $(A, \Delta)$ . Then if  $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_0)$  is a  $*$ -map into the adjointable linear maps on an inner-product space  $H_0$ , then  $\pi$  is bounded, and so extends to a  $*$ -homomorphism  $A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$  where  $H$  is the completion of  $H_0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(u_{ij})$  be a finite-dimensional unitary corepresentation of  $A$ , so each  $u_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}$ . As  $\sum_k u_{ki}^* u_{kj} = \delta_{ij} 1$ , for  $\xi \in H_0$ , and any  $i, j$ ,

$$\|\xi\|^2 = (\xi|\xi) = \sum_k (\pi(u_{ki}^* u_{ki})\xi|\xi) = \sum_k (\pi(u_{ki})\xi|\pi(u_{ki})\xi) \geq \|\pi(u_{ji})\xi\|^2.$$

It follows that  $\|\pi(u_{ij})\| \leq 1$  for all  $i, j$ . As  $\mathcal{A}$  is spanned by such elements, we have shown that  $\pi(a)$  is bounded for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

As such, for any state  $\phi$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  we can find a Hilbert space  $H$ , a  $*$ -homomorphism  $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$  and  $\xi \in H$  such that  $\phi(a) = (\pi(a)\xi|\xi)$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . So states on  $\mathcal{A}$  biject with states on the universal  $C^*$ -algebra completion of  $\mathcal{A}$ , namely  $C^u(\mathbb{G})$ .

## F Do we need to be so careful?

In the section on von Neumann algebras, we seemingly used the Hopf  $*$ -algebra quite a bit—this is equivalent to using that the Haar state is KMS. Here we present some examples to show that *some sort of condition* is needed.

### F.1 Counter-example

We find a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  which admits a faithful state, but such that in the GNS representation, the state is not faithful on  $A''$ .

The following was suggested to us by Narutaka Ozawa<sup>10</sup>

Let  $A = C([0, 1], \mathbb{M}_2)$ . Let  $C \subseteq [0, 1]$  be a closed set with empty interior but positive (Lebesgue) measure. For example, let  $(\epsilon_n)$  be a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_n \epsilon_n < 1/2$ , let  $(q_n)$  be an enumeration of the rationals in  $[0, 1]$ , and let  $C = [0, 1] \setminus \bigcup_n (q_n - \epsilon_n, q_n + \epsilon_n)$ .

Define a state  $\phi$  on  $A$  by

$$\phi(a) = \int_C a(x)_{11} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{[0,1] \setminus C} a(x)_{11} + a(x)_{22} dx.$$

Here  $a$  is a continuous function  $[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_2$ , and  $a(x)_{ij}$  is the  $(i, j)$ th entry of the matrix  $a(x)$ .

Now,  $a \geq 0$  if and only if  $a(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$ , which implies that  $a(x)_{11}, a(x)_{22} \geq 0$ . So  $\phi$  is positive, and faithful because  $[0, 1] \setminus C$  is dense and open. Clearly  $\phi(1) = 1$ , so  $\phi$  is a state.

For  $a, b \in A$  the pre-inner-product induced by  $\phi$  is

$$(a|b) = \phi(b^*a) = \int_C a(x)_{11} \overline{b(x)_{11}} + a(x)_{21} \overline{b(x)_{21}} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{[0,1] \setminus C} \sum_{i,j} a(x)_{ij} \overline{b(x)_{ij}} dx.$$

Let  $\mu_1$  be the measure of  $[0, 1]$  given by

$$\int f d\mu_1 = \int_C f + \frac{1}{2} \int_{[0,1] \setminus C} f.$$

Let  $\mu_2$  be  $1/2$  of Lebesgue measure, restricted to  $[0, 1] \setminus C$ . As Lebesgue measure dominates both  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$ , it's easy to see that  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  are regular measures. Then the GNS space for  $\phi$  can thus be identified with

$$\mathbb{M}_{2,1}(L^2(\mu_1)) \oplus \mathbb{M}_{2,1}(L^2(\mu_2)),$$

thought of as column vectors, with  $A$  acting by matrix multiplication, and then  $C([0, 1])$  acting by pointwise multiplication, in the obvious way. The cyclic vector is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . To ease notation, let the GNS space be  $H_1 \oplus H_2$ , and let  $\pi_i : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_i)$  be the resulting representations.

<sup>10</sup>See <http://mathoverflow.net/questions/93295/separating-vectors-for-c-algebras/93383#93383>

**Lemma F.1.** *Let  $A$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra,  $\pi_1 : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_1)$  a non-degenerate representation, let  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$  be an invariant subspace, and let  $\pi_2 : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_2)$  be the restriction of  $\pi_1$ . Let  $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_1 \oplus H_2)$  be the direct sum of  $\pi_1$  with  $\pi_2$ . Then  $\pi(A)'' = \{(T, S) : T \in \pi_1(A)'', S = T|_{H_2}\}$  acting diagonally on  $H_1 \oplus H_2$ , a von Neumann algebra which is isomorphic to  $\pi_1(A)''$ .*

*Proof.* As  $\pi_1$  is non-degenerate, so is  $\pi_2$ , and hence so is  $\pi$ . So we need to compute the  $\sigma$ -weak closure of  $\pi(A)$ . On bounded sets this agrees with the strong closure, and from this it is obvious that  $\pi(A)''$  has the stated form.  $\square$

Notice that in our case  $L^2(\mu_2)$  is a subspace of  $L^2(\mu_1)$  if we identify  $\xi \in L^2(\mu_2)$  with  $\xi\chi_{[0,1]\setminus C} \in L^2(\mu_1)$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be the commutant of  $C([0, 1])$  in  $\mathcal{B}(L^2(\mu_1))$ . Then  $\pi_1(A)'$  consists of matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} T & 0 \\ 0 & T \end{pmatrix}$  with  $T \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Thus  $\pi_1(A)'' = \mathbb{M}_2(\mathfrak{A})'$ . So we need to compute the bicommutant of  $C([0, 1])$  in  $\mathcal{B}(L^2(\mu_1))$ . By duality arguments, and (for example) Lusin's theorem, this is  $L^\infty(\mu_1) \cong L^\infty([0, 1])$ .

Thus  $\pi(A)'' \cong L^\infty([0, 1])$ . However, the cyclic vector for the GNS construction yields the state

$$\tilde{\phi}(a) = \int a_1 1 \, d\mu_1 + \int a_2 2 \, d\mu_2,$$

which is not faithful (there are measurable, non-continuous functions supported on  $C$  which are not zero almost everywhere).

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