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## BIPARTITE COALGEBRAS AND A REDUCTION FUNCTOR FOR CORADICAL SQUARE COMPLETE COALGEBRAS

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Abstract. Let C be a coalgebra over an arbitrary field K. We show that the study of the category C-Comod of left C-comodules reduces to the study of the category of (co)representations of a certain bicomodule, in case C is a bipartite coalgebra or a coradical square complete coalgebra, that is,  $C = C_1$ , the second term of the coradical filtration of C. If  $C = C_1$ , we associate with C a K-linear functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$ : C-Comod  $\rightarrow H_C$ -Comod that restricts to a representation equivalence  $\mathbb{H}_C$ : C-comod  $\rightarrow H_C$ -comod<sup>s</sup><sub>sp</sub>, where  $H_C$  is a coradical square complete hereditary bipartite K-coalgebra such that every simple  $H_C$ comodule is injective or projective. Here  $H_C$ -comod<sup>s</sup><sub>sp</sub> is the full subcategory of  $H_C$ -comod whose objects are finite-dimensional  $H_C$ -comodules with projective socle having no injective summands of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} S(i') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (see Theorem 5.11). Hence, we conclude that a coalgebra C with  $C = C_1$  is left pure semisimple if and only if  $H_C$  is left pure semisimple. In Section 6 we get a diagrammatic characterisation of coradical square complete coalgebras C that are left pure semisimple. Tameness and wildness of such coalgebras C is also discussed.

1. Introduction. Throughout this paper we fix an arbitrary field K and we use the coalgebra representation theory notation and terminology introduced in [14], [29]–[35]. The reader is referred to [1], [2], [12], [27], [37], and [38] for the representation theory terminology and notation, and to [16], [39] for the coalgebra and comodule terminology. In particular, given a finite-dimensional K-algebra R, we denote by mod(R) the category of all finite-dimensional R-modules.

Let C be a K-coalgebra with comultiplication  $\Delta$  and counit  $\varepsilon$ . We recall that a *left C-comodule* is a K-vector space X together with a K-linear map  $\delta_X : X \to C \otimes X$  such that  $(\Delta \otimes \operatorname{id}_X)\delta_X = (\operatorname{id}_C \otimes \delta_X)\delta_X$  and  $(\varepsilon \otimes \operatorname{id}_X)\delta_X$ is the canonical isomorphism  $X \cong K \otimes X$ , where  $\otimes = \otimes_K$ . Given a left C-comodule X, we denote by  $X_0 = \operatorname{soc} X$  the *socle* of X, that is, the sum of all simple C-subcomodules of X.

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A K-linear map  $f: X \to Y$  between two left C-comodules X and Y is a C-comodule homomorphism if  $\delta_Y f = (\mathrm{id}_C \otimes f) \delta_X$ . The K-vector space of all C-comodule homomorphisms from X to Y is denoted by  $\mathrm{Hom}_C(X, Y)$ . The K-algebra of all C-comodule endomorphisms of X is denoted by  $\mathrm{End}_C X$ .

We denote by C-Comod the category of all left C-comodules, and by C-comod the full subcategory of C-Comod formed by C-comodules of finite K-dimension.

We recall that a K-coalgebra C is semisimple (resp. hereditary) if  $\operatorname{Ext}_{C}^{1}(M, N) = 0$  (resp.  $\operatorname{Ext}_{C}^{2}(M, N) = 0$ ) for all M and N in C-Comod, or equivalently, if  $M = \operatorname{soc} M$  for all M in C-Comod (resp. if epimorphic images of injective C-comodules are injective C-comodules). A K-coalgebra C is said to be *indecomposable* (or connected) if C is not a product of two subcoalgebras, or equivalently, if C-Comod is not a direct sum of two non-trivial subcategories.

Given a coalgebra C, we denote by  $C_0 \subseteq C_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq C$  the *coradical* filtration of C, where  $C_0 = \operatorname{soc}_C C$  (or equivalently, the sum of all simple subcoalgebras of C),  $C_1 = C_0 \wedge C_0$  is the wedge of two copies of  $C_0$ , and  $C_{m+1} = C_0 \wedge C_m$  for  $m \geq 1$ .

We call *C* basic if there is a decomposition  $\operatorname{soc}_C C = \bigoplus_{j \in I_C} S(j)$  such that  $\{S(j); j \in I_C\}$  is a complete set of pairwise non-isomorphic simple left *C*-comodules (see [4], [6], [26] and [29]).

One of the aims of this paper is to study the comodule categories and the valued Gabriel quiver of the following class of coalgebras that are topologically dual (see [29]) to the class of (Jacobson) radical square zero algebras.

DEFINITION 1.1. A K-coalgebra C is defined to be coradical square complete if  $C = C_1 = C_0 \wedge C_0$ .

Following an idea of Gabriel [10] (see also [2, Section X.2]), we reduce the study of C-comodules over any coradical square complete coalgebra C to the study of comodules over a coradical square complete hereditary coalgebra  $H_C$  which is a bipartite coalgebra in the sense of Definition 2.0 below. Moreover, every simple subcomodule of  $H_C$  is projective or injective. This is one of the motivations for our investigations in this paper, because the representation theory of hereditary coalgebras is well understood by a reduction to the study of nilpotent representations of quivers or K-species (see [14], [20], [29]–[35]), and therefore we get an efficient tool for the study of C-comod.

We recall from [1], [2], [10], [12], [15], [27], [37], and [38] that triangular matrix algebras play an important role in the representation theory of finite-dimensional algebras. In particular, we know from [10] and [2, Section X.2] that the representation theory of radical square zero algebras of finite K-dimension reduces to the representation theory of hereditary triangular matrix algebras. In Section 2 we follow this idea and, in analogy to triangular matrix algebras and bipartite rings [27, Section 17.4], we introduce a concept of a bipartite K-coalgebra

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} H' & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \\ 0 & H'' \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $(H', \Delta', \varepsilon')$  and  $(H'', \Delta'', \varepsilon'')$  are K-coalgebras and  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  is a H'-H''-bicomodule, that is,  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  is a left H'-comodule  $(U, \delta'_U : U \to H' \otimes U)$  equipped with a right H''-comodule structure given by a right H''-comodule homomorphism  $\delta''_U : U \to U \otimes H''$ , which is a homomorphism of left H'-comodules. Moreover, given H as above, we define an equivalence of categories between H-Comod and the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  of (co)representations of  $_{H'}U_{H''}$ .

In Section 4, following Gabriel [10], with each coradical square complete coalgebra C we associate a coradical square complete hereditary bipartite K-coalgebra  $H_C$  and a K-linear functor

(1.2) 
$$\mathbb{H}_C: C\text{-}\mathrm{Comod} \to H_C\text{-}\mathrm{Comod}.$$

We prove in Theorem 5.11 that  $\mathbb{H}_C$  is full, carries injectives to injectives, does not vanish on non-zero comodules, but vanishes on the *C*-comodule homomorphisms  $f: X \to Y$  such that f(soc X) = 0. Moreover,  $\mathbb{H}_C$  restricts to a representation equivalence of categories (i.e. it is full, dense, and reflects isomorphisms, see [27], [28], and [38])

(1.3) 
$$\mathbb{H}_C: C\operatorname{-comod} \to H_C\operatorname{-comod}_{\operatorname{sp}}^{\bullet},$$

where  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> is the full subcategory of  $H_C$ -comod whose objects are the finite-dimensional  $H_C$ -comodules with projective socle having no injective summands of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} S(i') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (see Theorem 5.11). It follows that C is left pure semisimple if and only if  $H_C$  is. Hence, by applying [14], [20] and [29], we get in Section 6 a diagrammatic characterisation of coradical square complete coalgebras C that are left pure semisimple.

Following an idea of trivial extension algebra (see [2] and [13]), and in connection with the reduction functor (1.2), we study in Section 4 the trivial extension coalgebra  $D \ltimes_D U_D$  (see (4.8)) of a given coalgebra D by a *D*-*D*-bicomodule  $_D U_D$ , the repetitive coalgebra  $\Re(D, _D U_D)$  (see (4.15)), and the covering functor (see (4.17))

$$f^{\checkmark}: \Re(D, {}_DU_D)\text{-}\mathrm{Comod} \to (D \ltimes {}_DU_D)\text{-}\mathrm{Comod}$$

induced by the canonical coalgebra surjection

 $f: \Re(D, {}_DU_D) \to D \ltimes {}_DU_D.$ 

Also we complete the results given in [3], [14], [17], [32], and [41] by presenting three alternative descriptions of the left valued Gabriel quiver of a given basic coalgebra

$$C = \bigoplus_{a \in I_C} E(a),$$

with indecomposable left coideals E(a),  $a \in I_C$ . The descriptions are given by the  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule isomorphisms (see (3.6)),

(1.4) 
$$\operatorname{Hom}_{F_a}(\operatorname{Ext}^1_C(S(a), S(b)), F_a) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \operatorname{Irr}_C(E(b), E(a)) \xrightarrow{\simeq} {}_a(C_1/C_0)_b,$$

where  $S(j) = \operatorname{soc} E(j)$  and  $F_j = \operatorname{End}_C S(j)$  for  $j \in I_C$ .

Throughout this paper, by a *quiver* we mean a pair  $Q = (Q_0, Q_1)$ , where  $Q_0$  is the set of vertices of Q and  $Q_1$  is the set of arrows of Q. By a *valued quiver* we mean a pair  $(Q, \mathbf{d})$ , where Q is a quiver such that each arrow  $\beta \in Q_1$  is equipped with a pair  $(d'_{\beta}, d''_{\beta})$  of positive integers; we visualise  $\beta$  as the valued arrow

$$a \xrightarrow{(d'_{\beta}, d''_{\beta})} b$$

If  $d'_{\beta} = d''_{\beta} = 1$ , then we simply write  $a \to b$  instead of  $a \xrightarrow{(d'_{\beta}, d''_{\beta})} b$ .

By a valued quiver dual to  $(Q, \mathbf{d})$  we mean the valued quiver  $(Q^{\circ}, \mathbf{d}^{\circ})$ , where  $Q_0^{\circ} = Q_0$  and, for each valued arrow  $a \xrightarrow{(d'_{\beta}, d''_{\beta})} b$  in  $(Q, \mathbf{d})$ , we define the unique valued arrow  $\beta^{\circ}$  in  $(Q^{\circ}, \mathbf{d}^{\circ})$  to be  $b \xrightarrow{(d''_{\beta}, d'_{\beta})} a$ .

Let X be a right C-comodule and Y be a left C-comodule. We recall from [9] that the *cotensor product*  $X \square Y$  is the K-vector space

(1.5) 
$$X \square Y = \operatorname{Ker}(X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\delta_X \otimes \operatorname{id}_Y - \operatorname{id}_X \otimes \delta_Y} X \otimes C \otimes Y).$$

It is known that  $X \square C \cong X$ ,  $C \square Y \cong Y$ , the functors

 $X \square - : C\operatorname{-Comod} \to \operatorname{mod} K \quad \text{and} \quad - \square Y : \operatorname{Comod} - C \to \operatorname{mod} K$ 

are left exact, commute with arbitrary direct sums, and there is a functorial isomorphism

$$X \square Y \cong \operatorname{Hom}_C(Y^*, X)$$

for any X in Comod-C and any Y in C-comod, where  $Y^* = \text{Hom}_K(Y, K)$  is equipped with the K-dual right C-comodule structure (see [8] and [39]).

2. Bipartite coalgebras and representations of bicomodules. In this section we introduce a concept of a bipartite coalgebra (see (2.1)) in an analogy with the notion of a (generalised) triangular matrix algebra (see [1, Appendix 2.7], [27], and [38, Section VX.1]). We prove that, for a bipartite coalgebra H, the category H-Comod is equivalent to the category of (co)representations of the bicomodule defining H.

*Bipartite coalgebras.* In analogy with [1, Appendix 2.7], [27, Section 17.4], and [38, Section VX.1], we introduce the following definition.

DEFINITION 2.0. Let H' and H'' be K-coalgebras, and let  ${}_{H'}U_{H''}$  be a non-zero H'-H''-bicomodule. We associate with  ${}_{H'}U_{H''}$  the bipartite Kcoalgebra

(2.1) 
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} H' & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \\ 0 & H'' \end{bmatrix}$$

consisting of all formal matrices  $h = \begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $h' \in H'$ ,  $h'' \in H''$  and  $u \in U$ . We make the following identification:

(2.2) 
$$H \otimes H \equiv \begin{bmatrix} H' \otimes H' & H' \otimes U & H' \otimes H'' \\ U \otimes H' & U \otimes U & U \otimes H'' \\ H'' \otimes H' & H'' \otimes U & H'' \otimes H'' \end{bmatrix}$$

The comultiplication  $\Delta : H \to H \otimes H$  of H and the counit  $\varepsilon : H \to K$  of H are defined by the following formulae:

(2.3) 
$$\Delta(h) = \Delta'(h') + \Delta''(h'') + \delta'_U(u) + \delta''_U(u) \\ = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta'(h') & \delta'_U(u) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta''_U(u) \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta''(h'') \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon(h) = \varepsilon'(h') + \varepsilon''(h'').$$

It is easy to check that H is a K-coalgebra, the K-subspaces

(2.4) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} H'\\0 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} H'&0\\0&0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} U\\H'' \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0&_{H'}U_{H''}\\0&H'' \end{bmatrix}$$

of H are left coideals and, under the above identification, the left H-comodule  $_{H}H$  has a direct sum decomposition

(2.5) 
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} H' & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \\ 0 & H'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} U \\ H'' \end{bmatrix}.$$

Moreover, the canonical projection  $\pi: H \to H' \oplus H''$ , defined by the formula  $\pi \begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix} = (h', h'')$ , is a *K*-coalgebra homomorphism and induces a faithful *K*-linear embedding

(2.6) 
$$\pi^{\circ}: H\operatorname{-Comod} \to (H' \oplus H'')\operatorname{-Comod}$$

associating to each left *H*-comodule  $(X, \delta_X)$  the left  $(H' \oplus H'')$ -comodule  $(X, \widehat{\delta}_X)$  with comultiplication  $\widehat{\delta}_X = (\pi \otimes \operatorname{id}_X) \circ \delta_X : X \to (H' \oplus H'') \otimes X$ . Denote by  $\pi_{H'} : H \to H'$  and  $\pi_{H''} : H \to H''$  the obvious projections.

*Representations of bicomodules.* In analogy with [1, Appendix 2.7] and [38, Section VX.1], we introduce the following definition.

DEFINITION 2.7. Let H' and H'' be K-coalgebras. Given an H'-H''bicomodule  $_{H'}U_{H''}$ , we define the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$  of left (co)representations of  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  as follows.

- (a) The objects of  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  are triples  $(X', X'', \varphi)$ , where X' is a left H'-comodule, X'' is a left H''-comodule and  $\varphi : X' \to U \Box X''$  is a homomorphism of left H'-comodules.
- (b) A morphism from  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  to  $(Y', Y'', \psi)$  in  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$  is a pair (f', f''), where  $f' \in \operatorname{Hom}_{H'}(X', Y')$ ,  $f'' \in \operatorname{Hom}_{H''}(X'', Y'')$  and  $(\operatorname{id}_U \Box f'')\varphi = \psi f'$ . The composition of morphisms in  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$  is componentwise.
- (c) The representation  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  is called *finite-dimensional* if the comodules X' and X'' are of finite K-dimension.
- (d) We denote by  $\operatorname{rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  the full subcategory of  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  formed by the finite-dimensional representations.

It is clear that  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  and  $\operatorname{rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  are abelian K-categories. We show below that there is an equivalence of categories H-Comod  $\cong$  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$ . For this, we define a pair of K-linear functors

(2.8) 
$$H\operatorname{-Comod} \underset{\Psi}{\overset{\Phi}{\longleftrightarrow}} \operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$$

as follows.

The functor  $\Phi$ . Before we define the functor  $\Phi$  (see (2.11)), we need a preparation. Given a left *H*-comodule  $(X, \delta_X)$ , we decompose the *K*-vector space X as  $X = X' \oplus X''$ , where

(2.9) 
$$X' = \widehat{\delta}_X^{-1}(H' \otimes X) \quad \text{and} \quad X'' = \widehat{\delta}_X^{-1}(H'' \otimes X).$$

It is easy to see that  $X' = (X', \widehat{\delta}_{X'} = (\widehat{\delta}_X)_{|X'})$  and  $X'' = (X'', \widehat{\delta}_{X''} = (\widehat{\delta}_X)_{|X''})$  are a left H'-comodule and a left H''-comodule, respectively. We denote by  $\widetilde{\varphi} : X \to U \otimes X''$  the composite K-linear map

$$X \xrightarrow{\delta_X} H \otimes X \xrightarrow{\pi_U \otimes \pi_{X''}} U \otimes X'',$$

where  $\pi_U : H \to U$  is the canonical projection defined by  $\pi_U \begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix} = u$ , and  $\pi_{X''} : X \to X''$  is the obvious projection.

LEMMA 2.10. If  $\widetilde{\varphi}: X \to U \otimes X''$  is the map defined above then  $\operatorname{Im} \widetilde{\varphi} \subseteq U \Box X''$ .

*Proof.* Note that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc} X & \xrightarrow{\delta_X} & H \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\pi_U \otimes \mathrm{id}} & U \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X''}} & U \otimes X'' \\ & & & & & \downarrow \\ \delta_X & & & & \downarrow \\ H \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id}} & H \otimes H \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\pi_U \otimes \mathrm{id} \otimes \mathrm{id}} & U \otimes H \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{H''} \otimes \pi_{X''}} & U \otimes H'' \otimes X'' \end{array}$$

is commutative. Indeed, by the definition of  $\hat{\delta}_X$ , the right square commutes. Moreover,  $(\mathrm{id} \otimes \delta_X)\delta_X = (\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id})\delta_X$ , because X is a left *H*-comodule.

The commutativity of this diagram yields

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 $(\mathrm{id}\otimes\widehat{\delta}_{X''})\widetilde{\varphi}=(\pi_U\otimes\pi_{H''}\otimes\pi_{X''})(\varDelta\otimes\mathrm{id})\delta_X.$ 

Since the definition (2.3) of  $\Delta$  yields  $(\pi_U \otimes \pi_{H''}) \Delta = \delta''_U \pi_U$ , we obtain

$$\operatorname{id} \otimes \widehat{\delta}_{X''})\widetilde{\varphi} = (\pi_U \otimes \pi_{H''} \otimes \pi_{X''})(\Delta \otimes \operatorname{id})\delta_X = ((\pi_U \otimes \pi_{H''})\Delta \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X = (\delta_U''\pi_U \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X = (\delta_U'' \otimes \operatorname{id})(\pi_U \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X = (\delta_U'' \otimes \operatorname{id})\widetilde{\varphi}.$$

Hence, the required inclusion  $\operatorname{Im} \widetilde{\varphi} \subseteq U \square X''$  follows.

Denote by  $\varphi: X' \to U \otimes X''$  the composite K-linear map

$$X' \hookrightarrow X \xrightarrow{\delta_X} H \otimes X \xrightarrow{\pi_U \otimes \pi_{X''}} U \otimes X''.$$

By Lemma 2.10, we have Im  $\varphi \subseteq U \square X'' \subseteq U \otimes X''$ . Now we show that  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism of left H'-comodules. Put  $i_{X'} : X' \hookrightarrow X$  and note that

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta'_U \otimes \mathrm{id})\varphi &= (\delta'_U \otimes \mathrm{id})(\pi_U \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X i_{X'} = (\delta'_U \pi_U \otimes \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X i_{X'} \\ &= ((\pi_{H'} \otimes \pi_U)\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X''})\delta_X i_{X'} \\ &= ((\pi_{H'} \otimes \pi_U) \otimes \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X''})(\Delta \otimes \mathrm{id})\delta_X i_{X'} \\ &= ((\pi_{H'} \otimes \pi_U) \otimes \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X''})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \delta_X)\delta_X i_{X'} \\ &= (\pi_{H'} \otimes \widetilde{\varphi})\delta_X i_{X'} = (\mathrm{id} \otimes \widetilde{\varphi})(\pi_{H'} \otimes \mathrm{id})\delta_X i_{X'} = (\mathrm{id} \otimes \varphi)\widehat{\delta}_{X'}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism of left H'-comodules.

To define the functor  $\Phi$ , we denote by  $\varphi_X : X' \to U \square X''$  the unique factorisation of  $\varphi$  through the embedding  $U \square X'' \subseteq U \otimes X''$ . It follows that  $\varphi_X$  is a homomorphism of left H'-comodules and therefore  $(X', X'', \varphi_X)$  is an object of the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\square}(H'U_{H''})$ . We set

(2.11) 
$$\Phi(X) = (X', X'', \varphi_X).$$

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a homomorphism of left *H*-comodules, and let  $X = X' \oplus X''$ ,  $Y = Y' \oplus Y''$  be the decompositions defined by (2.9), where X', Y' are left *H'*-comodules and X'', Y'' are left *H''*-comodules. It is easy to see that  $f(X') \subseteq Y'$  and  $f(X'') \subseteq Y''$ . Then the restrictions  $f_{|X'|}$  and  $f_{|X''|}$  induce *K*-linear maps  $f': X' \to Y'$  and  $f'': X'' \to Y''$ , respectively. A straightforward calculation shows that f' and f'' are homomorphisms of left *H'*-comodules and *H''*-comodules, respectively, such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X' & \xrightarrow{\varphi_X} U \Box X'' \\ f' & & & \downarrow^{\mathrm{id}_U \otimes f''} \\ Y' & \xrightarrow{\varphi_Y} U \Box Y'' \end{array}$$

in H'-Comod is commutative, that is,  $(f', f'') : (X', X'', \varphi_X) \to (Y', Y'', \varphi_Y)$ is a morphism in the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$ . We define  $\Phi(f) : \Phi(X) \to \Phi(Y)$  by setting  $\Phi(f) = (f', f'')$ . It is clear that we have defined a K-linear, faithful and exact functor  $\Phi : H$ -Comod  $\to \operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$ .

EXAMPLE 2.12. Let H be a bipartite algebra of the form (2.1). Consider the left H-comodules  $\begin{bmatrix} H'\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} U\\H'' \end{bmatrix}$ . To illustrate the definition of  $\Phi$ , we compute the representations  $\Phi(\begin{bmatrix} H'\\0 \end{bmatrix})$  and  $\Phi(\begin{bmatrix} U\\H'' \end{bmatrix})$ . By (2.3) and (2.9), we get  $\Phi(\begin{bmatrix} H'\\0 \end{bmatrix}) = (H', 0, 0)$  and  $\Phi(\begin{bmatrix} U\\H'' \end{bmatrix}) = (U, H'', \varphi)$ . By the above considerations and the definition of  $\Phi$ ,  $\varphi = \delta''_U$  defines the right H''-comodule structure on U.

The functor  $\Psi$ . The functor  $\Psi$  in (2.8) is defined by setting, for each object  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  in  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$ ,

(2.13) 
$$\Psi(X', X'', \varphi) = (X, \delta_X),$$

where  $X = X' \oplus X''$  and  $\delta_X : X \to H \otimes X$  is the K-linear map defined by

$$\delta_X(x',x'') = \begin{bmatrix} \delta'_{X'}(x') & \varphi(x') \\ 0 & \delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} \in \begin{bmatrix} H' \otimes X' & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \otimes X'' \\ 0 & H'' \otimes X'' \end{bmatrix} \subseteq H \otimes X.$$

Here we make the following identification of K-vector spaces:

$$H \otimes X = \begin{bmatrix} H' & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \\ 0 & H'' \end{bmatrix} \otimes (X' \oplus X'')$$
$$\equiv \begin{bmatrix} H' \otimes (X' \oplus X'') & {}_{H'}U_{H''} \otimes (X' \oplus X'') \\ 0 & H'' \otimes (X' \oplus X'') \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we show that  $(X, \delta_X)$  is a left *H*-comodule. The definition of  $\delta_X$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathrm{id}_{H} \otimes \delta_{X}) \circ \delta_{X}(x',x'') &= (\mathrm{id}_{H} \otimes \delta_{X}) \circ \begin{bmatrix} \delta'_{X'}(x') & \varphi(x') \\ 0 & \delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (\mathrm{id}_{H} \otimes \delta_{X})\delta'_{X'}(x') & (\mathrm{id}_{H} \otimes \delta_{X})\varphi(x') \\ 0 & (\mathrm{id}_{H} \otimes \delta_{X})\delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} ((\mathrm{id}_{H'} \otimes \delta'_{X'})\delta'_{X'}(x'), (\mathrm{id}_{H'} \otimes \varphi)\delta'_{X'}(x')) & (\mathrm{id}_{U} \otimes \delta''_{X''})\varphi(x') \\ 0 & (\mathrm{id}_{H''} \otimes \delta''_{X''})\delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} = a. \end{aligned}$$

Since X' is a left H'-comodule and X'' is a left H''-comodule, and  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism of H'-comodules with  $\operatorname{Im} \varphi \subseteq U \Box X''$ , it follows that

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} ((\Delta_{H'} \otimes \operatorname{id}_{X'})\delta'_{X'}(x'), (\delta'_U \otimes \operatorname{id}_{X''})\varphi(x')) & (\delta''_U \otimes \operatorname{id}_{X''})\varphi(x') \\ 0 & (\Delta_{H''} \otimes \operatorname{id}_{X''})\delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= (\Delta_H \otimes \operatorname{id}_X) \circ \begin{bmatrix} \delta'_{X'}(x') & \varphi(x') \\ 0 & \delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} = (\Delta_H \otimes \operatorname{id}_X) \circ \delta_X(x', x''),$$

and our claim is proved.

We define  $\Psi(f', f'') : \Psi(X', X'', \varphi) \to \Psi(Y', Y'', \psi)$  to be the homomorphism of left *H*-comodules given by  $f = f' \oplus f'' : X' \oplus X'' \to Y' \oplus Y''$ . We show that if  $(f', f'') : (X', X'', \varphi) \to (Y', Y'', \psi)$  is a morphism in  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$  then  $f = f' \oplus f'' : X' \oplus X'' \to Y' \oplus Y''$  defines a homomorphism of left *H*-comodules between  $\Psi(X', X'', \varphi) = (X, \delta_X)$  and  $\Psi(Y', Y'', \psi) = (Y, \delta_Y)$ . Indeed, given  $x' \in X'$  and  $x'' \in X''$ , we get

$$\begin{split} \delta_Y \circ f(x',x'') &= \delta_Y \circ (f'(x'),f''(x'')) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta'_{Y'}f'(x') & \psi(f'(x')) \\ 0 & \delta''_{Y''}f''(x'') \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (\operatorname{id}_{H'} \otimes f')\delta'_{X'}(x') & (\operatorname{id}_U \otimes f'')\varphi(x') \\ 0 & (\operatorname{id}_{H''} \otimes f'')\delta''_{X''}(x'') \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (\operatorname{id}_H \otimes f) \circ \delta_X(x',x''), \end{split}$$

and therefore f is a homomorphism of left H-comodules.

It is clear that we have defined a K-linear, faithful and exact functor

$$\Psi : \operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''}) \to H\text{-Comod.}$$

A straightforward computation shows that  $\Psi$  is quasi-inverse to  $\Phi$  and vice versa. Consequently, we get the following useful result.

THEOREM 2.14. Let H' and H'' be K-coalgebras,  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  a non-zero H'-H''-bicomodule, and H the bipartite K-coalgebra (2.1). The K-linear functors  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  in (2.8) are K-linear equivalences of categories quasiinverse to each other and they restrict to K-linear equivalences of categories

(2.15) 
$$H\text{-comod} \stackrel{\Phi'}{\underset{\Psi'}{\longleftrightarrow}} \operatorname{rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''}).$$

By applying the equivalences (2.8) and (2.15), we are able to prove the following properties of the bipartite coalgebra H.

THEOREM 2.16. Let H' and H'' be basic K-coalgebras with the decompositions soc  $H' = \bigoplus_{j' \in I_{H'}} S'(j')$  and soc  $H'' = \bigoplus_{j'' \in I_{H''}} S''(j'')$  into direct sums of simple left comodules (and simple coalgebras). Let  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  be a nonzero H'-H''-bicomodule and H the bipartite K-coalgebra (2.1).

(a) The coalgebra H is basic and

$$\operatorname{soc}_{H}H = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{soc} H' & 0\\ 0 & \operatorname{soc} H'' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{soc} H'\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ \operatorname{soc} H'' \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \bigoplus_{j' \in I_{H'}} S(j') \oplus \bigoplus_{j'' \in I_{H''}} S(j''),$$

where  $S(j') = \begin{bmatrix} S'(j') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  if  $j' \in I_{H'}$ , and  $S(j'') = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ S''(j'') \end{bmatrix}$  if  $j'' \in I_{H''}$ , in the notation (2.4) and (2.5).

- (b) For each  $j' \in I_{H'}$ , the left *H*-comodule  $E(j') = \begin{bmatrix} E'(j') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is the *H*-injective envelope of S(j'), where E'(j') is the *H'*-injective envelope of S'(j').
- (c) The left H-comodule  $\begin{bmatrix} U \\ H'' \end{bmatrix}$  in (2.5) is injective and has a decomposition

$$\begin{bmatrix} U\\ H'' \end{bmatrix} = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} \begin{bmatrix} H'U_{t''}\\ E''(t'') \end{bmatrix} = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} E(t''),$$

where E''(t'') is the H''-injective envelope of S''(t''),  $_{H'}U_{t''} = U \square E''(t'')$  is viewed as a left H'-subcomodule of  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  and

$$E(t'') = \begin{bmatrix} {}_{H'}U_{t''} \\ {}_{E''}(t'') \end{bmatrix} \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} {}_{H'}U \\ {}_{H''} \end{bmatrix}$$

is the *H*-injective envelope of S(t'').

- (d)  $\max\{\operatorname{gl.dim} H', \operatorname{gl.dim} H''\} \le \operatorname{gl.dim} H \le \operatorname{gl.dim} H' + \operatorname{gl.dim} H'' + 1.$
- (e) If H' and H'' are semisimple then
  - (e1)  $H' = \bigoplus_{j' \in I_{H'}} S'(j')$  and  $H'' = \bigoplus_{j'' \in I_{H''}} S''(j'')$  are direct sums of coalgebras and the H'-H''-bicomodule  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  has a K-vector space decomposition

(2.16) 
$$H'U_{H''} = \bigoplus_{s' \in I_{H'}} \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} s'U_{t''},$$

where  ${}_{s'}U_{t''} = S'(s') \square_{H'} U_{H''} \square S''(t'')$  is viewed as an S'(s')-S''(t'')-bicomodule (and H'-H''-bicomodule, in a natural way).

- (e2) H is coradical square complete and every simple left H-comodule S is projective or injective.
- (e3) gl.dim H = 1.

*Proof.* (a) Since H' and H'' are basic, by the definition (2.3) of the comultiplication in H, S(j') and S(j'') are simple subcoalgebras of H for all  $j' \in I_{H'}$  and  $j'' \in I_{H''}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} \sec H' & 0 \\ 0 & \sec H'' \end{bmatrix} \subseteq \operatorname{soc} H$ .

To prove the opposite inclusion, we take a simple left subcomodule S of H. In view of Theorem 2.14, we identify the category H-Comod with  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{H'}U_{H''})$  via the functor  $\Phi$  in (2.11). Then S has the form  $S = (S', S'', \varphi)$  and (0, S'', 0) is a left subcomodule of S. Hence, if  $S' \neq 0$ , then S'' = 0 and S = (S', 0, 0) is a simple left H'-comodule, and we are done; otherwise,  $S' = 0, S'' \neq 0$ , and S = (0, S'', 0) is a simple left H'-comodule. This proves the required equality  $\begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{soc} H' & 0 \\ 0 & \operatorname{soc} H'' \end{bmatrix} = \operatorname{soc} H$ . (b) Since E'(j') is the H'-injective envelope of S'(j'), it follows that E'(j')

(b) Since E'(j') is the H'-injective envelope of S'(j'), it follows that E'(j') is a direct summand of H' and soc E'(j') = S'(j'). Hence,  $E(j') = \begin{bmatrix} E'(j') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a direct summand of  $\begin{bmatrix} H' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \subseteq H$  (and of H), and soc E(j') = S(j'). This means that E(j') is the H-injective envelope of S(j').

(c) We have the decompositions

$$_{H'}H' = \bigoplus_{s' \in I_{H'}} E'(s') \text{ and } _{H''}H'' = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} E''(t'')$$

into direct sums of indecomposable injective left comodules. The decomposition of H'' yields the decomposition

$${}_{H'}U \cong {}_{H'}U \Box H'' = {}_{H'}U \Box \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} E''(t'') = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} {}_{H'}U \Box E''(t'') = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} {}_{H'}U_{t''}$$

of U, viewed as a left H'-comodule, where  ${}_{H'}U_{t''} = {}_{H'}U \Box E''(t'')$  is viewed as a left H'-comodule. We set  $E(t'') = ({}_{H'}U_{t''}, E''(t''), \text{id})$ . It is clear that  $\bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} E(t'') \cong \begin{bmatrix} U \\ H'' \end{bmatrix} \subseteq H$ , and hence E(t'') is an injective left H-comodule, as a direct summand of  ${}_{H}H$ . Since soc E(t'') = S(t'') we conclude that E(t'') is the H-injective envelope of S(t'').

(d) Each left *H*-comodule *X* is a triple  $X = (X', X'', \varphi_X)$  (see (2.11)). In particular, we get (cf. Example 2.12):

- $\begin{bmatrix} U \\ H'' \end{bmatrix} = (U, H'', \delta''_U)$ , where  $\delta''_U : {}_{H'}U \to {}_{H'}U \square H''$  is the canonical isomorphism,
- S(i') = (S'(i'), 0, 0) for  $i' \in I_{H'}$ ,
- E(i') = (E'(i'), 0, 0) for  $i' \in I_{H'}$ ,
- S(t'') = (0, S''(t''), 0) for  $t'' \in I_{H''}$ ,
- $E(t'') = ({}_{H'}U_{t''}, E''(t''), \mathrm{id})$  for  $t'' \in I_{H''}$ , where  $\mathrm{id} : {}_{H'}U_{t''} \to {}_{H'}U \square E''(t'')$  is the identity map.

We recall that gl.dim  $H \leq n$  if and only if inj.dim  $_{H}S \leq n$  for each simple left *H*-comodule *S* (see [18]). By (a), the comodules S(i') with  $i' \in I_{H'}$ , and S(j'') with  $j'' \in I_{H''}$ , form a complete set of pairwise non-isomorphic simple left *H*-comodules.

Given  $i' \in I_{H'}$ , we fix a minimal injective resolution

$$0 \to S'(i') \to {}_0E' \to {}_1E' \to \dots \to {}_mE' \to \dots$$

in H'-Comod of the simple left H'-comodule S'(i'). Then the induced sequence

$$0 \to S(i') \to (_0E', 0, 0) \to (_1E', 0, 0) \to \cdots \to (_mE', 0, 0) \to \cdots$$

in H-Comod = Rep<sub> $\square$ </sub> $(_{H'}U_{H''})$  is a minimal injective resolution of the left H-comodule (S(i'), 0, 0). It follows that inj.dim  $_HS(i') = \text{inj.dim }_{H'}S'(i')$  for each  $i' \in I_{H'}$ , and so gl.dim  $H \geq \text{gl.dim } H'$ .

Now fix  $t'' \in I_{H''}$ . By (c), there is a non-split exact sequence

$$0 \to S(t'') \to E(t'') \to L_0(t'') \to 0$$

in H-Comod =  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$ , where

$$L_0(t'') = ({}_{H'}U_{t''}, L_0''(t''), \overline{\varphi}_{t''})$$
 and  $L_0''(t'') = E''(t'')/S''(t'').$ 

Let

$$0 \to L_0''(t'') \to {}_1E'' \to {}_2E'' \to \dots \to {}_mE'' \to \dots$$

be a minimal injective resolution of  $L_0''(t'')$  in H''-Comod. If  $_mE'' \neq 0$  for all  $m \ge 1$ , then gl.dim  $H'' = \infty$  and the induced exact sequence

$$0 \to L_0(t'') \to (U \square_1 E'', {}_1E'', {}_1h) \to \dots \to (U \square_m E'', {}_mE'', {}_mh) \to \dots$$

in H-Comod =  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$ , with  $_{m}h = \operatorname{id} : U \Box_{m}E'' \to U \Box_{m}E''$  for  $m \geq 1$ , is a minimal injective resolution of  $L_0(t'')$ . Hence inj.dim  $_HS(t'') = \infty$ , and we are done.

Assume that  $_{m-1}E'' \neq 0$  and  $_mE'' = 0$  for some  $m \ge 1$ . Then the induced sequence

$$0 \to L_0(t'') \to (U \square_1 E'', {}_1E'', {}_1h) \to \cdots \to (U \square_{m-1} E'', {}_{m-1}E'', {}_{m-1}h) \to ({}_mN, 0, 0) \to 0,$$

with  $_{j}h = \mathrm{id} : U \Box_{j}E'' \to U \Box_{j}E''$  for  $j \ge 1$ , is exact. If  $_{m}N = 0$  then

 $inj.dim_H S(t'') = m - 1 = 1 + inj.dim_{H''} L_0''(t'') = inj.dim_{H''} S''(t'').$ 

Assume that  $_mN \neq 0$ . Let

$$0 \to {}_mN \to {}_mE' \to {}_{m+1}E' \to \cdots \to {}_{m+r}E' \to \cdots$$

be a minimal injective resolution of  ${}_mN$  in  $H'\operatorname{\!-Comod.}$  Then the induced sequence

$$0 \to (_mN, 0, 0) \to (_mE', 0, 0) \to \cdots \to (_{m+r}E', 0, 0) \to \cdots$$

is a minimal injective resolution of (mN, 0, 0) in H-Comod. Therefore

 $\text{inj.dim}_{H''}S''(t'') + \text{gl.dim}_{H'}H' + 1 \ge \text{inj.dim}_{H}S(t'') \ge \text{inj.dim}_{H''}S''(t'')$  and (d) follows.

(e) Assume that the basic coalgebras H' and H'' are semisimple. Then we have decompositions  $H' = \bigoplus_{s' \in I_{H'}} S'(s')$  and  $H'' = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} S''(t'')$  into direct sums of simple coalgebras. By (c), the semisimple decomposition of H'' yields the decomposition

$${}_{H'}U \cong {}_{H'}U \square H'' = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} {}_{H'}U_{t''}$$

of U, viewed as a left H'-comodule, where  ${}_{H'}U_{t''} = {}_{H'}U \Box S''(t'')$  is viewed as an H'-S''(t'')-bicomodule. We note that E''(t'') = S''(t'') is a subcoalgebra of H''. Similarly, the semisimple decomposition of H' yields the H'-H''bicomodule decomposition

$${}_{H'}U_{H''} \cong {}_{H'}H' \square U_{H''} = \bigoplus_{s' \in I_{H'}} S'(s') \square U_{H''} = \bigoplus_{s' \in I_{H'}} \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} {}_{s'}U_{t''},$$

where  $_{s'}U_{t''} = S'(s') \Box U_{t''} = S'(s') \Box U \Box S''(t'')$  is viewed as an S'(s')-S''(t'')-bicomodule, and hence as an H'-H''-bicomodule. This proves (e1).

By (c), the left *H*-comodule  $\begin{bmatrix} U\\ H'' \end{bmatrix}$  is injective and has the decomposition

$$\begin{bmatrix} U\\ H'' \end{bmatrix} = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} \begin{bmatrix} {}^{H'}U_{t''}\\ S''(t'') \end{bmatrix} = \bigoplus_{t'' \in I_{H''}} E(t''),$$

where  $_{H'}U_{t''} = _{H'}U \square S''(t'')$  is viewed as a left H'-subcomodule of  $_{H'}U_{H''}$ and

$$E(t'') = \begin{bmatrix} H'U_{t''} \\ S''(t'') \end{bmatrix} \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} H'U \\ H'' \end{bmatrix}$$

is the injective envelope of S(t''). Because (a) yields soc  $H = \operatorname{soc} H' \oplus \operatorname{soc} H''$ , the above considerations imply that  $(\operatorname{soc} H) \wedge (\operatorname{soc} H) = H$ , that is, H is coradical square complete. The remaining statement of (e2) is easily seen by applying the identification H-Comod =  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(H'U_{H''})$ .

By (d), gl.dim  $H \leq 1$ , because the coalgebras H' and H'' are semisimple. Since  $U \neq 0$ , we have soc  $H = \operatorname{soc} H' \oplus \operatorname{soc} H'' \subsetneq H$  and hence gl.dim  $H \geq 1$ . This completes the proof of (e3) and of the theorem.

3. The valued Gabriel quiver of a bipartite coalgebra and of a coradical square complete coalgebra. Let C be a basic coalgebra with a fixed left comodule decomposition

$$\operatorname{soc}_{C} C = \bigoplus_{i \in I_{C}} S(i),$$

of the left socle where S(i), for  $i \in I_C$ , are pairwise non-isomorphic simple left *C*-comodules (and simple subcoalgebras).

We recall that the *left valued* (*Gabriel*) quiver of C is the valued quiver  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$ , where  $_{C}Q_{0} = I_{C}$  and, given two vertices  $i, j \in _{C}Q_{0}$ , there exists a unique valued arrow

$$i \xrightarrow{(Cd'_{ij}, Cd''_{ij})} j$$

in  ${}_{C}Q_{1}$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{C}(S(i), S(j)) \neq 0$  and

$${}_{C}d'_{ij} = \dim \operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{C}(S(i), S(j))_{F_{i}}, \quad {}_{C}d''_{ij} = \dim {}_{F_{j}}\operatorname{Ext}^{1}_{C}(S(i), S(j)),$$

where  $F_a = \text{End}_C S(a)$  for any  $a \in I_C$  (see [14, Definition 4.3]).

Now we recall from [14, Proposition 4.10] and [32] an equivalent definition of the left valued Gabriel quiver  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$  of a basic coalgebra C by means of irreducible morphisms.

Assume that C is a basic coalgebra with a fixed left comodule decomposition of  $\operatorname{soc}_C C$  as above. Given  $a \in I_C$ , we denote by E(a) the injective envelope of S(a). Denote by C-inj the full subcategory of C-Comod formed by socle-finite injective C-comodules, that is, a comodule E lies in C-inj if and only if E is isomorphic to a finite direct sum of indecomposable injective C-comodules. Given E' and E'' in C-inj, we define the *radical*  of  $\operatorname{Hom}_{C}(E', E'')$  to be the K-subspace  $\operatorname{rad}(E', E'') = \operatorname{rad}_{C\operatorname{-inj}}(E', E'')$  of  $\operatorname{Hom}_{C}(E', E'')$  generated by all non-isomorphisms  $\varphi : E(i) \to E(j)$  between indecomposable summands E(i) of E' and E(j) of E'', respectively. The square  $\operatorname{rad}^{2}(E', E'')$  is defined to be the K-subspace of  $\operatorname{rad}(E', E'')$  generated by all composite homomorphisms of the form

$$E' \xrightarrow{f'_j} E(j) \xrightarrow{f''_j} E'',$$

where  $j \in I_C$ ,  $f'_j \in \operatorname{rad}(E', E(j))$  and  $f''_j \in \operatorname{rad}(E(j), E'')$ . For any  $a, b \in I_C$ , we set  $F_a = \operatorname{End}_C S(a)$ ,  $F_b = \operatorname{End}_C S(b)$  and we consider the K-vector space

(3.1) 
$$\operatorname{Irr}_{C}(E(b), E(a)) = \operatorname{rad}(E(b), E(a)) / \operatorname{rad}^{2}(E(b), E(a))$$

as an  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule. We call it the *bimodule of irreducible morphisms* (see [14], [30] and [32]).

By [14, Proposition 4.7] and [32, Theorem 2.3], there exists a unique valued arrow  $a \xrightarrow{(d'_{ab},d''_{ab})} b$  in  $(_CQ,_C\mathbf{d})$  if and only if the  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule  $\operatorname{Irr}(E(b), E(a))$  is non-zero and

(3.2) 
$$d'_{ab} = \dim \operatorname{Irr}_C(E(b), E(a))_{F_b}, \quad d''_{ab} = \dim_{F_a} \operatorname{Irr}_C(E(b), E(a))_{F_b}.$$

The following proposition gives a description of the left valued Gabriel quiver of a coalgebra C in terms of the  $C_0$ - $C_0$ -bicomodule

(3.3) 
$$C_0(C_1/C_0)_{C_0} = \bigoplus_{a,b \in I_C} {}_a(C_1/C_0)_b,$$

where the S(a)-S(b)-bicomodule  $_a(C_1/C_0)_b = S(a) \Box(C_1/C_0) \Box S(b)$  is viewed as a rational  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule. To see this we note that, in the notation of the proof of Proposition 3.5 below, there is an  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule isomorphism  $_a(C_1/C_0)_b \cong e_b(C_1/C_0)e_a$  (see (3.6") and cf. [3], [17], and [41]).

To formulate the result, we assume that C is a basic coalgebra with a decomposition of soc  $_{C}C$  as above. Given  $a \in I_{C}$ , we denote by  $E(a) \supseteq E_{1}(a)$  the injective envelope of S(a) in C-Comod and  $C_{1}$ -Comod, respectively. Now, for  $a, b \in I_{C}$ , we define an  $F_{a}$ - $F_{b}$ -bimodule homomorphism

(3.4) 
$$\operatorname{Irr}_{C}(E(b), E(a)) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{res}_{ab}} \operatorname{Irr}_{C_{1}}(E_{1}(b), E_{1}(a))$$

by associating to any non-isomorphism  $f : E(b) \to E(a)$  its restriction  $\operatorname{res}_{ab}(f) : E_1(b) \to E_1(a)$  to  $E_1(b)$ .

Now we complete [3], [14, Proposition 4.10], [17, Theorem 1.7] and [32, Theorem 2.5] as follows.

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let C be a basic K-coalgebra with a left comodule decomposition  $\operatorname{soc}_C C = \bigoplus_{i \in I_C} S(i)$  as above, and let  $C_1 = C_0 \wedge C_0$ .

(a) Given  $a, b \in I_C$ , the  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule homomorphism res<sub>ab</sub> in (3.4) is an isomorphism.

(b) For any  $a, b \in I_C$ , there exist  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule isomorphisms

(3.6) 
$$\operatorname{Hom}_{F_a}(\operatorname{Ext}^1_C(S(a), S(b)), F_a) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \operatorname{Irr}_C(E(b), E(a)) \xrightarrow{\simeq} {}_a(C_1/C_0)_b.$$

- (c) There exists a unique valued arrow a  $\xrightarrow{(d'_{ab}, d''_{ab})} b$  in the left valued Gabriel quiver  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$  of C if and only if the  $F_{a}$ - $F_{b}$ -bimodule  $_{a}(C_{1}/C_{0})_{b} = S(a) \Box (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box S(b)$  is non-zero and
- (3.7)  $\begin{aligned} d'_{ab} &= \dim(_a(C_1/C_0)_b)_{F_a}, \quad d''_{ab} &= \dim_{F_b}(_a(C_1/C_0)_b). \\ \text{(d) The left Gabriel quiver }_{C_1}Q \text{ coincides with }_CQ. \end{aligned}$

*Proof.* (a) To show that  $\operatorname{res}_{ab}$  is bijective, we note that, given a nonisomorphism  $f: E(b) \to E(a)$ , the restriction  $\operatorname{res}_{ab}(f): E_1(b) \to E_1(a)$  is obviously a non-isomorphism. Conversely, if  $g: E_1(b) \to E_1(a)$  is a nonisomorphism of  $C_1$ -comodules then, by the injectivity of E(a), g uniquely extends to a non-isomorphism  $f: E(b) \to E(a)$  such that  $\operatorname{res}_{ab}(f) = g$ . This shows that (3.4) is bijective.

(b) The left-hand isomorphism in (3.6) is established in [14, Proposition 4.10]. To prove the right-hand one, we keep the notation of the proof of [14, Proposition 4.10]. Fix  $a, b \in I_C$  and denote by  $e_a, e_b$  the primitive idempotents in the pseudocompact K-algebra  $C^* = \operatorname{Hom}_K(C, K)$  that correspond to the direct summands  $E(a)^*$  and  $E(b)^*$  of  $C^*$ . Let  $J(C^*)$  be the Jacobson radical of  $C^*$ . We recall that the functor  $M \mapsto M^*$  defines a K-linear duality C-Comod  $\cong C^*$ -PC, where  $C^*$ -PC is the category of pseudocompact left  $C^*$ -modules (see [29, 4.5]). Moreover, by [16, Proposition 5.2.9] there are isomorphisms  $J(C^*)/J(C^*)^2 \cong C_0^{\perp}/C_1^{\perp} \cong (C_1/C_0)^*$  of pseudocompact  $C^*$ -bimodules.

By [14, p. 480], the equivalence C-Comod  $\cong$  (C\*-PC)<sup>op</sup>,  $M \mapsto M^*$ , induces isomorphisms

(3.6') 
$$\operatorname{Irr}_{C}(E_{1}(b), E_{1}(a)) \cong (e_{a}[J(C^{*})/J(C^{*})^{2}]e_{b})^{\circ} \cong (e_{a}[(C_{1}/C_{0})^{*}]e_{b})^{\circ}$$
  
$$\cong e_{b}((C_{1}/C_{0})^{*})^{\circ}e_{a} \cong e_{b}(C_{1}/C_{0})e_{a} \cong {}_{a}(C_{1}/C_{0})b_{a}$$

of  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodules. The final isomorphism is the inverse of the following composite one:

$$(3.6'') \qquad {}_{a}(C_{1}/C_{0})_{b} = S(a) \Box (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box S(b)$$
  
$$\cong \operatorname{Hom}_{C_{0}}(S(a)^{*}, (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box S(b))$$
  
$$\cong \operatorname{Hom}_{C_{0}}(S(a)^{*}, \operatorname{Hom}_{C_{0}}(S(b)^{*}, C_{1}/C_{0}))$$
  
$$\cong \operatorname{Hom}_{C_{0}}(S(a)^{*}, e_{b}(C_{1}/C_{0})) \cong e_{b}(C_{1}/C_{0})e_{a}.$$

Note also that, since the pseudocompact left  $C^*$ -modules  $S(a)^* \cong (C_0)^* e_a$ and  $S(b)^* \cong (C_0)^* e_b$  are finite-dimensional, they are discrete (= rational), and therefore they are viewed as left C-comodules. Moreover, there are algebra isomorphisms  $S(a)^* \cong e_a(C_0)^* e_a \cong F_a^{\text{op}}$ ,  $S(b)^* \cong e_b(C_0)^* e_b \cong F_b^{\text{op}}$ , and  $F_a$ - $F_b$ -bimodule isomorphisms

$${}_{a}(C_{1}/C_{0})_{b} = S(a) \Box (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box S(b) \cong C_{0}e_{a} \Box (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box e_{b}C_{0} \cong e_{b}(C_{1}/C_{0})e_{a}.$$

(c) Apply (a), (b) and (3.2).

(d) Apply (a) and (3.4).

COROLLARY 3.8. Let C be a basic K-coalgebra. Then the left valued and right valued Gabriel quivers of C are dual to each other.

Proof. It is well-known that there is a K-duality  $D : C\text{-inj} \to \text{inj} - C$ between the categories of socle finite injective left C-comodules and socle finite injective right C-comodules (see [5, Proposition 3.1(c)]). Given an indecomposable E(a) in C-inj, we denote by E'(a) the indecomposable DE(a) in inj-C. Obviously, the socle S'(a) of E'(a) is isomorphic to the right C-comodule  $S(a)^*$ . Since, for any  $a, b \in I_C$ , there are division ring isomorphisms

$$F'_{a} = \operatorname{End}_{C}S'(a) \cong (\operatorname{End}_{C}S(a))^{\operatorname{op}} \cong F^{\operatorname{op}}_{a},$$
  
$$F'_{b} = \operatorname{End}_{C}S'(b) \cong (\operatorname{End}_{C}S(b))^{\operatorname{op}} \cong F^{\operatorname{op}}_{b},$$

the  $F'_b F'_a$ -bimodule  $\operatorname{Irr}(E'(a), E'(b))$  is viewed as an  $F_a F_b$ -bimodule in a standard way. Moreover, the functor D induces an isomorphism  $\operatorname{Irr}(E(b), E(a)) \cong \operatorname{Irr}(E'(a), E'(b))$  of  $F_a F_b$ -bimodules. Hence, in view of Proposition 3.5 and [32, Theorem 2.3], the corollary follows.

We end this section by a description of the Gabriel quiver of an arbitrary bipartite coalgebra.

COROLLARY 3.9. Let H' and H'' be basic K-coalgebras,  ${}_{H'}U_{H''}$  a nonzero H'-H''-bicomodule, and H the bipartite K-coalgebra (2.1). In the notation of Theorem 2.16 we have:

(a) *H* is basic and the Gabriel quiver  $(_{H}Q, _{H}\mathbf{d})$  has the form [15]

(3.10) 
$$({}_{H}Q, {}_{H}\mathbf{d}) = ({}_{H'}Q, {}_{H'}\mathbf{d}) \blacksquare_{U} ({}_{H''}Q, {}_{H''}\mathbf{d})$$

that is,  $({}_{H}Q, {}_{H}\mathbf{d})$  is obtained from the disjoint union of  $({}_{H'}Q, {}_{H'}\mathbf{d})$ and  $({}_{H''}Q, {}_{H''}\mathbf{d})$  by adding, for each  $s' \in {}_{H'}Q_0 = I_{H'}$  and each  $t'' \in {}_{H''}Q_0 = I_{H''}$ , the valued arrow

$$(3.11) s' \xrightarrow{(d'_{s't''}, d''_{s't''})} t''$$

from s' to t", provided that  ${}_{s'}U_{t''} \neq 0$ , and  $d'_{s't''} = \dim({}_{s'}U_{t''})_{F_{s'}}$ ,  $d''_{s't''} = \dim_{F_{t''}}({}_{s'}U_{t''})$ . Here the S'(s')-S''(t'')-bicomodule  ${}_{s'}U_{t''} = S'(s') \Box U \Box S''(t'')$  is viewed as a (rational)  $F_{s'}$ - $F_{t''}$ -bimodule, in view of the division algebra isomorphisms  $\operatorname{End}_H S''(t'') \cong F_{t''}$  and  $\operatorname{End}_H S'(s') \cong F_{s'}$ . (b) If H' and H" are semisimple then  $({}_{H'}Q, {}_{H'}\mathbf{d})$  and  $({}_{H''}Q, {}_{H''}\mathbf{d})$  have no arrow, and the only arrows in  $({}_{H}Q, {}_{H}\mathbf{d})$  are of the form (3.11), where  $s' \in I_{H'}$  and  $t'' \in I_{H''}$ . If H' and H" are simple and  ${}_{H'}U_{H''} \neq 0$ , then H is indecomposable and  $({}_{H}Q, {}_{H}\mathbf{d})$  has the form  $\bullet \xrightarrow{(d',d'')} \bullet$  for some natural numbers d' and d".

*Proof.* Given  $b \in I_H = I_{H'} \cup I_{H''}$ , we set  $\overline{E}(b) = E(b)/S(b)$ . Since E(b) is an injective *H*-comodule, there is an isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Ext}_{H}^{1}(S(a), S(b)) \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{H}(S(a), \overline{E}(b))$$

of right  $\operatorname{End}_H S(a)$ -modules for each  $a \in I_H = I_{H'} \cup I_{H''}$  (see [14, p. 477]).

Since H' and H'' are basic, so is H, by Theorem 2.16(a). We recall from Theorem 2.16 that, given  $j' \in I_{H'}$  and  $j'' \in I_{H''}$ , we have

$$S(j') = \begin{bmatrix} S'(j') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad E(j') = \begin{bmatrix} E'(j') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$S(j'') = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ S''(j'') \end{bmatrix}, \qquad E(t'') = \begin{bmatrix} H'U_{t''} \\ E''(t'') \end{bmatrix},$$

in the notation of Theorem 2.16 and (2.5). Hence, for  $s' \in I_{H'}$  and  $t'' \in I_{H''}$ ,

$$\overline{E}(t'') \cong \begin{bmatrix} H'U_{t''} \\ \overline{E}''(t'') \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $\overline{E}(s') \cong \begin{bmatrix} \overline{E}'(s') \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

It follows that  $\operatorname{Ext}_{H}^{1}(S(a), S(b)) = 0$  if  $a \in I_{H''}$  and  $b \in I_{H'}$ . Moreover, there are isomorphisms of  $\operatorname{End}_{H}S(b)$ - $\operatorname{End}_{H}S(a)$ -bimodules

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{Ext}_{H}^{1}(S(a), S(b)) \\ & \cong \begin{cases} \operatorname{Hom}_{H'}(S'(a), \overline{E}'(b)) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{H'}^{1}(S'(a), S'(b)) & \text{ if } a, b \in I_{H'}, \\ \operatorname{Hom}_{H''}(S''(a), \overline{E}''(b)) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{H''}^{1}(S''(a), S''(b)) & \text{ if } a, b \in I_{H''}, \\ \operatorname{Hom}_{H'}(S'(a), _{H'}U_b) \cong _{a}U_b & \text{ if } a \in I_{H'}, b \in I_{H''} \end{cases}$$

(see [14, p. 480] and [41, Proposition 4.9]). Hence, (a) follows. Since (b) easily follows from (a), the proof is complete.

Following a suggestion of the referee we include another proof of (a). Let H be a bipartite coalgebra as in the corollary. We consider  $\check{U} = {}_{H'}(\operatorname{soc} {}_{H'}U) \cap (\operatorname{soc} U_{H''})_{H''}$  and we view it as an  $H' \cdot H''$ -bicomodule. Note that, for all  $a \in I_{H'}$  and  $b \in I_{H''}$ , there are isomorphisms of  $S(a) \cdot S(b)$ -bicomodules  $S(a) \cap u'U \cap u''S(b) \cong S(a) \cap u'U \cap u''S(b) \cong S(a) \cap u'U \cap u''S(b) = \check{U}_{h'}$ 

$$S(a) \Box_{H'}U \Box_{H''}S(b) \cong S(a) \Box_{H'_0}U \Box_{H''_0}S(b) \cong S(a) \Box_{H'_0}U \Box_{H''_0}S(b) = {}_{a}U_b.$$

By a straightforward calculation we show that  $H_1 = H_0 \wedge H_0 = H'_1 \oplus \check{U} \oplus H''_1$ , and hence  $H_1/H_0 = H'_1/H'_0 \oplus \check{U} \oplus H''_1/H''_0$ . Note also that  $H^* = H'^* \oplus U^* \oplus H''^*$  is the upper triangular matrix algebra with the identity element  $\varepsilon_H = \sum_{a \in I_{H'}} e'_a + \sum_{b \in I_{H''}} e''_b$ , where  $e'_a \cdot \begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix} = e'_a(h')$  and  $e''_a \cdot \begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix} = e''_a(h'')$ . We also recall from [16] that

 $e \rightarrow h = eh = (1 \otimes e) \circ \Delta_H(h)$  and  $h \leftarrow e = he = (e \otimes 1) \circ \Delta_H(h).$ 

Hence, for  $a, \overline{a} \in I_{H'}$  and  $b, \overline{b} \in I_{H''}$  we get

- $_{a}(H_{1}/H_{0})_{\bar{a}} = e'_{\bar{a}}(H_{1}/H_{0})e'_{a} = e'_{\bar{a}}(H'_{1}/H'_{0})e'_{a} = _{a}(H'_{1}/H'_{0})_{\bar{a}},$
- $_{a}(H_{1}/H_{0})_{b} = e_{b}''(H_{1}/H_{0})e_{a}' = e_{b}''(H_{1}'/H_{0}')e_{a}' = _{a}(H_{1}'/H_{0}')b_{b},$
- ${}_{b}(H_{1}/H_{0})_{a} = e_{a}'(H_{1}/H_{0})e_{b}'' = 0,$
- ${}_{b}(H_{1}/H_{0})_{\bar{b}} = e_{\bar{b}}''(H_{1}/H_{0})e_{\bar{b}}'' = e_{\bar{b}}''(H_{1}''/H_{0}'')e_{\bar{b}}'' = {}_{b}(H_{1}''/H_{0}'')_{\bar{b}}.$

Now (a) follows by applying Proposition 3.5.  $\blacksquare$ 

4. Loop representations and trivial extensions of coalgebras. Let D be a K-coalgebra and  $_DU_D$  be a D-D-bicomodule. We recall that the *cotensor* D-*coalgebra on* U is the positively graded K-vector space

(4.1) 
$$T_D^{\square}(U) = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} U^{\square^n} = D \oplus U \oplus U \square U \oplus \dots \oplus U^{\square^n} \oplus \dots,$$

where  $U^{\square^0} = D$ ,  $U^{\square^1} = U$  and  $U^{\square^n} = U \square \cdots \square U$  (*n* times) for  $n \ge 2$ , equipped with the *K*-coalgebra structure defined as follows (see [10], [19] and [41] for details).

The counit  $\varepsilon : T_D^{\square}(U) \to K$  of  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  vanishes on  $U^{\square^n}$  for all  $n \ge 1$ , and  $\varepsilon|_D : D \to K$  is the counit of D. Under the identification

$$T_D^{\square}(U) \otimes T_D^{\square}(U) = \bigoplus_{n,m \ge 0} U^{\square^n} \otimes U^{\square^m},$$

for each  $n \geq 0$  the component  $\Delta_{n,i,j} : U^{\square^n} \to U^{\square^i} \otimes U^{\square^j}$  of the comultiplication of  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  is zero if  $i + j \neq n$ . If i + j = n and  $i, j \geq 1$ , then  $\Delta_{n,i,j}$  is the inclusion; if either i = 0 or j = 0, then  $\Delta_{n,i,j}$  is induced by the comultiplication on U (or on D if i = j = 0).

Following [10] and [41], we define the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_{D}U_{D})$  of *locally* nilpotent loop (co)representations of the D-D-bicomodule  ${}_{D}U_{D}$  to be the category of all pairs  $(Y, \mu)$ , where Y is a left D-comodule and  $\mu : Y \to U \Box Y$ is a homomorphism of left D-comodules such that

(4.2) 
$$Y = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \operatorname{Ker}(\mu^{(n)} : Y \to U^{\otimes^n} \otimes Y),$$

where  $\mu^{(n)}: Y \to U^{\otimes^n} \otimes Y$  is the composite

$$(4.3) \qquad Y \xrightarrow{\mu'} U \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}_U \otimes \mu'} U^{\otimes^2} \otimes Y \to \dots \to U^{\otimes^{n-1}} \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}_{U^{n-1}} \otimes \mu'} U^{\otimes^n} \otimes Y$$

and  $\mu': Y \to U \otimes Y$  is the composite  $Y \xrightarrow{\mu} U \Box Y \hookrightarrow U \otimes Y$ . The left *D*-comodule structure on  $U \Box Y$  is induced from that of *U*.

A morphism from  $(Y,\mu)$  to  $(Z,\nu)$  in  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_{D}U_{D})$  is a homomorphism  $f: Y \to Z$  of left *D*-comodules such that  $\nu \circ f = (\operatorname{id}_{U} \Box f) \circ \mu$ . It is clear that  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_{D}U_{D})$  is a Grothendieck *K*-category and its full subcategory  $\operatorname{rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_{D}U_{D})$ , consisting of all pairs  $(Y,\mu)$  with *Y* finite-dimensional, is abelian and consists of objects of finite length.

THEOREM 4.4. Let D be a K-coalgebra,  $_DU_D$  a D-D-bicomodule, and  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$  the cotensor D-coalgebra.

- (a) soc  $T_D^{\square}(U) = \text{soc } D$ . As a consequence,  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  is basic if and only if D is basic.
- (b) There is a K-linear equivalence of categories

(4.4) 
$$\Theta: T_D^{\square}(U)\text{-}\mathrm{Comod} \to \mathrm{Rep}_{\square}^{\circlearrowright}(_DU_D),$$

which restricts to an equivalence  $\Theta' : T_D^{\square}(U)$ -comod  $\stackrel{\cong}{\to} \operatorname{rep}_{\square}^{\circlearrowright}(DU_D)$ .

(c) If D is semisimple, then  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  is hereditary and, given  $i \in I_D$ , the vector subspace

 $E(i) = S(i) \oplus (S(i) \square U) \oplus (S(i) \square U \square U) \oplus \cdots$ 

of  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  is the injective envelope of S(i).

*Proof.* For the proof of (a) the reader is referred to [41, Lemma 4.4].

(b) The equivalence (4.5) is proved in [41, Lemma 4.3]. Here, for the convenience of the reader, we recall the definition of  $\Theta$ . Since the canonical projection  $\pi : T_D^{\Box}(U) \to D$  is a coalgebra homomorphism, every left  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -comodule Y is a D-comodule via  $\pi$ . The functor  $\Theta$  is defined by associating with  $(Y, \delta_Y)$  in  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -Comod the pair

(4.6) 
$$\Theta(Y, \delta_Y) = (Y, \delta'),$$

where Y is the underlying D-comodule and  $\delta': Y \to U \Box Y$  is the composition of  $\delta_Y: Y \to T_D^{\Box}(U) \Box Y$  with the canonical D-comodule projection  $T_D^{\Box}(U) \Box Y \to U \Box Y$ . If  $f: (Y, \delta_Y) \to (Z, \delta_Z)$  is a homomorphism in  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -Comod, we take for  $\Theta(f): (Y, \delta') \to (Z, \delta')$  the morphism defined by  $f: Y \to Z$  in D-Comod. By [41, Lemma 4.3], the functor  $\Theta$  is an equivalence of categories and obviously it restricts to an equivalence  $\Theta': T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -comod  $\stackrel{\cong}{\to} \operatorname{rep}_{\Box}^{\bigcirc}(_DU_D)$ .

(c) Assume that D is semisimple. To prove the second part of (c), note that there is a decomposition  $_{D}U = D \square_{D}U = \bigoplus_{i \in I_{D}} (S(i) \square_{D}U)$  and, for any  $i \in I_{D}$ , E(i) is a left subcomodule direct summand of  $T_{D}^{\square}(U)$ ; hence E(i) is injective. Since obviously soc E(i) = S(i), it follows that E(i) is the injective envelope of S(i).

To show that  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$  is hereditary, it is enough to prove inj.dim  $_{T_D^{\Box}(U)}S$  $\leq 1$  for each simple  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -comodule S(i) (see [18]). Consider the exact sequence

$$0 \to S(i) \to E(i) \to \overline{E}(i) \to 0$$

of left  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -comodules, where  $\overline{E}(i) = E(i)/S(i)$ . It follows that there are isomorphisms of left  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$ -comodules

$$\overline{E}(i) \cong (S(i) \Box U) \oplus (S(i) \Box U \Box U) \oplus (S(i) \Box U \Box U \Box U) \oplus \cdots$$
$$\cong [S(i) \oplus (S(i) \Box U) \oplus (S(i) \Box U \Box U) \oplus (S(i) \Box U \Box U \Box U) \oplus \cdots] \Box U$$
$$\cong E(i) \Box U.$$

Since  $E(i) \square U$  is injective (see [8, Proposition 1]), so is  $\overline{E}(i)$ . This shows that  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  is hereditary.

COROLLARY 4.7. Assume that H' and H'' are K-coalgebras and  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  is an H'-H''-bicomodule. Let  $H = \begin{bmatrix} H' & H'U_{H''} \\ 0 & H'' \end{bmatrix}$  be the bipartite coalgebra (2.1) and let  $D = H' \oplus H''$ .

- (a) The H'-H"-bicomodule structure on  $_{H'}U_{H''}$  defines a D-D-bicomodule structure on U such that  $_DU \square_DU_D = 0$ ,  $T_D^\square(U) = D \oplus_DU_D$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} h' & u \\ 0 & h'' \end{bmatrix} \mapsto (h', h'', u)$  defines an isomorphism  $H \cong T_D^\square(U)$  of coalgebras.
- (b) There are K-linear equivalences of categories

*Proof.* (a) The first part of (a) is obvious. The equality  ${}_DU \Box {}_DU_D = 0$  follows immediately from the definition of the cotensor product, because of the definition of the right coaction of H' on  ${}_DU_D$  and the left coaction of H'' on  ${}_DU_D$ . Now the remaining part of (a) easily follows.

(b) By (a), the coalgebras H and  $T_D^{\square}(U)$  are isomorphic. Hence we get H-Comod  $\cong T_D^{\square}(U)$ -Comod. Since, according to Theorems 2.14 and 4.4, the functors  $\Phi$  and  $\Theta$  are K-linear equivalences of categories, they imply the equivalence  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\square}(_{H'}U_{H''}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \operatorname{Rep}_{\square}^{\circlearrowright}(_DU_D)$  required in (b).

Let us now introduce the notion of trivial extension of a coalgebra.

DEFINITION 4.8. Let D be a K-coalgebra and  ${}_DU_D$  a D-D-bicomodule. The trivial extension of D by  ${}_DU_D$  is the coalgebra  $D \ltimes_D U_D = (D \oplus U, \Delta, \varepsilon)$ , where  $\Delta(d, u) = (\Delta_D(d), \delta'_U(u), \delta''_U(u), 0)$  and  $\varepsilon(d, u) = (\varepsilon_D(d), 0)$  for all  $d \in D$  and  $u \in U$ . Here we make the identification  $(D \oplus U) \otimes (D \oplus U) \equiv$  $(D \otimes D) \oplus (D \otimes U) \oplus (U \otimes D) \oplus (U \otimes U)$ . Note that the K-linear map  $(d, u) \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} d & u \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$  defines an isomorphism

$$D \ltimes_D U_D \cong \begin{bmatrix} D & U \\ \ddots \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d & u \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}; d \in D, u \in U \right\} \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} D & D U_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$$

of vector spaces. However, unless U = 0,  $\begin{bmatrix} D & U \\ & \ddots \\ & 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  is not a subcoalgebra of the bipartite coalgebra  $\begin{bmatrix} D & DU_D \\ & 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$ .

We denote by  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}^{(2)}({}_{D}U_{D})$  the full subcategory of  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_{D}U_{D})$  whose objects are the pairs  $(Y, \mu)$  such that  $\mu^{(2)} = 0$ .

To describe the left valued Gabriel quiver of the trivial extension coalgebra  $D \ltimes_D U_D$ , we define

(4.9) 
$$({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d}) \blacklozenge_U ({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d})$$

to be the quiver obtained from the valued quiver  $({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d}) \blacksquare_U ({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d})$ (see (3.10)) of the bipartite coalgebra  $\begin{bmatrix} D & D & D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  by the identification of the left copy of  $({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d})$  in  $({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d}) \blacksquare_U ({}_DQ, {}_D\mathbf{d})$  with the right one, via the identification of the vertex s' with s'' and the arrow  $s' \to t'$  with  $s'' \to t''$ , for all  $s, t \in {}_DQ_0 = I_D$ . This operation is illustrated in Example 4.13 below.

Now we list some of the main properties of the coalgebra  $C = D \ltimes_D U_D$ .

PROPOSITION 4.10. Let  $C = D \ltimes_D U_D$  be the trivial extension of a K-coalgebra D by a D-D-bicomodule  $_D U_D$ .

- (a) C is isomorphic to the subcoalgebra  $D \oplus_D U_D$  of  $T_D(U)$ ,  $D = D \ltimes 0$ is a subcoalgebra of  $C = D \ltimes_D U_D$ , soc C = soc D, and  $C_1 = D_1 \oplus U_1$ , where  $U_1 = \text{soc }_D U \cap \text{soc } U_D$ . If D is semisimple then C is coradical square complete.
- (b) If C is basic then the left valued Gabriel quiver  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$  has the form

$$(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d}) = (_{D}Q, _{D}\mathbf{d}) \blacklozenge_{U} (_{D}Q, _{D}\mathbf{d}).$$

(c) The canonical coalgebra embedding  $C \hookrightarrow T_D(U)$  induces an embedding C-Comod  $\subseteq T_D(U)$ -Comod and the equivalence  $\Theta$  of (4.5) restricts to a K-linear equivalence of categories

(4.11) 
$$\Theta: C\text{-}\mathrm{Comod} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathrm{Rep}_{\Box}^{(2)}({}_DU_D) \subseteq \mathrm{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_DU_D).$$

(d) The K-linear map  $\theta : \begin{bmatrix} D & DU_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \to D \ltimes_D U_D$ , given by the formula  $\begin{bmatrix} d' & u \\ 0 & d'' \end{bmatrix} \mapsto (d' + d'', u)$ , is a coalgebra surjection. If

(4.12) 
$$\Theta_+ : C\operatorname{-Comod} \to \begin{bmatrix} D & _D U_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}\operatorname{-Comod}$$

is the composite K-linear functor

$$C\operatorname{-Comod} \xrightarrow{\Theta} \operatorname{Rep}_{\square}^{(2)}({}_DU_D) \subseteq \operatorname{Rep}_{\square}({}_DU_D) \cong \begin{bmatrix} D & {}_DU_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \operatorname{-Comod}$$

then  $\Theta_+$  is a full, faithful, and exact embedding such that, for each Y in C-Comod,  $\Theta_+(Y) = (Y, \mu : Y \to U \Box Y)$  and  $\mu^{(2)} = 0$ .

*Proof.* (a) It is easy to see that the canonical inclusion  $C = D \ltimes_D U_D \hookrightarrow T_D^{\Box}(U)$  is a coalgebra embedding and defines a coalgebra isomorphism of C with the D-subcoalgebra  $D \oplus_D U_D$  of  $T_D^{\Box}(U)$  consisting of the sums of elements of degree 0 and 1 (see (4.1)). Hence the first part of (a) easily follows.

Now we show that  $C_1 = D_1 \oplus U_1$ , where  $U_1 = \operatorname{soc} _D U \cap \operatorname{soc} U_D$ . We recall that  $C_1 = \Delta^{-1}(C_0 \otimes C \oplus C \otimes C_0)$  and  $C_0 = D_0 \oplus 0$ . Then Definition 4.8 yields

$$\Delta(d) = \Delta_D(d) \in D \otimes D \quad \text{for } d \in D$$
  
$$\Delta(u) = (\delta'_U(u), \delta''_U(u)) \in D \otimes U \oplus U \otimes D \quad \text{for } u \in U.$$

Hence  $C_1 = D_1 \oplus U_1$ . The final part of (a) follows from the previous one.

(b) We apply Proposition 3.5. By (a),  $C_1/C_0 \cong (D_1/D_0) \oplus U_1$ . Let  $H = \begin{bmatrix} D & DU_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  be the bipartite coalgebra and

$$H_0 = \begin{bmatrix} D_0 & 0\\ 0 & D_0 \end{bmatrix} = \bigoplus_{j' \in I_D} S(j') \oplus \bigoplus_{j'' \in I_D} S(j''),$$

Note that  $H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & U_1 \\ 0 & D_1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C_0 = \bigoplus_{a \in I_D} S(a) = \bigoplus_{a \in I_C} S(a)$ . It follows from the definition that

$$\{a : a \in I_D\}$$
 and  $\{a' : a' \in I_D\} \cup \{a'' : a'' \in I_D\}$ 

are the sets of vertices of the left valued Gabriel quivers of C and H, respectively. To describe the set of arrows of the quiver  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$ , given a pair  $a, b \in I_{D} = I_{C}$ , we consider the vector space

$${}_{a}(C_{1}/C_{0})_{b} = S(a) \Box (C_{1}/C_{0}) \Box S(b)$$
  
$$\cong (S(a) \Box (D_{1}/D_{0}) \Box S(b)) \oplus (S(a) \Box U_{1} \Box S(b)).$$

By the definition of comultiplication in C and H, we have

$${}_{a}(D_{1}/D_{0})_{b} = S(a) \Box (D_{1}/D_{0}) \Box S(b) \cong S(a') \Box (D_{1}/D_{0}) \Box S(b')$$
  
$$\cong S(a'') \Box (D_{1}/D_{0}) \Box S(b'') = {}_{a''}(D_{1}/D_{0})_{b''},$$

and

$$S(a) \Box U_1 \Box S(b) \cong S(a') \Box U_1 \Box S(b'').$$

Hence, by applying Proposition 3.5, we get (b).

(c) Note that the canonical coalgebra embedding

$$D \ltimes_D U_D = D \oplus_D U_D \hookrightarrow T_D^{\square}(U)$$

induces an embedding  $D \ltimes_D U_D$ -Comod  $\subseteq T_D(U)$ -Comod. By applying the definitions, it is easy to check that the equivalence

$$\Theta: (D \ltimes_D U_D)\text{-}\mathrm{Comod} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathrm{Rep}_{\Box}^{\circlearrowright}({}_D U_D)$$

(see (4.5)) restricts to the required K-linear equivalence of categories (4.11).

(d) The first statement follows by a direct calculation, and the second follows easily from the definitions.  $\blacksquare$ 

EXAMPLE 4.13. Let  $C = K^{\Box}Q$  be the hereditary path coalgebra of the infinite linear quiver

$$Q: 1 \to 2 \to \dots \to s - 1 \to s \to s + 1 \to \dots$$

and let  $H = \begin{bmatrix} C & CC_C \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix}$  be the bipartite coalgebra (2.1), where we set H' = H'' = C and  $CU_C = CC_C$ . Here  $CC_C$  is viewed as a C-C-bicomodule in the obvious way. It follows from Corollary 3.9 that the left Gabriel quiver of H has the form

By Proposition 4.10, the left Gabriel quiver of  $D \ltimes_D U_D$  has the form

$$Q': 1 \longrightarrow 2 \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow s - 1 \longrightarrow s \longrightarrow s + 1 \longrightarrow \cdots$$

By applying the results in [31] and [33], one can show that there is a coalgebra isomorphism  $H \cong K^{\Box}I_Q$ , where  $I_Q$  is viewed as a poset and  $K^{\Box}I_Q$  is its incidence coalgebra. Hence, H-comod  $\cong K^{\Box}I_Q$ -comod is equivalent to the category rep<sub>K</sub>( $I_Q$ ) of finite-dimensional K-linear representations of the poset  $I_Q$ .

Now, following [36] and [13], we define the repetitive coalgebra and its connection with the trivial extension coalgebra (4.8).

DEFINITION 4.14. Let  $(D, \Delta_D, \varepsilon_D)$  be a coalgebra and  $U = ({}_DU_D, \delta'_U, \delta''_U)$  be a *D*-*D*-bicomodule.

(a) The repetitive coalgebra of the pair  $(D, {}_{D}U_{D})$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded K-vector space

(4.15)

with  $D^{(m)} = D$  and  $U^{(m)} = {}_D U_D$  in the *m*th row, for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , equipped with the coalgebra structure maps

 $\widehat{\Delta}: \Re(D, DU_D) \to \Re(D, DU_D) \otimes \Re(D, DU_D) \text{ and } \widehat{\varepsilon}: \Re(D, DU_D) \to K$ defined by:

- $\widehat{\Delta}(d) = \Delta_D(d) \in D^{(i)} \otimes D^{(i)}, \ \widehat{\varepsilon}(d) = \varepsilon_D(d), \ \text{for } d \in D^{(i)}, \ \text{and}$
- $\widehat{\Delta}(u) = (\delta'_{U}(u), \delta''_{U}(u)) \in D^{(i)} \otimes U^{(i)} \oplus U^{(i)} \otimes D^{(i+1)}, \widehat{\varepsilon}(u) = 0$ , for  $u \in U^{(i)}$ .
- (b) The group  $\mathbb{Z}$  of integers acts on  $\Re(D, DU_D)$  as a group of coalgebra automorphisms by the shift

$$\nu : \Re(D, DU_D) \to \Re(D, DU_D), \quad D^{(m)} \oplus U^{(m)} \mapsto D^{(m+1)} \oplus U^{(m+1)},$$
called the Nakayama automorphism of  $\Re(D, DU_D).$ 

It is easy to check that the K-linear map

$$(4.16) f: \Re(D, {}_DU_D) \to D \ltimes_D U_D$$

defined by the formula

$$f(\dots, (d^{(-1)}, u^{(-1)}), (d^{(0)}, u^{(0)}), (d^{(1)}, u^{(1)}), \dots) = \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} d^{(m)}, \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} u^{(m)}\right) \in D \ltimes_D U_D,$$

with  $(d^{(m)}, u^{(m)}) \in D^{(m)} \oplus U^{(m)}$ , is a coalgebra surjection, and induces a pair of K-linear functors

(4.17) 
$$\Re(D, {}_DU_D)$$
-Comod  $\stackrel{f^{\checkmark}}{\underset{f_{\bullet}}{\longleftrightarrow}} (D \ltimes {}_DU_D)$ -Comod

defined as follows. We define  $f_{\bullet}$  by setting  $f_{\bullet}(-) = \widehat{D} \square (-)$ . Here the repetitive coalgebra  $\widehat{D} = \Re(D, {}_DU_D)$  is viewed as a right  $D \ltimes_D U_D$ -comodule and as a left  $D \ltimes_D U_D$ -comodule with comultiplications

$$\widehat{\delta}_r = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f)\widehat{\Delta} : \widehat{D} \to \widehat{D} \otimes (D \ltimes_D U_D),$$
$$\widehat{\delta}_l = (f \otimes \mathrm{id})\widehat{\Delta} : \widehat{D} \to (D \ltimes_D U_D) \otimes \widehat{D},$$

respectively. The functor  $f^{\checkmark}$  associates to any left  $\widehat{D}$ -comodule  $(X, \delta_X)$ the left  $(D \ltimes_D U_D)$ -comodule  $f^{\checkmark}(X, \delta_X) = (X, (f \otimes \operatorname{id})\delta_X)$ . Given  $h \in$ Hom(X, Y), we set  $f^{\checkmark}(h) = h : f^{\checkmark}(X) \to f^{\checkmark}(Y)$ .

Now we collect some of the main properties of the functors (4.17). In particular, f is a Galois  $\mathbb{Z}$ -covering homomorphism and  $f^{\checkmark}$  plays the role of a covering functor for comodule categories (see [11] and [29, (10.7)]).

PROPOSITION 4.18. Let D be a coalgebra,  $U = {}_{D}U_{D}$  a D-D-bicomodule,  $D \ltimes U$  the trivial extension coalgebra (4.8), and  $\Re(D, {}_{D}U_{D})$  the Z-graded repetitive coalgebra (4.15) with the Z-action defined above.

- (a) The K-linear space ℜ(D, DUD)/Z of Z-orbits has a canonical coalgebra structure such that the Z-invariant coalgebra surjection (4.16) induces a coalgebra isomorphism f̃: ℜ(D, DUD)/Z → D × U.
- (b) The K-linear functor  $f_{\bullet}$  in (4.17) is right adjoint to  $f^{\checkmark}$ .
- (c) The K-linear functor  $f^{\checkmark}$  in (4.17) is exact and faithful.

*Proof.* For simplicity of notation, we set  $\widehat{D} = \Re(D, {}_{D}U_{D})$ . The fact that (4.16) is a coalgebra surjection follows by a direct calculation, and we leave it to the reader.

(a) We define a coalgebra structure on  $\widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z}$  by the linear maps  $\overline{\Delta}$ :  $\widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z} \to \widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z} \otimes \widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\overline{\varepsilon} : \widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z} \to K$  given by  $\overline{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{Z} * c) = \varepsilon(c)$  and  $\overline{\Delta}(\mathbb{Z} * c) = \sum \mathbb{Z} * c_{(1)} \otimes \mathbb{Z} * c_{(2)}$ , where  $c \in \widehat{D}$  and  $\widehat{\Delta}(c) = \sum c_{(1)} \otimes c_{(2)}$ . It is straightforward to check that  $\overline{\Delta}$  and  $\overline{\varepsilon}$  are well-defined and define a coalgebra structure on  $\widehat{D}/\mathbb{Z}$ .

A direct check shows that the coalgebra surjection  $f: \widehat{D} \to D \ltimes U$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -invariant. Hence it easily follows that f induces the required coalgebra isomorphism  $\widetilde{f}$ .

(b) It follows from [40, Proposition 1.10] that  $f_{\bullet}$  has a left adjoint functor. Given a left  $\widehat{D}$ -comodule X and a left  $(D \ltimes U)$ -comodule Z, the K-linear map

$$\widehat{\varepsilon}_* : \operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{D}}(X, \widehat{D} \Box Z) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{D \ltimes U}(f^{\P}(X), Z)$$

that associates to any  $h \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{D}}(X, \widehat{D} \Box Z)$  the homomorphism

$$\widehat{\varepsilon}_*(h) = ((\varepsilon_{D \ltimes U} \circ f) \Box \operatorname{id}_Z) \circ h : f^{\P}(X) \to Z$$

of left  $(D \ltimes U)$ -comodules, is an isomorphism. The inverse F of  $\hat{\varepsilon}_*$  is defined by the formula

$$F(h') = (\mathrm{id}_{\widehat{D}} \otimes h') \circ \delta_X^{\widehat{D}} : X \to \widehat{D} \square Z$$

for  $h' \in \operatorname{Hom}_{D \ltimes U}(f^{\P}(X), Z)$  (see [7, Theorem 1.5] for a proof). Since  $\widehat{\varepsilon}_*$  is functorial with respect to comodule homomorphisms  $X \to X'$  and  $Z \to Z'$ , the functor  $f^{\P}$  is the right adjoint of  $f_{\bullet}$ , and (b) follows.

Since (c) follows from the definition of  $f^{\vee}$ , the proof is complete.

5. A reduction functor for coradical square complete coalgebras. Assume that C is a coradical square complete K-coalgebra, that is,  $C = C_1 = C_0 \wedge C_0$ , where  $C_0 = \operatorname{soc} C$ . Following an idea of Gabriel [10], we associate with C the bipartite coalgebra

(5.1) 
$$H_C = \begin{bmatrix} C_0 & \overline{C} \\ 0 & C_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad \overline{C} = C/C_0$$

(see (2.1)) and a K-linear reduction functor

(5.2) 
$$\mathbb{H}_C: C\operatorname{-Comod} \to H_C\operatorname{-Comod}$$

defined as follows. We view  $\overline{C} = C/C_0$  as a  $C_0$ - $C_0$ -bicomodule and we make the identification  $H_C$ -Comod =  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{C_0}\overline{C}_{C_0})$  via the functor  $\Phi$  (see (2.8) and (2.15)). Then each left  $H_C$ -comodule X is a triple  $X = (X', X'', \varphi_X)$  as in (2.11), where X', X'' are left  $C_0$ -comodules and  $\varphi_X : X' \to \overline{C} \Box X''$  is a homomorphism of left  $C_0$ -comodules. In particular, we make the identification

$$\begin{bmatrix} \overline{C} \\ C_0 \end{bmatrix} = (\overline{C}, C_0, j),$$

where  $j: \overline{C} \to \overline{C} \square C_0$  is the canonical isomorphism.

Note that, given  $(X, \delta_X)$  in *C*-Comod,  $X_0 = \delta_X^{-1}(C_0 \otimes X)$  is the socle of *X*. If  $\delta_0$  is the restriction of  $\delta_X$  to  $X_0$  and  $\pi : X \to \overline{X} = X/X_0$  is the projection on the quotient *C*-comodule  $(\overline{X}, \delta_{\overline{X}})$ , then the diagram of left *C*-comodules

$$(5.3) \qquad \begin{array}{c} 0 \longrightarrow X_{0} \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{\pi} \overline{X} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow^{\delta_{0}} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\delta_{X}} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\delta_{X}} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\overline{\delta}_{X}} \\ 0 \longrightarrow C_{0} \Box X \longrightarrow C \Box X \xrightarrow{\pi_{C} \Box \operatorname{id}} \overline{C} \Box X \end{array}$$

with exact rows is commutative, where  $\pi_C$  is the canonical projection and  $\overline{\delta}_X$  is induced by  $\delta_X$ . It follows that

 $\delta_0(X_0) \subseteq C_0 \square X_0 \subseteq C_0 \square X$  and  $X = \delta_X^{-1}((C_0 \otimes X) + (C \otimes X_0)),$ 

because  $C = C_0 \wedge C_0$ . Consequently,  $\overline{X}$  is a semisimple *C*-comodule and has a left  $C_0$ -comodule structure  $\delta_{\overline{X}} : \overline{X} \to C_0 \Box \overline{X}$ . Hence, we also conclude that  $(\pi_C \Box \pi) \delta_X = 0$  and  $(\operatorname{id} \Box \pi) \overline{\delta}_X = 0$ , because

$$X = \delta_X^{-1}((C_0 \otimes X) + (C \otimes X_0)), \quad (\mathrm{id} \square \pi)\overline{\delta}_X \pi = (\pi_C \square \pi)\delta_X = 0$$

and  $\pi$  is surjective. Since the row of the commutative diagram

(5.4) 
$$0 \longrightarrow \overline{C} \square X_0 \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id} \square u} \overline{C} \square X \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id} \square \pi} \overline{C} \square \overline{X}$$

is exact and  $(\operatorname{id} \Box \pi)\overline{\delta}_X = 0$ , there is a unique map  $\varphi_X : \overline{X} \to \overline{C} \Box X_0$  of left *C*-comodules such that  $\overline{\delta}_X = (\operatorname{id} \Box u)\varphi_X$ , where  $u : X_0 \to X$  is the inclusion. The left *C*-comodules  $\overline{C}$  and  $\overline{X}$  are semisimple, so they are left  $C_0$ -comodules and therefore  $\varphi_X$  is a map of left  $C_0$ -comodules. Note that  $\overline{C} \Box_C X_0 = \overline{C} \Box_{C_0} X_0 = \overline{C} \Box X_0$  and there is a *K*-vector space decomposition  $X \cong X_0 \oplus \overline{X}$  of *X*.

The following lemma is of importance.

LEMMA 5.5. Let C be a coradical square complete coalgebra and  $(X, \delta_X)$ be a left C-comodule. Under the identification  $X = X_0 \oplus \overline{X}$  and the notation above, the C-comodule structure map  $\delta_X : X_0 \oplus \overline{X} \to (C \otimes X_0) \oplus (C \otimes \overline{X})$ of X has the form

$$\delta_X = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 & \overline{\varphi}_X \\ 0 & \delta_{\bar{X}} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\overline{\varphi}_X : \overline{X} \to C \otimes X_0$  is the composite K-linear map

$$\overline{X} \hookrightarrow X_0 \oplus \overline{X} \xrightarrow{\delta_X} C \square X \xrightarrow{\operatorname{id}\square\pi_{X_0}} C \square X_0 \hookrightarrow C \otimes X_0$$

and  $(\pi_C \otimes \operatorname{id})\overline{\varphi}_X = \varphi_X$ . Moreover,  $\operatorname{Im} \overline{\varphi}_X \cap (C_0 \otimes X) = (0)$ .

*Proof.* Consider the K-linear map

$$\delta_X = \begin{bmatrix} (\delta_X)_{1,1} & (\delta_X)_{1,2} \\ (\delta_X)_{2,1} & (\delta_X)_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} : X_0 \oplus \overline{X} \to (C \otimes X_0) \oplus (C \otimes \overline{X}).$$

Since  $\delta_X(X_0) \subseteq C_0 \otimes X_0$ , we have  $(\delta_X)_{1,1} = \delta_0$  and  $(\delta_X)_{2,1} = 0$ . By the definition of  $\overline{X}$ , we have  $\delta_{\overline{X}}\pi = (\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi)\delta_X$  and therefore  $(\delta_X)_{2,2} = \delta_{\overline{X}}$ . Finally, if  $\overline{\varphi}_X = (\delta_X)_{1,2} : \overline{X} \to C \otimes X_0$  and  $i : \overline{X} \to X$  is the inclusion, then the equality  $X_0 = \delta_X^{-1}(C_0 \otimes X)$  and the commutativity of the diagrams (5.3) and (5.4) yield

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_C \otimes \mathrm{id})\overline{\varphi}_X &= (\pi_C \otimes \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X_0})\delta_X i = (\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X_0})(\pi_C \otimes \mathrm{id})\delta_X i \\ &= (\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X_0})\overline{\delta}_X \pi i = (\mathrm{id} \otimes \pi_{X_0})(\mathrm{id} \otimes u)\varphi_X = \varphi_X. \ \bullet \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 5.6. We assume that  $C = C_1$  and use the notation introduced above. We define the reduction functor (5.2) by associating with each left *C*-comodule  $(X, \delta_X)$  the left  $H_C$ -comodule

(5.7) 
$$\mathbb{H}_C(X) = (X', X'', \varphi_X),$$

where  $X'' = X_0 = \delta_X^{-1}(C_0 \otimes X) = \operatorname{soc} X$  and  $X' = \overline{X} = X/X_0$  are viewed as left  $C_0$ -comodules (see (5.3)), and  $\delta_X = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 & \overline{\varphi}_X \\ 0 & \delta_{\overline{X}} \end{bmatrix}$  is as in Lemma 5.5.

Given  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{C}(X, Y)$ , we define  $\mathbb{H}_{C}(f) : \mathbb{H}_{C}(X) \to \mathbb{H}_{C}(Y)$  to be the pair  $\mathbb{H}_{C}(f) = (f', f'')$ , where  $f'' : X_{0} \to Y_{0}$  is the restriction of f and  $f' : \overline{X} \to \overline{Y}$  is induced by f. We show that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f)$  is an  $H_C$ -comodule homomorphism, by proving that the pair (f', f'') is a morphism in the category  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(_{C_0}\overline{C}_{C_0})$ . We make the identifications  $X = X_0 \oplus \overline{X}$  and  $Y = Y_0 \oplus \overline{Y}$ . Since  $f : X_0 \oplus \overline{X} \to Y_0 \oplus \overline{Y}$ is a *C*-comodule homomorphism and  $f(X_0) \subseteq Y_0$ , f has the matrix form

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f'' & f_{1,2} \\ 0 & f' \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $\delta_Y f = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f) \delta_X$ . By Lemma 5.5, we have  $\delta_0 f'' = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f'') \delta_0$ ,  $\delta_{\bar{Y}} f' = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f') \delta_{\bar{X}}$  and  $\delta_0 f_{1,2} + \overline{\varphi}_Y f' = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f'') \overline{\varphi}_X + (\mathrm{id} \otimes f_{1,2}) \delta_{\bar{X}}$ , and therefore f' and f'' are  $C_0$ -comodule homomorphisms. Since  $\mathrm{Im}(\delta_0 f_{1,2}) \subseteq C_0 \otimes Y$ ,  $\mathrm{Im}(\mathrm{id} \otimes f_{1,2}) \delta_{\bar{X}} \subseteq C_0 \otimes Y$ ,  $\mathrm{Im}(\overline{\varphi}_Y f') \cap (C_0 \otimes Y) = (0)$ , and  $\mathrm{Im}((\mathrm{id} \otimes f'') \overline{\varphi}_X) \cap (C_0 \otimes Y) = (0)$ , the final equality yields  $\overline{\varphi}_Y f' = (\mathrm{id} \otimes f'') \overline{\varphi}_X$  and our claim is proved.

The main properties of the functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$  are collected in Theorem 5.11 below. To formulate it, we need the following definition (cf. Gabriel [10]).

DEFINITION 5.8. Let C be a basic coalgebra and let  $({}_{C}Q, {}_{C}\mathbf{d})$  be the left valued Gabriel quiver of C. The *left separated valued quiver*  $({}_{C}Q, {}_{C}\mathbf{d})$  of Cis defined as follows. The set  ${}_{C}Q_{0}$  of vertices is the disjoint union  ${}_{C}Q_{0}' \cup {}_{C}Q_{0}''$ of two copies of  ${}_{C}Q_{0}$ , where  ${}_{C}Q_{0}' = \{i'; i \in I_{C}\}$  and  ${}_{C}Q_{0}'' = \{j''; j \in I_{C}\}$ . Given two vertices  $a, b \in {}_{C}Q_{0} = {}_{C}Q_{0}' \cup {}_{C}Q_{0}''$ , there exists a unique valued arrow

$$a \xrightarrow{({}_{C}{}^{s}\!d'_{ab},{}_{C}{}^{s}\!d''_{ab})} b$$

if and only if a = i' with  $i' \in {}_{C}Q'_{0}$ , b = j'' with  $j'' \in {}_{C}Q''_{0}$ , and there exists a valued arrow

$$i \xrightarrow{(Cd'_{ij}, Cd''_{ij})} j$$

in  $(_{C}Q, _{C}\mathbf{d})$ . We set  $_{C}sd'_{ab} = _{C}d'_{ij}$  and  $_{C}sd''_{ab} = _{C}d''_{ij}$ .

It follows that the valued quiver  $({}_{C}{}^{s}Q, {}_{C}{}^{s}\mathbf{d})$  has no loops, no valued arrows between the vertices in  ${}_{C}Q'_{0}$ , between the vertices in  ${}_{C}Q''_{0}$ , and no valued arrow from a vertex  $a \in {}_{C}Q''_{0}$  to  $b \in {}_{C}Q'_{0}$ .

To formulate the next result, we define the *stable categories* of C-Comod and C-comod to be the quotient categories

(5.9) 
$$C-\overline{\text{Comod}} = C-\text{Comod}/\mathcal{I} \text{ and } C-\overline{\text{comod}} = C-\text{comod}/\mathcal{I}$$

modulo the ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  in C-Comod and C-comod, respectively, consisting of all C-comodule homomorphisms  $f: X \to Y$  having a factorisation through an injective comodule E in C-Comod. More precisely, the objects of C- $\overline{C}$ omod and C- $\overline{C}$ omod are the same as in C-Comod and C-comod, respectively, and the space of morphisms from X to Y in the quotient category is the quotient K-vector space

(5.10) 
$$\overline{\operatorname{Hom}}_C(X,Y) = \operatorname{Hom}_C(X,Y)/\mathcal{I}(X,Y),$$

where  $\mathcal{I}(X, Y)$  is formed by all  $f : X \to Y$  that have a factorisation through an injective in C-Comod (see [2]).

We denote by  $H_C$ -Comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> the full subcategory of  $H_C$ -Comod whose objects are  $H_C$ -comodules X such that soc X is projective and has no injective summands of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} S(i')\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where S(i') is a simple  $C_0$ -comodule.

THEOREM 5.11. Assume that C is a basic coradical square complete K-coalgebra. Let

$$H_C = \begin{bmatrix} C_0 & \overline{C} \\ 0 & C_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

be the associated bipartite coalgebra (5.1), with  $C_0 = \operatorname{soc} C$  and  $\overline{C} = C/C_0$ .

- (a)  $H_C$  is basic, hereditary, coradical square complete, and every simple C-comodule is projective or injective.
- (b) The reduction functor  $\mathbb{H}_C : C\text{-}Comod \to H_C\text{-}Comod of (5.2)$  is Klinear, full, additive, commutes with arbitrary direct sums and has the following properties:
  - (b1) Given a C-comodule homomorphism  $f : X \to Y$ , we have  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = 0$  if and only if  $f(\operatorname{soc} X) = 0$ . In particular, the kernel of the algebra surjection  $\operatorname{End}_C X \to \operatorname{End}_{H_C} \mathbb{H}_C(X), f \mapsto \mathbb{H}_C(f),$ equals  $\operatorname{Hom}_C(X/\operatorname{soc} X, X)$ . If X, Y have no injective direct summands then  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = 0$  if and only if  $f \in \mathcal{I}(X, Y)$ .
  - (b2)  $\mathbb{H}_C$  does not vanish on non-zero comodules, carries  $_CC$  to the left coideal  $\begin{bmatrix} \overline{C} \\ C_0 \end{bmatrix}$  of  $H_C = \begin{bmatrix} C_0 & \overline{C} \\ 0 & C_0 \end{bmatrix}$  and carries simple comodules to simple ones.
  - (b3) A comodule  $X = (X', X'', \varphi)$  in  $H_C$ -comod lies in  $\operatorname{Im} \mathbb{H}_C$  if and only if  $\varphi : X' \to \overline{C} \Box X''$  is a monomorphism.
  - (b4) An indecomposable comodule X in  $H_C$ -comod does not belong to Im  $\mathbb{H}_C$  if and only if X is simple injective of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} S'(i')\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where S'(i') is a simple subcomodule of C.
  - (b5) Im  $\mathbb{H}_C = H_C$ -Comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub>.
- (c) The functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$  defines a representation equivalence (see [27], [38])

 $\mathbb{H}_C: C\operatorname{-Comod} \to H_C\operatorname{-Comod}_{\operatorname{sp}}^{\bullet} \subseteq H_C\operatorname{-Comod}$ 

and carries indecomposable C-comodules to indecomposable ones.

- (d) A C-comodule E is injective if and only if  $\mathbb{H}_C(E)$  is an injective  $H_C$ -comodule. Moreover, the functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$  induces
  - an isomorphism  $F_a = \operatorname{End}_C S(a) \cong \operatorname{End}_{H_C} \mathbb{H}_C(S(a))$  of division rings for each  $a \in I_C$ ,
  - equivalences of stable categories

 $C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{Comod}} \cong H_C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{Comod}}$  and  $C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{comod}} \cong H_C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{comod}}$ .

(e) The left valued Gabriel quiver of the hereditary coalgebra  $H_C$  is the left separated valued quiver  $({}_{C}{}^{S}Q, {}_{C}{}^{s}\mathbf{d})$  of C.

*Proof.* Throughout the proof, we make the identification  $H_C$ -Comod =  $\operatorname{Rep}_{\Box}(C_0 \overline{C}_{C_0})$  via the functor  $\Phi$  of (2.8) and (2.15) (see Theorem 2.14).

(a) Apply Theorem 2.16.

(b) That  $\mathbb{H}_C$  is additive and commutes with arbitrary direct sums follows immediately from its definition.

Now we prove that  $\mathbb{H}_C$  is full. Let X, Y be C-comodules and  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) = (\overline{X}, X_0, \varphi_X), \mathbb{H}_C(Y) = (\overline{Y}, Y_0, \varphi_Y)$ . Given a homomorphism  $(f', f'') : \mathbb{H}_C(X) \to \mathbb{H}_C(Y)$  of  $H_C$ -comodules, we define a K-linear map

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f'' & 0\\ 0 & f' \end{bmatrix} : X \cong X_0 \oplus \overline{X} \to Y \cong Y_0 \oplus \overline{Y}.$$

We claim that f is a C-comodule homomorphism such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = (f', f'')$ . Indeed,

$$\delta_Y \circ f = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 & \overline{\varphi}_Y \\ 0 & \delta_{\overline{Y}} \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} f'' & 0 \\ 0 & f' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 f'' & \overline{\varphi}_Y f' \\ 0 & \delta_{\overline{Y}} f' \end{bmatrix}.$$

On the other hand,

$$(I \otimes f) \circ \delta_X = \begin{bmatrix} I \otimes f'' & 0 \\ 0 & I \otimes f' \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 & \overline{\varphi}_X \\ 0 & \delta_{\overline{X}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (I \otimes f'') \delta_0 & (I \otimes f'') \overline{\varphi}_X \\ 0 & (I \otimes f') \delta_{\overline{X}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since (f', f'') is an  $H_C$ -comodule homomorphism,  $\delta_Y \circ f = (I \otimes f) \circ \delta_X$  and our claim follows, because the equality  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = (f', f'')$  is obvious. This shows that  $\mathbb{H}_C$  is full.

(b1) If X is a non-zero C-comodule, then  $X_0 = \operatorname{soc} X \neq 0$  and therefore  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \neq 0$ .

Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a non-zero *C*-homomorphism such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = 0$ . By the definition of  $\mathbb{H}_C$ , we get  $X_0 \subseteq \text{Ker } f$ . Conversely, let  $X_0 \subseteq \text{Ker } f$ ; then  $f_{|X_0} = 0$ . Since  $C = C_0 \wedge C_0$ , the left *C*-comodule  $X/X_0$  is semisimple. Therefore  $\text{Im } f \cong X/\text{Ker } f$  is semisimple and  $\text{Im } f \subseteq Y_0$ . Consequently,  $\overline{f} = 0$  and  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = (\overline{f}, f_{|X_0}) = 0$ .

To prove the second statement in (b1), assume that X and Y are Ccomodules having no injective direct summands. Let  $f \in \mathcal{I}(X,Y)$ , that is,  $f : X \to Y$  is a C-comodule homomorphism that factorises through an injective C-comodule E. Let  $g : X \to E$  and  $h : E \to Y$  be C-comodule homomorphisms such that f = hg. Assume, to the contrary, that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) \neq 0$ . By the above considerations,  $f(X_0) \neq 0$  and therefore  $hg(X_0) \neq 0$ . Since  $g(X_0) \subseteq E_0$ , we have  $0 \neq h(E_0) \subseteq Y$ . There exists an indecomposable direct summand E' of E such that  $0 \neq h(E'_0) \subseteq Y$ . If Ker  $h_{|E'} \neq 0$  then the simple C-comodule  $E'_0$  is contained in Ker  $h_{|E'}$  and therefore  $h(E'_0) = 0$ , a contradiction. This proves that  $h_{|E'}: E' \to Y$  is a monomorphism. Since E' is injective, it is a direct summand of Y, contrary to our assumption. Consequently,  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = 0$ .

Conversely, let  $f: X \to Y$  be such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = 0$ . Let  $\pi: X \to X/X_0$ be the natural projection. By the first part of (b1) we have  $f(X_0) = 0$ . Therefore  $f = g\pi$  for some homomorphism  $g: X/X_0 \to Y$ . Assume that  $j: X \to E(X)$  is the injective envelope of X. Applying standard arguments we can construct commutative diagram with exact rows

$$0 \longrightarrow X_{0} \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{\pi} \overline{X} \longrightarrow 0$$
$$\downarrow^{\text{id}} \qquad \downarrow^{j} \qquad \downarrow^{h}$$
$$0 \longrightarrow X_{0} \longrightarrow E(X) \xrightarrow{\pi_{1}} E(X)/X_{0} \longrightarrow 0$$

where h is a monomorphism and the comodules  $\overline{X} = X/X_0$ ,  $E(X)/X_0$  are semisimple (because C is coradical square complete). Therefore there exists a homomorphism  $h_1 : E(X)/X_0 \to \overline{X}$  such that  $h_1h = \operatorname{id}_{\overline{X}}$ , and hence  $f = g\pi = gh_1h\pi = gh_1\pi_1 j \in \mathcal{I}(X, Y).$ 

(b2) It was shown in the proof of (b1) that  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \neq 0$  if  $X \neq 0$ . By the definition of  $\mathbb{H}_C$ , we know that  $\mathbb{H}_C(C) = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{C} \\ C_0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Moreover, for any simple *C*-comodule *S*,  $\mathbb{H}_C(S) = (0, S, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ S \end{bmatrix}$  is a simple *H*<sub>C</sub>-comodule, by Theorem 2.16.

(b3) Take a *C*-comodule *X* and consider  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) = (\overline{X}, X_0, \varphi_X)$ . Note that  $\overline{\delta}_X$  (defined in (5.3)) is a monomorphism. Indeed, assume that  $\overline{\delta}_X(x) = 0$  for some  $x \in \overline{X}$ . Then there exists  $y \in X$  such that  $\pi(y) = x$  and  $(\pi_C \Box \operatorname{id})\delta_X(y) = \overline{\delta}_X(y) = 0$ . It follows that  $\delta_X(y) \in C_0 \Box X$  and  $y \in X_0$ . Finally,  $0 = \pi(y) = x$  and  $\overline{\delta}_X$  is a monomorphism. Therefore, by the definition,  $\varphi_X$  is a monomorphism. Conversely, let  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  be an  $H_C$ -comodule such that  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism. Let X be the K-vector space  $X = X'' \oplus X'$ . Note that there is an isomorphism of vector spaces  $C \cong C_0 \oplus C/C_0$ . It is easy to see that the K-linear map

$$\delta_X = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{X''} & \varphi \\ 0 & \delta_{X'} \end{bmatrix} : X'' \oplus X' \to (C \otimes X'') \oplus (C \otimes X')$$

defines a C-comodule structure on X. Since  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism, we have soc X = X'' and therefore  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) = (X', X'', \varphi)$  (see Lemma 5.5).

(b4) The proof above shows that the  $H_C$ -comodules of the form (X', 0, 0), where  $X' \neq 0$ , are not in  $\operatorname{Im} \mathbb{H}_C$ . Conversely, let  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  be an  $H_C$ comodule such that  $\varphi$  is not a monomorphism. Then there exists a non-zero direct summand of  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  of the form (Y', 0, 0), namely (Ker  $\varphi, 0, 0$ ). Hence (b4) follows, because  $C_0$  is a semisimple K-coalgebra.

(b5) follows from (b3), (b4), and Theorem 2.16.

(c) We recall that an additive functor is said to be a representation equivalence (or epivalence, see [12]) if it is full, dense, and respects isomorphisms (see [27], [28], and [38]). By (b), the functor  $\mathbb{H}_C : C\text{-comod} \to H_C\text{-comod}_{sp}^{\bullet}$ is full and dense. To show that  $\mathbb{H}_C$  reflects isomorphisms, assume that  $f: X \to Y$  is a C-homomorphism in C-Comod such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f) = (f', f'')$ is an isomorphism. It follows that  $f'': X_0 \to Y_0$  and  $f': \overline{X} \to \overline{Y}$  are isomorphisms. Hence, in view of the Snake Lemma, f is an isomorphism and the first part of (c) follows.

To finish the proof of (c), assume that X is an indecomposable Ccomodule but  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \cong \overline{Y} \oplus \overline{Z}$  decomposes. By (b4), the  $H_C$ -comodules  $\overline{Y}$  and  $\overline{Z}$  lie in the image of  $\mathbb{H}_C$ . Therefore there exist C-comodules Y and Z such that  $\overline{Y} \cong \mathbb{H}_C(Y)$  and  $\overline{Z} \cong \mathbb{H}_C(Z)$ . Hence  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \cong \mathbb{H}_C(Y \oplus Z)$ , because  $\mathbb{H}_C$  is additive. Since we have shown that  $\mathbb{H}_C$  reflects isomorphisms, the C-comodule  $X \cong Y \oplus Z$  decomposes, a contradiction.

(d) Let E be an indecomposable injective C-comodule. There exists a Ccomodule E' such that  $E \oplus E' \cong C$ . Then  $\mathbb{H}_C(C) \cong \mathbb{H}_C(E \oplus E') \cong \mathbb{H}_C(E) \oplus$   $\mathbb{H}_C(E')$  and  $\mathbb{H}_C(E)$  is a direct summand of  $\mathbb{H}_C(C)$ . By (b2) and (2.5) the  $H_C$ -comodule  $\mathbb{H}_C(E)$  is injective.

Conversely, let  $\mathbb{H}_C(E)$  be an indecomposable injective  $H_C$ -comodule. By (b4), there exists an  $H_C$ -comodule  $\overline{X}$  such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(E) \oplus \overline{X} \cong \begin{bmatrix} \overline{C} \\ C_0 \end{bmatrix}$  and there exists a *C*-comodule *X* such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \cong \overline{X}$ . Therefore  $\mathbb{H}_C(C) \cong$  $\mathbb{H}_C(E \oplus X)$ . Since  $\mathbb{H}_C$  reflects isomorphisms, we have  $C \cong E \oplus X$ , and hence *E* is injective.

The first item in the final part of (d) follows from the first one and (b). To finish the proof of (d), we note that  $\mathbb{H}_C : C\text{-}Comod \to H_C\text{-}Comod$  induces the functors

 $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_C: C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{Comod}} \longrightarrow H_C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{Comod}} \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{\mathbb{H}}_C: C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{comod}} \longrightarrow H_C\operatorname{-}\overline{\operatorname{comod}}$ 

that are full (by (c)) and dense, because  $\mathbb{H}_C$  carries injectives to injectives and all non-injective comodules in  $H_C$ -Comod are in  $\operatorname{Im} \mathbb{H}_C$ , by (b4). It remains to show that  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_C$  is faithful. Let  $\overline{f}: \overline{X} \to \overline{Y}$  be a morphism in C- $\overline{C}$ omod with  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_C(X, Y)$  such that  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_C(\overline{f}) = 0$ . We can assume that X and Y have no non-zero injective summands. Then  $\mathbb{H}_C(f): \mathbb{H}_C(X) \to$  $\mathbb{H}_C(Y)$  has a factorisation  $\mathbb{H}_C(X) \xrightarrow{g_1} Z \xrightarrow{g_2} \mathbb{H}_C(Y)$ , where Z is an injective  $\mathbb{H}_C$ -comodule. By (c) and the first part of (d),  $Z \cong \mathbb{H}_C(E)$ , where E is an injective C-comodule, and there exist C-comodule homomorphisms  $X \xrightarrow{f_1} E \xrightarrow{f_2} Y$  such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(f_1) = g_1$  and  $\mathbb{H}_C(f_2) = g_2$ . It follows that  $\mathbb{H}_C$ vanishes on  $h = f - g_2g_1 : X \to Y$  and, by (b1),  $h \in \mathcal{I}(X,Y)$ . Hence  $f = h + g_2g_1 \in \mathcal{I}(X,Y)$  and therefore  $\overline{f}$  is zero in the quotient category C- $\overline{C}$ omod. This shows that the functor  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}_C$  is faithful, and consequently, it is an equivalence of categories. (e) We apply Corollary 3.8 to  $H = H_C$ . In this case, we have

$$H' = C_0, \quad H'' = C_0, \quad U = \overline{C} = C/C_0, \quad I_{H'} = I_C, \quad I_{H''} = I_C.$$

In the notation of (3.11), given  $s' = s \in I_{H'} = I_C$  and  $s' = s \in I_{H'} = I_C$ , we have  ${}_{s'}U_{t''} = {}_{s}(C/C_0)_t$ . Hence, (e) follows from Corollary 3.8, Proposition 3.5 and the definition of the separated Gabriel valued quiver of C.

Following [38, Remark XIX.1.13] and the proof of the previous theorem, we construct a functor

(5.12) 
$$\mathbb{H}_C^{\bullet}: H_C\operatorname{-comod}_{\operatorname{sp}}^{\bullet} \to C\operatorname{-comod}_{\operatorname{sp}}^{\bullet}$$

as follows. Given an  $H_C$ -comodule  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  in  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> = Im  $\mathbb{H}_C$ , we set

$$\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C}(X',X'',\varphi) = \left(X'' \oplus X', \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{X''} & \varphi \\ 0 & \delta_{X'} \end{bmatrix}\right),$$

and given a homomorphism  $(f', f'') : (X', X'', \varphi) \to (Y', Y'', \varphi)$  in the category  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub>, we set  $\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_C(f', f'') = \begin{bmatrix} f'' & 0\\ 0 & f' \end{bmatrix}$ . It is clear that we have defined a covariant K-linear functor  $\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_C$ . Now we collect its main properties.

COROLLARY 5.13. Assume that C is a basic coradical square complete Kcoalgebra. Under the notation and assumptions of Theorem 5.11, the functor  $\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C}: H_{C}\text{-}\mathrm{comod}^{\bullet}_{\mathrm{sp}} \to C\text{-}\mathrm{Comod}$  has the following properties.

- (a)  $\mathbb{H}_C \circ \mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_C$  is isomorphic to the identity functor on  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sn</sub>.
- (b) ℍ<sup>•</sup><sub>C</sub> is faithful, exact, carries indecomposables to indecomposables, and non-isomorphic comodules to non-isomorphic ones.

*Proof.* (a) This follows from the proof of Theorem 5.11(b).

(b) Obviously,  $\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C}$  is faithful and exact. Let  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  be an object in  $H_{C}$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> = Im  $\mathbb{H}_{C}$  and assume that  $X = \mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C}((X', X'', \varphi)) \cong Y \oplus Z$  for some non-zero *C*-comodules *Y* and *Z*. By (a), we have

$$(X', X'', \varphi) \cong \mathbb{H}_C \circ \mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_C((X', X'', \varphi)) \cong \mathbb{H}_C(Y \oplus Z) \cong \mathbb{H}_C(Y) \oplus \mathbb{H}_C(Z).$$

It follows that  $(X', X'', \varphi)$  is decomposable, because by Theorem 5.11(b2) the functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$  does not vanish on non-zero objects. Since the final part of (b) is a consequence of (a), the proof is complete.

6. Applications. We recall from [20], [29] and [30] that a K-coalgebra C is said to be *left pure semisimple* if every left C-comodule is a direct sum of finite-dimensional C-comodules (see also [23], [24], and [25]).

The following characterisation of left pure semisimple coalgebras is of importance.

THEOREM 6.1. Assume that C is a K-coalgebra. The following conditions are equivalent.

- (a) C is left pure semisimple.
- (b) For every infinite sequence  $N_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} N_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots$  of non-zero monomorphisms between indecomposables in C-comod there exists  $m_0 \ge 1$  such that  $f_j$  is an isomorphism for all  $j \ge m_0$ .
- (c) For every infinite sequence  $N_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} N_2 \xrightarrow{f_1} \cdots$  of non-zero non-isomorphisms between indecomposables in C-comod there exists  $m_0 \ge 1$ such that  $f_j \ldots f_1 = 0$  for all  $j \ge m_0$ .

*Proof.* Apply [21, Theorem 3.1] and [22, Theorem 6.3] to  $\mathcal{A} = C$ -Comod (see also [29, Theorem 7.2]).

The following result shows that the reduction functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$  respects pure semisimplicity.

PROPOSITION 6.2. Assume that C is a basic coradical square complete K-coalgebra and let  $H_C = \begin{bmatrix} C_0 & \overline{C} \\ 0 & C_0 \end{bmatrix}$  be the associated bipartite hereditary coalgebra, with  $C_0 = \operatorname{soc} C$  and  $\overline{C} = C/\operatorname{soc} C$ . The following conditions are equivalent.

- (a) C is left pure semisimple.
- (b)  $H_C$  is left pure semisimple.
- (c)  $H_C$  is a direct sum of finite-dimensional coalgebras of finite comodule type.
- (d) The left separated valued quiver  $({}_{C}{}^{s}Q, {}_{C}{}^{s}\mathbf{d})$  is a disjoint union of Dynkin valued quivers, that is, finite valued quivers whose underlying graphs are Dynkin diagrams of one of the types  $\mathbb{A}_{n}$   $(n \geq 1)$ ,  $\mathbb{B}_{n}$   $(n \geq 2)$ ,  $\mathbb{C}_{n}$   $(n \geq 3)$ ,  $\mathbb{D}_{n}$   $(n \geq 4)$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{6}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{7}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{8}$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_{4}$  or  $\mathbb{G}_{2}$  (see [14, Table 2]).

*Proof.* We prove that (a) implies (b) by applying Theorem 6.1. Assume that C is a basic left pure semisimple coalgebra and

$$Y_1 \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_1} Y_2 \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_2} \cdots$$

is a sequence of non-zero non-isomorphisms between finite-dimensional indecomposable left  $H_C$ -comodules. We may assume that no  $Y_i$  is simple injective, because otherwise some  $\overline{f}_i$  is zero or an isomorphism, contrary to assumption.

By Theorem 5.11(b), this sequence lies in  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> = Im  $\mathbb{H}_C$ . By Theorem 5.11(c), for each  $i \geq 1$ , there exists an indecomposable *C*-comodule  $X_i$  in *C*-comod and a non-zero non-isomorphism  $f_i \in \text{Hom}_C(X_i, X_{i+1})$  such that  $\mathbb{H}_C(X_i) = Y_i$  and  $\mathbb{H}_C(f_i) = \overline{f}_i$ . Thus we have a sequence

 $X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots$ 

of non-zero non-isomorphisms between finite-dimensional indecomposable C-comodules. Since C is left pure semisimple, there exists  $m_0 \ge 1$  such that  $f_j \ldots f_1 = 0$  for all  $j \ge m_0$ ; hence  $\overline{f}_j \ldots \overline{f}_1 = 0$  for all  $j \ge m_0$ . Then, in view of Theorem 6.1,  $H_C$  is left pure semisimple.

To prove that (b) implies (a), assume that  $H_C$  is left pure-semisimple. Let

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \cdots$$

be a sequence of non-zero monomorphisms between finite-dimensional indecomposable *C*-comodules. It follows that  $f_m \ldots f_1(\operatorname{soc} X_1) \neq 0$  for each  $m \geq 1$ , and, according to Theorem 5.10,  $\mathbb{H}_C(f_m \ldots f_1) = \mathbb{H}_C(f_m) \ldots \mathbb{H}_C(f_1) :$  $\mathbb{H}_C(X_1) \to \mathbb{H}_C(X_m)$  is non-zero. By Theorem 5.10, the sequence

$$Y_1 \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_1} Y_2 \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_2} \cdots$$

with  $Y_i = \mathbb{H}_C(X_i)$ ,  $\overline{f}_i = \mathbb{H}_C(f_i)$  in  $H_C$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub> consists of indecomposable comodules connected by non-zero homomorphisms. The observation made above yields  $\overline{f}_n \dots \overline{f}_1 \neq 0$  for each  $n \geq 1$ . Since  $H_C$  is pure semisimple, there exists  $i_0$  such that  $\overline{f}_n$  is an isomorphism for any  $n \geq i_0$ . Hence,  $f_n$ is an isomorphism for any  $n \geq i_0$ , because  $\mathbb{H}_C$  reflects isomorphisms by Theorem 5.10(c). Consequently, C is left pure semisimple by Theorem 6.1, and therefore (a) and (b) are equivalent.

To prove (b) $\Leftrightarrow$ (c), it is sufficient to show that the left pure semisimplicity of  $H_C$  implies (c), because the converse follows from [29, Theorem 7.5].

Assume that  $H_C$  is left pure semisimple and decompose it into a direct sum

$$H_C = \bigoplus_{\beta \in T} H_\beta$$

of indecomposable coalgebras  $H_{\beta}$ . It follows that, for each  $\beta \in T$ , the left valued Gabriel quiver  $(_{H_{\beta}}Q, _{H_{\beta}}\mathbf{d})$  is a connected component of  $(_{H_{C}}Q, _{H_{C}}\mathbf{d})$ (see [29, Corollary 8.7] and [32, Corollary 2.8]). Since  $H_{C}$  is hereditary and left pure semisimple, so is  $H_{\beta}$  for each  $\beta \in T$ . Then, according to [14, Theorem 4.14] (see also [20] and [29]), either the quiver  $(_{H_{\beta}}Q, _{H_{\beta}}\mathbf{d})$  is one of the infinite pure semisimple locally Dynkin valued quivers  $\mathbb{A}_{\infty}^{(s)}, _{\infty}\mathbb{A}_{\infty}^{(s)}, \mathbb{B}_{\infty}^{(s)},$  $\mathbb{C}_{\infty}^{(s)}$  or  $\mathbb{D}_{\infty}^{(s)}$ , with  $s \geq 0$ , presented in [14, Table 1], or  $(_{H_{\beta}}Q, _{H_{\beta}}\mathbf{d})$  is finite and its underlying valued graph is one of the Dynkin valued diagrams  $\mathbb{A}_{n}$  $(n \geq 1), \mathbb{B}_{n} \ (n \geq 2), \mathbb{C}_{n} \ (n \geq 3), \mathbb{D}_{n} \ (n \geq 4), \mathbb{E}_{6}, \mathbb{E}_{7}, \mathbb{E}_{8}, \mathbb{F}_{4}$  or  $\mathbb{G}_{2}$  presented in [14, Table 2].

COROLLARY 6.3. Let  $C = D \ltimes_D U_D$  be the trivial extension of a basic semisimple coalgebra D by a D-D-bicomodule  $_D U_D$ .

- (a) C is coradical square complete, the associated bipartite coalgebra  $H_C$ is the hereditary coalgebra  $\begin{bmatrix} D & DU_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  and the reduction functor  $\mathbb{H}_C$ :  $C\text{-comod} \to H_C\text{-comod}^{\bullet}_{sp}$  is a representation equivalence.
- (b) The left valued Gabriel quiver of C has the form (<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d) ♦<sub>U</sub> (<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d) (see (4.9)), that is, it is obtained from the valued quiver (<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d) ■<sub>U</sub>(<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d) (see (3.10)) of the bipartite coalgebra [<sup>D</sup><sub>0</sub> <sup>DUD</sup><sub>D</sub>] by the identification of the vertex s' with the vertex s'' and the arrow s' → t' with the arrow s'' → t'' in (<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d) ■<sub>U</sub> (<sub>D</sub>Q, <sub>D</sub>d), for all s, t ∈ <sub>D</sub>Q<sub>0</sub> = I<sub>D</sub>.
- (c) C is left pure semisimple if and only if  $\begin{bmatrix} D & DUD \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  is left pure semisimple, and if and only if the left separated valued quiver of C is a disjoint union of Dynkin valued quivers.

*Proof.* Apply Proposition 4.10, Theorem 5.11, and Proposition 6.2.

EXAMPLE 6.4. Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of positive integers and let

$$C = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} Ke_n \oplus \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{N}} K\eta_m$$

be a K-vector space with a countable basis  $\{e_n, \eta_m\}_{n,m\in\mathbb{N}}$  equipped with the comultiplication  $\Delta: C \to C \otimes C$  and the counit  $\varepsilon: C \to K$ , defined by the formulae:

- $\Delta(e_n) = e_n \otimes e_n$  and  $\Delta(\eta_m) = e_m \otimes \eta_m + \eta_m \otimes e_{m+1}$ ,
- $\varepsilon(e_n) = 1$  and  $\varepsilon(\eta_m) = 0$  for  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

It is straightforward to check that  $C = (C, \Delta, \varepsilon)$  is a basic K-coalgebra,  $C_0 = \operatorname{soc} C = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S(n)$ , where  $S(n) = Ke_n$  is a simple subcoalgebra of C, and  $C = C_1 = C_0 \wedge C_0$ , that is, C is coradical square complete.

It is easy to check that, for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have  $\operatorname{Ext}_{C}^{1}(S(i), S(i+1)) \cong K$ and  $\operatorname{Ext}_{C}^{1}(S(i), S(j)) = 0$  for  $j \neq i+1$ . It follows that the separated valued quiver  $({}_{C}^{s}Q, {}_{C}^{s}\mathbf{d})$  has the form



and, by Proposition 6.2, C is left pure semisimple.

Note also that C is isomorphic to the trivial extension coalgebra  $D \ltimes _D U_D$ , where  $D = \operatorname{soc} C$  is a basic semisimple subcoalgebra of C and  $_D U_D = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{N}} K \eta_m \subseteq C$  is viewed as a D-D-bicomodule in the obvious way.

It follows from Theorem 5.11 and Corollary 6.3 that the left Gabriel quiver of the bipartite coalgebra

$$H_C = \begin{bmatrix} D & _D U_D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$$

is the quiver presented above, whereas the left Gabriel quiver of  $C \cong D \ltimes_D U_D$  is the infinite linear quiver

$$Q: 1 \xrightarrow{\beta_1} 2 \xrightarrow{\beta_2} \cdots \rightarrow s - 1 \xrightarrow{\beta_{s-1}} s \xrightarrow{\beta_s} s + 1 \xrightarrow{\beta_{s+1}} \cdots$$

obtained from the above by the identification  $n \equiv n' \equiv n''$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $K^{\Box}Q$  be the path coalgebra of the quiver Q. One can show that there is a coalgebra isomorphism  $C \cong (K^{\Box}Q)_1 = KQ_0 \oplus KQ_1$  given by  $e_n \mapsto \hat{e}_n$ (the stationary path at the vertex  $n \in Q_0$ ) and  $\eta_n \mapsto \beta_n \in KQ_1$ . Hence, by applying the results in [29], [31] and [33], one can show that C is isomorphic to the path coalgebra  $K^{\Box}(Q, \Omega) = C(Q, \Omega)$  with the ideal  $\Omega \subseteq KQ$  of relations generated by all compositions  $\beta_n\beta_{n+1}$  with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consequently, the category C-comod  $\cong K^{\Box}(Q, \Omega)$ -comod is equivalent to the category rep<sub>K</sub>(Q,  $\Omega$ ) of finite-dimensional representations of Q satisfying the relation  $\beta_n\beta_{n+1} = 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

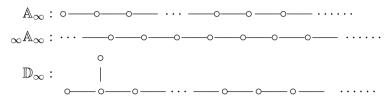
We finish the paper by a discussion of tame and wild comodule type of any basic coalgebra C by means of its separated valued quiver. For the definition of tame and wild comodule type the reader is referred to [29, Definition 6.6], [30], and [31]. In particular, the tame-wild dichotomy for coalgebras over an algebraically closed field is discussed in [31].

PROPOSITION 6.5. Assume that K is an algebraically closed field. Let C be a basic K-coalgebra,  $C_1$  the first term of the coradical filtration of C, and  $H = H_{C_1}$  the associated hereditary bipartite coalgebra.

- (a) The quiver  $_{H}Q$  coincides with the left separated quiver  $_{C}Q$ .
- (b) If  $H_{C_1}$  is of wild comodule type, then so is C.
- (c) If C is of tame comodule type, then so is  $H = H_{C_1}$ , and the underlying non-oriented graph of each of the connected components of  $_HQ$   $(= {}_C^{s}Q)$  is of one of the types:

• the Dynkin diagrams  $\mathbb{A}_{n, \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{D}_{n, \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}_{6, \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}_{7, \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{E}_{8, \mathbb{Z}}$ 

- the Euclidean diagrams  $\mathbb{A}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{D}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_6$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_7$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_8$ ,
- the infinite locally Dynkin diagrams (see [14], [29]–[31]),



*Proof.* We recall from Theorem 5.11 that  $H_{C_1}$  is hereditary.

(a) By Proposition 3.5, the left Gabriel quiver  $_{C_1}Q$  coincides with  $_CQ$ . Then (a) follows from Theorem 5.11(d).

(b) Assume that  $H_{C_1}$  is of wild comodule type. Then there exists a *K*-linear representation embedding functor  $T : \mod \Gamma_3(K) \to H_{C_1}$ -comod, where  $\Gamma_3(K) = \begin{bmatrix} K & K^3 \\ 0 & K \end{bmatrix}$  is the path *K*-algebra of the wild quiver  $\circ \implies \circ$ . By [38, Corollary XVIII.4.2], there exists a full, faithful, exact *K*-linear endofunctor

 $F: \operatorname{mod} \Gamma_3(K) \to \operatorname{mod} \Gamma_3(K)$ 

such that Im F is contained in the category add  $\mathcal{R}(\Gamma_3(K))$  of all regular  $\Gamma_3(K)$ -modules. It follows that the image of

$$T \circ F : \mod \Gamma_3(K) \to H_{C_1}$$
-comod

does not contain simple comodules. Indeed, given a non-zero module X in mod  $\Gamma_3(K)$ , the module F(X) is regular, and hence not simple. It follows that there exists a non-split exact sequence  $0 \to Y' \to F(X) \to Y'' \to 0$  in mod  $\Gamma_3(K)$ , where Y' and Y'' are non-zero. Since T is exact, we derive the exact sequence  $0 \to T(Y') \to T(F(X)) \to T(Y'') \to 0$  in  $H_{C_1}$ -comod, where T(Y') and T(Y'') are non-zero. This shows that  $\dim_K T(F(X)) \ge 2$ , and consequently T(F(X)) lies in  $H_{C_1}$ -comod<sup>6</sup><sub>sp</sub>.

It follows that  $T \circ F : \text{mod } \Gamma_3(K) \to H_{C_1}$ -comod defines a representation embedding  $(T \circ F)' : \text{mod } \Gamma_3(K) \to H_{C_1}$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub>. Since, by Corollary 5.13,  $\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C_1} : H_{C_1}$ -comod<sup>•</sup><sub>sp</sub>  $\to C_1$ -comod is a representation embedding, so is

$$\mathbb{H}^{\bullet}_{C_1} \circ (T \circ F)' : \operatorname{mod} \Gamma_3(K) \to C_1\operatorname{-comod} \hookrightarrow C\operatorname{-comod}.$$

This shows that C is of wild comodule type.

(c) Assume that C is of tame comodule type. By [29, Theorem 6.11(a)] and its proof, the subcoalgebra  $C_1$  of C is also of tame comodule type. Suppose that  $H_{C_1}$  is not tame. Since, by [31, Theorem 5.12], the tame-wild dichotomy holds for hereditary basic coalgebras,  $H_{C_1}$  is of wild comodule type. Hence, by (b), C is of wild comodule type and, according to [31, Corollary 5.6] (a weak version of tame-wild dichotomy for coalgebras), we get a contradiction.

We recall that  $H_{C_1}$  is hereditary. Since it is of tame comodule type, every indecomposable coalgebra direct summand H' of  $H_{C_1}$  is also of tame comodule type and, obviously, the left Gabriel quiver Q' of H' is a connected component of  $_HQ$ . Then, by [29, Theorem 9.4] and [31, Theorem 5.12], the underlying unoriented graph of Q' is of one of the types listed in (c).

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