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## COBRAIDED SMASH PRODUCT HOM-HOPF ALGEBRAS

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**Abstract.** Let  $(A, \alpha)$  and  $(B, \beta)$  be two Hom-Hopf algebras. We construct a new class of Hom-Hopf algebras: *R*-smash products  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ . Moreover, necessary and sufficient conditions for  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  to be a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra are given.

1. Introduction. Hom-structures (Lie algebras, algebras, coalgebras, Hopf algebras) have recently been intensively investigated (see [1, 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13]). Hom-algebras are generalizations of algebras obtained by a twisting map; they have been introduced for the first time in [5]. The associativity is replaced by Hom-associativity; Hom-coassociativity for a Hom-coalgebra can be considered in a similar way. Also definitions and properties of Hom-bialgebras and Hom-Hopf algebras have been proposed (see [1, 3, 6, 12, 13]).

Caenepeel and Goyvaerts [1] studied the Hom-structures from the point of view of monoidal categories and found that Hom-algebras coincide with algebras in a symmetric monoidal category. Yau [12] defined the notion of cobraided Hom-bialgebras and showed that each cobraided Hom-bialgebra comes with solutions of the operator quantum Hom-Yang–Baxter equations, which are twisted analogues of the operator form of the quantum Yang–Baxter equation. Solutions of the Hom-Yang–Baxter equation can be obtained from comodules of suitable cobraided Hom-bialgebras. In [11], Yau introduced and characterized the concept of module Hom-algebras as a twisted version of usual module algebras.

Let H be a Hopf algebra and A an H-module algebra. Then we can construct a new Hopf algebra, their smash product A # H (see [7] or [8]). Extended forms of smash product can be found in [2, 4].

Let  $(H, \beta)$  be a Hom-Hopf algebra and  $(A, \alpha)$  an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Homalgebra (introduced by Yau [11]). Then it is natural to ask: How to construct the smash product Hom-Hopf algebra and when is it cobraided?

The purpose of this article is to answer the above questions.

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This article is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some definitions and results which will be used later. In Section 3, before constructing the smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  (Theorem 3.3), we give a more general case, the so-called *R*-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \not\models_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  (Theorem 3.1). We remark that the smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  in Theorem 3.3 is different from the one defined by Chen–Wang–Zhang [3], since here the construction of  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is based on the concept of the module Hom-algebra introduced by Yau [11], which differs from Chen–Wang–Zhang's [3]. Necessary and sufficient conditions for  $(A \not\models_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  to be a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra are derived in Section 4 (Theorems 4.8 and 4.9). In the last section, we give a concrete example.

2. Preliminaries. Throughout this paper, we follow the definitions and terminology of [1, 11, 12], with all algebraic systems supposed to be over a field K. Given a K-space M, we write  $id_M$  for the identity map on M.

We now recall some useful definitions.

DEFINITION 2.1. A Hom-algebra is a quadruple  $(A, \mu, 1_A, \alpha)$  (abbr.  $(A, \alpha)$ ), where A is a K-linear space,  $\mu : A \otimes A \to A$  is a K-linear map,  $1_A \in A$  and  $\alpha$  is an automorphism of A such that

(HA1) 
$$\alpha(aa') = \alpha(a)\alpha(a'), \quad \alpha(1_A) = 1_A,$$

(HA2) 
$$\alpha(a)(a'a'') = (aa')\alpha(a''), \quad a1_A = 1_A a = \alpha(a),$$

for  $a, a', a'' \in A$ . Here we use the notation  $\mu(a \otimes a') = aa'$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. A Hom-coalgebra is a quadruple  $(C, \Delta, \varepsilon_C, \beta)$  (abbr.  $(C, \beta)$ ), where C is a K-linear space,  $\Delta : C \to C \otimes C$ ,  $\varepsilon_C : C \to K$  are K-linear maps, and  $\beta$  is an automorphism of C, such that

(HC1)  $\beta(c)_1 \otimes \beta(c)_2 = \beta(c_1) \otimes \beta(c_2), \quad \varepsilon_C \circ \beta = \varepsilon_C,$ 

(HC2) 
$$\beta(c_1) \otimes c_{21} \otimes c_{22} = c_{11} \otimes c_{12} \otimes \beta(c_2), \quad \varepsilon_C(c_1)c_2 = c_1\varepsilon_C(c_2) = \beta(c),$$

for  $c \in A$ . Here we use the notation  $\Delta(c) = c_1 \otimes c_2$  (summation implicitly understood).

REMARKS. (a) Here we use  $\beta$  instead of  $\beta^{-1}$  in [1].

(b) The first equation in (HC2) is equivalent to

(1) 
$$c_1 \otimes c_{21} \otimes c_{22} = \beta^{-1}(c_{11}) \otimes c_{12} \otimes \beta(c_2)$$

and

(2) 
$$c_{11} \otimes c_{12} \otimes c_2 = \beta(c_1) \otimes c_{21} \otimes \beta^{-1}(c_{22}),$$

respectively.

(c) By (1), (2) and (HC2), we have

(3) 
$$c_{11} \otimes c_{12} \otimes c_{21} \otimes c_{22} = \beta(c_1) \otimes \beta^{-1}(c_{211}) \otimes \beta^{-1}(c_{212}) \otimes c_{22}.$$

DEFINITION 2.3. A Hom-bialgebra is a sextuple  $(H, \mu, 1_H, \Delta, \varepsilon, \gamma)$  (abbr.  $(H, \gamma)$ ), where  $(H, \mu, 1_H, \gamma)$  is a Hom-algebra and  $(H, \Delta, \varepsilon, \gamma)$  is a Hom-coalgebra, such that  $\Delta$  and  $\varepsilon$  are morphisms of Hom-algebras, i.e.

$$\Delta(hh') = \Delta(h)\Delta(h'), \quad \Delta(1_H) = 1_H \otimes 1_H,$$
  

$$\varepsilon(hh') = \varepsilon(h)\varepsilon(h'), \quad \varepsilon(1_H) = 1.$$

Furthermore, if there exists a linear map  $S: H \to H$  such that

$$S(h_1)h_2 = h_1S(h_2) = \varepsilon(h)1_H$$
 and  $S(\gamma(h)) = \gamma(S(h)),$ 

then we call  $(H,\mu,1_H,\Delta,\varepsilon,\gamma,S)$  (abbr.  $(H,\gamma,S))$  a Hom-Hopf algebra.

Let  $(H, \gamma)$  and  $(H', \gamma')$  be two Hom-bialgebras. A linear map  $f : H \to H'$  is called a *Hom-bialgebra map* if  $f \circ \gamma = \gamma' \circ f$  and at the same time f is a bialgebra map in the usual sense.

DEFINITION 2.4. Let  $(A, \beta)$  be a Hom-algebra. A left  $(A, \beta)$ -Hom-module is a triple  $(M, \triangleright, \alpha)$ , where M is a linear space,  $\triangleright : A \otimes M \to M$  is a linear map, and  $\alpha$  is an automorphism of M, such that

(HM1) 
$$\alpha(a \triangleright m) = \beta(a) \triangleright \alpha(m),$$

(HM2) 
$$\beta(a) \triangleright (a' \triangleright m) = (aa') \triangleright \alpha(m), \quad 1_A \triangleright m = \alpha(m),$$

for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $m \in M$ .

REMARKS. (a) It is obvious that  $(A, \mu, \beta)$  is a left  $(A, \beta)$ -Hom-module.

(b) When  $\beta = id_A$  and  $\alpha = id_M$ , a left  $(A, \beta)$ -Hom-module is the usual left A-module.

DEFINITION 2.5. Let  $(H,\beta)$  be a Hom-bialgebra and  $(A,\alpha)$  a Homalgebra. If  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  is a left  $(H,\beta)$ -Hom-module and for all  $h \in H$  and  $a, a' \in A$ ,

- (HMA1)  $\beta^2(h) \triangleright (aa') = (h_1 \triangleright a)(h_2 \triangleright a'),$
- (HMA2)  $h \rhd 1_A = \varepsilon_H(h) 1_A,$

then  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  is called an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Hom-algebra.

REMARKS. (a) It is obvious that  $(H, \mu_H, \beta)$  is an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Homalgebra.

(b) When  $\alpha = id_A$  and  $\beta = id_H$ , an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Hom-algebra is the usual *H*-module algebra.

(c) Similar to the case of Hopf algebras, Yau [13] showed that (HMA1) is satisfied if and only if  $\mu_A$  is a morphism of *H*-modules for suitable *H*-module structures on  $A \otimes A$  and A, respectively.

(d) If  $\beta^2$  = id in (HMA1), then we can get (6.1) of [3]. So the two definitions of module Hom-algebra are different, which leads to the difference of smash product Hom-Hopf algebra in our Theorem 3.3 and in Definition 6.2 of [3].

DEFINITION 2.6. A cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra is an octuple  $(H, \mu, 1_H, \Delta, \varepsilon, S, \alpha, \sigma)$  (abbr.  $(H, \alpha, \sigma)$ ) in which  $(H, \mu, 1_H, \Delta, \varepsilon, S, \alpha)$  is a Hom-Hopf algebra and  $\sigma$  is a bilinear form on H (i.e.,  $\sigma \in \text{Hom}(H \otimes H, K)$ ), satisfying the following axioms (for all  $h, g, l \in H$ ):

- (CHA1)  $\sigma(h, 1_H) = \sigma(1_H, h) = \varepsilon(h),$
- (CHA2)  $\sigma(hg, \alpha(l)) = \sigma(\alpha(h), l_1)\sigma(\alpha(g), l_2),$
- (CHA3)  $\sigma(\alpha(h), gl) = \sigma(h_1, \alpha(l))\sigma(h_2, \alpha(g)),$
- (CHA4)  $\sigma(h_1, g_1)h_2g_2 = g_1h_1\sigma(h_2, g_2),$
- (CHA5)  $\sigma(\alpha(h), \alpha(g)) = \sigma(h, g).$

In this case,  $\sigma$  is called the *Hom-cobraiding form*.

REMARKS. (a) When  $\alpha = id_H$ , a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra is exactly the usual cobraided (or coquasitriangular) Hopf algebra.

(b) The above definition is slightly different from the definitions in [12] or [13]. Here we replace the Hom-bialgebra by Hom-Hopf algebra and also add two conditions, (CHA1) and (CHA5). Similar to the Hopf algebra setting, the Hom-cobraiding form  $\sigma$  in Definition 2.6 is invertible.

(c) By Yau's results [12], each cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra comes with solutions of the operator quantum Hom-Yang–Baxter equations, which are twisted analogues of the operator form of the quantum Yang–Baxter equation.

Next, we generalize the concept of skew pairing to the Hom-setting.

DEFINITION 2.7. Let  $(A, \alpha, S_A)$  and  $(B, \beta, S_B)$  be two Hom-Hopf algebras, and  $\vartheta \in \text{Hom}(A \otimes B, K)$  a bilinear form. A *Hom-skew pairing* is a triple  $(A, B, \vartheta)$  such that

(SP1)  $\vartheta(a, 1_B) = \varepsilon_A(a), \quad \vartheta(1_A, b) = \varepsilon_B(b),$ 

(SP2)  $\vartheta(aa',\beta(b)) = \vartheta(\alpha(a),b_1)\vartheta(\alpha(a'),b_2),$ 

(SP3) 
$$\vartheta(\alpha(a), bb') = \vartheta(a_1, \beta(b'))\vartheta(a_2, \beta(b)),$$

(SP4) 
$$\vartheta(\alpha(a), \beta(b)) = \vartheta(a, b),$$

for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ .

REMARKS. (a) When  $\alpha = id_A$  and  $\beta = id_B$ , we get the usual skew pairing.

(b) If  $(H, \alpha, \sigma)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra, then  $(H, H, \sigma)$  is a Hom-skew pairing.

(c)  $\vartheta$  is (convolution) invertible with  $\vartheta^{-1}(a,b) = \vartheta(S_A(a),b)$ .

**3. Smash product Hom-Hopf algebra.** In this section, we introduce a class of Hom-Hopf algebras: *R*-smash products  $A \natural_R B$ , generalizing the *R*-smash product studied in [2]. As a special case, we obtain the Hom-smash product based on the structure of module Hom-algebra introduced by Yau [11], [13].

Let A and B be two linear spaces, and  $R: B \otimes A \to A \otimes B$  a linear map. In the following, we write  $R(b \otimes a) = \sum a_R \otimes b_R$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ , and the notations  $\sum a_r \otimes b_r$ ,  $\sum a_{R'} \otimes b_{R'}$  are the copies of  $\sum a_R \otimes b_R$ . As usual, we omit the summation sign " $\sum$ ".

THEOREM 3.1. Let  $(A, \mu_A, 1_A, \alpha)$  and  $(B, \mu_B, 1_B, \beta)$  be two Homalgebras, and  $R: B \otimes A \to A \otimes B$  a linear map such that for all  $a \in A, b \in B$ ,

(4) 
$$\alpha(a)_R \otimes \beta(b)_R = \alpha(a_R) \otimes \beta(b_R).$$

Then  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$   $(A \natural_R B = A \otimes B \text{ as a linear space})$  with multiplication

$$(a \otimes b)(a' \otimes b') = a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R)b'$$

where  $a, a' \in A$ ,  $b, b' \in B$ , and with unit  $1_A \otimes 1_B$  is a Hom-algebra if and only if the following conditions hold:

(C1)  $a_R \otimes 1_{BR} = \alpha(a) \otimes 1_B, \quad 1_{AR} \otimes b_R = 1_A \otimes \beta(b),$ 

(C2) 
$$\alpha(a)_R \otimes (bb')_R = a_{Rr} \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(b)_r)b'_R,$$

(C3) 
$$\alpha((aa')_R) \otimes \beta(b)_R = \alpha(a_R)\alpha(a')_r \otimes b_{Rr},$$

where  $a, a' \in A, b, b' \in B$ .

We call this Hom-algebra the R-smash product Hom-algebra and denote it by  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ .

*Proof.* ( $\Leftarrow$ ) For all  $a, a', a'' \in A$  and,  $b, b', b'' \in B$ , firstly, we prove that (HA1) holds. In fact,

$$(\alpha \otimes \beta)((a \otimes b)(a' \otimes b')) = \underline{\alpha(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R)} \otimes \underline{\beta(\beta^{-1}(b_R)b')}$$

$$\stackrel{(\text{HA1})}{=} \alpha(a)\underline{\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a')_R)} \otimes \underline{b_R}\beta(b')$$

$$\stackrel{(4)}{=} \alpha(a)a'_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(b)_R)\beta(b')$$

$$= ((\alpha \otimes \beta)(a \otimes b))((\alpha \otimes \beta)(a' \otimes b'))$$

and

$$(\alpha \otimes \beta)(1_A \otimes 1_B) = \alpha(1_A) \otimes \beta(1_B) \stackrel{(\text{HA1})}{=} 1_A \otimes 1_B$$

Secondly, we prove (HA2):

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b))((a' \otimes b')(a'' \otimes b'')) \\ &= \alpha(a) \underline{\alpha^{-1}(a'\alpha^{-1}(a'')_R)_r} \otimes \beta^{-1}(\underline{\beta(b)_r})(\beta^{-1}(b'_R)b'') \\ \overset{(C3)}{=} \alpha(a) \alpha^{-1}(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a'_r))\alpha^{-1}(a'')_{RR'}) \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{rR'})(\beta^{-1}(b'_R)b'') \\ &= \underline{\alpha(a)(\alpha^{-1}(a'_r)\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a'')_{RR'}))} \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{rR'})(\beta^{-1}(b'_R)b'') \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(a \otimes b)(1_A \otimes 1_B) = a\alpha^{-1}(1_A)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R)1_B$$
$$\stackrel{(\text{HA1})}{=} a1_{AR} \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R)1_B$$
$$\stackrel{(\text{C1})}{=} a1_A \otimes b1_B$$
$$\stackrel{(\text{HA2})}{=} \alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b).$$

Similarly,  $(1_A \otimes 1_B)(a \otimes b) = \alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b)$  holds.

 $(\Rightarrow)$  By (HA2), we have

(5) 
$$1_A \alpha^{-1}(a)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(1_{BR})b = \alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b),$$

(6) 
$$a\alpha^{-1}(1_A) \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R) 1_B = \alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b)$$

and

(7) 
$$\alpha(a)\alpha^{-1}(a'\alpha^{-1}(a'')_R)_r \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(b)_r)(\beta^{-1}(b'_R)b'')$$
  
=  $(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_r)a''_R \otimes \beta^{-1}((\beta^{-1}(b_r)b')_R)\beta(b'').$ 

Letting  $b = 1_B$  and a = 1 in (5) and (6), respectively, we get (C1).

Letting  $a = a' = 1_A$  and  $b'' = 1_B$  in (7) and using (C1), we obtain (C2). Likewise, (C3) can be obtained by letting  $a = 1_A$  and  $b' = b'' = 1_B$  in (7).

When  $\alpha = \mathrm{id}_A$  and  $\beta = \mathrm{id}_B$ , we have

EXAMPLE 3.2 ([2]). Let  $(A, \mu_A, 1_A)$  and  $(B, \mu_B, 1_B)$  be two algebras, and  $R: B \otimes A \to A \otimes B$  a linear map. Then  $A \#_R B$   $(A \#_R B = A \otimes B$  as linear spaces) with multiplication

$$(a \otimes b)(a' \otimes b') = aa'_R \otimes b_R b',$$

where  $a, a' \in A, b, b' \in B$ , and unit  $1_A \otimes 1_B$  becomes an algebra if and only if the following conditions hold:

$$a_R \otimes 1_{BR} = a \otimes 1_B, \quad 1_{AR} \otimes b_R = 1_A \otimes b,$$
  

$$a_R \otimes (bb')_R = a_{Rr} \otimes b_r b'_R,$$
  

$$(aa')_R \otimes b_R = a_R a'_r \otimes b_{Rr},$$

where  $a, a' \in A, b, b' \in B$ .

THEOREM 3.3. Let  $(H, \beta)$  be a Hom-bialgebra and  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Hom-algebra. Then  $(A \natural H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$   $(A \natural H = A \otimes H$  as a linear space) with multiplication

$$(a \otimes h)(a' \otimes h') = a(h_1 \rhd \alpha^{-1}(a')) \otimes \beta^{-1}(h_2)h',$$

where  $a, a' \in A$ ,  $h, h' \in H$ , and unit  $1_A \otimes 1_H$  is a Hom-algebra; we call it the smash product Hom-algebra and denote it by  $(A \natural H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ .

*Proof.* Define  $R: H \otimes A \to A \otimes H$  by

$$R(h \otimes a) = h_1 \triangleright a \otimes h_2, \quad \forall a \in A, h \in H.$$

Firstly, for all  $a \in A$  and  $h \in H$ ,

$$\alpha(a)_R \otimes \beta(h)_R = \underbrace{\beta(h)_1 \rhd \alpha(a) \otimes \underline{\beta(h)_2}}_{\substack{(\text{HC1})\\ =}} \underbrace{\frac{\beta(h_1) \rhd \alpha(a)}{\beta(h_1) \rhd \alpha(a)} \otimes \beta(h_2)}_{\substack{(\text{HM1})\\ =}} \alpha(h_1 \rhd a) \otimes \beta(h_2) = \alpha(a_R) \otimes \beta(h_R),$$

so (4) holds.

Secondly, we have

$$a_{R} \otimes 1_{HR} = 1 \rhd a \otimes 1_{H} \stackrel{(\text{HM2})}{=} \alpha(a) \otimes 1_{H},$$

$$1_{AR} \otimes h_{R} = h_{1} \rhd 1_{A} \otimes h_{2} \stackrel{(\text{HM2})}{=} 1_{A} \otimes \varepsilon(h_{1})h_{2} \stackrel{(\text{HC2})}{=} 1_{A} \otimes \beta(h)$$
Thirdly, we verify (C2) and (C3): for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $h, h' \in B$ ,  

$$\alpha(a)_{R} \otimes (hh')_{R} = (hh')_{1} \rhd \alpha(a) \otimes (hh')_{2}$$

$$= (h_{1}h'_{1}) \rhd \alpha(a) \otimes h_{2}h'_{2}$$

$$\stackrel{(\text{HM2})}{=} \beta(h_{1}) \rhd (h'_{1} \rhd a) \otimes h_{2}h'_{2}$$

$$\stackrel{\underline{\beta},(\mathbf{n}_{1})}{=} \beta(h)_{1} \rhd (h'_{1} \rhd a) \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(h)_{2})h'_{2}$$
$$= a_{Rr} \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(h)_{r})h'_{R}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha((aa')_R) \otimes \beta(h)_R &= \alpha(\underline{\beta(h)_1} \rhd (aa')) \otimes \underline{\beta(h)_2} \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HC1})}{=} & \underline{\alpha(\beta(h_1) \rhd (aa'))} \otimes \beta(h_2) \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HM1})}{=} & \underline{\beta^2(h_1) \rhd \underline{\alpha(aa')}} \otimes \beta(h_2) \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HA1})}{=} & \underline{\beta^2(h_1) \rhd (\alpha(a)\alpha(a'))} \otimes \beta(h_2) \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HMA1})}{=} & \underline{(h_{11} \rhd \alpha(a))(\underline{h_{12}} \rhd \alpha(a')) \otimes \underline{\beta(h_2)}} \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HC2})}{=} & \underline{(\beta(h_1) \rhd \alpha(a))(h_{21} \rhd \alpha(a')) \otimes h_{22}} \\ \stackrel{(\mathrm{HM1})}{=} & \alpha(h_1 \rhd a)(h_{21} \rhd \alpha(a')) \otimes h_{22} \\ &= & \alpha(a_R)\alpha(a')_r \otimes h_{Rr}. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

REMARKS. (a) The smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ is different from the one defined by Chen–Wang–Zhang in [3], since here the construction of  $(A \not\models B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is based on the concept of the module Hom-algebra introduced by Yau [11], while two of conditions (6.1), (6.2) in the module Hom-algebra of [3] are as in the case of a Hopf algebra.

(b) When  $\alpha = id_A$  and  $\beta = id_H$ , we get the usual smash product algebra A # H (see [7, 8]).

LEMMA 3.4. Let  $(C, \alpha)$  and  $(D, \beta)$  be two Hom-coalgebras. Then  $(C \otimes D, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is a Hom-coalgebra with the following comultiplication and counit:

 $\Delta(c \otimes d) = c_1 \otimes d_1 \otimes c_2 \otimes d_2, \quad \varepsilon(c \otimes d) = \varepsilon_C(c)\varepsilon_D(d),$ 

for  $c \in C$  and  $d \in D$ . We call it the tensor product Hom-coalgebra.

*Proof.* Straightforward.

THEOREM 3.5. Let  $(A, \alpha, S_A)$  and  $(B, \beta, S_B)$  be two Hom-Hopf algebras, and  $R: B \otimes A \to A \otimes B$  a linear map. Then the R-smash product Hom-algebra  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  equipped with the tensor product Hom-coalgebra structure becomes a Hom-bialgebra if and only if R is a coalgebra map, i.e.

$$a_{R1} \otimes b_{R1} \otimes a_{R2} \otimes b_{R2} = a_{1R} \otimes b_{1R} \otimes a_{2r} \otimes b_{2r},$$
  
 $\varepsilon_A(a_R)\varepsilon_B(b_R) = \varepsilon_A(a)\varepsilon_B(b),$ 

for  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .

Furthermore, the R-smash product Hom-bialgebra  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is a Hom-Hopf algebra with antipode  $\overline{S}$  defined by

$$\bar{S}(a \otimes b) = \alpha^{-1}(S_A(a))_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(S_B(b)_R).$$

*Proof.* We only prove that  $\overline{S}$  is an antipode of  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ . The rest is straightforward by direct computation. For all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ ,

$$(\bar{S} * \mathrm{id}_{A\natural_R B})(a \otimes b) = (\alpha^{-1}(S_A(a_1))_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(S_B(b_1)_R))(a_2 \otimes b_2)$$

$$= \alpha^{-1}(S_A(a_1))_R \underline{\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_r} \otimes \beta^{-1}(\underline{\beta^{-1}(S_B(b_1)_R)_r})b_2$$

$$\stackrel{(4)}{=} \underline{\alpha^{-1}(S_A(a_1))_R \alpha^{-1}(a_{2r})} \otimes \beta^{-2}(S_B(b_1)_{Rr})b_2$$

$$\stackrel{(\mathrm{HA1})}{=} \alpha^{-1}(\underline{\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(S_A(a_1))_R)a_{2r}}) \otimes \beta^{-2}(\underline{S}_B(b_1)_{Rr})b_2$$

$$\stackrel{(C3)}{=} \alpha^{-1}(S_A(a_1)a_2)_R \otimes \beta^{-2}(\beta(S_B(b_1))_R)b_2$$

$$= \underline{1}_{AR} \varepsilon_A(a) \otimes \beta^{-2}(\underline{\beta(S_B(b_1))_R})b_2$$

$$\stackrel{(C1)}{=} 1_A \varepsilon_A(a) \otimes S_B(b_1)b_2$$

$$= 1_A \otimes 1_B \varepsilon_A(a) \varepsilon_B(b) = 1_A \otimes 1_B \overline{\varepsilon}(a \otimes b)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathrm{id}_{A\natural_{R}B} * \bar{S})(a \otimes b) &= (a_{1} \otimes b_{1})(\alpha^{-1}(S_{A}(a_{2}))_{R} \otimes \beta^{-1}(S_{B}(b_{2})_{R})) \\ &= a_{1} \underline{\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(S_{A}(a_{2}))_{R})}_{r} \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{1r}) \underline{\beta^{-1}(S_{B}(b_{2})_{R})} \\ \overset{(4)}{=} a_{1} \alpha^{-2}(S_{A}(a_{2}))_{Rr} \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{1r}) \beta^{-1}(S_{B}(b_{2}))_{R} \\ &= a_{1} \underline{\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(S_{A}(a_{2})))_{Rr}}_{\otimes \underline{\beta^{-1}(\beta(\beta^{-1}(b_{1}))_{r})\beta^{-1}(S_{B}(b_{2}))_{R}} \\ \overset{(\mathrm{C2})}{=} a_{1} \alpha^{-1}(S_{A}(a_{2}))_{R} \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{1}S_{B}(b_{2})) \\ &= a_{1} \underline{\alpha^{-1}(S_{A}(a_{2}))_{R}} \otimes \underline{1}_{BR} \varepsilon_{B}(b) \\ \overset{(\mathrm{C1})}{=} a_{1} S_{A}(a_{2}) \otimes 1_{B} \varepsilon_{B}(b) \\ &= 1_{A} \otimes 1_{B} \varepsilon_{A}(a) \varepsilon_{B}(b) = 1_{A} \otimes 1_{B} \overline{\varepsilon}(a \otimes b), \end{aligned}$$

while

$$\bar{S}(\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b)) = \alpha^{-1}(S_A(\alpha(a)))_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(S_B(\beta(b))_R)$$
  
=  $\alpha^{-1}(\alpha(S_A(a)))_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(S_B(b))_R)$   
=  $S_A(a)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta(S_B(b))_R)$   
 $\stackrel{(4)}{=} \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(S_A(a))_R) \otimes S_B(b)_R = (\alpha \otimes \beta)(\bar{S}(a \otimes b))$ 

finishing the proof.  $\blacksquare$ 

When  $\alpha = id_A$  and  $\beta = id_B$ , we have

EXAMPLE 3.6 ([2]). Let A and B be two Hopf algebras. Then the twisted tensor product algebra  $A \#_R B$  equipped with the usual tensor product coalgebra structure is a bialgebra if and only if R is a coalgebra map.

Furthermore, the twisted tensor product bialgebra  $A \#_R B$  is a Hopf algebra with antipode  $S_{A \#_R B}$  defined by

$$S_{A\#_RB}(a\otimes b) = S_A(a)_R \otimes S_B(b)_R.$$

THEOREM 3.7. Let  $(H,\beta)$  be a Hom-Hopf algebra and  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  an  $(H,\beta)$ -module Hom-algebra. Then the smash product Hom-algebra  $(A \natural H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  endowed with the tensor product Hom-coalgebra structure becomes a Hom-bialgebra if and only if

(8) 
$$(h \triangleright a)_1 \otimes (h \triangleright a)_2 = (h_1 \triangleright a_1) \otimes (h_2 \triangleright a_2), \quad \varepsilon_A(h \triangleright a) = \varepsilon_A(a)\varepsilon_H(h)$$
  
and

(9) 
$$h_1 \otimes h_2 \rhd a = h_2 \otimes h_1 \rhd a.$$

Moreover,  $(A \natural H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is a Hom-Hopf algebra with antipode

$$S_{A\natural H}(a \otimes h) = S_H(h)_1 \triangleright \alpha^{-1}(S_A(a)) \otimes \beta^{-1}(S_H(h)_2).$$

*Proof.* Let  $R(h \otimes a) = h_1 \triangleright a \otimes h_2$  for  $a \in A$  and  $h \in H$  in Theorem 3.5. Then R is a coalgebra map if and only if

(10) 
$$(h_1 \triangleright a)_1 \otimes h_{21} \otimes (h_1 \triangleright a)_2 \otimes h_{22} = h_{11} \triangleright a_1 \otimes h_{12} \otimes h_{21} \triangleright a_2 \otimes h_{22}$$

and

$$\varepsilon_A(h \triangleright a) = \varepsilon_A(a)\varepsilon_H(h).$$

Moreover by (3) and (HC1), it is easy to deduce that the first equation in (8) and (9) are equivalent to (10).  $\blacksquare$ 

REMARKS. (a) Let  $(H, \beta)$  be a Hom-Hopf algebra. Assume that  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  is a Hom-coalgebra and an  $(H, \beta)$ -Hom-module satisfying (8). Then we call  $(A, \triangleright, \alpha)$  an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Hom-coalgebra.

When  $\alpha = \mathrm{id}_A$  and  $\beta = \mathrm{id}_H$ , then an  $(H, \beta)$ -module Hom-coalgebra is exactly a module coalgebra in the usual sense (see [7]).

(b) Theorem 3.7 is the Hom-version of the usual smash product Hopf algebra (see [7]).

4. Cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra. In this section, necessary and sufficient conditions for a smash product Hom-Hopf algebra to be cobraided are given.

PROPOSITION 4.1. Let  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  be a R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. Define

$$i: A \to A \natural_R B, \quad i(a) = a \otimes 1_B, \quad j: B \to A \natural_R B, \quad j(b) = 1_A \otimes b,$$

for all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ . Then i and j are both Hom-bialgebra maps.

*Proof.* Straightforward.

Let  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  be an *R*-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra, and  $\sigma : A \natural_R B \otimes A \natural_R B \to K$  a bilinear form. Define

$$\begin{aligned} \tau : A \otimes A \to K, & \tau(a,a') = \sigma(i \otimes i)(a \otimes a'), \\ \upsilon : B \otimes B \to K, & \upsilon(b,b') = \sigma(j \otimes j)(b \otimes b'), \\ \varphi : A \otimes B \to K, & \varphi(a,b) = \sigma(i \otimes j)(a \otimes b), \\ \psi : B \otimes A \to K, & \psi(b,a) = \sigma(j \otimes i)(b \otimes a), \end{aligned}$$

for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ .

The following two lemmas are obvious.

LEMMA 4.2. Let  $(A \models_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  be an *R*-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. If  $\sigma$  satisfies (CHA1), then for  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ ,

 $\tau(1_A, a) = \tau(a, 1_A) = \varepsilon_A(a),$   $\upsilon(b, 1_B) = \upsilon(1_B, b) = \varepsilon_B(b),$   $\varphi(1_A, b) = \varepsilon_B(b), \quad \varphi(a, 1_B) = \varepsilon_A(a),$  $\psi(1_B, a) = \varepsilon_A(a), \quad \psi(b, 1_A) = \varepsilon_B(b).$ 

LEMMA 4.3. Let  $(A \models_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  be an R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. If  $\sigma$  satisfies (CHA5) for  $\alpha \otimes \beta$ , then, for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(\alpha(a), \alpha(a')) &= \tau(a, a'), \\ \upsilon(\beta(b), \beta(b')) &= \upsilon(b, b'), \\ \varphi(\alpha(a), \beta(b)) &= \varphi(a, b), \\ \psi(\beta(b), \alpha(a)) &= \psi(b, a). \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4.4. Let  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta, \sigma)$  be a cobraided *R*-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. Then, for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ ,

(11) 
$$\sigma(\alpha(a)\otimes\beta(b),\alpha(a')\otimes\beta(b'))=\varphi(a_1,b_1')\tau(a_2,a_1')\upsilon(b_1,b_2')\psi(b_2,a_2').$$

*Proof.* By (CHA2) and (CHA3), for all  $a, a', a'', a''' \in A$  and  $b, b', b'', b''' \in B$ , we have

$$\sigma(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R)b', a''\alpha^{-1}(a''')_r \otimes \beta^{-1}(b''_r)b''') = \sigma(a_1 \otimes b_1, a'''_1 \otimes b'''_1)\sigma(a_2 \otimes b_2, a''_1 \otimes b''_1) \times \sigma(a'_1 \otimes b'_1, a'''_2 \otimes b''_2)\sigma(a'_2 \otimes b'_2, a''_2 \otimes b''_2).$$

Letting  $a' = a''' = 1_A$  and  $b = b'' = 1_B$  in the above equation, we get (11).

LEMMA 4.5. Let  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta, \sigma)$  be a cobraided R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. Then, for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ ,

(D1) 
$$\varphi(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a)_R), b_1)v(b'_R, b_2) = v(\beta(b'), b_1)\varphi(\alpha(a), b_2),$$

(D2) 
$$\tau(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a)_R), a_1')\psi(b_R, a_2') = \psi(\beta(b), a_1')\tau(\alpha(a), a_2'),$$

(D3) 
$$v(b_1, b'_R)\psi(b_2, \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a)_R)) = \psi(b_1, \alpha(a)v(b_2, \beta(b'))),$$

(D4) 
$$\varphi(a_1, b_R)\tau(a_2, \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a')_R)) = \tau(a_1, \alpha(a')\varphi(a_2, \beta(b)),$$

(D5) 
$$\psi(b_1, a_1)(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_R) \otimes b_{2R}) = (\alpha(a_1) \otimes \beta(b_1))\psi(b_2, a_2),$$

(D6) 
$$\varphi(a_1,b_1)(\alpha(a_2)\otimes\beta(b_2))=(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_R)\otimes b_{1R})\varphi(a_2,b_2).$$

*Proof.* By (CHA2), for all  $a, a', a'' \in A$  and  $b, b', b'' \in B$ , we can obtain

(12) 
$$\sigma(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_R)b', \alpha(a'') \otimes \beta(b'')) = \sigma(\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b), a''_1 \otimes b''_1)\sigma(\alpha(a') \otimes \beta(b'), a''_2 \otimes b''_2).$$

Letting  $a = 1_A$  and  $b' = b'' = 1_B$  in (12) yields (D1) by (11). Similarly, setting  $a = a'' = 1_A$  and  $b' = 1_B$  in (12), we get (D2) by (11).

By (CHA3), for all  $a, a', a'' \in A$  and  $b, b', b'' \in B$ , we have

(13) 
$$\sigma(\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b), a'\alpha^{-1}(a'')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b'_R)b'')$$
  
=  $\sigma(a_1 \otimes b_1, \alpha(a'') \otimes \beta(b''))\sigma(a_2 \otimes b_2, \alpha(a') \otimes \beta(b')).$ 

(D3) can be obtained by letting  $a = a' = 1_A$  and  $b'' = 1_B$  in (13) and by (11). Likewise, one gets (D4) by putting  $a' = 1_A$  and  $b = b'' = 1_B$  in (13) and using (11).

By (CHA4), for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ , we have

(14) 
$$\sigma(a_1 \otimes b_1, a'_1 \otimes b'_1)(a_2 \alpha^{-1}(a'_2)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{2R})b'_2)$$
  
=  $(a'_1 \alpha^{-1}(a_1)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b'_{1R})b_1)\sigma(a_2 \otimes b_2, a'_2 \otimes b'_2).$ 

Letting  $a = 1_A$  and  $b' = 1_B$  in (14), we get (D5); and (D6) is derived by letting  $a' = 1_A$  and  $b = 1_B$  in (14).

LEMMA 4.6. Given the cobraiding  $\sigma$  on an R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ , consider the induced maps  $\tau, v, \varphi$  and  $\psi$ . Then

- (1)  $(A, \alpha, \tau)$  and  $(B, \beta, v)$  are cobraided Hom-Hopf algebras,
- (2)  $(A, B, \varphi)$  and  $(B, A, \psi)$  are Hom-skew pairings.

*Proof.* (1) Setting  $b = b' = b'' = 1_B$  in (12) and (13), we get (CHA2) and (CHA3) for  $\tau$ , respectively. (CHA4) can be derived by letting  $b = b' = 1_B$  in (14); then by Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3,  $(A, \alpha, \tau)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra. Similarly, we can prove that  $(B, \beta, v)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra.

(2) Letting  $a'' = 1_A$  and  $b = b' = 1_B$  in (12), and  $a' = a'' = 1_A$  and  $b = 1_B$  in (13), one can obtain (SP2) and (SP3) for  $\varphi$ , respectively. Then  $(A, B, \varphi)$  is a Hom-skew pairing by Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3. The rest of (2) can be demonstrated similarly.

LEMMA 4.7. Let  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  be an R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra. Suppose there exist forms  $\tau : A \otimes A \to K, \varphi : A \otimes B \to K,$  $\psi : B \otimes A \to K, \text{ and } \psi : B \otimes B \to K \text{ such that}$ 

- (1)  $(A, \alpha, \tau)$  and  $(B, \beta, v)$  are cobraided Hom-Hopf algebras,
- (2)  $(A, B, \varphi)$  and  $(B, A, \psi)$  are Hom-skew pairings,
- (3) the conditions (D1)–(D6) in Lemma 4.5 hold.

Then  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta, \sigma)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra with the cobraided structure given by

$$\sigma(\alpha(a) \otimes \beta(b), \alpha(a') \otimes \beta(b')) = \varphi(a_1, b_1')\tau(a_2, a_1')\upsilon(b_1, b_2')\psi(b_2, a_2')$$

for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ .

*Proof.* It is obvious that  $\sigma$  satisfies (CHA1) and (CHA5).

Next, we show that (CHA2) holds for  $\sigma$ . For all  $a, a', a'' \in A$  and  $b, b', b'' \in B$ ,

$$\begin{split} &\sigma((a\otimes b)(a'\otimes b'),\alpha(a'')\otimes\beta(b'')) \\ &= \sigma(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R\otimes\beta^{-1}(b_R)b',\alpha(a'')\otimes\beta(b'')) \\ &= \varphi(\alpha^{-1}(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R)_1,b_1'')\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a\alpha^{-1}(a')_R)_2,a_1'') \\ &\times v(\beta^{-1}(\beta^{-1}(b_R)b')_1,b_2'')\psi(\beta^{-1}(\beta^{-1}(b_R)b')_2,a_2'') \\ (\text{HA1})_{(\text{HC1})} &\varphi(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{R1}),b_1'')\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{R2}),a_1'') \\ &\times v(\beta^{-2}(b_R)\beta^{-1}(b_1'))\psi(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{R1},\beta^{-1}(b_{2'}'))\tau(a_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}')) \\ &\times v(\beta^{-2}(b_R)\beta^{-1}(b_{1'1}'))\psi(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{R1},\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}'))\tau(a_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}')) \\ &\times \tau(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{R2},\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'2}'))v(\beta^{-1}(b_{R1}),\beta^{-1}(b_{2'1}'))v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}')) \\ &\times \psi(\beta^{-1}(b_{R2}),\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'1}'))\psi(b_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &= \varphi(a_1,\beta^{-1}(b_{1'1}'))\varphi(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{1R},\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}'))\tau(a_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}')) \\ &\times \tau(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{2r},\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}'))v(\beta^{-1}(b_{1R}),\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}'))v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}')) \\ &\times \psi(\beta^{-1}(b_{2r}),\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}'))v(b_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (4), (\text{HC1}) \qquad \varphi(a_1,b_1'')\varphi(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(\alpha')_{1R},\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}')))\tau(a_2,a_1'') \\ &\times \tau(\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a')_{2r},\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}'))v(b_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\times v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}')) \underline{\psi}(\beta^{-1}(b_{2r}),\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}')) v(\beta^{-1}(b_{1R}),\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}')) v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}')) \\ &\times v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'}'))\psi(\beta^{-1}(b_{2r}),\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}')) v(\beta^{-1}(b_{1R},\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}')) \\ &\times v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'}')) \underline{\psi}(\beta^{-1}(b_{2r}),\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}')) v(b_1',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (\text{ID1})_{(\text{ID2}} \\ &\varphi(a_1,b_1'')\varphi(a_1',\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}'))\tau(a_2,a_{1}'')\tau(a_2',\alpha^{-2}(a_{2'1}')) \\ &\times v(b_1,\beta^{-2}(b_{2'1}'))v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}'))\psi(b_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (\text{ID1})_{(\text{ID2}} \\ &\varphi(a_1,\beta^{-1}(b_{1'}'))\varphi(a_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}'))\psi(b_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}'))\tau(a_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (\text{ID1})_{(\text{ID2}} \\ &\varphi(a_1,\beta^{-1}(b_{1'1}'))\tau(a_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}'))v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'}'))\psi(b_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (\text{ID1})_{(\text{ID2}} \\ &\varphi(a_1,\beta^{-1}(b_{1'1}'))\psi(a_1',\beta^{-1}(b_{2'2}'))\psi(b_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}')) \psi(b_2',\alpha^{-1}(a_{2'2}')) \\ &\qquad (\text{ID1})_{(\text{ID2}} \\ &\varphi(a_1,\beta^{-1}(b_{1'1}'))\tau(a_2,\alpha^{-1}(a_{1'1}'))v(b_1',\beta^{-1}(b$$

(CHA3) for  $\sigma$  can be proved by a similar method.

Now we check (CHA4): for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $b, b' \in B$ ,

$$\begin{split} \sigma(a_1 \otimes b_1, a_1' \otimes b_1')(a_2 \otimes b_2)(a_2' \otimes b_2') \\ &= u(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_1)\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1)v(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_2) \\ &\times \psi(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_1')_2)(a_2\alpha^{-1}(a_2')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_{2R})b_2') \\ &\stackrel{(\text{IC1})}{=} \varphi(a_1, b_1')\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_{21}), a_1')v(b_1, \beta^{-1}(b_{21}'))\psi(\beta^{-1}(b_{21}), \alpha^{-1}(a_{21}')) \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_{22})\alpha^{-2}(a_{22}')_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta^{-1}(b_{22})_R)\beta^{-1}(b_{22}')) \\ &\stackrel{(\text{HC1})}{=} \varphi(a_1, b_1')\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_1, a_1')v(b_1, \beta^{-1}(b_2')_1)\psi(\beta^{-1}(b_2)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_2')_2) \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_2\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a_2')_1, \alpha^{-1}(b_2')_1)\psi(\beta^{-1}(b_2)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_2')_2) \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_2\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a_2')_1, \alpha^{-1}(b_2')_1)\psi(\beta^{-1}(b_2)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_2')_2) \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_2\alpha^{-1}(a_1')_2 \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_1)_2\beta^{-1}(b_2')_2) \\ &(^{(\text{HC1})} \psi(a_1, b_1')\tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_1, \alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1) \frac{v(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_2')_1)\psi(b_2, a_2')}{\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_1 \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_2')_2) \psi(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_2, \beta^{-1}(b_2')_2)\psi(b_2, a_2') \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_1 \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_2')_1\beta^{-1}(b_1)_1) \\ &(^{(1),(\text{HC1})} \frac{\varphi(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_1)\tau(a_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_1')_2)v(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_2, b_2')\psi(b_2, a_2')}{\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1\alpha^{-1}(a_{-1})_1)\gamma(a_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_1')_2)v(\beta^{-1}(b_1)_2, b_2')\psi(b_2, a_2')} \\ &\times (\alpha^{-1}(a_1')_1\alpha^{-1}(\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_1)R \otimes \beta^{-1}(\beta^{-1}(b_1')_1R)\beta^{-1}(b_1')_1) \\ &(^{(2)}_{==} (a_1'\alpha^{-1}(a_1)_R \otimes \beta^{-1}(b_1'_R)b_1)\varphi(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_2) \\ &\times \tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_2')_1)v(\beta^{-1}(b_2)_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_2) \\ &\times \tau(\alpha^{-1}(a_2)_2, \alpha^{-1}(a_2')_1)v(\beta^{-1}(b_2')_1, \beta^{-1}(b_1')_2) \\ &= (a_1'\otimes b_1')(a_1\otimes b_1)\sigma(a_2\otimes b_2, a_2'\otimes b_2'). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta, \sigma)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra.

Lemmas 4.2–4.7 imply

THEOREM 4.8. An R-smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$ is cobraided if and only if there exist forms  $\tau : A \otimes A \to K, \varphi : A \otimes B \to K, \psi : B \otimes A \to K, and v : B \otimes B \to K$  such that  $(A, \alpha, \tau)$  and  $(B, \beta, \upsilon)$  are cobraided Hom-Hopf algebras,  $(A, B, \varphi)$  and  $(B, A, \psi)$  are Homskew pairings, and the conditions (D1)–(D6) of Lemma 4.5 hold. Moreover, the cobraided structure  $\sigma$  on  $(A \natural_R B, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  has the decomposition

$$\sigma(\alpha(a)\otimes\beta(b),\alpha(a')\otimes\beta(b'))=\varphi(a_1,b_1')\tau(a_2,a_1')\upsilon(b_1,b_2')\psi(b_2,a_2').$$

THEOREM 4.9. A smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  is cobraided if and only if there exist forms  $\tau : A \otimes A \to K$ ,  $\varphi : A \otimes H \to K$ ,  $\psi : H \otimes A \to K$ , and  $\upsilon : H \otimes H \to K$  such that  $(A, \alpha, \tau)$  and  $(H, \beta, \upsilon)$ are cobraided Hom-Hopf algebras,  $(A, H, \varphi)$  and  $(H, A, \psi)$  are Hom-skew pairings, and the conditions (D1)'-(D6)' below hold: for all  $a, a' \in A$  and  $h, h' \in B$ ,

$$(D1)' \qquad \varphi(\beta(h_1') \triangleright a, h_1)v(h_2', h_2) = v(\beta(h'), h_1)\varphi(\alpha(a), h_2),$$

$$(D2)' \qquad \tau(\beta(h_1) \triangleright a, a_1')\psi(h_2, a_2') = \psi(\beta(h), a_1')\tau(\alpha(a), a_2'),$$

(D3)' 
$$v(h_1, h'_2)\psi(h_2, \beta(h'_1) \triangleright a) = \psi(h_1, \alpha(a)v(h_2, \beta(h'))),$$

$$(\mathrm{D4})' \qquad \varphi(a_1, h_2)\tau(a_2, \beta(h_1) \rhd a') = \tau(a_1, \alpha(a')\varphi(a_2, \beta(h)),$$

$$(D5)' \qquad \psi(h_1, a_1)(\beta(h_{21}) \rhd a_2 \otimes h_{22}) = (\alpha(a_1) \otimes \beta(h_1))\psi(h_2, a_2),$$

$$(\mathrm{D6})' \qquad \varphi(a_1,h_1)(\alpha(a_2)\otimes\beta(h_2)) = (\beta(h_{11}) \rhd a_1\otimes h_{12})\varphi(a_2,h_2).$$

Moreover, the cobraided structure  $\sigma'$  on  $(A \not\models H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$  has the decomposition

$$\sigma'(\alpha(a)\otimes\beta(h),\alpha(a')\otimes\beta(h'))=\varphi(a_1,h_1')\tau(a_2,a_1')\upsilon(h_1,h_2')\psi(h_2,a_2').$$

*Proof.* Let  $R(h \otimes a) = h_1 \triangleright a \otimes h_2$  for  $a \in A$  and  $h \in H$  in Theorem 4.8.  $\blacksquare$ 

5. Applications. In this section, we apply the main results of Sections 3 and 4 to a concrete example.

The following result is clear.

LEMMA 5.1. Let  $K\mathbb{Z}_2 = K\{1, a\}$  be a Hopf group algebra (see [9]). Then  $(K\mathbb{Z}_2, \mathrm{id}_{K\mathbb{Z}_2}, v)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra, where v is given by

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} v & 1 & a \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & 1 & -1 \end{array}$$

Let

$$T_{2,-1} = K\{1, g, x, gx \mid g^2 = 1, x^2 = 0, xg = -gx\}$$

be Taft's Hopf algebra (see [10]); its coalgebra structure and antipode are given by

$$\begin{array}{ll} \Delta(g)=g\otimes g, \quad \Delta(x)=x\otimes g+1\otimes x, \quad \Delta(gx)=gx\otimes 1+g\otimes gx;\\ \varepsilon(g)=1, \quad \varepsilon(x)=0, \quad \varepsilon(gx)=0; \end{array}$$

and

$$S(g) = g, \quad S(x) = gx, \quad S(gx) = -x.$$

Define a linear map  $\alpha: T_{2,-1} \to T_{2,-1}$  by

$$\alpha(1) = 1, \quad \alpha(g) = g, \quad \alpha(x) = kx, \quad \alpha(gx) = kgx$$

where  $0 \neq k \in K$ . Then  $\alpha$  is an automorphism of Hopf algebras.

So we get a Hom-Hopf algebra

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$$H_{\alpha} = (T_{2,-1}, \alpha \circ \mu_{T_{2,-1}}, 1_{T_{2,-1}}, \Delta_{T_{2,-1}} \circ \alpha, \varepsilon_{T_{2,-1}}, \alpha)$$

(see [6]).

LEMMA 5.2. Let  $H_{\alpha}$  be the Hom-Hopf algebra defined above. Then  $(H_{\alpha}, \alpha, \tau)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra, where  $\tau$  is given by

au	1	g	x	gx
1	1	1	0	0
g	1	-1	0	0
x	0	0	0	0
gx	0	0	0	0

*Proof.* A straightforward but tedious computation.

THEOREM 5.3. Let  $K\mathbb{Z}_2$  be the Hopf group algebra and  $H_{\alpha}$  the Hom-Hopf algebra defined above. Define a module action  $\rhd : K\mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes H_{\alpha} \to H_{\alpha}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} &1_{K\mathbb{Z}_2} \triangleright 1_{H_{\alpha}} = 1_{H_{\alpha}}, & a \triangleright 1_{H_{\alpha}} = 1_{H_{\alpha}}, \\ &1_{K\mathbb{Z}_2} \triangleright g = g, & a \triangleright g = g, \\ &1_{K\mathbb{Z}_2} \triangleright x = kx, & a \triangleright x = -kx, \\ &1_{K\mathbb{Z}_2} \triangleright gx = kgx, & a \triangleright gx = -kgx. \end{aligned}$$

Then by a routine computation we find that  $H_{\alpha}$  is a  $K\mathbb{Z}_2$ -module Homalgebra. Therefore, by Theorem 3.3,  $(H_{\alpha} \natural K\mathbb{Z}_2, \alpha \otimes \mathrm{id}_{K\mathbb{Z}_2})$  is a smash product Hom-algebra.

Furthermore,  $(H_{\alpha} \not\models K\mathbb{Z}_2, \alpha \otimes \mathrm{id}_{K\mathbb{Z}_2})$  with the tensor product Hom-coalgebra structure becomes a Hom-Hopf algebra, where the antipode  $\bar{S}$  is given by

$$\begin{split} S(1_{H_{\alpha}} \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}) &= 1_{H_{\alpha}} \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}, \qquad S(1_{H_{\alpha}} \otimes a) = 1_{H_{\alpha}} \otimes a, \\ \bar{S}(g \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}) &= g \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}, \qquad \bar{S}(g \otimes a) = g \otimes a, \\ \bar{S}(x \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}) &= -gx \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}, \qquad \bar{S}(x \otimes a) = -gx \otimes a, \\ \bar{S}(gx \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}) &= x \otimes 1_{K\mathbb{Z}_{2}}, \qquad \bar{S}(gx \otimes a) = x \otimes a. \end{split}$$

LEMMA 5.4. Let  $K\mathbb{Z}_2$  be the Hopf group algebra and  $H_{\alpha}$  the Hom-Hopf algebra defined above. Define two linear maps  $\varphi : H_{\alpha} \otimes K\mathbb{Z}_2 \to K$  and  $\psi : K\mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes H_{\alpha} \to K$  as follows:

$\varphi$	1	a	$\psi$	1	g	x	gx
1	1	1	1	1	$1 \\ -1$	0	0
g	1	-1	a	1	-1	0	0
x	0	0					
gx	0	$     \begin{array}{c}       1 \\       -1 \\       0 \\       0     \end{array} $					

Then  $(H_{\alpha}, K\mathbb{Z}_2, \varphi)$  and  $(K\mathbb{Z}_2, H_{\alpha}, \psi)$  are Hom-skew pairings.

*Proof.* Straightforward.

THEOREM 5.5. With the notations above, the smash product Hom-Hopf algebra  $(H_{\alpha} \not\models K\mathbb{Z}_2, \alpha \otimes id_{K\mathbb{Z}_2}, \sigma)$  is a cobraided Hom-Hopf algebra with cobraiding  $\sigma$  given as follows:

σ	$1\otimes 1$	$1\otimes a$	$g\otimes 1$	$g\otimes a$	$x\otimes 1$	$x\otimes a$	$gx\otimes 1$	$gx\otimes a$
$1\otimes 1$	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
$1\otimes a$	1	-1	-1	1	0	0	0	0
$g\otimes 1$	1	-1	-1	1	0	0	0	0
$g\otimes a$	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
$x\otimes 1$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$x\otimes a$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$gx\otimes 1$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$gx\otimes a$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Proof.* It is easy to prove that the conditions (D1)'-(D6)' hold. We finish the proof by using Lemmas 5.1, 5.2, 5.4 and Theorem 4.9.

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