

## THE $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -GRADED STICKY SHUFFLE PRODUCT HOPF ALGEBRA

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**Abstract.** By abstracting the multiplication rule for  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded quantum stochastic integrals, we construct a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded version of the Itô Hopf algebra, based on the space of tensors over a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebra. Grouplike elements of the corresponding algebra of formal power series are characterised.

**1. Introduction.** This paper concerns  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded algebras. An associative algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , not necessarily unital, is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded if, as a vector space, it is the internal direct sum  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_1$  of *even* and *odd* subspaces which satisfy

$$\mathcal{A}_0\mathcal{A}_0, \mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_1 \subset \mathcal{A}_0, \quad \mathcal{A}_0\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_0 \subset \mathcal{A}_1.$$

The *parity*  $\delta$  is the function on the set  $\mathcal{A}_0 \cup \mathcal{A}_1 - \{0\}$  of which is 0 on  $\mathcal{A}_0$  and 1 on  $\mathcal{A}_1$ . The *Chevalley tensor product* [1] of two such algebras  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_0 + \mathcal{B}_1$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebra got by equipping the vector space tensor product  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  with the product defined by bilinear extension of the rule that, for homogeneous  $a, a' \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $b, b' \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $(a \otimes b)(a' \otimes b') = (-1)^{\delta(b)\delta(b')}aa' \otimes bb'$  and the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -grading defined by  $\delta(a \otimes b) = \delta(a) + \delta(b) \pmod{2}$ . In this paper the tensor product algebra of two  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebras will always be understood as the Chevalley tensor product. Thus, for example, a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Hopf algebra is a unital  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebra  $\mathcal{H}$  equipped with a counital coassociative coproduct  $\Delta : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$  which is multiplicative and  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded (in the sense that even subspaces map to even and odd to odd) when  $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$  is equipped with the Chevalley structure, together with an antipode  $S$  which is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded-antimultiplicative, that is satisfies  $S(hh') = (-1)^{\delta(h)\delta(h')}S(h')S(h)$ .

In [8], generalising the shuffle product Hopf algebra used in [2], a Hopf algebra structure was introduced in the space of tensors over an associative algebra which can be used [6] to quantise Lie bialgebras in which the Lie bracket is formed by taking commutators

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in the associative algebra in a comparatively [2] straightforward way. The purpose of the present work is to initiate a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded version of this circle of ideas. It is shown that, given a not necessarily unital  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebra  $\mathcal{L}$ , the space of tensors  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  can be equipped with the structure of a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Hopf algebra which contains a sub-Hopf algebra isomorphic to the universal enveloping superalgebra of the Lie superalgebra got by taking supercommutators in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**2. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded sticky shuffle product.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded vector space, that is, a vector-space internal direct sum  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$  of even and odd subspaces  $\mathcal{L}_0$  and  $\mathcal{L}_1$ . The vector space  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}) = \bigoplus_{n=0}^\infty (\bigotimes^n \mathcal{L})$  (where  $\bigotimes^0 \mathcal{L}$  is the underlying field  $\mathbb{F}$ ) of all tensors over  $\mathcal{L}$  becomes a unital associative algebra when equipped with the product defined by bilinear extension of the rule that, for  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n} \in \mathcal{L}$  of definite parity,

$$\begin{aligned} & (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots)(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{m+1} \otimes L_{m+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{m+n}, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}_{m,n}} (-1)^{\sigma(\pi; L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n})} (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{\pi(1)} \otimes L_{\pi(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\pi(m+n)}, 0, 0, \dots). \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Here  $\mathcal{S}_{m,n}$  is the set of permutations  $\pi$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots, m+n\}$  such that  $\pi(1) < \pi(2) < \dots < \pi(m)$  and  $\pi(m+1) < \pi(m+2) < \dots < \pi(m+n)$  and  $\sigma(\pi; L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n})$  counts the number of transpositions of adjacent pairs of odd elements needed to effect the reordering  $(L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n}) \rightarrow (L_{\pi(1)}, L_{\pi(2)}, \dots, L_{\pi(m+n)})$ . Thus, for example

$$\begin{aligned} & (0, L_1, 0, 0, \dots)(0, L_2, 0, 0, \dots) = (0, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 + (-1)^{\delta(L_1)\delta(L_2)} L_2 \otimes L_1, 0, 0, \dots), \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad (0, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2, 0, 0, \dots)(0, L_3, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &= (0, 0, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes L_3 + (-1)^{\delta(L_2)\delta(L_3)} L_1 \otimes L_3 \otimes L_2 \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad + (-1)^{\delta(L_2)\delta(L_3)+\delta(L_2)\delta(L_3)} L_3 \otimes L_1 \otimes L_2, 0, 0, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

The unit element is  $(1_{\mathbb{F}}, 0, 0, \dots)$ . In the totally even case  $\mathcal{L}_1 = \{0\}$  this is just the shuffle product, so called because of the analogy with shuffling packs of cards, so we call it the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded shuffle product corresponding to the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -grading  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$ .

Now suppose  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$  is a not necessarily unital  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded associative algebra. Thus it is equipped with an associative multiplication with the properties  $\mathcal{L}_0\mathcal{L}_0, \mathcal{L}_1\mathcal{L}_1 \subset \mathcal{L}_0, \mathcal{L}_0\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_1\mathcal{L}_0 \subset \mathcal{L}_1$ . We define a corresponding sticky  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded shuffle product by adding extra terms to the shuffle product (1) based on this multiplication rule:

$$\begin{aligned} & (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots)(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{m+1} \otimes L_{m+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{m+n}, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}_{m,n}} (-1)^{\sigma(\pi; L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n})} \left\{ (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{\pi(1)} \otimes L_{\pi(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\pi(m+n)}, 0, 0, \dots) \right. \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^{m \wedge n} \left( 0, 0, \dots, \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{C}_{\pi; k}} (L_{\tau(1)} \otimes L_{\tau(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\tau(m+n-k)}), 0, 0, \dots \right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Here for each  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, m \wedge n\}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{\pi; k}$  is the class of ordered partitions  $\tau = (\tau(1), \tau(2), \dots, \tau(m+n-k))$  of the ordered set  $(\pi(1), \pi(2), \dots, \pi(m+n))$ , consisting of  $k$  pairs and  $m+n-2k$  singletons, obtained by bracketing some adjacent pairs  $\{\pi(r), \pi(s)\}$  with  $r \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ ,  $s \in \{m+1, m+2, \dots, m+n\}$  and  $\pi(s) = \pi(r) + 1$ . For a singleton  $\tau(j)$

$= \pi(r)$ ,  $L_{\tau(j)}$  is defined to be  $L_r$  while for a pair  $\tau(j) = \{\pi(r), \pi(s)\}$ ,  $L_{\tau(j)} = L_r L_s$ . Thus, in a sticky shuffle, after the initial shuffle, a card from the first pack may stick to an adjacent card from the second pack and form a single card. For example

$$\begin{aligned} (0, L_1, 0, 0, \dots)(0, L_2, 0, 0, \dots) &= (0, L_1 L_2, L_1 \otimes L_2 + (-1)^{\delta(L_1)\delta(L_2)} L_2 \otimes L_1, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &\quad (0, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2, 0, 0, \dots)(0, L_3, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &= (0, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 L_3, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes L_3, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{\delta(L_2)\delta(L_3)} (0, 0, L_1 L_3 \otimes L_2, L_1 \otimes L_3 \otimes L_2, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{\delta(L_2)\delta(L_3) + \delta(L_2)\delta(L_3)} (0, 0, 0, L_3 \otimes L_1 \otimes L_2, 0, 0, \dots). \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

This procedure defines a unital associative multiplication in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  with unit  $1_{\mathbb{F}}$ .

If  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$  is the complex  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded algebra of quantum stochastic Itô differentials of [4],[5] then, for  $a < b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , the linear iterated stochastic integral map  $I_a^b$  from  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  to operators on the restricted exponential domain in the appropriate Fock space  $\mathcal{F}_a^b$ , for which

$$I_a^b(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots) = \int_{a < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_m < b} dL_1(t_1) dL_2(t_2) \dots dL_m(t_m),$$

is multiplicative, in the weak sense that for arbitrary restricted exponential vectors  $\varphi, \psi$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$

$$\langle \varphi, I_a^b(\alpha\beta)\psi \rangle = \langle I_a^b(\alpha)^\dagger \varphi, I_a^b(\beta)\psi \rangle.$$

The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded sticky shuffle product algebra  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  is itself  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded by the linear extension of the rule that, for homogeneous  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_m$ ,

$$\delta(L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m) = \sum_{j=1}^m \delta(L_j) \pmod{2}.$$

It reduces to the corresponding unsticky product when the associative multiplication in  $\mathcal{L}$  is the trivial one in which all products vanish.

From (3) it follows that the map  $\phi : \mathcal{L} \ni L \mapsto (0, L, 0, 0, \dots) \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  is a homomorphism of Lie superalgebras [9] when  $\mathcal{L}$ , and similarly  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$ , is equipped with the *supercommutator* formed by bilinear extension of the rule for homogeneous  $L, K$  that  $[L, K] = LK - (-1)^{\delta(L)\delta(K)} KL$ . Thus  $\phi$  has a unique extension  $\Phi$  to a homomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded unital associative algebras from the universal enveloping superalgebra of the supercommutator Lie superalgebra  $\mathcal{L}$  into  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$ . It follows from the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt theorem [9] that the map  $\Phi$  is injective.

**3. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded sticky shuffle product Hopf algebra.** The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded shuffle product algebra  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  becomes a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Hopf algebra under the coproduct  $\Delta$  defined by linear extension of the rule

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_j, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &\quad \otimes (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{j+1} \otimes L_{j+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots). \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

The counit is the map  $\varepsilon$  taking each tensor into its zero-rank component and the antipode is the map  $S$  given by linear extension of

$$S(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots) = (-1)^m \Delta(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_m \otimes L_{m-1} \otimes \dots \otimes L_1, 0, 0, \dots). \tag{5}$$

In fact  $\Delta$  remains multiplicative if shuffles are replaced by sticky shuffles.

**THEOREM 1.** *The coproduct defined by (4) is multiplicative for the product defined by (2).*

*Proof.* We abbreviate  $(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots)$  as  $L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m$ . Thus we have to show that, for  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{m+n} \in \mathcal{L}$  of definite parity,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta((L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m)(L_{m+1} \otimes L_{m+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{m+n})) \\ &= \Delta(L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m) \Delta(L_{m+1} \otimes L_{m+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{m+n}). \end{aligned}$$

We give the proof in the case  $m = 2, n = 1$ . Then, replacing the symbol  $\otimes$  by  $\boxtimes$  for the tensor product between elements of different copies of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  for clarity, and denoting the grades of homogeneous elements  $L, L'$  and  $L''$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  by  $\delta, \delta'$  and  $\delta''$  respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta((L \otimes L')L'') \\ &= \Delta(L \otimes L' \otimes L'' + L \otimes L'L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' \otimes L' + LL'' \otimes L')) \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \otimes L \otimes L' \\ &= 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})} \boxtimes (L \otimes L' \otimes L'' + L \otimes L'L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' \otimes L' + LL'' \otimes L')) \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \otimes L \otimes L' \\ & \quad + L \boxtimes (L' \otimes L'') + (L \otimes L') \boxtimes L'' + L \boxtimes L'L'' \\ & \quad + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \boxtimes (L'' \otimes L') + (L \otimes L'') \boxtimes L' + LL'' \boxtimes L') \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''}(L'' \boxtimes (L \otimes L') + (L'' \otimes L) \boxtimes L') \\ & \quad + (L \otimes L' \otimes L'' + L \otimes L'L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' \otimes L' + LL'' \otimes L')) \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \otimes L \otimes L' \boxtimes 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(L \otimes L') \Delta(L'') &= \{1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})} \boxtimes (L \otimes L') + L \boxtimes L' + (L \otimes L') \boxtimes 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})}\} \\ & \quad \{1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})} \boxtimes L'' + L'' \boxtimes 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})}\} \\ &= 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})} \boxtimes (L \otimes L' \otimes L'' + L \otimes L'L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' \otimes L' + LL'' \otimes L')) \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \otimes L \otimes L' \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \boxtimes (L \otimes L') + L \boxtimes (L' \otimes L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''} L'' \otimes L' + L'L'') \\ & \quad + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' + (-1)^{\delta\delta''} L'' \otimes L + LL'') \boxtimes L' + (L \otimes L') \boxtimes L'' \\ & \quad + (L \otimes L' \otimes L'' + L \otimes L'L'' + (-1)^{\delta'\delta''}(L \otimes L'' \otimes L' + LL'' \otimes L')) \\ & \quad + (-1)^{(\delta+\delta')\delta''} L'' \otimes L \otimes L' \boxtimes 1_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})} \end{aligned}$$

as required. ■

Thus  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  becomes a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded bialgebra. By regarding it as a deformation of the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded unsticky shuffle product algebra (for example by inserting a formal deformation

parameter  $h$  into the product in  $\mathcal{L}$  so that the extra sticky terms are prefixed by positive powers of  $h$ ; see [8] for the corresponding ungraded argument) we may invoke the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded version of the theorem [3] that a deformation bialgebra of a Hopf algebra is itself a Hopf algebra, to conclude that  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded Hopf algebra, in which the antipode got by adding correction terms of lower rank to the right hand side of (5). We call it the  *$\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded sticky shuffle product Hopf algebra*.

In the case when  $\mathcal{L}$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded algebra of quantum stochastic Itô differentials [4], [5], the coproduct  $\Delta$  is related to the splitting or continuous tensor product structure of Fock space as follows. For  $a < b < c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , making the identification  $\mathcal{F}_a^c = \mathcal{F}_a^b \otimes \mathcal{F}_b^c$ , we have

$$I_a^c = (I_a^b \otimes I_b^c)\Delta.$$

Here the algebras of processes on  $\mathcal{F}_a^c, \mathcal{F}_a^b, \mathcal{F}_b^c$  must be  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded using the corresponding grading operators [5]  $\Gamma_a^c, \Gamma_a^b, \Gamma_b^c$ . For example for homogeneous  $L \in \mathcal{L}$  then

$$I_a^c(0, L, 0, 0, \dots) = I_a^b(0, L, 0, 0, \dots) \otimes \text{id}_{\mathcal{F}_b^c} + (\Gamma_a^b)^{\delta(L)} \otimes I_b^c(0, L, 0, 0, \dots)$$

where  $\otimes$  means the usual operator tensor product operator.

We define the iterated coproducts  $\Delta^{(n)} : \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}) \rightarrow \otimes^n(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}))$ ,  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , by  $\Delta^{(0)} = \varepsilon$ ,  $\Delta^{(1)} = \text{id}_{\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})}$ ,  $\Delta^{(n)} = (\Delta \otimes \text{id}_{\otimes^{n-1} \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})})\Delta^{(n-1)}$ ,  $n > 1$ . Thus  $\Delta^{(2)} = \Delta$ . The following useful theorem also holds in the ungraded case [6].

**THEOREM 2.** *For  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$  denote by  $\alpha_n$  the component of rank  $n$  of  $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$ . Then, in the decomposition*

$$\otimes^n \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}) = \bigoplus_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n=0}^{\infty} \left( \left( \left( \otimes^{m_1} \right) \otimes \left( \otimes^{m_2} \right) \otimes \dots \otimes \left( \otimes^{m_n} \right) \right), \right)$$

the component of  $\Delta^{(n)}(\alpha)$  of joint rank  $(1, 1, \dots, 1)^{(n)}$  is  $\alpha_n$ .

*Proof.* The Theorem holds when  $n = 0, 1$  by the definitions of  $\Delta^{(0)}, \Delta^{(1)}$ . From (4) it holds when  $n = 2$  for tensors whose second rank components are product tensors and hence generally by linearity. For an  $n$ th rank product tensor then by iteration of (4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta^{(n)}(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots) \\ = & \sum_{0 \leq j_1 \leq j_2 \leq \dots \leq j_n \leq m} \{ (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_{j_1}, 0, 0, \dots) \\ & \otimes (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{j_1+1} \otimes L_{j_1+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{j_1+j_2}, 0, 0, \dots) \otimes \dots \\ & \otimes (0, 0, \dots, 0, L_{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_n+1} \otimes L_{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_n+2} \otimes \dots \otimes L_m, 0, 0, \dots) \}. \end{aligned}$$

From this it follows that the component of joint rank  $(1, 1, \dots, 1)^{(n)}$  of  $\Delta^{(n)}(0, 0, \dots, 0, L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_n, 0, 0, \dots)$  is just  $L_1 \otimes L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes L_n$  and that product tensors of other ranks cannot contribute to this component. The result now follows by linearity. ■

**4. Grouplike elements of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$ .** We equip the vector space  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$  of formal power series with coefficients in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  with the convolution multiplication

$$\sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \alpha^{(N)} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \beta^{(N)} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \sum_{j=0}^N \alpha^{(N-j)} \beta^{(j)}.$$

The coproduct  $\Delta$  extends to a map from  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$  to  $(\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}) \otimes \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}))[[h]]$  by action on coefficients;  $\Delta(\sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \alpha^{(N)}) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \Delta(\alpha^{(N)})$ . As an illustration of the use of Theorem 2 let us characterise elements  $\alpha[h]$  of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$  which are *group-like*, meaning that  $\Delta\alpha[h] = \alpha[h] \otimes \alpha[h]$ . Here the tensor product is rearranged into a formal power series with coefficients in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L}) \otimes \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})$  by convolution; thus

$$\sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \alpha^{(N)} \otimes \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \beta^{(N)} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} h^N \sum_{j=0}^N \alpha^{(N-j)} \otimes \beta^{(j)}.$$

Theorem 3 may be compared with the proof based on calculus of a corresponding result in the ungraded case [7].

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $\alpha[h]$  be a nonzero grouplike element of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$ . Then there exists a formal power series  $L[h]$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{L}$  and vanishing zero-order coefficient such that*

$$\alpha[h] = \left(1, L[h], L[h] \otimes L[h], \dots, \bigotimes^n L[h], \dots\right). \tag{6}$$

*Conversely every element of this form is grouplike.*

*Proof.* Note first that for  $L[h] = hL^{(1)} + h^2L^{(2)} + \dots \in h\mathcal{L}[[h]]$  the right hand side of (6) is a well defined element of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(1, L[h], L[h] \otimes L[h], \dots, \bigotimes^n L[h], \dots\right) \\ &= (1, 0, 0, \dots) + h(0, L^{(1)}, 0, 0, \dots) + h^2(0, L^{(2)}, L^{(1)} \otimes L^{(1)}, 0, 0, \dots) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $\alpha[h] \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$  is nonzero and satisfies  $\Delta\alpha[h] = \alpha[h] \otimes \alpha[h]$ . Then in particular  $\alpha_0[h] = (\alpha_0[h])^2$  whence either  $\alpha_0[h] = 0$  or  $\alpha_0[h] = 1$ . In the former case the group-like property implies that  $\alpha[h] = 0$ . Thus  $\alpha_0[h] = 1$ . Iterating the grouplike property gives

$$\Delta^{(n)}(\alpha[h]) = \bigotimes^n (\alpha[h]).$$

Hence by Theorem 2 the component of rank  $n$  is given by

$$\alpha_n[h] = \left(\bigotimes^n (\alpha[h])\right)_{(1,1,\dots,1)} = \left(\bigotimes^n (1, L[h], \dots)\right)_{(1,1,\dots,1)} = \bigotimes^n L[h]$$

where  $L[h] = \alpha_1[h] \in \mathcal{L}[[h]]$ . But for  $\alpha[h] = (1, L[h], L[h] \otimes L[h], \dots)$  to be well defined as an element of  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{L})[[h]]$  it is necessary that the zero-order coefficient  $L_0 = 0$  other wise the zero-order coefficient of  $\alpha[h]$  will be nonterminating. Hence  $\alpha[h]$  is as claimed. The converse follows directly from (4). ■

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