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**The converse of the Ritt-Raudenbush theorem for commutative
differential Hopf algebras**

For the Galois theory of parametrized differential equations and linear differential algebraic groups, see [1], which is joint work with Michael Singer. The formulation of the theory of parametrized Picard-Vessiot extensions in [1] requires the re-casting of the theory of linear differential algebraic groups in the language of Hopf algebras. This is joint work with Jerry Kovacic.

1 Some basic notions.

Let k be a differential field of characteristic zero, with family $\partial = (\partial_1, \dots, \partial_m)$ of commuting derivation operators.

Notation 1.1. The operators in the commutative monoid Θ generated by ∂ are denoted, using multi-index notation, by $\partial^e := \partial_1^{e_1} \cdots \partial_m^{e_m}$, $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, $i = 1, \dots, m$.

The prefix ∂ - indicates the differential structure. If R is a ∂ -ring, R^∂ is the subring of constants of R .

Convention: We will assume throughout that all ∂ -rings R are commutative.

In the following, we emphasize that if a k -algebra is equipped with a differential structure, *finitely generated* means *differentially finitely generated*.

- A ∂ -ideal I of a ∂ -ring R is *finitely generated* if there exists a family $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ of elements of I such that I is the ideal generated by the family $\partial^e \alpha = (\partial^e \alpha_j)_{e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m, j=1, \dots, r}$ of all derivatives of $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$. We denote I by $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r]$.
- A *radical ∂ -ideal* I of a ∂ -ring R is *finitely generated* if there is a finite family $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ of elements of I such that $I = \sqrt{[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r]}$. Since the characteristic of R is zero, $\sqrt{[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r]}$ is always a ∂ -ideal.
- Let $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ be a family of elements of a ∂ - k -algebra. The ∂ - k -algebra *generated by α* is the k -algebra $k[\partial^e \alpha]$ generated by the family of all derivatives of the elements of α . We denote it by $k\{\alpha\}$. The ∂ - k -algebra R is said to be *finitely generated*. It may, of course, be infinitely generated as a k -algebra.
- The ∂ -polynomial ring is denoted by $k\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$, or, $k\{y\}$, where $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ is a family of ∂ -indeterminates.

Remark 1.2. Let $m = n = 1$. In 1934 [5], Ritt gave an example of a ∂ -ideal I in $\mathbb{Q}\{y\}$ that is not finitely generated. $I = [\partial y \partial^2 y, \partial^2 y \partial^3 y, \dots, \partial^e y \partial^{e+1} y, \dots]$.

Theorem 1.3. *The Ritt-Raudenbush Basis Theorem (1934)* If R is a finitely generated ∂ - k -algebra, every radical ∂ -ideal I is finitely generated, i.e., there exists a family $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ of elements of I such that $I = \sqrt{[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r]}$.

Remark 1.4. It is not hard to show that $(\partial^{e+1} y \partial^{e+2} y)^2 \in [\partial^e y \partial^{e+1} y]$, $e = 1, 2, \dots$. Thus, $I = \sqrt{[\partial y \partial^2 y]}$.

Definition 1.5. A ∂ - k -algebra R is ∂ -Noetherian if every radical ∂ -ideal of R is finitely generated.

The Ritt-Raudenbush Basis Theorem \implies a commutative finitely generated ∂ - k -algebra R is ∂ -Noetherian. We shall sketch the proof of the converse of the Basis Theorem for *certain* commutative ∂ - k -algebras R , called *Hopf algebras*.

2 ∂ - k -vector spaces

Definition 2.1. A ∂ - k -vector space is a k -vector space V , together with a homomorphism $\Theta \rightarrow \text{Lin}_k^\partial(V, V)$ such that for $\alpha \in k$, $v \in V$, $i = 1, \dots, m$, $\partial_i(\alpha v) = \alpha \partial_i v + \partial_i \alpha v$. ∂ - k -vector subspaces are defined in the obvious way.

Example 2.2. 1. Let $V = k \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}_1 = \left\{ L = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m} \alpha_{ie} \partial^e y_i : \alpha_{ie} \in k \right\}$.

2. Let $V = \text{sl}(n, K) = \{a = [a_{ij}] \in \text{GL}(n, K) : \text{Tr}(a) = 0\}$.

$$\partial_l a = [\partial_l a_{ij}]. \quad \sum \partial_l a_{ii} = \partial \left(\sum a_{ii} \right) = 0.$$

Set $n = 2$. $e_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $e_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $h = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ form a basis of $\text{sl}(2, K)$.

Let $a = a_{12}e_{12} + a_{21}e_{21} + a_{11}h$. Then, $\partial a = (\partial a_{12})e_{12} + (\partial a_{21})e_{21} + \partial(a_{11})h$.

Definition 2.3. A k -linear map φ from a ∂ - k -vector space V to a ∂ - k -vector space V' is ∂ - k -linear if $\varphi \circ \partial_i = \partial_i \circ \varphi$, $i = 1, \dots, m$.

The kernel of φ is a ∂ - k -subspace of V and the image of φ is a ∂ - k -subspace of V' .

Fix a ∂ - k -vector space V .

Let $X \subset V$. The ∂ - k -subspace of V generated by X is the intersection of the family of ∂ - k -subspaces of V containing X , and, is denoted by $\langle X \rangle$.

$$\langle X \rangle = \left\{ \sum_{x \in X, e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m} \alpha_e \partial^e x : \alpha_e \in k \right\}.$$

Lemma 2.4. *Let W be the k -subspace of V generated by $X \subset V$. Then, $\langle X \rangle = \langle W \rangle$.*

Corollary 2.5. *If W is a finite dimensional k -subspace of V , then, $\langle W \rangle$ is a finitely generated ∂ - k -subspace of V . Let $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_r\}$ be a finite basis for W . Then, X is a finite set of generators of $\langle W \rangle$.*

Remark 2.6. $\langle W \rangle = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^r \left(\sum_{e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m} \alpha_{ei} \partial^e \right) x_i : \alpha_e \in k \right\} = k[\partial]x_1 + \dots + k[\partial]x_r,$

where $k[\partial]$ is the non-commutative ring of linear differential operators in ∂ , with coefficients in k .

Remark 2.7. If V and V' are ∂ - k -spaces, then, $V \otimes_k V'$ is a ∂ - k -space in a natural way: $\partial_i(v \otimes v') = \partial_i v \otimes v' + v \otimes \partial_i v', i = 1, \dots, m$. We define the *twist map* $\tau : V \otimes V \rightarrow V \otimes V$ to be the ∂ - k -linear endomorphism defined by $\alpha \otimes \beta \mapsto \beta \otimes \alpha$.

3 Linear differential algebraic groups

Let K be a ∂ -closed differential extension field of k .

Definition 3.1. A subgroup G of $GL(n, K)$ is a ∂ - k -subgroup if its underlying set is the set of zeros in $GL(n, K)$ of a system of differential polynomials in the entries of the matrices. Call G a *linear ∂ - k -group*.

The Ritt-Raudenbush basis theorem says that a finite subsystem suffices to define G .

Example 3.2. 1. The multiplicative group $GL(1, K) = \mathbb{G}_m$ and additive group \mathbb{G}_a of the field K . We represent \mathbb{G}_a as the matrix group $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $a \in K$. The general linear group $GL(n)$ of $n \times n$ matrices with entries in K .

2. K an ordinary differential field with derivation operator ∂ . The subgroup G of \mathbb{G}_m defined by the equation $(y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) = 0$.
3. K an ordinary differential field with derivation operator ∂ . $G = K \times K$, with the multiplication law

$$(u_1, u_2) \cdot (v_1, v_2) = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2 + \sum_{i < j} \alpha_{ij} \partial^i u_1 \partial^j v_1), \alpha_{ij} \in k.$$

Let G be a ∂ - K -subgroup of $GL(n, K)$.

Let $y = [y_{ij}]_{ij}$ be a matrix of differential indeterminates.

Let $f_1 = 0, \dots, f_r = 0$, be the defining differential polynomials of G .

Let $I = \sqrt{[f_1, \dots, f_r]}$ in $K\{y\}$, and, $K\{\bar{y}\}$ the residue class ring $K\{y\}/I$.

$R = K\{\bar{y}, \bar{y}^{-1}\}$ is a finitely generated ∂ - K -algebra.

In addition, R is equipped with another structure— ∂ - K -Hopf algebra—which we will explore today.

Call R the *Hopf algebra representing G* .

Let $K \subset E \subset L$, L a finitely generated ∂ - K -field, E a ∂ -subfield of L .

E is finitely generated as a ∂ - K -field. (Kolchin [2]).

Let $K \subset S \subset R$, R a finitely generated ∂ - K -algebra, S a ∂ -subalgebra of R .

S need not be a finitely generated ∂ - K -algebra.

Example 3.3. (Weisfeiler [8]).

Let $R = K\{y\}$, y a differential indeterminate, R an ordinary differential ring with derivation operator ∂ .

\mathbb{G}_m acts on R by the regular representation $(g \cdot f)(h) = f(hg)$,

$f \in R, g, h \in \mathbb{G}_m$.

Let $N = \{1, -1\}$, the square roots of unity. N is a (normal) ∂ - K -subgroup of \mathbb{G}_m .

The ∂ - K -subalgebra R^N of differential polynomial invariants of N

is not finitely generated as a ∂ - K -subalgebra. $R^N = K\{y^2, (\partial y)^2, \dots, (\partial^n y)^2, \dots\}$,

and cannot be written $K\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m\}$, for any $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m \in R^N$. The proof

follows from the Ritt example cited above.

N is reductive: a difference between algebraic and differential algebraic groups.

The following is needed for the *Fundamental Theorem, part II*
of parametrized Picard-Vessiot theory.

Let G be a ∂ - K -linear group, and, let R be the Hopf algebra
representing G .

G acts on R by the *regular representation*: $(g \cdot f)(h) = f(hg)$.

Let N be a normal ∂ - K -subgroup of G . The set R^N of invariants of N
is a ∂ - K -subalgebra of R .

Query: Is R^N finitely generated (as a ∂ - K -algebra)?

The affirmative answer to this query is what we shall discuss today.

Remark 3.4. If $G = \mathbb{G}_m$, the Hopf algebra representing G is $R = K \left\{ y, \frac{1}{y} \right\}$.
 $R^N = K \left\{ y^2, \frac{1}{y^2} \right\}$.

Remark 3.5. The multiplication $\mu : \mathbb{G}_m \times \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$ defines a comultiplication $\Delta : K\{y\} \rightarrow K\{y\} \otimes K\{y\}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(y) &= y \otimes y \\ \Delta(\partial y) &= \partial(\Delta y) = \partial y \otimes y + y \otimes \partial y \\ \Delta \circ \partial &= \partial \circ \Delta\end{aligned}$$

The inclusion $K \hookrightarrow K\{y\}$ defines a counit $\varepsilon : K\{y\} \rightarrow K : \varepsilon(f) = f(1)$. Δ and ε are homomorphisms of ∂ - K -algebras.

Associativity of multiplication translates into coassociativity.

of the comultiplication.

The counit satisfies a counitary property.

The comultiplication and counit define on the ∂ - K -vector space $K\{y\}$ the structure of ∂ - K -bialgebra, but, not of ∂ - K -Hopf algebra. We now build the structure of ∂ - K -Hopf algebra, beginning with ∂ - K -coalgebra.

Remark 3.6. We return to the base field k .

4 ∂ - k -coalgebras

Definition 4.1. A k -coalgebra C is a ∂ - k -coalgebra if

1. the underlying k -vector space is a ∂ - k -vector space
2. the comultiplication $\Delta : C \rightarrow C \otimes_k C$ is a ∂ - k -linear map
3. the counit $\varepsilon : C \rightarrow k$ is a ∂ - k -linear map.

Recall that the following diagrams are commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & C \otimes C \otimes C & \xleftarrow{\Delta \otimes 1} & C \otimes C \\
 1 \otimes \Delta & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \Delta \\
 & & C \otimes C & \xleftarrow{\Delta} & C &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 k \otimes C & \xleftarrow{\varepsilon \otimes 1} & C \otimes C & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \varepsilon} & C \otimes k \\
 & \swarrow \sim & \uparrow \Delta & \sim \nearrow & \\
 & & C & &
 \end{array}$$

Example 4.2. Let $C = k\{y\}_1$, y a differential indeterminate, k an ordinary

differential field, with derivation operator ∂ . $C = \left\{ \ell = \sum_{e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m} \alpha_e \partial^e y : \alpha_e \in k \right\}$. Define

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(y) &= y \otimes y \\ \Delta(\partial y) &= \partial(\Delta y) = \partial y \otimes y + y \otimes \partial y \\ \Delta \circ \partial &= \partial \circ \Delta\end{aligned}$$

Define $\varepsilon(\ell) = \ell(1)$. Tracing the coassociativity diagram:

$$\begin{aligned}(\Delta \otimes 1)(\Delta y) &= (\Delta \otimes 1)(y \otimes y) \\ &= (y \otimes y) \otimes y \\ &= y \otimes (y \otimes y) \\ &= (1 \otimes \Delta)(\Delta y)\end{aligned}$$

Tracing the counitarity diagram:

$$\begin{aligned}(\varepsilon \otimes 1)(\Delta y) &= (\varepsilon \otimes 1)(y \otimes y) \\ &= \varepsilon(y) \otimes y \\ &= 1 \otimes y \\ &= y\end{aligned}$$

Thus, C is a ∂ - k -coalgebra.

We fix a ∂ - k -coalgebra C .

Definition 4.3. Let (C, Δ, ε) and $(C', \Delta', \varepsilon')$ be ∂ - k -coalgebras. A ∂ - k -linear map $\varphi : C \rightarrow C'$ is a ∂ - k -homomorphism if $(\varphi \otimes \varphi) \circ \Delta = \Delta'$, and, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon' \circ \varphi$.

The kernel of φ is a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of V and the image of φ is a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of V' .

Definition 4.4. Let D be a k -subspace of C . D is a k -subcoalgebra of C if $\Delta(D) \subset D \otimes D$.

D is a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of C if, in addition, D is a ∂ - k -subspace of C .

Example 4.5. Return to the ∂ - k -coalgebra $C = k\{y\}_1$ of Example 4.2.

Let D be the k -subspace with basis $y, \partial y$.

$$\Delta(\alpha y + \beta \partial y) = \alpha(y \otimes y) + \beta(\partial y \otimes y + y \otimes \partial y)$$

Thus, D is a k -subcoalgebra of C , but, not a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of C

Definition 4.6. Let $X \subset C$. The ∂ - k -subcoalgebra D of C generated by X is the intersection of the family of ∂ - k -subcoalgebras of C containing X .

Lemma 4.7. Let D be a k -subcoalgebra of C . Then $\langle D \rangle$ is the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of C generated by D .

Proof. This follows from the fact that Δ is ∂ - k -linear. □

Example 4.8. Return to the last example. $C = k\{y\}_1$. Let D be the k -subspace with basis $y, \partial y$. D is a k -subcoalgebra of C . The ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of C generated by D is $\langle y \rangle = C$.

Definition 4.9. 1. Let C be a k -coalgebra. C is *finite-dimensional* if the underlying k -space is finite-dimensional.

2. Let C be a ∂ - k -coalgebra. C is *finitely generated* if the underlying ∂ - k -space is finitely generated.

Corollary 4.10. Let D be a finite dimensional k -subcoalgebra of C . The ∂ - k -subcoalgebra $\langle D \rangle$ is finitely generated. A basis for D is a set of generators for the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra generated by D .

Theorem 4.11. *The fundamental theorem of coalgebras (Sweedler [6]) Let C be a k -coalgebra. If $\eta \in C$, the k -subcoalgebra generated by η is finite-dimensional.*

Corollary 4.12. *Let C be a ∂ - k -coalgebra. If η_1, \dots, η_n are in C , the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of C generated by η_1, \dots, η_n is finitely generated.*

Remark 4.13. The finite generating set of the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra generated by η_1, \dots, η_n does not usually equal $\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n\}$.

5 ∂ - k -Hopf algebras

Remark 5.1. Let R be a commutative k -algebra. Then, the k -space $R \otimes_k R$ has a natural structure of commutative k -algebra. $(\alpha_1 \otimes \beta_1)(\alpha_2 \otimes \beta_2) = \alpha_1 \beta_1 \otimes \alpha_2 \otimes \beta_2$. $1 \otimes 1$ is the unit. $k = k(1 \otimes 1) = k \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes k$.

Definition 5.2. Let R be a commutative k -algebra. R is a commutative k -bialgebra if

1. The underlying k -space of R is a k -coalgebra,
2. Δ and ε are k -algebra homomorphisms.

Definition 5.3. Let R be a commutative ∂ - k -algebra. R is a commutative ∂ - k -bialgebra if

1. the underlying ∂ - k -space of R is a ∂ - k -coalgebra,
2. Δ and ε are homomorphisms of ∂ - k -algebras.

Example 5.4. Let $R = k\{y\}$, k an ordinary differential field with derivation operator ∂ . $k\{y\}_1$ is a ∂ - k -coalgebra. We extend Δ and ε to homomorphisms from the ∂ - k -algebra R to the ∂ - k -algebra $R \otimes_k R$. For example,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta(y\partial^2y - (\partial y)^2) &= \Delta y \partial^2 \Delta y - (\partial \Delta y)^2 \\
&= (y \otimes y) (\partial^2 y \otimes y + 2\partial y \otimes \partial y + y \otimes \partial^2 y) \\
&\quad - (\partial y \otimes y + y \otimes \partial y)^2 \\
&= y\partial^2 y \otimes y^2 + 2(y\partial y \otimes y\partial y) \\
&\quad - (\partial y)^2 \otimes y^2 - 2(y\partial y \otimes y\partial y) - y^2 \otimes (\partial y)^2 \\
&= y^2 \otimes (y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) + (y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) \otimes y^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Remark 5.5. 1. A ∂ - k -subbialgebra of R must be both a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra and a ∂ - k -subalgebra of R .

2. If R and R' are ∂ - k -bialgebras, a ∂ - k -homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow R'$ must be both a homomorphism of ∂ - k -bialgebras and ∂ - k -algebras.

The kernel of φ is a ∂ - k -subbialgebra of R and the image of φ is a ∂ - k -subbialgebra of R' .

Definition 5.6. Let R be a k -algebra, with multiplication

$\mu : R \times R \rightarrow R$, and, homomorphism $\iota : k \rightarrow R$. Suppose R is a k -bialgebra.

R is a k -Hopf algebra if there is a k -algebra endomorphism S

of R , called the *antipode*, such that $\mu \circ (S \otimes 1) \circ \Delta = \mu \circ (1 \otimes S) \circ \Delta = \iota \circ \varepsilon$,

and, $\varepsilon \circ S = \varepsilon$.

If, in addition R is a ∂ - k -bialgebra, and, S is a ∂ - k -endomorphism of R , we call R a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra.

Example 5.7. The ∂ - k -bialgebra $B = k\{y\}$ of Example 5.4, and, the Weisfeiler example, is not a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra. There is no antipode.

We extend the ∂ - k -bialgebra B to $R = k\left\{y, \frac{1}{y}\right\}$. Define $\Delta\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{1}{y} \otimes \frac{1}{y}$,

and $\varepsilon\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = 1$. Define $S(y) = \frac{1}{y}$, and, $S\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = y$, and, extend S to an endomorphism of ∂ - k -algebras. For example,

$$\begin{aligned} S(\partial y) &= \partial(S(y)) \\ &= -\frac{\partial y}{y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$S(y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) = -\left(\frac{y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2}{y^4}\right)$$

Observe: $(\mu \circ (S \otimes 1) \circ \Delta)(y) = \mu\left(\frac{1}{y} \otimes y\right) = 1 = \iota(\varepsilon(y))$.

Example 5.8. Let $y = (y_{ij})$ be an $n \times n$ matrix of ∂ -indeterminates.

Set $R = k\{y, y^{-1}\}$. We will define on R the structure of ∂ - k -Hopf algebra.

Define $\Delta : R \otimes_k R$ by defining

$$\Delta(y_{ij}) = \sum_{k=1}^n y_{ik} \otimes y_{kj}.$$

and extending Δ to a homomorphism of ∂ - k -algebras. Thus,

$$\Delta(\partial_l y_{ij}) = \partial_l(\Delta y_{ij}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \partial_l y_{ik} \otimes y_{kj} + \sum_{k=1}^n y_{ik} \otimes \partial_l y_{kj}.$$

Define $\varepsilon(y_{ij}) = 1$ if $i = j$, and $\varepsilon(y_{ij}) = 0$ if $i \neq j$, and, extend to a homomorphism of ∂ - k -algebras. In particular, $\varepsilon(\partial_l y_{ij}) = 0$ for all i, j .

$$\text{Also, } ((\varepsilon \otimes 1) \circ \Delta)(y_{ij}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \varepsilon(y_{ik}) \otimes y_{kj} = \sum_{k=1}^n \varepsilon(y_{ik}) y_{kj} = y_{ij}$$

Define $S(y_{ij}) = (y^{-1})_{ij}$, and extend to a homomorphism of ∂ - k -algebras. In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} S(\partial_l y_{ij}) &= \partial_l(S y_{ij}) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \partial_l((y)^{-1})_{ik} \otimes y_{kj} \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^n (y)^{-1}_{ik} \otimes \partial_l y_{kj}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have: } (\mu \circ (S \otimes 1) \circ \Delta)(y_{ij}) &= (\mu \circ (S \otimes 1)) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n y_{ik} \otimes y_{kj} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n ((y)^{-1})_{ik} y_{kj} = \iota(\varepsilon(y_{ij})). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $R = k\{y, y^{-1}\}$ is a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra.

Definition 5.9. Let R and R' be ∂ - k -Hopf algebras. A homomorphism $\varphi : R \rightarrow R'$ of ∂ - k -bialgebras is homomorphism of ∂ - k -Hopf algebras. ($\implies \varphi \circ S = S \circ \varphi$.)

Remark 5.10. 1. The antipode S is an involution since R is commutative. $S \circ S = 1$. In particular, S is a ∂ - k -automorphism of R .

2. $\tau \circ (S \otimes S) \circ \Delta = \Delta \circ S$.

We fix a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra R .

Definition 5.11. A ∂ - k -subbialgebra H of R such that $S(H) \subset H$ is called a ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R .

H is a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra, and a ∂ - k -subalgebra of R , and, is stable under the antipode.

Let $X \subset R$. The ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra generated by X is the intersection of the family of ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebras containing X .

Definition 5.12. A ∂ - k -Hopf algebra R is *finitely generated* if its underlying ∂ - k -algebra is finitely generated. Thus, there exist $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m \in R$ such that $R = k\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m\}$.

Lemma 5.13. *Let η_1, \dots, η_n be elements of R . The ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra they generate is finitely generated (as a ∂ - k -algebra).*

Proof. Let C be the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra generated by η_1, \dots, η_n . Then, the ∂ - k -subspace C is finitely generated (Corollary 4.12). Set $D = S(C)$. Since S is ∂ - k -linear, D is a finitely generated ∂ - k -subspace of R . Now,

$$\Delta(D) = \Delta(S(C)) = \tau((S \otimes S)(\Delta(C))) \text{ (Remark 5.10, 2). So,}$$

$$\Delta(D) \subset \tau(S \otimes S)(C \otimes_k C) = \tau(S(C) \otimes_k S(C)) = \tau(D \otimes D) = D \otimes D.$$

Thus, $\Delta(C + D) \subset \Delta(C) + \Delta(D) \subset (C + D) \otimes_k (C + D)$. So, $C + D$ is a finitely generated ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of R . $S(C) \subset D$, and, $S(D) \subset S(S(C)) = C$. So, $C + D$ is stable under the antipode.

Let ζ_1, \dots, ζ_p be ∂ - k -space generators of the ∂ - k -subcoalgebra $W = C + D$. We shall show that the ∂ - k -subalgebra $H = k\{\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_p\}$.

We first show that H is a ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R . Clearly, $W \subset H$. For $i = 1, \dots, p$, $\Delta(\zeta_i)$ is in $\Delta(W) \subset W \otimes_k W \subset H \otimes_k H$. Since R is a ∂ - k -bialgebra, Δ is a homomorphism of ∂ - k -algebras. $H \otimes_k H$ is a ∂ - k -subalgebra of $R \otimes_k R$. Therefore, $\Delta(H) = k\{\Delta(\zeta_1), \dots, \Delta(\zeta_p)\}$ is contained in $H \otimes_k H$. Therefore, H is a ∂ - k -subbialgebra of R .

Similarly, since S is a ∂ - k -algebra automorphism of H , and, $S(W) \subset W$, it follows that $S(H) \subset H$. So, H is a ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R , and, of course, is finitely generated.

We must now show that H is the smallest ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R containing η_1, \dots, η_n . So, let L be a ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R containing η_1, \dots, η_n . C is the smallest ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of R containing η_1, \dots, η_n . Since L is a ∂ - k -subcoalgebra of H containing η_1, \dots, η_n , $C \subset L$. Since L is stable under the antipode, $S(C) = D \subset L$. Therefore, ζ_1, \dots, ζ_p are contained in L . Since H is the ∂ - k -subalgebra of H generated by ζ_1, \dots, ζ_p , $H \subset L$. □

6 ∂ - k -Hopf ideals

We fix a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra R .

Definition 6.1. Let I be a ∂ -ideal of R . Then, I is a ∂ -Hopf ideal if:

1. $\Delta(I) \subset R \otimes I + I \otimes R$.
2. $\varepsilon(I) = 0$.
3. $S(I) \subset I$.

Example 6.2. Let $R = k \left\{ y, \frac{1}{y} \right\}$ be the ∂ - k -Hopf algebra of Example 5.7.

Recall that $\Delta(y) = y \otimes y$. $\Delta\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{1}{y} \otimes \frac{1}{y}$, $\varepsilon(y) = 1$. $\varepsilon\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = 1$. $S(y) = \frac{1}{y}$.

Set $I = \sqrt{[y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2]}$.

Claim 6.3. I is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R .

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) &= y^2 \otimes (y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) \\ &\quad + (y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) \otimes y^2 \\ &\in R \otimes I + I \otimes R. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\Delta(I) \subset R \otimes I + I \otimes R$.

$$\varepsilon(y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2) &= - \left(\frac{y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2}{y^4} \right) \\ &= - \left(\frac{1}{y} \right)^4 (y\partial^2 y - (\partial y)^2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\varepsilon(I) \subset I$, and, $S(I) \subset I$. So, I is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R .

Lemma 6.4. 1. Let R and R' be ∂ - k -Hopf algebras, and, let $\varphi : R \rightarrow R'$ be a ∂ - k -homomorphism. Then, $\ker \varphi$ is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R , and, $\text{im} \varphi$ is a ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra of R' .

2. Let I be a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R , and, let $\pi : R \rightarrow R/I$ be the quotient homomorphism of ∂ - k -Hopf algebras. Then, R/I has a unique structure of ∂ - k -Hopf algebra making π a homomorphism of ∂ - k -Hopf algebras. If I is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R contained in $\ker \varphi$, there is a unique homomorphism $\psi : R/I \rightarrow R'$ such that $\psi \circ \pi = \varphi$.

Definition 6.5. A ∂ - k -Hopf algebra R is ∂ -Noetherian if R is a ∂ -Noetherian ∂ - k -algebra.

Theorem 6.6. (*The main theorem*) Every ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra H of a ∂ -Noetherian ∂ - k -Hopf algebra R is finitely generated as a ∂ - k -algebra.

Corollary 6.7. Every ∂ -Noetherian ∂ - k -Hopf algebra is ∂ -finitely generated.

Corollary 6.8. A ∂ - k -Hopf algebra is ∂ -Noetherian if and only if it is ∂ -finitely generated.

Proof. Theorem 1.3, and, Corollary 6.7. □

We now prove the theorem.

Set $H^+ = \ker(\varepsilon|_H)$, the augmentation ideal of H . Then, since ε is a surjective homomorphism of the ∂ - k -algebra H onto the ∂ -field k , the augmentation ideal H^+ is a prime ∂ -ideal (in fact it is a maximal ideal of H). Clearly, H^+ is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of H . It is easy to see that the R -module RH^+ is a ∂ -ideal of R .

Lemma 6.9. *RH^+ is a ∂ -Hopf ideal of R .*

Proof. $\Delta(RH^+) = \Delta(R)\Delta(H^+) \subset (R \otimes R)(H \otimes H^+ + H^+ \otimes H)$
 $\subset R \otimes RH^+ + RH^+ \otimes R$.

$$S(RH^+) \subset S(R)S(H^+) \subset RH^+.$$

$$\varepsilon(RH^+) = \varepsilon(R)\varepsilon(H^+) = 0. \quad \square$$

Lemma 6.10. *R/RH^+ is a ∂ - k -Hopf algebra.*

Proof. Lemma 6.4, 2. □

Theorem 6.11. *Cartier [3] Every commutative Hopf algebra over a field of characteristic zero is reduced.*

Corollary 6.12. *RH^+ is a radical ∂ -ideal of R .*

We turn now to the proof of the main theorem.

Let η_1, \dots, η_n generate the H^+ as a radical ∂ -ideal (Theorem 1.3). Let I be the radical ∂ -ideal of R generated by η_1, \dots, η_n . Clearly, $H^+ \subset I$. Since RH^+ is a radical ∂ -ideal of R containing H^+ , $I \subset RH^+$. But, I is an R -module containing H^+ . Therefore, $RH^+ \subset I$. Thus, $RH^+ = \sqrt{[\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n]}$.

Now, set L equal to the ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra generated by η_1, \dots, η_n . L is finitely generated as a ∂ - k -subalgebra of R (Lemma 5.13). Since η_1, \dots, η_n are in the ∂ - k -Hopf subalgebra H , $L \subset H$. Thus, $L^+ \subset H^+$, and, $RL^+ \subset RH^+$. Now, η_1, \dots, η_n are in H^+ . Since η_1, \dots, η_n are in L , they are in $\ker(\varepsilon|_L) = L^+ \subset RL^+$. Since $RH^+ = \sqrt{[\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n]}$, and, RL^+ is a radical ∂ -ideal of R containing $\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_s$, $RL^+ \supset \sqrt{[\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n]} = RH^+$. Therefore, $RL^+ = RH^+$.

Theorem 6.13. *Takeuchi [7], Corollary 3.10, p. 9. Let R be a commutative*

Hopf algebra over a field k (arbitrary characteristic). The map

$$H \longmapsto RH^+$$

from the set of all Hopf k -subalgebras H of R into the set of all Hopf ideals

of R is injective.

Remark 6.14. Takeuchi proves that the image of this map is the set of so-called normal Hopf ideals of R .

Corollary 6.15. $H = L$.

Corollary 6.16. H is a finitely generated ∂ - k -subalgebra of R .

This ends the proof of the main theorem. It also answers in the affirmative the question posed at the beginning of the talk. For, the differential algebra of invariants of N under the regular representation is a differential Hopf subalgebra of the differentially finitely generated Hopf algebra R representing the group G , and, therefore must be differentially finitely generated over the base differential field.

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