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## THE STRUCTURES OF HOPF \*-ALGEBRA ON RADFORD ALGEBRAS

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*Abstract.* We investigate the structures of Hopf \*-algebra on the Radford algebras over  $\mathbb{C}$ . All the \*-structures on  $H$  are explicitly given. Moreover, these Hopf \*-algebra structures are classified up to equivalence.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Woronowicz studied compact matrix pseudogroup in [14], which is a generalization of compact matrix group. Using the language of  $C^*$ -algebra, Woronowicz described compact matrix pseudogroups as  $C^*$ -algebras endowed with some comultiplications. This induces the concept of Hopf \*-algebras. In [14], [15], [16], Woronowicz exhibited Hopf \*-algebra structures on quantum groups in the framework of  $C^*$ -algebras. It was shown that  $GL_q(2)$ ,  $SL_q(2)$  and  $U_q(sl(2))$  are Hopf \*-algebras, see [2], [5]. Van Deale [13] studied the Harr measure on a compact quantum group. Podleś [8] studied coquasitriangular Hopf \*-algebras. Tucker-Simmons [12] studied the \*-structure of module algebras over a Hopf \*-algebra. Recently, we investigated the Hopf \*-algebra structures on  $H(1, q)$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  and classified these \*-structures up to equivalence [6].

Radford [9] constructed for every integer  $n > 1$  a finite dimensional unimodular Hopf algebra with antipode of order  $2n$  and proved that for every even integer there is a finite dimensional Hopf algebra  $H$ . For more details, the reader is directed to [3], [9], [10].

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In this paper, we study the structures of Hopf  $*$ -algebra on the Radford algebra  $H$  over the complex number field  $\mathbb{C}$ . This paper is organized as follow. In Section 2, we recall some basic notions about the Hopf  $*$ -algebra and the Radford algebra  $H$ . In Section 3, we first describe all structures of Hopf  $*$ -algebra on Radford algebra. It is shown that when  $n > 2$ , a Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure on  $H$  is uniquely determined by a pair  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of elements in  $\mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| = |\beta| = 1$ , and that when  $n = 2$ , a Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure on  $H$  is uniquely determined by a  $2 \times 2$ -matrix  $A$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  with  $\bar{A}A = I_2$ . Then we classify the Hopf  $*$ -algebra structures up to equivalence. It is shown that any two  $*$ -structures on  $H$  are equivalent when  $n > 2$ . When  $n = 2$ , the two  $*$ -structures determined by two matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, are equivalent if and only if there exists an invertible  $2 \times 2$ -matrix  $\Lambda$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $A\bar{\Lambda} = \Lambda B$ .

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout, let  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  denote all integers, all nonnegative integers, the field of real numbers, and the field of complex numbers, respectively. Let  $i \in \mathbb{C}$  be the imaginary unit. For any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  let  $\bar{\lambda}$  denote the conjugate complex number of  $\lambda$ , and let  $|\lambda|$  denote the norm of  $\lambda$ . For a Hopf algebra  $H$  we use  $\Delta$ ,  $\varepsilon$  and  $S$ , respectively, to denote the comultiplication, the counit, and the antipode of  $H$  as usual. For the theory of quantum groups and Hopf algebras we refer to [2], [4], [7], [10], [11]. Let  $G(H)$  denote the set of group-like elements in a Hopf algebra  $H$ , which is a group.

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over  $\mathbb{C}$ . A mapping  $\psi: V \rightarrow W$  is said to be conjugate-linear (or antilinear) if

$$\psi(\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2) = \bar{\lambda}_1 \psi(v_1) + \bar{\lambda}_2 \psi(v_2) \quad \forall v_1, v_2 \in V, \forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebras. A conjugate-linear map  $\psi: A \rightarrow B$  (or  $A$ ) is said to be a conjugate-linear algebra map (or a conjugate-linear algebra endomorphism) if

$$\psi(aa') = \psi(a)\psi(a'), \quad \psi(1) = 1 \quad \forall a, a' \in A,$$

and  $\psi$  is said to be a conjugate-linear antialgebra map (or a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism) if

$$\psi(aa') = \psi(a')\psi(a), \quad \psi(1) = 1 \quad \forall a, a' \in A.$$

Let  $C$  and  $D$  be two coalgebras over  $\mathbb{C}$ . A conjugate-linear map  $\psi: C \rightarrow D$  (or  $C$ ) is said to be a conjugate-linear coalgebra map (or a conjugate-linear coalgebra endomorphism) if

$$\sum \psi(c)_1 \otimes \psi(c)_2 = \sum \psi(c_1) \otimes \psi(c_2), \quad \varepsilon(\psi(c)) = \overline{\varepsilon(c)} \quad \forall c \in C,$$

and  $\psi$  is said to be a conjugate-linear anticoalgebra map (or a conjugate-linear anticoalgebra endomorphism) if

$$\sum \psi(c)_1 \otimes \psi(c)_2 = \sum \psi(c_2) \otimes \psi(c_1), \quad \varepsilon(\psi(c)) = \overline{\varepsilon(c)} \quad \forall c \in C.$$

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ . A  $*$ -structure on  $H$  is a conjugate-linear map  $*$ :  $H \rightarrow H$  such that the following conditions are satisfied:

$$(h^*)^* = h, \quad (hl)^* = l^*h^*, \\ \sum (h^*)_1 \otimes (h^*)_2 = \sum (h_1)^* \otimes (h_2)^*, \quad S(S(h^*)^*) = h,$$

where  $h, l \in H$ . If  $H$  is equipped with a  $*$ -structure, then we call  $H$  a Hopf  $*$ -algebra. Two  $*$ -structures  $*'$  and  $*''$  on  $H$  are said to be equivalent if there exists a Hopf algebra automorphism  $\psi$  of  $H$  such that  $\psi(h^{*'}) = \psi(h)^{*''}$  for all  $h \in H$ .

Let  $H$  be a Hopf  $*$ -algebra. Then it is not difficult to check that

$$\varepsilon(h^*) = \overline{\varepsilon(h)} \quad \forall h \in H.$$

Hence, the map  $*$  is an antilinear coalgebra endomorphism of  $H$  and  $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}1_H$  is a subalgebra of  $H$ . In this case,  $\lambda^* = \bar{\lambda}$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \subseteq H$ .

Fix a positive integer  $n > 1$  and let  $\omega \in \mathbb{C}$  be a root of unity of order  $n$ . The Radford algebra  $H$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  is generated, as a  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra, by  $g, x$  and  $y$  subject to the relations:

$$g^n = 1, \quad x^n = y^n = 0, \quad xg = \omega gx, \quad gy = \omega yg, \quad xy = \omega yx.$$

Then  $H$  is a Hopf algebra with the coalgebra structure and the antipode given by

$$\Delta(g) = g \otimes g, \quad \varepsilon(g) = 1, \quad S(g) = g^{n-1}, \\ \Delta(x) = x \otimes g + 1 \otimes x, \quad \varepsilon(x) = 0, \quad S(x) = -xg^{n-1}, \\ \Delta(y) = y \otimes g + 1 \otimes y, \quad \varepsilon(y) = 0, \quad S(y) = -yg^{n-1}.$$

Note that  $H$  has a canonical basis  $\{g^l x^r y^s : 0 \leq l, r, s < n\}$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For the details, the reader is directed to [3], [9], [10].

### 3. THE STRUCTRES OF HOPF \*-ALGEBRAS ON $H$

Throughout this section, let  $H$  be the Radford algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  described in the last section. In this section, we study the  $*$ -structures on the Hopf algebra  $H$ . Let  $Z(H)$  denote the center of  $H$ . Note that  $H$  is generated, as an algebra over  $\mathbb{R}$ , by  $g, x, y$ , and  $i$  subject to the relations given in the last section together with  $i^2 = -1$  and  $i \in Z(H)$ . In the following, let  $H^{\text{op}}$  denote the opposite algebra of  $H$ . For any  $h, l \in H^{\text{op}}$ , let  $h \cdot l$  denote the product of  $h$  and  $l$  in  $H^{\text{op}}$ , i.e.  $h \cdot l = lh$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| = |\beta| = 1$ . Then  $H$  is a Hopf  $*$ -algebra with the  $*$ -structure given by*

$$g^* = g, \quad x^* = \alpha x, \quad y^* = \beta y.$$

*Proof.* We first prove that the relations given in the lemma together with  $i^* = -i$  give rise to a real antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ , i.e. a real algebra map from  $H$  to  $H^{\text{op}}$ . Since  $|\omega|=1$ , we have  $\omega^* = \bar{\omega} = \omega^{-1}$ . Hence in  $H^{\text{op}}$  we have  $(g^*)^n = g^n = 1$ ,  $(x^*)^n = (\alpha x)^n = 0$ ,  $x^* \cdot g^* = \alpha x \cdot g = \alpha g x = \alpha \omega^{-1} x g = \alpha \omega^{-1} g \cdot x = \omega^* g^* \cdot x^*$  and  $x^* \cdot y^* = \alpha \beta x \cdot y = \alpha \beta y x = \alpha \beta \omega^{-1} x y = \alpha \beta \omega^{-1} y \cdot x = \omega^* y^* \cdot x^*$ . Similarly, one can check that  $(y^*)^n = 0$  and  $g^* \cdot y^* = \omega^* y^* \cdot g^*$ . We also have  $i^* = -i \in Z(H^{\text{op}})$  and  $(i^*)^2 = (-i)^2 = -1$ . This shows that the relations given in the lemma together with  $i^* = -i$  determine a real algebra map  $*$ :  $H \rightarrow H^{\text{op}}$ . Then it follows that  $*$  is a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ . Hence, the composition  $* \circ *$  is a complex algebra endomorphism of  $H$ . It is not difficult to check that  $(h^*)^* = h$  for all  $h \in \{g, x, y\}$ , and so  $(h^*)^* = h$  for all  $h \in H$ . Thus,  $*$  is an involution of  $H$ . Note that both  $\Delta \circ *$  and  $(* \otimes *) \circ \Delta$  are conjugate-linear antialgebra maps from  $H$  to  $H \otimes H$ . It is easy check that  $\Delta(h^*) = \sum (h_1)^* \otimes (h_2)^*$  for any  $h \in \{g, x, y\}$ . It follows that  $\Delta(h^*) = \sum (h_1)^* \otimes (h_2)^*$  for all  $h \in H$ . Similarly, we have  $\varepsilon(h^*) = \overline{\varepsilon(h)}$  for all  $h \in H$ . Finally, since  $S$  is a complex antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$  and  $*$  is a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ , the map  $H \rightarrow H, h \mapsto S(S(h^*)^*)$  is a complex algebra endomorphism of  $H$ . Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(S(g^*)^*) &= S(S(g)^*) = S((g^{-1})^*) = S((g^*)^{-1}) = S(g^{-1}) = g, \\ S(S(x^*)^*) &= S(S(\alpha x)^*) = S((-\alpha x g^{n-1})^*) = S(-\bar{\alpha}(g^{n-1})^* x^*) \\ &= S(-\bar{\alpha} \alpha g^{n-1} x) = -S(x) S(g^{n-1}) = x g^{n-1} g = x, \end{aligned}$$

and similarly  $S(S(y^*)^*) = y$ . It follows that  $S(S(h^*)^*) = h$  for all  $h \in H$ . □

Let  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  be the matrix algebra of all  $2 \times 2$ -matrices over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For a matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{C}),$$

let

$$\bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\alpha_{11}} & \overline{\alpha_{12}} \\ \overline{\alpha_{21}} & \overline{\alpha_{22}} \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{C}).$$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Assume that  $n = 2$  and let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\bar{A}A = I_2$ , the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix. Then  $H$  is a Hopf  $*$ -algebra with the  $*$ -structure given by*

$$g^* = g, \quad x^* = \alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y, \quad y^* = \alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y.$$

**Proof.** Assume that  $n = 2$ . Then  $\omega = -1$ . We first prove that the relations given in the lemma together with  $i^* = -i$  give rise to a real antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ , i.e. a real algebra map from  $H$  to  $H^{\text{op}}$ . In  $H^{\text{op}}$  we have  $(g^*)^2 = g^2 = 1$ ,  $(x^*)^2 = (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)^2 = \alpha_{11}^2x^2 + \alpha_{11}\alpha_{12}xy + \alpha_{12}\alpha_{11}yx + \alpha_{12}^2y^2 = 0$  and  $x^* \cdot g^* = (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) \cdot g = \alpha_{11}gx + \alpha_{12}gy = -\alpha_{11}xg - \alpha_{12}yg = -g \cdot (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) = -g^* \cdot x^*$ . We also have  $x^* \cdot y^* = (\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y)(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) = \alpha_{21}\alpha_{11}x^2 + \alpha_{21}\alpha_{12}xy + \alpha_{22}\alpha_{11}yx + \alpha_{22}\alpha_{12}y^2 = (\alpha_{21}\alpha_{12} - \alpha_{22}\alpha_{11})xy$  and  $y^* \cdot x^* = (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)(\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y) = \alpha_{11}\alpha_{21}x^2 + \alpha_{11}\alpha_{22}xy + \alpha_{12}\alpha_{21}yx + \alpha_{12}\alpha_{22}y^2 = (\alpha_{11}\alpha_{22} - \alpha_{12}\alpha_{21})xy$ , which implies that  $x^* \cdot y^* = -y^* \cdot x^*$ . Similarly, one can check that  $(y^*)^2 = 0$  and  $g^* \cdot y^* = -y^* \cdot g^*$ . We also have  $i^* = -i \in Z(H^{\text{op}})$  and  $(i^*)^2 = (-i)^2 = -1$ . This shows that the relations given in the lemma together with  $i^* = -i$  determine a real algebra map  $*$ :  $H \rightarrow H^{\text{op}}$ . Then it follows that  $*$  is a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ . Hence, the composition  $* \circ *$  is a complex algebra endomorphism of  $H$ . Clearly,  $(g^*)^* = g$ . Since  $\bar{A}A = I_2$ ,  $\overline{\alpha_{i1}}\alpha_{1j} + \overline{\alpha_{i2}}\alpha_{2j} = \delta_{ij}$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} (x^*)^* &= (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)^* = \overline{\alpha_{11}}x^* + \overline{\alpha_{12}}y^* \\ &= \overline{\alpha_{11}}(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) + \overline{\alpha_{12}}(\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y) \\ &= (\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{11} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{21})x + (\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{12} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{22})y = x. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we also have  $(y^*)^* = y$ . It follows that  $(h^*)^* = h$  for all  $h \in H$ . Thus,  $*$  is an involution of  $H$ . Note that both  $\Delta \circ *$  and  $(* \otimes *) \circ \Delta$  are conjugate-linear antialgebra maps from  $H$  to  $H \otimes H$ . It is easy check that  $\Delta(h^*) = \sum (h_1)^* \otimes (h_2)^*$  for any  $h \in \{g, x, y\}$ . It follows that  $\Delta(h^*) = \sum (h_1)^* \otimes (h_2)^*$  for all  $h \in H$ . Similarly, we have  $\varepsilon(h^*) = \overline{\varepsilon(h)}$  for all  $h \in H$ . Finally, since  $S$  is a complex antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$  and  $*$  is a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ , the map  $H \rightarrow H$ ,  $h \mapsto S(S(h^*)^*)$  is a complex algebra endomorphism of  $H$ . Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(S(g^*)^*) &= S(S(g)^*) = S(g^*) = S(g) = g, \\ S(S(x^*)^*) &= S(S(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)^*) = S((-\alpha_{11}xg - \alpha_{12}yg)^*) \\ &= S((\alpha_{11}gx + \alpha_{12}gy)^*) = S(\overline{\alpha_{11}}x^*g^* + \overline{\alpha_{12}}y^*g^*) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= S(\overline{\alpha_{11}}(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)g + \overline{\alpha_{12}}(\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y)g) \\
&= S(g)S((\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{11} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{21})x + (\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{12} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{22})y) \\
&= S(g)S(x) = g(-xg) = x,
\end{aligned}$$

and similarly  $S(S(y^*)^*) = y$ . It follows that  $S(S(h^*)^*) = h$  for all  $h \in H$ . □

The next proposition follows similarly to [1], Lemma 2.7.

**Proposition 3.3.** *For any  $r, s \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,*

$$\Delta(y^r x^s g^l) = \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \omega^{-(r-i)j} \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} g^l \otimes y^i x^j g^{l+s-j+r-i}.$$

*Proof.* Since

$$(x \otimes g)(1 \otimes x) = \omega^{-1}(1 \otimes x)(x \otimes g), \quad (y \otimes g)(1 \otimes y) = \omega(1 \otimes y)(y \otimes g),$$

it follows from [2], Proposition IV.2.2 that

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta(x)^s &= (1 \otimes x + x \otimes g)^s = \sum_{j=0}^s \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} x^{s-j} \otimes x^j g^{s-j}, \\
\Delta(y)^r &= (1 \otimes y + y \otimes g)^r = \sum_{i=0}^r \binom{r}{i}_\omega y^{r-i} \otimes y^i g^{r-i}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, since  $\Delta$  is an algebra map, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta(y^r x^s g^l) &= \Delta(y)^r \Delta(x)^s \Delta(g)^l \\
&= (1 \otimes y + y \otimes g)^r (1 \otimes x + x \otimes g)^s (g \otimes g)^l \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} g^l \otimes y^i g^{r-i} x^j g^{l+s-j} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \omega^{-(r-i)j} \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} g^l \otimes y^i x^j g^{l+s-j+r-i}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Note that  $\{y^r x^s g^l : 0 \leq r, s, l < n\}$  is a canonical basis of  $H$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Hence,

$$\{y^r x^s g^l \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1} : 0 \leq r, r_1, s, s_1, l, l_1 < n\}$$

is a basis of  $H \otimes H$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For an element

$$h = \sum_{0 \leq r, s, l < n} \lambda_{r, s, l} y^r x^s g^l$$

in  $H$ , if  $\lambda_{r, s, l} \neq 0$ , then we say that  $y^r x^s g^l$  is a term of  $h$ . Moreover,  $r$  or  $s$  is called the degree of  $y$  or  $x$ , respectively, in the term  $y^r x^s g^l$ . Similarly, for an element

$$h = \sum_{0 \leq r, s, l, r_1, s_1, l_1 < n} \lambda_{r, s, l, r_1, s_1, l_1} y^r x^s g^l \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1}$$

in  $H \otimes H$ , if  $\lambda_{r, s, l, r_1, s_1, l_1} \neq 0$ , then we say that  $y^r x^s g^l \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1}$  is a term of  $h$ . Moreover,  $r + r_1$  or  $s + s_1$  is called the total degree of  $y$  or  $x$ , respectively, in the term

$$y^r x^s g^l \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1}.$$

**Lemma 3.4.**  $G(H) = \{g^l : 0 \leq l < n\}$ .

*Proof.* Obviously,  $g^l \in G(H)$  for all  $0 \leq l < n$ . Conversely, let

$$h = \sum_{0 \leq r, s, l < n} \lambda_{r, s, l} y^r x^s g^l \in G(H),$$

where  $\lambda_{r, s, l} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Assume that  $r_1$  is the highest degree of  $y$  in the terms of  $h$ , that is, there is a nonzero coefficient  $\lambda_{r_1, s_1, l_1} \neq 0$  in the above expression of  $h$  such that  $\lambda_{r, s, l} \neq 0$  implies  $r \leq r_1$ . From Proposition 3.3 one knows that the total degree of  $y$  in each term of the expression of  $\Delta(y^r x^s g^l)$  is  $r$ . Then from

$$\Delta(h) = \sum_{r, s, l} \lambda_{r, s, l} \Delta(y^r x^s g^l)$$

one gets that the highest total degree of  $y$  in the terms of  $\Delta(h)$  is  $r_1$ . However,

$$y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1} \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1}$$

is a term of  $h \otimes h$  with the nonzero coefficient  $\lambda_{r_1, s_1, l_1}^2 \neq 0$ . It follows from  $\Delta(h) = h \otimes h$  that  $0 \leq 2r_1 \leq r_1$ , which implies  $r_1 = 0$ . Thus, if  $r > 0$ , then  $\lambda_{r, s, l} = 0$ . Similarly, one can show that  $\lambda_{r, s, l} = 0$  for any  $s > 0$ . Therefore  $h \in \text{span}\{g^l : 0 \leq l < n\}$ . Since  $G(H)$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\{g^l : 0 \leq l < n\} \subseteq G(H)$ , we have  $h = g^l$  for some  $0 \leq l < n$ . Hence  $G(H) \subseteq \{g^l : 0 \leq l < n\}$ , and so  $G(H) = \{g^l : 0 \leq l < n\}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $h \in H$ . If  $\Delta(h) = h \otimes g + 1 \otimes h$ , then  $h = \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y + \lambda_3(1 - g)$  for some  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{C}$ .*



Proof. Let  $h = \sum_{0 \leq r, s, l < n} \lambda_{r, s, l} y^r x^s g^l$  with  $\lambda_{r, s, l} \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\Delta(h) = h \otimes g + 1 \otimes h.$$

Then  $\varepsilon(h) = 0$ . For any  $0 \leq r, s < n$  let

$$h_{r, s} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \lambda_{r, s, l} y^r x^s g^l.$$

Then by Proposition 3.3 and the proof of Lemma 3.4, one knows that

$$\Delta(h_{r, s}) = h_{r, s} \otimes g + 1 \otimes h_{r, s} \quad \forall r, s.$$

Hence, one may assume that

$$h = y^r x^s \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \lambda_l g^l \neq 0$$

for some  $\lambda_l \in \mathbb{C}$ , where  $r$  and  $s$  are fixed integers with  $0 \leq r, s < n$ . Now, by Proposition 3.3 we have

$$(3.1) \quad \Delta(h) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \lambda_l \omega^{-(r-i)j} \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} g^l \otimes y^i x^j g^{l+s-j+r-i}$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \Delta(h) = h \otimes g + 1 \otimes h = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \lambda_l (y^r x^s g^l \otimes g + 1 \otimes y^r x^s g^l).$$

By the paragraph before Lemma 3.4,  $H \otimes H$  has a canonical basis over  $\mathbb{C}$

$$\{y^r x^s g^l \otimes y^{r_1} x^{s_1} g^{l_1} : 0 \leq r, r_1, s, s_1, l, l_1 < n\}.$$

Now by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $g^l \otimes y^r x^s g^l$  in the two expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given above, one gets that  $\lambda_l = 0$  if  $l > 1$ , and that  $\lambda_1 = 0$  if  $(r, s) \neq (0, 0)$ . Hence,  $h = \lambda_0 y^r x^s$  when  $r + s \neq 0$ , and  $h = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 g$  when  $r = s = 0$ .

If  $h = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 g$ , then  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 = 0$  by  $\varepsilon(h) = 0$ , and so  $h = \lambda_0(1 - g)$ . Now assume  $h = \lambda_0 y^r x^s$  with  $r + s \neq 0$ . Then (3.1) and (3.2) becomes

$$(3.3) \quad \Delta(h) = \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \lambda_0 \omega^{-(r-i)j} \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} \otimes y^i x^j g^{s-j+r-i}$$

and

$$(3.4) \quad \Delta(h) = h \otimes g + 1 \otimes h = \lambda_0(y^r x^s \otimes g + 1 \otimes y^r x^s),$$

respectively. If both  $r > 0$  and  $s > 0$ , then by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $y^r \otimes x^s g^r$  in the two expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given above, one gets that  $\lambda_0 = 0$ , and hence  $h = 0$ , a contradiction. Hence either  $r > 0$  and  $s = 0$ , or  $r = 0$  and  $s > 0$ . If  $r > 0$  and  $s = 0$ , then  $h = \lambda_0 y^r$ , and (3.3) and (3.4) becomes

$$(3.5) \quad \Delta(h) = \sum_{i=0}^r \lambda_0 \binom{r}{i}_\omega y^{r-i} \otimes y^i g^{r-i}$$

and

$$(3.6) \quad \Delta(h) = h \otimes g + 1 \otimes h = \lambda_0(y^r \otimes g + 1 \otimes y^r),$$

respectively. If  $r > 1$ , then by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $y^{r-1} \otimes y g^{r-1}$  in the two expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given above, one gets that  $\lambda_0 = 0$ , and hence  $h = 0$ , a contradiction. Hence  $r = 1$  and so  $h = \lambda_0 y$ . Similarly, one can check that if  $r = 0$  and  $s > 0$ , then  $h = \lambda_0 x$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $h \in H$  with  $\Delta(h) = h \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes h$  for some  $1 < w < n$ . Then  $h = \lambda(1 - g^w)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* It is similar to the proof of Lemma 3.5. We only need to consider the case

$$h = y^r x^s \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \lambda_l g^l \neq 0$$

for some  $\lambda_l \in \mathbb{C}$ , where  $r$  and  $s$  are fixed integers with  $0 \leq r, s < n$ . Then we have

$$(3.7) \quad \Delta(h) = h \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes h = \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} \lambda_l (y^r x^s g^l \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes y^r x^s g^l)$$

and

$$(3.8) \quad \Delta(h) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \sum_{i=0}^r \sum_{j=0}^s \lambda_l \omega^{-(r-i)j} \binom{r}{i}_\omega \binom{s}{j}_{\omega^{-1}} y^{r-i} x^{s-j} g^l \otimes y^i x^j g^{l+s-j+r-i}.$$

If  $r \neq 0$  and  $s \neq 0$ , then by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $y^r g^l \otimes x^s g^{l+r}$  in the two expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given above, one gets that  $\lambda_l = 0$  for all  $0 \leq l < n$ , and hence  $h = 0$ , a contradiction. So  $r = 0$  or  $s = 0$ . Assume that

$r \neq 0$ . Then  $s = 0$ . In this case, by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $g^l \otimes y^r g^l$  in the two expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given above, one gets that  $\lambda_l = 0$  if  $l > 0$ . Hence  $h = \lambda_0 y^r$  and (3.7) and (3.8) become

$$(3.9) \quad \Delta(h) = h \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes h = \lambda_0(y^r \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes y^r)$$

and

$$(3.10) \quad \Delta(h) = \sum_{i=0}^r \lambda_0 \binom{r}{i}_\omega y^{r-i} \otimes y^i g^{r-i},$$

respectively. Then by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $y^r \otimes g^r$  in the both expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given in (3.9) and (3.10) one gets that  $r = w > 1$  since  $h = \lambda_0 y^r \neq 0$ . Now by comparing the coefficients of the basis element  $y^{r-1} \otimes y g^{r-1}$  in both expressions of  $\Delta(h)$  given in (3.9) and (3.10), one finds that  $\lambda_0 = 0$ , a contradiction. This shows that  $r = 0$ . Similarly, one can show that  $s = 0$ . Hence  $h = \sum_l \lambda_l g^l \neq 0$ . Then it is easy to see that  $h = \lambda(1 - g^w)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** (1) *If  $n > 2$ , then Lemma 3.1 gives all Hopf  $*$ -algebra structures on  $H$ .*

(2) *If  $n = 2$ , then Lemma 3.2 gives all Hopf  $*$ -algebra structures on  $H$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $H$  has a Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure  $*$ . Then

$$\Delta(g^*) = (* \otimes *)\Delta(g) = g^* \otimes g^* \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon(g^*) = \overline{\varepsilon(g)} = 1.$$

Hence  $g^* \in G(H)$ . By Lemma 3.4,  $g^* = g^w$  for some  $0 \leq w < n$ . Since  $*$  is an involution and  $1^* = 1$ ,  $g^* \neq 1$ . Hence  $w \neq 0$ , and so  $0 < w < n$ . We also have

$$\Delta(x^*) = (* \otimes *)\Delta(x) = x^* \otimes g^* + 1^* \otimes x^* = x^* \otimes g^w + 1 \otimes x^*.$$

If  $w \neq 1$ , then it follows from Lemma 3.6 that  $x^* = \lambda(1 - g^w)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Since  $*$  is an involution and a conjugate-linear antialgebra endomorphism of  $H$ , we have  $x = (x^*)^* = (\lambda(1 - g^w))^* = \bar{\lambda}(1 - g^{w^2})$ . This is impossible. Hence  $w = 1$ , and so  $g^* = g$  and  $\Delta(x^*) = x^* \otimes g + 1 \otimes x^*$ . Then by Lemma 3.5,  $x^* = \alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y + \alpha_{13}(1 - g)$  for some  $\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \alpha_{13} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Similarly, one can show that  $y^* = \alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y + \alpha_{23}(1 - g)$  for some  $\alpha_{21}, \alpha_{22}, \alpha_{23} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then by  $xg = \omega gx$ , one gets that  $(xg)^* = (\omega gx)^*$ . However,  $(xg)^* = g^* x^* = g(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y + \alpha_{13}(1 - g)) = \alpha_{11}gx + \alpha_{12}gy + \alpha_{13}(g - g^2)$  and  $(\omega gx)^* = \bar{\omega} x^* g^* = \omega^{-1}(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y + \alpha_{13}(1 - g))g = \omega^{-1}\alpha_{11}xg + \omega^{-1}\alpha_{12}yg + \omega^{-1}\alpha_{13}(g - g^2) = \alpha_{11}gx + \omega^{-2}\alpha_{12}gy + \omega^{-1}\alpha_{13}(g - g^2)$ . It follows that  $\alpha_{12} = \omega^{-2}\alpha_{12}$

and  $\alpha_{13} = \omega^{-1}\alpha_{13}$ . Hence  $\alpha_{12}(1 - \omega^2) = 0$  and  $\alpha_{13} = 0$  by  $\omega \neq 1$ . Similarly, from  $(gy)^* = (\omega yg)^*$  one gets that  $\alpha_{21}(1 - \omega^2) = 0$  and  $\alpha_{23} = 0$ .

(1) Assume that  $n > 2$ . Then  $\omega^2 \neq 1$ , and hence  $\alpha_{12} = \alpha_{21} = 0$  by  $\alpha_{12}(1 - \omega^2) = 0$  and  $\alpha_{21}(1 - \omega^2) = 0$ . Thus,  $x^* = \alpha_{11}x$  and  $y^* = \alpha_{22}y$ . Then we have  $x = (x^*)^* = (\alpha_{11}x)^* = \overline{\alpha_{11}}x^* = \overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{11}x$ , which implies that  $|\alpha_{11}| = 1$ . Similarly, one can show that  $|\alpha_{22}| = 1$ . This shows Part (1).

(2) Assume that  $n = 2$ . Then  $x^* = \alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y$  and  $y^* = \alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y$ . Hence we have  $x = (x^*)^* = (\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y)^* = \overline{\alpha_{11}}x^* + \overline{\alpha_{12}}y^* = \overline{\alpha_{11}}(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) + \overline{\alpha_{12}}(\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y) = (\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{11} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{21})x + (\overline{\alpha_{11}}\alpha_{12} + \overline{\alpha_{12}}\alpha_{22})y$  and  $y = (y^*)^* = (\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y)^* = \overline{\alpha_{21}}x^* + \overline{\alpha_{22}}y^* = \overline{\alpha_{21}}(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) + \overline{\alpha_{22}}(\alpha_{21}x + \alpha_{22}y) = (\overline{\alpha_{21}}\alpha_{11} + \overline{\alpha_{22}}\alpha_{21})x + (\overline{\alpha_{21}}\alpha_{12} + \overline{\alpha_{22}}\alpha_{22})y$ . It follows that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \overline{\alpha_{11}} & \overline{\alpha_{12}} \\ \overline{\alpha_{21}} & \overline{\alpha_{22}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This shows Part (2). □

**Theorem 3.8.** *If  $n \geq 3$ , then up to equivalence, there is a unique Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure on  $H$  given by*

$$g^* = g, \quad x^* = x, \quad y^* = y.$$

*Proof.* Assume that  $n \geq 3$ . Then by Lemma 3.1, the relations given in the theorem determine a Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure on  $H$ , denoted by  $*$ '. Now let  $*$  be any Hopf  $*$ -algebra structure on  $H$ . Then by Lemma 3.1 and Theorem 3.7(1) there exist elements  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| = |\beta| = 1$  such that

$$g^* = g, \quad x^* = \alpha x, \quad y^* = \beta y.$$

Pick up two elements  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\lambda_1^2 = \alpha$  and  $\lambda_2^2 = \beta$ . Then  $|\lambda_1| = |\lambda_2| = 1$  by  $|\alpha| = |\beta| = 1$ , and hence  $\lambda_1^{-1} = \overline{\lambda_1}$  and  $\lambda_2^{-1} = \overline{\lambda_2}$ . It is easy to see that there is a Hopf algebra automorphism  $\varphi$  of  $H$  such that  $\varphi(g) = g$ ,  $\varphi(x) = \lambda_1 x$  and  $\varphi(y) = \lambda_2 y$ . Then  $\varphi(g^{*'}) = \varphi(g) = g = g^* = \varphi(g)^*$ ,  $\varphi(x^{*'}) = \varphi(x) = \lambda_1 x = \lambda_1^{-1} \alpha x = \overline{\lambda_1} x^* = (\lambda_1 x)^* = \varphi(x)^*$  and  $\varphi(y^{*'}) = \varphi(y) = \lambda_2 y = \lambda_2^{-1} \beta y = \overline{\lambda_2} y^* = (\lambda_2 y)^* = \varphi(y)^*$ . Hence  $\varphi(h^{*'}) = \varphi(h)^*$  for all  $h \in H$ , and so  $*$  is equivalent to  $*$ '. □

Throughout the following, assume that  $n = 2$ . In this case,  $\omega = -1$ .

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{11} & \beta_{12} \\ \beta_{21} & \beta_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  be two matrices in  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\bar{A}A = \bar{B}B = I_2$ , and let  $*_A$  and  $*_B$  be the corresponding Hopf  $*$ -algebra structures on  $H$  determined by  $A$  and  $B$  as in Lemma 3.2, respectively. Then we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 3.9.**  $*_A$  and  $*_B$  are equivalent  $*$ -structures on  $H$  if and only if there exists an invertible matrix  $\Lambda$  in  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $A\Lambda = \bar{\Lambda}B$ , i.e.  $\bar{\Lambda}^{-1}A\Lambda = B$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $*_A$  and  $*_B$  are equivalent. Then there exists a Hopf algebra automorphism  $\varphi$  of  $H$  such that  $\varphi(h^{*A}) = \varphi(h)^{*B}$  for all  $h \in H$ . By Lemma 3.4 and  $n = 2$ , one can see that  $\varphi(g) = g$ . Then by Lemma 3.5, a straightforward computation shows that there exists a matrix  $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  in  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $\varphi(x) = \lambda_{11}x + \lambda_{12}y$  and  $\varphi(y) = \lambda_{21}x + \lambda_{22}y$ . Since  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism, one can check that  $\Lambda$  is an invertible matrix in  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$ . Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x^{*A}) &= \varphi(\alpha_{11}x + \alpha_{12}y) = \alpha_{11}\varphi(x) + \alpha_{12}\varphi(y) \\ &= \alpha_{11}(\lambda_{11}x + \lambda_{12}y) + \alpha_{12}(\lambda_{21}x + \lambda_{22}y) \\ &= (\alpha_{11}\lambda_{11} + \alpha_{12}\lambda_{21})x + (\alpha_{11}\lambda_{12} + \alpha_{12}\lambda_{22})y \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x)^{*B} &= (\lambda_{11}x + \lambda_{12}y)^{*B} = \bar{\lambda}_{11}x^{*B} + \bar{\lambda}_{12}y^{*B} \\ &= \bar{\lambda}_{11}(\beta_{11}x + \beta_{12}y) + \bar{\lambda}_{12}(\beta_{21}x + \beta_{22}y) \\ &= (\bar{\lambda}_{11}\beta_{11} + \bar{\lambda}_{12}\beta_{21})x + (\bar{\lambda}_{11}\beta_{12} + \bar{\lambda}_{12}\beta_{22})y. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, it follows from  $\varphi(x^{*A}) = \varphi(x)^{*B}$  that  $\alpha_{11}\lambda_{11} + \alpha_{12}\lambda_{21} = \bar{\lambda}_{11}\beta_{11} + \bar{\lambda}_{12}\beta_{21}$  and  $\alpha_{11}\lambda_{12} + \alpha_{12}\lambda_{22} = \bar{\lambda}_{11}\beta_{12} + \bar{\lambda}_{12}\beta_{22}$ . Similarly, from  $\varphi(y^{*A}) = \varphi(y)^{*B}$ , one gets that  $\alpha_{21}\lambda_{11} + \alpha_{22}\lambda_{21} = \bar{\lambda}_{21}\beta_{11} + \bar{\lambda}_{22}\beta_{21}$  and  $\alpha_{21}\lambda_{12} + \alpha_{22}\lambda_{22} = \bar{\lambda}_{21}\beta_{12} + \bar{\lambda}_{22}\beta_{22}$ . Thus, we have  $A\Lambda = \bar{\Lambda}B$ .

Conversely, suppose that there exists an invertible matrix  $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  in  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $A\Lambda = \bar{\Lambda}B$ . Then it is straightforward to check that there is a Hopf algebra automorphism  $\varphi$  of  $H$  uniquely determined by  $\varphi(g) = g$ ,  $\varphi(x) = \lambda_{11}x + \lambda_{12}y$  and  $\varphi(y) = \lambda_{21}x + \lambda_{22}y$ . Obviously,  $\varphi(g^{*A}) = \varphi(g)^{*B} = g$ . From the computation above, one gets that  $\varphi(x^{*A}) = \varphi(x)^{*B}$  and  $\varphi(y^{*A}) = \varphi(y)^{*B}$ . It follows that  $\varphi(h^{*A}) = \varphi(h)^{*B}$  for any  $h \in H$ . This shows that  $*_A$  and  $*_B$  are equivalent.  $\square$

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