

# MODULE CATEGORIES OVER FINITE POINTED TENSOR CATEGORIES

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ABSTRACT. We study exact module categories over the representation categories of finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebras. As a consequence we classify exact module categories over some families of pointed tensor categories with cyclic group of invertible objects of order  $p$ , where  $p$  is a prime number.

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## INTRODUCTION

For a given tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  a *module category* over  $\mathcal{C}$ , or a  $\mathcal{C}$ -*module*, is the categorification of the notion of module over a ring, it consist of an Abelian category  $\mathcal{M}$  together with a biexact functor  $\otimes : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  satisfying natural associativity and unit axioms. A module category  $\mathcal{M}$  is *exact* [EO1] if for any projective object  $P \in \mathcal{C}$  and any  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  the object  $P \otimes M$  is again projective.

The notion of module category has been used with profit in the theory of tensor categories, see [DGNO],[ENO1], [ENO2]. Interestingly, the notion of module categories is related with diverse areas of mathematics and mathematical physics such as subfactor theory [Oc], [BEK]; extensions of vertex algebras [KO], Calabi-Yau algebras [Gi], Hopf algebras [N], affine Hecke algebras [BO] and conformal field theory, see for example [BFS], [CS1], [CS2], [FS1], [FS2], [O1].

The classification of exact module categories over a given tensor category was undertaken by several authors:

1. When  $\mathcal{C}$  is the semisimple quotient of  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  [Oc], [KO], [EO2],
2. over the category of finite-dimensional  $SL_q(2)$ -comodules [O3],
3. over the tensor categories of representations of finite supergroups [EO1],
4. for any group-theoretical tensor category [O2],
5. over the Tambara-Yamagami categories [Ga2], [MM],

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- 6. over the Hageerup fusion categories [GS],
- 7. over  $\text{Rep}(H)$ , where  $H$  is a lifting of a quantum linear space [Mo2].

In this paper we are concerned with the classification of exact module categories over some families of finite non-semisimple pointed tensor categories that are not equivalent to the representation categories of Hopf algebras.

An object  $X$  in a tensor category is invertible if there is another object  $Y$  such that  $X \otimes Y \simeq \mathbf{1} \simeq Y \otimes X$ . A *pointed tensor category* is a tensor category such that every simple object is invertible. The invertible objects form a group. Pointed tensor categories with cyclic group of invertible objects were studied in [EG1], [EG2], [EG3] and later in [A].

Any finite pointed tensor category is equivalent to the representation category of a finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$ . In the case when the group of invertible elements is a cyclic group  $G$  there exists an action of  $G$  on  $\text{Rep}(A)$  such that the equivariantization  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$  is equivalent to the representation category of a finite-dimensional pointed Hopf algebra  $H$ , see [A]. The purpose of this work is to relate module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A)$  and module categories over  $\text{Rep}(H)$  and whenever is possible obtain a classification of exact module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A)$  assuming that we know the classification for  $\text{Rep}(H)$ . Module categories over any quasi-Hopf algebra are parameterized by Morita equivariant equivalence classes of comodule algebras. We would like to establish a correspondence as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Morita equivalence classes} \\ \text{of } H\text{-comodule algebras} \\ \text{such that } G \subseteq K_0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \longrightarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Morita equivalence classes} \\ \text{of } A\text{-comodule algebras} \\ (\mathcal{K}, \Phi_\lambda) \end{array} \right\}.$$

The contents of the paper are the following. In Section 2 we recall the notion of exact module category, the notion of tensor product of module categories over a tensor category. In Section 3 we recall the notion of  $G$ -graded tensor categories,  $G$ -actions of tensor categories and crossed products tensor categories. We also recall the  $G$ -equivariantization construction of tensor categories and module categories.

Section 4 is devoted to study comodule algebras over quasi-Hopf algebras and how they give rise to module categories. Next, in Section 5 we study the equivariantization of the representation category of a quasi-Hopf algebra and the equivariantization of comodule algebras. We describe the datum that gives rise to an action in a representation category of a comodule algebra, that we call a *crossed system* and we prove that the equivariantization of module categories are modules over a certain crossed product comodule algebra.

In Section 6.1 we recall the definition of a family of finite-dimensional basic quasi-Hopf algebras introduced by I. Angiono [A] that are denoted by  $A(H, s)$ , where  $H$  is a coradically graded Hopf algebra with cyclic group of group-like elements. A particular class of these quasi-Hopf algebras were

introduced by S. Gelaki [Ge] and later used by Etingof and Gelaki to classify certain families of pointed tensor categories. There is an action of a group  $G \subseteq G(H)$  on  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$  such that  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))^G \simeq \text{Rep}(H)$  [A]. For any left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $K$  such that  $\mathbb{k}G \subseteq K_0$  we construct a left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebra. We prove that in the case that  $|G(H)| = p^2$ , where  $p$  is a prime number, the representation category of this family of comodule algebras is big enough to contain all module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ . We apply this result to classify module categories in the case when  $H$  is the bosonization of a quantum linear space.

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## 1. PRELIMINARIES AND NOTATION

Hereafter  $\mathbb{k}$  will denote an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. All vector spaces and algebras will be considered over  $\mathbb{k}$ .

If  $H$  is a Hopf algebra and  $A$  is an  $H$ -comodule algebra via  $\lambda : A \rightarrow H \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} A$ , we shall say that a (right) ideal  $J$  is  $H$ -costable if  $\lambda(J) \subseteq H \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} J$ . We shall say that  $A$  is (right)  $H$ -simple, if there is no nontrivial (right) ideal  $H$ -costable in  $A$ .

If  $H$  is a finite-dimensional Hopf algebra then  $H_0 \subseteq H_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq H_m = H$  will denote the coradical filtration. When  $H_0 \subseteq H$  is a Hopf subalgebra then the associated graded algebra  $\text{gr } H$  is a coradically graded Hopf algebra. If  $(A, \lambda)$  is a left  $H$ -comodule algebra, the coradical filtration on  $H$  induces a filtration on  $A$ , given by  $A_n = \lambda^{-1}(H_n \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} A)$  called the *Loewy filtration*.

**1.1. Finite tensor categories and tensor functors.** A *tensor category over  $\mathbb{k}$*  is a  $\mathbb{k}$ -linear Abelian rigid monoidal category. A *finite tensor category* [EO1] is a tensor category such that Hom spaces are finite-dimensional  $\mathbb{k}$ -vector spaces, all objects have finite length, every simple object has a projective cover and the unit object is simple.

Hereafter all tensor categories will be considered over  $\mathbb{k}$  and every functor will be assumed to be  $\mathbb{k}$ -linear.

If  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}$  are tensor categories, the collection  $(F, \xi, \phi) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is a *tensor functor* if  $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is a functor,  $\phi : F(\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{C}}) \rightarrow \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}}$  is an isomorphism and for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$  the family of natural isomorphisms  $\zeta_{X,Y} : F(X) \otimes F(Y) \rightarrow F(X \otimes Y)$  satisfies

$$(1.1) \quad \zeta_{X,Y \otimes Z}(\text{id}_{F(X)} \otimes \zeta_{Y,Z}) a_{F(X), F(Y), F(Z)} = F(a_{X,Y,Z}) \zeta_{X \otimes Y, Z} (\zeta_{X,Y} \otimes \text{id}_{F(Z)}),$$

$$(1.2) \quad l_{F(X)} = F(l_X) \zeta_{\mathbf{1}, X} (\phi \otimes \text{id}_{F(X)}),$$

$$(1.3) \quad r_{F(X)} = F(r_X) \zeta_{X, \mathbf{1}} (\text{id}_{F(X)} \otimes \phi),$$

If  $(F, \zeta), (G, \xi) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  are tensor functors, a *natural tensor transformation*  $\gamma : F \rightarrow G$  is a natural transformation such that  $\gamma_{X \otimes Y} \zeta_{X,Y} = \xi_{X,Y} (\gamma_X \otimes \gamma_Y)$  for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ .

## 2. MODULE CATEGORIES

A (left) *module category* over a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  is an Abelian category  $\mathcal{M}$  equipped with an exact bifunctor  $\bar{\otimes} : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ , that we will sometimes refer as the *action*, natural associativity and unit isomorphisms  $m_{X,Y,M} : (X \otimes Y) \bar{\otimes} M \rightarrow X \otimes (Y \bar{\otimes} M)$ ,  $\ell_M : \mathbf{1} \bar{\otimes} M \rightarrow M$  subject to natural associativity and unity axioms. See for example [EO1]. A module category  $\mathcal{M}$  is *exact*, [EO1], if for any projective object  $P \in \mathcal{C}$  the object  $P \bar{\otimes} M$  is projective in  $\mathcal{M}$  for all  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ . Sometimes we shall also say that  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\mathcal{C}$ -module. Right module categories and bimodule categories are defined similarly.

If  $\mathcal{M}$  is a left  $\mathcal{C}$ -module then  $\mathcal{M}^{\text{op}}$  is the right  $\mathcal{C}$ -module over the opposite Abelian category with action  $\mathcal{M}^{\text{op}} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{\text{op}}$ ,  $(M, X) \mapsto X^* \bar{\otimes} M$  and associativity isomorphisms  $m_{M,X,Y}^{\text{op}} = m_{Y^*, X^*, M}$  for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}, M \in \mathcal{M}$ .

If  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}', \mathcal{E}$  are tensor categories,  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E})$ -bimodule category and  $\mathcal{N}$  is an  $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{C}')$ -bimodule category, we shall denote the tensor product over  $\mathcal{E}$  by  $\mathcal{M} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{N}$ . This category is a  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}')$ -bimodule category. For more details on the tensor product of module categories the reader is referred to [ENO3], [Gr].

A module functor between module categories  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{M}'$  over a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  is a pair  $(T, c)$ , where  $T : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}'$  is a functor and  $c_{X,M} : T(X \bar{\otimes} M) \rightarrow X \bar{\otimes} T(M)$  is a natural isomorphism such that for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}, M \in \mathcal{M}$ :

$$(2.1) \quad (\text{id}_X \otimes c_{Y,M}) c_{X,Y \bar{\otimes} M} T(m_{X,Y,M}) = m_{X,Y,T(M)} c_{X \otimes Y, M}$$

$$(2.2) \quad \ell_{T(M)} c_{\mathbf{1}, M} = T(\ell_M).$$

We shall use the notation  $(T, c) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}'$ . There is a composition of module functors: if  $\mathcal{M}''$  is another module category and  $(U, d) : \mathcal{M}' \rightarrow \mathcal{M}''$  is another module functor then the composition

$$(2.3) \quad (U \circ T, e) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}'', \quad \text{where } e_{X,M} = d_{X,U(M)} \circ U(c_{X,M}),$$

is also a module functor.

Let  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_2$  be module categories over  $\mathcal{C}$ . We denote by  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2)$  the category whose objects are module functors  $(\mathcal{F}, c)$  from  $\mathcal{M}_1$  to  $\mathcal{M}_2$ . A morphism between  $(\mathcal{F}, c)$  and  $(\mathcal{G}, d) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2)$  is a natural transformation  $\alpha : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  such that for any  $X \in \mathcal{C}, M \in \mathcal{M}_1$ :

$$(2.4) \quad d_{X,M} \alpha_{X \bar{\otimes} M} = (\text{id}_X \bar{\otimes} \alpha_M) c_{X,M}.$$

Two module categories  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_2$  over  $\mathcal{C}$  are *equivalent* if there exist module functors  $F : \mathcal{M}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2$  and  $G : \mathcal{M}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_1$  and natural isomorphisms  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{M}_1} \rightarrow F \circ G, \text{id}_{\mathcal{M}_2} \rightarrow G \circ F$  that satisfy (2.4).

The direct sum of two module categories  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\mathcal{M}_2$  over a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  is the  $\mathbb{k}$ -linear category  $\mathcal{M}_1 \times \mathcal{M}_2$  with coordinate-wise module structure. A module category is *indecomposable* if it is not equivalent to a direct sum of two non trivial module categories.

If  $(F, \xi) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a tensor functor and  $(\mathcal{M}, \overline{\otimes}, m)$  is a module category over  $\mathcal{C}$  we shall denote by  $\mathcal{M}^F$  the module category  $(\mathcal{M}, \overline{\otimes}^F, m^F)$  with the same underlying Abelian category with action and associativity isomorphisms defined by

$$X \overline{\otimes}^F M = F(X) \overline{\otimes} M, \quad m_{X,Y,M}^F = m_{F(X),F(Y),M}(\xi_{X,Y}^{-1} \overline{\otimes} \text{id}_M),$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ .

### 3. EQUIVARIANTIZATION OF TENSOR CATEGORIES

**3.1. Group actions on tensor categories.** We briefly recall the group actions on tensor categories and the equivariantization construction. For more details the reader is referred to [DGNO].

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a tensor category and let  $\underline{\text{Aut}}_{\otimes}(\mathcal{C})$  be the monoidal category of tensor auto-equivalences of  $\mathcal{C}$ , arrows are tensor natural isomorphisms and tensor product the composition of monoidal functors. We shall denote by  $\text{Aut}_{\otimes}(\mathcal{C})$  the group of isomorphism classes of tensor auto-equivalences of  $\mathcal{C}$ , with the multiplication induced by the composition, *i.e.*  $[F][F'] = [F \circ F']$ .

For any group  $G$  we shall denote by  $\underline{G}$  the monoidal category where objects are elements of  $G$  and tensor product is given by the product of  $G$ . An action of the group  $G$  over a  $\mathcal{C}$ , is a monoidal functor  $* : \underline{G} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Aut}}_{\otimes}(\mathcal{C})$ . In another words for any  $\sigma \in G$  there is a tensor functor  $(F_{\sigma}, \zeta_{\sigma}) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ , and for any  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ , there are natural tensor isomorphisms  $\gamma_{\sigma,\tau} : F_{\sigma} \circ F_{\tau} \rightarrow F_{\sigma\tau}$ .

**3.2.  $G$ -graded tensor categories.** Let  $G$  be a group and  $\mathcal{C}$  be a tensor category. We shall say that  $\mathcal{C}$  is  $G$ -graded, if there is a decomposition

$$\mathcal{C} = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} \mathcal{C}_{\sigma}$$

of  $\mathcal{C}$  into a direct sum of full Abelian subcategories, such that for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ , the bifunctor  $\otimes$  maps  $\mathcal{C}_{\sigma} \times \mathcal{C}_{\tau}$  to  $\mathcal{C}_{\sigma\tau}$ . Given a  $G$ -graded tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$ , and a subgroup  $H \subset G$ , we shall denote by  $\mathcal{C}_H$  the tensor subcategory  $\bigoplus_{h \in H} \mathcal{C}_h$ .

**3.3.  $G$ -equivariantization of tensor categories.** Let  $G$  be a group acting on a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$ . An *equivariant* object in  $\mathcal{C}$  is a pair  $(X, u)$  where  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  is an object together with isomorphisms  $u_{\sigma} : F_{\sigma}(X) \rightarrow X$  satisfying

$$u_{\sigma\tau} \circ (\gamma_{\sigma,\tau})_X = u_{\sigma} \circ F_{\sigma}(u_{\tau}),$$

for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ . A  $G$ -equivariant morphism  $\phi : (V, u) \rightarrow (W, u')$  between  $G$ -equivariant objects  $(V, f)$  and  $(W, \sigma)$ , is a morphism  $\phi : V \rightarrow W$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  such that  $\phi \circ u_{\sigma} = u'_{\sigma} \circ F_{\sigma}(\phi)$  for all  $\sigma \in G$ .

The tensor category of equivariant objects is denoted by  $\mathcal{C}^G$  and it is called the *equivariantization* of  $\mathcal{C}$ . The tensor product of  $\mathcal{C}^G$  is defined by

$$(V, u) \otimes (W, u') := (V \otimes W, \tilde{u}),$$

where  $\tilde{u}_\sigma = (u_\sigma \otimes u'_\sigma) \zeta_\sigma^{-1}$ , for any  $\sigma \in G$ . The unit object is  $(1, \text{id}_1)$ .

**3.4. Crossed product tensor categories and  $G$ -invariant module categories.** Given an action  $* : \underline{G} \rightarrow \text{Aut}_\otimes(\underline{\mathcal{C}})$  of  $G$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ , the  $G$ -crossed product tensor category, denoted by  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$  is defined as follows. As an Abelian category  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} \mathcal{C}_\sigma$ , where  $\mathcal{C}_\sigma = \mathcal{C}$  as an Abelian category, the tensor product is

$$[X, \sigma] \otimes [Y, \tau] := [X \otimes F_\sigma(Y), \sigma\tau], \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{C}, \quad \sigma, \tau \in G,$$

and the unit object is  $[1, e]$ . See [Ta] for the associativity constraint and a proof of the pentagon identity.

If  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Rep}(A)$  is the representation category of a finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$  then  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$  is also a representation category of a finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra  $B$ . This is an immediate consequence of [EO1, Prop. 2.6] since each simple object  $W \in \mathcal{C} \rtimes G$  is isomorphic to  $[V, e] \otimes [1, \sigma]$ , where  $\sigma \in G$  and  $V \in \text{Rep}(A)$  is simple. Let  $d : K_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  the Perron-Frobenius dimension, then  $d([V, e] \otimes [1, \sigma]) = d(V)d([1, \sigma]) = d(V) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $d([1, \sigma]) = 1$  because  $[1, \sigma]$  is multiplicatively invertible.

**3.5. Equivariantization of module categories.** We shall explain analogous procedures for equivariantization in module categories. Equivariant module categories appeared in [ENO2]. We shall use the approach given in [Ga1].

Let  $G$  be a group and  $\mathcal{C}$  be a tensor category equipped with an action of  $G$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a module category over  $\mathcal{C}$ . For any  $g \in G$  we shall denote by  $\mathcal{M}^\sigma$  the module category  $\mathcal{M}^{F_\sigma}$ . If  $\sigma \in G$ , we shall say that an endofunctor  $T : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  is  $\sigma$ -invariant if it has a module structure  $(T, c) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\sigma$ .

If  $\sigma, \tau \in G$  and  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -invariant and  $U$  is  $\tau$ -invariant then  $T \circ U$  is  $\sigma\tau$ -invariant. Indeed, let us assume that the functors  $(T, c) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\sigma$ ,  $(U, d) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\tau$  are module functors then  $(T \circ U, b) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{\sigma\tau}$  is a module functor, where

$$(3.1) \quad b_{X, M} = ((\gamma_{\sigma, \tau})_X \otimes \text{id}) c_{F_\tau(X), M} T(d_{X, M}),$$

for all  $X \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $F \subseteq G$  be a subgroup.

1. The monoidal category of  $\sigma$ -equivariant functors for some  $\sigma \in F$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  will be denoted by  $\underline{\text{Aut}}_F^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{M})$ .
3. An  $F$ -equivariant module category is a module category  $\mathcal{M}$  equipped with a monoidal functor  $(\Phi, \mu) : \underline{F} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Aut}}_F^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{M})$ , such that  $\Phi(\sigma)$  is a  $\sigma$ -invariant functor for any  $\sigma \in F$ .

In another words, an  $F$ -equivariant module category is a module category  $\mathcal{M}$  endowed with a family of module functors  $(U_\sigma, c^\sigma) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\sigma$  for any  $\sigma \in F$  and a family of natural isomorphisms  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau} : (U_\sigma \circ U_\tau, b) \rightarrow (U_{\sigma\tau}, c^{\sigma\tau})$   $\sigma, \tau \in F$  such that

$$(3.2) \quad (\mu_{\sigma,\tau\nu})_M \circ U_\sigma(\mu_{\tau,\nu})_M = (\mu_{\sigma\tau,\nu})_M \circ (\mu_{\sigma,\tau})_{U_\nu(M)},$$

$$(3.3) \quad c_{X,M}^{\sigma\tau} \circ (\mu_{\sigma,\tau})_{X \overline{\otimes} M} = ((\gamma_{\sigma,\tau})_X \overline{\otimes} (\mu_{\sigma,\tau})_M) \circ c_{F_\tau(X), U_\tau(M)}^\sigma \circ U_\sigma(c_{X,M}^\tau),$$

for all  $\sigma, \tau, \nu \in F$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ . Equation (3.2) follows from (1.1) and (3.3) follows from (2.4).

**Example 3.2.**  $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $G$ -equivariant module category over itself. For any  $g \in G$  set  $(U_\sigma, c^\sigma) = (F_\sigma, \theta_\sigma)$  and  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau} = \gamma_{\sigma,\tau}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ .

If  $\mathcal{M}$  is an  $F$ -equivariant module category, an *equivariant object* (see [ENO2, Def. 5.3]) is an object  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  together with isomorphisms  $\{v_\sigma : U_\sigma(M) \rightarrow M : \sigma \in F\}$  such that for all  $\sigma, \tau \in F$

$$(3.4) \quad v_{\sigma\tau} \circ (\mu_{\sigma,\tau})_M = v_\sigma \circ U_\sigma(v_\tau).$$

The category of  $F$ -equivariant objects is denoted by  $\mathcal{M}^F$ . A morphism between two  $F$ -equivariant objects  $(M, v)$ ,  $(M', v')$  is a morphism  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  such that  $f \circ v_\sigma = v'_\sigma \circ U_\sigma(f)$  for all  $\sigma \in F$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** *The category  $\mathcal{M}^F$  is a  $\mathcal{C}^G$ -module category.*

*Proof.* If  $(X, u) \in \mathcal{C}^G$  and  $(M, v) \in \mathcal{M}^F$  the action is defined by

$$(X, u) \overline{\otimes} (M, v) = (X \overline{\otimes} M, \tilde{v}),$$

where  $\tilde{v}_\sigma = (u_\sigma \otimes v_\sigma) c_{X,M}^\sigma$  for all  $\sigma \in F$ . The object  $(X \overline{\otimes} M, \tilde{v})$  is equivariant due to equation (3.3). The associativity isomorphisms are the same as in  $\mathcal{M}$ .  $\square$

The notion of  $F$ -equivariant module category is equivalent to the notion of  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes F$ -module category. If  $\mathcal{M}$  is an  $F$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category for some subgroup  $F$  of  $G$ , then  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes F$ -module with action  $\overline{\otimes} : \mathcal{C} \rtimes F \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  given by  $[X, g] \overline{\otimes} M = X \overline{\otimes} U_g(M)$ , for all  $X \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $g \in F$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ . The associativity isomorphisms are given by

$$m_{[X,g],[Y,h],M} = (\text{id}_{X \otimes (c_{Y,U_h(M)}^g)^{-1}} (\text{id}_{F_g(Y)} \otimes \mu_{g,h}^{-1}(M))) m_{X, F_g(Y), U_{gh}(M)},$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $g, h \in F$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ .

In the next statement we collect several well-known results that are, by now, part of the folklore of the subject.

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $G$  be a finite group acting over a finite tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$ . If  $F \subset G$  is a subgroup, and  $\mathcal{M}$  is an  $F$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category, then:*

1. *If  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact ( indecomposable)  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category then  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact (respectively indecomposable)  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes F$ -module category.*

2.  $\mathcal{M}^F$  is an exact module category if and only if  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact module category.
3. There is an equivalence of  $\mathcal{C}^G$ -module categories

$$(3.5) \quad \mathcal{M}^F \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}) \simeq \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M} \simeq (\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M})^G.$$

4. If  $\mathcal{N}$  is an indecomposable (exact) module category over  $\mathcal{C}^G$  there exists a subgroup  $F$  of  $G$  and an  $F$ -equivariant indecomposable (exact) module category  $\mathcal{M}$  over  $\mathcal{C}$  such that  $\mathcal{N} \simeq \mathcal{M}^F$ .
5. If  $\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2$  are  $G$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{C}$ -module categories such that  $\mathcal{M}_1^G \simeq \mathcal{M}_2^G$  as  $\mathcal{C}^G$ -module categories then  $\mathcal{M}_1 \simeq \mathcal{M}_2$  as  $\mathcal{C}$ -module categories.

*Proof.* 1. Let  $P \in \mathcal{C} \rtimes G$  be a projective object. Thus, there exists a family of projective objects  $P_\sigma \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $P = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} [P_\sigma, \sigma]$ . Let  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ , then  $P \overline{\otimes} M = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} P_\sigma \overline{\otimes} U_\sigma(M)$ , and since  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category  $P_\sigma \overline{\otimes} U_\sigma(M)$  is projective for all  $\sigma$ , thus  $P \overline{\otimes} M$  is projective.

2. Under the correspondence described in [Ta, Thm. 4.1] is enough to show that a  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes F$ -module category  $\mathcal{M}$  is exact if and only if  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category. The proof follows from part (1) of this proposition.

3. An object  $(F, c) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M})$  is determined uniquely by an object  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $F(X) = X \overline{\otimes} M$  together with an isomorphism  $v_\sigma = c_{[1, \sigma], 1} : U_\sigma(M) \rightarrow M$ . This correspondence establish an equivalence  $\mathcal{M}^F \simeq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M})$ . The equivalence  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}) \simeq \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M}$  follows from [Gr, Thm. 3.20].

Since  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M}$  is a  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$ -module then it is a  $G$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category, thus

$$(\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M})^G \simeq \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes G} (\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M}) \simeq \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{M} \simeq \mathcal{M}^F.$$

The first equivalence is [Ta, Thm 4.1].

4. By [EO1, Proposition 3.9] every indecomposable exact tensor category over a finite tensor category is a simple module category in the sense of [Ga1], so the result follows by the main result of [Ga1], and the item (1) of this proposition.

5. Since  $\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2$  are  $G$ -equivariant then they are  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$ -module categories. It follows from [Ta, Thm. 4.1] that this are equivalent  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$ -module categories. This equivalence induces an equivalence of  $\mathcal{C}$ -module categories (see [Ta, Ex. 2.5]).  $\square$

It follows from Proposition 3.4 (4) that the equivariantization construction of module categories by a fixed subgroup is injective. Moreover, if the equivariantization of a module category by two subgroups gives the same result then the groups must be conjugate. We shall give the precise statement in the following. First we need a definition and a result from the paper [Ga2].

**Definition 3.5.** [Ga2, Def. 4.3] Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a  $G$ -graded tensor category. If  $(\mathcal{M}, \otimes)$  is a  $\mathcal{C}_e$ -module category, then a  $\mathcal{C}$ -extension of  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\mathcal{C}$ -module category  $(\mathcal{M}, \odot)$  such that  $(\mathcal{M}, \otimes)$  is obtained by restriction to  $\mathcal{C}_e$ .

**Proposition 3.6.** [Ga2, Prop. 4.6] Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a  $G$ -graded finite tensor category and let  $F, F' \subset G$  be subgroups and  $(\mathcal{N}, \odot), (\mathcal{N}', \odot')$  be a  $\mathcal{C}_F$ -extension and a  $\mathcal{C}_{F'}$ -extension of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{C}_e$ -module categories  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $\mathcal{N}'$ , respectively. Then  $\mathcal{C} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}_{F'}} \mathcal{N}' \cong \mathcal{C} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}_F} \mathcal{N}$  as  $\mathcal{C}$ -modules if and only if there exists  $\sigma \in G$  such that  $F = \sigma F' \sigma^{-1}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\sigma F'} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}_{F'}} \mathcal{N}' \cong \mathcal{N}$  as  $\mathcal{C}_e$ -module categories.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $G$  be a finite group action on a finite tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  and let  $F, F' \subset G$  be subgroups. Let  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $\mathcal{N}'$  be an  $F$ -equivariant and an  $F'$ -equivariant module categories respectively, such that  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $\mathcal{N}'$  are indecomposable as  $\mathcal{C}$ -module categories and  $\mathcal{N}^F \cong \mathcal{N}'^{F'}$  as  $\mathcal{C}^G$ -module categories. Then  $F$  and  $F'$  are conjugate subgroups in  $G$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Proposition 3.4 (3) that there is an equivalence of  $\mathcal{C}^G$ -modules

$$(\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{N})^G \simeq (\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F'} \mathcal{N}')^G.$$

Hence by Proposition 3.4 (5) there is an equivalence of  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G$ -modules  $\mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F} \mathcal{N} \simeq \mathcal{C} \rtimes G \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C} \rtimes F'} \mathcal{N}'$ , thus the result follows from Proposition 3.6.  $\square$

#### 4. QUASI-HOPF ALGEBRAS

A quasi-bialgebra [D] is a four-tuple  $(A, \Delta, \varepsilon, \Phi)$  where  $A$  is an associative algebra with unit,  $\Phi \in (A \otimes A \otimes A)^\times$  is called the *associator*, and  $\Delta : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$ ,  $\varepsilon : A \rightarrow k$  are algebra homomorphisms satisfying the identities

$$(4.1) \quad \Phi(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\Delta(h)) = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(h))\Phi,$$

$$(4.2) \quad (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(\Delta(h)) = h \otimes 1, \quad (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\Delta(h)) = 1 \otimes h,$$

for all  $h \in A$ . The associator  $\Phi$  has to be a 3-cocycle, in the sense that

$$(4.3) \quad (1 \otimes \Phi)(\text{id} \otimes \Delta \otimes \text{id})(\Phi)(\Phi \otimes 1) = (\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes \Delta)(\Phi)(\Delta \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id})(\Phi),$$

$$(4.4) \quad (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\Phi) = 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1.$$

$A$  is called a quasi-Hopf algebra if, moreover, there exists an anti-morphism  $S$  of the algebra  $A$  and elements  $\alpha, \beta \in A$  such that, for all  $h \in A$ , we have:

$$(4.5) \quad S(h_{(1)})\alpha h_{(2)} = \varepsilon(h)\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad h_{(1)}\beta S(h_{(2)}) = \varepsilon(h)\beta,$$

$$(4.6) \quad \Phi^1 \beta S(\Phi^2) \alpha \Phi^3 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad S(\Phi^{-1}) \alpha \Phi^{-2} \beta S(\Phi^{-3}) = 1.$$

Here we use the notation  $\Phi = \Phi^1 \otimes \Phi^2 \otimes \Phi^3$ ,  $\Phi^{-1} = \Phi^{-1} \otimes \Phi^{-3} \otimes \Phi^{-3}$ . If  $A$  is a quasi-Hopf algebra, we shall denote by  $\text{Rep}(A)$  the tensor category of finite-dimensional representations of  $A$ .

An invertible element  $J \in A \otimes A$  is called a *twist* if  $(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(J) = 1 = (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(J)$ . If  $A$  is a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $J = J^1 \otimes J^2 \in A \otimes A$  is a twist with inverse  $J^{-1} = J^{-1} \otimes J^{-2}$ , then we can define a quasi-Hopf algebra on the same algebra  $A$  keeping the counit and antipode and replacing the comultiplication, associator and the elements  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  by

$$(4.7) \quad \Delta_J(h) = J\Delta(h)J^{-1},$$

$$(4.8) \quad \Phi_J = (1 \otimes J)(\text{id} \otimes \Delta)(J)\Phi(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(J^{-1})(J^{-1} \otimes 1),$$

$$(4.9) \quad \alpha_J = S(J^{-1})\alpha J^{-2}, \quad \beta_J = J^1\beta S(J^2).$$

We shall denote this new quasi-Hopf algebra by  $(A_J, \Phi_J)$ . If  $\Phi = 1$  then, in this case, we shall denote  $\Phi_J = dJ$ .

**4.1. Comodule algebras over quasi-Hopf algebras.** Let  $(A, \Phi, \alpha, \beta, 1)$  be a finite dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra.

**Definition 4.1.** A left  $A$ -comodule algebra is a family  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  such that  $\mathcal{K}$  is an algebra,  $\lambda : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow A \otimes \mathcal{K}$  is an algebra map,  $\Phi_\lambda \in A \otimes A \otimes \mathcal{K}$  is an invertible element such that

$$(4.10) \quad (1 \otimes \Phi_\lambda)(\text{id} \otimes \Delta \otimes \text{id})(\Phi_\lambda)(\Phi \otimes 1) = (\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\Phi_\lambda)(\Delta \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id})(\Phi_\lambda),$$

$$(4.11) \quad (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\Phi_\lambda) = 1,$$

$$(4.12) \quad \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})\lambda(x) = ((\text{id} \otimes \lambda)\lambda(x))\Phi_\lambda, \quad x \in \mathcal{K}$$

We shall say that a comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  is right  $A$ -simple if it has no non-trivial right ideals  $J \subseteq \mathcal{K}$  such that  $J$  is costable, that is  $\lambda(J) \subseteq A \otimes \mathcal{K}$ .

*Remark 4.2.* The notion of comodule algebra for quasi-Hopf algebras does not coincide with the notion of comodule algebra for (usual) Hopf algebras. For quasi-Hopf algebras the coaction may not be coassociative.

If  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra, the category  ${}^A_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}_A$  consists of  $(\mathcal{K}, A)$ -bimodules  $M$  equipped with a  $(\mathcal{K}, A)$ -bimodule map  $\delta : M \rightarrow A \otimes M$  such that for all  $m \in M$

$$(4.13) \quad \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})\delta(m) = (\text{id} \otimes \delta)\delta(m)\Phi,$$

$$(4.14) \quad (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})\delta = \text{id}.$$

The following result will be useful to present examples of exact module categories, it is a consequence of some freeness results on comodule algebras over quasi-Hopf algebras proven by H. Henker.

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a right  $A$ -simple left  $A$ -comodule algebra. If  $M \in {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  then  $A \otimes M \in {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  is projective.*

*Proof.* The object  $A \otimes M$  is in the category  ${}^A_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}_A$  as follows. The left  $\mathcal{K}$ -action and the right  $A$ -action on  $A \otimes M$  are determined by

$$x \cdot (a \otimes m) = x_{(-1)}a \otimes x_{(0)} \cdot m, \quad (a \otimes m) \cdot b = ab \otimes m,$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $a, b \in A$  and  $m \in M$ . The coaction is determined by  $\delta : A \otimes M \rightarrow A \otimes A \otimes M$ ,  $\delta = \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id}_M)$ . It follows from [He, Lemma 3.6] that  $A \otimes M$  is a projective  $\mathcal{K}$ -module.  $\square$

#### 4.2. Comodule algebras over radically graded quasi-Hopf algebras.

Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra *radically graded*, that is there is an algebra grading  $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^m A[i]$ , where  $I := \text{Rad } A = \bigoplus_{i \geq 1} A[i]$  and  $I^k = \bigoplus_{i \geq k} A[i]$  for any  $k = 0 \dots m$ . Here  $I^0 = A$ . Since  $\Delta(I) \subseteq I \otimes A + A \otimes I$  then  $\Delta(I) \subseteq \sum_{j=0}^k I^j \otimes I^{k-j}$  for any  $k = 0 \dots m$ . In this case  $A[0]$  is semisimple,  $A$  is generated by  $A[0]$  and  $A[1]$ , and the associator  $\Phi$  is an element in  $A[0]^{\otimes 3}$ , see [EG1, Lemma 2.1].

If  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra, define

$$\mathcal{K}_i = \lambda^{-1}(I^i \otimes \mathcal{K}), \quad i = 0 \dots m.$$

This is an algebra filtration, thus we can consider the associated graded algebra  $\text{gr } \mathcal{K} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^m \mathcal{K}[i]$ ,  $\mathcal{K}[i] = \mathcal{K}_i / \mathcal{K}_{i+1}$ .

**Lemma 4.4.** 1. *The above filtration satisfies*

$$(4.15) \quad \lambda(\mathcal{K}_i) \subseteq \sum_{j=0}^i I^j \otimes \mathcal{K}_{i-j}.$$

2. *There is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra structure  $(\text{gr } \mathcal{K}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\Phi}_\lambda)$  satisfying*

$$(4.16) \quad \bar{\lambda}(\text{gr } \mathcal{K}(n)) \subseteq \bigoplus_{k=0}^n A[k] \otimes \mathcal{K}[n-k].$$

3.  *$(\mathcal{K}[0], \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\Phi}_\lambda)$  is a left  $A[0]$ -comodule algebra.*

*Proof.* Item (1) follows from the definition of  $\mathcal{K}_i$  and equation (4.12). For each  $n = 0 \dots m$  there is a linear map  $\bar{\lambda} : \text{gr } \mathcal{K} \rightarrow A \otimes \text{gr } \mathcal{K}$  such that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{K}_n & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \sum_{j=0}^n I^j \otimes \mathcal{K}_{n-j} \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{K}_n / \mathcal{K}_{n+1} & \longrightarrow & (\sum_{j=0}^n I^j \otimes \mathcal{K}_{n-j}) / \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} I^j \otimes \mathcal{K}_{n+1-j} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq \\ \mathcal{K}[n] & \xrightarrow{\bar{\lambda}} & \bigoplus_{k=0}^n A[k] \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathcal{K}[n-k]. \end{array}$$

Defining  $\bar{\Phi}_\lambda$  as the projection of  $\Phi_\lambda$  to  $A[0] \otimes A[0] \otimes \mathcal{K}[0]$  follows immediately that  $(\text{gr } \mathcal{K}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\Phi}_\lambda)$  is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.5.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

1.  $\mathcal{K}$  is a right  $A$ -simple left  $A$ -comodule algebra.
2.  $\mathcal{K}[0]$  is a right  $A[0]$ -simple left  $A[0]$ -comodule algebra.
3.  $\text{gr } \mathcal{K}$  is a right  $A$ -simple left  $A$ -comodule algebra.

*Proof.* Assume  $\mathcal{K}[0]$  is a right  $A[0]$ -simple. Let  $J \subseteq A$  be a right ideal  $A$ -costable. Consider the filtration  $J = J_0 \supseteq J_1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq J_m$  given by  $J_k = \lambda^{-1}(I^k \otimes J)$  for all  $k = 0 \dots m$ . Set  $\bar{J}(k) = J_k/J_{k+1}$  for any  $k$  and  $\bar{J} = \bigoplus_k \bar{J}(k)$ . It follows that for any  $n = 0 \dots m$

$$(4.17) \quad \bar{\lambda}(\bar{J}(n)) \subseteq \bigoplus_{k=0}^n A[k] \otimes \bar{J}(k).$$

In particular  $\bar{J}(0) \subseteq \mathcal{K}[0]$  is a right ideal  $A[0]$ -costable thus  $\bar{J} = \mathcal{K}[0]$  or  $\bar{J} = 0$ . In the first case  $J = A$  and in the second case  $J = J_1$ . It follows from (4.17) that  $\bar{J}(1) \subseteq \mathcal{K}[0]$  is a right ideal  $A[0]$ -costable. Hence  $J = J_2$ . Continuing this reasoning we obtain that  $J = 0$ .

Assume now that  $\mathcal{K}$  is a right  $A$ -simple. Let  $\bar{J} \subseteq \mathcal{K}[0]$  be a right  $A[0]$ -costable ideal. Denote  $\pi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}[0]$  the canonical projection and  $J = \pi^{-1}(\bar{J})$ . Clearly  $J$  is a right  $A$ -costable ideal thus  $J = 0$  or  $J = \mathcal{K}$ , thus  $\bar{J} = 0$  or  $\bar{J} = \mathcal{K}[0]$  respectively.  $\square$

As a consequence we have the following result.

**Corollary 4.6.** *Let  $(A, \Phi)$  be a radically graded quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra such that  $\mathcal{K}[0] = \mathbb{k}1$  then  $A$  is twist equivalent to a Hopf algebra.*

*Proof.* Since  $(\mathcal{K}[0], \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\Phi}_\lambda)$  is a left  $A[0]$ -comodule algebra then there exists an invertible element  $J \in A \otimes A$  such that  $J \otimes 1 = \bar{\Phi}_\lambda$ . Equation (4.10) implies that  $\bar{\Phi} = dJ$ .  $\square$

**4.3. Module categories over quasi-Hopf algebras.** For any comodule algebra over a quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$  there is associated a module category over  $\text{Rep}(A)$ .

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $A$  be a finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra.*

1. *If  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra then the category  ${}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  is a module category over  $\text{Rep}(A)$ . It is exact if  $\mathcal{K}$  is right  $A$ -simple.*
2. *If  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact module category over  $\text{Rep}(A)$  there exists a left  $A$ -comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  such that  $\mathcal{M} \simeq {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  as module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* 1. The action  $\bar{\otimes} : \text{Rep}(A) \times {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  is given by the tensor product over the field  $\mathbb{k}$  where the action on the tensor product is given by  $\lambda$ . The associativity isomorphisms  $m_{X,Y,M} : (X \otimes Y) \otimes M \rightarrow X \otimes (Y \otimes M)$  are given by

$$m_{X,Y,M}(x \otimes y \otimes m) = \Phi_\lambda^1 \cdot x \otimes \Phi_\lambda^2 \cdot y \otimes \Phi_\lambda^3 \cdot m,$$

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $y \in Y$ ,  $M \in M$ ,  $X, Y \in \text{Rep}(A)$ ,  $M \in {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$ . To prove that  ${}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  is exact, it is enough to verify that  $A \otimes M$  is projective for any  $M \in {}_{\mathcal{K}}\mathcal{M}$  but this is Lemma 4.3.

2. This is a straightforward consequence of [EO1, Thm. 3.17], the proof of [AM, Prop. 1.19] extends *mutatis mutandis* to the quasi-Hopf setting.  $\square$

**Definition 4.8.** Two left  $A$ -comodule algebras  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$ ,  $(\mathcal{K}', \lambda', \Phi'_\lambda)$  are *equivariantly Morita equivalent* if the corresponding module categories are equivalent.

**4.4. Comodule algebras coming from twisting.** Let  $(A, \Phi)$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $J \in A \otimes A$  be a twist. Let  $(K, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra. Let us denote by  $(K_J, \lambda_J, \tilde{\Phi}_\lambda)$  the following left  $A_J$ -comodule algebra. As algebras  $K_J = K$ , the coaction  $\lambda_J = \lambda$  and  $\tilde{\Phi}_\lambda = \Phi_\lambda(J^{-1} \otimes 1)$ .

The following results are straightforward.

**Lemma 4.9.**  $(K_J, \lambda_J, \tilde{\Phi}_\lambda)$  is a left  $A_J$ -comodule algebra. It is right  $A$ -simple if and only if  $(K, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  is right  $A$ -simple.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.10.** Let  $J \in A \otimes A$  be a twist. If  $(K, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  and  $(K', \lambda', \Phi'_\lambda)$  are equivariantly Morita equivalent  $A$ -comodule algebras then  $(K_J, \lambda_J, \Phi_\lambda(J^{-1} \otimes 1))$  and  $(K'_J, \lambda'_J, \Phi'_\lambda(J^{-1} \otimes 1))$  are equivariant Morita equivalent  $A_J$ -comodule algebras.  $\square$

## 5. EQUIVARIANTIZATION OF QUASI-HOPF ALGEBRAS

For a quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$  we shall explain the notion of a *crossed system over  $A$*  and discuss its relation with the equivariantization of the category  $\text{Rep}(A)$ .

Let  $A_1, A_2$  be quasi-Hopf algebras. A *twisted homomorphism* between  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is pair  $(f, J)$  consisting of a homomorphism of algebras  $f : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  and an invertible element  $J \in A_2^{\otimes 2}$  such that

$$(5.1) \quad \Phi_2(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(J)(J \otimes 1) = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta)(J)(1 \otimes J)(f^{\otimes 3})(\Phi_1),$$

$$(5.2) \quad (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(J) = (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(J) = 1,$$

$$(5.3) \quad \varepsilon(f(a)) = \varepsilon(a),$$

$$(5.4) \quad \Delta(f(a))J = J(f^{2\otimes}(\Delta(a))), \quad \text{for all } a \in A.$$

*Remark 5.1.* If  $(f, J) : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  is a twisted homomorphism, then  $J^{-1} \in A_2 \otimes A_2$  is a twist and  $f : A_1 \rightarrow (A_2)_{J^{-1}}$  is a homomorphism of quasi-bialgebras.

We define the category  $\underline{\text{End}}^{\text{Tw}}(A_1, A_2)$  whose objects are twisted homomorphism from  $A_1$  to  $A_2$ . A *morphism* between two twisted homomorphisms  $(f, J), (f', J') : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  is an element  $c \in A_2$  such that  $cf(a) = f'(a)c$  for any  $a \in A_1$  and  $\Delta(c)J = J'(c \otimes c)$ . The composition of  $a : f \rightarrow g$ ,  $b : g \rightarrow h$ , is  $ba : f \rightarrow h$ . If  $(f, J_f) : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  and  $(g, J_g) : A_2 \rightarrow A_3$  are twisted homomorphism, we define the composition as the twisted homomorphism  $(g \circ f, J_g(g \otimes f)(J_f)) : A_1 \rightarrow A_3$ .

To any twisted homomorphism  $(f, J) : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  there is associated a tensor functor

$$(f^*, \xi^J) : \text{Rep}(A_2) \rightarrow \text{Rep}(A_1),$$

where  $f^*(V) = V$  for all  $V \in \text{Rep}(A_2)$ , and  $f^*$  is the identity over arrows. The  $A_1$ -action on  $f^*(V)$  is given through the morphism  $f$ . The monoidal structure is given by applying the element  $J \in A_2^{\otimes 2}$ :

$$\xi^J_{M,N} : f^*(M) \otimes f^*(N) \rightarrow f^*(M \otimes N), \quad \xi^J_{M,N}(m \otimes n) = J(m \otimes n),$$

for any  $M, N \in \text{Rep}(A_2)$ ,  $m \in M$ ,  $n \in N$ . Morphisms between twisted homomorphisms  $f, f' : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  of quasi-Hopf algebras correspond to tensor natural transformations between the associated tensor functors.

**5.1. Crossed system over a quasi-Hopf algebra.** Given a quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$  we shall denote by  $\underline{\text{Aut}}^{\text{Tw}}(A)$  the (monoidal) subcategory of  $\underline{\text{End}}^{\text{Tw}}(A)$  where objects are twisted automorphisms of  $A$ , and arrows are isomorphisms of twisted automorphisms.

Let  $G$  be a group, and let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra. A  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$  is a monoidal functor  $* : G \rightarrow \underline{\text{Aut}}^{\text{Tw}}(A)$  such that  $e_* = (\text{id}_A, 1 \otimes 1)$ .

More explicitly a  $G$ -crossed system consists of the following data:

- A twisted automorphism  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$  for each  $\sigma \in G$ ,
- an element  $\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \in A^\times$  for each  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ ,

such that for all  $a \in A$ ,  $\sigma, \tau, \rho \in G$ ,

$$(5.5) \quad \varepsilon(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}) = 1,$$

$$(5.6) \quad (1_*, J_1) = (\text{id}, 1 \otimes 1),$$

$$(5.7) \quad \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}(\sigma\tau)_*(a) = \sigma_*(\tau_*(a))\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)},$$

$$(5.8) \quad \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}\theta_{(\sigma\tau, \rho)} = \sigma_*(\theta_{(\tau, \rho)})\theta_{\sigma, \tau\rho},$$

$$(5.9) \quad \theta_{(1, \sigma)} = \theta_{(\sigma, 1)} = 1,$$

$$(5.10) \quad \Delta(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)})J_{\sigma\tau} = J_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_*)(J_\tau)(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}).$$

Let  $A\#G$  be the vector space  $A \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}G$  with product and coproduct

$$(x\#\sigma)(y\#\tau) = x\sigma_*(y)\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}\#\sigma\tau, \quad \Delta(x\#\sigma) = x_{(1)}J_\sigma^1\#\sigma \otimes x_{(2)}J_\sigma^2\#\sigma,$$

for all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ .

**Proposition 5.2.** *The foregoing operations makes the vector space  $A\#G$  into a quasi-bialgebra with associator  $\Phi^1\#e \otimes \Phi^2\#e \otimes \Phi^3\#e$ , and counit  $\varepsilon(x\#\sigma) = \varepsilon(x)$  for all  $x \in A, \sigma \in G$ .*

*Proof.* It is straightforward to see that  $A\#G$  is an associative algebra with unit  $1\#e$ . Equation (4.1) follows from (5.1). The map  $\varepsilon$  is an algebra morphism by (5.3) and (5.5). Equations (4.2) follow from (5.2), equations (4.3) and (4.4) follow by the definition of the associator. Finally  $\Delta$  is an algebra morphism by (5.4) and (5.10).  $\square$

**5.2. Antipodes of crossed systems.** Let  $G$  be a group,  $(A, \Phi, S, \alpha, \beta)$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  a  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$ . An antipode for  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  is a function  $v : G \rightarrow A^\times$  such that

$$(5.11) \quad v_{\sigma\tau}(\sigma\tau)_*(S(\theta_{\sigma, \tau})) = v_\tau(\tau^{-1})_*(v_\sigma)\theta_{\tau^{-1}, \sigma^{-1}},$$

$$(5.12) \quad v_\sigma^{-1}S(x)v_\sigma = (\sigma^{-1})_*(S(\sigma_*(x))),$$

$$(5.13) \quad v_\sigma(\sigma^{-1})_*((S(J_\sigma^1)\alpha J_\sigma^2))\theta_{\sigma^{-1}, \sigma} = \alpha,$$

$$(5.14) \quad J_\sigma^1\sigma_*(\beta v_\sigma(\sigma^{-1})_*(S(J_\sigma^2)))\theta_{\sigma, \sigma^{-1}} = \beta,$$

for all  $\sigma \in G$ , where  $J_\sigma = J_\sigma^1 \otimes J_\sigma^2$ . The next proposition follows by a straightforward verification.

**Proposition 5.3.** *Let  $v : G \rightarrow A^\times$  be an antipode for  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$ . Then  $(S, \alpha\#e, \beta\#e)$  is an antipode for  $A\#G$ , where*

$$S(x\#\sigma) = v_\sigma(\sigma^{-1})_*(S(x))\#\sigma^{-1},$$

for all  $\sigma \in G, x \in A$ . □

**5.3. Equivariantization and crossed systems.** Let us assume that  $G$  is an Abelian group. In this case a  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$  gives rise to a  $G$ -action on the category  $\text{Rep}(A)$ . Indeed, for any  $\sigma \in G$  we can define the tensor functors  $(F_\sigma, \zeta_\sigma) : \text{Rep}(A) \rightarrow \text{Rep}(A)$  described as follows. For any  $V \in \text{Rep}(A)$ ,  $F_\sigma(V) = V$  as vector spaces and the action on  $F_\sigma(V)$  is given by  $a \cdot v = \sigma_*(a)v$  for all  $a \in A, v \in V$ . For any  $V, W \in \text{Rep}(A)$  the isomorphisms  $(\zeta_\sigma)_{V, W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W$  are given by  $(\zeta_\sigma)_{V, W}(v \otimes w) = J_\sigma \cdot (v \otimes w)$  for all  $v \in V, w \in W$ . For any  $\sigma, \tau \in G$  the natural tensor transformation  $\gamma_{\sigma, \tau} : F_\sigma \circ F_\tau \rightarrow F_{\sigma\tau}$ ,  $(\gamma_{\sigma, \tau})_V(v) = \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}^{-1}v$  for all  $V \in \text{Rep}(A), v \in V$ .

**Lemma 5.4.** *If  $\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = \theta_{(\tau, \sigma)}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$  then the tensor functors  $(F_\sigma, \zeta_\sigma)$  described above define a  $G$ -action on  $\text{Rep}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* The commutativity of  $G$  and equation  $\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = \theta_{(\tau, \sigma)}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$  imply that the maps  $\gamma_{\sigma, \tau}$  are morphisms of  $A$ -modules. The proof that the tensor functors  $(F_\sigma, \zeta_\sigma)$  define a  $G$ -action is straightforward. □

Given a  $G$ -crossed system  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  over  $A$  we consider the category  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$  of  $G$ -equivariant  $A$ -modules.

**Proposition 5.5.** *Let  $G$  be an Abelian group,  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  a  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$  such that  $\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = \theta_{(\tau, \sigma)}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ . Then there is a tensor equivalence between  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$  and  $\text{Rep}(A\#G)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(V, u)$  be a  $G$ -equivariant object. The linear isomorphisms  $u_\sigma : F_\sigma(V) \rightarrow V$  satisfy

$$(5.15) \quad u_\sigma(\sigma_*(a) \cdot v) = a \cdot u_\sigma(v), \quad u_\sigma(u_\tau(v)) = u_{\sigma\tau}(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \cdot v)$$

for all  $v \in V$ ,  $a \in A$ ,  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ . Equation (5.15) together with the fact that  $\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = \theta_{(\tau, \sigma)}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$  imply that there is a well-defined action of the crossed product  $A\#G$  on  $V$  determined by

$$(5.16) \quad (a\#\sigma) \cdot v = au_\sigma^{-1}(v),$$

for all  $a \in A$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $\sigma \in G$ . Morphisms of  $G$ -equivariant representations are exactly morphisms of  $A\#G$ -modules. Hence we have defined a functor

$$\mathcal{F} : \text{Rep}(A)^G \rightarrow \text{Rep}(A\#G),$$

which clearly is a tensor functor. Assume that  $W \in \text{Rep}(A\#G)$ . Then, by restriction,  $W$  is a representation of  $A$ . Moreover  $(W, u)$  is a  $G$ -equivariant object in  $\text{Rep}(A)$ , letting

$$u_\sigma : W \rightarrow W, \quad u_\sigma(w) = (\theta_{(\sigma, \sigma^{-1})}^{-1} \#\sigma^{-1}) \cdot w,$$

for every  $\sigma \in G$ . We have thus a functor  $\mathcal{G} : \text{Rep}(A\#G) \rightarrow \text{Rep}(A)^G$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are inverse equivalences of categories.  $\square$

*Remark 5.6.* A version of the above result appears in [Na, Prop. 3.2].

#### 5.4. Crossed product of quasi-bialgebras.

**Definition 5.7.** Let  $(A, \Phi, S, \alpha, \beta)$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra, and let  $G$  be a group. We shall say that  $A$  is a  $G$ -crossed product if there is a decomposition  $A = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in G} A_\sigma$ , where:

- $\Phi \in A_e \otimes A_e \otimes A_e$ ,
- $A_\sigma A_\tau \subseteq A_{\sigma\tau}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ ,
- $A_\sigma$  has an invertible element for each  $\sigma \in G$ ,
- $\Delta(A_\sigma) \subseteq A_\sigma \otimes A_\sigma$  for each  $\sigma \in G$ .
- $S(A_\sigma) \subseteq A_{\sigma^{-1}}$ , for each  $\sigma \in G$ .
- $\alpha, \beta \in A_e$

**Proposition 5.8.** *Every  $G$ -crossed product  $A$  is of the form  $B\#G$  for some quasi-Hopf algebra  $B$ . Moreover, there exists an antipode  $v : G \rightarrow B^\times$  such that  $B\#G$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as quasi-Hopf algebras.*

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be a  $G$ -crossed product. Set  $B = A_e$ . Since every  $A_\sigma$  has an invertible element, we may choose for each  $\sigma \in G$  some invertible element  $t_\sigma \in A_\sigma$ , with  $t_e = 1$ . Then it is clear that  $A_\sigma = t_\sigma A_e = A_e t_\sigma$ , and the set  $\{t_\sigma : \sigma \in G\}$  is a basis for  $A$  as a left (and right)  $A_e$ -module. Note that  $\varepsilon(t_\sigma) \neq 0$ , because  $\varepsilon$  is an algebra map and  $t_\sigma$  is invertible. Thus, we may and shall assume that  $\varepsilon(t_\sigma) = 1$  for each  $\sigma \in G$ . Let us define the maps

$$\sigma_*(a) = t_\sigma a t_\sigma^{-1}, \quad \text{for each } \sigma \in G \text{ and } a \in A_e,$$

and

$$\theta : G \times G \rightarrow A \quad \text{by } \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = t_\sigma t_\tau t_{\sigma\tau}^{-1} \text{ for } \sigma, \tau \in G.$$

We have that  $\Delta(t_\sigma) \in A_\sigma \otimes A_\sigma$  can be uniquely expressed as  $\Delta(t_\sigma) = J_\sigma(t_\sigma \otimes t_\sigma)$ , with  $J_\sigma \in A_e \otimes A_e$ . Since  $\Delta$  is an algebra morphism,  $J_\sigma$  is

invertible, and for the normalization  $\varepsilon(t_\sigma) = 1$ ,  $(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(J_\sigma) = (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(J_\sigma) = 1$ .

Then, it is straightforward to see that the data  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$ , defines a  $G$ -crossed system over the sub-quasi-bialgebra  $A_e \subseteq A$ , and  $A_e \# G$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as quasi-bialgebras.

The antipode  $S : A \rightarrow A$  is anti-isomorphism of algebras, and the condition  $S(A_\sigma) \subset A_{\sigma^{-1}}$  implies that there is a unique function  $v : G \rightarrow A_e^\times$  such that  $S(t_\sigma) = \theta_\sigma t_{\sigma^{-1}}$  for all  $\sigma \in G$ . Hence, it is straightforward to see that  $v$  is antipode for the crossed system  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$ , and  $A_e \# G$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as quasi-Hopf algebras.  $\square$

**5.5. Twisted homomorphisms of comodule algebras.** Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra. A *twisted homomorphism* of left  $A$ -comodule algebras  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  and  $(\mathcal{K}', \lambda', \Phi'_\lambda)$  is pair  $(\mathfrak{f}, \mathfrak{J})$  consisting of a homomorphism of algebras  $\mathfrak{f} : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}'$  and an invertible element  $\mathfrak{J} \in A \otimes \mathcal{K}'$  such that

$$(5.17) \quad \Phi_{\mathcal{K}'}(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}) = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda')(\mathfrak{J})(1 \otimes J)(\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes \mathfrak{f})(\Phi_\lambda),$$

$$(5.18) \quad (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}) = 1,$$

$$(5.19) \quad \lambda'(\mathfrak{f}(a))\mathfrak{J} = \mathfrak{J}(\text{id} \otimes \mathfrak{f})(\lambda(a)), \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathcal{K}.$$

A *morphism* between two twisted homomorphisms  $(\mathfrak{f}_1, \mathfrak{J}_1), (\mathfrak{f}_2, \mathfrak{J}_2) : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}'$  is an element  $c \in \mathcal{K}'$  such that  $c\mathfrak{f}_1(a) = \mathfrak{f}_2(a)c$  for any  $a \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $\lambda'(c)\mathfrak{J}_1 = \mathfrak{J}_2(1 \otimes c)$ .

To any twisted homomorphism of comodule algebras  $(\mathfrak{f}, \mathfrak{J}) : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}'$  there is associated a  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module functor

$$(\mathfrak{f}^*, \xi^{\mathfrak{J}}) : \text{Rep}(\mathcal{K}') \rightarrow \text{Rep}(\mathcal{K}),$$

where, for all  $V \in \text{Rep}(\mathcal{K}_2)$ ,  $\mathfrak{f}^*(V) = V$  with action given by  $x \cdot v = \mathfrak{f}(x)v$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $v \in V$ . The natural transformation  $\xi^{\mathfrak{J}}$  is given by

$$\xi^{\mathfrak{J}}_{X, M} : \mathfrak{f}^*(X \otimes M) \rightarrow X \otimes \mathfrak{f}^*(M), \quad \xi^{\mathfrak{J}}_{X, M}(x \otimes m) = \mathfrak{J}^{-1} \cdot (x \otimes m),$$

for any  $X \in \text{Rep}(A)$ ,  $M \in \text{Rep}(\mathcal{K}_2)$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $m \in M$ . Morphisms between twisted homomorphisms  $\mathfrak{f}, \mathfrak{f}' : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}'$  of  $A$ -comodule algebras correspond to module natural transformations between the module functors.

Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra. For each twisted endomorphism  $(f, J) : A \rightarrow A$ , we define a new left  $A$ -comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}^f, \lambda^f, \Phi_\lambda^f)$ , where  $\mathcal{K}^f = \mathcal{K}$  as algebras and

$$\lambda^f(x) = (f \otimes \text{id})\lambda(x), \quad \Phi_\lambda^f = (f \otimes f \otimes \text{id})(\Phi_\lambda)(J^{-1} \otimes 1),$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{K}$ .

**Definition 5.9.** Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra. Given a twisted endomorphism  $(f, J)$  of  $A$ , a  $(f, J)$ -*twisted endomorphism* of  $\mathcal{K}$  is a twisted homomorphism from  $(\mathcal{K}^f, \lambda^f, \Phi_\lambda^f)$

to  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$ . Explicitly a  $(f, J)$ -twisted endomorphism is a pair  $(f, \mathfrak{J})$  consisting of an algebra endomorphism  $f : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$  and an invertible element  $\mathfrak{J} \in A \otimes \mathcal{K}$ , such that:

$$(5.20) \quad (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}) = 1,$$

$$(5.21) \quad \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J})(J \otimes 1) = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J})(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J})(f \otimes f \otimes f)(\Phi_\lambda)$$

$$(5.22) \quad \lambda(f(x))\mathfrak{J} = \mathfrak{J}(f \otimes f)(\lambda(x)), \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{K}.$$

**Lemma 5.10.** *Let  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  be a crossed system over a quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$ , and  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  a left  $A$ -comodule algebra. If  $(f_\sigma, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma), (f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\tau) : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$  are  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$ -twisted and  $(\tau_*, J_\tau)$ -twisted endomorphism, then*

$$(f_\sigma, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)^\circ (f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\tau) = (f_\sigma \circ f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1))$$

is a  $((\sigma\tau)_*, J_{\sigma\tau})$ -twisted endomorphism. Moreover, this composition is associative, i.e., if  $(f_\sigma, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma), (f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\tau), (f_\rho, \mathfrak{J}_\rho) : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$  are  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$ -twisted,  $(\tau_*, J_\tau)$ -twisted, and  $(\rho_*, J_\rho)$ -twisted endomorphism, then

$$[(f_\sigma, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)^\circ (f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\tau)]^\circ (f_\rho, \mathfrak{J}_\rho) = (f_\sigma, \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)^\circ [(f_\tau, \mathfrak{J}_\tau)^\circ (f_\rho, \mathfrak{J}_\rho)]$$

*Proof.* If we use the following notation

$$\mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau = \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1),$$

thus we need to prove:

- (1)  $(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau) = 1$ ,
- (2)  $\Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(J_{\sigma\tau} \otimes 1) = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau)((\sigma\tau)_* \otimes (\sigma\tau)_* \otimes f_\sigma \circ f_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda)$ ,
- (3)  $\lambda(f_\sigma \circ f_\tau(x))\mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau = \mathfrak{J}_\sigma^\circ \mathfrak{J}_\tau(f \otimes f)(\lambda(x))$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{K}$ .

(1) The first equation follows immediately using  $\varepsilon \otimes \text{id}(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma) = 1$ , and  $\varepsilon$  is an algebra morphism that commutes with  $\sigma_*$  for all  $\sigma \in G$ .

(2) For the second equation, first we shall see some equalities:

$$(5.23) \quad (\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(J_\sigma \otimes 1) = (J_\sigma \otimes 1)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)$$

$$(5.24) \quad (1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)[(\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)] = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)$$

The equation (5.23) follows by axiom (5.4) of  $J_{\sigma\tau}$ , and the equation (5.24) follows by axiom (5.22) of  $\mathfrak{J}_\sigma$ .

$$(5.25) \quad \begin{aligned} & \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau))(J_\sigma \otimes 1) \\ & \stackrel{(5.23)}{=} \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(J_\sigma \otimes 1) \\ & \stackrel{(5.21)}{=} \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(J_\sigma \otimes 1)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau) \\ & = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\Phi_\lambda)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau) \\ & = (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes f_\sigma)[\Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.26) \quad & \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau))[J_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_*)(J_\tau) \otimes 1] \\
 (5.25) \quad &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)]((\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_*)(J_\tau)) \otimes 1 \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(J_\tau \otimes 1)] \\
 (5.21) \quad &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[(\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\tau_* \otimes \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda)] \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[(\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\tau)](\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda) \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[(\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)] \\
 &\quad \times [1 \otimes (\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)](\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda) \\
 (5.24) \quad &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma) \\
 &\quad \times [1 \otimes (\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)](\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda) \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)[(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma)(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)](1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_\sigma) \\
 &\quad \times [1 \otimes (\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)](\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda) \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{f}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{f}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}^{-1} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}^{-1} \otimes 1)(\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda) \\
 (5.7) \quad &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)((\sigma \tau)_* \otimes (\sigma \tau)_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda)(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}^{-1} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}^{-1} \otimes 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(J_{\sigma \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 &= \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1))(J_{\sigma \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 &= \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau))(\Delta(\theta_{\sigma, \tau})J_{\sigma \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 (5.10) \quad &= \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau))[(J_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_*)(J_\tau)(\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)})) \otimes 1] \\
 &= \Phi_\lambda(\Delta \otimes \text{id})(\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau))[J_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \sigma_*)(J_\tau) \otimes 1] \\
 &\quad \times [\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes 1] \\
 (5.26) \quad &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{f}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{f}_\tau)((\sigma \tau)_* \otimes (\sigma \tau)_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda)(\theta^{-1} \otimes \theta^{-1} \otimes 1) \\
 &\quad \times [\theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} \otimes 1] \\
 &= (\text{id} \otimes \lambda)(\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)(1 \otimes \mathfrak{f}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{f}_\tau)((\sigma \tau)_* \otimes (\sigma \tau)_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\Phi_\lambda)
 \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the second equation is over.

(3) Now we shall prove the third equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lambda(\mathfrak{f}_\sigma \circ \mathfrak{f}_\tau(x))\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau \\
 &= \lambda(\mathfrak{f}_\sigma \circ \mathfrak{f}_\tau(x))\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 (5.22) \quad &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)\lambda(\mathfrak{f}_\tau(x))(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\lambda(\mathfrak{f}_\tau(x))\mathfrak{J}_\tau](\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 (5.22) \quad &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\mathfrak{J}_\tau(\tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\tau)\lambda(x)](\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\sigma_* \tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\lambda(x))(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1) \\
 (5.7) \quad &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma, \tau} \otimes 1)((\sigma \tau)_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\lambda(x)) \\
 &= (\mathfrak{J}_{\sigma \bar{\sigma}} \mathfrak{J}_\tau)((\sigma \tau)_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma \mathfrak{f}_\tau)\lambda(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we shall prove the associativity of  $\bar{\circ}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
[\mathfrak{J}_\sigma \bar{\circ} \mathfrak{J}_\tau] \bar{\circ} \mathfrak{J}_\rho &= [\mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma,\tau} \otimes 1)] \bar{\circ} \mathfrak{J}_\rho \\
&= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\theta_{\sigma,\tau} \otimes 1)((\sigma\tau)_* \otimes (\mathfrak{f}_\sigma \circ \mathfrak{f}_\tau))(\mathfrak{J}_\rho)(\theta_{\sigma\tau,\rho} \otimes 1) \\
(5.7) \quad &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\sigma_*\tau_* \otimes (\mathfrak{f}_\sigma \circ \mathfrak{f}_\tau))(\mathfrak{J}_\rho)(\theta_{\sigma,\tau}\theta_{\sigma\tau,\rho} \otimes 1) \\
(5.8) \quad &= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)(\mathfrak{J}_\tau)(\sigma_*\tau_* \otimes (\mathfrak{f}_\sigma \circ \mathfrak{f}_\tau))(\mathfrak{J}_\rho)(\sigma_*(\theta_{\tau,\rho})\theta_{\sigma,\tau\rho} \otimes 1) \\
&= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\mathfrak{J}_\tau(\tau_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\tau)(\mathfrak{J}_\rho)(\theta_{\tau,\rho} \otimes 1)](\theta_{\sigma,\tau\rho} \otimes 1) \\
&= \mathfrak{J}_\sigma(\sigma_* \otimes \mathfrak{f}_\sigma)[\mathfrak{J}_\tau \bar{\circ} \mathfrak{J}_\rho](\theta_{\sigma,\tau\rho} \otimes 1) = \mathfrak{J}_\sigma \bar{\circ} [\mathfrak{J}_\tau \bar{\circ} \mathfrak{J}_\rho].
\end{aligned}$$

□

**5.6. Crossed system of comodule algebras.** Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra and  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in G}$  a  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$ .

We define the monoidal category  $\underline{\text{Aut}}_G^{\text{Tw}}(\mathcal{K})$  of twisted automorphisms as follows. Objects in  $\underline{\text{Aut}}_G^{\text{Tw}}(\mathcal{K})$  are  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$ -twisted automorphisms of  $\mathcal{K}$  for  $\sigma \in G$ , the set of arrows are the isomorphisms of twisted homomorphisms of  $A$ -comodule algebras, the tensor product of object is defined by the composition explained in Lemma 5.10. The unity object is the  $\text{id}_{\mathcal{K}}$ , and tensor product of arrows is as in  $\underline{\text{Aut}}^{\text{Tw}}(A)$ .

Let  $F \subset G$  be a subgroup. An  $F$ -crossed system for a left  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{K}$ , compatible with the  $G$ -crossed system  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in G}$  is a monoidal functor  $(\bar{\phantom{x}}) : \underline{F} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Aut}}_G^{\text{Tw}}(\mathcal{K})$ , that is, an  $F$ -crossed system consists of the following data:

- A  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$ -twisted automorphism  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{J}_\sigma)$  for each  $\sigma \in F$ ,
- an element  $\bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)} \in \mathcal{K}^\times$  for each  $\sigma, \tau \in F$ ,

such that

$$(5.27) \quad (\bar{1}, \bar{J}_1) = (\text{id}, 1 \otimes 1),$$

$$(5.28) \quad \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)} \bar{(\sigma\tau)}(k) = \bar{\sigma}(\bar{\tau}(k)) \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)},$$

$$(5.29) \quad \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)} \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma\tau,\rho)} = \bar{\sigma}(\bar{\theta}_{(\tau,\rho)}) \bar{\theta}_{\sigma,\tau\rho},$$

$$(5.30) \quad \bar{\theta}_{(1,\sigma)} = \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,1)} = 1,$$

$$(5.31) \quad \lambda(\bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)}) \bar{J}_{\sigma\tau} = \bar{J}_\sigma((\sigma_* \otimes \bar{\sigma})(\bar{J}_\tau)) \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)} \otimes \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)},$$

for all  $k \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $\sigma, \tau, \rho \in F$ . Let  $\mathcal{K} \# F$  be the vector space  $\mathcal{K} \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}F$  with product and coaction given by

$$(5.32) \quad (x \# \sigma)(y \# \tau) = x \bar{\sigma}(y) \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)} \# \sigma\tau, \quad \delta(x \# \sigma) = x_{(-1)} \bar{J}_\sigma^1 \# \sigma \otimes x_{(0)} \bar{J}_\sigma^2 \# \sigma,$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $\sigma, \tau \in F$ .

**Proposition 5.11.** *The foregoing operations make the space  $\mathcal{K} \# F$  into a left  $A \# G$ -comodule algebra with associator  $\Phi_\delta = \Phi_\lambda^1 \# 1 \otimes \Phi_\lambda^2 \# 1 \otimes \Phi_\lambda^3 \# 1$ . □*

**Definition 5.12.** Let  $G$  be a group, and  $F \subseteq G$  be a subgroup. Let  $A$  be a  $G$ -crossed product quasi-bialgebra, and let  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi_\lambda)$  be a left  $A$ -comodule algebra. We shall say that  $\mathcal{K}$  is an  $F$ -crossed product, if there is a decomposition  $\mathcal{K} = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in F} \mathcal{K}_\sigma$ , such that

- $\Phi_\lambda \in A_e \otimes A_e \otimes \mathcal{K}_e$ ,
- $\mathcal{K}_\sigma \mathcal{K}_\tau \subseteq \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\tau}$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in F$ ,
- $\mathcal{K}_\sigma$  has an invertible element for each  $\sigma \in F$ ,
- $\lambda(\mathcal{K}_\sigma) \subseteq A_\sigma \otimes \mathcal{K}_\sigma$  for each  $\sigma \in F$ .

Let  $A$  be a quasi-Hopf algebra and  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  be a crossed system for the group  $G$ . We have similar results as for quasi-Hopf algebras. The proof is analogous to the proof of Proposition 5.8.

**Proposition 5.13.** *Let  $(\mathcal{L}, \delta)$  be a  $F$ -crossed  $A\#G$ -comodule algebra, for a subgroup  $F \subseteq G$ . Then there is an  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{K}$ , and an  $F$ -crossed system over  $\mathcal{K}$  compatible with the crossed system  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, F_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$ , such that  $\mathcal{K}\#F$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  are isomorphic  $A\#G$ -comodule algebras.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a  $F$ -crossed  $A\#G$ -comodule algebra, for a subgroup  $F \subseteq G$ . Set  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{L}_e$ . Since every  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma$  has an invertible element, we may choose for each  $\sigma \in F$  some invertible element  $u_\sigma \in \mathcal{L}_\sigma$ , with  $u_e = 1$ . Then it is clear that  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma = u_\sigma \mathcal{L}_e = \mathcal{L}_e u_\sigma$ , and the set  $\{u_\sigma : \sigma \in F\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{L}$  as a left (and right)  $\mathcal{L}_e$ -module. Let us define the maps

$$\bar{\sigma}(a) = u_\sigma a u_\sigma^{-1}, \text{ for each } \sigma \in F \text{ and } a \in \mathcal{L}_e,$$

and

$$\bar{\theta} : G \times G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_e \text{ by } \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma, \tau)} = u_\sigma u_\tau u_{\sigma\tau}^{-1} \text{ for } \sigma, \tau \in F.$$

Note that  $\{(1\#\sigma) \otimes u_\tau\}_{\sigma \in G, \tau \in F}$  is a basis for  $A\#F \otimes \mathcal{L}$  as a left (and right)  $A \otimes \mathcal{L}_e$ -module. We have that  $\delta(u_\sigma) \in A\#\sigma \otimes \mathcal{L}_\sigma$  can be uniquely expressed as  $\delta(u_\sigma) = \bar{J}_\sigma((1\#\sigma) \otimes u_\sigma)$ , with  $\bar{J}_\sigma \in A \otimes \mathcal{L}_e$ , for all  $\sigma \in F$ .

Then, it is straightforward to see that the data  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma, \tau)}, \bar{J}_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in F}$ , define an  $F$ -crossed system over the  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{L}_e$ , and  $\mathcal{L}_e\#F$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{L}$  as  $A\#G$  comodule algebras.  $\square$

Let  $G$  be an Abelian group,  $F \subseteq G$  a subgroup,  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in G}$  be a crossed system over a quasi-Hopf algebra  $A$ , and  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma, \tau)}, \bar{J}_\sigma)_{\sigma, \tau \in F}$  be an  $F$ -crossed system for a  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{K}$ . We shall further assume that

$$(5.33) \quad \theta_{(\sigma, \tau)} = \theta_{(\tau, \sigma)}, \quad \bar{\theta}_{(\rho, \nu)} = \bar{\theta}_{(\nu, \rho)},$$

for all  $\sigma, \tau \in G$ ,  $\rho, \nu \in F$ . We can consider the action of  $G$  on the category  $\text{Rep}(A)$  described in Lemma 5.4.

**Proposition 5.14.** *Under the above assumptions the following assertions hold.*

1. *The  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module category  $\kappa\mathcal{M}$  is  $F$ -equivariant.*
2. *There is an equivalence between  $(\kappa\mathcal{M})^F$  and  $\mathcal{K}\#F\mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$ -module categories.*

*Proof.* 1. For any  $\rho \in F$  define  $(U_\rho, c^\rho) : \mathcal{K}\mathcal{M} \rightarrow (\mathcal{K}\mathcal{M})^\rho$  the  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module functor given as follows. For any  $M \in \mathcal{K}\mathcal{M}$ ,  $U_\rho(M) = M$  as vector spaces and the action of  $\mathcal{K}$  is given by:  $x \cdot v = \bar{\rho}(x) \cdot v$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{K}, v \in M$ . For any  $X \in \text{Rep}(A)$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{K}\mathcal{M}$  the maps  $c_{X,M}^\rho : U_\rho(X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M) \rightarrow F_\rho(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} U_\rho(M)$  are defined by  $c_{X,M}^\rho(x \otimes v) = \bar{J}_\rho^{-1} \cdot (x \otimes v)$ , for any  $x \in X, v \in M$ . Equation (2.1) for the pair  $(U_\rho, c^\rho)$  follows from (5.21).

For any  $\sigma, \tau \in F$  define  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau} : U_\sigma \circ U_\tau \rightarrow U_{\sigma\tau}$  as follows. For any  $M \in \mathcal{K}\mathcal{M}$ ,  $m \in M$

$$\mu_{\sigma,\tau}(m) = \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)}^{-1} \cdot m.$$

It follows from equation (5.7) that  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau}$  is a morphism of  $\mathcal{K}$ -modules. Equation (3.2) follows from (5.7) and (3.3) follows from (5.10).

2. Let  $\mathcal{T} : (\mathcal{K}\mathcal{M})^F \rightarrow \mathcal{K}\#_F\mathcal{M}$  be the module functor defined as follows. If  $(M, v)$  is an  $F$ -equivariant object then for any  $\sigma \in F$  we have isomorphisms  $v_\sigma : U_\sigma(M) \rightarrow M$  satisfying

$$v_{\sigma\tau}(\theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}^{-1} \cdot m) = v_\sigma(v_\tau(m)), \quad v_\sigma(\bar{\sigma}(x) \cdot m) = x \cdot v_\sigma(m),$$

for all  $\sigma, \tau \in F, x \in \mathcal{K}, m \in M$ . In this case there is a well-defined action of  $\mathcal{K}\#_F$  on  $M$  determined by

$$(5.34) \quad (x\#\sigma) \cdot m = x \cdot v_\sigma^{-1}(m),$$

for all  $\sigma \in F, x \in \mathcal{K}, m \in M$ . We define  $\mathcal{T}(M) = M$  with the above described action. If  $(X, u) \in \text{Rep}(A)^G, (M, v) \in (\mathcal{K}\mathcal{M})^F$  the action of  $\mathcal{K}\#_F$  on  $X \otimes M$  using the coaction given in (5.32) coincides with the action (5.34) using the isomorphism  $\tilde{v}$  described in Lemma 3.3. The proof that  $\mathcal{T}$  is an equivalence is analogous to the proof of Proposition 5.5.  $\square$

The category of  $F$ -equivariant objects in a module category is always of the form  $\mathcal{K}\#_F\mathcal{M}$  for some left  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{K}$  and some group  $F$ .

**Proposition 5.15.** *Let  $A$  be a finite dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra and  $G$  be a finite Abelian group and  $F \subset G$  a subgroup. Let  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in G}$  be a  $G$ -crossed system over  $A$ , and  $\mathcal{M}$  be an exact  $F$ -equivariant  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module category. Then there is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi^\lambda)$  such that  $\mathcal{K}\mathcal{M} \cong \mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module categories and there is an  $F$ -crossed system compatible with  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in G}$  such that  $\mathcal{K}\#_F\mathcal{M} \simeq \mathcal{M}^F$  as  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$ -module categories.*

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be a finite-dimensional quasi-Hopf algebra such that there is a quasi-Hopf algebra projection  $\pi : B \rightarrow A$  and an equivalence  $\text{Rep}(B) \simeq \text{Rep}(A) \rtimes F$  of tensor categories, see section 3.4. Since  $\mathcal{M}$  is  $F$ -equivariant follows from Proposition 3.4 that  $\mathcal{M}$  is an exact  $\text{Rep}(B)$  module category.

Hence there exists a left  $B$ -comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi^\lambda)$  such that  $\mathcal{M} \simeq \mathcal{K}\mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(B)$ -modules. Let us recall that the equivariant structure is given by

$$(U_\sigma, c^\sigma) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\sigma, \quad U_\sigma(M) = [\mathbf{1}, \sigma] \bar{\otimes} M,$$

for all  $\sigma \in F$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  together with a family of natural isomorphisms  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau} : U_\sigma \circ U_\tau \rightarrow U_{\sigma\tau}$  for any  $\sigma, \tau \in F$ . Under the equivalence  $\text{Rep}(B) \simeq \text{Rep}(A) \rtimes F$  the object  $[\mathbf{1}, \sigma]$  correspond to a 1-dimensional representation of  $B$ . For any  $\sigma \in F$  let us denote by  $\chi_\sigma : B \rightarrow \mathbb{k}$  the corresponding character and the algebra map  $\bar{\sigma} : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ ,  $\bar{\sigma}(k) = \chi_\sigma(k_{(-1)}) k_{(0)}$ , for all  $k \in \mathcal{K}$ .

Define  $\lambda^\pi = (\pi \otimes \text{id})\lambda$ , then  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda^\pi, (\pi \otimes \pi \otimes \text{id})(\Phi^\lambda))$  is a left  $A$ -comodule algebra that we will denote by  $\mathcal{K}^\pi$ . The equivalence  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{\mathcal{K}} \mathcal{M}$  of  $\text{Rep}(B)$ -module categories induces an equivalence  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{\mathcal{K}^\pi} \mathcal{M}$  of  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -modules. Under this equivalence the functors  $U_\sigma : \mathcal{K}^\pi \mathcal{M} \rightarrow (\mathcal{K}^\pi \mathcal{M})^\sigma$  are given as follows. For any  $M \in \mathcal{K}^\pi \mathcal{M}$ ,  $U_\sigma(M) = M$  and the action of  $\mathcal{K}$  on  $M$  is given by

$$k \cdot m = \bar{\sigma}(k) \cdot m, \quad \text{for all } k \in \mathcal{K}, m \in M.$$

For any  $\sigma, \tau \in F$  denote

$$\bar{J}_\sigma = c_{A, \mathcal{K}}^\sigma(1 \otimes 1)^{-1}, \quad \bar{\theta}_{\sigma,\tau} = (\mu_{\tau,\sigma})_{\mathcal{K}}(1)^{-1}.$$

Turns out that the collection  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\theta}_{(\sigma,\tau)}, \bar{J}_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in F}$  is an  $F$ -crossed system compatible with  $(\sigma_*, \theta_{(\sigma,\tau)}, J_\sigma)_{\sigma,\tau \in G}$  for the  $A$ -comodule algebra  $\mathcal{K}^\pi$ . Indeed for any  $\sigma \in F$  the pair  $(\bar{\sigma}, \bar{J}_\sigma)$  is a  $(\sigma_*, J_\sigma)$ -twisted automorphism since equation (5.21) follows from the fact that  $c^\sigma$  satisfies (2.1) and equation (5.22) follows since  $c^\sigma$  is a  $\mathcal{K}$ -module morphism. Equation (5.28) follows since  $\mu_{\sigma,\tau}$  is a morphism of  $\mathcal{K}$ -modules, equation (5.29) follows from (3.2) and equation (5.31) follows from (3.3). The equivalence  $\mathcal{K}^\pi \#_F \mathcal{M} \simeq \mathcal{M}^F$  as  $\text{Rep}(A)^G$ -module categories follows from Proposition 5.14.  $\square$

## 6. MODULE CATEGORIES OVER THE QUASI-HOPF ALGEBRAS $A(H, s)$

**6.1. Basic Quasi-Hopf algebras  $A(H, s)$ .** We recall the definition of the family of basic quasi-Hopf algebras  $A(H, s)$  introduced by I. Angiono [A] and used to give a classification of pointed tensor categories with cyclic group of invertible objects of order  $m$  such that  $210 \nmid m$ .

Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $H = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} H(n)$  be a finite-dimensional radically graded pointed Hopf algebra generated by a group like element  $\chi$  of order  $m^2$  and skew primitive elements  $x_1, \dots, x_\theta$  satisfying

$$(6.1) \quad \chi x_i \chi^{-1} = q^{d_i} x_i, \quad \Delta(x_i) = x_i \otimes 1 + \chi^{-b_i} \otimes x_i,$$

for any  $i = 1, \dots, \theta$ , where  $q$  is a primitive root of 1 of order  $m^2$ ,  $H = \mathfrak{B}(V) \# \mathbb{k}C_{m^2}$ , where  $\mathfrak{B}(V)$  is the associated Nichols algebra of the Yetter-Drinfeld module  $V \in {}_{\mathbb{k}C_{m^2}}^{\mathbb{k}C_{m^2}} \mathcal{YD}$ .

We shall further assume that  $\mathfrak{B}(V)$  has a basis  $\{x_1^{s_1} \dots x_\theta^{s_\theta} : 0 \leq s_i \leq N_i\}$ .

*Remark 6.1.* The above condition does not hold for any Nichols algebra. If  $V$  has diagonal braiding with Cartan matrix of type  $A_3$  then  $\mathfrak{B}(V)$  is not generated by elements of degree 1. This conditions is satisfied for example for any quantum linear space.

Set  $\sigma := \chi^m$  and denote by  $\{1_i : i \in C_{m^2}\}$ ,  $\{\mathbf{1}_j : j \in C_m\}$  the families of primitive idempotents in  $\mathbb{k}C_{m^2}$  and  $\mathbb{k}C_m$  respectively. That is

$$1_i = \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{k=0}^{m^2-1} q^{-ki} \chi^k, \quad \mathbf{1}_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} q^{-mlj} \sigma^l.$$

For any  $0 \leq s \leq m-1$  set  $J_s = \sum_{i,j=0}^{m^2-1} c(i,j)^s 1_i \otimes 1_j$ , where  $c(i,j) := q^{j(i-i')}$ . Here  $j'$  denotes the remainder in the division by  $m$ . The associator  $\Phi_s = dJ_s$  is written explicitly as

$$(6.2) \quad \Phi_s := \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{m-1} \omega_s(i,j,k) \mathbf{1}_i \otimes \mathbf{1}_j \otimes \mathbf{1}_k,$$

where  $\omega_s : (C_m)^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{k}^\times$  is the 3-cocycle defined by  $\omega_s(i,j,k) = q^{sk(j+i-(j+i)')}$ . Consider the quasi-Hopf algebra  $(H_{J_s}, \Phi_s)$  obtained by twisting  $H$ . Denote  $\Upsilon(H) = \{1 \leq s \leq m-1 : b_i \equiv sd_i \pmod{m}, 1 \leq i \leq \theta\}$ . For any  $s \in \Upsilon(H)$  the quasi-Hopf algebra  $A(H, s)$  is defined as the subalgebra of  $H$  generated by  $\sigma$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_\theta$ . The algebra  $A(H, s)$  is a quasi-Hopf subalgebra of  $H_{J_s}$  with associator  $\Phi_s$  such that  $A(H, s)/\text{Rad } A(H, s) \cong \mathbb{k}[C_m]$ . See [A, Prop. 3.1.1].

For any  $1 \leq i \leq \theta$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{J_s}(x_i) &= \sum_{y=0}^{m-1} q^{b_i y} \mathbf{1}_y \otimes x_i + \sum_{z=0}^{m-1} \left( \sum_{y=0}^{m-d'_i-1} q^{(d'_i-d_i)sz} x_i \mathbf{1}_y \otimes \mathbf{1}_z \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{j=m-d'_i}^{m-1} q^{(d'_i+m-d_i)sz} x_i \mathbf{1}_y \otimes \mathbf{1}_z \right). \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 6.2.* Our definition of  $A(H, s)$  is slightly different that the one given in [A, § 3]. This is not a problem since our quasi-Hopf algebras are isomorphic to the ones defined in *loc. cit.* except that the  $s$  may change. The difference comes from the fact that we are using  $(\chi^{-b_i}, 1)$  skew-primitive elements instead of  $(1, \chi^{b_i})$  skew-primitive elements.

**6.2.  $C_m$ -crossed system over  $A(H, s)$ .** The cyclic group with  $m$  elements will be denoted by  $C_m = \{1, h, h^2, \dots, h^{m-1}\}$ . For any  $0 \leq i < m$  set  $((h^i)_*, J_{h^i})$  the twisted endomorphism of  $A(H, s)$  given by

$$J_{h^i} = 1 \otimes 1, \quad (h^i)_*(a) = \chi^{i'} a \chi^{-i'} \quad \text{for all } a \in A(H, s).$$

For any  $0 \leq i, j < m$  define  $\theta_{(i,j)} = \theta_{(h^i, h^j)} = \sigma^{\frac{(i+j)-(i+j)'}{m}}$ .

*Remark 6.3.* If  $i+j \leq m$  then  $\theta_{(i,j)} = 1$  and if  $i+j > m$  then  $\theta_{(i,j)} = \sigma$ . In principle the algebra maps  $(h^i)_*$  are defined in  $H$  but when restricted to  $A(H, s)$  they are well-defined.

These data is a  $C_m$ -crossed system over  $A(H, s)$  such that the equivariantization  $\text{Rep}(A)^{C_m}$  is tensor equivalent to  $\text{Rep}(H)$ . This is contained in the next result which gives an alternative proof for [A, Thm. 4.2.1].

- Proposition 6.4.**
1.  $((h^i)_*, \theta_{(i,j)}, J_{h^i})_{h^i, h^j \in C_m}$  is a  $C_m$ -crossed system over  $A(H, s)$ .
  2. There is an isomorphism of quasi-Hopf algebras  $A(H, s) \# C_m \simeq H_{J_s}$ .
  3. There is a tensor equivalence  $\text{Rep}(A)^{C_m} \simeq \text{Rep}(H)$ .

*Proof.* 1. it follows by a straightforward computation.

2. Define  $\varphi : A(H, s) \# C_m \rightarrow H_{J_s}$  the linear map given by

$$\varphi(a \# h^i) = a \chi^{i'},$$

for all  $0 \leq i < m$ ,  $a \in A$ . Let  $0 \leq i, j < m$ ,  $a, b \in A$  then

$$\varphi((a \# h^i)(b \# h^j)) = \varphi(a(h^i)_*(b)\theta_{(i,j)} \# h^{i+j}) = a \chi^{i'} b \chi^{-i'} \theta_{(i,j)} \chi^{(i+j)'}$$

On the other hand

$$\varphi(a \# h^i) \varphi(b \# h^j) = a \chi^{i'} b \chi^{j'}$$

It is enough to prove that  $\chi^{i'} b \chi^{j'} = \chi^{i'} b \chi^{-i'} \theta_{(i,j)} \chi^{(i+j)'}$  for  $b = x_l$ ,  $1 \leq l \leq \theta$ . If  $i + j \leq m$  then

$$\chi^{i'} x_l \chi^{-i'} \theta_{(i,j)} \chi^{(i+j)'} = q^{d_i i} x_l \chi^{i+j} = \chi^i x_l \chi^j.$$

If  $i + j = m + k$ ,  $k > 0$  then

$$\chi^{i'} x_l \chi^{-i'} \theta_{(i,j)} \chi^{(i+j)'} = q^{d_i i} x_l \sigma \chi^k = q^{d_i i} x_l \chi^{i+j} = \chi^i x_l \chi^j.$$

It follows immediately that  $\varphi$  is a coalgebra map and it is injective and by a dimension argument is bijective.

3. It follows from Proposition 5.5. □

*Remark 6.5.* There is a grading on  $H$  compatible with the isomorphism of Proposition 6.4 (2). Namely, if  $\sigma \in G$  then the vector space  $H_\sigma$  has basis  $\{x_1^{s_1} \dots x_\theta^{s_\theta} \sigma\}$ . Define  $H^{(i)} = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{m-1} H_{\chi^{mj+i}}$ , thus  $H = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{m-1} H^{(j)}$ . It is not difficult to prove that with this grading  $H$  is a  $C_m$ -crossed product (see definition 5.7) and this crossed product is compatible with the isomorphism of Proposition 6.4 (2).

**6.3. Right simple  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebras.** We shall present some families of right  $A(H, s)$ -simple left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebras. This class will be big enough to classify module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$  in some cases.

Let  $(K, \lambda)$  be a finite-dimensional left  $H$ -comodule algebra. We say that  $(K, \lambda)$  is of *type 1* if the following assumptions are satisfied:

- There exists a subgroup  $F \subseteq C_{m^2}$  and  $t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $K$  has a basis  $\{y_1^{r_1} \dots y_t^{r_t} e_f : 0 \leq r_j < N_j, f \in F, t \leq \theta\}$  such that

$$e_{\chi^a} y_l = q^{a d_i} y_l e_{\chi^a}, \quad \text{if } \chi^a \in F.$$

- there is an inclusion  $\iota : K \hookrightarrow H$  of  $H$ -comodules such that

$$\iota(e_f) = f, \quad \iota(y_l) = x_l,$$

for all  $f \in F, l = 1 \dots t$ .

Observe that in this case we have that

$$\lambda(e_f) = f \otimes e_f, \quad \lambda(y_l) = x_l \otimes 1 + \chi^{-b_l} \otimes y_l.$$

**Definition 6.6.** We shall say that a Hopf algebra  $H = \mathfrak{B}(V) \# \mathbb{k}G$  is of type 1 if

- (1)  $\mathfrak{B}(V)$  has a basis  $\{x_1^{s_1} \dots x_\theta^{s_\theta} : 0 \leq s_i \leq N_i\}$ , where  $V$  is the vector space generated by  $\{x_1, \dots, x_\theta\}$ ,
- (2) any right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $(K, \lambda)$  is equivariantly Morita equivalent to a comodule algebra of type 1.

*Remark 6.7.* If  $H = \mathfrak{B}(V) \# \mathbb{k}\Gamma$  is the bosonization of a Nichols algebra and a group algebra a finite group  $\Gamma$  then  $H$  is of type 1 when  $V$  is a quantum linear space and  $\Gamma$  is an Abelian group [Mo2] or when  $V$  is constructed from a rack and  $\Gamma = \mathbb{S}_3, \mathbb{S}_4$  [GM].

Let  $(K, \lambda)$  be a type 1 left  $H$ -comodule algebra such that  $K_0 = \mathbb{k}F$  where  $F \subseteq C_{m^2}$  is a subgroup such that  $\langle \sigma \rangle \subseteq F$  we shall denote by  $\lambda^{J_s} : K \rightarrow H \otimes K$  the map given by

$$\lambda^{J_s}(x) = J_s \lambda(x) J_s^{-1}, \quad \text{for all } x \in K.$$

Here  $J_s$  is identified with an element in  $H \otimes K$  via the inclusion  $\text{id}_H \otimes \iota$ . The same calculation as in [A, Prop. 3.1.1] proves that  $\lambda^{J_s}(K) \subseteq H \otimes K$ . Define  $(K^{J_s}, \lambda^{J_s}, \Phi_s(J_s \otimes 1))$  the left  $H$ -comodule algebra with underlying algebra  $K^{J_s}$ , coaction  $\lambda^{J_s}$  and associator  $\Phi_s(J_s \otimes 1)$ . It follows from Lema 4.9 that  $(K^{J_s}, \lambda^{J_s}, \Phi_s)$  is a left  $H_{J_s}$ -comodule algebra.

**Lemma 6.8.** *The left  $H$ -comodule algebras  $(K, \lambda)$  and  $(K^{J_s}, \lambda^{J_s}, \Phi_s(J_s \otimes 1))$  are equivariantly Morita equivalent, that is  ${}_K \mathcal{M}, {}_{K^{J_s}} \mathcal{M}$  are equivalent as  $\text{Rep}(H)$ -modules.*  $\square$

*Proof.* For any  $X \in \text{Rep}(H)$ ,  $M \in {}_K \mathcal{M}$  and any  $x \in X, m \in M$  define

$$c_{X,M} : X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M \rightarrow X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M, \quad c_{X,M}(x \otimes m) = J_s \cdot (x \otimes m).$$

It is immediate to prove that the identity functor  $(\text{Id}, c) : {}_K \mathcal{M} \rightarrow {}_{K^{J_s}} \mathcal{M}$  is an equivalence of module categories.  $\square$

**Definition 6.9.** Let  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi^\lambda)$  be a left  $H_{J_s}$ -comodule algebra such that the associator  $\Phi^\lambda \in A(H, s) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} A(H, s) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathcal{K}$ . Define  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}} = \lambda^{-1}(A(H, s) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathcal{K})$  and denote  $\widehat{\lambda}$  the restriction of  $\lambda$  to  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}$ . Then  $(\widehat{\mathcal{K}}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)$  is a left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebra. Turns out that this procedure is the inverse of the crossed product.

6.4. **Actions on module categories**  $(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}$ . For the rest of this section we shall assume now that  $m = p$  is a prime number.

Let  $(K, \lambda)$  be a type 1 left  $H$ -comodule algebra such that  $K_0 = \mathbb{k}F$  where  $F = C_d$  is a cyclic group.

There are two possible cases; when  $\langle \sigma \rangle \subseteq F$  or  $F = \{1\}$ . Let us treat the first case. So we assume that  $p|d$ . Let  $s, l \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $d = ps$  and  $sl = p$ . Let us denote  $\widehat{F} = C_s = \langle \chi^{lp} \rangle$ .

By hypothesis the vector space  $K$  has a decomposition  $K = \bigoplus_{f \in F} K_f$  where  $K_f$  is the vector space with basis  $\{y_1^{r_1} \dots y_t^{r_t} e_f : 0 \leq r_j \leq N_j\}$ . For any  $i = 0 \dots s-1$  define

$$K^{(i)} = \bigoplus_{j: \chi^{mj+i} \in C_d} K_{\chi^{mj+i}}.$$

Observe that  $\widehat{K} = K^{(0)}$ . With this grading  $K$  is an  $\widehat{F}$ -crossed product.

**Lemma 6.10.** *Under the above assumptions  $(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}$  is an  $\widehat{F}$ -equivariant  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ -module category and  $(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}^{\widehat{F}} \simeq {}_K\mathcal{M}$  as module categories over  $\text{Rep}(H)$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from Proposition 5.13 and Proposition 5.14.  $\square$

Now, let us assume that  $F = \{1\}$ . Let us endow the space  $K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p$  with the product determined by

$$(y_l \otimes \sigma^a)(y_s \otimes \sigma^b) = q^{pad_s} y_l y_s \otimes \sigma^{a+b}.$$

The space  $K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p$  is a left  $H$ -comodule algebra with coproduct determined by

$$\lambda(y_l \otimes \sigma^a) = x_l \sigma^a \otimes 1 \otimes \sigma^a + \sigma^a \chi^{-bl} \otimes y_l \otimes \sigma^a.$$

It is clear that  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p)_0 = \mathbb{k}C_p$ . Thus we can consider the left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebra  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)$ .

**Lemma 6.11.** *Under the above conventions the following holds.*

1. *The module category  $(\mathbb{k}C_p, \lambda, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}$  has a  $C_p$ -action such that there is an equivalence  $(\mathbb{k}C_p, \lambda, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}^{C_p} \simeq \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$  as  $\text{Rep}(H)$ -modules.*
2. *The module category  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}$  has a  $C_p$ -action such that there is an equivalence  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}^{C_p} \simeq {}_K\mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(H)$ -modules.*

*Proof.* 1. It follows from (2) taking  $K = \mathbb{k}$ .

2. Set  $\mathcal{M} = (K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)\mathcal{M}$ . For any  $i = 0, \dots, p-1$  define the functors  $(U_i, c^i) : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{\sigma^i}$  as follows. For any  $M \in \mathcal{M}$   $U_i(M) = M$  with a new action  $\triangleright : (K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M \rightarrow M$  of  $K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}C_p$  given by

$$y_l \triangleright m = q^{idl} y_l \cdot m, \quad \sigma \triangleright m = q^{ip} \sigma \cdot m,$$

for all  $l = 1, \dots, t$ ,  $m \in M$ . For any  $X \in \text{Rep}(A)$ ,  $M \in \mathcal{M}$  the map  $c_{X,M}^i : U_i(X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M) \rightarrow F_i(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} U_i(M)$  is the identity.

The isomorphism  $\mu_{i,j} : U_i \circ U_j \rightarrow U_{i+j}$  is given by the action of  $\sigma^{-\frac{(i+j)-(i+j)'}{p}}$ . Altogether makes the category  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s) \mathcal{M}$  a  $C_p$ -equivariant  $\text{Rep}(A)$ -module category.

Let  $N \in {}_K \text{Mod}$ . Define  $\mathcal{F}(N) = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} N_i$  where  $N_i = N$  as vector spaces. Let us define a new action of  $\rightarrow : K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathcal{F}(N) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(N)$  as follows. If  $n \in N_i$  then

$$\sigma \rightarrow n = q^{pi} n \in N_i, \quad y_l \rightarrow n = q^{d_i} y_l \cdot n \in N_{(d_l+i)'}$$

Recall that  $a'$  denotes the remainder of  $a$  in the division by  $p$ . Note also that for any  $i, j = 0, \dots, p-1$   $U_i(N_j) = N_{i+j}$ . The module  $\mathcal{F}(N)$  is a  $C_p$ -equivariant object in  $(K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s) \mathcal{M}$ , indeed for any  $i = 0, \dots, p-1$  define the isomorphisms  $v_i : U_i(\mathcal{F}(N)) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(N)$  as follows:  $v_i(n) = q^{-i} n \in N_{i+j}$  for any  $n \in N_j$ . This maps are  $K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p$ -module isomorphisms and they satisfy equation (3.4). This defines a functor  $\mathcal{F} : {}_K \text{Mod} \rightarrow (K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s) \mathcal{M}$  that together with the identity isomorphisms  $c_{X,N} : \mathcal{F}(X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} N) \rightarrow X \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathcal{F}(N)$  becomes a module functor.

If  $M \in (K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} C_p, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s) \mathcal{M}$  then  $M = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} M_i$  where  $M_i$  is the eigenspace of the eigenvalue  $q^{pi}$  of the action of  $\sigma$ . The space  $M_0$  has a  $K$ -action as follows. Since  $M$  is  $C_p$ -equivariant there are isomorphisms  $v_i : U_i(M) \rightarrow M$  such that the restrictions  $v_i|_{M_0} : M_0 \rightarrow M_i$  are isomorphisms. If  $m \in M_0$ ,  $y_l \in K$  then  $y_l \cdot m \in M_{d_l}$ , thus we can define  $\rightarrow : K \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} M_0 \rightarrow M_0$

$$y_l \rightarrow m = v_{d_l}^{-1}(y_l \cdot m),$$

for all  $m \in M_0$ . The map  $M \mapsto M_0$  is functorial and defines an inverse functor for  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

**6.5. Exact module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ .** Now we can formulate the main result of this section.

**Theorem 6.12.** *Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra of type 1 (see definition 6.6) and let  $\mathcal{M}$  be an exact indecomposable module category over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ . Then the following statements hold.*

- (1) *there exists a right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $(K, \lambda)$  with trivial coinvariants such that  $K_0 \supseteq C_p$  and there is an equivalence of module categories  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)} \mathcal{M}$ .*
- (2) *If there is an equivalence  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{(\widehat{K}', \widehat{\lambda}', \Phi_s')} \mathcal{M} \simeq_{(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)} \mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ -modules then  $(K, \lambda)$  and  $(K', \lambda')$  are equivariantly Morita equivalent  $H$ -comodule algebras.*

*Proof.* 1. By Lemma 4.7 there exists a left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebra  $(\mathcal{K}, \lambda, \Phi)$  such that  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{\mathcal{K}} \mathcal{M}$ . The category  ${}_{\mathcal{K}} \mathcal{M}$  is  $F$ -equivariant for some subgroup  $F \subseteq C_p$ . Thus it follows from [AM, Thm 3.3] that there is a right

$H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $(S, \delta)$  with trivial coinvariants such that  $(\kappa\mathcal{M})^F \simeq {}_S\mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(H)$ -modules. Hence  $S_0 = \mathbb{k}1$ ,  $S_0 = \mathbb{k}C_p$  or  $S_0 = \mathbb{k}C_{p^2}$ . In any case, it follows from Lemmas 6.10, 6.11 that there is a right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebra  $(K, \lambda)$  with trivial coinvariants such that  $K_0 \supseteq C_p$  and there is an equivalence  ${}_S\mathcal{M} \simeq ({}_{(\widehat{K}', \widehat{\lambda}', \Phi'_s)}\mathcal{M})^F$ . Whence  $(\kappa\mathcal{M})^F \simeq ({}_{(\widehat{K}', \widehat{\lambda}', \Phi'_s)}\mathcal{M})^F$ , thus using Proposition 3.4 (5) we get the result.

2. There exists a subgroup  $F \subseteq C_p$  such that both module categories  $({}_{(\widehat{K}', \widehat{\lambda}', \Phi'_s)}\mathcal{M})^F, ({}_{(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)}\mathcal{M})^F$  are  $F$ -equivariant and there are equivalences of module categories over  $\text{Rep}(H_{J_s})$

$$({}_{(K, \lambda, \Phi_s)}\mathcal{M})^F \simeq ({}_{(\widehat{K}, \widehat{\lambda}, \Phi_s)}\mathcal{M})^F \simeq ({}_{(\widehat{K}', \widehat{\lambda}', \Phi'_s)}\mathcal{M})^F \simeq ({}_{(K', \lambda', \Phi'_s)}\mathcal{M})^F.$$

Thus by Lemma 6.8 follows that  ${}_K\mathcal{M} \simeq {}_{K'}\mathcal{M}$ .  $\square$

**6.6. Some classification results.** We apply Theorem 6.12 to obtain the classification of module categories over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$  where  $H$  is the bosonization of a quantum linear space.

Let  $g_1, \dots, g_\theta \in C_{p^2}$ ,  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_\theta \in \widehat{C_{p^2}}$  be a datum for a quantum linear space and let  $V = V(g_1, \dots, g_\theta, \chi_1, \dots, \chi_\theta)$  the associated Yetter-Drinfeld module over  $\mathbb{k}C_{p^2}$  generated as a vector space by  $x_1, \dots, x_\theta$ . For more details see [AS].

The Hopf algebra  $H = \mathfrak{B}(V) \# \mathbb{k}C_{p^2}$  is a type 1 Hopf algebra, see [Mo2].

Let us define now a family of right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebras. Let  $F \subseteq C_{p^2}$  be a subgroup and  $\xi = (\xi_i)_{i=1 \dots \theta}$ ,  $\alpha = (\alpha_{ij})_{1 \leq i < j \leq \theta}$  be two families of elements in  $\mathbb{k}$  satisfying

$$(6.3) \quad \xi_i = 0 \text{ if } g_i^{N_i} \notin F \text{ or } \chi_i^{N_i}(f) \neq 1,$$

$$(6.4) \quad \alpha_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } g_i g_j \notin F \text{ or } \chi_i \chi_j(f) \neq 1,$$

for all  $f \in F$ . In this case we shall say that the pair  $(\xi, \alpha)$  is a *compatible comodule algebra datum* with respect to the quantum linear space  $V$  and the group  $F$ .

The algebra  $\mathcal{A}(V, F, \xi, \alpha)$  is the algebra generated by elements in  $\{v_i : i = 1 \dots \theta\}$ ,  $\{e_f : f \in F\}$  subject to relations

$$(6.5) \quad e_f e_g = e_{fg}, \quad e_f v_i = \chi_i(f) v_i e_f,$$

$$(6.6) \quad v_i v_j - q_{ij} v_j v_i = \begin{cases} \alpha_{ij} e_{g_i g_j} & \text{if } g_i g_j \in F \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$(6.7) \quad v_i^{N_i} = \begin{cases} \xi_i e_{g_i^{N_i}} & \text{if } g_i^{N_i} \in F \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

for any  $1 \leq i < j \leq \theta$ . If  $W \subseteq V$  is a  $\mathbb{k}C_{p^2}$ -subcomodule invariant under the action of  $F$ , we define  $\mathcal{A}(W, F, \xi, \alpha)$  as the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{A}(V, F, \xi, \alpha)$  generated by  $W$  and  $\{e_f : f \in F\}$ .

The algebras  $\mathcal{A}(V, F, \xi, \alpha)$  are right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -comodule algebras with coaction determined by

$$\lambda(v_i) = x_i \otimes 1 + g_i \otimes v_i, \quad \lambda(e_f) = f \otimes e_f,$$

for all  $i = 1, \dots, \theta$ ,  $f \in F$ . The subalgebras  $\mathcal{A}(W, F, \xi, \alpha)$  are also right  $H$ -simple left  $H$ -subcomodule algebras.

**Theorem 6.13.** [Mo2, Thm 4.6, Thm. 4.9] *Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be an exact indecomposable module category over  $\text{Rep}(H)$ .*

1. *There exists a subgroup  $F \subseteq C_{p^2}$ , a compatible datum  $(\xi, \alpha)$  and  $W \subseteq V$  a subcomodule invariant under the action of  $F$  such that  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{\mathcal{A}(W, F, \xi, \alpha)} \mathcal{M}$  as module categories.*
2. *The left  $H$ -comodule algebras  $\mathcal{A}(W, F, \xi, \alpha)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(W', F', \xi', \alpha')$  are equivariantly Morita equivalent if and only if  $(W, F, \xi, \alpha) = (W', F', \xi', \alpha')$ .*

□

Given a compatible datum  $(\xi, \alpha)$  with respect to  $V$  and  $C_p$  define the left  $A(H, s)$ -comodule algebra  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(V, \xi, \alpha)$  with underlying algebra equal to  $\mathcal{A}(V, C_p, \xi, \alpha)$  and coaction  $\widehat{\lambda} : \widehat{\mathcal{A}}(V, \xi, \alpha) \rightarrow A(H, s) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \widehat{\mathcal{A}}(V, \xi, \alpha)$  given by  $\widehat{\lambda}(a) = J_s \lambda(a) J_s^{-1}$  for all  $a \in \widehat{\mathcal{A}}(V, \xi, \alpha)$ . If  $W \subseteq V$  is a  $\mathbb{k}C_{p^2}$ -subcomodule invariant under the action of  $C_p$  define  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(W, \xi, \alpha)$  as the subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(V, \xi, \alpha)$  generated by  $W$  and  $C_p$ .

As a consequence of Theorem 6.12 we have the following result.

**Theorem 6.14.** *Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be an exact indecomposable module category over  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ .*

1. *There exists a compatible datum  $(\xi, \alpha)$  and  $W \subseteq V$  a subcomodule invariant under the action of  $C_p$  such that there is an equivalence  $\mathcal{M} \simeq_{\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(W, \xi, \alpha)} \mathcal{M}$  as  $\text{Rep}(A(H, s))$ -module categories.*
2. *The comodule algebras  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(W, \xi, \alpha)$ ,  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}(W', \xi', \alpha')$  are equivariantly Morita equivalent if and only if  $(W, \xi, \alpha) = (W', \xi', \alpha')$ .*

□

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