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# UNRESTRICTED QUANTUM MODULI ALGEBRAS, III: SURFACES OF ARBITRARY GENUS AND SKEIN ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** We prove that the quantum moduli algebra associated to a possibly punctured compact oriented surface and a complex semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Noetherian and finitely generated ring; if the surface has punctures, we prove also that it has no non-trivial zero divisors. Moreover, we show that the quantum moduli algebra is isomorphic to the skein algebra of the surface, defined by means of the Reshetikhin-Turaev functor for the quantum group  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , and which coincides with the Kauffman bracket skein algebra when  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. **Context.** The quantum moduli algebras have been introduced in the mid '90s by Alekseev-Grosse-Schomerus [AGS95, AGS96, AS96b] and Buffenoir-Roche [BR95, BR96]. They are associative, non commutative algebras defined over the ground field  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , quantizing the algebras of functions on the moduli spaces of flat  $\mathfrak{g}$ -connections on surfaces, where  $q$  is a formal variable,  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a complex simple Lie algebra, and  $D$  is the corank of the root lattice of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in the weight lattice (see §2.3 for the generalization to semisimple Lie algebras).

The main purpose of this paper is to prove that the quantum moduli algebras are Noetherian and finitely generated rings, with no non trivial zero divisors when the surface has punctures, and that they are isomorphic to skein algebras. These results should allow one to study the prime and primitive spectra of the skein algebras similarly as those of quantized coordinate rings (see eg. [BG02], Part II).

Denote by  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  the oriented surface with genus  $g$  and  $n$  punctures ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), and by  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}$  the surface with one boundary component, obtained from  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  by removing an open 2-disk (these surfaces are pictured in §6.1). To  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}$  one can associate an algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ , endowed with an action of the Drinfeld-Jimbo (simply-connected) quantum group  $U_q = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  making  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  a module-algebra. The subalgebra of invariant elements  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the quantum moduli algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}$ . The case  $g = 0$  was studied in [BR22, BR21].

There are at least two areas of good motivations to study the quantum moduli algebras. On one hand, the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  relies on Hopf algebra and quantum group theory. It is built by a twisting procedure from  $2g + n$  copies of the quantum coordinate algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)$  associated to a complex semisimple algebraic group  $G$  with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , and it is therefore a natural problem to study the algebraic structure and representation theory of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$ .

On another hand, connections with quantum topology are well-established: for instance, [AS96a] showed that the Witten-Reshetikin-Turaev representations of the mapping class groups of surfaces can be recovered from certain representations of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ , [BFK98a, BFK98b] proved (with a slightly different formalism) that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is isomorphic to the Kauffman bracket skein algebra of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}$ , and recently these results have been extended in [Fai19a, Fai20a] and [Fai20b, Kor23] respectively. It is a natural problem to extend the isomorphism of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  with a skein algebra beyond  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ . By using such an isomorphism one can naturally expect that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ , which has an algebraic flavour by definition, provides good tools to study the skein algebras.

Our results in this paper make advances on these two families of problems. Firstly, we show that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  are Noetherian, finitely generated rings, and have no non-trivial zero divisors. Such properties are well-known for  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)$  and the subalgebra of invariant elements under the coadjoint action of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  (see eg. [VY20, Prop. 3.117]). In our context we use also tools, like filtrations, which are standard for quantum groups, and a version of the Hilbert–Nagata theorem in invariant theory. The similar result when  $g = 0$  was obtained in [BR21]. The present genus  $g > 0$  case is substantially more complicated.

Our second main result is the construction of an (explicit) isomorphism of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  with a skein algebra associated to the surface  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$ . That skein algebra is defined by means of the Reshetikhin-Turaev functor for the quantum group  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , applied to certain ribbon graphs in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0, 1]$ . When  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ , the isomorphism recovers the one obtained in [BFK98b]. In order to define it, the main tool is a “holonomy map”, which is an isomorphism relating  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  with an algebra of “stated skeins” on  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ , the surface obtained from  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  by removing a point on the boundary component, in the sense of [Lê18, CL22], [LS21] and [CKL] for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ ,  $\mathfrak{sl}_{m+1}$  and any  $\mathfrak{g}$ , respectively. The holonomy map generalizes a construction in [Fai20b, §5] in the case  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ . For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_{m+1}$ , the existence of an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  and a stated skein algebra was obtained in [LS21] by using results from factorization homology [BBJ18].

Combining our two results we see that the skein algebra of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  associated to an arbitrary semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a Noetherian and finitely generated ring, and has no non-trivial zero divisors. These facts were proved in the case  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  in [Bul99] and [PS19] (including also the case of closed surfaces), and [FS22] proved finite generation for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_3$ . For stated skein algebras of any surface and when  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ , this was proved in [LY22]. These papers use geometric techniques based on curves on surfaces. The paper [LY23], which appeared online after the first version of the present work, studies the skein algebras for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_{m+1}$ .

Finally, the quantum moduli algebra of  $\Sigma_{g,n}$ , including the case  $n = 0$ , can be defined by using the notion of quantum reduction developed by several authors and applied to  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ . The topological counterpart of this notion is the operation of gluing a 2-disk along the boundary component of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$ . We describe quantum reduction in detail, especially for  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ , and show that the resulting algebra is a Noetherian and finitely generated ring, indeed isomorphic to the skein algebra of  $\Sigma_{g,n}$ . For closed surfaces ( $n = 0$ ), whether or not it has no non trivial zero divisors is still an open question at this stage.

We can formulate most of our constructions for general quasitriangular Hopf algebras  $H$ , thus obtaining a  $H$ -module algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  and a subalgebra of  $H$ -invariant elements  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ . We do so in the text, and then make the required adaptation to handle the case of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , which is quasitriangular only in a categorical completion. Our results are described with more details in the next subsection.

We note that the algebras  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  have integral forms, which are subalgebras  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A)^{U_A^{\text{res}}}(\mathfrak{g})$  defined over the ground ring  $A = \mathbb{C}[q^{1/D}, q^{-1/D}]$ , and such that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_A \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D}) = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A)^{U_A^{\text{res}}}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_A \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D}) = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$ , where  $U_A^{\text{res}}$  is Lusztig’s restricted quantum group associated to the adjoint quantum group  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ . It is because of integrality properties of the  $R$ -matrix of  $U_A^{\text{res}}$  that the twists involved in the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  yield a well-defined algebra structure on  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A(\mathfrak{g})$ .

Trivially our first main result implies that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A)^{U_A^{\text{res}}}(\mathfrak{g})$  have no non-trivial zero divisors. By using the Kashiwara-Lusztig theory of canonical basis, we have shown in [BR21] that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}^A(\mathfrak{g})$  is a Noetherian and finitely generated algebra. We expect that these results still

hold true in genus  $g > 0$ . In [BFR] we study the algebraic properties and representations of these algebras when the parameter  $q$  is specialized to a root of unity.

**1.2. Summary of results.** We first give an overview of the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . Let  $H$  be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with  $R$ -matrix  $R \in H^{\otimes 2}$ , and let  $H^\circ$  be its restricted dual (see §2). For  $g, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is the vector space  $(H^\circ)^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  with a product “twisted by  $R$ ”. There is a coadjoint action  $\text{coad}^r$  on  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ , which gives it the structure of a right  $H$ -module-algebra (§4.1). In particular we have the subalgebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  of  $H$ -invariant elements for this action.

The definitions and some results will be given for general  $H$  but we are mainly interested in the case where  $H$  is a quantum group. So let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a complex simple Lie algebra and  $G$  be the simply-connected algebraic Lie group with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ ; for the extension to semisimple  $\mathfrak{g}$ , see §2.3. Fix a formal variable  $q$  and denote by  $U_q = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  the simply connected Drinfeld-Jimbo quantum group defined over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ , by  $U_q^{\text{ad}} \subset U_q$  the adjoint quantum group, and by  $\mathcal{O}_q = \mathcal{O}_q(G)$  the associated quantized coordinate algebra (see §2.4, §2.6). In this situation we denote the resulting algebra by  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$  or simply  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ , which is  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  as a  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space (see §2.3 for the definition of the integer  $D$ ), and by  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}(\mathfrak{g})$  or simply  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  the subalgebra of  $U_q$ -invariant elements.

The definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  relies on the special cases  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ :

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes}g} \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes}n}$$

where  $\tilde{\otimes}$  is the braided tensor product in the braided tensor category of right  $H$ -modules, as defined in [Maj92, Lem 9.2.12] and recalled before Proposition 4.3. Hence the algebras  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  play a special role and have to be examined first. The papers [BR22, BR21] were focused on  $g = 0$  and in particular  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ . Here we are interested in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  for arbitrary  $g$ . So we start with  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  in §3. This algebra is very different from  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ ; for instance  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is strongly related to  $H$  while  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is strongly related to the Heisenberg double of  $H^\circ$  (§3.2, §3.3).

Here is our first main result for the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n} := \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ :

**Theorem 1** (Theorems 4.11, 4.17, 5.8). *1. The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is Noetherian and does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

*2. The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  is Noetherian and finitely generated.*

We note that it is not difficult to prove that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is finitely generated (Prop. 4.7) and that it follows of course from item 1 that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.

Let us discuss a bit how we prove Theorem 1. The main ideas of the proof are similar to those for  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}$  in [BR22, BR21]; however when  $g > 0$  the presence of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  requires many non-trivial generalizations and new computations.

To prove that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is Noetherian, we use filtrations. A filtration for  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  has been introduced in [VY20, §3.14.4]. In §3.4 we modify it in order to define a filtration of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  and show that the associated graded algebra is Noetherian, which implies that  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is Noetherian. Then in §4.3 we first define a filtration of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  whose associated graded algebra transforms the braided tensor product (1) into a “quasi-commutative” tensor product; this allows us in a second step to use tensor products of the filtrations of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  in order to get an associated graded algebra which is Noetherian.

The proof of the item 2 of Theorem 1 is based on a generalization of the Hilbert–Nagata theorem. Let  $G$  be a group acting on a graded algebra  $A$  in such a way that the action is compatible with the multiplication and the grading. The Hilbert–Nagata theorem gives

sufficient conditions for the subalgebra of  $G$ -invariant elements of  $A$  to be Noetherian and finitely generated. In §4.4 we generalize this theorem to the case where  $A$  is a graded module-algebra over a Hopf algebra  $H$ . We then apply this general result to the case where  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}$  and  $A$  is a “graded truncation” of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ .

The fact that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors is not proven directly but through a morphism  $\Phi_{g,n}$  called the Alekseev morphism, which we now discuss. In §5, relying on the formulas given in [Ale94], we define for any quasitriangular Hopf algebra  $H$  a morphism of algebras

$$\Phi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}.$$

Here  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  is the “two-sided Heisenberg double”, an algebra which we introduce in §5.1 and which extends the usual Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  recalled in §3.2. For  $g > 1$  it is necessary to use  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  instead of  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  to make sense of the formulas in [Ale94] if  $H$  is not finite-dimensional (this point is explained at the end of §5.2). It is important to define and analyze  $\Phi_{0,1}$  and  $\Phi_{1,0}$  first since their properties are used in the proofs for  $\Phi_{g,n}$ . The morphism  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is well-known in quantum group theory (see eg. [Bau00]), while  $\Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is defined in §3.2 following [Ale94].

Let us return to the case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ . In that situation  $\Phi_{g,n}$  takes values in  $\mathcal{HH}(\mathcal{O}_q)^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$ . We prove that  $\mathcal{HH}(\mathcal{O}_q)^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$  does not contain non-trivial zero divisors (Prop. 5.7) and that  $\Phi_{g,n}$  is injective (Th. 5.8), which implies that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors. In [Bau00] it was already proved that  $\Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \rightarrow U_q$  is injective; moreover, that paper showed that the image of  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is  $U_q^{\text{lf}}$ , namely the subspace of locally finite elements of  $U_q$  for the adjoint action. In Theorem 3.11 we show a similar result for  $\Phi_{1,0}$ , that is,  $\Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{O}_q)$  is injective and its image is the subspace of locally finite elements for an action of  $U_q$  on  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{O}_q)$  that we introduce in §3.2.

In §6 we relate the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  and its subalgebra of  $H$ -invariant elements  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  to skein theory. Let  $H$  be a ribbon Hopf algebra over a field  $k$ , and let  $F_{\text{RT}} : \text{Rib}_H \rightarrow H\text{-mod}$  be the Reshetikhin–Turaev functor, which to an  $H$ -colored oriented ribbon graph associates some  $H$ -linear morphism [RT90]. Let  $\Sigma$  be an oriented surface, possibly with boundary. The skein algebra of  $\Sigma$  associated to  $H$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma)$ , is the  $k$ -vector space generated by the isotopy classes of  $H$ -colored oriented ribbon links (with coupons) modulo the skein relations:

$$\sum_i \lambda_i F_{\text{RT}}(T_i) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \dots \\ \hline T_i \\ \hline \dots \\ \hline \end{array} = 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma).$$

The  $T_i$  are any ribbon graphs and the  $\lambda_i \in k$  are any scalars such that the linear equation on the left holds. The right hand-side represents a linear combination of links which are equal outside of the cube in  $\Sigma \times [0, 1]$  which is depicted in grey. The product of two links  $L_1, L_2$  in  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma)$  is obtained by putting  $L_1$  below  $L_2$  in  $\Sigma \times [0, 1]$ .

The stated skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma)$  is a generalization of  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma)$  where one uses ribbon graphs in  $\Sigma \times [0, 1]$  instead of links. The endpoints of these ribbon graphs are required to be in  $\partial\Sigma \times [0, 1]$  and are labelled by “states” *i.e.* vectors in  $H$ -modules. Each boundary circle of  $\Sigma$  must contain at least one puncture. Stated skein algebras have been introduced and studied for  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  in [Lê18, CL22, Kor23] and for  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{sl}_{m+1})$  in [LS21]. The general definition of  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma)$  for any ribbon Hopf algebra  $H$  will appear in [CKL]. In the present paper we will deal with stated skeins for the surface  $\Sigma = \Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet}$  obtained by removing one point  $\bullet$  on the circle  $\partial(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$ . The definition of  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$  is explained in §6.1, as a particular case of [CKL].

In [Fai20b, §4.1] a “holonomy map”  $\text{hol}$  has been defined, which to a  $H$ -colored oriented ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  in  $(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \times [0, 1]$  associates a tensor  $\text{hol}(\mathbf{T})$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . The type of the tensor  $\text{hol}(\mathbf{T})$  depends of the orientation and the number of endpoints of  $\mathbf{T}$ . The map  $\text{hol}$  generalizes the Reshetikhin–Turaev functor to the surfaces  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ . In §6.2 we refine it to a “stated holonomy map”  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} : \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ , which is a morphism of algebras due to the properties of  $\text{hol}$ . Then in §6.3 we note that there is a natural algebra morphism  $I : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  simply obtained by seeing a link as a ribbon graph without boundary points. When restricted to links,  $\text{hol}$  and  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}$  are equal and give a morphism  $W = \text{hol}^{\text{st}} \circ I : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  (§6.3). In this way we recover the “Wilson loop map”  $W$  already defined and studied in [BR96, BFK98a] (the latter paper also defined holonomy for certain tangles called  $q$ -nets). Our second main result is:

**Theorem 2** (Theorems 6.5 and 6.9). *1.  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} : \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is an isomorphism of algebras.*  
*2. If the category  $H$ -mod of finite dimensional  $H$ -modules is semisimple, then  $W : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  is an isomorphism of algebras.*

This result is a generalization of [Fai20b, §5] for the first item and of [BFK98b] (see [BR22, §8.2] in our context) for the second item, which proved it for  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ . If  $H$ -mod is not semisimple the second item fails because in general  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  is bigger than  $\text{im}(W)$ , as explained in §6.4. To sum up:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Stated skein algebra } \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) & \xrightarrow[\text{Stated holonomy } \text{hol}^{\text{st}}]{\sim} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \\
 \uparrow I & \circlearrowleft & \uparrow \text{(subalgebra)} \\
 \text{Skein algebra } \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}) & \xrightarrow[\text{Wilson loop map } W]{\sim \text{ (if } H\text{-mod semisimple)}} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)
 \end{array}$$

When  $H$ -mod is semisimple we get in particular that the morphism  $I$  is injective (Corollary 6.12). This is an interesting consequence, because it seems more difficult to prove this fact by using only skein theory.

Take  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ . The category  $\mathcal{C}$  of type 1 finite dimensional  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules is semisimple. Write  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ})$  and  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\Sigma_{g,n})$  for the stated skein and skein algebras of the respective surfaces  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ ,  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ}$  and  $\Sigma_{g,n}$ , where the ribbon graphs are colored by objects and morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ . They are  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -algebras. For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  these algebras are respectively the Kauffman bracket skein algebra and the stated skein algebra of [Lê18, CL22]. For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_{m+1}(\mathbb{C})$  they can be described in terms of special ribbon graphs called webs [Sik05, LS21].

The conjunction of Theorems 1 and 2 finally gives:

**Corollary 3.** *1. The stated skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  is finitely generated, Noetherian and does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*  
*2. The skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ})$  is finitely generated, Noetherian and does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

In §7 we extend our results to the surface  $\Sigma_{g,n}$ . It is a fact that the skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n})$  is a quotient of  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ})$  (see §7.4). Then the item 2 of Corollary 3 implies

**Corollary 4.** *The skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{g}}(\Sigma_{g,n})$  is finitely generated and Noetherian.*

We consider the quantum reduction  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  associated to the counit  $\varepsilon: H \rightarrow k$  (see below), and we show that, under suitable hypothesis satisfied eg. in the case of  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ , we have:

**Theorem 5** (§7.3 and §7.4). *1. There is a surjective algebra morphism  $\pi: \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$ .*  
*2. The isomorphism  $W: \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  descends to an algebra isomorphism  $W^{\text{qr}}: \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$ .*

The notion of quantum reduction of module algebras over quantum groups has been introduced in [Lu93] as an analog of Hamiltonian reduction in symplectic geometry [MaWe74] (see [AM98] for the broader notion of quasi-Hamiltonian reduction, well-suited to character varieties of surface groups).

In that setup, one considers a symplectic space  $X$  endowed with a Hamiltonian action of a Lie group  $G$  generated by a moment map  $\mu^{\text{cl}}: X \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$ , and the reduction procedure describes symplectic leaves in  $X/G$  as quotients  $(\mu^{\text{cl}})^{-1}(\mathcal{C})/G$ , where  $\mathcal{C}$  is a coadjoint orbit in  $\mathfrak{g}^*$ .

In the quantum setup one works dually, and considers a module algebra  $A$  over a Hopf algebra  $H$ . The quantum moment map is a morphism of algebras  $\mu: H' \rightarrow A$ , where  $H' \subset H$  is a coideal subalgebra, and  $\mu$  satisfies an equation which guarantees that it generates the action of  $H'$  on  $A$ . The reduction procedure describes algebras of invariant elements in certain quotients of  $A$ , defined by means of  $\mu$  and characters of  $H'$ .

An ansatz of quantum reduction was implemented in [Ale94] and [BNR02]. Its proper definition and fundamental properties were settled in [VV10], which applied it to double affine Hecke algebras (which are closely related to  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(\mathfrak{g})$ ). Quantum reduction was also applied to quivers in [Jor14] and [GJS19], where it was axiomatized in a categorical setting.

In the case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ , the quantum reduction in Theorem 5 is obtained from a quantum moment map  $\mu: U_q^{\text{lf}}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(\mathfrak{g})$ , where  $U_q^{\text{lf}}(\mathfrak{g}) \subset U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is the subalgebra of locally finite elements (which is known to be isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)$ ), and one uses the counit  $\varepsilon$  as a character of  $U_q^{\text{lf}}$ . In the case  $g = 1$ ,  $\mu$  is essentially the quantum moment map denoted by  $\partial_{\triangleleft}$  in Proposition 1.8.2 of [VV10], and for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_{m+1}$  and arbitrary genus  $g$ , it coincides with the quantum moment map of [Jor14].

For the reader's convenience, before we prove Theorem 5 we recall the general setup of quantum reduction (§7.1), and we describe the quantum moment map  $\mu$  leading to  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$ , providing all arguments we did not find in the literature (§7.2). In particular there is a subtlety in the normalization of  $\mu$  (see Remark 7.15).

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## 2. PRELIMINARIES

The notations and conventions used in this paper agree with those from [BR21].



**2.1. Hopf algebras.** Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra over a field  $k$  (see e.g. [Kas95, Chap. III] or [CP94, §4.1]). We denote by

$$\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H, \quad \varepsilon : H \rightarrow k, \quad S : H \rightarrow H$$

the coproduct, counit and antipode of  $H$ . The unit of  $H$  is denoted by  $1$ . We occasionally write  $\Delta_H, \varepsilon_H, S_H, 1_H$  if there is an ambiguity. We assume that the antipode  $S$  is invertible.

For an element  $X \in H^{\otimes n}$  we use the notation  $X = \sum_{(X)} X_{(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes X_{(n)}$  as a substitute for  $X = \sum_i X_{(1),i} \otimes \dots \otimes X_{(n),i}$ .

For the coproduct we write  $\Delta(h) = \sum_{(h)} h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)}$  (Sweedler's notation) instead of  $\sum_{(\Delta(h))} \Delta(h)_{(1)} \otimes \Delta(h)_{(2)}$ . The opposite coproduct, denoted by  $\Delta^{\text{op}}$ , is defined by  $\Delta^{\text{op}}(h) = \sum_{(h)} h_{(2)} \otimes h_{(1)}$ . The co-opposite Hopf algebra  $H^{\text{cop}}$  is the algebra  $H$  endowed with the coproduct  $\Delta^{\text{op}}$ , the counit  $\varepsilon$  and the antipode  $S^{-1}$ .

In §§3, 4 and 5,  $H$  is a quasitriangular Hopf algebra as defined e.g. in [CP94, §4.2] or [Kas95, §VIII.2]. We write the  $R$ -matrix of  $H$  as  $R = \sum_{(R)} R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)} \in H^{\otimes 2}$ . In §6 we moreover assume that  $H$  is a ribbon Hopf algebra, which means that it contains an element  $v$  with the properties listed e.g. in [Kas95, §XIV.6] or [CP94, §4.2.C]; in particular

$$(2) \quad v \text{ is central and } \Delta(v) = (v \otimes v)(R'R)^{-1},$$

where  $R' = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)}$ . Let  $u = \sum_{(R)} S(R_{(2)})R_{(1)}$  be the Drinfeld element, then  $g = uv^{-1}$  is the pivotal element of  $H$ . It satisfies  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$  and  $S^2(h) = ghg^{-1}$  for all  $h \in H$ .

Let  $H^* = \text{Hom}_k(H, k)$  be the dual vector space of  $H$ . For a finite-dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$  and  $v \in V, f \in V^*$ , we define  ${}_V\phi_v^f \in H^*$  by  ${}_V\phi_v^f(h) = f(h \cdot v)$ , where  $\cdot$  is the action of  $H$  on  $V$ . The linear form  ${}_V\phi_v^f$  is called a *matrix coefficient* of  $V$ . When a basis  $(v_j)$  of  $V$  is given we allow ourselves to write  ${}_V\phi_j^i$  instead of  ${}_V\phi_{v_j}^{v_i}$  for a better readability, where  $(v^i)$  is the dual basis. The *restricted dual* of  $H$ , denoted by  $H^\circ$ , is the subspace of  $H^*$  spanned by the matrix coefficients of finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules. Let us set

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} {}_V\phi_v^f {}_W\phi_w^l &= {}_{V \otimes W}\phi_{v \otimes w}^{f \otimes l}, & \Delta({}_V\phi_j^i) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\dim(V)} {}_V\phi_k^i \otimes {}_V\phi_j^k, \\ 1_{H^\circ} &= {}_k\phi_1^1, & \varepsilon({}_V\phi_j^i) &= \delta_{i,j}, & S({}_V\phi_j^i) &= {}_{V^*}\phi_i^j \end{aligned}$$

or in other words

$$\varphi\psi = (\varphi \otimes \psi) \circ \Delta, \quad \Delta(\varphi)(x \otimes y) = \varphi(xy), \quad 1_{H^\circ} = \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon(\varphi) = \varphi(1), \quad S(\varphi) = \varphi \circ S$$

for all  $\varphi \in H^\circ$ . Then  $H^\circ$  is a Hopf algebra. The above formula for  $\Delta(\varphi)$  is not well-defined for a general  $\varphi \in H^*$ , which explains the relevance of  $H^\circ$ . If  $H$  is finite-dimensional then  $H^\circ = H^*$  because  $\varphi = {}_H\phi_1^\varphi$  for all  $\varphi \in H^*$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a full subcategory of  $H\text{-mod}$  (the category of finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules) such that the trivial module  $k$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$  and if  $V, W \in \mathcal{C}$  then  $V \otimes W \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $V^* \in \mathcal{C}$ . Let  $H_{\mathcal{C}}^\circ$  be the subspace of  $H^\circ$  spanned by the matrix coefficients of the objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . It is clear from (3) that  $H_{\mathcal{C}}^\circ$  is a subalgebra of  $H^\circ$ .

**2.2. Filtrations of algebras.** Let  $(S, \leq)$  be an ordered abelian monoid and let  $A$  be an associative  $k$ -algebra ( $k$  is a field). If  $F = (F^s)_{s \in S}$  is an algebra filtration of  $A$  indexed by  $S$ , we denote by  $\text{gr}_F(A) = \bigoplus_{s \in S} \text{gr}_F(A)_s$  the associated graded algebra which is defined by  $\text{gr}_F(A)_s = F^s / F^{<s}$ , where  $F^{<s} = \sum_{r < s} F^r$ , and endowed with the product

$$(a + F^{<s})(b + F^{<t}) = ab + F^{<(s+t)}$$

for  $a \in F^s$  and  $b \in F^t$ .

Assume now that  $A$  has a decomposition  $A = \bigoplus_{s \in S} X_s$  as a  $k$ -vector space, where the family of subspaces  $X = (X_s)_{s \in S}$  is such that  $X_r X_s \subset \bigoplus_{t \leq r+s} X_t$  for all  $r, s$ . Assume moreover that the partial order  $\leq$  on  $S$  satisfies

$$(4) \quad \forall r, s \in S, \quad \exists m \in S, \quad r \leq m \text{ and } s \leq m$$

or in other words that any finite subset of  $S$  has an upper bound. Define  $\Sigma^s(X) = \bigoplus_{r \leq s} X_r$ . Then  $\Sigma(X) = (\Sigma^s(X))_{s \in S}$  is a filtration of the algebra  $A$ . The condition  $A = \bigcup_{s \in S} \Sigma^s(X)$  follows from (4). Moreover,  $\Sigma^{<s}(X) = \bigoplus_{r < s} X_r$  so that  $\text{gr}_{\Sigma(X)}(A)$  can be identified with  $\bigoplus_{s \in S} X_s$  as graded vector spaces, and under this identification the product  $\circ$  in  $\text{gr}_{\Sigma(X)}(A)$  is

$$x \circ y = \pi_{r+s}(xy)$$

where  $x \in X_r$ ,  $y \in X_s$ ,  $xy$  is the product in  $A$  and  $\pi_{r+s} : \Sigma^{r+s}(X) \rightarrow X_{r+s}$  is the canonical projection. All the filtrations used in the subsequent sections are of this form.

Recall that an order relation  $\leq$  is called *well-founded* if any decreasing chain  $s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \dots$  is eventually constant. The relevance of filtered algebras in the present paper comes from the following criterion :

**Lemma 2.1.** *Assume that the order relation  $\leq$  on  $S$  is well-founded and let  $F = (F^s)_{s \in S}$  be a filtration of  $A$ . If  $\text{gr}_F(A)$  is Noetherian, then  $A$  is Noetherian.*

See e.g. [VY20, Lem. 3.130] for the proof. We note that the converse statement is false in general (see [MCR01, §1.6.9] for a simple counter-example).

A strategy to prove the Noetherianity of some algebra  $A$  is then to find a filtration  $F$  of  $A$  such that  $\text{gr}_F(A)$  is simpler to analyze. For the algebras  $A$  considered in this paper, we will define  $F$  in such a way that the following criterion from [BG02, Prop. I.8.17] applies to  $\text{gr}_F(A)$ :

**Lemma 2.2.** *If an associative  $k$ -algebra is generated by elements  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  such that*

$$\forall 1 \leq j < i \leq m, \quad u_i u_j = q_{ij} u_j u_i + \sum_{s=1}^{j-1} \sum_{t=1}^m \left( \alpha_{st}^{ij} u_s u_t + \beta_{st}^{ij} u_t u_s \right)$$

for certain scalars  $q_{ij} \in k^\times$ ,  $\alpha_{st}^{ij}, \beta_{st}^{ij} \in k$ , then it is Noetherian.

Finally, we record two classical transfer results:

**Lemma 2.3.** *Assume that the order relation  $\leq$  on  $S$  is well-founded and let  $F = (F^s)_{s \in S}$  be a filtration of  $A$ . If  $\text{gr}_F(A)$  is finitely generated, then  $A$  is finitely generated as well.*

*Proof.* The easy proof by well-founded induction is left to the reader.  $\square$

We say that  $F = (F^s)_{s \in S}$  is *locally bounded below* if for each nonzero element  $a \in A$  the set of all  $s \in S$  such that  $a \in F^s$  has a minimal element. We have (see e.g. [MCR01, §1.6.6] or [VY20, Lem. 3.130]):

**Lemma 2.4.** *Assume that  $(S, \leq)$  is totally ordered and  $F = (F^s)_{s \in S}$  is a filtration of  $A$  which is locally bounded below. If  $\text{gr}_F(A)$  has no non-trivial zero divisors, then  $A$  has no non-trivial zero divisors as well.*

**2.3. Semisimple Lie algebras.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a finite-dimensional complex simple Lie algebra; one can more generally adapt the notations to handle the case of finite-dimensional complex semisimple Lie algebras, by replacing  $D$  below with the lowest common multiple of the corresponding integers for the simple components of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Here we fix the notations regarding  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

We denote by  $m$  the rank of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and its Cartan matrix by  $(a_{ij})$ . We fix a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  and a basis of simple roots  $\alpha_i \in \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$ . Let  $\mathfrak{b}_{\pm}$  be the associated Borel subalgebras. We denote by  $N$  the number of positive roots of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Let  $d_1, \dots, d_m$  be the unique coprime integers such that the matrix  $(d_i a_{ij})$  is symmetric. There is an inner product  $(-, -)$  on  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$  defined by  $(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = d_i a_{ij}$  on the simple roots. The simple coroots are  $\alpha_i^{\vee} = d_i^{-1} \alpha_i$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , so that  $(\alpha_i, \alpha_i^{\vee}) = 2$ .

The root lattice is  $Q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \mathbb{Z} \alpha_i \subset \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$ . The weight lattice  $P$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice formed by all the  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$  satisfying  $(\lambda, \alpha_i^{\vee}) \in \mathbb{Z}$  for every  $i$ . The fundamental weights  $\varpi_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , are defined by  $(\varpi_i, \alpha_j^{\vee}) = \delta_{ij}$  for all  $j$ . Then  $P = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \mathbb{Z} \varpi_i$ . We have  $Q \subset P$  and we denote by  $D$  the smallest positive integer such that  $DP \subset Q$ . Note that  $D$  is also the corank of  $Q$  in  $P$ .

The cone of dominant integral weights is  $P_+ = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \mathbb{N} \varpi_i$ . We also put  $Q_+ = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \mathbb{N} \alpha_i$ . Note that  $Q_+ \not\subset P_+$ . But  $P_+ \subset D^{-1} Q_+$ , which is due to the classical fact that the inverse of the Cartan matrix has coefficients in  $D^{-1} \mathbb{N}$ .

The standard partial order  $\leq$  on  $P$  is defined by  $\lambda \leq \mu$  if and only if  $\mu - \lambda \in Q_+$ . We will need another partial order  $\preceq$  on  $P$ , defined by  $\lambda \preceq \mu$  if and only if  $\mu - \lambda \in D^{-1} Q_+$ . Note that  $\lambda \leq \mu$  implies  $\lambda \preceq \mu$ . The advantage of  $\preceq$  is that it satisfies the condition (4), contrarily to  $\leq$ .

**2.4. Quantum group  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ .** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a semisimple finite-dimensional Lie algebra of rank  $m$  and let  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  be the field of fractions of  $\mathbb{C}[q]$ , where  $q$  is an indeterminate. The *simply connected quantum group*  $U_q = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is the  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -algebra generated by  $E_i, F_i, L_i^{\pm 1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq m$  modulo the relations

$$L_i^{\pm 1} L_i^{\mp 1} = 1, \quad L_i L_j = L_j L_i, \quad L_i E_j = q_i^{\delta_{i,j}} E_j L_i, \quad L_i F_j = q_i^{-\delta_{i,j}} F_j L_i,$$

$$E_i F_j - F_j E_i = \delta_{i,j} \frac{K_i - K_i^{-1}}{q_i - q_i^{-1}},$$

$q$ -Serre relations (see e.g. [VY20, Def. 3.13])

where  $q_i = q^{d_i}$  and for  $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^m n_i \varpi_i \in P$  we set  $K_{\mu} = \prod_{i=1}^m L_i^{n_i}$  and  $K_i = K_{\alpha_i} = \prod_{j=1}^m L_j^{a_{ji}}$ . The Hopf algebra structure on  $U_q$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(E_i) &= E_i \otimes K_i + 1 \otimes E_i, & \Delta(F_i) &= F_i \otimes 1 + K_i^{-1} \otimes F_i, & \Delta(L_i) &= L_i \otimes L_i, \\ S(E_i) &= -E_i K_i^{-1}, & S(F_i) &= -K_i F_i, & S(L_i) &= L_i^{-1}, \\ \varepsilon(E_i) &= 0, & \varepsilon(F_i) &= 0, & \varepsilon(L_i) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $U_q(\mathfrak{h})$ ,  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)$  and  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_-)$  the subalgebras of  $U_q$  generated respectively by  $(K_{\mu})_{\mu \in P}$ ,  $(E_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  and  $(F_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ .

The *adjoint quantum group*  $U_q^{\text{ad}} = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the Hopf subalgebra of  $U_q$  generated by the elements  $E_i, F_i, K_i$ . In particular  $K_{\alpha} \in U_q^{\text{ad}}$  for all  $\alpha \in Q$ .

Fix a reduced expression  $s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_N}$  of the longest element  $w_0$  of the Weyl group of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , where as usual  $s_i : \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^* \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{R}}^*$ ,  $\alpha_j \mapsto \alpha_j - a_{ij} \alpha_i$ . This expression induces a total ordering of the positive roots:

$$\beta_1 = \alpha_{i_1}, \quad \beta_k = s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_{k-1}}(\alpha_{i_k})$$

for all  $2 \leq k \leq N$ . The *root vectors* of  $U_q$  associated to this ordering are

$$E_{\beta_1} = E_{i_1}, \quad E_{\beta_k} = T_{i_1} \cdots T_{i_{k-1}}(E_{i_k}), \quad F_{\beta_1} = F_{i_1}, \quad F_{\beta_k} = T_{i_1} \cdots T_{i_{k-1}}(F_{i_k})$$

for all  $2 \leq k \leq N$ , where the  $T_i$  are Lusztig's algebra automorphisms whose defining formulas can be found e.g. in [VY20, Th. 3.58]. We record that for any  $\mu \in P$ ,

$$(5) \quad K_\mu E_{\beta_j} = q^{(\mu, \beta_j)} E_{\beta_j} K_\mu, \quad K_\mu F_{\beta_j} = q^{-(\mu, \beta_j)} F_{\beta_j} K_\mu.$$

For  $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N$ ,  $\mu \in P$  and  $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, \dots, s_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N$  consider the monomial

$$(6) \quad X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s}) = F_{\beta_N}^{t_N} \cdots F_{\beta_1}^{t_1} K_\mu E_{\beta_N}^{s_N} \cdots E_{\beta_1}^{s_1}.$$

It is a theorem that these monomials form a basis of  $U_q$ , called the *Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt basis* (PBW basis). In particular the elements  $X(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s})$  form a basis of  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)$  (where  $\mathbf{0} = (0, \dots, 0)$ ), the elements  $X(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})$  form a basis of  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_-)$  and the elements  $K_\mu = X(\mathbf{0}, \mu, \mathbf{0})$  form a basis of  $U_q(\mathfrak{h})$ .

Recall that the *height* of an element in  $Q$  is  $\text{ht}(\sum_i k_i \alpha_i) = \sum_i k_i$ , and let

$$\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s})) = \sum_{i=1}^N (t_i + s_i) \text{ht}(\beta_i).$$

Then the *degree* of  $X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s})$  is defined as

$$d(X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s})) = (s_N, \dots, s_1, t_N, \dots, t_1, \text{ht}(X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s}))) \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}.$$

The set  $\mathbb{N}^{2N+1}$  is a totally ordered additive monoid for the lexicographic order given by

$$(7) \quad (1, 0, \dots, 0) < (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) < \dots < (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0) < (0, \dots, 0, 1).$$

For  $\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}$ , denote by  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}}$  the subspace of  $U_q$  spanned by the monomials  $X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s})$  of degree  $\leq \mathbf{m}$ . It was shown in [DCK90, Prop 1.7] that  $(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}})_{\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}}$  is an algebra filtration of  $U_q$  and that the graded algebra  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}^{\mathbf{m}}(U_q)$  is quasi-polynomial, generated by the cosets

$$\overline{E_{\beta_i}} = E_{\beta_i} + \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{<d(E_{\beta_i})}, \quad \overline{F_{\beta_i}} = F_{\beta_i} + \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{<d(F_{\beta_i})}, \quad \overline{K_\nu} = K_\nu + \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{<d(K_\nu)}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq N$  and  $\nu \in P$  (note that  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{<d(K_\mu)} = 0$  since  $d(K_\mu) = \mathbf{0}$ ), modulo the relations

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \overline{E_{\beta_i}} \overline{E_{\beta_j}} &= q^{(\beta_i, \beta_j)} \overline{E_{\beta_j}} \overline{E_{\beta_i}}, & \overline{F_{\beta_i}} \overline{F_{\beta_j}} &= q^{(\beta_i, \beta_j)} \overline{F_{\beta_j}} \overline{F_{\beta_i}}, & \overline{E_{\beta_i}} \overline{F_{\beta_j}} &= \overline{F_{\beta_j}} \overline{E_{\beta_i}}, \\ \overline{K_\mu} \overline{E_{\beta_j}} &= q^{(\mu, \beta_j)} \overline{E_{\beta_j}} \overline{K_\mu}, & \overline{K_\mu} \overline{F_{\beta_j}} &= q^{-(\mu, \beta_j)} \overline{F_{\beta_j}} \overline{K_\mu}, & \overline{K_\mu} \overline{K_\nu} &= \overline{K_{\mu+\nu}}. \end{aligned}$$

The following facts describe the effect of the coproduct  $\Delta$  on the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}$ ; this will be useful later.

**Proposition 2.5.** *We have*

$$\Delta(E_{\beta_j}) = E_{\beta_j} \otimes K_{\beta_j} + \sum_k c_k X(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s}'_k) \otimes X(\mathbf{0}, \mu_k, \mathbf{s}''_k) + 1 \otimes E_{\beta_j}$$

with  $\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s}'_k)) < \text{ht}(\beta_j)$  and  $\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{0}, \mu_k, \mathbf{s}''_k)) < \text{ht}(\beta_j)$  for all  $k$ , and  $c_k \in \mathbb{C}(q)$ . Similarly

$$\Delta(F_{\beta_j}) = F_{\beta_j} \otimes 1 + \sum_k d_k X(\mathbf{t}'_k, \nu_k, \mathbf{0}) \otimes X(\mathbf{t}''_k, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}) + K_{-\beta_j} \otimes F_{\beta_j}$$

with  $\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{t}'_k, \nu_k, \mathbf{0})) < \text{ht}(\beta_j)$  and  $\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{t}''_k, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})) < \text{ht}(\beta_j)$  for all  $k$ , and  $d_k \in \mathbb{C}(q)$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)^\lambda = \{x \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+) \mid \forall \nu \in P, K_\nu x K_\nu^{-1} = q^{(\nu, \lambda)} x\}$$

which is the space of vectors in  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)$  with weight  $\lambda \in P$  for the adjoint action of  $U_q$ . Due to (5) we have  $E_{\beta_j} \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)_{\beta_j}$ . By [Jan96, Lem 4.12] (see also [Krä03, Prop. 1] for the exact statement used here) there exist elements  $x'_i \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)_{\gamma_i}$  and  $x''_i \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)_{\beta_j - \gamma_i}$  with  $\gamma_i \in Q$  satisfying  $0 < \gamma_i < \beta_j$  such that

$$\Delta(E_{\beta_j}) = E_{\beta_j} \otimes K_{\beta_j} + \sum_i x'_i \otimes x''_i K_{\gamma_i} + 1 \otimes E_{\beta_j}.$$

Since the monomials  $X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s})$  form a basis of  $U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)$  we can rewrite this as

$$\Delta(E_{\beta_j}) = E_{\beta_j} \otimes K_{\beta_j} + \sum_k c_k X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s}'_k) \otimes X(\mathbf{0}, \mu_k, \mathbf{s}''_k) + 1 \otimes E_{\beta_j}$$

where for all  $k$ :  $c_k \in \mathbb{C}(q)$ ,  $X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s}'_k) \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)_{\mu_k}$  and  $X(\mathbf{0}, \mu_k, \mathbf{s}''_k) \in U_q(\mathfrak{n}_+)_{\beta_j - \mu_k}$  for some  $\mu_k \in Q$  such that  $0 < \mu_k < \beta_j$ . Write  $\mathbf{s}'_k = (s'_{k,1}, \dots, s'_{k,N})$  and note by (5) that

$$K_\nu X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s}'_k) K_\nu^{-1} = q^{(\nu, s'_{k,1}\beta_1 + \dots + s'_{k,N}\beta_N)} X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s}'_k)$$

for all  $\nu \in P$ . Hence  $s'_{k,1}\beta_1 + \dots + s'_{k,N}\beta_N = \mu_k$  and we get

$$\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{0}, 0, \mathbf{s}'_k)) = \text{ht}(s'_{k,1}\beta_1 + \dots + s'_{k,N}\beta_N) = \text{ht}(\mu_k) < \text{ht}(\mu_k) + \text{ht}(\beta_j - \mu_k) = \text{ht}(\beta_j).$$

We obtain similarly that  $\text{ht}(X(\mathbf{0}, \mu_k, \mathbf{s}''_k)) < \text{ht}(\beta_j)$ . The proof for  $F_{\beta_j}$  is completely analogous.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.6.** *For all  $\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}$  we have  $\Delta(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}}) \subset \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}}$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.5 and by definition of the degree  $d$  and of the order  $<$  on  $\mathbb{N}^{2N+1}$  we have  $\Delta(E_{\beta_j}) \in \left(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{d(E_{\beta_j})}\right)^{\otimes 2}$  and  $\Delta(F_{\beta_j}) \in \left(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{d(F_{\beta_j})}\right)^{\otimes 2}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s})) &= \Delta(F_{\beta_N})^{t_N} \dots \Delta(F_{\beta_1})^{t_1} \Delta(K_\mu) \Delta(E_{\beta_N})^{s_N} \dots \Delta(E_{\beta_1})^{s_1} \\ &\in \left(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\sum_{j=1}^N t_j d(F_{\beta_j}) + s_j d(E_{\beta_j})}\right)^{\otimes 2} = \left(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{d(X(\mathbf{t}, \mu, \mathbf{s}))}\right)^{\otimes 2} \end{aligned}$$

and the result follows.  $\square$

**2.5. Categorical completion  $\mathbb{U}_q$  and  $R$ -matrix.** The quantum group  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  is not quasi-triangular in the usual sense. We quickly recall from [BR22] how to overcome this issue.

Let  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_q(\mathfrak{g})$  be the full subcategory of type 1 finite-dimensional modules in  $U_q^{\text{ad}}\text{-mod}$  (see e.g. [CP94, §10.1.A] or [BG02, §I.6.12]). Note that  $\mathcal{C}$  is equivalent to the full subcategory of type 1 finite-dimensional  $U_q$ -modules.

The *categorical completion of  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$*  is the subalgebra  $\mathbb{U}_q^{\text{ad}}$  of  $\prod_{V \in \mathcal{C}} \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}(q)}(V)$  consisting of the sequences  $(a_V)_{V \in \mathcal{C}}$  which satisfy  $f \circ a_V = a_{V'} \circ f$  for any  $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(V, V')$ , i.e. natural transformations  $a : \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  where  $\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{C}(q)}$  is the forgetful functor. It admits a “generalized” Hopf algebra structure such that the map

$$(9) \quad \iota : U_q^{\text{ad}} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_q^{\text{ad}}, \quad h \mapsto (h_V)_{V \in \mathcal{C}}$$

is a morphism of Hopf algebras, where  $h_V$  is the representation of  $h$  on  $V$ . The morphism  $\iota$  is known to be injective and thus  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$  can be seen as a Hopf subalgebra of  $\mathbb{U}_q^{\text{ad}}$ . If moreover we let  $\mathbb{U}_q = \mathbb{U}_q^{\text{ad}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(q)} \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$  be the extension of scalars to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , then  $\iota$  can be extended to an embedding of the simply connected quantum group:

$$\iota : U_q \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_q.$$

There is an analogous notion of categorical completion of  $U_q \otimes U_q$ , denoted by  $\mathbb{U}_q \otimes \mathbb{U}_q$ , see [BR22, §2, §3.2]. The  $R$ -matrix lives in  $\mathbb{U}_q \otimes \mathbb{U}_q$ ; this means that it is a family of  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -linear maps

$$(10) \quad R = (R_{V,W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W)_{V,W \in \mathcal{C}}$$

which is natural (*i.e.* it commutes with the  $U_q$ -morphisms of the form  $f \otimes g$ ). The definition of  $R$  is derived from the  $R$ -matrix of  $U_h(\mathfrak{g})$  [CP94, Th. 8.3.9]: we have  $R = \Theta \hat{R}$ , where

- for all  $V, W \in \mathcal{C}$ , if  $v \in V$  and  $w \in W$  are weight vectors of weights  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  we put

$$(11) \quad \Theta(v \otimes w) = q^{(\mu, \nu)} v \otimes w.$$

Since any module in  $\mathcal{C}$  has a basis of weight vectors, this defines a linear map  $\Theta_{V,W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W$  and  $\Theta = (\Theta_{V,W})_{V,W \in \mathcal{C}}$  is an element of  $\mathbb{U}_q^{\otimes 2}$ .

- $\hat{R}$  is written formally as  $\prod_{i=1}^N \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} z_{i,n} E_{\beta_i}^n \otimes F_{\beta_i}^n$ , where the  $z_{i,n}$  are coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  such that  $z_{i,0} = 1$  for all  $i$ . Since the actions of  $E_{\beta_i}$  and  $F_{\beta_i}$  are nilpotent on any finite-dimensional module, the action of these infinite sums on  $V \otimes W$  gives a well-defined linear map  $\hat{R}_{V,W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W$  for all  $V, W \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $\hat{R} = (\hat{R}_{V,W})_{V,W \in \mathcal{C}}$  is an element of  $\mathbb{U}_q^{\otimes 2}$ .

Since  $\Theta_{V,W} \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}(q)}(V \otimes W) = \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}(q)}(V) \otimes \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}(q)}(W)$ , we can write  $\Theta_{V,W} = \sum_i \Theta_{(1),i}^V \otimes \Theta_{(2),i}^W$ . From this observation we allow ourselves to use the notation  $\Theta = \Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)}$ , which will be very convenient in later computations. Let  $v$  be a vector of weight  $\mu \in P$  in some  $V \in \mathcal{C}$ ; then we have

$$(12) \quad \Theta_{(1)} v \otimes \Theta_{(2)} = v \otimes K_\mu, \quad \Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)} v = K_\mu \otimes v.$$

Indeed,  $\Theta_{V,-} = (\Theta_{V,W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W)_{W \in \mathcal{C}}$  is a family of linear maps indexed by  $W$ , so by definition  $\Theta_{V,-} \in \text{End}(V) \otimes \mathbb{U}_q$ . Thus  $\Theta_{(1)} v \otimes \Theta_{(2)} = \Theta_{V,-}(v \otimes ?) \in V \otimes \mathbb{U}_q$ . If  $w \in W$  is a vector of weight  $\nu$  we have  $\Theta_{V,W}(v \otimes w) = q^{(\mu, \nu)} v \otimes w = v \otimes K_\mu w$ , which means that  $\Theta_{V,-}(v \otimes ?) = v \otimes K_\mu$  as desired. We also note that

$$(S \otimes \text{id})(\Theta) = (\text{id} \otimes S)(\Theta) = \Theta^{-1}$$

and we allow ourselves to write these elements as  $S(\Theta_{(1)}) \otimes \Theta_{(2)}$  and  $\Theta_{(1)} \otimes S(\Theta_{(2)})$ . Finally it is obvious that

$$(13) \quad K_\nu \Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)} = \Theta_{(1)} K_\nu \otimes \Theta_{(2)}, \quad \Theta_{(1)} \otimes K_\nu \Theta_{(2)} = \Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)} K_\nu$$

for all  $\nu \in P$ .

Using the PBW basis (6) to rewrite  $\hat{R}$ , we get

$$(14) \quad R = \Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)} + \sum_{k \geq 1} z_k \Theta_{(1)} X(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s}_k) \otimes \Theta_{(2)} X(\mathbf{s}_k, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})$$

where  $z_k \in \mathbb{C}(q)$  and for each  $k \geq 1$  we have  $\mathbf{s}_k \neq \mathbf{0}$ . This expression of  $R$  will be abridged as a formal sum

$$R = \sum_{(R)} R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)}.$$

Let  $R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)}$  be one of the summands in (14); we see from (5) and (13) that

$$(15) \quad K_\nu R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)} = q^{(\nu, \gamma)} R_{(1)} K_\nu \otimes R_{(2)} \quad R_{(1)} \otimes K_\nu R_{(2)} = q^{-(\nu, \gamma)} R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)} K_\nu$$

for some  $\gamma \in Q_+$ . In particular  $\gamma = 0$  if and only if  $R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)}$  is the first summand of  $R$ , namely  $\Theta_{(1)} \otimes \Theta_{(2)}$ .

**2.6. Quantized coordinate algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)$ .** Recall that  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is the full subcategory of  $U_q^{\text{ad}}\text{-mod}$  whose objects are the (finite-dimensional) modules of type 1. The subcategory  $\mathcal{C}$  contains the trivial module and is stable by tensor product and dual.

Let  $G$  be the connected, complex, semisimple algebraic group  $G$  with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . The *quantized coordinate algebra*  $\mathcal{O}_q = \mathcal{O}_q(G)$  is the subspace of  $(U_q^{\text{ad}})^\circ$  spanned over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  by the family of all matrix coefficients of objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  [BG02, Chap. I.7]. Note that  $\mathcal{O}_q = (U_q^{\text{ad}})_{\mathcal{C}}^\circ$  in the notations of §2.1 and hence  $\mathcal{O}_q$  is a Hopf algebra. We denote by  $\star$  the product in  $\mathcal{O}_q$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}$  is semisimple,  $\mathcal{O}_q$  is spanned over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  by the matrix coefficients of the irreducible finite-dimensional  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -modules of type 1.

Let  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) = \mathcal{O}_q \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(q)} \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$  be the extension of scalars to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , where  $D \in \mathbb{N}$  is defined in §2.3. There is a non-degenerate pairing

$$(16) \quad \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) \otimes \mathbb{U}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D}), \quad \langle_V \phi_v^w, (a_X)_{X \in \mathcal{C}} \rangle = w(a_V v)$$

which extends the evaluation pairing  $\mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q^{\text{ad}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(q)$ .

For each  $\mu \in P_+$  let  $V_\mu$  be the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module of type 1 with highest weight  $\mu$ . We denote by  $C(\mu)$  the subspace of  $\mathcal{O}_q$  spanned by the matrix coefficients of  $V_\mu$ . We have  $\mathcal{O}_q = \bigoplus_{\mu \in P_+} C(\mu)$ . From the decomposition

$$V_\mu \otimes V_\nu = V_{\mu+\nu} \oplus \bigoplus_{\lambda < \mu+\nu} N_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda V_\lambda$$

where the  $N_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$  are multiplicities and  $\lambda \leq \kappa$  means that  $\kappa - \lambda \in Q_+$ , we deduce that

$$(17) \quad C(\mu) \star C(\nu) = C(\mu + \nu) \oplus \bigoplus_{\lambda < \mu+\nu} \delta_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda C(\lambda)$$

where  $\delta_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda$  is 0 or 1, depending if  $N_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda = 0$  or  $N_{\mu,\nu}^\lambda > 0$ .

### 3. THE HANDLE ALGEBRA $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$

Let  $H$  be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode. In the first papers on combinatorial quantization like [Ale94, AGS95, BR95], the *handle algebra*  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  was defined by matrix relations which describe the commutation relations in the algebra. Here we give a more intrinsic definition, as a twist of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$ . The seminal definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  based on matrix relations will be recovered in Proposition 3.4.

**3.1. Definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ .** Recall that an invertible element  $J \in H^{\otimes 2}$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} (J \otimes 1) (\Delta \otimes \text{id})(J) &= (1 \otimes J) (\text{id} \otimes \Delta)(J), \\ (\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})(J) &= (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)(J) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

is called a *twist* for  $H$ . We can define a new Hopf algebra  $H_J$ , called the *twist of  $H$  by  $J$* , which is  $H$  as an algebra but whose coproduct, counit and antipode are (for  $h \in H$ )

$$\Delta_{H_J}(h) = J \Delta_H(h) J^{-1}, \quad \varepsilon_{H_J}(h) = \varepsilon_H(h), \quad S_{H_J}(h) = u S_H(h) u^{-1}$$

with  $u = \sum_{(J)} J_{(1)} S(J_{(2)})$  if we write  $J = \sum_{(J)} J_{(1)} \otimes J_{(2)}$ . If  $(A, m_A, \cdot)$  is a right  $H$ -module-algebra we can define a right  $H_J$ -module-algebra  $A_J$ , called the *twist of  $A$  by  $J$* , which is  $A$  as a vector space and whose product is

$$(18) \quad m_{A_J}(x \otimes y) = \sum_{(J)} m_A(x \cdot J_{(1)} \otimes y \cdot J_{(2)})$$

(where  $m_A$  is the product in  $A$ ). The right action  $\cdot : A_J \otimes H_J \rightarrow A_J$  is equal to the original action  $\cdot : A \otimes H \rightarrow A$ .

Following the conventions of [BR22, BR21] recalled in §2.1, we write the  $R$ -matrix of  $H$  as

$$R = \sum_{(R)} R_{(1)} \otimes R_{(2)} \in H^{\otimes 2}.$$

We first recall from [BR22, §4] the construction of the *loop algebra*  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  as a twist of the restricted dual  $H^\circ$  (see §2.1 for the definition of  $H^\circ$ ). Denote by  $\triangleright$  and  $\triangleleft$  the left and right coregular actions of  $H$  on  $H^\circ$  respectively:

$$(19) \quad x \triangleright \varphi = \sum_{(\varphi)} \varphi_{(1)} \langle \varphi_{(2)}, x \rangle, \quad \varphi \triangleleft x = \sum_{(\varphi)} \langle \varphi_{(1)}, x \rangle \varphi_{(2)}$$

where  $x \in H$ ,  $\varphi \in H^\circ$  and we use Sweedler's notation  $\Delta_{H^\circ}(\varphi) = \sum_{(\varphi)} \varphi_{(1)} \otimes \varphi_{(2)}$ . Let  $H \otimes H^{\text{cop}}$  be endowed with the usual Hopf algebra structure on tensor products. Introduce

$$(20) \quad F = R_{32}R_{42} = \sum_{(R^1), (R^2)} (1 \otimes R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 \otimes R_{(1)}^2) \in (H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})^{\otimes 2}.$$

Here we write  $R_{32} = \sum_{(R)} 1 \otimes R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)} \otimes 1$  and  $R_{42} = \sum_{(R)} 1 \otimes R_{(2)} \otimes 1 \otimes R_{(1)}$ , which are embeddings of  $R \in H^{\otimes 2}$  into  $(H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})^{\otimes 2}$ , while  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  denote two copies of  $R$ . It is straightforward to check that the element  $F$  is a twist for  $H \otimes H^{\text{cop}}$ , so we can consider the twisted Hopf algebra  $(H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})_F$ , which we denote by  $A_{0,1}(H)$ .

Note that  $H^\circ$  is a right  $(H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})$ -module-algebra for the action

$$(21) \quad \varphi \cdot (x \otimes y) = S(y) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft x \quad (\text{with } \varphi \in H^\circ, x \in H, y \in H^{\text{cop}}).$$

Then  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is defined to be the twist  $(H^\circ)_F$ . Explicitly, it is the vector space  $H^\circ$  with the product

$$(22) \quad \varphi \psi = \sum_{(R^1), (R^2)} (R_{(2)}^2 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \varphi) \star (R_{(1)}^2 \triangleright \psi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1)$$

where  $\star$  is the usual product on  $H^\circ$ , given by  $\eta \star \gamma = (\eta \otimes \gamma) \circ \Delta_H$ . The formula (22) is derived from (20) using the general definition of the twisted product in (18) together with the fact that  $S$  is an antimorphism of algebras and that  $(S \otimes S)(R) = R$ .

By construction,  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is a right  $A_{0,1}(H)$ -module-algebra for the action (21). The co-product  $\Delta_H$ , viewed as a map  $H \rightarrow A_{0,1}(H)$ , is a morphism of Hopf algebras. It follows that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is a right  $H$ -module-algebra for the right coadjoint action, given by

$$(23) \quad \text{coad}^r(h)(\varphi) = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(1)}.$$

In order to define  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ , let

$$\gamma = R_{32}R_{31}R_{42}R_{14}^{-1} = \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} (R_{(2)}^2 S(R_{(1)}^4) \otimes R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^3) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \otimes R_{(1)}^3 R_{(2)}^4) \in A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$$

where  $R^1, \dots, R^4$  are four copies of  $R$  and we used that  $R^{-1} = (S \otimes \text{id})(R)$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *The element  $\gamma$  is a bicharacter of  $A_{0,1}(H)$ , which means that*

$$(\Delta_{A_{0,1}(H)} \otimes \text{id})(\gamma) = \gamma_{23}\gamma_{13}, \quad (\text{id} \otimes \Delta_{A_{0,1}(H)})(\gamma) = \gamma_{12}\gamma_{13}$$

where the subscripts denote embeddings of  $\gamma \in A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$  into  $A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 3}$ . It follows that

$$\Gamma = 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \gamma \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \in A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2} \otimes A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$$



is a twist for  $A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$ .

*Proof.* The two equalities are obtained by straightforward computations using the definition of the coproduct in  $D_F$  and the defining properties of the  $R$ -matrix given e.g. in [CP94, §4.2]; this is left to the reader. The last claim is an easy general fact.  $\square$

It follows that we have the twisted Hopf algebra  $(A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2})_\Gamma$ , which we denote by  $A_{1,0}(H)$ .

**Definition 3.2.** We define  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  as the twist by  $\Gamma$  of the right  $A_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$ -module-algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes 2}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) = (\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H))_\Gamma.$$

Explicitly,  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is the vector space  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  with the product

$$(24) \quad (\beta \otimes \alpha)(\beta' \otimes \alpha') = \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \beta(R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta' \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \otimes (R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) \alpha'$$

where we used that  $(S \otimes S)(R) = R$ . In particular the maps

$$(25) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{i}_A : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \\ \alpha & \longmapsto & 1 \otimes \alpha \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{i}_B : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \\ \beta & \longmapsto & \beta \otimes 1 \end{array}$$

are embeddings of algebras and we have

$$(26) \quad \beta \otimes \alpha = \mathbf{i}_B(\beta) \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha).$$

The choice of the subscripts  $A$  and  $B$  to denote the embeddings will be explained below.

**Lemma 3.3.** The iterated coproduct  $\Delta_H^{(3)} : h \mapsto \sum_{(h)} h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)} \otimes h_{(3)} \otimes h_{(4)}$ , viewed as a map  $H \rightarrow A_{1,0}(H)$ , is a morphism of Hopf algebras.

*Proof.* Straightforward computations left to the reader.  $\square$

Since by definition  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is a right  $A_{1,0}(H)$ -module-algebra, the lemma implies that  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is a right  $H$ -module-algebra with action

$$(27) \quad \text{coad}^r(h)(\beta \otimes \alpha) = \sum_{(h)} \text{coad}^r(h_{(1)})(\beta) \otimes \text{coad}^r(h_{(2)})(\alpha)$$

where we use the  $\text{coad}^r$  from (23). In particular the maps  $\mathbf{i}_A, \mathbf{i}_B$  in (25) are embeddings of  $H$ -module-algebras.

We now recover the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  by matrix relations, which is very helpful in certain proofs. To introduce the notations, let us first recall the case of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ , which has been treated in [BR22, Prop. 4.6]. Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional  $H$ -module,  $(v_i)$  be a basis of  $V$  and  $(v^i)$  be its dual basis. Denote by  ${}_V \phi_j^i$  the matrix coefficients in this basis:  ${}_V \phi_j^i(h) = v^i(h \cdot v_j)$  for  $h \in H$ . Let  $E_{ij}$  be the basis elements of  $\text{End}(V)$  given by  $E_{ij}(v_k) = \delta_{jk} v_i$ . We define

$$(28) \quad M = \sum_{i,j} {}_V \phi_j^i \otimes E_{ij} \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V)$$

which can be seen as a matrix of size  $\dim(V)$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ . Note that  $M$  does not depend on the choice of a basis in  $V$ . By its very definition, the collection of matrices  $M$  satisfies *naturality*:

$$(29) \quad (\text{id} \otimes f) M = M (\text{id} \otimes f)$$

for any  $H$ -linear morphism  $f : V \rightarrow W$ . Consider the embeddings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} j_1 : \text{End}(V) & \longrightarrow & \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W) \\ X & \longmapsto & X \otimes \text{id}_W \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} j_2 : \text{End}(W) & \longrightarrow & \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W) \\ Y & \longmapsto & \text{id}_V \otimes Y \end{array}$$

where  $V$  and  $W$  are any finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules. We define

$$\overset{V}{M}_1 = (\text{id} \otimes j_1)(\overset{V}{M}), \quad \overset{W}{M}_2 = (\text{id} \otimes j_2)(\overset{W}{M}) \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W).$$

Note that  $\overset{V \otimes W}{M}$  can be viewed as an element of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W)$  since  $\text{End}(V \otimes W) = \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W)$ . Finally  $x_{V,W}$  denotes the representation of some  $x \in H^{\otimes 2}$  on  $V \otimes W$  and we implicitly identify  $x_{V,W}$  with  $1 \otimes x_{V,W} \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W)$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is spanned by the coefficients of the matrices  $\overset{V}{M}$  for all  $V$  in  $H$ -mod and (22) is equivalent to the set of all *fusion relations* :

$$(30) \quad \overset{V \otimes W}{M} = \overset{V}{M}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{M}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1}$$

where  $R' = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)}$ . Thanks to the braiding in  $H$ -mod and naturality (29), it is equivalent to

$$(31) \quad \overset{V \otimes W}{M} = R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{M}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{M}_1.$$

From the fusion relation one can check that  $\overset{V}{M}$  is invertible, see e.g. [Fai20b, Prop. 3.3]. Moreover, the equivalence of (30) and (31) gives the so-called reflection equation:

$$(32) \quad R_{V,W} \overset{V}{M}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{M}_2 = \overset{W}{M}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{M}_1 (R')_{V,W}.$$

For  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ , consider the matrices

$$\overset{V}{A} = (\mathbf{i}_A \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{M}), \quad \overset{V}{B} = (\mathbf{i}_B \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{M}) \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V).$$

Since the matrix  $\overset{V}{M}$  is invertible, so are  $\overset{V}{A}$  and  $\overset{V}{B}$ . In mathematical physics,  $\overset{V}{A}$  and  $\overset{V}{B}$  are seen as quantum holonomy matrices associated to the usual generators  $a, b$  of the fundamental group of the torus with an open disk removed.

**Proposition 3.4.** *The following relations hold true for any finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules  $V, W$ :*

$$\overset{V \otimes W}{A} = \overset{V}{A}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \quad (\text{fusion relation})$$

$$\overset{V \otimes W}{B} = \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{B}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \quad (\text{fusion relation})$$

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 = \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \quad (\text{exchange relation})$$

where  $R' = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)}$ . These matrix equalities entirely describe the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ .

*Proof.* We see from (24) and (26) that the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is entirely described by the following formulas:

$$(33) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}_A(\varphi)\mathbf{i}_A(\psi) &= \mathbf{i}_A(\varphi\psi), \\ \mathbf{i}_B(\varphi)\mathbf{i}_B(\psi) &= \mathbf{i}_B(\varphi\psi), \\ \mathbf{i}_A(\varphi)\mathbf{i}_B(\psi) &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \mathbf{i}_B(R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \mathbf{i}_A(R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4). \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $\varphi, \psi$  are matrix coefficients  ${}_V\phi_j^i, {}_W\phi_l^k$  in some bases of  $V$  and  $W$ . We have already recalled above that the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  for matrix coefficients is equivalent to (30). Hence the two first equalities in (33) for matrix coefficients are equivalent to the fusion relations for the matrices  $\overset{V}{A}$  and  $\overset{V}{B}$ . The exchange relation is equivalent to the third equality in (33) for matrix coefficients, as we now show. Note that by the very definition of a representation we have

$$\sum_{i,j} (h \triangleright {}_V\phi_j^i) \otimes E_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} {}_V\phi_j^i \otimes (E_{ij} h_V), \quad \sum_{i,j} ({}_V\phi_j^i \triangleleft h) \otimes E_{ij} = \sum_{i,j} {}_V\phi_j^i \otimes (h_V E_{ij})$$

where  $h_V \in \text{End}(V)$  is the representation of  $h \in H$  on  $V$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{W}{A}_2 \overset{V}{B}_1 &= \sum_{i,j,k,l} \mathbf{i}_A({}_W\phi_l^k) \mathbf{i}_B({}_V\phi_j^i) \otimes E_{ij} \otimes E_{kl} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i,j,k,l \\ (R^1), \dots, (R^4)}} \mathbf{i}_B(R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright {}_V\phi_j^i \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \mathbf{i}_A(R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright {}_W\phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) \otimes E_{ij} \otimes E_{kl} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i,j,k,l \\ (R^1), \dots, (R^4)}} \mathbf{i}_B({}_V\phi_j^i) \mathbf{i}_A({}_W\phi_l^k) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1)_V (R_{(1)}^2)_V E_{ij} (R_{(2)}^4)_V (R_{(1)}^3)_V \\ &\quad \otimes (R_{(2)}^2)_W (R_{(1)}^4)_W E_{kl} (R_{(2)}^3)_W S(R_{(2)}^1)_W \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} (R_{(1)}^1)_{V_1} (R_{(1)}^2)_{V_1} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R_{(2)}^4)_{V_1} (R_{(1)}^3)_{V_1} (R_{(2)}^2)_{W_2} (R_{(1)}^4)_{W_2} \overset{W}{A}_2 (R_{(2)}^3)_{W_2} S(R_{(2)}^1)_{W_2} \\ &= \sum_{(R)} (R_{(1)}^1)_{V_1} R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} S(R_{(2)})_{W_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Using that  $\sum_{(R^1), (R^2)} R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \otimes S(R_{(2)}^2) R_{(2)}^1 = 1 \otimes 1$ , we get

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 = \sum_{(R)} (R_{(1)}^1)_{V_1} \overset{W}{A}_2 \overset{V}{B}_1 (R_{(2)})_{W_2} R_{V,W}^{-1} = \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1}$$

as claimed.

As a result the equalities in (33), which determine the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ , are equivalent to the matrix equalities when  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are matrix coefficients. But the matrix coefficients span  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  as a vector space, so if we know the formulas (33) for matrix coefficients we can actually deduce the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ , which proves the last claim.  $\square$

We will need the following result when discussing the quantum moment maps (see Section 7.2). Assume now  $H$  has a ribbon element  $v$ . For every finite-dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$  define matrices in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V)$  by:

$$(34) \quad \overset{V}{X} = v_V \overset{V}{B} \overset{V}{A}^{-1}, \quad \overset{V}{Y} = v_V \overset{V}{B}^{-1} \overset{V}{A}$$

where  $v_V \in \text{End}(V)$  is the representation of  $v$  on  $V$  and is identified with  $1_{\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)} \otimes v_V$ .

**Lemma 3.5.** *The matrices  $\overset{V}{X}, \overset{V}{Y}$ , and  $\overset{V}{X}\overset{V}{Y} = v_V^2 \overset{V}{B} \overset{V}{A}^{-1} \overset{V}{B}^{-1} \overset{V}{A}$  satisfy the fusion relation (30).*

*Proof.* Recall first that  $v$  is central. It follows that  $v_V$  is a  $H$ -linear endomorphism so by naturality (29) we have  $v_V \overset{V}{M} = \overset{V}{M} v_V$ . Moreover  $(v_V)_1 x_{V,W} = x_{V,W} (v_V)_1$  and  $(v_W)_2 x_{V,W} =$

$x_{V,W}(v_W)_2$  for all  $x \in H^{\otimes 2}$ . Let us show the claim for  $\overset{V}{X}$ ; explanations are below the computation:

$$\begin{aligned}
\overset{V \otimes W}{X} &= (v_V)_1 (v_W)_2 (R' R)_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{B}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2^{-1} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} \\
&= (v_V)_1 (v_W)_2 R_{V,W}^{-1} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{B}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{B}_2 \overset{W}{A}_2^{-1} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} \\
&= (v_V)_1 (v_W)_2 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{B}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2^{-1} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} \\
&= (v_V)_1 (v_W)_2 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{B}_2 \overset{W}{A}_2^{-1} R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} \\
&= R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{X}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{X}_1 = \overset{V}{X}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

For the first equality we used (2) and the fusion relations for the matrices  $B$  and  $A$ , for the third equality we used a variant of (32), for the fourth equality we used the exchange relation in Proposition 3.4, for the fifth equality we used the remarks made at the beginning of the proof and for the sixth equality we used the equivalence of (31) and (30).

The same arguments apply to  $\overset{V}{Y}$ . In order to prove the claim for  $\overset{V}{X}\overset{V}{Y}$  we first show that  $\overset{V}{X}$  and  $\overset{V}{Y}$  satisfy the exchange relation

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{X}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{Y}_2 = \overset{W}{Y}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{X}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1}.$$

By the remarks made at the beginning of the proof it is equivalent to

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2 = \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1}.$$

Now, by using again (32) and the exchange relation in Proposition 3.4 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2 &= R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} (R'_{V,W})^{-1} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 \\
&= \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R'_{V,W} (R'_{V,W})^{-1} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 \\
&= \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1} \\
&= \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} R_{V,W} \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1} \\
&= \overset{W}{B}_2^{-1} \overset{W}{A}_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{B}_1 \overset{V}{A}_1^{-1} R_{V,W}^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

We can now deduce that  $\overset{V}{X}\overset{V}{Y}$  satisfies the fusion relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
\overset{V \otimes W}{X} \overset{V \otimes W}{Y} &= \overset{V}{X}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{Y}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{Y}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \\
&= \overset{V}{X}_1 R'_{V,W} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{Y}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{Y}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \\
&= \overset{V}{X}_1 \overset{V}{Y}_1 R'_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}_2 \overset{W}{Y}_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**3.2. Morphism  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ .** Since the left coregular action (19) endows  $H^\circ$  with a structure of  $H$ -module-algebra, we can consider the smash product  $H^\circ \# H$ , which is denoted

by  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  and is called the Heisenberg double of  $H^\circ$  [Mon93, §4.1.10]. Explicitly, the algebra  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is the vector space  $H^\circ \otimes H$  with the product

$$(35) \quad (\varphi \# x)(\psi \# y) = \sum_{(x)} \varphi \star (x_{(1)} \triangleright \psi) \# x_{(2)}y$$

where we write  $\varphi \# x$  for the element  $\varphi \otimes x \in H^\circ \otimes H$  and  $\star$  is the usual product in  $H^\circ$ .

Consider the following *right* action of  $H$  on  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ , which will be used in Proposition 3.7 below:

$$(36) \quad (\varphi \# x) \cdot h = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(3)} \# S(h_{(1)})xh_{(4)}.$$

**Lemma 3.6.** *The action (36) endows  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  with a structure of right  $H$ -module-algebra.*

*Proof.* We compute:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{(h)} ((\varphi \# x) \cdot h_{(1)})((\psi \# y) \cdot h_{(2)}) \\ &= \sum_{(h)} (S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(3)} \# S(h_{(1)})xh_{(4)}) (S(h_{(6)}) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft h_{(7)} \# S(h_{(5)})yh_{(8)}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{(x),(h) \\ (S(h_{(1)})),(h_{(4)})}} (S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(3)}) \star (S(h_{(1)})_{(1)}x_{(1)}h_{(4)(1)}S(h_{(6)}) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft h_{(7)}) \\ & \quad \# S(h_{(1)})_{(2)}x_{(2)}h_{(4)(2)}S(h_{(5)})yh_{(8)} \\ &= \sum_{(x),(h)} (S(h_{(3)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(4)}) \star (S(h_{(2)})x_{(1)}h_{(5)}S(h_{(8)}) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft h_{(9)}) \\ & \quad \# S(h_{(1)})x_{(2)}h_{(6)}S(h_{(7)})yh_{(10)} \\ &= \sum_{(x),(h)} (S(h_{(3)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(4)}) \star (S(h_{(2)})x_{(1)} \triangleright \psi \triangleleft h_{(5)}) \# S(h_{(1)})x_{(2)}yh_{(6)} \\ &= \sum_{(x),(h)} S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright (\varphi \star (x_{(1)} \triangleright \psi)) \triangleleft h_{(3)} \# S(h_{(1)})x_{(2)}yh_{(4)} = ((\varphi \# x)(\psi \# y)) \cdot h \end{aligned}$$

We used the properties of the antipode  $S$  and for the last step we used that both  $\triangleright$  and  $\triangleleft$  are  $H$ -module-algebra structures on  $H^\circ$ .  $\square$

Recall the map (see [BR22, Th. 4.3] and the references therein)

$$(37) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) & \longrightarrow & H \\ \varphi & \longmapsto & (\varphi \otimes \text{id})(RR') = \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \langle \varphi, R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \rangle R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \end{array}$$

where  $R^1, R^2$  denote two copies of  $R \in H^{\otimes 2}$ . The map  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is a morphism of  $H$ -module-algebras when  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  is endowed with the action  $\text{coad}^r$  in (23) and  $H$  is endowed with the right adjoint action  $\text{ad}^r(h)(x) = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(1)})xh_{(2)}$ . Moreover it take values in  $H^{\text{lf}}$ , the subspace of locally finite elements for  $\text{ad}^r$ .

The morphism (37) relates  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and  $H$ . We now discuss a morphism which relates  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ . Let

$$(38) \quad \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)^{\text{lf}} = \{v \in \mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \mid \dim(v \cdot H) < \infty\}$$

be the subspace of locally finite elements for the action (36). If  $H$  is finite-dimensional, we obviously have  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)^{\text{lf}} = \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ ; but we will see later in the case of  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}$  that  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)^{\text{lf}}$

is in general a strict subspace. The map  $\Phi_{1,0}$  in the next proposition has been introduced (in a different form) in [Ale94, §5].

**Proposition 3.7.** *We have a morphism of right  $H$ -module-algebras*

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \\ \beta \otimes \alpha &\longmapsto \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 \right) \# \left( R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $R^1, R^2, R^3$  are three copies of  $R \in H^{\otimes 2}$  and  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is endowed with the action (36). The morphism  $\Phi_{1,0}$  actually takes values in  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)^{\text{lf}}$ .

*Proof.* Let us first show that  $\Phi_{1,0}$  is a morphism of right  $H$ -modules. Due to (26) it is enough to show that  $\Phi_{1,0} \circ \mathbf{i}_A$  and  $\Phi_{1,0} \circ \mathbf{i}_B$  are  $H$ -linear morphisms  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ . Since  $\Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_A(\alpha)) = 1_{H^\circ} \# \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha)$ , we use that  $\Phi_{0,1}$  intertwines  $\text{coad}^r$  and  $\text{ad}^r$  to get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{1,0}(\text{coad}^r(h)(\mathbf{i}_A(\alpha))) &= \Phi_{1,0} \circ \mathbf{i}_A(\text{coad}^r(h)(\alpha)) = 1_{H^\circ} \# \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(h)(\alpha)) \\ &= \sum_{(h)} 1_{H^\circ} \# S(h_{(1)}) \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha) h_{(2)} = (1_{H^\circ} \# \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha)) \cdot h. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\mathbf{i}_B(\beta)$  we compute:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{1,0}(\text{coad}^r(h)(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta))) &= \Phi_{1,0} \circ \mathbf{i}_B(\text{coad}^r(h)(\beta)) \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \beta \triangleleft h_{(1)} R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 \right) \# R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 S(h_{(4)}) \triangleright \beta \triangleleft h_{(3)} R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 \right) \# S(h_{(1)}) h_{(2)} R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 S(h_{(5)}) h_{(6)} \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 S(h_{(5)}) R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 h_{(2)} R_{(1)}^1 \right) \# S(h_{(1)}) R_{(2)}^3 h_{(3)} S(h_{(4)}) R_{(1)}^2 h_{(6)} \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( S(h_{(3)} S^{-1}(R_{(2)}^1)) R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 h_{(2)} R_{(1)}^1 \right) \# S(h_{(1)}) R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 h_{(4)} \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( S(h_{(2)}) R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 h_{(3)} \right) \# S(h_{(1)}) R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 h_{(4)} \\ &= \Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta)) \cdot h. \end{aligned}$$

We simply used that  $R\Delta_H = \Delta_H^{\text{op}} R$  and that  $(\text{id} \otimes S^{-1})(R) = R^{-1}$ .

The simplest way to show that  $\Phi_{1,0}$  is a morphism of algebras uses the description of the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  based on the matrices  $\overset{V}{A}, \overset{V}{B}$  (Proposition 3.4); see [Ale94] (with different conventions), and [Fai19a, Prop 4.6] where this is done in detail in the present setup.

The last claim is due to the fact that all the elements of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  are locally finite. To see this, recall first that all the elements in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  are locally finite. Indeed, for each finite dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$ , the (finite dimensional) subspace  $C(V) \subset H^\circ$  spanned by the matrix coefficients of  $V$  is stable by  $\text{coad}^r$ . Any element  $v \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  being a finite sum of matrix coefficients, it is contained in some  $C(V_1) + \dots + C(V_n)$  and we have the claim. Now by (26), any element in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  can be written as  $\sum_i \mathbf{i}_B(\beta_i) \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha_i)$ , with  $\alpha_i, \beta_i \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ . Since  $\mathbf{i}_A, \mathbf{i}_B$  are  $H$ -linear,  $\mathbf{i}_B(\beta_i)$  and  $\mathbf{i}_A(\alpha_i)$  are locally finite for each  $i$ , and since  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is a  $H$ -module-algebra the product  $\mathbf{i}_B(\beta_i) \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha_i)$  is locally finite as well.  $\square$

**3.3. The case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ .** Recall from §2.4 that  $U_q = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $U_q^{\text{ad}} = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  denote respectively the simply connected and adjoint quantum groups, which are Hopf algebra over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  and where  $q$  is an indeterminate. The previous definitions of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  must be adapted when  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}$  because this Hopf algebra is not quasitriangular in the usual sense. Indeed, as explained in §2.5, the  $R$ -matrix lives in the categorical completion  $\mathbb{U}_q^{\otimes 2}$ . We can overcome this issue thanks to the pairing (16) and the fact that for any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}_q$

$$(39) \quad \sum_{(R)} \langle \varphi, R_{(1)} \rangle R_{(2)} \in U_q \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{(R)} \langle \varphi, R_{(2)} \rangle R_{(1)} \in U_q$$

(note that *a priori* these elements are in  $\mathbb{U}_q$ ).

As in §2.6, we denote by  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  the extension of scalars to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$  of  $\mathcal{O}_q = \mathcal{O}_q(G)$ . Using (16) we extend the left and right coregular actions (19) of  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$  on  $\mathcal{O}_q$  to left and right coregular actions of  $\mathbb{U}_q$  on  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$ . Hence  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  is a right  $(\mathbb{U}_q \otimes \mathbb{U}_q^{\text{cop}})$ -module-algebra for the action (21). Recall from §2.5 that  $R \in \mathbb{U}_q^{\otimes 2}$  has coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , thus the same is true for the twist  $F$  defined in (20). We have the twisted Hopf algebra  $\mathbb{A}_{0,1} = (\mathbb{U}_q \otimes \mathbb{U}_q^{\text{cop}})_F$  and the twisted module-algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F$ . The latter is the  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  with the product (22), which makes sense due to (39). In [BR22, Prop. 4.1] it is shown that restricting the product of  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F$  on the  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -subspace  $\mathcal{O}_q$  gives a  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -subalgebra. So we can define

**Definition 3.8.**  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q$  endowed with the product (22).

We simply write  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  when  $\mathfrak{g}$  has been fixed.

Let  $\Gamma \in \mathbb{A}_{0,1}^{\otimes 2}$  be the twist which has been introduced in Lemma 3.1. We have the twisted Hopf algebra  $\mathbb{A}_{1,0} = (\mathbb{A}_{0,1}^{\otimes 2})_\Gamma$  and since  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F \otimes \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F$  is a right  $\mathbb{A}_{0,1}^{\otimes 2}$ -module-algebra, we can define

**Definition 3.9.**  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the twist  $(\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F \otimes \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F)_\Gamma$ .

We simply write  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  when  $\mathfrak{g}$  has been fixed. Explicitly,  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  endowed with the product (24). Note that contrarily to the case of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_q \otimes \mathcal{O}_q$  is not a  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -subalgebra so we are forced to work over  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . This is because the terms coming from the  $\Theta$  factors of the  $R$ -matrices (see §2.5), which have coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , do not compensate each other in the exchange relation of Proposition 3.4. Actually  $(\mathcal{O}_q(q^{2/D}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_q(q^{2/D}))_\Gamma$  is a  $\mathbb{C}(q^{2/D})$ -subalgebra of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ ; for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  we have  $D = 2$ , so in this special case we can work over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ .

By construction  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is a right  $\mathbb{A}_{0,1}$ -module-algebra and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is a right  $\mathbb{A}_{1,0}$ -module-algebra. Specializing the results of §3.1, we have morphisms of Hopf algebras

$$\mathbb{U}_q \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}} \mathbb{A}_{0,1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{U}_q \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(3)}} \mathbb{A}_{1,0}$$

where  $\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(3)}$  is the iterated coproduct (see Lemma 3.3). Combining this with the morphism of Hopf algebras  $\iota : U_q \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_q$  introduced below (9), we obtain that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  are right  $U_q$ -module-algebras for the actions  $\text{coad}^r$  in (23) and (27) respectively.

Using the pairing from (16) and the embedding  $\iota : U_q \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_q$ , we get a pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) \otimes U_q(q^{1/D}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$$

where  $U_q(q^{1/D}) = U_q \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(q)} \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$  is the extension of scalars to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . It follows that the left (and right) coregular action of  $U_q(q^{1/D})$  on  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  is well-defined and allows us to define the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}_q = \mathcal{H}_q(\mathfrak{g})$  as the smash product

$$\mathcal{H}_q = \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) \# U_q(q^{1/D}).$$

Explicitly, it is the  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D}) \otimes U_q(q^{1/D})$  endowed with the product (35). For simplicity of notation we often do not write the extension of scalars to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ .

**Proposition 3.10.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{H}_q$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

*Proof.* Recall from §2 the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}})_{\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}}$  of  $U_q$  which is based on the PBW basis. By Corollary 2.6 the family of subspaces  $(\mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}})_{\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{N}^{2N+1}}$  is a filtration of the algebra  $\mathcal{H}_q$ . Indeed, if  $\varphi \# x \in \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}}$  and  $\psi \# y \in \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{n}}$  we have

$$(\varphi \# x)(\psi \# y) = \sum_{(x)} \varphi \star (x_{(1)} \triangleright \psi) \# x_{(2)} y \in \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}+\mathbf{n}}.$$

The associated graded algebra is

$$\text{gr}_{\mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(\mathcal{H}_q) = \mathcal{O}_q \# \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q).$$

Let us explain this equality more precisely. Recall from §2.1 that  ${}_V \phi_j^i$  denote the matrix coefficients of finite-dimensional  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -modules, and assume that for each  $V$  we use a basis of weight vectors  $(v_j)$  with weights  $(\epsilon_j)$ .  $\mathcal{O}_q$  is generated by such matrix coefficients. For simplicity, write  ${}_V \phi_j^i$ ,  $\overline{E_{\beta_i}}$ ,  $\overline{F_{\beta_i}}$ ,  $\overline{K_{\mu}}$  instead of the cosets  $({}_V \phi_j^i \# 1) + \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\leq 0}$ ,  $(\epsilon \# E_{\beta_i}) + \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\leq d(E_{\beta_i})}$ ,  $(\epsilon \# F_{\beta_i}) + \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\leq d(F_{\beta_i})}$ ,  $(\epsilon \# K_{\mu}) + \mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\leq d(K_{\mu})}$  in  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(\mathcal{H}_q)$ . Thanks to Proposition 2.5 we get

$$\overline{E_{\beta_k}} {}_V \phi_j^i = {}_V \phi_j^i \overline{E_{\beta_k}}, \quad \overline{F_{\beta_k}} {}_V \phi_j^i = q^{-(\beta_k, \epsilon_j)} {}_V \phi_j^i \overline{F_{\beta_k}}, \quad \overline{K_{\nu}} {}_V \phi_j^i = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_j)} {}_V \phi_j^i \overline{K_{\nu}}.$$

It follows from these relations and (8) that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(\mathcal{H}_q)$  is a quasi-polynomial ring over  $\mathcal{O}_q$ , generated over  $\mathcal{O}_q$  by  $\overline{E_{\beta_i}}$ ,  $\overline{F_{\beta_i}}$ ,  $\overline{K_{\nu}}$  (with  $1 \leq i \leq N$ ,  $\mu \in P$ ). Since  $\mathcal{O}_q$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors [BG02, Th. I.8.9], it follows from a general result (see e.g. [MCR01, §1.2.9]) that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{O}_q \# \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(\mathcal{H}_q)$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors. By Lemma 2.4,  $\mathcal{H}_q$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors as well.  $\square$

It follows from (39) that the formulas of the maps  $\Phi_{0,1}$  and  $\Phi_{1,0}$  in §3.2 are well-defined and give morphisms of right  $U_q$ -module-algebras

$$\Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \rightarrow U_q, \quad \Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_q$$

where the action on  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is  $\text{coad}^r$  in (23) and (27), the action on  $U_q$  is the right adjoint action  $\text{ad}^r(h)(x) = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(1)}) x h_{(2)}$  and the action on  $\mathcal{H}_q$  is (36). It is known that  $\Phi_{0,1}$  affords an isomorphism of  $U_q$ -module-algebras  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_q^{\text{lf}}$ , where  $U_q^{\text{lf}}$  is the subspace of locally finite elements for  $\text{ad}^r$  [Bau00, Th. 3] (also see [BR22, Th 4.3] for this statement in the present framework). We now prove an analogous statement for  $\Phi_{1,0}$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{H}_q^{\text{lf}}$  the subspace of locally finite elements (see (38)).

- Theorem 3.11.**
1. *The morphism  $\Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_q$  is injective.*
  2. *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*
  3. *The image of  $\Phi_{1,0}$  is  $\mathcal{H}_q^{\text{lf}}$ .*



*Proof.* For simplicity we write  $U_q$  and  $\mathcal{O}_q$  instead of  $U_q(q^{1/D})$  and  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$ .

1. Recall first that  $\Phi_{1,0}(\beta \otimes \alpha) = \Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta) \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha)) = \Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta)) (1_{\mathcal{O}_q} \# \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha))$ . For  $\lambda, \sigma \in P$ , consider

$$\lambda(\mathcal{O}_q)_\sigma = \{\varphi \in \mathcal{O}_q \mid \forall \nu \in P, K_\nu \triangleright \varphi = q^{(\nu, \lambda)} \varphi \text{ and } \varphi \triangleleft K_\nu = q^{(\sigma, \nu)} \varphi\}$$

and note that  $\mathcal{O}_q$  is the direct sum of all these subspaces. It follows that

$$\mathcal{L}_{1,0} = \bigoplus_{\lambda, \sigma \in P} \mathbf{i}_B(\lambda(\mathcal{O}_q)_\sigma) \mathbf{i}_A(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}), \quad \mathcal{H}_q = \bigoplus_{\lambda, \sigma \in P} \lambda(\mathcal{O}_q)_\sigma \# U_q.$$

By (15), if  $\beta \in \lambda(\mathcal{O}_q)_\sigma$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_\nu \triangleright (R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1) \# R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 &= q^{(\nu, \lambda - \gamma_1 - \gamma_2)} (R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1) \# R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \\ (R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1) \triangleleft K_\nu \# R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 &= q^{(\nu, \sigma - \gamma_1 - \gamma_3)} (R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1) \# R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \in Q_+$ . As a result  $\Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta)) \in \bigoplus_{(\lambda', \sigma') \leq (\lambda, \sigma)} \lambda'(\mathcal{O}_q)_{\sigma'} \# U_q$ , where  $\leq$  is the partial order on  $P^2$  defined by  $(\lambda', \sigma') \leq (\lambda, \sigma)$  if and only if  $\lambda - \lambda' \in Q_+$  and  $\sigma - \sigma' \in Q_+$ . Hence thanks to the expression of  $R$  in (14) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{1,0}(\mathbf{i}_B(\beta)) &\in (\Theta_{(2)}^1 \Theta_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft \Theta_{(1)}^3 \Theta_{(1)}^1) \# \Theta_{(2)}^3 \Theta_{(1)}^2 + \bigoplus_{(\lambda', \sigma') < (\lambda, \sigma)} \lambda'(\mathcal{O}_q)_{\sigma'} \# U_q \\ (40) \quad &= q^{(\lambda, \sigma)} \beta \# K_{\lambda + \sigma} + \bigoplus_{(\lambda', \sigma') < (\lambda, \sigma)} \lambda'(\mathcal{O}_q)_{\sigma'} \# U_q \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality is due to (12) (and  $\Theta_1, \Theta_2, \Theta_3$  denote three copies of  $\Theta$ ). We are now in position to show our result. Let  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  be a non-zero element and write it as  $x = \sum_{\lambda, \sigma \in P} \sum_{i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}} \mathbf{i}_B(\beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i}) \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha_{\lambda, \sigma, i})$  with  $\beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i} \in \lambda(\mathcal{O}_q)_\sigma$  for all  $i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}$  and such that for each  $\lambda, \sigma$  the elements  $(\beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i})_{i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}}$  are linearly independent. Take a  $(\lambda, \sigma)$  maximal for the order  $\leq$  such that there exists at least one  $i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}$  with  $\beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i} \neq 0$  and  $\alpha_{\lambda, \sigma, i} \neq 0$ . Then using (40) one obtains

$$\Phi_{1,0}(x) \in q^{(\lambda, \sigma)} \sum_{i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}} \beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i} \# K_{\lambda + \sigma} \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha_{\lambda, \sigma, i}) + \bigoplus_{(\lambda', \sigma') \neq (\lambda, \sigma)} \lambda'(\mathcal{O}_q)_{\sigma'} \# U_q.$$

The morphism  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is injective (see the comments before the theorem); moreover  $K_{\lambda + \sigma}$  is invertible, so there exists at least one  $i \in I_{\lambda, \sigma}$  with  $K_{\lambda + \sigma} \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha_{\lambda, \sigma, i}) \neq 0$  and since the elements  $\beta_{\lambda, \sigma, i}$  are linearly independent we conclude that  $\Phi_{1,0}(x) \neq 0$ .

2. Follows from Proposition 3.10 and item 1.

3. We already know from Proposition 3.7 that  $\text{im}(\Phi_{1,0}) \subset \mathcal{H}_q^{\text{lf}}$ . Let us prove the converse inclusion. Let  $\mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q$  be the tensor product of the right modules  $(\mathcal{O}_q, \text{coad}^r)$  and  $(U_q, \text{ad}^r)$ , *i.e.* the right action is

$$(41) \quad (\varphi \otimes x) \cdot h = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(2)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft h_{(1)} \otimes S(h_{(3)}) x h_{(4)}.$$

As recalled above the theorem,  $\Phi_{0,1}$  provides an isomorphism of  $U_q$ -modules  $(\mathcal{O}_q, \text{coad}^r) \xrightarrow{\sim} (U_q^{\text{lf}}, \text{ad}^r)$ . Hence we have an isomorphism of  $U_q$ -modules

$$\Phi_{0,1} \otimes \text{id} : \mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q \xrightarrow{\sim} U_q^{\text{lf}} \otimes U_q$$

and we see that  $(\mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q)^{\text{lf}} \cong (U_q^{\text{lf}} \otimes U_q)^{\text{lf}} \subset (U_q \otimes U_q)^{\text{lf}} = U_q^{\text{lf}} \otimes U_q^{\text{lf}}$  where the last equality is due to [KLN20, Th. 2]. The converse inclusion being obvious, we conclude that  $(\mathcal{O}_q \otimes$

$U_q)^{\text{lf}} = \mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q^{\text{lf}}$ . Now consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} I : \mathcal{H}_q &\longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q \\ \varphi \# x &\longmapsto \sum_{(R^1), (R^2), (R^3)} S(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^3 \otimes S(R_{(2)}^3 R_{(2)}^2) x. \end{aligned}$$

It is an isomorphism of  $U_q$ -modules, thanks to a straightforward computation which uses  $R\Delta = \Delta^{\text{op}}R$  to pass from the action (36) to the action (41). Another computation which uses  $(\text{id} \otimes S^{-1})(R) = R^{-1}$  reveals that

$$(42) \quad I \circ \Phi_{1,0}(\beta \otimes \alpha) = \sum_{(\beta)} \beta_{(1)} \otimes \Phi_{0,1}(\beta_{(2)}\alpha)$$

where  $\sum_{(\beta)} \beta_{(1)} \otimes \beta_{(2)}$  is the coproduct of  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{O}_q$  and  $\beta_{(2)}\alpha$  is the product of  $\beta_{(2)}$  and  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ . We need one more fact: there is a map  $S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  such that  $\sum_{(\varphi)} \varphi_{(1)} S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}(\varphi_{(2)}) = \varepsilon(\varphi) 1_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}$  for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ ; it is given by

$$S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}(\varphi) = \sum_{(R)} S_{\mathcal{O}_q}(S(R_{(1)}) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(2)} u^{-1})$$

where  $S_{\mathcal{O}_q}$  is the antipode of  $\mathcal{O}_q$  and  $u = \sum_{(R)} S(R_{(2)})R_{(1)}$  is the Drinfeld element, which satisfies  $S^2(x) = u x u^{-1}$  for all  $x \in U_q$ . In fact,  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is isomorphic to a coend [Fai20a, Prop. 6.3] which has a natural structure of a Hopf algebra, and  $S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}$  is the antipode for this structure. We are finally ready to conclude. Take  $\psi \otimes y \in (\mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q)^{\text{lf}}$ . By the above discussion we know that  $y \in U_q^{\text{lf}}$ , so there exists  $\gamma \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  such that  $y = \Phi_{0,1}(\gamma)$ . By (42) and the property of  $S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}$  we find

$$I \circ \Phi_{1,0} \left( \sum_{(\psi)} \psi_{(1)} \otimes S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}(\psi_{(2)})\gamma \right) = \sum_{(\psi)} \psi_{(1)} \otimes \Phi_{0,1}(\psi_{(2)} S_{\mathcal{L}_{0,1}}(\psi_{(3)})\gamma) = \psi \otimes y$$

which proves that  $\text{im}(I \circ \Phi_{1,0}) = (\mathcal{O}_q \otimes U_q)^{\text{lf}}$ . Since  $I$  is an isomorphism of  $U_q$ -modules the result follows.  $\square$

Note that  $\mathcal{H}_q^{\text{lf}}$  is a strict subspace of  $\mathcal{H}_q$ . Observe for instance that the action (36) is such that  $(1_{\mathcal{O}_q} \# x) \cdot h = 1_{\mathcal{O}_q} \# \text{ad}^r(h)(x)$ . Thus if  $x \in U_q$  is not locally finite then  $1_{\mathcal{O}_q} \# x \notin \mathcal{H}_q^{\text{lf}}$ . For instance one can take  $x = K_i$ .

**3.4. Noetherianity of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ .** The strategy is to construct a filtration on  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  and to show that the associated graded algebra satisfies the relations in Lemma 2.2. First we need to recall and adapt a filtration of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  taken from [VY20].

For  $\mu \in P_+$  and  $\lambda \in P$  we define

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda C(\mu) &= \{ \varphi \in C(\mu) \mid \forall \nu \in P, K_\nu \triangleright \varphi = q^{(\lambda, \nu)} \varphi \}, \\ C(\mu)_\lambda &= \{ \varphi \in C(\mu) \mid \forall \nu \in P, \varphi \triangleleft K_\nu = q^{(\lambda, \nu)} \varphi \} \end{aligned}$$

where  $C(\mu)$  is the subspace of matrix coefficients of  $V_\mu$ , the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module with highest weight  $\mu$ . Consider the ordered abelian monoid

$$(43) \quad \Lambda = \{ (\mu, \lambda) \in P_+ \times P \mid \lambda \text{ is a weight of } V_\mu \}$$

for the order  $\preceq$  defined by  $(\mu', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \lambda)$  if and only if  $\mu' \preceq \mu$  and  $\lambda' \preceq \lambda$ , where the order  $\preceq$  on  $P$  is defined in §2.3. Note that  $\preceq$  is well-founded on  $\Lambda$  (although it is not on  $P_+ \times P$ ) and satisfies condition (4).

It is not difficult to show that

$$\lambda C(\mu) \chi' C(\mu') = \bigoplus_{(\nu, \kappa) \preceq (\mu + \mu', \lambda + \lambda')} \kappa C(\nu)$$

in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  (see [VY20, §3.14.4], but with a slightly different product), and similarly for the subspaces  $C(\mu)_\lambda$ . By the general discussion of §2.2 it follows that we have filtrations  $\mathcal{F}_\ell, \mathcal{F}_r$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  given by

$$\mathcal{F}_\ell^{\mu, \lambda} = \bigoplus_{(\mu', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \lambda)} \chi' C(\mu') \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}_r^{\mu, \lambda} = \bigoplus_{(\mu', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \lambda)} C(\mu') \chi'$$

for all  $(\mu, \lambda) \in \Lambda$ . The filtration  $\mathcal{F}_\ell$  has been used in [BR21, §3] where it was denoted by  $\mathcal{F}_2$ .

For  $x \in \{\ell, r\}$ , let  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  be the graded algebra associated to  $\mathcal{F}_x$  (see §2.2). The vector space  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  can be identified with  $\mathcal{O}_q$ : we identify  $\varphi \in \lambda C(\mu)$  (resp.  $\varphi \in C(\mu)_\lambda$ ) with  $\varphi + \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\prec \mu, \lambda}$  (resp.  $\varphi + \mathcal{F}_r^{\prec \mu, \lambda}$ ). We denote by  $\circ_x$  the product on  $\mathcal{O}_q$  obtained through this identification.

We introduce some notations in order to describe the product  $\circ_x$ . For  $\mu \in P_+$ , denote by  $e_1^\mu, \dots, e_m^\mu$  a basis of weight vectors of  $V_\mu$ . Let  $\epsilon_i^\mu \in P$  be the weight of  $e_i^\mu$  and assume that the vectors are numbered in such a way that  $\epsilon_i^\mu \succ \epsilon_j^\mu$  implies  $i < j$ . Let  $e_1^\mu, \dots, e_m^\mu$  be the dual basis and let  ${}_\mu \phi_j^i : x \mapsto e_\mu^i(x \cdot e_j^\mu)$  be the associated matrix coefficients. Note that

$$(44) \quad K_\nu \triangleright {}_\mu \phi_j^i = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_j^\mu)} {}_\mu \phi_j^i, \quad \text{and} \quad {}_\mu \phi_j^i \triangleleft K_\nu = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_i^\mu)} {}_\mu \phi_j^i$$

or in other words  ${}_\mu \phi_j^i \in \epsilon_j^\mu C(\mu)$  and  ${}_\mu \phi_j^i \in C(\mu)_{\epsilon_i^\mu}$ . We use similar notations for a basis  $e_1^\eta, \dots, e_n^\eta$  of  $V_\eta$ . Finally for  $\varphi \in C(\mu)$  and  $\psi \in C(\nu)$ , we put

$$\varphi \bar{\star} \psi = \pi_{\mu+\nu}(\varphi \star \psi)$$

where  $\star$  is the usual product in  $\mathcal{O}_q$  and  $\pi_{\mu+\nu} : C(\mu) \star C(\nu) \rightarrow C(\mu + \nu)$  is the projection defined by (17).

The following facts were proved in [VY20, pp. 177-178] for the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_\ell$  (but note that in [VY20] the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is slightly different from ours). We give a proof of these facts for the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_r$ .

**Lemma 3.12.** *For  $x \in \{\ell, r\}$  and with the notations just introduced, we have*

$$1. \quad {}_\mu \phi_j^i \circ_x \eta \phi_l^k = q^{(\epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_l^\eta - \epsilon_k^\eta)} {}_\mu \phi_j^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_l^k + \sum_{s=j+1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{l-1} \alpha_{st}^{ijkl} {}_\mu \phi_s^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_t^k, \quad \text{with } \alpha_{st}^{ijkl} \in \mathbb{C}(q).$$

Moreover  $\alpha_{st}^{ijkl} = 0$  unless  $\epsilon_s^\mu \prec \epsilon_j^\mu$  and  $\epsilon_t^\eta \succ \epsilon_l^\eta$ . It follows in particular that  ${}_\mu \phi_j^i \circ_\ell \eta \phi_l^k = {}_\mu \phi_j^i \circ_r \eta \phi_l^k$ .

$$2. \quad \mu \phi_l^k \circ_x \eta \phi_j^i = q^{(\epsilon_i^\eta, \epsilon_k^\mu - \epsilon_l^\mu)} \eta \phi_j^i \bar{\star} \mu \phi_l^k + \sum_{s=i+1}^n \sum_{t=1}^{k-1} \beta_{st}^{ijkl} \eta \phi_j^s \bar{\star} \mu \phi_t^k, \quad \text{with } \beta_{st}^{ijkl} \in \mathbb{C}(q).$$

Moreover  $\beta_{st}^{ijkl} = 0$  unless  $\epsilon_s^\eta \prec \epsilon_i^\eta$  and  $\epsilon_t^\mu \succ \epsilon_k^\mu$ .

3. It follows that

$$(45) \quad \begin{aligned} \eta \phi_l^k \circ_x \mu \phi_j^i &= q^{(\epsilon_i^\mu + \epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_k^\eta - \epsilon_l^\eta)} \mu \phi_j^i \circ_x \eta \phi_l^k + \sum_{s=j}^m \sum_{t=1}^l \sum_{u=i+1}^m \sum_{v=1}^{k-1} \delta_{stuv}^{ijkl} \eta \phi_s^u \circ_x \mu \phi_t^v \\ &+ \sum_{s=j+1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{l-1} \gamma_{st}^{ijkl} \mu \phi_s^i \circ_x \eta \phi_t^k \end{aligned}$$

with  $\delta_{stuv}^{ijkl}, \gamma_{st}^{ijkl} \in \mathbb{C}(q)$ . Moreover  $\delta_{stuv}^{ijkl} = 0$  unless  $\epsilon_s^\mu \prec \epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_t^\eta \succeq \epsilon_l^\eta, \epsilon_u^\mu \prec \epsilon_i^\mu, \epsilon_v^\eta \succ \epsilon_k^\eta$  and  $\gamma_{st}^{ijkl} = 0$  unless  $\epsilon_s^\mu \prec \epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_t^\eta \succ \epsilon_l^\eta$ .

*Proof.* 1. We show the equality for  $\circ_r$ . We use the formula (22) giving the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ . If we take two summands  $R_{(1)}^1 \otimes R_{(2)}^1$  and  $R_{(1)}^2 \otimes R_{(2)}^2$  in the expression (14) for  $R$ , we see by (15) and (44) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( (R_{(2)}^2 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \star (R_{(1)}^2 \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1) \right) \triangleleft K_{\nu} \\ & = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_i^\mu + \epsilon_k^\eta - \gamma_1)} (R_{(2)}^2 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \star (R_{(1)}^2 \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1) \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma_1 \in Q_+$ . Hence, by definition of  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_r}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  and by (15),

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \phi_j^i \circ_r \eta \phi_l^k & = \sum_{(R)} (R_{(2)} S(\Theta_{(2)}) \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k \triangleleft \Theta_{(1)}) \\ & = q^{-(\epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_l^\eta)} \sum_{(R)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k) \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality uses (12). Again by (15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (K_{\nu} \triangleright (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i)) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k) & = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_j^\mu - \gamma_2)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k), \\ (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (K_{\nu} \triangleright (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k)) & = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_l^\eta + \gamma_2)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k) \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma_2 \in Q_+$ . Hence

$$(R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (R_{(1)}^2 \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k) \in \text{span}(\mu \phi_s^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_t^k)_{\epsilon_s^\mu \preceq \epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_t^\eta \succeq \epsilon_l^\eta} \subset \text{span}(\mu \phi_s^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_t^k)_{s \geq j, t \leq l}$$

where the inclusion is due to the particular numbering of the basis vectors. Thanks to the expression (14) for  $R$ , we obtain more precisely

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \phi_j^i \circ_r \eta \phi_l^k & = q^{-(\epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_l^\eta)} (\Theta_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \bar{\star} (\Theta_{(1)} \triangleright_{\eta} \phi_l^k) + \sum_{s=j+1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{l-1} \alpha_{st}^{ijkl} \mu \phi_s^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_t^k \\ & = q^{(\epsilon_j^\mu, \epsilon_l^\eta - \epsilon_k^\eta)} \mu \phi_j^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_l^k + \sum_{s=j+1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{l-1} \alpha_{st}^{ijkl} \mu \phi_s^i \bar{\star} \eta \phi_t^k. \end{aligned}$$

2. Using the relation  $R\Delta = \Delta^{\text{op}}R$ , we see that the formula (22) for the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  can be rewritten as follows:

$$\alpha\beta = \sum_{(R^1), (R^2)} (\beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \star (S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2).$$

To obtain the desired equalities in the claim, it suffices to repeat a proof like in item 1 but with this alternative formula for the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ .

3. Each of the formulas in items 1 and 2 allows one to express the product  $\bar{\star}$  in terms of the product  $\circ_x$  (using induction). We get the result by comparing the two resulting expressions for  $\bar{\star}$ ; for more details see [VY20, pp. 177-178].  $\square$

Recall that  $\varpi_1, \dots, \varpi_m$  denote the fundamental weights of the semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Any irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module  $V_{\mu}$  is a direct summand of some tensor product of the modules  $V_{\varpi_1}, \dots, V_{\varpi_m}$  (see e.g. [BG02, §I.6.12]). Hence the matrix coefficients  $\varpi_r \phi_j^i$  generate  $\mathcal{O}_q$  as an algebra, and there is of course a finite number of such elements. From item 1 of Lemma 3.12, one can deduce that these matrix coefficients generate  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  as well (see [VY20,

pp. 178]). We form an ordered list  $(u_1, \dots, u_p)$  containing all the elements  $\varpi_r \phi_j^i$  such that for any  $u_b = \varpi_r \phi_j^i$  and  $u_a = \varpi_s \phi_l^k$  the following condition is satisfied:

$$(46) \quad \left[ \epsilon_i^{\varpi_r} \prec \epsilon_k^{\varpi_s} \text{ or } (\epsilon_i^{\varpi_r} = \epsilon_k^{\varpi_s} \text{ and } \epsilon_j^{\varpi_r} \prec \epsilon_l^{\varpi_s}) \right] \implies b < a.$$

With this choice of numbering, the formula (45) can be rewritten as

$$(47) \quad \forall 1 \leq b < a \leq p, \quad u_a \circ_x u_b = q_{ab} u_b \circ_x u_a + \sum_{s=1}^{b-1} \sum_{t=1}^p \alpha_{st}^{ab} u_s \circ_x u_t$$

for certain scalars  $q_{ab} \in \mathbb{C}(q)^\times$  and  $\alpha_{st}^{ab} \in \mathbb{C}(q)$ . It follows that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  is Noetherian by Lemma 2.2 and hence  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is Noetherian by Lemma 2.1.

We are now ready to study the Noetherianity for  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ . Consider

$$(48) \quad \mathcal{F}^{\mu, \lambda, \eta, \kappa} = \mathcal{F}_r^{\mu, \lambda} \otimes \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\eta, \kappa} \subset \mathcal{L}_{1,0} \quad \text{for } (\mu, \lambda), (\eta, \kappa) \in \Lambda.$$

Here we use that  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes 2}$  as a vector space and we implicitly extend the scalars of  $\mathcal{F}_x^{\mu, \lambda}$  to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . On the indexing set  $\Lambda \times \Lambda$  of the family  $\mathcal{F}$  of spaces  $\mathcal{F}^{\mu, \lambda, \eta, \kappa}$ , we put the product order, again denoted by  $\preceq$ , namely  $(\mu', \lambda', \eta', \kappa') \preceq (\mu, \lambda, \eta, \kappa)$  if and only if  $(\mu', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \lambda)$  and  $(\eta', \kappa') \preceq (\eta, \kappa)$ .

**Lemma 3.13.**  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filtration of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ .

*Proof.* Take  $\beta \otimes \alpha \in C(\mu)_\lambda \otimes_\kappa C(\eta)$  and  $\beta' \otimes \alpha' \in C(\mu')_{\lambda'} \otimes_{\kappa'} C(\eta')$  and recall that the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is described in (24). By (15), we have

$$(49) \quad \begin{aligned} (R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta' \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \triangleleft K_\nu &= q^{(\nu, \lambda' - \gamma_1 - \gamma_2)} (R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta' \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \\ K_\nu \triangleright (R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) &= q^{(\nu, \kappa - \gamma_1 - \gamma_3)} (R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 \in Q_+$ . In other words:

$$R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta' \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \in \mathcal{F}_r^{\mu', \lambda'}, \quad R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4 \in \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\eta, \kappa}$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}_l$  and  $\mathcal{F}_r$  are filtrations of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  we thus have

$$\beta (R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta' \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \in \mathcal{F}_r^{\mu + \mu', \lambda + \lambda'}, \quad (R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) \alpha' \in \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\eta + \eta', \kappa + \kappa'}$$

which gives the claim by the definition of  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

We identify  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$  with  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes 2}$  as a vector space:  $\beta \otimes \alpha \in C(\mu)_\lambda \otimes_\kappa C(\eta)$  is identified with  $\beta \otimes \alpha + \mathcal{F}^{\prec(\mu, \lambda, \eta, \kappa)}$ . We denote by  $\diamond$  the resulting product on  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes 2}$ . Let  $\beta \in C(\mu)_\lambda$  and  $\alpha \in {}_\kappa C(\eta)$ ; then (14) and (49) yield

$$(50) \quad \mathfrak{i}_A(\alpha) \diamond \mathfrak{i}_B(\beta) = \sum_{(R)} \mathfrak{i}_B(R_{(2)} \Theta_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft \Theta_{(1)}^1 \Theta_{(1)}^2) \diamond \mathfrak{i}_A(\Theta_{(2)}^3 S(\Theta_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \alpha \triangleleft \Theta_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)})$$

where  $\Theta^1, \Theta^2, \Theta^3$  are three copies of  $\Theta$ .

**Theorem 3.14.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is Noetherian.*

*Proof.* We use the notations and assumptions introduced just before Lemma 3.12 for basis elements and matrix coefficients. We are going to show that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$  is Noetherian. The first task is to simplify the formula (50) when  $\alpha = \eta \phi_l^k$  and  $\beta = \mu \phi_j^i$  are matrix coefficients of some irreducible modules  $V_\eta$  and  $V_\mu$ . By (15) and (44), we have

$$(K_\nu \triangleright (R_{(2)} \triangleright \mu \phi_j^i)) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}) = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_j^i - \gamma)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright \mu \phi_j^i) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)})$$

$$(R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \otimes ((\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}) \triangleleft K_{\nu}) = q^{(\nu, \epsilon_k^{\eta} - \gamma)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)})$$

for some  $\gamma \in Q_+$ . Hence

$$(R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}) \in \text{span}\{\mu \phi_s^i \otimes \eta \phi_l^t\}_{\epsilon_s^{\mu} \preceq \epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_t^{\eta} \preceq \epsilon_k^{\eta}} \subset \text{span}\{\mu \phi_s^i \otimes \eta \phi_l^t\}_{s \geq j, t \geq k}$$

where the inclusion is due to the assumption on the numbering of the basis vectors. Using the expression (14) we obtain more precisely

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(R)} (R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}) &\in (\Theta_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \otimes (\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft \Theta_{(1)}) + \text{span}\{\mu \phi_s^i \otimes \eta \phi_l^t\}_{\epsilon_s^{\mu} \prec \epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_t^{\eta} \prec \epsilon_k^{\eta}} \\ &= q^{(\epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_k^{\eta})} \mu \phi_j^i \otimes \eta \phi_l^k + \text{span}\{\mu \phi_s^i \otimes \eta \phi_l^t\}_{\epsilon_s^{\mu} \prec \epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_t^{\eta} \prec \epsilon_k^{\eta}}. \end{aligned}$$

We can now simplify (50):

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbf{i}_A(\eta \phi_l^k) \diamond \mathbf{i}_B(\mu \phi_j^i) \\ &= \sum_{(R)} \mathbf{i}_B(R_{(2)} \Theta_{(1)}^3 \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i \triangleleft \Theta_{(1)}^1 \Theta_{(1)}^2) \diamond \mathbf{i}_A(\Theta_{(2)}^3 S(\Theta_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft \Theta_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}) \\ (51) \quad &= q^{(\epsilon_i^{\mu}, \epsilon_k^{\eta} - \epsilon_l^{\eta}) + (\epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_l^{\eta})} \sum_{(R)} \mathbf{i}_B(R_{(2)} \triangleright_{\mu} \phi_j^i) \diamond \mathbf{i}_A(\eta \phi_l^k \triangleleft R_{(1)}) \\ &= q^{(\epsilon_i^{\mu}, \epsilon_k^{\eta} - \epsilon_l^{\eta}) + (\epsilon_j^{\mu}, \epsilon_l^{\eta} + \epsilon_k^{\eta})} \mathbf{i}_B(\mu \phi_j^i) \diamond \mathbf{i}_A(\eta \phi_l^k) + \sum_{s=j+1}^m \sum_{t=k+1}^n c_{st}^{ijkl} \mathbf{i}_B(\mu \phi_s^i) \diamond \mathbf{i}_A(\eta \phi_t^k) \end{aligned}$$

for some  $c_s^{ijkl} \in \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$  such that  $c_s^{ijkl} = 0$  unless  $\epsilon_s^{\mu} \prec \epsilon_j^{\mu}$  and  $\epsilon_t^{\eta} \prec \epsilon_k^{\eta}$ .

Recall from above (46) the finite sequence of elements  $(u_k)$  which generate  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$ . Since  $\mathbf{i}_B(\mathcal{F}_r^{\mu, \lambda}) = \mathcal{F}^{\mu, \lambda, 0, 0}$  and  $\mathbf{i}_A(\mathcal{F}_l^{\eta, \kappa}) = \mathcal{F}^{0, 0, \eta, \kappa}$ , the linear maps  $\mathbf{i}_B$  and  $\mathbf{i}_A$  are morphisms of algebras  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_r}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}) \rightarrow \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$  and  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_l}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}) \rightarrow \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$ . Moreover, we have  $\mathbf{i}_B(\beta) \diamond \mathbf{i}_A(\alpha) = \beta \otimes \alpha$ . It follows that the algebra  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$  is generated by the elements  $\mathbf{i}_B(u_k)$  and  $\mathbf{i}_A(u_k)$ . We organize them in a sequence  $(x_1, \dots, x_{2p})$  by

$$x_1 = \mathbf{i}_B(u_1), \dots, x_p = \mathbf{i}_B(u_p), x_{p+1} = \mathbf{i}_A(u_1), \dots, x_{2p} = \mathbf{i}_A(u_p).$$

Thanks to relations (47) and (51) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall 1 \leq b < a \leq p, \quad x_a \diamond x_b &= q_{ab} x_b \diamond x_a + \sum_{s=1}^{b-1} \sum_{t=1}^p \alpha_{st}^{ab} x_s \diamond x_t \\ \forall p+1 \leq b < a \leq 2p, \quad x_a \diamond x_b &= q_{ab} x_b \diamond x_a + \sum_{s=1}^{b-1} \sum_{t=1}^p \alpha_{st}^{ab} x_s \diamond x_t \\ (52) \quad \forall 1 \leq b \leq p < a \leq 2p, \quad x_a \diamond x_b &= q'_{ab} x_b \diamond x_a + \sum_{s=1}^{b-1} \sum_{t=1}^p \lambda_{st}^{ab} x_s \diamond x_t \end{aligned}$$

for certain scalars  $q_{ab}, q'_{ab} \in \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})^{\times}$  and  $\alpha_{st}^{ab}, \lambda_{st}^{ab} \in \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . These three relations cover all the possible cases for the indices  $a$  and  $b$ , and they all have the form required by Lemma 2.2. It follows that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})$  is Noetherian, and that  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  is Noetherian as well thanks to Lemma 2.1.  $\square$

4. THE GRAPH ALGEBRA  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ 

Following the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H)$  in [BR22], we will define  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  as a twist of the tensor product of  $g$  copies of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  and  $n$  copies of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and then explain the equivalence with the other constructions based on matrix relations [Ale94, AGS95, BR95] or braided tensor product [AS96b]. See also [MW21] for a construction based on twisting; in their work  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  corresponds to  $\mathcal{A}_{\Gamma_{g,n}}^*$ , where  $\Gamma_{g,n}$  is the “daisy” graph.

The definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  in §4.1 works for any quasitriangular Hopf algebra  $H$ . The general definition is adapted to  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  in §4.2. Our main results are in §4.3 and §4.4.

**4.1. Definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .** Let  $H$  be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode. As in [BR22, §6.1] we will use twisted tensor products, so let us recall a few facts about this operation. For two Hopf algebras  $A$  and  $B$ , a *bicharacter* is an invertible element  $\chi \in B \otimes A$  such that

$$(\Delta_B \otimes \text{id}_A)(\chi) = \chi_{23} \chi_{13}, \quad (\text{id}_B \otimes \Delta_A)(\chi) = \chi_{12} \chi_{13},$$

where the subscripts describe embeddings in  $B \otimes B \otimes A$  and  $B \otimes A \otimes A$  respectively; for instance  $\chi_{23} = \sum_{(\chi)} 1_B \otimes \chi_{(1)} \otimes \chi_{(2)}$ . For such a  $\chi$ , the element  $X = 1_A \otimes \chi \otimes 1_B$  is a twist for  $A \otimes B$  (recall the definition of a twist in §3.1). The twisted Hopf algebra  $(A \otimes B)_X$  is denoted by  $A \otimes^\chi B$  and is called the *twisted tensor product of  $A$  and  $B$  by  $\chi$* . If  $M$  is a  $A$ -module-algebra and  $N$  is a  $B$ -module-algebra, then  $M \otimes N$  is a  $(A \otimes B)$ -module-algebra; the twist  $(M \otimes N)_X$  is denoted by  $M \otimes^\chi N$  and is called the *twisted tensor product of  $M$  and  $N$  by  $\chi$* .

**Example 4.1.** 1. The element  $R' = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)}$  is a bicharacter (with  $A = B = H$ ).  
 2. An easy computation reveals that the Hopf algebra  $A_{0,1}(H)$ , which was defined as a twist in section 3.1, can actually be written as  $H \otimes^{R'} H$ .  
 3. The Hopf algebra  $A_{1,0}(H)$  from section 3.1 has been defined as  $A_{0,1}(H) \otimes^\gamma A_{0,1}(H)$  (see Lemma 3.1) and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes^\gamma \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ .

Let  $f_A : H \rightarrow A$  and  $f_B : H \rightarrow B$  be morphisms of Hopf algebras and denote  $f_A \odot f_B = (f_A \otimes f_B)\Delta$ . Then

- (1)  $(f_B \otimes f_A)(R')$  is a bicharacter,
- (2)  $f_A \odot f_B$  is a morphism of Hopf algebras  $H \rightarrow A \otimes^{(f_B \otimes f_A)(R')} B$ .

The twisted tensor product allows us to iterate the twist operation, as follows. Recall from §3.1 that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  are module-algebras over the Hopf algebras  $A_{0,1}(H)$  and  $A_{1,0}(H)$  respectively. Let us put by convention  $A_{0,0}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{0,0}(H) = k$  (the base field of  $H$ ). For  $n \geq 0$  we define

$$\begin{aligned} A_{0,n+1}(H) &= A_{0,n}(H) \otimes^{J_n} A_{0,1}(H) \quad \text{with } J_n = (\Delta \otimes \Delta^{\odot n})(R') \\ \mathcal{L}_{0,n+1}(H) &= \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H) \otimes^{J_n} \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta^{\odot 0} = \varepsilon$  and  $\Delta^{\odot n} = \Delta^{\odot(n-1)} \odot \Delta$ . For  $g \geq 0$  we define

$$\begin{aligned} A_{g+1,0}(H) &= A_{g,0}(H) \otimes^{K_g} A_{1,0}(H) \quad \text{with } K_g = (\Delta^{(3)} \otimes (\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot g})(R') \\ \mathcal{L}_{g+1,0}(H) &= \mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H) \otimes^{K_g} \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta^{(3)} = (\Delta \otimes \Delta)\Delta$  is the third iterated coproduct,  $(\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot 0} = \varepsilon$  and  $(\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot g} = (\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot(g-1)} \odot \Delta^{(3)}$ . To see that  $J_n$  (resp.  $K_g$ ) is a bicharacter, recall that  $\Delta : H \rightarrow A_{0,1}(H)$  (resp.  $\Delta^{(3)} : H \rightarrow A_{1,0}(H)$ ) is a morphism of Hopf algebras and make an induction from items 1 and 2 above.

In general we put

$$A_{g,n}(H) = A_{g,0}(H) \otimes^{F_{g,n}} A_{0,n}(H) \quad \text{with } F_{g,n} = (\Delta^{\odot n} \otimes (\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot g})(R')$$

and

**Definition 4.2.** *The graph algebra is  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H) \otimes^{F_{g,n}} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H)$ .*

By construction  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is a (right)  $A_{g,n}(H)$ -module-algebra. As vector spaces

$$A_{g,n}(H) = H^{\otimes(4g+2n)} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = (H^\circ)^{\otimes(2g+n)}$$

and the right action is given by

$$(\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_{2g+n}) \cdot (x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_{4g+2n}) = (S(x_2) \triangleright \varphi_1 \triangleleft x_1) \otimes \dots \otimes (S(x_{4g+2n}) \triangleright \varphi_{2g+n} \triangleleft x_{4g+2n-1}).$$

Thanks to the morphism of Hopf algebras  $(\Delta^{(3)})^{\odot g} \odot \Delta^{\odot n} = \Delta^{(4g+2n-1)} : H \rightarrow A_{g,n}(H)$ , we obtain a right  $H$ -module-algebra structure on  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ , denoted by  $\text{coad}^r$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{coad}^r(h)(\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_{2g+n}) &= (\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_{2g+n}) \cdot \Delta^{(4g+2n-1)}(h) \\ (53) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \sum_{(h)} \text{coad}^r(h_{(1)})(\varphi_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \text{coad}^r(h_{(2g+n)})(\varphi_{2g+n}) \end{aligned}$$

where the right action  $\text{coad}^r$  in the second line is defined in (23). In other words,  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  as a  $H$ -module.

We now reformulate the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  as a braided tensor product, which will be more convenient in order to describe the product. Let  $\text{Mod-}H$  be the category of right  $H$ -modules; it is braided, with braiding:

$$\begin{aligned} c_{U,V} : U \otimes V &\longrightarrow V \otimes U \\ u \otimes v &\longmapsto \sum_{(R)} (v \cdot R_{(1)}) \otimes (u \cdot R_{(2)}) . \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(M, m_M, 1_M)$  and  $(N, m_N, 1_N)$  be  $H$ -module-algebras (*i.e.* algebras in  $\text{Mod-}H$ ) and define

$$\begin{aligned} m_{M \tilde{\otimes} N} : (M \otimes N) \otimes (M \otimes N) &\xrightarrow{\text{id}_M \otimes c_{N,M} \otimes \text{id}_N} M \otimes M \otimes N \otimes N \xrightarrow{m_M \otimes m_N} M \otimes N, \\ 1_{M \tilde{\otimes} N} &= 1_M \otimes 1_N. \end{aligned}$$

This endows  $M \otimes N$  with a structure of (right)  $H$ -module-algebra, denoted by  $M \tilde{\otimes} N$  and called the braided tensor product of  $M$  and  $N$  [Maj92, Lem. 9.2.12]. It is easy to see that  $\tilde{\otimes}$  is associative. We often write a pure tensor  $m \otimes n \in M \tilde{\otimes} N$  as  $m \tilde{\otimes} n$  to stress that we use the braided product in  $M \otimes N$ . Explicitly:

$$(54) \qquad (m \tilde{\otimes} n)(m' \tilde{\otimes} n') = \sum_{(R)} m(m' \cdot R_{(1)}) \tilde{\otimes} (n \cdot R_{(2)})n'.$$

The embeddings of  $k$ -vector spaces

$$(55) \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} j_M : M &\longrightarrow & M \tilde{\otimes} N \\ m &\longmapsto & m \tilde{\otimes} 1 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} j_N : N &\longrightarrow & M \tilde{\otimes} N \\ n &\longmapsto & 1 \tilde{\otimes} n \end{array}$$

are morphisms of  $H$ -module-algebras and we have

$$(56) \qquad j_M(m)j_N(n) = m \tilde{\otimes} n,$$

$$(57) \qquad j_N(n)j_M(m) = \sum_{(R)} j_M(m \cdot R_{(1)})j_N(n \cdot R_{(2)}).$$

**Proposition 4.3.**  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes}g} \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes}n}$  as right  $H$ -module-algebras.



*Proof.* Note that  $K_g = (\Delta^{(3)} \otimes \Delta^{(4g-1)})(R')$ ; then by definition of the multiplication  $m_{\mathcal{L}_{g+1,0}(H)}$  in  $\mathcal{L}_{g+1,0}(H)$  (recall (18) and the definition of the twisted tensor product) we have for  $u, v \in \mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H)$  and  $x, y \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & m_{\mathcal{L}_{g+1,0}(H)}((u \otimes x) \otimes (v \otimes y)) \\ &= \sum_{(K_g)} m_{\mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H)}(u \otimes (v \cdot (K_g)_{(2)})) \otimes m_{\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)}((x \cdot (K_g)_{(1)}) \otimes y) \\ &= \sum_{(R)} m_{\mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H)}(u \otimes (v \cdot \Delta^{(4g-1)}(R_{(1)}))) \otimes m_{\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)}((x \cdot \Delta^{(3)}(R_{(2)})) \otimes y) \\ &= \sum_{(R)} m_{\mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H)}(u \otimes \text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(v)) \otimes m_{\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(2)})(x) \otimes y) = (u \tilde{\otimes} x)(v \tilde{\otimes} y). \end{aligned}$$

For the third equality we used (53). Hence  $\mathcal{L}_{g+1,0}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H) \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  and it follows that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes} g}$ . One shows similarly that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes} n}$  and that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H)^{\tilde{\otimes} F_{g,n}} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{g,0}(H) \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H)$ .  $\square$

Thanks to Proposition 4.3 and (55) we see that there are embeddings of  $H$ -module-algebras  $j_i : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq g$  and  $j_i : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  for  $g+1 \leq i \leq g+n$ , given by

$$(58) \quad j_i(x) = 1^{\tilde{\otimes}(i-1)} \tilde{\otimes} x \tilde{\otimes} 1^{\tilde{\otimes}(g+n-i)}$$

where 1 is the unit of  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  (*i.e.*  $\varepsilon \otimes \varepsilon$ ) or of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  (*i.e.*  $\varepsilon$ ) depending on the position. Recall the embeddings  $\mathbf{i}_A, \mathbf{i}_B$  from (25); we denote

$$(59) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}_{A(i)} &= j_i \circ \mathbf{i}_A, \quad \mathbf{i}_{B(i)} = j_i \circ \mathbf{i}_B \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g, \\ \mathbf{i}_{M(i)} &= j_i \quad \text{for } g+1 \leq i \leq g+n \end{aligned}$$

which are all embeddings  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . Then from (56) and (26) we find

$$(60) \quad \begin{aligned} & \mathbf{i}_{B(1)}(\varphi_1) \mathbf{i}_{A(1)}(\varphi_2) \dots \mathbf{i}_{B(g)}(\varphi_{2g-1}) \mathbf{i}_{A(g)}(\varphi_{2g}) \mathbf{i}_{M(g+1)}(\varphi_{2g+1}) \dots \mathbf{i}_{M(g+n)}(\varphi_{2g+n}) \\ &= j_1(\varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2) \dots j_g(\varphi_{2g-1} \otimes \varphi_{2g}) j_{g+1}(\varphi_{2g+1}) \dots j_{g+n}(\varphi_{2g+n}) \\ &= (\varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2) \tilde{\otimes} \dots \tilde{\otimes} (\varphi_{2g-1} \otimes \varphi_{2g}) \tilde{\otimes} \varphi_{2g+1} \tilde{\otimes} \dots \tilde{\otimes} \varphi_{2g+n} \end{aligned}$$

and any element in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is a linear combination of such elements.

**Proposition 4.4.** *The product in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is entirely determined by the following equalities:*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}(\varphi) \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}(\psi) &= \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}(\varphi\psi) \\ \mathbf{i}_{A(i)}(\varphi) \mathbf{i}_{B(i)}(\psi) &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \mathbf{i}_{B(i)}(R_{(2)}^4 R_{(1)}^3 \triangleright \psi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \mathbf{i}_{A(i)}(R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^1) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^4) \\ \mathbf{i}_{Y(j)}(\varphi) \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}(\psi) &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}(S(R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^4) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \mathbf{i}_{Y(j)}(S(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^3) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(2)}^4) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ , where  $1 \leq i < j \leq g+n$  and  $X(i)$  (*resp.*  $Y(j)$ ) is indifferently  $A(i)$ ,  $B(i)$  or  $M(i)$  (*resp.*  $A(j)$ ,  $B(j)$  or  $M(j)$ ) and  $R^1, \dots, R^4$  are four copies of  $R \in H^{\otimes 2}$ .

*Proof.* It is clear that these formulas determine the product since they allow us to compute the product of any two elements from (60). The first formula simply expresses the fact that  $\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}$  is a morphism of algebras. The second formula is obtained from (24) and (26) thanks to the algebra embedding  $j_i : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . Let us prove the third formula. Assume for instance that  $i < j \leq g$ . Using Proposition 4.3 and the associativity of  $\tilde{\otimes}$  we

can write  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H) \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)$ ; let  $j_{\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)}$  and  $j_{\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)}$  be the corresponding  $H$ -module-algebra embeddings (see (55)). It is easy to see that

$$\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(g,n)} = j_{\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)} \circ \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(i,0)}, \quad \mathbf{i}_{Y(j)}^{(g,n)} = j_{\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)} \circ \mathbf{i}_{Y(j-i)}^{(g-i,n)}$$

where  $\mathbf{i}_{X(l)}^{(g,n)}$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{X(l)}^{(i,0)}$  and  $\mathbf{i}_{X(l)}^{(g-i,n)}$  are the  $H$ -module-algebra embeddings from (59) for  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)$  respectively. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{i}_{Y(j)}^{(g,n)}(\varphi) \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(g,n)}(\psi) = j_{\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)}(\mathbf{i}_{Y(j-i)}^{(g-i,n)}(\varphi)) j_{\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)}(\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(i,0)}(\psi)) \\ &= \sum_{(R)} j_{\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)}\left(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(i,0)}(\psi))\right) j_{\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)}\left(\text{coad}^r(R_{(2)})(\mathbf{i}_{Y(j-i)}^{(g-i,n)}(\varphi))\right) \\ &= \sum_{(R), (R_{(1)}), (R_{(2)})} j_{\mathcal{L}_{i,0}(H)}\left(\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(i,0)}(S((R_{(1)})_{(2)}) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft (R_{(1)})_{(1)})\right) \\ & \quad \times j_{\mathcal{L}_{g-i,n}(H)}\left(\mathbf{i}_{Y(j-i)}^{(g-i,n)}(S((R_{(2)})_{(2)}) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft (R_{(2)})_{(1)})\right) \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(g,n)}(S(R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^4) \triangleright \psi \triangleleft R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \mathbf{i}_{Y(j)}^{(g,n)}(S(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^3) \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft R_{(2)}^2 R_{(2)}^4). \end{aligned}$$

For the second equality we used (57), for the third equality we used the  $H$ -linearity of  $\mathbf{i}_{X(i)}^{(i,0)}$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{Y(j-i)}^{(g-i,n)}$  and the definition (23) of the  $H$ -action on  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ , and for the last equality we used that  $(\Delta \otimes \Delta)(R) = R_{14} R_{13} R_{24} R_{23}$ , which follows from the axioms of a  $R$ -matrix. The other cases for  $i$  and  $j$  are treated similarly.  $\square$

Recall the notations introduced before Proposition 3.4, in particular the matrix  $\overset{V}{M} \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V)$  for any finite-dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$ . Let

$$(61) \quad \begin{aligned} \overset{V}{A}(i) &= (\mathbf{i}_{A(i)} \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{M}), \quad \overset{V}{B}(i) = (\mathbf{i}_{B(i)} \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{M}) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g \\ \overset{V}{M}(i) &= (\mathbf{i}_{M(i)} \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{M}) \quad \text{for } g+1 \leq i \leq g+n \end{aligned}$$

which are elements in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V)$ , or in other words matrices of size  $\dim(V)$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . In mathematical physics  $\overset{V}{A}(i), \overset{V}{B}(i), \overset{V}{M}(i)$  are seen as quantum holonomy matrices associated to the usual generators  $a_i, b_i, m_i$  of the fundamental group of the surface  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  with an open disk removed.

**Proposition 4.5.** *The following relations hold true for any finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules  $V, W$ :*

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{V \otimes W}{X}(i) &= \overset{V}{X}(i)_1 (R')_{VW} \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 (R')_{VW}^{-1} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g+n, \\ R_{VW} \overset{V}{B}(i)_1 (R')_{VW} \overset{W}{A}(i)_2 &= \overset{W}{A}(i)_2 R_{VW} \overset{V}{B}(i)_1 R_{VW}^{-1} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g, \\ R_{VW} \overset{V}{X}(i)_1 R_{VW}^{-1} \overset{W}{Y}(j)_2 &= \overset{W}{Y}(j)_2 R_{VW} \overset{V}{X}(i)_1 R_{VW}^{-1} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i < j \leq g+n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $X(i)$  (resp.  $Y(j)$ ) is indifferently  $A(i)$ ,  $B(i)$  or  $M(i)$  (resp.  $A(j)$ ,  $B(j)$  or  $M(j)$ ). These matrix equalities entirely describe the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .

*Proof.* This is completely parallel to the proof of Proposition 3.4. By the same arguments we already get that the first and second matrix relations are equivalent to the first and second formulas in Proposition 4.4. It remains to show that the third matrix relation is equivalent

to the third formula in Proposition 4.4; this is similar to the computation in the proof of Proposition 3.4 and is left as an exercise for the reader.  $\square$

**Remark 4.6.** *In many papers the matrix relations in Proposition 4.5 are taken as a definition for the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .*

**4.2. The case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ .** Since  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  is not quasitriangular in the usual sense (§2.5), the above definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  must be slightly adapted. We use the notations from sections 3.3 and 4.1. Let us put by convention  $\mathbb{A}_{0,0} = \mathcal{L}_{0,0}(q^{1/D}) = \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . Recall from §3.3 that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  are module-algebras over the Hopf algebras  $\mathbb{A}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathbb{A}_{1,0}$  respectively. For  $n \geq 0$  we define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{A}_{0,n+1} &= \mathbb{A}_{0,n} \otimes^{J_n} \mathbb{A}_{0,1} \quad \text{with } J_n = (\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q} \otimes \Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{\odot n})(R') \\ \mathcal{L}_{0,n+1}(q^{1/D}) &= \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(q^{1/D}) \otimes^{J_n} \mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})_F \end{aligned}$$

where  $R' = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes R_{(1)}$  is the flip of the  $R$ -matrix  $R \in \mathbb{U}_q^{\otimes 2}$ . For  $g \geq 0$  let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{A}_{g+1,0} &= \mathbb{A}_{g,0} \otimes^{K_g} \mathbb{A}_{1,0} \quad \text{with } K_g = (\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(3)} \otimes (\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(3)})^{\odot g})(R') \\ \mathcal{L}_{g+1,0} &= \mathcal{L}_{g,0} \otimes^{K_g} \mathcal{L}_{1,0}. \end{aligned}$$

In [BR22, Prop. 6.2] it is shown that restricting the product of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}(q^{1/D})$  on the  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -subspace  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}^{\otimes n}$  gives a  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ -subalgebra, which is denoted by  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n}$ . However, as we have seen in section 3.3, the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  (and hence  $\mathcal{L}_{g,0}$ ) can only be defined over  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . This forces us to define the general case over  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ , as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{A}_{g,n} &= \mathbb{A}_{g,0} \otimes^{F_{g,n}} \mathbb{A}_{0,n} \quad \text{with } F_{g,n} = (\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{\odot n} \otimes (\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(3)})^{\odot g})(R') \\ \mathcal{L}_{g,n} &= \mathcal{L}_{g,0} \otimes^{F_{g,n}} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(q^{1/D}). \end{aligned}$$

Explicitly,  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is the  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  endowed with the product described in Proposition 4.4.

By construction  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is a right  $\mathbb{A}_{g,n}$ -module-algebra. As in §4.1, we have a morphism of Hopf algebras  $\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_q}^{(4g+2n-1)} : \mathbb{U}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{g,n}$ . Combining this with the morphism of Hopf algebras  $\iota : \mathbb{U}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{U}_q$  introduced below (9), we obtain that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is a right  $U_q$ -module-algebra for the action  $\text{coad}^r$  in (53).

Note that the factorization of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  as the braided tensor product  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}^{\tilde{\otimes} g} \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,1}^{\tilde{\otimes} n}$  (Prop. 4.3) holds true for  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}$  as well, though the whole category of  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -modules (not necessarily finite-dimensional) is not braided. This is because all the elements of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  are locally-finite, and so the pairing (16) and (39) ensure that the formula (54) for the product in  $M \tilde{\otimes} N$  is well-defined when  $M = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ ,  $N = \mathcal{L}_{g',n'}$  and the right action  $\cdot$  is  $\text{coad}^r$ .

**Proposition 4.7.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is finitely generated.*

*Proof.* Recall the algebra  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_l}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  from §3.4. It is proved in [VY20, pp. 178] that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_l}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$  is finitely generated, thanks to the first item in Lemma 3.12. As a result  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is finitely generated, see Lemma 2.3. Let  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  be the generators of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$ . We deduce from (60) that the elements  $\mathfrak{i}_{B(k)}(x_s)$ ,  $\mathfrak{i}_{A(k)}(x_s)$ ,  $\mathfrak{i}_{M(l)}(x_s)$  with  $1 \leq k \leq g$ ,  $g+1 \leq l \leq g+n$ ,  $1 \leq s \leq m$  generate  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ .  $\square$

**4.3. Noetherianity of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ .** Here are the steps of the proof:

- (1) we introduce a filtration  $\mathcal{G}_1$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  whose graded algebra  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  simplifies the third relation in Proposition 4.4,
- (2) we construct a filtration  $\mathcal{G}_2$  of  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  thanks to the filtrations on  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and on  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  from §3.4,
- (3) using Lemma 2.2, we show that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}))$  is Noetherian,
- (4) it follows from Lemma 2.1 that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  is Noetherian and that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is Noetherian.

We write  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  instead of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(q^{1/D})$  for simplicity of notation. For  $\mu, \omega \in P_+$  and  $\lambda \in P$  consider the subspaces

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu,\lambda} &= \{\varphi \in C(\mu) \mid \forall \nu \in P, \text{coad}^r(K_\nu^{-1})(\varphi) = q^{(\lambda,\nu)}\varphi\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu,\omega,\lambda} &= \{x \in C(\mu) \otimes C(\omega) \mid \forall \nu \in P, \text{coad}^r(K_\nu^{-1})(x) = q^{(\lambda,\nu)}x\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{coad}^r$  is defined in (23) for  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and in (27) for  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ , and  $C(\mu)$  is the subspace of matrix coefficients of the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module with highest weight  $\mu$ . For a finite sequence  $([\mu], [\lambda])$ , with  $[\mu] = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{2g+n}) \in (P_+)^{2g+n}$  and  $[\lambda] = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{g+n}) \in P^{g+n}$ , we put

$$(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{[\mu],[\lambda]} = (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu_1,\mu_2,\lambda_1} \otimes \dots \otimes (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu_{2g-1},\mu_{2g},\lambda_g} \otimes (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu_{2g+1},\lambda_{g+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu_{2g+n},\lambda_{g+n}}.$$

Recall the partial order  $\preceq$  on  $P$  defined in §2.3. For  $\mu, \mu', \omega, \omega' \in P_+$  and  $\lambda, \lambda' \in P$  we write  $(\mu', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \lambda)$  (resp.  $(\mu', \omega', \lambda') \preceq (\mu, \omega, \lambda)$ ) to mean that  $\mu' \preceq \mu$  and  $\lambda' \preceq \lambda$  (resp.  $\mu' \preceq \mu$  and  $\omega' \preceq \omega$  and  $\lambda' \preceq \lambda$ ). We say that  $([\mu'], [\lambda']) \prec_1 ([\mu], [\lambda])$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mu'_{2g+n}, \lambda'_{g+n}) \prec (\mu_{2g+n}, \lambda_{g+n}) \\ \text{or } &\left( (\mu'_{2g+n}, \lambda'_{g+n}) = (\mu_{2g+n}, \lambda_{g+n}) \text{ and } (\mu'_{2g+n-1}, \lambda'_{g+n-1}) \prec (\mu_{2g+n-1}, \lambda_{g+n-1}) \right) \text{ or } \dots \end{aligned}$$

This defines a partial order  $\preceq_1$  on  $(P_+)^{2g+n} \times P^{g+n}$ , which is a block lexicographic order starting from the right. For instance if  $g = 1$  and  $n = 1$  we have  $([\mu'_1, \mu'_2, \mu'_3], [\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2]) \prec_1 ([\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3], [\lambda_1, \lambda_2])$  if and only if

$$(\mu'_3, \lambda'_2) \prec (\mu_3, \lambda_2) \text{ or } \left( (\mu'_3, \lambda'_2) = (\mu_3, \lambda_2) \text{ and } (\mu'_1, \mu'_2, \lambda'_1) \prec (\mu_1, \mu_2, \lambda_1) \right).$$

Now let

$$\Xi = \{([\mu], [\lambda]) \in (P_+)^{2g+n} \times P^{g+n} \mid (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{[\mu],[\lambda]} \neq 0\}.$$

Then  $(\Xi, \preceq_1)$  is an ordered abelian monoid and the order  $\preceq_1$  is well-founded on  $\Xi$ . Moreover  $\preceq_1$  satisfies the condition (4) and it follows that

$$\mathcal{G}_1^{[\mu],[\lambda]} = \bigoplus_{([\mu'], [\lambda']) \preceq_1 ([\mu], [\lambda])} (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{[\mu'], [\lambda']} \quad (\text{with } ([\mu'], [\lambda']) \in \Xi)$$

defines a filtration  $\mathcal{G}_1$  of the vector space  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  indexed by  $\Xi$ . For any  $1 \leq k \leq g$  and  $g+1 \leq l \leq g+n$  it is convenient to use the obvious embeddings

$$(62) \quad S_k : P_+^2 \times P \rightarrow P_+^{2g+n} \times P^{g+n}, \quad S_l : P_+ \times P \rightarrow P_+^{2g+n} \times P^{g+n}$$

which are such that

$$(63) \quad (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_k(\mu,\omega,\lambda)} = j_k((\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu,\omega,\lambda}), \quad (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_l(\mu,\lambda)} = j_l((\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu,\lambda})$$

for  $\mu, \omega \in P_+$ ,  $\lambda \in P$ , and where  $j_k, j_l$  are the embeddings from (58).

**Lemma 4.8.**  $\mathcal{G}_1$  is a filtration of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_{g+n} = j_1(y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n}) \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{[\mu'], [\lambda']}$$

where by definition we have  $y_k \in (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu'_{2k-1}, \mu'_{2k}, \lambda'_k}$  for  $1 \leq k \leq g$  and  $y_l \in (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu'_{g+l}, \lambda'_l}$  for  $g+1 \leq l \leq g+n$ . Take an element  $x \in (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu, \lambda}$ ; so  $j_m(x) \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_m(\mu, \lambda)}$  for any  $m \in \{g+1, \dots, g+n\}$  (see (62) and (63)). By Proposition 4.3 and (57) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & j_m(x) j_1(y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n}) \\ = & \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^{m-1})} j_1 \left( \text{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^1)(y_1) \right) \dots j_{m-1} \left( \text{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^{m-1})(y_{m-1}) \right) \\ & \times j_m \left( \text{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1 \dots R_{(2)}^{m-1})(x) y_m \right) j_{m+1}(y_{m+1}) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n}). \end{aligned}$$

For any term in this sum and any  $\nu \in P$ , the fact that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is a  $U_q$ -module-algebras for  $\text{coad}^r$  together with (15) gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{coad}^r(K_\nu^{-1}) \left( \text{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1 \dots R_{(2)}^{m-1})(x) y_m \right) \\ & = q^{(\nu, \lambda + \lambda'_m - \gamma_1 - \dots - \gamma_{m-1})} \text{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1 \dots R_{(2)}^{m-1})(x) y_m \end{aligned}$$

for some  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{m-1} \in Q_+$ . Moreover due to (17) and (22) we have

$$\text{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1 \dots R_{(2)}^{m-1})(x) y_m \in \bigoplus_{\kappa \preceq \mu + \mu'_{g+m}} C(\kappa).$$

It follows from these two facts that  $j_m(x) j_1(y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n}) \in \mathcal{G}_1^{S_m(\mu, \lambda) + ([\mu'], [\lambda'])}$  by definition of  $\mathcal{G}_1$ . If now  $x$  is an element in  $(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu, \omega, \lambda}$ ,  $j_m(x) \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_m(\mu, \omega, \lambda)}$  for any  $m \in \{1, \dots, g\}$ , and we have an analogous proof. These two particular cases imply the result.  $\square$

Let us identify  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  as vector spaces; namely  $x \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{[\mu], [\lambda]}$  is identified with the coset  $x + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec 1([\mu], [\lambda])} \in \text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$ . Denote by  $\bullet$  the resulting product on  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ . Consider the canonical projections

$$\pi_\eta : \bigoplus_{\kappa \preceq \eta} C(\kappa) \rightarrow C(\eta), \quad \pi_{(\eta, \eta')} : \bigoplus_{\substack{\kappa \preceq \eta \\ \kappa' \preceq \eta'}} C(\kappa) \otimes C(\kappa') \rightarrow C(\eta) \otimes C(\eta')$$

which allow us to define the truncated product  $\bar{\cdot}$  on  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$ :

$$x \bar{\cdot} y = \pi_{\mu + \mu'}(xy) \quad (\text{resp. } x \bar{\cdot} y = \pi_{(\mu + \mu', \omega + \omega')}(xy))$$

for  $x \in C(\mu)$  and  $y \in C(\mu')$  (resp.  $x \in C(\mu) \otimes C(\omega)$  and  $y \in C(\mu') \otimes C(\omega')$ ). We denote by  $(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \bar{\cdot})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}_{1,0}, \bar{\cdot})$  the vector spaces  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  endowed with the products  $\bar{\cdot}$  above. The next lemma describes  $\bullet$  thanks to the embeddings of vector spaces  $j_k$  from (58).

**Lemma 4.9.** *Let  $k, l \in \{1, \dots, g+n\}$ ,  $\mu, \omega, \mu', \omega' \in P_+$  and  $\lambda, \lambda' \in P$ . Take  $x$  in  $(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu, \omega, \lambda}$  or  $(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu, \lambda}$ , depending if  $k$  is  $\leq g$  or  $> g$ . Similarly, take  $y$  in  $(\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_{\mu', \omega', \lambda'}$  or  $(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\mu', \lambda'}$ , depending if  $l$  is  $\leq g$  or  $> g$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} j_k(x) \bullet j_k(y) &= j_k(x \bar{\cdot} y) \quad \text{for all } k, \\ j_k(x) \bullet j_l(y) &= j_k(x) j_l(y) \quad \text{if } k < l, \\ j_k(x) \bullet j_l(y) &= q^{(\lambda, \lambda')} j_l(y) j_k(x) \quad \text{if } k > l. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\simeq$  be the identification  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}) \simeq \mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ . Let us prove the first formula. Take for instance  $k > g$ . By assumption  $j_k(x) \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_k(\mu, \lambda)}$  and  $j_k(y) \in (\mathcal{L}_{g,n})_{S_k(\mu', \lambda')}$ . Then  $xy \in \bigoplus_{\kappa \preceq \mu + \mu'} (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\kappa, \lambda + \lambda'}$  and we have

$$j_k(x) \bullet j_k(y) \simeq \left( j_k(x) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec 1 S_k(\mu, \lambda)} \right) \left( j_k(y) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec 1 S_k(\mu', \lambda')} \right) = j_k(xy) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec 1 S_k(\mu + \mu', \lambda + \lambda')} \simeq j_k(x \bar{\cdot} y).$$

The second formula is obtained similarly. For the third formula, recall the expression of  $R$  in (14) and its commutations rules with  $K_\nu$  in (15). Then from (57) and the definition of  $\mathcal{G}_1$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} j_k(x) \bullet j_l(y) &\simeq \left( j_k(x) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_k(\mu, \lambda)} \right) \left( j_l(y) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_l(\mu', \lambda')} \right) = j_k(x) j_l(y) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_k(\mu, \lambda) + S_l(\mu', \lambda')} \\ &= \sum_{(R)} j_l(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(y)) j_k(\text{coad}^r(R_{(2)})(x)) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_k(\mu, \lambda) + S_l(\mu', \lambda')} \\ &= j_l(\text{coad}^r(\Theta_{(1)})(y)) j_k(\text{coad}^r(\Theta_{(2)})(x)) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_k(\mu, \lambda) + S_l(\mu', \lambda')} \\ &= q^{(\lambda, \lambda')} j_l(y) j_k(x) + \mathcal{G}_1^{\prec_1 S_k(\mu, \lambda) + S_l(\mu', \lambda')} \simeq q^{(\lambda, \lambda')} j_l(y) j_k(x). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Recall from §3.4 the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_\ell$  on  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  indexed by  $\Lambda$  (where  $\Lambda$  is defined in (43)) and the filtration  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}$  indexed by  $\Lambda \times \Lambda$ . Since we identified  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  with  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}^{\otimes g} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{0,1}^{\otimes n}$  as a vector space, we can consider the family of subspaces  $\mathcal{G}_2$  indexed by  $\Lambda^{2g+n}$  and defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_2^{\mu_1, \lambda_1, \eta_1, \kappa_1, \dots, \mu_g, \lambda_g, \eta_g, \kappa_g, \mu_{g+1}, \lambda_{g+1}, \dots, \mu_{g+n}, \lambda_{g+n}} \\ = \mathcal{F}^{\mu_1, \lambda_1, \eta_1, \kappa_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}^{\mu_g, \lambda_g, \eta_g, \kappa_g} \otimes \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\mu_{g+1}, \lambda_{g+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_\ell^{\mu_{g+n}, \lambda_{g+n}}. \end{aligned}$$

We endow  $P^{4g+2n}$  with the partial order  $\preceq_2$  given by

$$(p_1, \dots, p_{4g+2n}) \preceq_2 (p'_1, \dots, p'_{4g+2n}) \iff \forall i, p_i \preceq p'_i$$

which gives by restriction a partial order on  $\Lambda^{2g+n}$  which satisfies (4) and is well-founded. Then  $\mathcal{G}_2$  becomes a filtration of the vector space  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$ .

**Lemma 4.10.**  $\mathcal{G}_2$  is a filtration of the algebra  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$ .

*Proof.* Take  $j_1(x_1) \dots j_{g+n}(x_{g+n}) \in \mathcal{G}_2^S$  and  $j_1(y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n}) \in \mathcal{G}_2^{S'}$  for some  $S, S' \in \Lambda^{2g+n}$ , where  $j_k$  is the embedding of vector spaces (58). We can assume that these elements are homogeneous in  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$ . Then according to Lemma 4.9:

$$(j_1(x_1) \dots j_{g+n}(x_{g+n})) \bullet (j_1(y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(y_{g+n})) = q^N j_1(x_1 \bar{\cdot} y_1) \dots j_{g+n}(x_{g+n} \bar{\cdot} y_{g+n})$$

for some  $N \in (1/D)\mathbb{Z}$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_\ell$  are also filtrations of  $(\mathcal{L}_{1,0}, \bar{\cdot})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \bar{\cdot})$  respectively, which gives the result.  $\square$

For  $1 \leq k \leq g$  and  $g+1 \leq l \leq g+n$  we will use the obvious embeddings

$$\mathbf{S}_k : \Lambda^2 \rightarrow (\Lambda^2)^g \times \Lambda^n, \quad \mathbf{S}_l : \Lambda \rightarrow (\Lambda^2)^g \times \Lambda^n.$$

**Theorem 4.11.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is Noetherian.*

*Proof.* We are going to show that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}))$  is Noetherian. Recall that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  is identified with  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  endowed with the product  $\bullet$ . To avoid confusion we do not identify again  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}))$  with  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  as a vector space and instead we use cosets  $x + \mathcal{G}_2^{\prec_2 S}$ .

Note first that thanks to the first formula in Lemma 4.9 the linear maps  $\mathbf{i}_{B(k)}, \mathbf{i}_{A(k)}, \mathbf{i}_{M(s)} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  from (59) are morphisms of algebras

$$\bar{\mathbf{i}}_{B(k)}, \bar{\mathbf{i}}_{A(k)}, \bar{\mathbf{i}}_{M(s)} : (\mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \bar{\cdot}) \rightarrow \text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}).$$

It is easy to see that the filtration  $\mathcal{F}_x$  ( $x \in \{\ell, r\}$ ) of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  is also a filtration of  $(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \bar{\cdot})$  and that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \bar{\cdot}) = \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_x}(\mathcal{L}_{0,1})$ . If  $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}$  are such that  $\mathbf{i}_B(\varphi) \in \mathcal{F}^{\mu, \lambda, 0, 0}$  and  $\mathbf{i}_A(\psi) \in \mathcal{F}^{0, 0, \eta, \kappa}$  we let

$$\widehat{\mathbf{i}}_{B(k)}(\varphi) = \bar{\mathbf{i}}_{B(k)}(\varphi) + \mathcal{G}_2^{\prec_2 \mathbf{S}_k(\mu, \lambda, 0, 0)}, \quad \widehat{\mathbf{i}}_{A(k)}(\psi) = \bar{\mathbf{i}}_{A(k)}(\psi) + \mathcal{G}_2^{\prec_2 \mathbf{S}_k(0, 0, \eta, \kappa)}$$



is that the lexicographic order on  $P^{g+n}$  is not well-founded, hence Lemma 2.1 does not apply to  $\text{gr}_{\tilde{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  and the last argument in the proof of Theorem 4.11 becomes wrong.

**4.4. Noetherianity and finiteness of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$ .** The subalgebra of  $U_q$ -invariant elements is

$$\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q} = \{x \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n} \mid \forall h \in U_q, \text{coad}^r(h)(x) = \varepsilon(h)x\}$$

where the right action  $\text{coad}^r$  was defined in (53). More generally if  $V$  is a module over a Hopf algebra  $H$ , the subspace of invariant elements is

$$V^H = \{v \in V \mid \forall h \in H, h \cdot v = \varepsilon(h)v\}$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the counit of  $H$ .

We start with a general result about the structure of invariant elements in module-algebras; it is just an abstract formulation of the discussion below Theorem 3.2 in [BR21], which is itself inspired by [DC70, Chap. 3, §1]. Denote by  $\mathcal{I}$  an additive abelian monoid endowed with a partial order  $\leq$  such that

$$(64) \quad \begin{aligned} \forall i \in \mathcal{I}, 0 \leq i \\ \forall i, j, k \in \mathcal{I}, i \leq j \implies i + k \leq j + k. \end{aligned}$$

We assume moreover that  $\leq$  is well-founded. For instance,  $\mathcal{I} = P_+$  endowed with the order  $\preceq$  (see §2.3) satisfies these assumptions.

**Theorem 4.13** (Hilbert–Nagata theorem for module-algebras). *Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra and let  $A = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{I}} A_i$  be a graded  $k$ -algebra which is a  $H$ -module-algebra. Assume that*

- $A_0 = k1$ ,
- $A$  is Noetherian and finitely generated,
- for each  $i \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $A_i$  is stable under the action of  $H$  and is a semisimple  $H$ -module.

*Then the subalgebra  $A^H$  is Noetherian and finitely generated.*

The proof resorts on three basic lemmas. Note that since  $A_i$  is semisimple we can write

$$A_i = (A_i)^H \oplus \bigoplus_n V_{i,n}$$

where the  $V_{i,n}$  are some simple  $H$ -modules not isomorphic to the trivial module  $k$ . Projecting along this decomposition gives a  $H$ -morphism  $\mathfrak{R}_i : A_i \rightarrow (A_i)^H$ . Since each  $A_i$  is  $H$ -stable we have  $A^H = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{I}} (A_i)^H$  and we can define

$$\mathfrak{R} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathfrak{R}_i : A \rightarrow A^H.$$

The morphism  $\mathfrak{R}$  is called the *Reynolds operator*.

**Lemma 4.14.** *For  $x \in A^H$  and  $y \in A$ , it holds  $\mathfrak{R}(xy) = x\mathfrak{R}(y)$  and  $\mathfrak{R}(yx) = \mathfrak{R}(y)x$ .*

*Proof.* We can assume without loss of generality that  $x \in (A_i)^H$  and  $y \in A_j$ . Consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} m_x : A_j &\longrightarrow A_{i+j} \\ y &\longmapsto xy \end{aligned}$$

It is  $H$ -linear:

$$h \cdot m_x(y) = h \cdot (xy) = \sum_{(h)} (h_{(1)} \cdot x)(h_{(2)} \cdot y) = \sum_{(h)} (\varepsilon(h_{(1)})x)(h_{(2)} \cdot y) = x(h \cdot y) = m_x(h \cdot y).$$

Let  $A_j = (A_j)^H \oplus V_j$  and  $A_{i+j} = (A_{i+j})^H \oplus V_{i+j}$ , where the semisimple modules  $V_j$  and  $V_{i+j}$  do not have any direct summand isomorphic to the trivial module  $k$ . Then by Schur's lemma

$$\text{Hom}_H(A_j, A_{i+j}) = \text{Hom}_k((A_j)^H, (A_{i+j})^H) \oplus \text{Hom}_H(V_j, V_{i+j}).$$



It follows that if we write  $y = \mathfrak{R}(y) \oplus v \in (A_j)^H \oplus V_j$ , we have

$$xy = m_x(y) = m_x(\mathfrak{R}(y) \oplus v) = m_x(\mathfrak{R}(y)) \oplus m_x(v) = x\mathfrak{R}(y) \oplus xv \in (A_{i+j})^H \oplus V_{i+j}.$$

But by definition of  $\mathfrak{R}$  we also have  $xy = \mathfrak{R}(xy) \oplus w$ , which gives the desired equality. The second one is shown similarly.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.15.** *Let  $A$  be a Noetherian algebra and  $X \subset A$ . There exists a finite subset  $X_{\text{fin}} \subset X$  such that  $AX = AX_{\text{fin}}$ , where  $AY$  denotes the left ideal generated by  $Y \subset A$ . The same is true for right ideals.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is Noetherian,  $AX$  is finitely generated. So there exists elements

$$g_1 = \sum_{i \in I_1} a_i^{(1)} x_i^{(1)}, \dots, g_n = \sum_{i \in I_n} a_i^{(n)} x_i^{(n)}$$

(where  $a_i^{(j)} \in A$ ,  $x_i^{(j)} \in X$  and  $I_j$  is finite for each  $j$ ) such that  $AX = Ag_1 + \dots + Ag_n$ . Take  $X_{\text{fin}} = \{x_i^{(1)}\}_{i \in I_1} \cup \dots \cup \{x_i^{(n)}\}_{i \in I_n}$ . Since  $X_{\text{fin}}$  is a (finite) subset of  $X$ , we have  $AX_{\text{fin}} \subset AX$ . On the other hand, since  $g_1, \dots, g_n \in AX_{\text{fin}}$ , we have  $AX \subset A(AX_{\text{fin}}) = AX_{\text{fin}}$ .  $\square$

The last lemma is a well-known fact:

**Lemma 4.16.** *Let  $A = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{I}} A_i$  be a graded  $k$ -algebra such that  $A_0 = k1$ . If  $A$  is Noetherian, then it is finitely generated.*

*Proof.* Let  $A_+ = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{0\}} A_i$ . Since  $A_+$  is an ideal, it is finitely generated: there exists  $g_1, \dots, g_n$  such that  $A_+ = Ag_1 + \dots + Ag_n$ . We can assume that the elements  $g_s$  are homogeneous (i.e.  $g_s \in A_{j_s}$  with  $j_s > 0$ ). We will show that  $A_i \subset k\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$  by well-founded induction on  $i$ . Firstly,  $A_0 = k1 \subset k\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$ . Now assume that  $\bigoplus_{j < i} A_j \subset k\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$  for some  $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{0\}$  and take  $x \in A_i$ . Since  $A_i \subset A_+$  we have  $x = \sum_{s=1}^n a_s g_s$ . The elements  $x$  and  $g_s$  being homogeneous, the  $a_s$  can be assumed to be homogeneous as well:  $a_s \in A_{l_s}$ . Then  $j_s + l_s = i$  for all  $s$ , which implies  $l_s < i$  due to the assumptions (64) on  $\leq$ . Hence  $a_s \in \bigoplus_{j < i} A_j$  so that  $a_s \in k\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$  by the induction hypothesis. It follows that  $x \in k\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$ , as desired.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 4.13.* Let  $I$  be a left ideal in  $A^H$ ; we want to show that it is finitely generated. Lemma 4.15 gives us elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in I$  such that  $AI = Ax_1 + \dots + Ax_n$ . We have  $\mathfrak{R}(AI) = I$ . Indeed, the inclusion  $I \subset \mathfrak{R}(AI)$  is obvious since  $\mathfrak{R}(I) = I$ . Conversely, take  $x = \sum_{s=1}^n a_s x_s \in AI$ . Applying Lemma 4.14, we get  $\mathfrak{R}(x) = \sum_{s=1}^n \mathfrak{R}(a_s) x_s \in I$ , so that  $\mathfrak{R}(AI) \subset I$ . Now, using Lemma 4.14 again, we find

$$I = \mathfrak{R}(AI) = \mathfrak{R}(Ax_1 + \dots + Ax_n) = \mathfrak{R}(A)x_1 + \dots + \mathfrak{R}(A)x_n = A^H x_1 + \dots + A^H x_n$$

which means that  $I$  is generated by  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . The same arguments show that right ideals of  $A^H$  are finitely generated as well. Thus  $A^H$  is Noetherian. To show that the algebra  $A^H$  is finitely generated, note that it is graded by  $\mathcal{I}$  if we define  $(A^H)_i = (A_i)^H$ ; hence Lemma 4.16 applies.  $\square$

We will now use Theorem 4.13 to prove that the subalgebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  is Noetherian and finitely generated, which is our main result in this section. Recall that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  as a vector space. For  $[\mu] = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{2g+n}) \in P_+^{2g+n}$  let

$$C([\mu]) = C(\mu_1) \otimes \dots \otimes C(\mu_{2g+n}) \subset \mathcal{L}_{g,n}$$

where  $C(\mu_i)$  is the subspace of matrix coefficients of the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module with highest weight  $\mu_i$ . We say that  $[\mu'] \preceq [\mu]$  if and only if  $\mu'_i \preceq \mu_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 2g+n$ , where we recall

that  $\mu'_i \preceq \mu_i$  means that  $\mu_i - \mu'_i \in D^{-1}Q_+$ . This gives an order on  $P_+^{2g+n}$  which satisfies the conditions (4) and (64) and is well-founded. We see from the formulas in Proposition 4.4 and (22) that the subspaces

$$\mathcal{W}^{[\mu]} = \bigoplus_{[\mu'] \preceq [\mu]} C([\mu'])$$

form a filtration  $\mathcal{W}$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  indexed by  $P_+^{2g+n}$ . Let

$$(65) \quad \pi_{[\mu]} : \bigoplus_{[\mu'] \preceq [\mu]} C([\mu']) \rightarrow C([\mu])$$

be the canonical projection and put  $x \bar{\cdot} y = \pi_{[\mu]+[\eta]}(xy)$  for  $x \in C([\mu])$ ,  $y \in C([\eta])$ . Then  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  is identified with the vector space  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  endowed with the product  $\bar{\cdot}$ .

**Theorem 4.17.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  is Noetherian and finitely generated.*

*Proof.* Recall the filtration  $\mathcal{G}_1$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  that we used in §4.3. We see that  $\mathcal{G}_1$  is a filtration of  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  as well and that

$$\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})) = \text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}).$$

In the proof of Theorem 4.11 we showed that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}))$  is Noetherian and finitely generated. It follows from Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3 that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  also has these properties. Using again these lemmas, we obtain that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  is Noetherian and finitely generated. Since  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  is a  $U_q$ -module-algebra and the canonical projections  $\pi_{[\mu]}$  in (65) are  $U_q$ -linear for  $\text{coad}^r$ , we see that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})$  is a  $U_q$ -module-algebra for  $\text{coad}^r$ . It satisfies all the assumptions of Theorem 4.13 (recall that  $U_q\text{-mod}$  is semisimple). Hence  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})^{U_q}$  is Noetherian and finitely generated. To conclude, let

$$\mathcal{W}_{\text{inv}}^{[\mu]} = (\mathcal{W}^{[\mu]})^{U_q} = \mathcal{W}^{[\mu]} \cap \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q} \subset \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{W}_{\text{inv}}$  is a filtration of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}$  and we have

$$\text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n})^{U_q} = \text{gr}_{\mathcal{W}_{\text{inv}}}(\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}).$$

The result then follows from Lemma 2.1 for Noetherianity and from Lemma 2.3 for finiteness.  $\square$

## 5. THE ALEKSEEV MORPHISM

Let  $H$  be a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode  $S$ . Usually the Alekseev morphism [Ale94] is expected to be a morphism of algebras

$$\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$$

where  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is the Heisenberg double (§3.2). However, without further assumptions on  $H$  (e.g. finite-dimensionality, as in [Fai20a]) we have to introduce a bigger algebra than  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  in order to make sense of the formulas given in [Ale94]; we call this algebra the two-sided Heisenberg double. We construct it in §5.1, and define the Alekseev morphism in §5.2. The case of finite-dimensional  $H$  is discussed in §5.3. Then in §5.4 we focus on the quantum group  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  and we use the Alekseev morphism to prove that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g}))$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.

**5.1. The two-sided Heisenberg double.** This section does not use the  $R$ -matrix of  $H$ . Recall that  $H^{\text{cop}}$  is  $H$  with the opposite coproduct. The restricted dual  $H^\circ$  endowed with its usual product  $\star$  is a left  $(H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})$ -module-algebra for the action

$$(x \otimes y) \rightarrow \varphi = x \triangleright \varphi \triangleleft S^{-1}(y).$$

As a result we can make the following definition:

**Definition 5.1.** *The two-sided Heisenberg double is the smash product  $H^\circ \# (H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})$ . It is an associative algebra which we denote by  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ .*

By the general definition of a smash product (see e.g. [Mon93, Def. 4.1.3]),  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  is the vector space  $H^\circ \otimes (H \otimes H^{\text{cop}})$  endowed with the multiplication

$$(66) \quad \begin{aligned} (\varphi \# (x \otimes y))(\psi \# (z \otimes t)) &= \sum_{(x \otimes y)} \varphi \star ((x \otimes y)_{(1)} \rightarrow \psi) \# (x \otimes y)_{(2)}(z \otimes t) \\ &= \sum_{(x), (y)} \varphi \star (x_{(1)} \triangleright \psi \triangleleft S^{-1}(y_{(2)})) \# (x_{(2)}z \otimes y_{(1)}t). \end{aligned}$$

where we write  $\varphi \# (x \otimes y)$  for the element  $\varphi \otimes (x \otimes y) \in H^\circ \otimes (H \otimes H)$ . From this formula we see that  $H^\circ \# (1 \otimes 1)$ ,  $\varepsilon \# (H \otimes 1)$  and  $\varepsilon \# (1 \otimes H)$  are subalgebras of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  which are canonically isomorphic to  $H^\circ$ ,  $H$  and  $H$  respectively. Moreover  $H^\circ \# (H \otimes 1)$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  which is canonically isomorphic to the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  from §3.2.

We note that  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  has a natural representation:

**Proposition 5.2.** *There is a representation  $\blacktriangleright$  of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  on  $H^\circ$  given by*

$$\varphi \# (x \otimes y) \blacktriangleright \psi = \varphi \star (x \triangleright \psi \triangleleft S^{-1}(y)).$$

*Proof.* This is actually a general fact: for any left  $H$ -module-algebra  $A$  there is a representation  $\blacktriangleright$  of  $A \# H$  on  $A$  defined by  $(a \# h) \blacktriangleright x = a(h \cdot x)$ . The proof of this claim is straightforward.  $\square$

The representation of  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  on  $H^\circ$  (obtained by restricting  $\blacktriangleright$  to this subalgebra) is known to be faithful [Mon93, Lem. 9.4.2]. In general this is not true for the representation of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  on  $H^\circ$ . For instance if  $H$  is finite-dimensional we have  $H^\circ = H^*$  and  $\dim(\mathcal{HH}(H^*)) = \dim(H)^3$  while  $\dim(\text{End}_k(H^*)) = \dim(H)^2$ , which forces the representation morphism  $\rho : \mathcal{HH}(H^*) \rightarrow \text{End}_k(H^*)$  to have a non-zero kernel.

Finally, let us mention another construction of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ . We know from §3.2 that  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is a right  $H$ -module-algebra; it follows that  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is a left  $H^{\text{cop}}$ -module-algebra for the action

$$h \cdot (\varphi \# x) = (\varphi \# x) \cdot S^{-1}(h)$$

where the  $\cdot$  on the right-hand side is defined in (36). As a result we can consider the smash product  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \# H^{\text{cop}}$  and this algebra is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \# H^{\text{cop}} &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ) \\ (\varphi \# x) \# y &\longmapsto \sum_{(y)} \varphi \# (xy_{(2)} \otimes S(y_{(1)})) \end{aligned}$$

**5.2. Definition of the Alekseev morphism.** Recall that  $H$  is a quasitriangular Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode  $S$ . We use the following notations in  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ :

- we write  $\varphi$  instead of  $\varphi \# (1 \otimes 1)$ ,
- we write  $h$  instead of  $\varepsilon \# (h \otimes 1)$ ,
- we write  $\tilde{h}$  instead of  $\varepsilon \# (1 \otimes h)$ ,

where  $\varphi \in H^\circ$  and  $h \in H$ . The multiplication in  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  is then described by

$$(67) \quad h\varphi = \sum_{(h)} (h_{(1)} \triangleright \varphi) h_{(2)}, \quad \widetilde{h}\varphi = \sum_{(h)} (\varphi \triangleleft S^{-1}(h_{(2)})) \widetilde{h}_{(1)}, \quad \widetilde{h}g = g\widetilde{h}$$

for all  $\varphi \in H^\circ$  and  $h, g \in H$ . In particular the Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is identified with the subalgebra of elements of the form  $\sum_i \varphi_i h_i$ . We note also that by the very definition  $\widetilde{g}h = \widetilde{g}\widetilde{h}$ . Finally, we endow  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$  with the usual multiplication on a tensor product of algebras.

We will use the embeddings  $j_k : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  for  $1 \leq k \leq g$  and  $j_{g+l} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  for  $1 \leq l \leq n$  from (58) and the morphisms  $\Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow H$  and  $\Phi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \subset \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$  from (37) and Proposition 3.7. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{D}_{g,n} : H &\longrightarrow \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n} \\ h &\longmapsto \sum_{(h)} \widetilde{h}_{(1)} h_{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes \widetilde{h}_{(2g-1)} h_{(2g)} \otimes h_{(2g+1)} \otimes \dots \otimes h_{(2g+n)} \end{aligned}$$

which is a morphism of algebras. We use the convention  $\mathbb{D}_{0,0}(h) = \varepsilon(h)$ . Note for further use that

$$(68) \quad \mathbb{D}_{0,n+1}(h) = \sum_{(h)} h_{(1)} \otimes \mathbb{D}_{0,n}(h_{(2)}), \quad \mathbb{D}_{g+1,n}(h) = \sum_{(h)} \widetilde{h}_{(1)} h_{(2)} \otimes \mathbb{D}_{g,n}(h_{(3)}).$$

**Theorem 5.3.** *There is a morphism of algebras*

$$\Phi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$$

defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{g,n}(j_{g+l}(\varphi)) &= \sum_{(R)} 1^{\otimes g} \otimes 1^{\otimes(l-1)} \otimes \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(\varphi)) \otimes \mathbb{D}_{0,n-l}(R_{(2)}) \\ \Phi_{g,n}(j_k(x)) &= \sum_{(R)} 1^{\otimes(k-1)} \otimes \Phi_{1,0}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(x)) \otimes \mathbb{D}_{g-k,n}(R_{(2)}) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ ,  $1 \leq l \leq n$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq g$ , and where  $\text{coad}^r$  is defined in (23) and (27).

By (60) the value of  $\Phi_{g,n}$  on general elements is

$$\begin{aligned} &\Phi_{g,n}(x_1 \widetilde{\otimes} \dots \widetilde{\otimes} x_g \widetilde{\otimes} \varphi_1 \widetilde{\otimes} \dots \widetilde{\otimes} \varphi_n) \\ &= \Phi_{g,n}(j_1(x_1)) \dots \Phi_{g,n}(j_g(x_g)) \Phi_{g,n}(j_{g+1}(\varphi_1)) \dots \Phi_{g,n}(j_{g+n}(\varphi_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Note that for  $g > 0$  the morphism  $\Phi_{g,n}$  actually takes values in  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ) \otimes \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes(g-1)} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$  where  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  is identified with the subalgebra  $H^\circ \# (H \otimes 1)$  in  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ . This remark will be important in the proof of Theorem 5.8 in §5.4 below.

The following lemma is the key point for the proof of Theorem 5.3:

**Lemma 5.4.** *For all  $h \in H$  and  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  we have*

$$\mathbb{D}_{g,n}(h) \Phi_{g,n}(x) = \sum_{(h)} \Phi_{g,n}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(x)) \mathbb{D}_{g,n}(h_{(1)}).$$

*Proof.* The proof is by induction. First we prove the result for  $\Phi_{0,n}$  by induction on  $n$ . Then we fix  $n$  and we prove the result for  $\Phi_{g,n}$  by induction on  $g$ . So let us consider the case  $g = 0$ . Thanks to the relation  $R\Delta = \Delta^{\text{op}}R$  we get for all  $h \in H$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$

$$\begin{aligned}
h\Phi_{0,1}(\varphi) &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \varphi(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2) hR_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(h)} \varphi\left(S^{-1}(h_{(3)})h_{(2)}R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2\right) h_{(1)}R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \\
(69) \quad &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(h)} \varphi\left(S^{-1}(h_{(3)})R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 h_{(2)}\right) R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 h_{(1)} \\
&= \sum_{(h)} \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(\varphi)) h_{(1)}
\end{aligned}$$

which is the desired formula for  $(g, n) = (0, 1)$ . Now assume that the formula is true for some  $n \geq 1$  (still with  $g = 0$ ) and let  $\varphi \tilde{\otimes} x \in \mathcal{L}_{0,n+1}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}(H)$ . We have in  $H^{\otimes(n+1)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{0,n+1}(h)\Phi_{0,n+1}(\varphi \tilde{\otimes} x) &= \sum_{(R),(h)} h_{(1)}\Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(\varphi)) \otimes D_{0,n}(h_{(2)}R_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(x) \\
&= \sum_{(R),(h)} \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)}S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(\varphi)) h_{(1)} \otimes D_{0,n}(h_{(3)}R_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(x) \\
&= \sum_{(R),(h)} \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(3)})R_{(1)})(\varphi)) h_{(1)} \otimes D_{0,n}(R_{(2)}h_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(x) \\
&= \sum_{(R),(h)} \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(4)})R_{(1)})(\varphi)) h_{(1)} \otimes D_{0,n}(R_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(3)}))(x))D_{0,n}(h_{(2)}) \\
&= \sum_{(h)} \Phi_{0,n+1}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(\varphi \tilde{\otimes} x))D_{0,n+1}(h_{(1)}).
\end{aligned}$$

For the first equality we used (68), for the second we used (69), for the third we used that  $(S \otimes \text{id})(R) = R^{-1}$  together with  $R^{-1}\Delta^{\text{op}} = \Delta R^{-1}$ , for the fourth we used the induction hypothesis and for the fifth we used (68), the definition of  $\Phi_{0,n+1}$  and the definition of  $\text{coad}^r$  in (53). Now we treat the case  $g > 0$ . Observe first that for all  $h \in H$  and  $\beta \otimes \alpha \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ , we have in  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{1,0}(h)\Phi_{1,0}(\beta \otimes \alpha) &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \widetilde{h_{(1)}h_{(2)}} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 \right) R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha) \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( h_{(3)}R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 \triangleright \beta \triangleleft R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 S^{-1}(h_{(2)}) \right) h_{(4)}R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha) \widetilde{h_{(1)}} \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3),(h)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(2)}^2 h_{(3)} \triangleright \beta \triangleleft S^{-1}(h_{(4)})R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^1 \right) R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^2 h_{(2)} \Phi_{0,1}(\alpha) \widetilde{h_{(1)}} \\
&= \sum_{(h)} \Phi_{1,0}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(3)}))(\beta) \otimes \varepsilon) \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(\alpha)) D_{1,0}(h_{(1)}) \\
&= \sum_{(h)} \Phi_{1,0}(\text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h_{(2)}))(\beta \otimes \alpha)) D_{1,0}(h_{(1)})
\end{aligned}$$

which is the formula for the case  $(g, n) = (1, 0)$ . The first equality is the definition of  $\Phi_{1,0}$  (Proposition 3.7), the second equality uses (67), the third equality uses  $R\Delta = \Delta^{\text{op}}R$  three

times, the fourth equality uses (69), the definition of  $\Phi_{1,0}$  and the definition of  $D_{1,0}$  and the fifth equality uses the definition of  $\Phi_{1,0}$  and (27). For the general case, fix  $n$  and make an induction on  $g$ ; this is completely similar to the computation for  $\Phi_{0,n+1}$  above, using (68) and the result for  $\Phi_{1,0}$  just proved.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 5.3.* We will obtain the result by the same type of induction as in the proof of Lemma 5.4, *i.e.* first one proves the result for  $\Phi_{0,n}$  by induction on  $n$  and then one fixes  $n$  and proves the result for  $\Phi_{g,n}$  by induction on  $g$ . Let us do for instance the second part, the first part being completely similar and left to the reader. So assume that  $\Phi_{g,n}$  is a morphism of algebras and let  $x \tilde{\otimes} u, y \tilde{\otimes} v \in \mathcal{L}_{g+1,n}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Phi_{g+1,n}((x \tilde{\otimes} u)(y \tilde{\otimes} v)) = \sum_{(R)} \Phi_{g+1,n}(x \operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(y) \tilde{\otimes} \operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(2)})(u)v) \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^2)(x \operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^1)(y))) \otimes D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^2) \Phi_{g,n}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1)(u)v) \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R^3)} \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^2)(x)) \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^3)(y)) \\
&\quad \otimes D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^2 R_{(2)}^3) \Phi_{g,n}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1)(u)) \Phi_{g,n}(v) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{(R^1),(R^2), \\ (R^3),(R^4)}} \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^2)(x)) \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^3 R_{(1)}^4)(y)) \\
&\quad \otimes D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^2) \Phi_{g,n}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(2)}^1 S^{-1}(R_{(2)}^3))(u)) D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^4) \Phi_{g,n}(v) \\
&= \sum_{(R^2),(R^4)} \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^2)(x)) \Phi_{1,0}(\operatorname{coad}^r(R_{(1)}^4)(y)) \otimes D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^2) \Phi_{g,n}(u) D_{g,n}(R_{(2)}^4) \Phi_{g,n}(v) \\
&= \Phi_{g+1,n}(x \tilde{\otimes} u) \Phi_{g+1,n}(y \tilde{\otimes} v).
\end{aligned}$$

The first equality uses (54), the second uses the definition of  $\Phi_{g+1,n}$ , the third uses that  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is a module-algebra for  $\operatorname{coad}^r$  together with the formula  $(\Delta \otimes \operatorname{id})(R) = R_{13}R_{23}$  and then uses that  $\Phi_{1,0}$  and  $\Phi_{g,n}$  are morphisms of algebras (by Proposition 3.7 and the induction hypothesis), the fourth uses Lemma 5.4 and the formula  $(\operatorname{id} \otimes \Delta)(R) = R_{13}R_{12}$ , the fifth uses  $(\operatorname{id} \otimes S^{-1})(R) = R^{-1}$  and the sixth uses the definition of  $\Phi_{g+1,n}$ .  $\square$

For completeness let us provide an alternative definition of  $\Phi_{g,n}$  based on the matrices  $\overset{V}{B}(i)$ ,  $\overset{V}{A}(i)$ ,  $\overset{V}{M}(j)$  from (61). Let  $R^{(+)} = R$  and  $R^{(-)} = (R')^{-1} = \sum_{(R)} R_{(2)} \otimes S(R_{(1)})$  and write as usual  $R^{(\pm)} = \sum_{(R^{(\pm)})} R_{(1)}^{(\pm)} \otimes R_{(2)}^{(\pm)}$ . Note that  $R^{(-)}$  is also a  $R$ -matrix. For a finite-dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$  we define

$$\begin{aligned}
\overset{V}{L}^{(\pm)} &= \sum_{(R^{(\pm)})} R_{(2)}^{(\pm)} \otimes \rho_V(R_{(1)}^{(\pm)}) \in H \otimes \operatorname{End}_k(V) \\
\widetilde{\overset{V}{L}}^{(\pm)} &= \sum_{(R^{(\pm)})} \widetilde{R_{(2)}^{(\pm)}} \otimes \rho_V(R_{(1)}^{(\pm)}) \in \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ) \otimes \operatorname{End}_k(V) \\
\overset{V}{T} &= \sum_{i,j} \overset{V}{\phi}_{e_j}^{e_i} \otimes E_{ij} \in H^\circ \otimes \operatorname{End}(V)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_V : H \rightarrow \operatorname{End}_k(V)$  is the representation morphism,  $\overset{V}{\phi}_{e_j}^{e_i} : h \mapsto e^i(h \cdot e_j)$  are the matrix coefficients of  $V$  in some basis  $(e_i)$  and  $E_{ij}(e_k) = \delta_{jk}e_i$ . These elements can be seen as

matrices of size  $\dim(V)$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ . They satisfy various exchange relations; for instance it is an exercise to show that (67) implies

$$L_1^{(\pm)W} T_2 = T_2 L_1^{(\pm)} R_{VW}^{(\pm)}, \quad R_{VW}^{(\pm)} \tilde{L}_1^{(\pm)W} T_2 = T_2 \tilde{L}_1^{(\pm)}, \quad L_1^{(\pm)} \tilde{L}_2^{(\pm)} = \tilde{L}_2^{(\pm)} L_1^{(\pm)}$$

where we use the notations introduced before Proposition 3.4. Let  $\overset{V}{M}$  (resp.  $\overset{V}{A}$ ,  $\overset{V}{B}$ ) be the matrix with coefficients in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  (resp. in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$ ) introduced before Proposition 3.4. We have

$$(70) \quad \Phi_{0,1}(\overset{V}{M}) = \overset{V}{L}^{(+)} \overset{V}{L}^{(-)-1}, \quad \Phi_{1,0}(\overset{V}{A}) = \overset{V}{L}^{(+)} \overset{V}{L}^{(-)-1}, \quad \Phi_{1,0}(\overset{V}{B}) = \overset{V}{L}^{(+)} \overset{V}{T} \overset{V}{L}^{(-)-1}$$

where  $\Phi_{0,1}(\overset{V}{M})$  is viewed as a matrix with coefficients in  $H$  while  $\Phi_{1,0}(\overset{V}{A})$  and  $\Phi_{1,0}(\overset{V}{B})$  are viewed as matrices with coefficients in  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ . Finally for  $1 \leq k \leq g$  let  $J_k : \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$  and for  $g+1 \leq l \leq g+n$  let  $J_{g+l} : H \rightarrow \mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$  be the obvious embeddings. We define

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{V}{L}^{(\pm)}(i) &= (J_i \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{L}^{(\pm)}) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g+n, \\ \overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(\pm)}(k) &= (J_k \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(\pm)}), \quad \overset{V}{T}(k) = (J_k \otimes \text{id})(\overset{V}{T}) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq g. \end{aligned}$$

A straightforward computation based on the axiom  $(\text{id} \otimes \Delta)(R) = R_{13}R_{12}$  reveals that

$$(71) \quad \sum_{(R)} \left( 1^{\otimes g} \otimes 1^{\otimes l} \otimes D_{0,n-l}(R_{(2)}) \right) \otimes \rho_V(R_{(1)}) = \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g+n) \dots \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g+l+1)$$

and similarly

$$(72) \quad \begin{aligned} &\sum_{(R)} \left( 1^{\otimes k} \otimes D_{g-k,n}(R_{(2)}) \right) \otimes \rho_V(R_{(1)}) \\ &= \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g+n) \dots \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g+1) \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g) \overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(+)}(g) \dots \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(k+1) \overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(+)}(k+1). \end{aligned}$$

Let us denote the matrices in (71) and (72) by  $\Lambda_{0,n-l}$  and  $\Lambda_{g-k,n}$  respectively, with the convention  $\Lambda_{0,0} = 1$ . A computation which combines (70) with (71) and (72) yields

$$(73) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_{g,n}(\overset{V}{M}(g+l)) &= \Lambda_{0,n-l} \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(g+l) \overset{V}{L}^{(-)}(g+l)^{-1} \Lambda_{0,n-l}^{-1}, \\ \Phi_{g,n}(\overset{V}{A}(k)) &= \Lambda_{g-k,n} \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(k) \overset{V}{L}^{(-)}(k)^{-1} \Lambda_{g-k,n}^{-1}, \\ \Phi_{g,n}(\overset{V}{B}(k)) &= \Lambda_{g-k,n} \overset{V}{L}^{(+)}(k) \overset{V}{T}(k) \overset{V}{L}^{(-)}(k)^{-1} \Lambda_{g-k,n}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

for  $1 \leq l \leq n$  and  $1 \leq k \leq g$ . This is the matrix definition of  $\Phi_{g,n}$ .

**Remark 5.5.** Another possible definition of  $\Phi_{g,n}$  uses  $\overset{V}{L}^{(-)}$ ,  $\overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(-)}$  instead of  $\overset{V}{L}^{(+)}$ ,  $\overset{V}{\tilde{L}}^{(+)}$  to define different conjugation matrices  $\Lambda$ , where the conjugation starts from the first tensorand (here it starts from the last tensorand). See e.g. [Fai20a, §3.3]. For  $g=0$  our definition here agrees with the one in [BR22, §6.2], as can be seen from the first equality in (73).

**5.3. Finite-dimensional case.** Here we quickly discuss the case where  $H$  is finite-dimensional, which is treated in detail in [Fai20a]. In this case one can use  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  instead of  $\mathcal{HH}(H^\circ)$ .

Recall from §5.1 the representation of  $\mathcal{H}(H^*)$  on  $H^*$ , which is faithful. Since  $\dim(\mathcal{H}(H^*)) = \dim(\text{End}_k(H^*))$  the representation morphism  $\rho : \mathcal{H}(H^*) \rightarrow \text{End}_k(H^*)$  is an isomorphism. For  $h \in H$  let  $Q_h \in \mathcal{H}(H^*)$  be defined by  $\rho(Q_h)(\psi) = \psi \triangleleft S^{-1}(h)$  for all  $\psi \in H^*$  (be aware that

$Q_h$  was denoted by  $\tilde{h}$  in [Fai20a]). We have  $Q_{hg} = Q_h Q_g$  so that  $\{Q_h \mid h \in H\}$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{H}(H^*)$  isomorphic to  $H$ . These elements obey the following commutation rules in  $\mathcal{H}(H^*)$ :

$$(74) \quad Q_h \varphi = \sum_{(h)} (\varphi \triangleleft S^{-1}(h_{(2)})) Q_{h_{(1)}}, \quad Q_h g = g Q_h$$

for all  $\varphi \in H^*$  and  $h, g \in H$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}_{g,n}^{\text{fin}} : H &\longrightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^*)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n} \\ h &\longmapsto \sum_{(h)} Q_{h_{(1)}} h_{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes Q_{h_{(2g-1)}} h_{(2g)} \otimes h_{(2g+1)} \otimes \dots \otimes h_{(2g+n)}. \end{aligned}$$

which is a morphism of algebras and define

$$\Phi_{g,n}^{\text{fin}} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(H^*)^{\otimes g} \otimes H^{\otimes n}$$

by the formulas of Theorem 5.3 but with  $\mathbf{D}^{\text{fin}}$  instead of  $\mathbf{D}$ . Thanks to (74), the proof of Theorem 5.3 remains valid with the elements  $Q_h$  instead of  $\tilde{h}$  and  $\Phi_{g,n}^{\text{fin}}$  is a morphism of algebras.

Hence we have two possible different morphisms in the finite-dimensional case:  $\Phi_{g,n}$  and  $\Phi_{g,n}^{\text{fin}}$ . They are related as follows. Let  $r_{V_i} : H \rightarrow \text{End}_k(V_i)$  be any representations of  $H$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and let  $\rho : \mathcal{H}(H^*) \rightarrow \text{End}_k(H^*)$  be the representation from Proposition 5.2, which by restriction gives the isomorphism  $\mathcal{H}(H^*) \cong \text{End}_k(H^*)$ . Then the two representations of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\rho^{\otimes g} \otimes r_{V_1} \otimes \dots \otimes r_{V_n}) \circ \Phi_{g,n}^{\text{fin}} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) &\rightarrow \text{End}_k((H^*)^{\otimes g} \otimes V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_n), \\ (\rho^{\otimes g} \otimes r_{V_1} \otimes \dots \otimes r_{V_n}) \circ \Phi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) &\rightarrow \text{End}_k((H^*)^{\otimes g} \otimes V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_n) \end{aligned}$$

are *equal*, simply because  $\rho(Q_h) = \rho(\tilde{h})$ . This property is satisfying, as one of the main applications of  $\Phi_{g,n}$  is to construct representations of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .

When  $H$  is infinite dimensional we cannot define the elements  $Q_h \in \mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$ , because we do not know if the representation morphism  $\rho : \mathcal{H}(H^*) \rightarrow \text{End}_k(H^\circ)$  is surjective. This is why we introduced the bigger algebra  $\mathcal{H}(H^\circ)$  in which the elements  $\tilde{h}$  exist by construction for all  $h$  and are a substitute for  $Q_h$ .

**5.4. The case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ .** The left and right coregular actions of  $U_q$  on  $\mathcal{O}_q$  allow us to define the two-sided Heisenberg double  $\mathcal{H}_q = \mathcal{H}_q(\mathfrak{g})$  as the smash product

$$\mathcal{H}_q = \mathcal{O}_q \# (U_q \otimes U_q^{\text{cop}}).$$

where the scalars are implicitly extended to  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . It is the  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ -vector space  $\mathcal{O}_q \otimes (U_q \otimes U_q)$  endowed with the product (66).

Let  $G$  be the connected, complex, semisimple algebraic group with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Recall from §2 that  $\mathcal{O}_q = \mathcal{O}_q(G)$  is the subalgebra of  $U_q^\circ$  generated over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  by the family of all matrix coefficients of the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules of type 1.

**Lemma 5.6.** *For all  $k \geq 1$  the algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)^{\otimes k}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

*Proof.* The direct product  $G^{\times k}$  is a connected, complex, semisimple algebraic group with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}^{\oplus k}$ . By definition,  $\mathcal{O}_q(G^{\times k})$  is generated over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  by the family of all matrix coefficients of the irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g}^{\oplus k})$ -modules of type 1. Let us note that  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g}^{\oplus k}) \cong U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})^{\otimes k}$  as Hopf algebras. It is a general fact that given two algebras  $A$  and  $B$  the irreducible  $(A \otimes B)$ -modules are all of the form  $V \otimes W$  where  $V$  is an irreducible  $A$ -module and  $W$  is



an irreducible  $B$ -module, see e.g. [E+11, Th. 3.10.2]. Hence we have an isomorphism of algebras

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_q(G^{\times k}) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_q(G)^{\otimes k} \\ V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_k \phi_{j_1, \dots, j_k}^{i_1, \dots, i_k} &\longmapsto V_1 \phi_{j_1}^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes V_k \phi_{j_k}^{i_k} \end{aligned}$$

where each  $V_l$  is an irreducible  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -module of type 1,  $(v_{l,i})$  is a basis of  $V_l$  with dual basis  $(v^{l,j})$  and the  $\phi$ 's are the matrix coefficients in these bases. By [BG02, Th. I.8.9] the algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(G^{\times k})$  has non-trivial zero divisors and we are done.  $\square$

**Proposition 5.7.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

*Proof.* We first introduce a filtration  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q$  which straightforwardly generalizes the filtration of  $\mathcal{H}_q$  used in the proof of Proposition 3.10. It is defined by

$$\mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}} = \mathcal{O}_q \# (\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{m}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{n}})$$

for  $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}) \in (\mathbb{N}^{2N+1})^2$ . We endow the monoid  $(\mathbb{N}^{2N+1})^2$  with the partial order defined by  $(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}) \leq (\mathbf{m}', \mathbf{n}')$  if and only if  $\mathbf{m} \leq \mathbf{m}'$  and  $\mathbf{n} \leq \mathbf{n}'$ , where  $\leq$  on  $\mathbb{N}^{2N+1}$  is the lexicographic order from the right (7). Thanks to formula (66) for the product in  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q$  and to Corollary 2.6 we see that  $\mathcal{G}$  is a filtration of  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q$ . We have

$$\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q) = \mathcal{O}_q \# (\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q) \otimes \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q)).$$

Let us explain this equality more precisely. Let  $v\phi_j^i : x \mapsto v^i(x \cdot v_j)$  be the matrix coefficients (see §2.1) of a finite-dimensional  $U_q^{\text{ad}}$ -module  $V$  in a basis of weight vectors  $(v_i)$  with weights  $(\epsilon_i)$ . Write

$$v\phi_j^i, \quad \overline{E_{\beta_k}}, \quad \overline{F_{\beta_k}}, \quad \overline{K_{\mu}}, \quad \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}}, \quad \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}}, \quad \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}}$$

instead of

$$\begin{aligned} v\phi_j^i + \mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})}, \quad \overline{E_{\beta_k}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(d(E_{\beta_k}), \mathbf{0})}, \quad \overline{F_{\beta_k}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(d(F_{\beta_k}), \mathbf{0})}, \quad \overline{K_{\mu}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})} \\ \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, d(E_{\beta_k}))}, \quad \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, d(F_{\beta_k}))}, \quad \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}} + \mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})} \end{aligned}$$

in  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q)$ . Note that  $\mathcal{G}^{<(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})} = 0$ . The subalgebra generated by  $\overline{E_{\beta_k}}, \overline{F_{\beta_k}}, \overline{K_{\mu}}, \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}}, \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}}, \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}}$  for  $1 \leq k \leq N$  and  $\mu \in P$  is isomorphic to  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q)^{\otimes 2}$  and is thus a quasi-polynomial ring (over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$ ). Moreover by Proposition 2.5 and (67) we get

$$(75) \quad \begin{aligned} \overline{E_{\beta_k}} v\phi_j^i &= v\phi_j^i \overline{E_{\beta_k}}, & \overline{F_{\beta_k}} v\phi_j^i &= q^{-(\beta_k, \epsilon_j)} v\phi_j^i \overline{F_{\beta_k}}, & \overline{K_{\mu}} v\phi_j^i &= q^{(\mu, \epsilon_j)} v\phi_j^i \overline{K_{\mu}}, \\ \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}} v\phi_j^i &= q^{-(\beta_k, \epsilon_i)} v\phi_j^i \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}}, & \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}} v\phi_j^i &= v\phi_j^i \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}}, & \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}} v\phi_j^i &= q^{-(\mu, \epsilon_i)} v\phi_j^i \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\mu \in P$ . Hence  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q)$  is a quasi-polynomial ring over  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$ , generated over  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  by  $\overline{E_{\beta_k}}, \overline{F_{\beta_k}}, \overline{K_{\mu}}, \widetilde{\overline{E_{\beta_k}}}, \widetilde{\overline{F_{\beta_k}}}, \widetilde{\overline{K_{\mu}}}$  for  $1 \leq k \leq N$  and  $\mu \in P$ .

Now for  $(\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{n}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_g, \mathbf{n}_g, \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n) \in (\mathbb{N}^{2N+1})^{2g+n}$  let

$$\mathcal{T}^{\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{n}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_g, \mathbf{n}_g, \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n} = \mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{n}_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{G}^{\mathbf{m}_g, \mathbf{n}_g} \otimes \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{p}_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}^{\mathbf{p}_n} \subset \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}.$$

We endow the monoid  $(\mathbb{N}^{2N+1})^{2g+n}$  with the direct product order:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{m}_1, \mathbf{n}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_g, \mathbf{n}_g, \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n) &\leq (\mathbf{m}'_1, \mathbf{n}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}'_g, \mathbf{n}'_g, \mathbf{p}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}'_n) \\ \iff \forall i, j, \quad \mathbf{m}_i &\leq \mathbf{m}'_i, \quad \mathbf{n}_i &\leq \mathbf{n}'_i, \quad \mathbf{p}_j &\leq \mathbf{p}'_j. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $\mathcal{T}$  is a filtration of  $\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$  and that

$$\text{gr}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}) = \text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q)^{\otimes g} \otimes \text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q)^{\otimes n}.$$

We have seen that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q)$  is a quasipolynomial ring over  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})$  and we know that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{F}_{\text{DCK}}}(U_q)$  is a quasipolynomial ring over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  (§2.4). Hence  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n})$  is a quasipolynomial ring over  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes g}$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}_q(q^{1/D})^{\otimes g}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors by Lemma 5.6, it follows from a general result (see e.g. [MCR01, §1.2.9]) that  $\text{gr}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n})$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors. The conclusion then follows from Lemma 2.4.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.8.** 1. *The morphism  $\Phi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$  is injective.*  
2. *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  does not have non-trivial zero divisors.*

*Proof.* 1. The proof is by induction. First we prove the result for  $\Phi_{0,n}$  by induction on  $n$ . Then we fix  $n$  and we prove the result for  $\Phi_{g,n}$  by induction on  $g$ . It has been shown in [Bau00, Th. 3] that the morphism  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is injective (see [BR22, Th 4.3] for this statement in the present framework). Now assume that  $\Phi_{0,n}$  is injective for some  $n$ . Let  $\text{ad}^r$  be the right adjoint action of  $U_q$  on itself:  $\text{ad}^r(h)(x) = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(1)})xh_{(2)}$ . For  $\lambda \in P$  consider the subspaces

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda} &= \{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \mid \forall \nu \in P, \text{coad}^r(K_{\nu})(\varphi) = q^{(\lambda, \nu)}\varphi\}, \\ (U_q)_{\lambda} &= \{x \in U_q \mid \forall \nu \in P, \text{ad}^r(K_{\nu})(x) = q^{(\lambda, \nu)}x\}. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda}$  and  $U_q = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (U_q)_{\lambda}$ , thus

$$\mathcal{L}_{0,n+1} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda} \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}, \quad U_q^{\otimes(n+1)} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (U_q)_{\lambda} \otimes (U_q)^{\otimes n}$$

where for the first equality we used that  $\mathcal{L}_{0,n+1} = \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{0,n}$  (Prop. 4.3). Since

$$\forall h \in U_q, \forall \psi \in \mathcal{L}_{0,1}, \quad \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(h)(\psi)) = \text{ad}^r(h)(\Phi_{0,1}(\psi))$$

we have  $\Phi_{0,1}((\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda}) \subset (U_q)_{\lambda}$ . Take  $\varphi \in (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{0,n}$ . By (12) we have

$$\text{coad}^r(\Theta_{(1)})(\varphi) \otimes \Theta_{(2)} = \varphi \otimes K_{\lambda}.$$

It follows from (15) and the expression of  $R$  in (14) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{0,n+1}(\varphi \tilde{\otimes} x) &= \sum_{(R)} \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(R_{(1)})(\varphi)) \otimes D_{0,n}(R_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(x) \\ &\in \Phi_{0,1}(\text{coad}^r(\Theta_{(1)})(\varphi)) \otimes D_{0,n}(\Theta_{(2)})\Phi_{0,n}(x) + \bigoplus_{\lambda' < \lambda} (U_q)_{\lambda'} \otimes (U_q)^{\otimes n} \\ &= \Phi_{0,1}(\varphi) \otimes (K_{\lambda})^{\otimes n}\Phi_{0,n}(x) + \bigoplus_{\lambda' < \lambda} (U_q)_{\lambda'} \otimes (U_q)^{\otimes n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda' < \lambda$  means that  $\lambda - \lambda' \in Q_+ \setminus \{0\}$  and we used that  $K_{\lambda}$  is grouplike for the last equality. We are now in position to show our result. Let  $y \in \mathcal{L}_{0,n+1}$  be a non-zero element and write it as  $y = \sum_{\lambda \in P} \sum_{i \in I_{\lambda}} \varphi_{\lambda,i} \tilde{\otimes} x_{\lambda,i}$  with  $\varphi_{\lambda,i} \in (\mathcal{L}_{0,1})_{\lambda}$  for all  $i \in I_{\lambda}$  and such that for each  $\lambda$  the elements  $(\varphi_{\lambda,i})_{i \in I_{\lambda}}$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{C}(q^{1/D})$ . Take a  $\lambda$  maximal for the order  $\leq$  on  $P$  such that there exists at least one  $i \in I_{\lambda}$  with  $\varphi_{\lambda,i} \neq 0$  and  $x_{\lambda,i} \neq 0$ . Then

$$\Phi_{0,n+1}(y) \in \sum_{i \in I_{\lambda}} \Phi_{0,1}(\varphi_{\lambda,i}) \otimes (K_{\lambda})^{\otimes n}\Phi_{0,n}(x_{\lambda,i}) + \bigoplus_{\lambda' \neq \lambda} (U_q)_{\lambda'} \otimes (U_q)^{\otimes n}$$

By the induction hypothesis the morphism  $\Phi_{0,n}$  is injective so  $(K_{\lambda})^{\otimes n}\Phi_{0,n}(x_{\lambda,i}) \neq 0$  ( $K_{\lambda}$  being invertible) for at least one  $i \in I_{\lambda}$ . Moreover the elements  $\varphi_{\lambda,i}$  are linearly independent so the elements  $\Phi_{0,1}(\varphi_{\lambda,i})$  are linearly independent as well and it follows that  $\Phi_{0,n+1}(y) \neq 0$ . Let us now examine the case of  $\Phi_{g,n}$ . Recall first from Theorem 3.11 that  $\Phi_{1,0}$  is injective.

We see easily from the formulas in Theorem 5.3 that  $\Phi_{g,n}$  actually takes values in  $\mathcal{H}_q \otimes \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes(g-1)} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}$ . Recall the right action (36) of  $U_q$  on  $\mathcal{H}_q$  and consider the subspaces

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_\lambda &= \{x \in \mathcal{L}_{1,0} \mid \forall \nu \in P, \text{coad}^r(K_\nu)(x) = q^{(\lambda,\nu)}x\}, \\ (\mathcal{H}_q)_\lambda &= \{y \in \mathcal{H}_q \mid \forall \nu \in P, y \cdot K_\nu = q^{(\lambda,\nu)}y\}. \end{aligned}$$

One sees easily that  $\mathcal{H}_q = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (\mathcal{H}_q)_\lambda$  and we obtain the decompositions

$$\mathcal{L}_{g+1,n} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_\lambda \tilde{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_{g,n}, \quad \mathcal{H}_q \otimes \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} (\mathcal{H}_q)_\lambda \otimes \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}_q^{\otimes g} \otimes U_q^{\otimes n}.$$

Moreover by Proposition 3.7 we have  $\Phi_{1,0}((\mathcal{L}_{1,0})_\lambda) \subset (\mathcal{H}_q)_\lambda$ . After these preliminary remarks the proof (by induction) of the injectivity of  $\Phi_{g+1,n}$  is completely similar to the proof for  $\Phi_{0,n+1}$  above and is thus left to the reader.

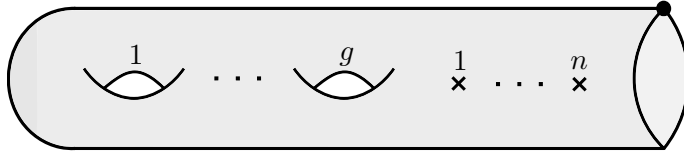
2. Follows from Proposition 5.7 and item 1.  $\square$

## 6. TOPOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION OF $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$

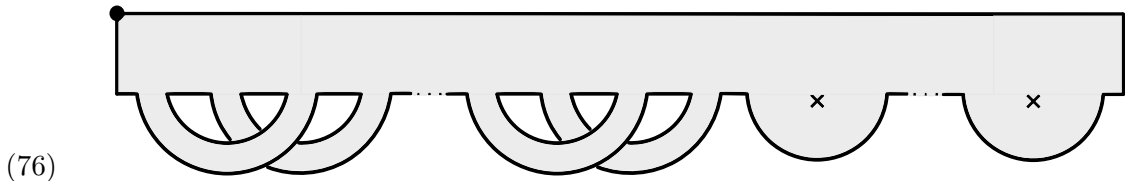
Let  $H$  be a ribbon Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode. In this last section we show that the algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is isomorphic to the stated skein algebra of a surface as defined in [CKL]. If moreover  $H\text{-mod}$  is semisimple we show that the subalgebra of invariant elements  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  is isomorphic to the skein algebra of the surface. Finally we explain why this last property is false when  $H\text{-mod}$  is not semisimple.

**6.1. Stated skein algebras of surfaces.** In this subsection we recall the definitions of the topological objects that we will use. For details, see [Lê18, CL22, CKL].

Denote by  $\Sigma_g$  the compact closed oriented surface of genus  $g \geq 0$ , by  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  the surface obtained from  $\Sigma_g$  by removing  $n$  points, by  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  the punctured bordered surface obtained from  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  by removing an open disk  $D$ , and then by  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$  the surface obtained from  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  by removing a point from the boundary component  $\partial(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$ . Here is a picture of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ :



The puncture on the boundary is represented by a big black dot ( $\bullet$ ) while the  $n$  inner punctures are represented by the cross marks ( $\times$ ). For our purposes it is much more convenient to use a less familiar view of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ :



Let  $\Sigma = \Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet} \times [0, 1]$  be the thickening of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ . A point  $P \in \Sigma$  is a couple  $(p, h)$  and the number  $h$  is called the *height* of  $P$ . Recall from [Lê18, §2.2] that a  $H$ -colored  $\partial\Sigma$ -tangle is an oriented, framed, compact, properly embedded 1-dimensional submanifold  $\mathbf{T} \subset \Sigma$  such that

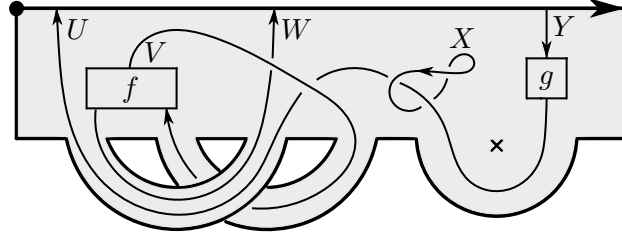
- (1) the framing is vertical at any point of  $\partial\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T} \cap \partial\Sigma$ ,
- (2) the points of  $\partial\mathbf{T}$  have distinct heights,

- (3) each connected component of  $\mathbf{T}$  is colored (i.e. labelled) by a finite-dimensional  $H$ -module.

Here we moreover allow the  $\partial\Sigma$ -tangles to contain *coupons*, which are squares colored by  $H$ -morphisms in the usual coherent way. The coupons are not allowed to intersect  $\partial\Sigma$ . This gives  $\partial\Sigma$ -*ribbon graphs*, which are the generalization to surfaces of the homogeneous colored directed ribbon graphs from [RT90].

An isotopy of  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graphs is an isotopy which preserves all the properties listed above. We represent a  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  by its diagram, which is the projection of  $\mathbf{T}$  on  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ . We use isotopy to ensure that the projection has at most double points, and at double points we record the over/under-passing information as usual. Moreover, the height information of the boundary points  $\partial\mathbf{T}$  must be recorded with the diagram; thanks to isotopy it is enough to record the order of the boundary points with respect to the relation  $<$  defined by  $(p, h) < (p', h')$  if and only if  $h < h'$ . It is customary to identify a  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph with its isotopy class.

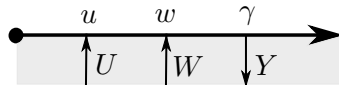
Let  $\sigma$  be an orientation of  $\partial\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$ . We say that a diagram of the  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  is  $\sigma$ -ordered if the boundary points of  $\mathbf{T}$  have increasing heights when one goes along  $\partial\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}$  according to  $\sigma$  and starting from the point  $\bullet$ . In a  $\sigma$ -ordered diagram the height relation  $<$  of the boundary points of  $\mathbf{T}$  is given by  $\sigma$ . Using isotopy it is clear that any  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph can be represented by a  $\sigma$ -ordered diagram. Here is an example of such a diagram for  $(g, n) = (1, 1)$ :



(77)

The colors (i.e. labels)  $U, V, W, X, Y$  are finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules and  $f : W \otimes V^* \rightarrow V$ ,  $g : U \rightarrow Y$  are  $H$ -morphisms. With this choice of orientation of the boundary, the diagram implicitly means that the heights of the boundary points labeled by  $U, W$  and  $Y$  respectively form a strictly increasing sequence. In the sequel we always use ordered diagrams with respect to this orientation.

Let  $\mathbf{T}$  be a  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph, let  $p_1, \dots, p_r$  be the boundary points of  $\mathbf{T}$  and let  $V_i$  be the color of the strand to which belongs  $p_i$  for each  $i$ . A *state* of  $\mathbf{T}$  is a map which to each  $p_i$  associates an element of  $V_i$  or  $V_i^*$ , depending if the orientation of the strand is incoming or outgoing at  $p_i$  respectively. In practice we label  $p_i$  by an element of  $V_i$  or  $V_i^*$  on the ribbon graph diagram. Here is an example of a state for a ribbon graph like in (77):



with  $u \in U$ ,  $w \in W$ ,  $\gamma \in Y^*$ ; in this picture we just show  $\mathbf{T}$  in a disk which intersects the boundary. A  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph together with a state is called a *stated ribbon graph*. If  $s = (s_1, \dots, s_l)$  is a state of the ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  (i.e. a labelling of the boundary points ordered by increasing height), we denote by  $\mathbf{T}^s$  the ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  with the state  $s$ .

Denote by  $M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  the vector space freely generated by the (isotopy classes of) stated ribbon graphs, over the base field  $k$  of  $H$ . In  $M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  we “multilinearize” the states, i.e. we

put the relations  $\mathbf{T}^{(s_1, \dots, \lambda s_i + \mu s'_i, \dots, s_n)} = \lambda \mathbf{T}^{(s_1, \dots, s_i, \dots, s_n)} + \mu \mathbf{T}^{(s_1, \dots, s'_i, \dots, s_n)}$  for all  $i$ , all  $\lambda, \mu \in k$  and any  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph  $\mathbf{T}$  which can be labelled with these states.

Let  $\mathbf{T}^s$  be a stated ribbon graph which looks as follows in a disk  $D$  which intersects the boundary:

$$(78) \quad \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{s_1 \quad \dots \quad s_l} \\ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline V_1 \quad \dots \quad V_l \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline T \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline W_1 \quad \dots \quad W_m \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array} \end{array}$$

where  $m, l \geq 0$  and  $T$  is any oriented and colored  $(m, l)$ -ribbon graph in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . We emphasize that  $m$  or  $l$  may be equal to 0. Each strand carries an orientation. For  $1 \leq i \leq l$  let  $\epsilon(i) \in \{\pm\}$  be  $+$  (resp.  $-$ ) if the orientation of the strand colored by  $V_i$  points inward (resp. outward) the surface at the boundary. Set  $V_i^+ = V_i$  and  $V_i^- = V_i^*$  so that  $s_i \in V_i^{-\epsilon(i)}$ . Similarly for  $1 \leq j \leq m$  let  $\eta(j) \in \{\pm\}$  be  $+$  (resp.  $-$ ) if the strand colored by  $W_j$  is outgoing (resp. incoming) at the bottom of  $T$  and set  $W_j^+ = W_j$  and  $W_j^- = W_j^*$ . The Reshetikhin–Turaev functor  $F_{\text{RT}}$  [RT90] applied to  $T$  gives a linear map

$$F_{\text{RT}}(T) : W_1^{\eta(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes W_m^{\eta(m)} \rightarrow V_1^{\epsilon(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes V_l^{\epsilon(l)}.$$

Denote as usual  $\langle -, - \rangle$  for the evaluation pairing:  $\langle \varphi, v \rangle = \langle v, \varphi \rangle = \varphi(v)$  for any  $v \in V_i$ ,  $\varphi \in V_i^*$ . We extend this pairing straightforwardly:

$$(79) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle -, - \rangle : \left( V_1^{-\epsilon(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes V_l^{-\epsilon(l)} \right) \otimes \left( V_1^{\epsilon(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes V_l^{\epsilon(l)} \right) &\rightarrow k \\ (s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes s_l) \otimes (x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_l) &\mapsto \langle s_1, x_1 \rangle \dots \langle s_l, x_l \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(w_r^{j,+})_r$  be a basis of  $W_j$  and  $(w_r^{j,-})_r$  be its dual basis. Then we identify  $\mathbf{T}^s$  with the following element of  $M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ :

$$(80) \quad \sum_{r_1, \dots, r_m} \left\langle s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes s_l, F_{\text{RT}}(T) \left( w_{r_1}^{1, \eta(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes w_{r_m}^{m, \eta(m)} \right) \right\rangle \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{w_{r_1}^{1, -\eta(1)} \quad \dots \quad w_{r_m}^{m, -\eta(m)}} \\ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline W_1 \quad \dots \quad W_m \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array}$$

We stress that the stated ribbon graphs appearing in the linear combination (80) are equal to  $\mathbf{T}$  outside the disk  $D$  represented in (78). Such an identification is called a *stated skein relation*.

**Definition 6.1** ([CKL]). *The stated skein algebra of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet}$  associated to  $H$ , which we denote by  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ , is the quotient of  $M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$  by all the stated skein relations (80).*

Given two stated ribbon graphs  $\mathbf{T}_1^s, \mathbf{T}_2^t$  we can use isotopy to transform  $\mathbf{T}_1^s$  into  $(\mathbf{T}_1^s)^- \subset \Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet} \times [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  and  $\mathbf{T}_2^t$  into  $(\mathbf{T}_2^t)^+ \subset \Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet} \times ]\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ . The disjoint union  $(\mathbf{T}_1^s)^- \cup (\mathbf{T}_2^t)^+$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{T}_1^s * \mathbf{T}_2^t$ . Each boundary point keeps its state in  $(\mathbf{T}_1^s)^- \cup (\mathbf{T}_2^t)^+$  so that the result is naturally a stated ribbon graph. This operation  $*$  defines an associative algebra structure on  $M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$  which descends to  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ . The unit is the empty  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph.

Here is an example of stated skein relation which we will use later:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \xrightarrow{v} \varphi \\ \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \\ Y \\ \searrow \\ X \end{array} \end{array} &= \sum_{i,j} \langle v \otimes \varphi, c_{Y,X^*}(y_i \otimes x^j) \rangle \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \xrightarrow{y^i \quad x_j} \\ \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ Y \\ \uparrow \\ X \end{array} \end{array} \\
 (81) \qquad &= \sum_{(R)} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \xrightarrow{\varphi(R_{(1)}?) \quad S(R_{(2)})v} \\ \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ Y \\ \uparrow \\ X \end{array} \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $v \in X$ ,  $\varphi \in Y^*$ ,  $c$  is the braiding in  $H\text{-mod}$ ,  $(x_i)$  is a basis of  $X$ ,  $(y_j)$  is a basis of  $Y$ ,  $(x^i)$ ,  $(y^j)$  are their dual bases and  $\varphi(R_{(1)}?)$  denotes the linear form on  $Y$  defined by  $y \mapsto \varphi(R_{(1)}y)$ . The detail of the second equality is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i,j} \langle v \otimes \varphi, c_{Y,X^*}(y_i \otimes x^j) \rangle y^i \otimes x_j &= \sum_{(R),i,j} \langle v \otimes \varphi, R_{(2)}x^j \otimes R_{(1)}y_i \rangle y^i \otimes x_j \\
 &= \sum_{(R),i,j} \langle x^j, S(R_{(2)})v \rangle \langle \varphi, R_{(1)}y_i \rangle y^i \otimes x_j = \sum_{(R)} \varphi(R_{(1)}?) \otimes S(R_{(2)})v.
 \end{aligned}$$

One proves similarly that

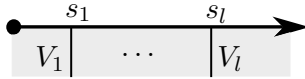
$$(82) \quad \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \xrightarrow{v \quad w} \\ \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \\ Y \\ \searrow \\ X \end{array} \end{array} = \sum_{(R)} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \xrightarrow{R_{(1)}w \quad R_{(2)}v} \\ \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ Y \\ \uparrow \\ X \end{array} \end{array}$$

**6.2. Isomorphism**  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \cong \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . This subsection is a generalization of [Fai20b, §5], which dealt with the case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ . The main ingredient in the definition of the isomorphism will be the *holonomy map*

$$\text{hol} : \{\partial\Sigma\text{-ribbon graphs}\} \rightarrow \{\text{tensors with coefficients in } \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)\}$$

defined in [Fai20b, §4.1].

Let  $\mathbf{T}^s \subset \Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet} \times [0, 1]$  be a stated ribbon graph with state  $s = (s_1, \dots, s_l)$  which looks as follows near the boundary:



As before, let  $\epsilon(i) \in \{\pm\}$  be  $+$  (resp.  $-$ ) if the orientation of the strand colored by  $V_i$  points inward (resp. outward) the surface at the boundary, and set  $V_i^+ = V_i$ ,  $V_i^- = V_i^*$  so that  $s_i \in V^{-\epsilon(i)}$ . By definition  $\mathbf{T}$  is the  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph obtained from  $\mathbf{T}^s$  by forgetting the states. Then the holonomy map gives an element

$$\text{hol}(\mathbf{T}) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes V_1^{\epsilon(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes V_l^{\epsilon(l)}.$$

Let  $\langle -, - \rangle$  be the evaluation pairing as in (79). Then  $\langle s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes s_l, - \rangle$  is a linear map  $V_1^{\epsilon(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes V_l^{\epsilon(l)} \rightarrow k$  and we define

$$\text{hol}^{\text{st}}(\mathbf{T}^s) = (\text{id}_{\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)} \otimes \langle s_1 \otimes \dots \otimes s_l, - \rangle)(\text{hol}(\mathbf{T})) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H).$$

Extending linearly, this gives a map  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} : M_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . It is immediate from the definition of  $\text{hol}$  in [Fai20b] that  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}$  is compatible with the stated skein relations, so it descends to  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$ .

**Definition 6.2.** We call  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} : \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  the *stated holonomy map*.

**Proposition 6.3.** The stated holonomy map is a morphism of algebras.

*Proof.* This follows from one of the main properties of hol proven in [Fai20b]. Let  $\mathbf{T}_1^s, \mathbf{T}_2^t$  be stated ribbon graphs and let

$$\mathbf{T}_1^s = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \xrightarrow{s_1} \xrightarrow{s_l} \bullet \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \\ V_1 \quad \cdots \quad V_l \end{array} \quad \mathbf{T}_2^t = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \xrightarrow{t_1} \xrightarrow{t_m} \bullet \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \\ W_1 \quad \cdots \quad W_m \end{array}$$

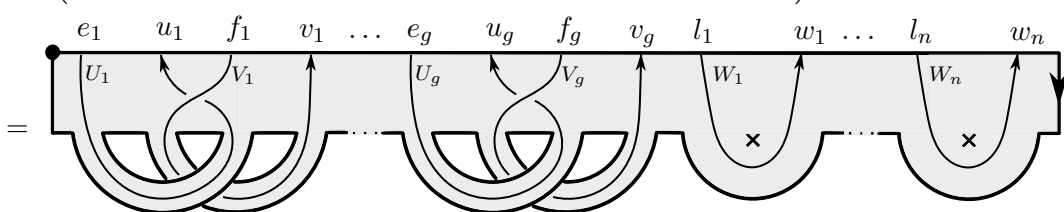
be their boundary points and states. By definition of the product of stated ribbon graphs and of an ordered  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graph diagram, the boundary points of  $\mathbf{T}_1^s * \mathbf{T}_2^t$  are arranged as follows:

$$\mathbf{T}_1^s * \mathbf{T}_2^t = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \xrightarrow{s_1} \xrightarrow{s_l} \xrightarrow{t_1} \xrightarrow{t_m} \bullet \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \\ V_1 \quad \cdots \quad V_l \quad W_1 \quad \cdots \quad W_m \end{array}$$

Let  $\mathbf{T}_1, \mathbf{T}_2$  be the  $\partial\Sigma$ -ribbon graphs without states and write  $\text{hol}(\mathbf{T}_1) = \sum_i x_i \otimes \mathbf{v}_i$ ,  $\text{hol}(\mathbf{T}_2) = \sum_j y_j \otimes \mathbf{w}_j$  with  $x_i, y_j \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_i \in V_1^{\epsilon(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes V_l^{\epsilon(l)}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_j \in W_1^{\eta(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes W_m^{\eta(m)}$ , where the  $\epsilon$ 's and  $\eta$ 's are signs as above. We know from [Fai20b, Th. 4.4] that  $\text{hol}(\mathbf{T}_1 * \mathbf{T}_2) = \sum_{i,j} x_i y_j \otimes \mathbf{v}_i \otimes \mathbf{w}_j$ . Hence:

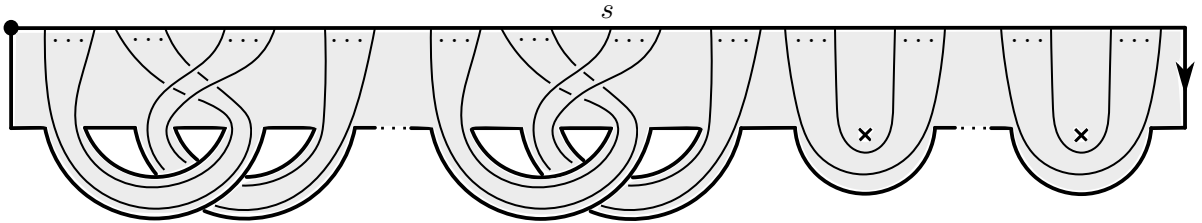
$$\begin{aligned} \text{hol}^{\text{st}}(\mathbf{T}_1^s * \mathbf{T}_2^t) &= (\text{id}_{\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)} \otimes \langle s_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes s_l \otimes t_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes t_m, - \rangle)(\text{hol}(\mathbf{T}_1 * \mathbf{T}_2)) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} x_i y_j \langle s_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes s_l, \mathbf{v}_i \rangle \langle t_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes t_m, \mathbf{w}_j \rangle = \text{hol}^{\text{st}}(\mathbf{T}_1^s) \text{hol}^{\text{st}}(\mathbf{T}_2^t). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

We now define what will be a right inverse to  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}$ . Recall that  $H^\circ$  is spanned by the matrix coefficients  ${}_V\phi_V^f$  of finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules and that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is  $(H^\circ)^{\otimes(2g+n)}$  as a vector space. We define a linear map  $\xi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  by

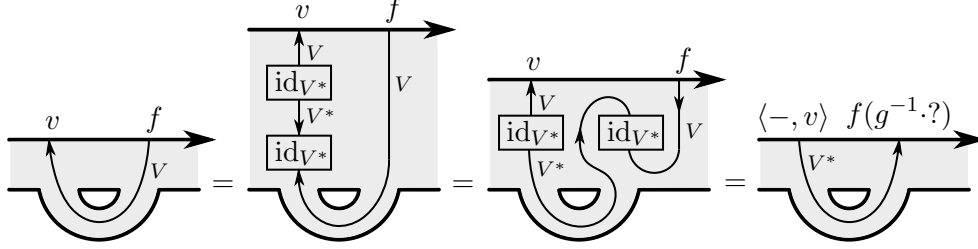
$$\begin{aligned} &\xi_{g,n} \left( U_1 \phi_{u_1}^{e_1} \otimes V_1 \phi_{v_1}^{f_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes U_g \phi_{u_g}^{e_g} \otimes V_g \phi_{v_g}^{f_g} \otimes W_1 \phi_{w_1}^{l_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes W_n \phi_{w_n}^{l_n} \right) \\ &= \begin{array}{c} e_1 \quad u_1 \quad f_1 \quad v_1 \quad \dots \quad e_g \quad u_g \quad f_g \quad v_g \quad l_1 \quad w_1 \quad \dots \quad l_n \quad w_n \\ \bullet \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \xrightarrow{\quad} \bullet \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \quad \quad \quad | \\ U_1 \quad V_1 \quad \quad \quad U_g \quad V_g \quad \quad \quad W_1 \quad W_n \end{array} \end{array}$$


**Lemma 6.4.** *The linear map  $\xi_{g,n} : \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  is surjective.*

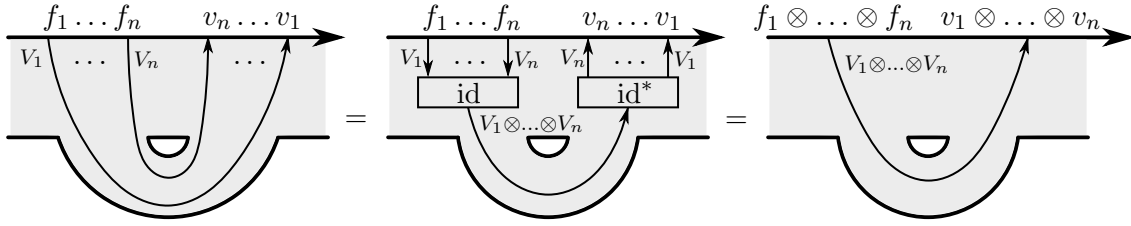
*Proof.* Due to the stated skein relations (80) in  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  we see that every element is equal to a linear combination of “standard” stated tangles of the form



In this picture each strand carries some orientation and color and  $s = (s_1, \dots, s_N)$  is some state. We put the crossings in view of the definition (83); it is clear that we can always add such crossings since they correspond to the braiding isomorphism through the Reshetikhin–Turaev functor. Now we observe that the stated skein relations imply an orientation reversal relation:



where  $\langle -, v \rangle : \varphi \mapsto \varphi(v)$  and  $f(g^{-1} \cdot ?) : x \mapsto f(g^{-1} \cdot x)$  with  $g \in H$  the pivotal element. We similarly have an all-in-one relation:



In these pictures the handle represents either one of the handles or one of the punctured half-disks in (76). As a result the “standard” stated tangles above can be rewritten as the ones in (83), which by definition span the image of  $\xi_{g,n}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.5.** *The stated holonomy map  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} : \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is an isomorphism of algebras.*

*Proof.* We already know from Proposition 6.3 that  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}$  is a morphism of algebras. It is immediate from the definition of  $\text{hol}$  in [Fai20b] that  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} \circ \xi_{g,n} = \text{id}_{\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)}$  (the role of the crossings in the definition (83) of  $\xi_{g,n}$  is precisely to obtain this equality). This implies that the linear map  $\xi_{g,n}$  is injective. It follows from Lemma 6.4 that  $\xi_{g,n}$  is an isomorphism of vector spaces. Hence  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}} = \xi_{g,n}^{-1}$  is an isomorphism as well.  $\square$

A corollary of the previous proof is that  $\xi_{g,n}$  is a morphism of algebras. It is nevertheless worthwhile to mention that the direct proof (*i.e.* without resorting on  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}$ ) of this fact allows one to recover the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  by means of stated skein relations, thus giving a topological flavour to the formulas in Proposition 4.4. We explain this for  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{0,1}^{\circ, \bullet})$  and  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{1,0}^{\circ, \bullet})$ .

So let us first discuss the case of  $\xi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{0,1}^{\circ, \bullet})$ . It is useful to note that

$$(84) \quad h \triangleright v \phi_v^f = v \phi_{hv}^f, \quad v \phi_v^f \triangleleft h = v \phi_v^{f(h?)}$$

where we recall that  $\triangleright$  and  $\triangleleft$  are the left and right coregular actions of  $H$  on  $H^\circ$ , see (19). We then have the following stated skein computation, which recovers the formula (22) for the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$ :



$$\begin{aligned}
\xi_{0,1}(v\phi_v^f) \xi_{0,1}(w\phi_w^l) &= \text{Diagram 1} = \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \text{Diagram 2} \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \text{Diagram 3} = \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \xi_{0,1} \left( v \otimes w \phi_{R^2_2 S(R^1_2) v \otimes R^2_1 w}^{f \otimes l(R^1_1 ?)} \right) \\
&= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \xi_{0,1} \left( (R^2_2 S(R^1_2) \triangleright v \phi_v^f) \star (R^2_1 \triangleright w \phi_w^l \triangleleft R^1_1) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

The first equality is by definition of the product in  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{0,1}^{\circ,\bullet})$ , the second equality uses the stated skein relations (81) and (82), the third equality uses the all-in-one relation (see the proof of Lemma 6.4), the fourth equality is the definition of  $\xi_{0,1}$  and the last equality uses (84) and (3).

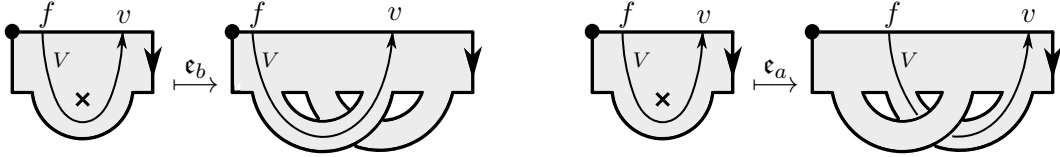
Let us now consider  $\xi_{1,0} : \mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{1,0}^{\circ,\bullet})$ . Recall that the product in  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}(H)$  is fully described by the formulas (33). Let us write

$$\xi_b = \xi_{1,0} \circ i_B, \quad \xi_a = \xi_{1,0} \circ i_A$$

which are morphisms of algebras  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{1,0}^{\circ,\bullet})$ , and we recall that  $i_B$  and  $i_A$  are defined in (25). Then the definition of  $\xi_{1,0}$  in (83) is such that

$$(85) \quad \xi_{1,0}(\beta \otimes \alpha) = \xi_b(\beta) \xi_a(\alpha).$$

We have two natural morphisms of algebras  $\epsilon_b, \epsilon_a : \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{0,1}^{\circ,\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{1,0}^{\circ,\bullet})$  defined by



(we use that every element of  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{0,1}^{\circ,\bullet})$  can be written as a linear combination of such stated tangles, see the proof of Lemma 6.4). They satisfy  $\xi_b = \epsilon_b \circ \xi_{0,1}$ ,  $\xi_a = \epsilon_a \circ \xi_{0,1}$ . Hence by the previous computation for  $\xi_{0,1}$  we find

$$\xi_b(\varphi) \xi_b(\psi) = \epsilon_b(\xi_{0,1}(\varphi) \xi_{0,1}(\psi)) = \epsilon_b(\xi_{0,1}(\varphi\psi)) = \xi_b(\varphi\psi)$$

and similarly for  $\xi_a$ ; these two equalities correspond to the first and second formulas of (33). Finally:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \xi_a(w\phi_w^l) \xi_b(v\phi_v^f) &= \text{Diagram 1} = \text{Diagram 2} \\
 &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \text{Diagram 3} \\
 &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \xi_{1,0} \left( v\phi_{R^4 R^3 R^1 v}^{f(R^1 R^2 ?)} \otimes w\phi_{R^3 S(R^1) w}^{l(R^2 R^4 ?)} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \xi_b \left( R^4 R^3 \triangleright v\phi_v^f \triangleleft R^1 R^2 \right) \xi_a \left( R^3 S(R^1) \triangleright w\phi_w^l \triangleleft R^2 R^4 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The first equality is by definition of the product in  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{1,0}^{\circ,\bullet})$ , the second equality is a trick, the third equality uses stated skein relations like (81) and (82), the fourth equality uses the definition of  $\xi_{1,0}$ , the last equality uses (84) and (85). This equality corresponds to the third formula of (33).

For general  $g$  and  $n$  write

$$\xi_{b_i} = \xi_{g,n} \circ \mathbf{i}_{B(i)}, \quad \xi_{a_i} = \xi_{g,n} \circ \mathbf{i}_{A(i)}, \quad \xi_{m_j} = \xi_{g,n} \circ \mathbf{i}_{M(j)}.$$

for all  $1 \leq i \leq g$ ,  $g+1 \leq j \leq g+n$  and observe that by definition of  $\xi_{g,n}$  (see (83)) we have

$$\xi_{g,n}(\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_{2g+n}) = \xi_{b_1}(\varphi_1) \xi_{a_1}(\varphi_2) \dots \xi_{b_g}(\varphi_{2g-1}) \xi_{a_g}(\varphi_g) \xi_{m_{g+1}}(\varphi_{2g+1}) \dots \xi_{m_{g+n}}(\varphi_{2g+n}).$$

As above, one can show using the stated skein relations that the elements  $\xi_{b_i}(\varphi)$ ,  $\xi_{a_i}(\varphi)$ ,  $\xi_{m_j}(\varphi) \in \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  with  $\varphi \in H^\circ$  obey the same product than the elements  $\mathbf{i}_{B(i)}(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{A(i)}(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{M(j)}(\varphi) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . The reader can treat the case  $(g,n) = (0,2)$  as an exercise.

The computations above reveal the topological relevance of the elements  $\mathbf{i}_{B(i)}(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{A(i)}(\varphi)$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_{M(j)}(\varphi)$  and of the formulas in Proposition 4.4 for their products.

**6.3. Isomorphism  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \cong \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  for semisimple  $H$ -mod.** This part is a generalization of [BR22, §8.2], which dealt with the case  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ .

Recall that  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  is the compact oriented surface of genus  $g$  with one boundary component and  $n$  punctures not belonging to the boundary. Recall that  $F_{\text{RT}}$  denotes the Reshetikhin–Turaev functor [RT90], and  $k$  is the base field of  $H$ .

**Definition 6.6.** *The skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  is the  $k$ -vector space generated by the isotopy classes of ribbon links with coupons (i.e. ribbon graphs without boundary points) in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0,1]$ , modulo the skein relations:*

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \text{Diagram 4} = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \sum_i \lambda_i F_{\text{RT}}(T_i) = 0.$$

(86)

where  $\lambda_i \in k$  and the  $T_i$ 's are any ribbon graphs in  $[0, 1]^3$  having common colors on the incoming and outgoing strands. The sum on the left represents a linear combination of ribbon links which are equal outside of some cube in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0, 1]$  which is depicted in grey.

Note that up to introducing identity coupons, we can always assume that the incoming and outgoing strands of  $T_i$  have this orientation. Then  $F_{\text{RT}}(T_i) \in \text{Hom}_H(X_1 \otimes \dots \otimes X_k, Y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes Y_l)$ . The product in  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  is given by stacking (see after Definition 6.1).

Recall that  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet}$  is  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  with a puncture on the boundary. This puncture is irrelevant when we restrict to ribbon links, so if  $L$  is the isotopy class of a ribbon link in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0, 1]$  we have the corresponding isotopy class  $I(L)$  in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet} \times [0, 1]$ . Note that  $I(L)$  can be seen as a stated ribbon graph without boundary points (and thus without states):  $I(L) \in \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ .

**Lemma 6.7.** *The map  $L \mapsto I(L)$  induces a well-defined morphism of algebras  $I : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $L_1, \dots, L_k$  be links in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0, 1]$  and  $L = \sum_i \lambda_i L_i \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$ . We have to show that if  $L = 0$  is a skein relation (86) in  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  then  $I(L) = \sum_i \lambda_i I(L_i) = 0$  follows from the stated skein relations in  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$ . For notational simplicity we take ribbon graphs  $T_i$  which have 2 incoming strands and 1 outgoing strand in (86). Using isotopy we can assume that the cube in (86) is very close to  $\partial(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$ . Therefore in  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ, \bullet})$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} I(L) &= \sum_i \lambda_i \left[ \text{Diagram of a cube with a ribbon graph } T_i \text{ inside, with strands } Y, X_1, X_2 \text{ and a puncture on the top boundary.} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k,l} \lambda_i \text{ev}_Y \circ (\text{id}_{Y^*} \otimes F_{\text{RT}}(T_i))(y^j \otimes x_k^{(1)} \otimes x_l^{(2)}) \left[ \text{Diagram of a cube with strands } y_j, x^{(1),k}, x^{(2),l} \text{ and a puncture on the top boundary.} \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where all ribbon graphs are equal outside of the grey cube and  $(y_j)$ ,  $(x_k^{(1)})$ ,  $(x_l^{(2)})$  are bases of  $Y$ ,  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  with dual bases  $(y^j)$ ,  $(x^{(1),k})$ ,  $(x^{(2),l})$ . For the second equality we used (80) and for the third equality we used that  $\sum_i \lambda_i F_{\text{RT}}(T_i) = 0$  by assumption. It is clear that  $I$  is a morphism of algebras since both products are by stacking.  $\square$

Note that since  $I(L)$  is a stated ribbon graph without boundary points (and thus without states),  $\text{hol}^{\text{st}}(I(L))$  is just an element of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ . Thus we can make the following definition:

**Definition 6.8.** *The morphism  $W = \text{hol}^{\text{st}} \circ I : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is called the Wilson loop map.*

Recall that the subalgebra of  $H$ -invariant elements is

$$\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) = \{x \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \mid \forall h \in H, \text{coad}^r(h)(x) = \varepsilon(h)x\}.$$

**Theorem 6.9.** *If the ribbon Hopf algebra  $H$  has semisimple category  $H\text{-mod}$ , the Wilson loop map takes values in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  and provides an isomorphism of algebras  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ .*

It is well-known that the ribbon category  $\mathcal{C}$  of finite dimensional  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules of type 1 is semisimple. Therefore we can apply this theorem to  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ , meaning that the ribbon links with coupons defining  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  are colored by objects and morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}$  is equivalent to the category of finite dimensional modules of type 1 over the simply connected quantum group  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , we can indifferently take  $H = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ .

It is true that  $W$  takes values in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  even if  $H\text{-mod}$  is not semisimple, but in general it is not an isomorphism. See §6.4 for more details on the non-semisimple case.



property because

$$f \in \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) \iff \forall h \in H, \text{act}^r(h)(f) = \varepsilon(h)f. \quad \square$$

Now, for  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_{2g+n}) \in \text{Irr}(H)^{2g+n}$ , let

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{X}} : \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$$

defined by

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(f) = \text{Diagram showing a horizontal ribbon graph with strands labeled } X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{2g-1}, X_{2g}, X_{2g+1}, \dots, X_{2g+n}. \text{ The strands are grouped into pairs } (X_i, X_i^*) \text{ and are connected by arcs. A coupon labeled } f \text{ is placed above the strands. The diagram is enclosed in a rectangular frame with a dashed line inside.}$$

The map  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{X}}$  is  $k$ -linear thanks to the skein relations (86). Let

$$\mathcal{F} : \bigoplus_{\mathbf{X} \in \text{Irr}(H)^{2g+n}} \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$$

be the sum of the linear maps  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{X}}$ .

**Lemma 6.11.** *The linear map  $\mathcal{F}$  is surjective.*

*Proof.* As in the proof of Lemma 6.4 we observe that every element of  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  is a linear combination of links of the form

$$L_{\mathbf{X}} = \text{Diagram showing a horizontal ribbon graph with strands labeled } X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{2g-1}, X_{2g}, X_{2g+1}, \dots, X_{2g+n}. \text{ The strands are grouped into pairs } (X_i, X_i^*) \text{ and are connected by arcs. A coupon labeled } T_{\mathbf{X}} \text{ is placed above the strands. The diagram is enclosed in a rectangular frame with a dashed line inside.}$$

where  $T_{\mathbf{X}}$  is some oriented and colored  $(4g + 2n, 0)$ -ribbon graph in  $[0, 1]^3$ . We can assume that the colors  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_{2g+n})$  are irreducible. Indeed, if a strand is colored by a non-irreducible module  $V$ , then write  $V = \bigoplus_l S_l$  where the  $S_l$  are irreducible. We can introduce coupons containing the injections  $I_l : S_l \rightarrow V$  and projections  $\pi_l : V \rightarrow S_l$  thanks to the relation  $\text{id}_V = \sum_l I_l \circ \pi_l$ . By sliding these coupons along the strand we get a sum of links where the strands under consideration are colored by the modules  $S_l$ .

Thanks to the skein relations (86) we can replace the ribbon graph  $T_{\mathbf{X}}$  by a coupon colored by  $F_{\text{RT}}(T_{\mathbf{X}}) \in \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right)$  and it follows that  $L_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{X}}(F_{\text{RT}}(T_{\mathbf{X}}))$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 6.9.* By definition of  $\text{hol}$  [Fai20b, Def. 4.2] and (88), we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{\mathbf{X} \in \text{Irr}(H)^{2g+n}} \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \\ \mathcal{F} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) & \xrightarrow{W} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \end{array}$$

The surjectivity of  $\mathcal{F}$  (Lemma 6.11) implies that  $W$  takes values in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ . Since  $\mathcal{E}$  is an isomorphism (Lemma 6.10),  $\mathcal{F}$  is necessarily injective, so it is an isomorphism of vector spaces. It follows that  $W$  is an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ .  $\square$

Recall the map  $I$  introduced before Lemma 6.7. Our results imply the following important fact, which is not obvious despite seeming completely natural:

**Corollary 6.12.** *Assume that  $H$ -mod is semisimple. Then the morphism of algebras  $I : \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$  is injective.*

*Proof.* By the definition of  $W$  (Definition 6.8), Theorem 6.5 and Theorem 6.9 we have a commutative diagram where the rows are isomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet}) & \xrightarrow[\text{hol}^{\text{st}}]{\sim} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \\ \uparrow I & \circlearrowleft & \uparrow \text{(subalgebra)} \\ \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) & \xrightarrow[W]{\sim} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \end{array}$$

It immediately follows that  $I$  is injective.  $\square$

This corollary means that the skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  is isomorphic to the subalgebra of ribbon links (with coupons) in the stated skein algebra  $\mathcal{S}_H^{\text{st}}(\Sigma_{g,n}^{\circ,\bullet})$ .

**6.4. Remarks on semisimplicity.** If the category  $H$ -mod is not semisimple:

- the matrix coefficients of irreducible modules do not form a generating family of  $H^\circ$ ,
- the matrix coefficients of indecomposable modules form a generating family of  $H^\circ$  but not a free family (even if one restricts to projective modules).

Hence  $H^\circ = \sum_{X \in \text{Ind}(H)} C(X)$ , where  $\text{Ind}(H)$  denotes the set of indecomposable  $H$ -modules up to isomorphisms.

Consequently the decomposition (87) is no longer true, and instead one has

$$\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) = \sum_{\mathbf{X} \in \text{Ind}(H)^{2g+n}} C(X_1) \otimes C(X_2) \otimes \dots \otimes C(X_{2g+n}).$$

So there is a surjection  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{X} \in \text{Ind}(H)^{2g+n}} \text{Hom}_k\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  and a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{\mathbf{X} \in \text{Ind}(H)^{2g+n}} \text{Hom}_H\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*, k\right) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \\ \mathcal{F} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) & \xrightarrow[W]{} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \end{array}$$

Moreover  $\mathcal{F}$  is still surjective, thus  $W$  takes values in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ . But in general nothing can be said about the surjectivity of  $\mathcal{E}$ . So when  $H$  is not semisimple, Theorem 6.9 will in general not be true:

$$\text{im}(W) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H).$$

Non-semisimplicity arises notably at roots of unity. For instance take  $(g, n) = (0, 1)$  and  $H = \overline{U}_\epsilon = \overline{U}_\epsilon(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ , the restricted quantum group of  $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$  at  $\epsilon = e^{i\pi/p}$  with  $p \geq 2$  (see e.g. [FGST06, §3]). We have  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}^{\overline{U}_\epsilon} \cong \mathcal{Z}(\overline{U}_\epsilon)$  (see e.g. [Fai19a, Th. 3.7]) and it is known that  $\dim(\mathcal{Z}(\overline{U}_\epsilon)) = 3p - 1$  [FGST06, Prop. 4.4.4]. On the other hand one can check that  $\dim(\text{im}(W)) = 2p$ , showing that the inclusion is indeed strict.

In [Fai20b, §4.4] a generalization of Wilson loops was defined in order to produce more  $H$ -invariant elements. The idea is roughly to use other symmetric linear forms than the traces; for  $\Sigma_{0,1}^\circ$  these generalized Wilson loops recover the whole of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}^H(H)$ .

Another interesting situation where non-semisimplicity arises is when working over the ring  $A = \mathbb{C}[q^{1/D}, q^{-1/D}]$  and specializing  $q$  to a root of unity. To define an integral version  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A$  of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}$  defined over  $A$ , such that  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A \otimes_A \mathbb{C}(q^{1/D}) = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}$ , one considers Lusztig's restricted quantum group  $U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{res}}(\mathfrak{g}) \subset U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ , which is defined over  $\mathcal{A} := \mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}]$ , and its restricted dual  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{A}}(G)$ , associated to the category  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{A}}$  of finite rank  $U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{res}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules of type 1. The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^A$  in the case  $g = 0$  is described in [BR22].

## 7. THE CASE OF SURFACES WITHOUT BOUNDARY

By Theorem 6.9, we know that if the ribbon Hopf algebra  $H$  has semisimple category  $H\text{-mod}$ , the Wilson loop map provides an isomorphism of algebras  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ . Here we address the question of defining algebras which are related to the surface  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  obtained by closing  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$ , and derived from  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  respectively. We stress that the construction and results presented below works for any  $n \geq 0$ , including in particular the closed surface of genus  $g$ .

**7.1. Quantum moment maps and quantum reduction.** Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra over a field  $k$ , and  $H' \subset H$  a subalgebra and right  $H$ -coideal (so  $\Delta(H') \subset H' \otimes H$ ). On  $H$  we have the right adjoint action,

$$\text{ad}^r(h)(g) = \sum_{(h)} S(h_{(1)})gh_{(2)}, \quad (h, g \in H),$$

and we assume that  $H'$  is a stable subspace under this action. Let  $A$  be a left  $H$ -module algebra. We denote by  $\blacktriangleright$  the action of  $H$  on  $A$ .

**Definition 7.1.** *A morphism of algebras  $\mu: H' \rightarrow A$  is a quantum moment map (QMM) if for every  $a \in A$  and  $h' \in H'$  it satisfies*

$$\sum_{(h')} (h'_{(2)} \blacktriangleright a) \mu(h'_{(1)}) = \mu(h')a.$$

This definition is implicit in [Lu93], and explicit in [VV10, Section 1.5] (we use an opposite coproduct, which is suited to our conventions). The following facts follow readily from the definitions and are properties we can expect of a quantum analog of moment map (see [Lu93], Theorem 3.10).

**Lemma 7.2.** *Assume we are given a QMM  $\mu: H' \rightarrow A$ . Then:*

(i) (Equivariance) *For every  $h \in H$  and  $h' \in H'$  we have*

$$\mu(\text{ad}^r(h)(h')) = S(h) \blacktriangleright \mu(h').$$

(ii) (Recovering the action) *For every  $a \in A$  and  $h \in H$  such that  $(S \otimes \text{id})\Delta(h) \in H' \otimes H'$  (eg. when  $H' = H$ ), we have*

$$\sum_{(h)} \mu(S(h_{(1)}))a\mu(h_{(2)}) = S(h) \blacktriangleright a.$$

Given a morphism of algebras  $\chi: H' \rightarrow k$ , put

$$(90) \quad I_\chi := A\mu(\text{Ker}(\chi)).$$

This is a left ideal of  $A$  (but in general not a two-sided ideal). Since  $\text{Ker}(\chi) = \{h' - \chi(h')1, h' \in H'\}$ , and  $A$  is a  $H$ -module algebra and  $H'$  is stable under  $\text{ad}^r$ , (i) in the lemma implies that  $I_\chi$

is  $H'$ -stable. Therefore we can consider the left  $(A/I_\chi)$ -submodule  $(A/I_\chi)^{H'} \subset A/I_\chi$  formed by the  $H'$ -invariant elements. Define the map  $\varphi_\chi: H' \rightarrow H$ ,  $h' \mapsto \sum_{(h')} \chi(h'_{(1)})h'_{(2)}$ , and denote by  $\varepsilon_{|H'}: H' \rightarrow k$  the restriction of the counit of  $H$ .

**Proposition 7.3.** *The product of  $A$  descends to the space  $(A/I_\chi)^{H'}$  and gives it a structure of algebra. Moreover, if  $\text{Im}(\varphi_\chi) \subset H'$  and  $\varphi_\chi(\text{Ker}(\chi)) = \text{Ker}(\varepsilon_{|H'})$ , then the algebra  $(A/I_\chi)^{H'}$  is isomorphic to  $\text{End}_A(A/I_\chi)^{\text{op}}$ .*

Both claims follow from arguments in Proposition 1.5.2 of [VV10], to which we refer. The first claim is also detailed in Proposition 3.12 of [GJS19]. For completeness let us explain it. The point is to observe that a coset  $a + I_\chi \in A/I_\chi$  is  $H'$ -invariant if and only if  $\text{Ker}(\varepsilon_{|H'}) \blacktriangleright a \subset I_\chi$ . But  $\text{Ker}(\varepsilon_{|H'})$  obviously contains the elements  $\sum_{(h')} \chi(h'_{(1)})h'_{(2)} \in H$ , where  $h' \in \text{Ker}(\chi)$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{(h')} \chi(h'_{(1)})h'_{(2)} \right) \blacktriangleright a &= \sum_{(h')} (h'_{(2)} \blacktriangleright a)(\mu(h'_{(1)})) + \sum_{(h')} (h'_{(2)} \blacktriangleright a)(\chi(h'_{(1)}) - \mu(h'_{(1)})) \\ &= \sum_{(h')} (h'_{(2)} \blacktriangleright a)\mu(h'_{(1)}) \quad \text{modulo } I_\chi \\ &= \mu(h')a \quad \text{modulo } I_\chi. \end{aligned}$$

The third equality follows from the QMM equation in Definition 7.1. Therefore, for every  $h' \in \text{Ker}(\chi)$ ,  $\mu(h')a \in \text{Ker}(\varepsilon_{|H'}) \blacktriangleright a + I_\chi \subset I_\chi$ , whence  $I_\chi a \subset I_\chi$ , which shows  $I_\chi$  is stable under right multiplication by elements which are  $H'$ -invariant modulo  $I_\chi$ . It follows that the product of  $A$  descends to  $(A/I_\chi)^{H'}$ .

From [VV10] we take:

**Definition 7.4.** *The algebra  $A//_\chi H' := (A/I_\chi)^{H'}$  is the quantum reduction of  $A$  by the character  $\chi$ .*

By the defining property of  $\mu$ , it is immediate that given an  $A$ -module  $V$  the subspace

$$V^{H', \chi} := \{v \in V, \mu(h') \cdot v = \chi(h')v, \forall h' \in H'\}$$

is a  $(A//_\chi H')$ -module. Therefore we have a functor  $A\text{-Mod} \rightarrow (A//_\chi H')\text{-Mod}$ .

Let us observe the following fact in the case of the quantum reduction by the counit  $\varepsilon$ , which will be important in Section 7.3. Consider the canonical quotient map of  $H$ -modules,  $p: A \rightarrow A/I_\varepsilon$ . The restriction  $\pi$  of  $p$  to  $A^{H'}$  has image contained in  $A//_\varepsilon H'$ , and as explained after Proposition 7.3 it is a morphism of algebras

$$(91) \quad \pi: A^{H'} \rightarrow A//_\varepsilon H'.$$

Denote by  $Z(H')$  the center of  $H'$ .

**Definition 7.5.** *We will say that  $Z(H')$  separates the simple types if the following property holds: for any finite collection of non isomorphic and non trivial simple  $H$ -modules  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ , there exists an element  $z \in Z(H')$  such that  $\varepsilon(z) = 0$  and  $z \blacktriangleright v = z_i v$  for every  $v \in X_i$ , where  $z_i \in k$  satisfy  $z_i \neq z_j$  for  $i \neq j$ .*

**Lemma 7.6.** *Assume that the  $H$ -module  $A$  is completely reducible and  $Z(H')$  separates the simple types. Then the map  $\pi$  is surjective.*



*Proof.* Let  $a + I_\varepsilon \in A//_\varepsilon H'$ . By definition we have  $h' \blacktriangleright a - \varepsilon(h')a \in I_\varepsilon$ , for every  $h' \in H'$ . Since  $A$  is completely reducible, we can decompose  $a$  in the form  $a = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i$  with  $a_i$  the isotypical component of  $a$  of type  $X_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , and  $a_0$  the isotypical component of  $a$  of trivial type, ie. the  $H$ -invariant component of  $a$ . Then

$$h' \blacktriangleright a - \varepsilon(h')a = \sum_{i=1}^k (h' \blacktriangleright a_i - \varepsilon(h')a_i).$$

Let us apply this to an element  $z \in Z(H')$ , separating the components of type  $X_i$  as in Definition 7.5. For every integer  $s \geq 1$  we have

$$z^s \blacktriangleright a - \varepsilon(z^s)a = \sum_{i=1}^k z_i^s a_i.$$

Therefore  $\sum_{i=1}^k z_i^s a_i \in I_\varepsilon$  for every  $s \geq 1$ , with  $z_i \neq z_j$  for  $i \neq j$ . Because the Vandermonde matrix  $(z_i^s)$  is invertible for  $1 \leq s \leq k$ , we find  $a_i \in I_\varepsilon$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ . Therefore  $a + I_\varepsilon = a_0 + I_\varepsilon$ , showing that  $\pi$  is surjective.  $\square$

**7.2. A quantum moment map for  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .** Let  $H$  be a ribbon Hopf algebra with an invertible antipode; we denote the ribbon element of  $H$  by  $v$ .

*Assumption: the morphism  $\Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow H$  from (37) is injective.*

When  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is an isomorphism,  $H$  is called *factorizable*. In general, let  $H'$  be the image of the morphism  $\Phi_{0,1}$ . Then  $H'$  is a subalgebra of  $H$  such that  $H' \subset H^{\text{lf}}$ . The quantum group  $U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$  satisfies the above assumption, up to a slight adaptation: in that case  $H' = U_q(\mathfrak{g})^{\text{lf}}$  by [Bau00, Th. 3].

Let us quote the following well-known fact:

**Lemma 7.7.**  *$H'$  is a right coideal (i.e.  $\Delta(H') \subset H' \otimes H$ ) and is stable by the right adjoint action  $\text{ad}^r$  of  $H$ .*

*Proof.* By definition an element of  $H'$  has the form  $\sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \varphi(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2) R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2$  for some  $\varphi \in H^\circ$ . Let us compute the coproduct of such an element:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R_{(2)}^1),(R_{(1)}^2)} \varphi(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2) (R_{(2)}^1)_{(1)} (R_{(1)}^2)_{(1)} \otimes (R_{(2)}^1)_{(2)} (R_{(1)}^2)_{(2)} \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \varphi(R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 R_{(2)}^3 R_{(2)}^4) R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^3 \otimes R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^4 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^4),(\varphi)} \varphi_{(1)}(R_{(1)}^1) \varphi_{(3)}(R_{(2)}^4) \Phi_{0,1}(\varphi_{(2)}) \otimes R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^4 \in H' \otimes H. \end{aligned}$$

The first equality is by quasi-triangularity of  $H$  while the second is by definition of  $\Phi_{0,1}$  and of the coproduct in  $H^\circ$ . The last claim of the lemma is obvious, since  $\Phi_{0,1} : (\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H), \text{coad}^r) \rightarrow (H, \text{ad}^r)$  is  $H$ -linear.  $\square$

**Remark 7.8.** *For any Hopf algebra  $H$ , the subalgebra  $H^{\text{lf}}$  is always a right coideal subalgebra of  $H$  (see [KLN20], Theorem 1).*

Recall the matrices  $\overset{V}{B}(i), \overset{V}{A}(i), \overset{V}{M}(j) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V)$  from (61), where  $1 \leq i \leq g$  and  $g+1 \leq j \leq g+n$  and  $V$  is any finite-dimensional  $H$ -module. Let

$$(92) \quad \overset{V}{C}(i) = v_{\overset{V}{V}}^2 \overset{V}{B}(i) \overset{V}{A}(i)^{-1} \overset{V}{B}(i)^{-1} \overset{V}{A}(i)$$

where  $v_V^2 \in \text{End}(V)$  is the representation of  $v^2$  on  $V$ . It is well-known that the matrices  $\overset{V}{B}(i), \overset{V}{A}(i), \overset{V}{M}(j)$  are invertible (see e.g. [Fai19b, Lem. 6.1.2]), so this formula makes sense.

Denote by  $\overset{V}{\phi}_l^k \in H^\circ$  the matrix coefficients of  $V$  and by  $\overset{V}{C}(i)_l^k$  the coefficients of  $\overset{V}{C}(i)$ , both taken in some basis of  $V$ . Consider the linear map given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^{(i)} : \quad H' &\longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \\ \Phi_{0,1}(\overset{V}{\phi}_l^k) &\longmapsto \overset{V}{C}(i)_l^k \end{aligned}$$

for all  $V, k$  and  $l$ . It is well-defined since by assumption  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is injective.

**Lemma 7.9.**  $\mu^{(i)}$  is a morphism of algebras.

*Proof.* This follows from the definition of  $\mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H)$  (see (30)), the fact that  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is a morphism of algebras, and finally Lemma 3.5.  $\square$

**Remark 7.10.** By its proof, Lemma 7.9 is equivalent to the set of fusion relations

$$(93) \quad \overset{V \otimes W}{C}(i) = \overset{V}{C}(i)_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{C}(i)_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1}.$$

Similar relations are satisfied for any collection of matrices which like  $C(i)$  “lifts” in a suitable sense a simple closed curve in  $\Sigma_{g,n} \setminus D$ . For complete details on this we refer to [Fai19b, Prop. 5.3.14] (see also the seminal work [AS96a, §9.1], but with different conventions). As shows the proof of Lemma 3.5, the definition of such a lift needs a normalization factor which is a suitable power of  $v_V$ .

**Definition 7.11.** For any finite-dimensional  $H$ -module  $V$ , we define

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{V}{C} &= \overset{V}{C}(1) \dots \overset{V}{C}(g) \overset{V}{M}(g+1) \dots \overset{V}{M}(g+n) \\ &= v_V^{2g} \prod_{i=1}^g [\overset{V}{B}(i), \overset{V}{A}(i)^{-1}] \prod_{j=1}^n \overset{V}{M}(g+j) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V). \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $b_i, a_i, m_j$  ( $1 \leq i \leq g, g+1 \leq j \leq g+n$ ) are the standard generators of  $\pi_1(\Sigma_{g,n} \setminus D)$ , then  $\partial(\Sigma_{g,n} \setminus D) = b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} a_1 \dots b_g a_g^{-1} b_g^{-1} a_g m_{g+1} \dots m_{g+n}$ . So the matrices  $\overset{V}{C}$  are in some sense a “lift” of  $\partial(\Sigma_{g,n} \setminus D)$ .

Consider the linear map given by

$$(94) \quad \begin{aligned} \mu : \quad H' &\longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \\ \Phi_{0,1}(\overset{V}{\phi}_l^k) &\longmapsto \overset{V}{C}_l^k \end{aligned}$$

for all  $V, k$  and  $l$ . In a component-free form,  $\mu$  is given by

$$(95) \quad \sum_{(R^1), (R^2)} \mu(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2)_V = \overset{V}{C}.$$

**Lemma 7.12.**  $\mu$  is a morphism of algebras.

*Proof.* Since  $\Phi_{0,1}$  is a morphism of algebras it suffices to show that the collection of matrices  $C$  satisfies the fusion relation (30). For ease of notation let us write  $\overset{V}{C}(j) = \overset{V}{M}(j)$  for  $g+1 \leq j \leq g+n$ , so that  $\overset{V}{C} = \overset{V}{C}(1) \dots \overset{V}{C}(g+n)$ . We saw in (93) that the collection of

matrices  $\overset{V}{C}(i)$  satisfies the fusion relation for all  $1 \leq i \leq g+n$ . Straightforward computations using Proposition 4.5 reveal that we also have

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{C}(i)_2 = \overset{W}{C}(i)_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j < i \leq g+n.$$

The fusion relation for  $\overset{V}{C}$  follows from all these relations, arguing like in Lemma 3.5.  $\square$

The following commutation relations (written with the notations introduced before Proposition 3.4) for the collection of matrices  $\overset{V}{C}$  will play a key role in the proof of the next theorem:

**Lemma 7.13.** *Let  $V, W$  be finite-dimensional  $H$ -modules and let  $\overset{W}{X}(i)$  be  $\overset{W}{B}(i)$ ,  $\overset{W}{A}(i)$  or  $\overset{W}{M}(i)$ . We have*

$$R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 = \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}_1 (R')_{V,W}$$

in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W)$ .

*Proof.* Recall the notation  $\overset{V}{C}(j) = \overset{V}{M}(j)$  for  $g+1 \leq j \leq g+n$  from the proof of Lemma 7.12. Straightforward computations using Proposition 4.5 reveal that

$$(96) \quad \begin{aligned} (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 &= \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 (R')_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 (R')_{V,W} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i < j \leq g+n, \\ R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(i)_1 (R')_{V,W} \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 &= \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(i)_1 (R')_{V,W} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq g+n \\ R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 &= \overset{W}{X}(i)_2 R_{V,W} \overset{V}{C}(j)_1 R_{V,W}^{-1} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j < i \leq g+n. \end{aligned}$$

The result easily follows.  $\square$

Let us define a left action  $\blacktriangleright$  of  $H$  on  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  by

$$h \blacktriangleright x = \text{coad}^r(S^{-1}(h))(x)$$

for  $h \in H$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  and  $\text{coad}^r$  is defined in (53). Since  $S$  is an anti-morphism of bialgebras,  $\blacktriangleright$  endows  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  with the structure of  $H^{\text{cop}}$ -module-algebra:  $h \blacktriangleright (xy) = \sum_{(h)} (h_{(2)} \blacktriangleright x)(h_{(1)} \blacktriangleright y)$ . If  $\overset{V}{X}(i)$  is one of the matrices  $\overset{V}{B}(i)$ ,  $\overset{V}{A}(i)$ ,  $\overset{V}{M}(i)$  we define the matrix  $h \blacktriangleright \overset{V}{X}(i)$  in the obvious way on coefficients:  $(h \blacktriangleright \overset{V}{X}(i))_l^k = h \blacktriangleright (\overset{V}{X}(i)_l^k)$  for all  $1 \leq k, l \leq \dim(V)$ . One checks easily that

$$(97) \quad h \blacktriangleright \overset{V}{X}(i) = \sum_{(h)} S^{-1}(h_{(2)})_V \overset{V}{X}(i) (h_{(1)})_V.$$

Clearly, this applies also to the matrix  $\overset{V}{C}$ , because  $h \blacktriangleright \overset{V}{X}(i)^{-1}$  is given by the same formula.

**Theorem 7.14.** *The morphism  $\mu : H' \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is a quantum moment map:*

$$\mu(h') x = \sum_{(h')} (h'_{(2)} \blacktriangleright x) \mu(h'_{(1)})$$

for all  $h' \in H'$  and  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ .

*Proof.* Note first that, since  $(R')_{V,W} = \sum_{(R)} (R_{(2)})_{V,1} (R_{(1)})_{W,2}$  and  $\sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \otimes R_{(2)}^2 S(R_{(2)}^1) = 1 \otimes 1$ , the commutation relations of Lemma 7.13 can be rewritten as:

$$(98) \quad \begin{aligned} C_1^V X(i)_2 &= \sum_{(R)} (R_{(1)})_{W,2} R_{V,W}^{-1} X(i)_2 R_{V,W}^V C_1 (R')_{V,W} S(R_{(2)})_{V,1} \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \left( (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2)_W X(i) (R_{(2)}^3 R_{(1)}^4)_W \right)_2 \left( (S(R_{(1)}^2) R_{(1)}^3)_V C_1 (R_{(2)}^4 S(R_{(2)}^1))_V \right)_1. \end{aligned}$$

For the second equality we split all the  $R$ -matrices and we used obvious commutation relations to rearrange the terms; also recall that  $R^{-1} = (S \otimes \text{id})(R)$ . To prove the theorem we can assume that  $h'$  is a coefficient of some matrix  $\sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2)_V \in H' \otimes \text{End}(V)$  and that  $x$  is a coefficient of some matrix  $X(i) \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(W)$  which is  $B(i)$ ,  $A(i)$  or  $M(i)$ . This reduces the proof to a matrix computation in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(V) \otimes \text{End}(W)$  based on (95). Starting from the right-hand side of the desired formula we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{(R^1),(R^2),(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2)} \left( (R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2)_{(2)} \blacktriangleright X(i) \right)_2 \left( \mu((R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2)_{(1)}) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2)_V \right)_1 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^4 \blacktriangleright X(i) \right)_2 \left( \mu(R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^3) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 R_{(2)}^3 R_{(2)}^4)_V \right)_1 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \left( R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2 \blacktriangleright X(i) \right)_2 \left( (R_{(1)}^1)_V C (R_{(2)}^2)_V \right)_1 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \left( S^{-1}(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^4)_W X(i) (R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^3)_W \right)_2 \left( (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(1)}^2)_V C (R_{(2)}^3 R_{(2)}^4)_V \right)_1 \\ &= \sum_{(R^1), \dots, (R^4)} \left( (R_{(1)}^4 R_{(2)}^1)_W X(i) (R_{(2)}^2 R_{(1)}^3)_W \right)_2 \left( (S(R_{(1)}^1) R_{(1)}^2)_V C (R_{(2)}^3 S(R_{(2)}^4))_V \right)_1 \\ &= C_1^V X(i)_2 = \sum_{(R^1),(R^2)} \left( \mu(R_{(2)}^1 R_{(1)}^2) \otimes (R_{(1)}^1 R_{(2)}^2)_V \right)_1 X(i)_2. \end{aligned}$$

For the first equality we used the quasi-triangularity of  $R$ , for the second equality we used the definition of  $\mu$ , for the third equality we used (97) and the quasi-triangularity of  $R$ , for the fourth equality we used that  $S$  is an anti-morphism and that  $(S \otimes S)(R) = R$ , for the fifth equality we used (98) and for the last equality we used the definition of  $\mu$  in (95).  $\square$

**Remark 7.15.** *In the case  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C})$  and  $(g, n) = (1, 0)$ , quantum moment maps have been obtained in [VV10], Section 1.8, and [Jor14]. In that situation, Theorem 7.14 is Proposition 7.21 of [Jor14], and Definition 7.25 of [Jor14] provides the extension to any  $(g, n)$  by external tensor product. The proof in that paper uses a matrix  $\tilde{R}$ , which in our notations is  $(\text{id} \otimes S)(R)$  evaluated in the fundamental representation of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C})$ .*

**7.3. The quantum reduction of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  at the character  $\varepsilon$ .** In this section we assume the following hypothesis hold for  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$ :

- $H$  is a ribbon Hopf algebra over a field  $k$ , with an invertible antipode.
- The algebra morphism  $\Phi_{0,1} : \mathcal{L}_{0,1}(H) \rightarrow H$  is injective.

Denoting by  $H'$  is the image of  $\Phi_{0,1}$ , we thus have the quantum moment map defined

in (94),

$$\mu: H' \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H).$$

- The  $H$ -module  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is completely reducible.
- $Z(H')$  separates the simple types.
- $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{H'}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ .

In particular, Lemma 7.6 and the results of Section 7.2 apply. Denote by  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  the quantum reduction  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) //_{\varepsilon} H' = (\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) / I_{\varepsilon})^{H'}$  associated to the counit  $\varepsilon$  (see Definition 7.4). Denote

$$\mathfrak{C}_{g,n}(H) := \text{Vect}_k \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the matrix coefficients of the matrices } \overset{W}{C} - \text{id}_W \\ \text{for all finite dimensional } H\text{-modules } W \end{array} \right\}.$$

From (90) and (94) we see that  $I_{\varepsilon}$  is the left ideal of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  of the form

$$(99) \quad I_{\varepsilon} = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \mathfrak{C}_{g,n}(H).$$

By Lemma 7.6 and the hypothesis  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{H'}(H) = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ , we have a surjective morphism of algebras

$$\pi: \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H).$$

It follows:

**Proposition 7.16.** *Under the above hypothesis, if  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  is a Noetherian algebra, then  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  is a Noetherian algebra, and if  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  is a finitely generated algebra over  $k$ , then  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  is a finitely generated algebra over  $k$ .*

Recall the Reynolds operator  $\mathfrak{R}: \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon})$  is a two-sided ideal of  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ , thanks to Lemma 4.14.

**Proposition 7.17.** *We have  $\text{Ker}(\pi) = I_{\varepsilon} \cap \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) = \mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon})$ . Therefore  $\pi$  factors to an isomorphism  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) / \mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon}) \cong (\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) / I_{\varepsilon})^{H'}$ .*

*Proof.* The first equality and the inclusion  $I_{\varepsilon} \cap \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \subset \mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon})$  are immediate, by the definitions of  $\pi$  and  $\mathfrak{R}$  respectively. For the converse inclusion, it is enough to show that  $\mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon}) \subset I_{\varepsilon}$ . It follows from the remark below (97) that  $\mathfrak{C}_{g,n}(H)$  is an  $H$ -submodule. Since  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is an  $H$ -module algebra,  $I_{\varepsilon} = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \mathfrak{C}_{g,n}(H)$  is an  $H$ -submodule too. Because  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)$  is completely reducible,  $I_{\varepsilon}$  is also completely reducible. Because  $\mathfrak{R}$  is the projection onto the isotypical components of trivial type, we obtain  $\mathfrak{R}(I_{\varepsilon}) \subset I_{\varepsilon}$ .  $\square$

Before continuing, we begin with a few simple observations. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional  $H$ -module. We say that a tensor

$$t = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim V} a_i \otimes v_i \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes V$$

is *equivariant* if for every  $h \in H$  we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\dim V} \text{coad}^r(h)(a_i) \otimes v_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim V} a_i \otimes h_V(v_i)$$

where we recall that  $\text{coad}^r$  is defined in (53) and  $h_V$  is the representation of  $h$  on  $V$ . A main example of equivariant tensor is provided by the matrix  $\overset{W}{X} \in \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \otimes \text{End}(W)$  which is  $\overset{W}{B}(i), \overset{W}{A}(i), \overset{W}{M}(i)$  or any product of them and their inverses, like  $\overset{W}{C}$ , taking  $V = \text{End}(W) \cong$

$W \otimes W^*$ . Indeed, expanding  $X^W = \sum_{i,j} X_j^i \otimes w_i \otimes w^j$  where  $(w_i)$  is a basis of  $V$  with dual basis  $(w^j)$ , we have by (89),

$$\sum_{i,j} \text{coad}^r(X_j^i) \otimes (w_i \otimes w^j) = \sum_{(h),i,j} X_j^i \otimes (h_{(1)} \cdot w_i \otimes h_{(2)} \cdot w^j).$$

Note also the following easy but crucial fact. Assume the  $H$ -module  $A$  is completely reducible, and denote by  $\mathfrak{R}: A \rightarrow A^H$  the Reynolds operator (*i.e.* the projection on the submodule of  $H$ -invariant elements). With  $V$  and an equivariant tensor  $t$  as above, we have

$$(100) \quad (\mathfrak{R} \otimes \text{id}_V)(t) = (\text{id} \otimes P)(t)$$

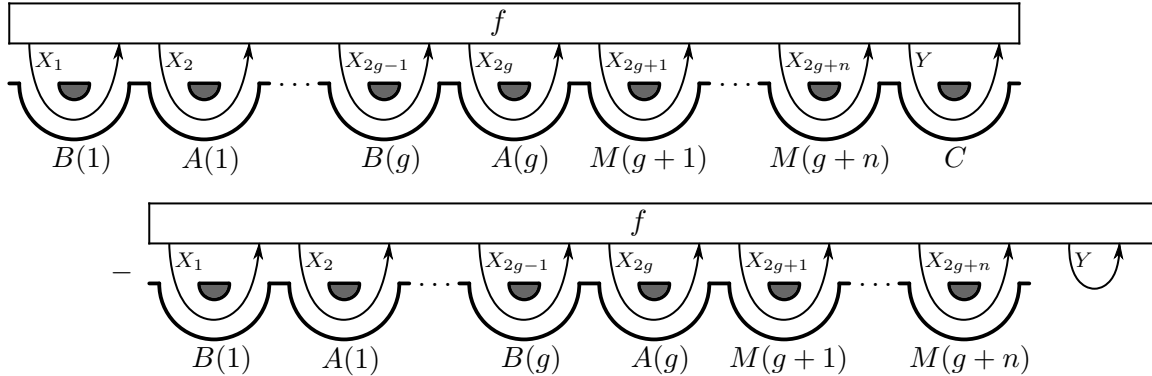
where  $P: V \rightarrow V$  is the projector onto the isotypical component of trivial type, so  $\text{Im}(P) = V^H$ . The proof is immediate by taking a basis  $(v_i)$  adapted to the decomposition  $V = \text{Im}(P) \oplus \text{Ker}(P)$ . Also, given another finite dimensional  $H$ -module  $V'$  with a basis  $(v'_j)$ , and an equivariant tensor  $t' = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim V'} a'_i \otimes v'_i \in A \otimes V'$ , the tensor

$$t_1 t'_2 = \sum_{i,j} a_i a'_j \otimes v_i \otimes v'_j \in A \otimes V \otimes V'$$

is equivariant.

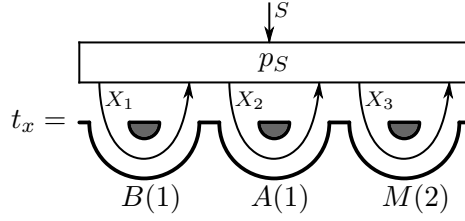
In the next statement we use the graphical calculus of [Fai20b, §3]. It proves the definition of the ideal  $\mathcal{I}_C$  in [BNR02, p. 10] in the case of  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ .

**Proposition 7.18.** *The vector space  $\text{Ker}(\pi)$  is generated by the elements of the form*



for all  $X_i, Y \in \text{Irr}(H)$  and  $f \in \text{Hom}_H\left(\left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^{2g+n} X_i \otimes X_i^*\right) \otimes Y \otimes Y^*, k\right)$ .

*Proof.* To simplify notations and diagrams we give the details in the case  $(g, n) = (1, 1)$ . Because of (99) and  $\text{Ker}(\pi) = \mathfrak{R}(I_\varepsilon)$ , it is enough to show that if  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{1,1}(H)$  satisfies  $\mathfrak{R}(x(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_j^i) = x(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_j^i$ , then it is of the form required. Without loss of generality, by linearity we can assume  $x \in C(X_1) \otimes C(X_2) \otimes C(X_3)$  for some simple modules  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ . Let  $S \subset C(X_1) \otimes C(X_2) \otimes C(X_3)$  be the submodule generated by  $x$  under  $\text{coad}^r$ . We thus have an isomorphism  $f: \text{coad}^r(H)(x) \rightarrow S$ . We can view  $S$  as a submodule (a direct summand) of  $\bigotimes_{i=1}^3 X_i \otimes X_i^*$ . Denote by  $p_S: \bigotimes_{i=1}^3 X_i \otimes X_i^* \rightarrow S$  the associated projection. Define the tensor  $t_x \in \mathcal{L}_{1,1}(H) \otimes S$  by



Letting  $({}_k x_r)$  and  $({}_k x^r)$  be dual basis of  $X_k$  and  $X_k^*$ , this reads

$$t_x = \sum_{a,b,k,l,m,n} B(1)_b^{X_1 a} \otimes A(1)_l^{X_2 k} \otimes M(2)_n^{X_3 m} \otimes p_S(1x_a \otimes 1x^b \otimes 2x_k \otimes 2x^l \otimes 3x_m \otimes 3x^n).$$

By construction  $t_x$  is an equivariant tensor. Let  $(s_r)$  be a basis of  $S$ , chosen so that  $f(x) = s_1$ .

Then it is immediate that  $(\text{id} \otimes s^1)(t_x) = x$ . It follows that  $(t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2 \in \mathcal{L}_{1,1}(H) \otimes S \otimes Y \otimes Y^*$  is equivariant, and therefore

$$(\mathfrak{R} \otimes \text{id})((t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2) = (\text{id} \otimes P)((t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2)$$

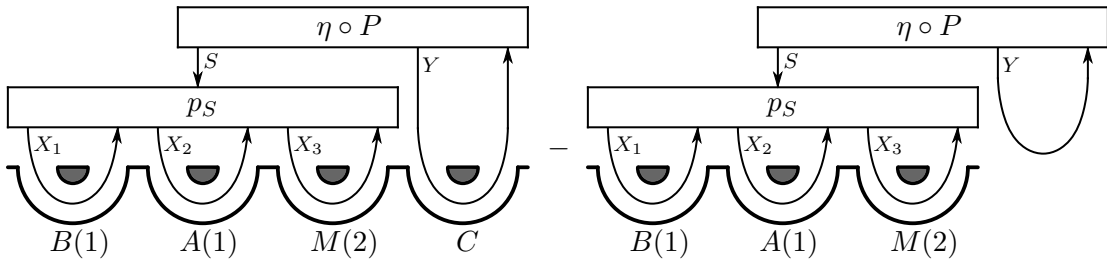
where  $P: S \otimes Y \otimes Y^* \rightarrow S \otimes Y \otimes Y^*$  is the projection onto the subspace of invariant elements. Letting  $(y_s)$  and  $(y^t)$  be dual basis of  $Y$  and  $Y^*$ , denote by  $\eta: S \otimes Y \otimes Y^* \rightarrow k$  the linear form such that  $\eta(s_r \otimes y_s \otimes y^t) = \delta_{r,1} \delta_{s,i} \delta_{t,j}$ . Then we have

$$x(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_j^i = (\text{id} \otimes \eta)((t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{id} \otimes (\eta \circ P))((t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2) &= (\mathfrak{R} \otimes \eta)((t_x)_1(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_2) \\ &= \mathfrak{R}(x(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_j^i) = x(\overset{Y}{C} - \text{id}_Y)_j^i. \end{aligned}$$

The map  $\eta \circ P: S \otimes Y \otimes Y^* \rightarrow k$  is  $H$ -linear, and the left-hand side of the identity is the element of the form



This concludes the proof.  $\square$

Finally, note that the hypothesis stated at the beginning of the section are satisfied by  $H = U_q^{\text{ad}} = U_q^{\text{ad}}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Indeed, the only ones that remain to be checked are the last two. As already mentioned, we have  $H' = U_q^{\text{lf}}$  by [Bau00, Th. 3]. Also we have the following decomposition [JL92] :

$$U_q = T_{2-}^{-1} U_q^{\text{lf}} [T/T_2]$$

where  $T \subset U_q$  is the multiplicative Abelian group formed by the elements  $K_\lambda$ ,  $\lambda \in P$ , and we denote by  $T_2 \subset T$  the subgroup formed by the elements  $K_\lambda$ ,  $\lambda \in 2P$ , and by  $T_{2-} \subset T_2$  the set formed by the elements  $K_{-\lambda}$ ,  $\lambda \in 2P_+$ . As a result

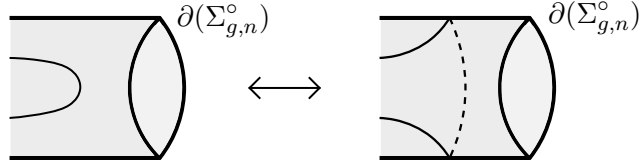
$$Z(U_q^{\text{lf}}) = Z(U_q) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q^{\text{lf}}} = \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{U_q}.$$

Finally, there is an algebra isomorphism  $\Xi: Z(U_q) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(q)[K_{2\varpi_1}^{\pm 1}, \dots, K_{2\varpi_N}^{\pm 1}]^W$ , where  $W$  is acting by the shifted Weyl group action (see eg. [VY20], Section 3.13). Then let  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  be non trivial and non isomorphic simple type 1 finite dimensional  $U_q$ -modules. They are highest weight modules, of non-zero dominant weights  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  lying in disjoint  $W$ -orbits. Therefore, there exists an element  $P \in \mathbb{C}(q)[K_{2\varpi_1}^{\pm 1}, \dots, K_{2\varpi_N}^{\pm 1}]^W$  such that  $P(0) = 0$  and  $P(\lambda_i) \neq P(\lambda_j)$  for  $i \neq j$ . Taking  $z = \Xi^{-1}(P)$  provides an element satisfying the separation property of Definition 7.5.

By Proposition 7.16 and Theorem 4.17, we get:

**Corollary 7.19.** *The algebra  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(\mathfrak{g})$  is Noetherian and finitely generated.*

**7.4. Topological interpretation of the quantum reduction  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$ .** Let us call  $\partial$ -move the transformation shown in the picture below; this picture represents a neighborhood of the boundary of  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$ , and the strand represents the projection on  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  of a portion of some  $H$ -colored ribbon link with coupons in  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \times [0, 1]$ .



As usual we consider such links up to isotopy. We say that two linear combinations of links  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are  $\partial$ -equivalent, denoted by  $L_1 \sim_{\partial} L_2$ , if their diagrams on  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$  can be related by a finite sequence of  $\partial$ -moves. Because the skein relations are local, the relation  $\sim_{\partial}$  is compatible with skein equivalence, in the sense that if  $L_1 \sim_{\partial} L_2$  and if  $L_1$  (resp.  $L_2$ ) is skein equivalent to  $L'_1$  (resp. to  $L'_2$ ), then  $L'_1 \sim_{\partial} L'_2$ . Also,  $\sim_{\partial}$  is compatible with the product in  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)$ , which we recall is given by stacking. Hence  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)/\sim_{\partial}$  is an algebra.

For the same reason the inclusion  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ \subset \Sigma_{g,n}$  yields a well-defined, surjective morphism of algebras  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n})$ , and skein classes of  $\partial$ -equivalent  $H$ -colored ribbon links have the same image. Since (diagrams of) isotopic links in  $\Sigma_{g,n}$  can be related by finite sequences of  $\partial$ -moves and isotopies in the subsurface  $\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ$ , it factors into an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)/\sim_{\partial} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}).$$

Below we will identify  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ)/\sim_{\partial}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n})$  by using this isomorphism.

Recall the Wilson loop morphism  $W: \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  (Definition 6.8; as explained thereafter,  $W$  takes values in  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$ ), and recall that  $\pi: \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  denotes the restriction to  $\mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H)$  of the canonical projection  $p: \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}(H)/I_\epsilon$  (see (91)).

**Proposition 7.20.** *If  $L_1 \sim_{\partial} L_2$  then  $\pi \circ W(L_1) = \pi \circ W(L_2)$ . It follows that there is a morphism of algebras  $W^{\text{qr}}: \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H)$  such that the diagram*

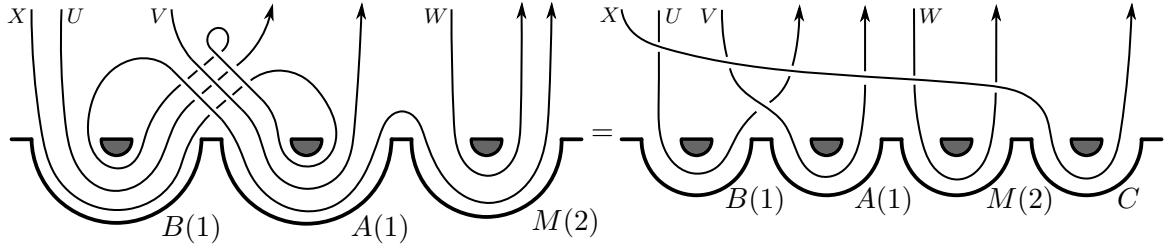
$$(101) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}^\circ) & \xrightarrow{W} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^H(H) \\ \sim_{\partial} \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{g,n}) & \xrightarrow{W^{\text{qr}}} & \mathcal{L}_{g,n}^{\text{qr}}(H) \end{array}$$

commutes.



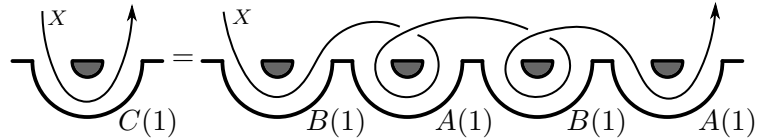
We do the proof for  $(g, n) = (1, 1)$ . The general case is similar except that it requires to draw more cumbersome diagrams. The key-point is the following lemma, which uses the graphical calculus from [Fai20b, §3].

**Lemma 7.21.** *We have:*

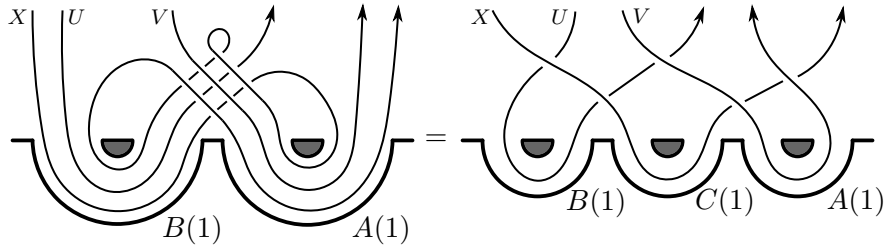


with the matrix  $\overset{X}{C}$  from Definition 7.11.

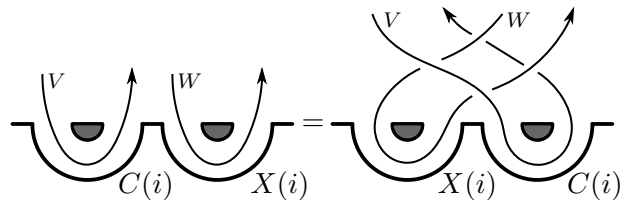
*Proof.* For ease of notation we did not put the colors on the matrices in the diagrams; namely the first label in the left-hand side should actually be  $\overset{X \otimes U \otimes X}{B(1)}$  etc. Note first that due to the diagram for the inverse of  $B(1)$  and  $A(1)$  [Fai20b, Prop. 3.3], the matrix  $\overset{X}{C}(1)$  defined in (92) can be written as



Then, using several times the diagrammatic commutation relations from [Fai20b, Prop. 3.2 and 3.3], one shows that



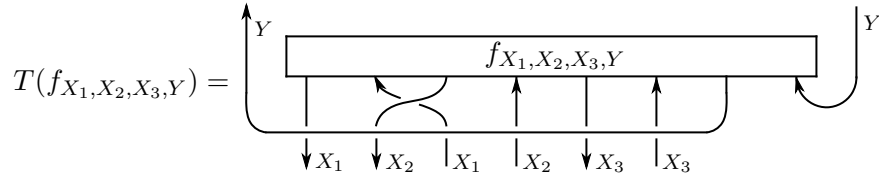
Finally, it is an exercise to check that the matrix relation (96) is equivalent to



and the matrix relation in Lemma 7.13 is equivalent to the same diagrammatic identity but with  $C$  instead of  $C(i)$ . From these facts one easily finishes the computation.  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 7.20.* Consider the following  $H$ -colored ribbon links in  $\Sigma_{1,1}^{\circ} \times [0, 1]$  which are related by a  $\partial$ -move:





and using the notations  $L_T$ ,  $L_T^\partial$  introduced in the proof of Proposition 7.20 define

$$L' = \sum_{X_1, X_2, X_3, Y} \lambda_{X_1, X_2, X_3, Y} (L_T^\partial(f_{X_1, X_2, X_3, Y}) - L_T(f_{X_1, X_2, X_3, Y})) \in \mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{1,1}^\circ).$$

Note that  $L' \sim_\partial 0$ , simply because  $L_T^\partial \sim_\partial L_T$  for any ribbon graph  $T$ . Moreover, by definition of  $W$  and by Lemma 7.21, we have  $W(L') = W(L)$ . It follows that  $L' = L$  since  $W$  is an isomorphism (Theorem 6.9). Thus  $L \sim_\partial 0$ , which means that  $L = 0$  in  $\mathcal{S}_H(\Sigma_{1,1})$ .  $\square$

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