# Projectivity and Flatness over the Colour Endomorphism Ring of a Finitely Generated Graded Comodule

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Abstract. Let k be a field, G an abelian group with a bicharacter, A a colour algebra; i.e., an associative graded k-algebra with identity, C a graded A-coring that is projective as a right A-module,  $C^*$  the graded dual ring of C and  $\Lambda$  a left graded C-comodule that is finitely generated as a graded right  $C^*$ -module. We give necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness of a graded module over the colour endomorphism ring  ${}^{C}END(\Lambda)$ .

## 0. Introduction

The notion of graded corings (except graded algebras and graded coalgebras) rarely appears in the literature on corings. The only paper we know where this notion appears is [8]. In the present paper we will give some conditions to test projectivity or flatness over the colour endomorphism ring of a finitely generated graded C-comodule, where C is a graded coring. Let k be a field, A a k-algebra, C an A-coring, \*C the left dual ring of C and  $\Lambda$  a right C-comodule that is finitely generated as a left \*C-module. In [11], we gave necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness over the endomorphism ring  $End^{\mathcal{C}}(\Lambda)$  of  $\Lambda$ . In the present paper, we will extend these results to a G-graded A-coring C, where G is an abelian group with a bicharacter and A is a colour algebra; i.e., a graded associative k-algebra with identity. More precisely, let us denote by  $C^* = HOM_A(C_A, A_A)$ the largest graded vector space contained in  $Hom_A(C_A, A_A)$ . It has a colour algebra structure. Let  $\Lambda$  be a graded left C-comodule that is finitely generated as a

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graded right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module. We give necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness over the colour endomorphism ring  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}END(\Lambda)$  of  $\Lambda$ . The presence of the bicharacter makes the difference with the classical gradation. These results are interesting when  $\mathcal{C} = A$ , or when  $\mathcal{C}$  contains a grouplike element, or when  $\mathcal{C}$ comes from a graded entwining structure with respect to a bicharacter. If  $\mathcal{C} = A$ then  ${}^{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  is the category of graded left A-modules and  $A^*$  is isomorphic to the opposite algebra  $A^{op}$  of A. If  $\mathcal{C}$  contains a grouplike element X, then A is a graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule that is finitely generated as a graded right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module. In this case,  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}END(A)$  is the colour subring of  $(\mathcal{C}, X)$ -coinvariants of A. Our techniques and methods are inspired from [10], [7] and [11].

#### 1. Preliminary results

Throughout the paper, k is a field, G is an abelian group and (./.) is a bicharacter on G; i.e., a map from  $G \times G$  into  $k^{\times}$  satisfying:

$$(x/y) = (y/x)^{-1}$$
 and  $(x/y+z) = (x/y)(x/z)$ .

These two relations imply that (x + y/z) = (x/z)(y/z). If M and N are vector spaces Hom(M, N) is the vector space of k-linear maps from M to N.

A vector space A is G-graded or graded if  $A = \bigoplus_{x \in G} A_x$ , where the  $A_x$  are vector subspaces of A. An algebra A (not necessarily associative with identity) is said to be graded if A is a graded vector space as above and the  $A_x$  satisfy  $A_x A_y \subseteq A_{x+y}$ . According to [8, Section 1], a colour algebra is an associative graded algebra. In what follows we assume that all colour algebras are unital. We will consider k as a colour algebra with the trivial gradation. Given colour algebras A and B, a morphism of colour algebras  $A \to B$  is a morphism of algebras which is homogeneous of degree 0. Let m be an element of a graded vector space M. If m is homogeneous, we denote by |m| its degree. If |m| occurs in some expression, this means that we regard m as a homogeneous element and that the expression extends to the other elements by linearity. Let M and Nbe graded vector spaces. An element of Hom(M, N) is homogeneous of degree x if  $f(M_y) \subseteq N_{x+y}$  for all  $y \in G$ . We denote by  $HOM(M, N)_x$  the vector subspace of Hom(M, N) whose elements are homogeneous of degree x and we will set  $HOM(M, N) = \bigoplus_{x \in G} HOM(M, N)_x$ . Clearly, HOM(M, N) is the largest graded vector space contained in Hom(M, N). The space HOM(M, N) is denoted  $Hom_k(M, N)_G$  in [9]. By [13, Corollary 1.2.11], HOM(M, N) = Hom(M, N) if G is finite or if M is finite-dimensional. By [9], HOM(M, M) is a colour algebra. If M, N, M' and N' are graded vector spaces and if  $f: M \to M'$  and  $q: N \to N'$ are homogeneous linear maps then  $(f \otimes g)(m \otimes n) = (|g|/|m|)f(m) \otimes g(n)$ . We will denote by  $_{qr-k}\mathcal{M}$  the category of graded k-vector spaces. The morphisms of  $_{gr-k}\mathcal{M}$  are the homogeneous k-linear maps of degree 0; we call them the graded k-linear maps. Let N be a graded vector space. For every x in G, the x-suspension of N is the graded vector space N(x) obtained from N by a shift of the gradation by x. As vector spaces, N and N(x) coincide but the gradations are related by  $N(x)_y = N_{x+y}$  for all  $y \in G$ .

Let A be a colour algebra. A left A-module M is called a graded left A-module if M admits a decomposition as a direct sum of vector spaces  $M = \bigoplus_{x \in G} M_x$  such that  $A_x M_y \subseteq M_{x+y}$ ;  $\forall x, y \in G$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Let M, N be graded left A-modules. A homogeneous element f of Hom(M, N) is colour left A-linear if f(am) = (|f|/|a|)af(m) for all  $a \in A$ .

If M, N are graded left A-modules, we let  $_AHOM(M, N)_x$  denote the vector subspace of Hom(M, N) whose elements are colour A-linear of degree x. So the colour left A-linear maps of degree 0 are exactly the left A-linear maps of degree 0; i.e.,  $_{A}HOM(M,N)_{0} = _{A}Hom(M,N) \cap HOM(M,N)_{0}$ . We define  $_{A}HOM(M,N)$  to be the sum of these subspaces; the sum is direct:  $_{A}HOM(M, N) = \bigoplus_{x \in G} _{A}HOM(M, N)$  $N_{x}$ . We call  $_{A}HOM(M, N)$  the subspace of colour left A-linear maps of Hom(M, M)N). Contrary to the classical gradation, if  $A \neq k$  and if the bicharacter is not trivial, there is no comparison relation between  $_AHOM(M, N)$  and  $_AHom(M, N)$ even if M is finitely generated as an A-module or if G is finite. If  $G = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , colour A-linear maps are called A-superlinear in [16]. We will denote by  $_{qr-A}\mathcal{M}$ the category of graded left A-modules. The morphisms of  $_{qr-A}\mathcal{M}$  are the colour left A-linear maps of degree 0; we call them the graded left A-linear maps. It is well known that  $_{qr-A}\mathcal{M}$  is a Grothendieck category. We can define in a similar way a graded right A-module and a graded A-bimodule. A colour right A-linear map of degree x is just a homogeneous right A-linear map of degree x. To establish our main results we will need the following well-known results of graded ring theory.

- If N is a graded left (right) A-module, N(x) is a graded left (right) A-module which coincides with N as a graded left (right) A-module.

- An object of  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  is projective (resp. flat) in  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  if and only if it is projective (resp. flat) in  $_{A}\mathcal{M}$ , the category of left A-modules.

- An object of  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  is free in  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  if it has an A-basis consisting of homogeneous elements or equivalently, if it is isomorphic to some  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} A(x_i)$ , where  $(x_i, i \in I)$  is a family of elements of G.

- An object of  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  is called finitely generated if it is a quotient of a free graded module of finite rank  $\bigoplus_{i \leq m} A(x_i)$ , where the  $x_i \in G$  and m is a natural integer.

- Any object of  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  is a quotient of a free object in  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$ , and any projective object in  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  is isomorphic in  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  to a direct summand of a free object.

- An object of  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  is flat in  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  if and only if it is the inductive limit of finitely generated free objects in  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$ .

- An object  $\Lambda$  of  $g_{r-A}\mathcal{M}$  is called finitely presented if there is an exact sequence  $\bigoplus_{i\leq m}A(x_i) \to \bigoplus_{j\leq n}A(y_j) \to \Lambda \to 0$  for  $x_i, y_j \in G$  and some natural integers m and n. A finitely presented graded module is finitely generated.

**Lemma 1.2.** Let A be a colour algebra and M a graded left A-module which is generated as A-module by a homogeneous element m of degree 0. Then M is finitely generated as a graded left A-module.

*Proof.* We have M = Am. The k-linear map  $f : A \to M$ ;  $a \mapsto am$  is surjective, homogeneous of degree 0 and left A-linear. So f is an epimorphism in  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$ .  $\Box$ 

An A-coring  $\mathcal{C}$  is an A-bimodule together with two A-bimodule maps  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C} \otimes_A \mathcal{C}$  and  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{C} \to A$  such that the usual coassociativity and counit properties hold. Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be an A-coring. A left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule is a left A-module M together with a left A-linear map  $\rho_{M,\mathcal{C}} : M \to \mathcal{C} \otimes_A M$  such that

$$(\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes_A id_M) \circ \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}} = id_M$$
, and  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes_A id_M) \circ \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}} = (id_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes_A \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}) \circ \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}$ .

For more details on corings, we refer to [1], [2], [3], [4] and [5].

An A-coring  $\mathcal{C}$  is called a graded A-coring if  $\mathcal{C}$  admits a decomposition as a direct sum of vector spaces  $\mathcal{C} = \bigoplus_x \mathcal{C}_x$  such that  $\mathcal{C}$  is a graded A-bimodule, and  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}$  and  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}$  are graded left and right A-linear maps. Note that  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(c) = 0$  if c is homogeneous of degree  $|c| \neq 0$ . We use the notation-type of Sweedler-Heyneman for  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}$  but we will omit the parentheses on subscripts. So for every homogeneous element  $c \in \mathcal{C}$  we will write  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}(c) = \sum_{|c|} c_1 \otimes_A c_2$ ; where  $\sum_{|c|} \sum_{|c_1|+|c_2|=|c|}$ . We have  $\sum_{|c|} \sum_{|c_1|} c_{11} \otimes_A c_{12} \otimes_A c_2 = \sum_{|c|} \sum_{|c_2|} c_1 \otimes_A c_{21} \otimes_A c_{22}$ . Note that  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(c) = 0$  if  $|c| \neq 0$ . A left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule M is called a graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule if M admits a decomposition as a direct sum of vector spaces  $M = \bigoplus_x M_x$  such that  $\rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}$  is homogeneous of degree 0; i.e.,  $\rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}$  is a graded left A-linear map. We will write  $\rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}(m) = \sum_{|m|} m_{(-1)} \otimes_A m_{(0)}$ , where  $\sum_{|m|} = \sum_{|m|=1} |m| \cdot |m_{(0)}| = |m|$ .

Any colour algebra A is a graded A-coring called the trivial A-coring, and a graded k-coalgebra is a graded k-coring. A morphism of graded left C-comodules  $f: M \to N$  is a morphism in  ${}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}$  such that

$$\rho_{N,\mathcal{C}} \circ f = (id_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes_A f) \circ \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}, \text{ that is}$$

$$\sum_{|m|} f(m)_{(-1)} \otimes_A f(m)_{(0)} = \sum_{|m|} m_{(-1)} \otimes_A f(m_{(0)}) \quad \forall m \in M.$$

A morphism of graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule will be called a graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear map. We denote by  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  the category of graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodules. The morphisms of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  are the graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear maps. The category  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  has direct sums. If  $\mathcal{C}$  is projective as a right A-module, then  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is a Grothendieck category ([4] for the ungraded case).

**Definition 1.3.** Let C be a graded A-coring and M, N be objects of  ${}^{gr-C}\mathcal{M}$ . A homogeneous element  $f \in Hom(M, N)$  is colour left C-colinear if f is colour left A-linear and  $\rho_{N,C} \circ f = (id_{\mathcal{C}} \otimes_A f) \circ \rho_{M,C}$ .

It follows from Definition 1.3 that a graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear map is a colour left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear map of degree 0. If M and N are objects of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  and  $x \in G$ , we will denote by  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N)_x$  the vector subspace of Hom(M,N) whose elements are colour left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear of degree x. So we have

$${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N)_x = \{ f \in {}_{A}HOM(M,N)_x, \sum_{|m|} f(m)_{(-1)} \otimes_A f(m)_{(0)} =$$

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$$\sum_{|m|} (|f|, |m_{(-1)}|) m_{(-1)} \otimes_A f(m_{(0)}) \}.$$

We will set  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N) = \bigoplus_{x \in G} {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N)_x$ . We call  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N)$  the subspace of colour left  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear maps of Hom(M,N). We can define in a similar way a graded right  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule. A homogeneous colour right  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear map is just a homogeneous right  $\mathcal{C}$ -colinear.

If N is a graded left C-comodule, then for every x in G, the x-suspension N(x) is a graded left C-comodule which coincides with N as a C-comodule. By [17], the linear map  $i_{-x} : N \to N(x)$  defined by  $i_{-x}(n) = (-x/|n|)n$  is bijective and homogeneous of degree -x. It is obviously colour left C-colinear.

**Lemma 1.4.** Let C be a graded A-coring, and M, N be graded left C-comodules. For every  $x \in G$ , the linear map  $^{c}HOM(M, N)_{x} \rightarrow ^{c}HOM(M, N(x))_{0}$ ;  $f \mapsto i_{-x} \circ f$ , where  $i_{-x}$  is defined above is an isomorphism of vector spaces.

**Lemma 1.5.** Let P be an object of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Then the functor  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,-)$ :  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M} \rightarrow_{gr-k} \mathcal{M}$  is left exact.

Proof. Let  $0 \to L \to M \to N \to 0$  be an exact sequence in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ ; so  $0 \to L(x) \to M(x) \to N(x) \to 0$  is exact in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  for every  $x \in G$ . By [13, Corollary 1.2.2], P is projective in  ${}_{qr-k}\mathcal{M}$ . So the sequence

$$0 \to HOM(P, L(x))_0 \to HOM(P, M(x))_0 \to HOM(P, N(x))_0 \to 0$$

is exact for every  $x \in G$ . It follows from Lemma 1.4 that

$$0 \to HOM(P,L)_x \to HOM(P,M)_x \to HOM(P,N)_x \to 0$$

is an exact sequence for every  $x \in G$ . We know that  $i \circ f \in {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P, M)_x$  for all  $f \in {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P, L)_x$ . This means that the sequence

$$0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,L)_x \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,M)_x \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,N)_x$$

is exact for every  $x \in G$ ; i.e.,

$$0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,L) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,M) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,N)$$

is an exact sequence. So the functor  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,-)$  is left exact.

We say that an object P of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is projective if the functor  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,-)_0$  is exact.

**Lemma 1.6.** Let C be a graded A-coring. An object P of  ${}^{gr-C}\mathcal{M}$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-C}\mathcal{M}$  if and only if the functor  ${}^{C}HOM(P, -)$  is exact.

*Proof.* Assume that  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,-)$  is exact in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Let  $0 \to L \to M \to N \to 0$  be an exact sequence in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . So the sequence  $0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,L) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,M) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,N) \to 0$  is exact. It follows that the sequence  $0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,L)_0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,M)_0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,N)_0 \to 0$  is exact. This means

that P is a projective object in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Assume that P is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Let  $0 \to L \to M \to N \to 0$  be an exact sequence in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Clearly,  $0 \to L(x) \to M(x) \to N(x) \to 0$  is an exact sequence in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  for every  $x \in G$ . By the projectivity of P, the sequence

$$0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P, L(x))_0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P, M(x))_0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P, N(x))_0 \to 0$$

is exact for every  $x \in G$ . Using Lemma 1.4, we get that the sequence  $0 \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,L) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,M) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(P,N) \to 0$  is exact.  $\Box$ 

Let us consider A as a graded right A-module. By [13],  $HOM_A(\mathcal{C}_A, A_A) =$  $\oplus_x HOM_A(\mathcal{C}_A, A_A)_x$  is a graded vector space: it is the largest graded vector space contained in  $Hom_A(\mathcal{C}_A, A_A)$ . We write  $\mathcal{C}_x^* = HOM_A(\mathcal{C}_A, A_A)_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}^* =$  $HOM_A(\mathcal{C}_A, A_A)$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}^*$  is a colour algebra called the graded right dual ring of  $\mathcal{C}$  (see [5, 17.8] for the ungraded case): the multiplication is defined by f # g = $(|f|, |g|)g \circ (f \otimes_A id_{\mathcal{C}}) \circ \Delta_{\mathcal{C}};$  i.e.,  $f \# g(c) = \sum_{|c|} (|f|, |g|)g(f(c_1)c_2)$  for all colour right A-linear maps  $f, g: \mathcal{C} \to A$  and homogeneous element  $c \in \mathcal{C}$ ; where  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}(c) =$  $\sum_{|c|} c_1 \otimes_A c_2$ . The unit of  $\mathcal{C}^*$  is  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}$  and there is a morphism of colour algebras  $i: A^{op} \to \mathcal{C}^*$  defined by  $i(a)(c) = (|a|, |c|)\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(c)a$ . We will denote by  $\mathcal{M}_{qr-\mathcal{C}^*}$  the category of graded right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -modules. Any graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodule M is a graded right C\*-module: the action is defined by  $m f = \sum_{|m|} (|m_{(-1)}|, |f|) f(m_{(-1)}) m_{(0)}$ . If  $\mathcal{C}$  is projective as a right A-module, then  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is a full subcategory of  $\mathcal{M}_{gr-\mathcal{C}^*}$ ; i.e.,  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M,N) = HOM_{\mathcal{C}^*}(M,N)$  for any  $M, N \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . As a consequence, an object of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  that is projective in  $\mathcal{M}_{gr-\mathcal{C}^*}$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Another consequence is that if M and N are objects of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  with M finitely generated as a right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module, then  $^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(M, N) = HOM_{\mathcal{C}^*}(M, N) = Hom_{\mathcal{C}^*}(M, N).$ Given two graded left  $\mathcal{C}$ -comodules  $\Lambda$  and N, the graded vector space  $^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda)$ , N) is a graded left module over the colour endomorphism ring  $B = {}^{\mathcal{C}} END(\Lambda)$  of A: the action is given by  $bf = (|b|, |f|)(f \circ b); \forall f \in {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, N), b \in B$ . This defines a functor  $F' = {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, -) : {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M} \to {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ . Let us consider  $\Lambda$  as a

graded right *B*-module by  $\lambda . b = (|\lambda|/|b|)b(\lambda)$ . So  $\Lambda$  is a graded (A, B)-bimodule. For any  $P \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is a graded left *C*-comodule with the coaction  $\rho_{P,\mathcal{C}} = \rho_{\Lambda,\mathcal{C}} \otimes_B id_P$ .

**Lemma 1.7.** Let  $\Lambda$  and N be graded left C-comodules and P be a graded left B-module. For every  $x \in G$ , the canonical linear map

$$\phi: {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda \otimes_B P, N)_x \to {}^{\mathcal{B}}HOM(P, {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, N))_x$$

defined by  $\phi(f)(p)(\lambda) = (|p|, |\lambda|)f(\lambda \otimes_B p)$  is an isomorphism.

*Proof.* The inverse of  $\phi$  is defined by  $\psi(q)(\lambda \otimes_B p) = (|\lambda|, |p|)g(p)(\lambda)$ .

We deduce from Lemma 1.7 that  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda \otimes_B P, N)_0 \simeq {}_{B}HOM(P, {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, N))_0$ , and this means that the functor F' has the left adjoint  $F = \Lambda \otimes_B - :_{gr-B} \mathcal{M} \to {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{M}$ . The unit of the adjunction is given by the graded k-linear map

$$u_N: N \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_B N), n \mapsto [\lambda \mapsto (|n|, |\lambda|)(\lambda \otimes n)]$$

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for  $N \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ , while the counit is given by the graded k-linear map (the evaluation map)

$$c_M : \Lambda \otimes_B {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, M) \to M; \lambda \otimes f \mapsto (|\lambda|, |f|)f(\lambda)$$

for  $M \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . The adjointness property means that we have

$$F'(c_M) \circ u_{F'(M)} = id_{F'(M)}, \ c_{F(N)} \circ F(u_N) = id_{F(N)}; \ M \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}, \ N \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}.$$
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## 2. The main results

Let A be a colour algebra and C a graded A-coring. We keep the notations of the preceding sections.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\Lambda$  and N be graded left C-comodules. Set  $B = {}^{\mathcal{C}}END(\Lambda)$ . For every  $x \in G$ , we have

(1)  $^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, N(x)) = ^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, N)(x)$ (2)  $\Lambda \otimes_B B(x) = \Lambda(x).$ 

An object  $\Lambda \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is called semi-quasiprojective if the functor  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, -)$ :  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M} \to {}_{gr-k}\mathcal{M}$  sends an exact sequence of the form  $\oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i}) \to \oplus_{J}\Lambda(x_{j}) \to N \to 0$  to an exact sequence (see [15]). A projective object in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is semiquasiprojective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** Assume that C is projective as a right A-module. Let  $\Lambda$  be a graded left C-comodule and set  $B = {}^{C}END(\Lambda)$ . Then the functor  ${}^{C}HOM(\Lambda, -)$  commutes with

- (1) direct sums if  $\Lambda$  is finitely generated as a graded right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module,
- (2) direct limits if  $\Lambda$  is finitely presented as a graded right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module.

*Proof.* (2) We know that  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is a Grothendieck category so the functor  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, -)_0$  preserves direct limits. We also know from Lemma 1.4 that  $HOM_{\mathcal{C}^*}(\Lambda, N)_x = HOM_{\mathcal{C}^*}(\Lambda, N(x))_0$  for every  $x \in G$ . Let  $(N_i)_{i \in I}$  be a directed system of right graded  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -modules. It is easy to show that  $(\varinjlim N_i)(x) = \varinjlim (N_i(x))$  for every  $x \in G$ . Now the result follows from the fact direct limit commutes with direct sum.

**Lemma 2.3.** Assume that C is projective as a right A-module. Let  $\Lambda$  be a graded left C-comodule that is finitely generated as a graded right  $C^*$ -module, and let  $B = {}^{c}END(\Lambda)$ . For every index set I,

- (1)  $c_{\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)}$  is an isomorphism for every  $x_i \in G$ ;
- (2)  $u_{\oplus_I B(x_i)}$  is an isomorphism for every  $x_i \in G$ ;
- (3) if  $\Lambda$  is semi-quasiprojective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , then u is a natural isomorphism; in other words, the induction functor  $F = \Lambda \otimes_B (-)$  is fully faithful.

Proof. (1) By Lemma 2.1(1),  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\Lambda)(x_i) = {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\Lambda(x_i))$  for every  $i \in I$ . This implies that  $\oplus_I B(x_i) = \oplus_I {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\Lambda(x_i))$ . By Lemma 2.2(1), the natural map  $\kappa : \oplus_I B(x_i) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \oplus_I \Lambda(x_i))$  is an isomorphism. Lemma 2.1(2) implies that  $\Lambda \otimes_B (\oplus_I B(x_i)) \simeq \oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$ . It is easy to see that this isomorphism is just  $c_{\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)} \circ (id_{\Lambda} \otimes \kappa)$ . So  $c_{\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)}$  is an isomorphism since  $\kappa$  is an isomorphism.

(2) Putting  $M = \bigoplus_{I} \Lambda(x_i)$  in  $(\star)$  and using (1), we find

$${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, c_{\oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i})}) \circ uc_{HOM(\Lambda, \oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i}))} = idc_{HOM(\Lambda, \oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i}))}; i.e.,$$
$${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, c_{\oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i})}) \circ u_{\oplus_{I}B(x_{i})} = id_{\oplus_{I}B(x_{i})}.$$

From (1),  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, c_{\oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i})})$  is an isomorphism, hence  $u_{\oplus_{I}B(x_{i})}$  is an isomorphism. (3) Take a graded free resolution  $\oplus_{J}B(x_{j}) \to \oplus_{I}B(x_{i}) \to N \to 0$  of a graded left *B*-module *N*. Since *u* is natural, we have a commutative diagram



The top row is exact; the bottom row is exact, since

$$F'F(\oplus_I B(x_i)) = {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_B \oplus_I B(x_i)) = {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \oplus_I \Lambda(x_i))$$

and  $\Lambda$  is semi-quasiprojective. By (2),  $u_{\oplus_I B(x_i)}$  and  $u_{\oplus_J B(x_j)}$  are isomorphisms; and it follows from the five lemma that  $u_N$  is an isomorphism.  $\Box$ 

We can now give equivalent conditions for the projectivity and flatness of  $P \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Assume that C is projective as a right A-module. Let  $\Lambda$  be a graded left C-comodule that is finitely generated as a graded right  $C^*$ -module, and let  $B = {}^{C}END(\Lambda)$ . For  $P \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ , we consider the following statements.

- (1)  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  and  $u_P$  is injective;
- (2) P is projective as a graded left B-module;
- (3)  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is a direct summand in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  of some  $\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$ , and  $u_P$  is bijective;
- (4) there exists  $Q \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  such that Q is a direct summand of some  $\oplus_{I}\Lambda(x_{i})$ , and  $P \cong {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q)$  in  ${}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ ;
- (5)  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is a direct summand in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  of some  $\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$ .

Then  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (3) \Leftrightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (5)$ .

If  $\Lambda$  is semi-quasiprojective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , then (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (3); if  $\Lambda$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , then (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

*Proof.* (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): If P is projective as a graded left *B*-module, then we can find an index set *I* and  $P' \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$  such that  $\oplus_I B(x_i) \cong P \oplus P'$ . Then obviously

$$\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i) \cong \Lambda \otimes_B (\oplus_I B(x_i)) \cong (\Lambda \otimes_B P) \oplus (\Lambda \otimes_B P')$$

Since u is a natural transformation, we have a commutative diagram:



 ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\oplus_{I}\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_{i})) \quad \xrightarrow{}{\simeq} \quad {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\Lambda\otimes_{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{P}) \oplus {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda,\Lambda\otimes_{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{P}')$ 

From the fact that  $u_{\oplus_I B(x_i)}$  is an isomorphism, it follows that  $u_P$  (and  $u_{P'}$ ) are isomorphisms.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): Take  $Q = \Lambda \otimes_B P$ . (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $f : \bigoplus_I \Lambda(x_i) \to Q$  be a split epimorphism in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Then  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, f) : {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \bigoplus_I \Lambda(x_i)) \cong \bigoplus_I B(x_i) \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q) \cong P$ 

is also split surjective, hence P is projective as a graded left B-module. (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5): If (4) is true, we know from the proof of (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) that P is a direct summand of some  $\oplus_I B(x_i)$  in  ${}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ . So  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is a direct summand of  $\oplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$ . (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Take an epimorphism  $f : \oplus_I B(x_i) \to P$  in  ${}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ . Then

$$F(f) = id_{\Lambda} \otimes_B f : \Lambda \otimes_B (\oplus_I B(x_i)) \cong \oplus_I \Lambda(x_i) \to \Lambda \otimes_B P$$

is an epimorphism in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , and it splits since  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Consider the commutative diagram:



The bottom row is split exact, since any functor, in particular,  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, -)$  preserves split exact sequences. By Lemma 2.3(2),  $u_{\oplus_I B(x_i)}$  is an isomorphism. A diagram chasing tells us that  $u_P$  is surjective. By assumption,  $u_P$  is injective, so  $u_P$  is bijective. We deduce that the top row is isomorphic to the bottom row, and therefore splits. Thus P is projective in  $\in_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ .

Under the assumption that  $\Lambda$  is semi-quasiprojective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) follows from Lemma 2.3(3).

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ : By (3),  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  is a direct summand of some  $\bigoplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$ . If  $\Lambda$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , then  $\bigoplus_I \Lambda(x_i)$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . So  $\Lambda \otimes_B P$  being a direct summand of a projective object of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is projective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Assume that C is projective as a right A-module. Let  $\Lambda$  be a graded left C-comodule that is finitely presented as a graded right  $C^*$ -module, and let  $B = {}^{\mathcal{C}}END(\Lambda)$ . For  $P \in {}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ , the following assertions are equivalent.

- (1) P is flat as a graded left B-module;
- (2)  $\Lambda \otimes_B P = \underline{\lim} Q_i$ , where  $Q_i \cong \bigoplus_{j \le n_i} B(x_{ij})$  in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  for some positive integer  $n_i$ , and  $u_P$  is bijective;
- (3)  $\Lambda \otimes_B P = \varinjlim_{Q_i} Q_i$ , where  $Q_i \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$  is a direct summand of some  $\bigoplus_{j \in I_i} \Lambda$  $(x_{ij})$  in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , and  $u_P$  is bijective;
- (4) there exists  $Q = \varinjlim Q_i \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , such that  $Q_i \cong \bigoplus_{j \le n_i} \Lambda(x_{ij})$  for some positive integer  $n_i$  and  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q) \cong P$  in  ${}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ ;
- (5) there exists  $Q = \underset{i \neq I_i}{\lim} Q_i \in {}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , such that  $Q_i$  is a direct summand of some  $\bigoplus_{i \in I_i} \Lambda(x_{ij})$  in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , and  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q) \cong P$  in  ${}_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ .

If  $\Lambda$  is semi-quasiprojective in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , these conditions are also equivalent to conditions (2) and (3), without the assumption that  $u_P$  is bijective.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):  $P = \varinjlim N_i$ , with  $N_i = \bigoplus_{j \le n_i} B(x_{ij})$  for some positive integer  $n_i$ . Take  $Q_i = \bigoplus_{j \le n_i} \Lambda(x_{ij})$ , then

$$\underline{\lim} Q_i \cong \underline{\lim} (\Lambda \otimes_B N_i) \cong \Lambda \otimes_B \underline{\lim} N_i \cong \Lambda \otimes_B P.$$

Consider the following commutative diagram:



By Lemma 2.3(2), the  $u_{N_i}$  are isomorphisms; by Lemma 2.2, the natural homomorphism f is an isomorphism. Hence  $u_P$  is an isomorphism. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) and (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) are obvious. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) and (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5): Put  $Q = \Lambda \otimes_B P$ . Then  $u_P : P \to {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_B P)$ is the required isomorphism. (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): We have a split exact sequence  $0 \to N_i \to P_i = \bigoplus_{j \in I_i} \Lambda(x_{ij}) \to Q_i \to 0$ 

in  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ . Consider the following commutative diagram:



We know from Lemma 2.3(1) that  $c_{P_i}$  is an isomorphism. Both rows in the diagram are split exact, so it follows that  $c_{N_i}$  and  $c_{Q_i}$  are also isomorphisms. Next consider the commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{\Lambda} \otimes_{\mathbf{B}} \varinjlim^{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{HOM}(\mathbf{\Lambda}, \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{i}}) & \xrightarrow{id_{\mathbf{\Lambda}} \otimes f} & \mathbf{\Lambda} \otimes_{\mathbf{B}} {}^{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{HOM}(\mathbf{\Lambda}, \mathbf{Q}) \\ \\ & & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\$$

where h and f are the natural homomorphisms. h is an isomorphism, because  $\Lambda \otimes_B (-)$  preserves inductive limits; by Lemma 2.2, f is an isomorphism; and  $limc_{Q_i}$  is an isomorphism because every  $c_{Q_i}$  is an isomorphism. It follows that  $c_Q$  is an isomorphism, hence  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, c_Q)$  is an isomorphism. From  $(\star)$ , we get

$$^{\mathsf{c}}HOM(\Lambda, c_Q) \circ uc_{HOM(\Lambda,Q)} = idc_{HOM(\Lambda,Q)}.$$

It follows that  $u_{\mathcal{C}HOM(\Lambda,Q)}$  is also an isomorphism. Since  $\mathcal{C}HOM(\Lambda,Q) \cong P$ ,  $u_P$  is an isomorphism. Consider the isomorphisms

$$P \cong {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_B P) \cong {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, \Lambda \otimes_B {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q)) \cong {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q) \cong \varinjlim {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q_i);$$

where the first isomorphism is  $u_P$ , the third is  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, c_Q)$  and the last one is f. It follows from Lemmas 2.1(1) and 2.2 that  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, P_i) \cong \bigoplus_{j \in I_i} B(x_{ij})$  is projective as a graded left B-module, hence  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(\Lambda, Q_i)$  is also projective as a graded left B-module, and we conclude that P is flat in  $\in_{gr-B}\mathcal{M}$ . The final statement is an immediate consequence of Lemma 2.3(3).

## 3. Applications

#### 3.1. C contains a grouplike element

A grouplike element of  $\mathcal{C}$  is an element  $X \in \mathcal{C}_0$  such that  $\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}(X) = X \otimes_A X$ and  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(X) = 1_A$  (see [14]). If  $\mathcal{C}$  contains a grouplike element X, then A is an object of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ : the  $\mathcal{C}$ -coaction is defined by  $\rho_{A,\mathcal{C}}(a) = aX = aX \otimes_A 1_A$ ;  $\forall a \in A$ . Conversely, if A is an object of  ${}^{gr-\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{M}$ , then  $\rho_{A,\mathcal{C}}(1_A) = X$  is a grouplike element of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Assume that C contains a grouplike element X. Then A is an object of  $\mathcal{M}_{gr-C^*}$ and  $a.\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}} = a$ , that is, A is generated as a right  $\mathcal{C}^*$ -module by the homogeneous element  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}$  of degree 0. Lemma 1.2 implies that A is finitely generated in  $\mathcal{M}_{gr-C^*}$ . For any graded left C-comodule M, we call  ${}^{co\mathcal{C},X}M = \{m \in M, \rho_{M,\mathcal{C}}(m) = X \otimes_A m\}$ the vector space of  $(\mathcal{C}, X)$ -coinvariants of M. Clearly,  ${}^{co\mathcal{C},X}A = \{a \in A, Xa = aX\}$  is a colour subalgebra of A: the colour subalgebra of  $(\mathcal{C}, X)$ -coinvariants. For every  $f \in {}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(A, M)$ ,  $f(1) \in {}^{co\mathcal{C},X}M$ . The graded k-linear map  $f \mapsto f(1)$ establishes an isomorphism  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}HOM(A, M) \to {}^{co\mathcal{C},X}M$  with inverse the graded klinear map  $\psi$  defined by  $\psi(m)(a) = (|m|, |a|)am$ . We have  ${}^{\mathcal{C}}END(A) = {}^{co\mathcal{C},X}A$ . Set  $B = {}^{co\mathcal{C},X}A$ . Then we get from Theorems 2.4 and 2.5 necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness over the colour algebra  $B = {}^{co\mathcal{C},X}A$ .

## 3.2. A colour algebra as a trivial coring

A colour algebra A is a graded A-bimodule. Let us define  $\Delta_A(a) = a \otimes_A 1_A$  and  $\epsilon_A(a) = a$ . Then A is an A-coring. A graded left A-comodule is just a graded left A-module. The product on  $A^*$  is defined by  $f \# g(a) = \sum_{|a|} (|f|, |g|)g(f(a)1_A) = \sum_{|a|} (|f|, |g|)g(1_A)(f(a))$ . It is easy to show that the algebra  $A^*$  is isomorphic to  $A^{op}$ , the opposite algebra of A: this isomorphism is defined by  $f \mapsto f(1_A)$ . For graded left A-modules M and N, we have  ${}^AHOM(M, N) = {}_AHOM(M, N)$ . Then Theorems 2.4 and 2.5 give necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness over  $B =_A END(\Lambda)$ , where  $\Lambda$  is a finitely generated graded left A-module. When the gradation is trivial we recover [11]. In many examples,  $\Lambda$  will be a colour algebra and A will be a graded  $\Lambda$ -ring with a graded left grouplike character.

**Definition 3.1.** (see [6], Section 2) Let A and  $\Lambda$  be two colour algebras and  $i : \Lambda \to A$  a graded ring morphism. A graded k-linear map  $\chi : A \to \Lambda$  is called a graded left grouplike character on A if  $\chi$  is graded left  $\Lambda$ -linear and

$$\chi(a\chi(a')) = \chi(aa')$$
 and  $\chi(1_A) = 1_\Lambda \quad \forall \quad a, a' \in A.$ 

We then say that A is a graded  $\Lambda$ -ring with a graded left grouplike character  $\chi$ .

Let A be a graded  $\Lambda$ -ring with a graded left grouplike character  $\chi$ . Then  $\Lambda$  is a graded left A-module: the action is given by  $a \rightarrow \lambda = \chi(a\lambda)$ . Furthermore,  $\Lambda$  is cyclic as a left A-module, since  $\lambda = (\lambda 1_A) \rightarrow 1_{\Lambda}$ . But  $1_{\Lambda}$  is homogeneous of degree 0, so  $\Lambda$  is a finitely generated as a graded left A-module (Lemma 1.2). So

we get necessary and sufficient conditions for projectivity and flatness over the colour endomorphism ring  $_{A}END(\Lambda)$  of  $\Lambda$ .

Now we will give two examples of this situation. There are other examples in the literature.

• Let H be a colour algebra, the colour tensor product  $H \otimes H$  is the G-graded vector space  $H \otimes H = \bigoplus_{x \in G} (\bigoplus_{y+z=x} H_y \otimes H_z)$  with multiplication  $(h \otimes l)(h' \otimes l') = (|l|/|h'|)hh' \otimes ll'$  for homogeneous elements  $h, h', l, l' \in H$ . By [9, Lemma 3.2],  $H \otimes H$  is a colour algebra. A Hopf colour algebra is a colour algebra and a graded coalgebra such that  $\Delta_H$  and  $\epsilon_H$  are morphisms of colour algebras and there exists a graded k-linear map  $S_H : H \to H$  (called antipode) such that  $(S_H \otimes id_H) \circ \Delta_H = \epsilon_H = (id_H \otimes S_H) \circ \Delta_H$  or equivalently,  $\sum_{|h|} \epsilon(h_1)h_2 = h = \sum_{|h|} h_1 \epsilon(h_2)$  and  $\sum_{|h|} S(h_1)h_2 = \epsilon(h) = \sum_{|h|} h_1 S(h_2)$ .

Let H be a Hopf colour algebra over k with comultiplication  $\Delta_H$ , counit  $\epsilon_H$ and antipode  $S_H$ . A colour algebra  $\Lambda$  which is a graded left H-module such that  $h.(\lambda\lambda') = \sum_{|h|}(|h_2|/|\lambda|)(h_1.\lambda)(h_2.\lambda')$  for all  $h \in H$  and  $\lambda, \lambda' \in \Lambda$  will be called a graded left H-module algebra. We denote by  $A = \Lambda \# H$  the associated smash product; i.e., the colour algebra generated by  $\Lambda$  and H whose multiplication is defined by  $(\lambda h)(\lambda' h') = \sum_{|h|}(|h_2|/|\lambda'|)\lambda(h_1.\lambda')(h_2h')$  (see [12]). A graded vector space M is a graded left A-module if and only if it is a graded left  $\Lambda$ -module and a graded left H-module such that  $h.(\lambda m) = \sum_{|h|}(|h_2|/|\lambda|)(h_1.\lambda)(h_2m)$ . Define a k-linear map  $\chi : A \to \Lambda$  by  $\chi(\lambda h) = \epsilon_H(h)\lambda$ . Since  $\epsilon_H(h) = 0$  for  $|h| \neq 0, \chi$  is homogeneous of degree 0. Clearly,  $\chi$  is left  $\Lambda$ -linear. It follows that  $\Lambda \# H$  is a graded  $\Lambda$ -ring with a graded left grouplike character  $\chi$ . Note that  $_{\Lambda\# H} END(\Lambda)$  is exactly the colour subring of invariants of  $\Lambda$ ; i.e.,  $_{\Lambda\# H} END(\Lambda) = \{\lambda \in \Lambda; h.\lambda = \epsilon_H(h)\lambda\}$ .

• Assume that  $\mathcal{C}$  contains a grouplike element X. The linear map  $i : A \to \mathcal{C}^*$  defined by  $i(a)(c) = a\epsilon_c(c)$  is a morphism of colour algebras. Define  $\chi : \mathcal{C}^* \to A$  by  $\chi(f) = f(X)$ . Then  $\chi$  is a graded left grouplike character on  $\mathcal{C}^*$ . So  $\mathcal{C}^*$  is a graded A-ring.

#### 3.3. C comes from a graded entwining structure

In this section, A is a colour algebra with multiplication  $\mu$  and unit  $\iota$ , and C is a graded coalgebra with comultiplication  $\Delta_C$  and counit  $\epsilon_C$ . We denote by  $\tau : A \otimes C \to C \otimes A$  the twist map; that is  $\tau(a \otimes c) = (|a|/|c|)c \otimes a$ . If M is a left (resp. right C-comodule, we write  $\rho_{M,C}(m) = m_{-1} \otimes m_0$  (resp.  $\rho_{M,C}(m) = m_0 \otimes m_1$ ). We remind that C is a graded k-coring. Interesting examples of graded corings come from graded entwining structures. We will often refer to [5] for the ungraded case.

• Graded left-left entwined modules.

A graded left-left entwining structure over k is a triple  $(A, C, \psi)$  with a graded k-linear map  $\psi : A \otimes C \to C \otimes A$ ;  $a \otimes c \mapsto (|a_{\alpha}|/|c|)c^{\alpha} \otimes a_{\alpha}$  satisfying the following conditions [5, 32.1]:

$$\psi \circ (\mu \otimes id_C) = (id_C \otimes \mu) \circ (\psi \otimes id_A) \circ (id_A \otimes \psi)$$

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$$(\Delta_C \otimes id_A) \circ \psi = (id_C \otimes \psi) \circ (\psi \otimes id_C) \circ (id_A \otimes \Delta_C)$$
$$(\epsilon_C \otimes id_A) \circ \psi = id_A \otimes \epsilon_C$$
$$\psi \circ (id_C \otimes \iota) = \iota \otimes id_C.$$

These relations are respectively equivalent to

$$(|(aa')_{\alpha}|/|c|)(c^{\alpha} \otimes (aa')_{\alpha}) = (|a'_{\alpha}|/|c|)(|a_{\beta}|/|c^{\alpha}|)(c^{\alpha\beta} \otimes a_{\beta}a'_{\alpha})$$
$$(|a_{\alpha}|/|c|)(\Delta_{C}(c^{\alpha}) \otimes a_{\alpha}) = (|a_{\alpha}|/|c_{1}|)(|a_{\alpha\beta}|/|c_{2}|)(c_{1}^{\alpha} \otimes c_{2}^{\beta} \otimes a_{\alpha\beta})$$
$$(|a_{\alpha}|/|c|)(\epsilon_{C}(c^{\alpha})a_{\alpha}) = a\epsilon_{C}(c)$$
$$(|1_{\alpha}|/|c|)(c^{\alpha} \otimes 1_{\alpha}) = c \otimes 1.$$

The map  $\psi$  is called a graded entwining map, and A and C are said to be graded entwined by  $\psi$ . By [5, 32.1],  $\mathcal{C} = C \otimes A$  is a graded A-coring with A-multiplications  $a'(c \otimes a)a'' = \psi(a' \otimes c)aa''$ , coproduct

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}: C \otimes A \to C \otimes A \otimes_A C \otimes A \cong C \otimes C \otimes A; \quad c \otimes a \mapsto \Delta_C(c) \otimes a$$

and counit  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(c \otimes a) = \epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(c)a$ .

Let M be a graded left A-module. Then  $C \otimes M$  becomes a graded left Amodule if we set  $a(c \otimes m) = (|a_{\alpha}|/|c)|)c^{\alpha} \otimes (a_{\alpha}m)$ . We say that a vector space M is a graded left-left  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined module if M is a graded left A-module
and a graded left C-comodule such that  $\rho_{M,C}$  is a graded left A-linear map; i.e.,

$$\rho_{M,C}(am) = (|a_{\alpha}|/|(m_{-1})|)(m_{-1})^{\alpha} \otimes (a_{\alpha}m_{0}).$$

We denote by  ${}^{gr-C}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(\psi)$  the category of graded left-left  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined modules: its morphisms are the graded left A-linear maps and the graded left C-colinear maps. We can show that  ${}^{gr-C}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(\psi)$  is isomorphic to  ${}^{gr-C}\mathcal{M}$ .

• Graded right-right entwined modules.

A graded right-right entwining structure over k is a triple  $(A, C, \psi)$  with a graded k-linear map  $C \otimes A \to A \otimes C$ ;  $c \otimes a \mapsto (|c|/|a_{\alpha}|)a_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha}$  satisfying the following conditions [5, 32.1]:

$$\psi \circ (id_C \otimes \mu) = (\mu \otimes id_C) \circ (id_A \otimes \psi) \circ (\psi \otimes id_A)$$
$$(id_A \otimes \Delta_C) \circ \psi = (\psi \otimes id_C) \circ (id_C \otimes \psi) \circ (\Delta_C \otimes id_A)$$
$$(id_A \otimes \epsilon_C) \circ \psi = \epsilon_C \otimes id_A$$
$$\psi \circ (id_C \otimes \iota) = \iota \otimes id_C.$$

These relations are respectively equivalent to

$$(|c|/|(aa')_{\alpha}|)((aa')_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha}) = (|c|/|a_{\alpha}|)(|c^{\alpha}|/|a'_{\beta}|)(a_{\alpha}a'_{\beta} \otimes c^{\alpha\beta})$$
$$(|c|/|a_{\alpha}|)(a_{\alpha} \otimes \Delta_{C}(c^{\alpha})) = (|(c_{2})|/|a_{\alpha}|)(|(c_{1})|/|a_{\alpha\beta}|)(a_{\alpha\beta} \otimes c_{1}^{\beta} \otimes c_{2}^{\alpha})$$
$$(|c|/|a_{\alpha}|)(a_{\alpha}\epsilon_{C}(c^{\alpha})) = \epsilon_{C}(c)a$$

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$$(|c|/|1_{\alpha}|)(1_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha}) = 1 \otimes c.$$

By [5, 32.1],  $C = A \otimes C$  is a graded A-coring with A-multiplications  $a'(a \otimes c)a'' = a'a\psi(c \otimes a'')$ , coproduct

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{C}}: A \otimes C \to A \otimes C \otimes_A A \otimes C \cong A \otimes C \otimes C; \quad a \otimes c \mapsto a \otimes \Delta_C(c)$$

and counit  $\epsilon_{\mathcal{C}}(a \otimes c) = a \epsilon_{C}(c)$ .

Let M be a graded right A-module. Then  $M \otimes C$  becomes a graded right A-module if we set  $(m \otimes c)a = (|c|/|a_{\alpha}|)(ma_{\alpha}) \otimes c^{\alpha}$ . A vector space M is a graded right-right  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined module if M is a graded right A-module and a graded right C-comodule via such that  $\rho_{M,C}$  is a graded right A-linear map; i.e.,

$$\rho_{M,C}(ma) = (|(m_1)|/|a_{\alpha}|)(m_0a_{\alpha}) \otimes (m_1)^{\alpha}.$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{M}(\psi)_{gr-A}^{gr-C}$  the category of graded right-right  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined modules: its morphisms are the graded right A-linear maps and the graded right *C*-colinear maps. We can show that this category is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{M}^{gr-C}$ .

• Graded left-right entwined modules.

A graded left-right entwining structure over k is a triple  $(A, C, \psi)$  with a graded k-linear map  $A \otimes C \to A \otimes C$ ;  $a \otimes c \mapsto a_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha}$  satisfying the following conditions [5, 32.1]:

$$\psi \circ (\mu \otimes id_C) = (\mu \otimes id_C) \circ (id_A \otimes \tau^{-1}) \circ \circ (\psi \otimes id_A) \circ (id_A \otimes \tau) \circ (id_A \otimes \psi)$$
$$(id_A \otimes \Delta_C) \circ \psi = (\tau^{-1} \otimes id_C) \circ (id_C \otimes \psi) \circ (\tau \otimes id_C) \circ (\psi \otimes id_C) \circ (id_A \otimes \Delta_C)$$
$$(id_A \otimes \epsilon_C) \circ \psi = id_A \otimes \epsilon_C$$
$$\psi \circ (\iota \otimes id_C) = \iota \otimes id_C.$$

These relations are respectively equivalent to

$$(aa')_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha} = (|a'_{\alpha}|/|c^{\alpha}|)(|c^{\alpha\beta}|/|a'_{\alpha}|)(a_{\beta}a'_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha\beta})$$
$$a_{\alpha} \otimes \Delta_{C}(c^{\alpha}) = (|a_{\alpha}|/|c_{1}^{\alpha}|)(|c_{1}^{\alpha}|/|a_{\alpha\beta}|)(a_{\alpha\beta} \otimes c_{1}^{\alpha} \otimes c_{2}^{\beta})$$
$$a_{\alpha}\epsilon_{C}(c^{\alpha}) = a\epsilon_{C}(c)$$
$$1_{\alpha} \otimes c^{\alpha} = 1 \otimes c.$$

Let M be a graded left A-module. Then  $M \otimes C$  becomes a graded left A-module if we set  $a(m \otimes c) = (|m|/|c|)(|c^{\alpha}|/|m|)(a_{\alpha}m \otimes c^{\alpha})$ . A vector space M is a graded left-right  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined module if M is a graded left A-module and a graded right C-comodule such that  $\rho_{M,C}$  is a graded left A-linear map; i.e.,

$$\rho_{M,C}(am) = (|m_0|/|m_1|)(|(m_1)^{\alpha}|/|m_0|)(a_{\alpha}m_0 \otimes (m_1)^{\alpha}.$$

We denote by  ${}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(\psi)^{gr-C}$  the category of graded left-right  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined modules: its morphisms are the graded left A-linear maps and the graded right C-colinear maps.

• Graded right-left entwined modules.

A graded right-left entwining structure over k is a triple  $(A, C, \psi)$  with a graded k-linear map  $C \otimes A \to C \otimes A$ ;  $c \otimes a \mapsto c^{\alpha} \otimes a_{\alpha}$  satisfying the following conditions [5, 32.1]:

$$\psi \circ (id_C \otimes \mu) = (id_C \otimes \mu) \circ (\tau \otimes id_A) \circ (id_A \otimes \psi) \circ (\tau^{-1} \otimes id_A) \circ (\psi \otimes id_A)$$
$$(\Delta_C \otimes id_A) \circ \psi = (id_C \otimes \tau) \circ (\psi \otimes id_C) \circ (id_C \otimes \tau^{-1}) \circ (id_C \otimes \psi) \circ (\Delta_C \otimes id_A)$$
$$(\epsilon_C \otimes id_A) \circ \psi = \epsilon_C \otimes id_A$$
$$\psi \circ (id_C \otimes \iota) = id_C \otimes \iota$$

where  $\tau : C \otimes A \to A \otimes C$ ;  $c \otimes a \mapsto (|c|/|a|)a \otimes c$ . These relations are respectively equivalent to

$$c^{\alpha} \otimes (aa')_{\alpha} = (|c^{\alpha}|/|a_{\alpha}|)(|a_{\alpha}|/|c^{\alpha\beta}|)(c^{\alpha\beta} \otimes a_{\alpha}a'_{\beta})$$
$$\Delta_{C}(c^{\alpha}) \otimes a_{\alpha} = (|c_{2}^{\alpha}|/|a_{\alpha}|)(|a_{\alpha\beta}|/|c_{2}^{\alpha}|)(c_{1}^{\beta} \otimes c_{2}^{\alpha} \otimes a_{\alpha\beta})$$
$$\epsilon_{C}(c^{\alpha})a_{\alpha} = \epsilon_{C}(c)a$$
$$c_{\alpha} \otimes 1^{\alpha} = c \otimes 1.$$

Let M be a graded right A-module. Then  $C \otimes M$  becomes a graded right Amodule if we set  $(c \otimes m)a = (|c|/|m|)(|m|/|c^{\alpha}|)(c^{\alpha} \otimes ma_{\alpha})$ . A vector space M is a graded right-left  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined module if M is a graded right A-module and a graded left C-comodule such that  $\rho_{M,C}$  is a graded right A-linear map; i.e.,

$$\rho_{M,C}(ma) = (|m_{-1}|/|m_0|)(|m_0|/|(m_{-1})^{\alpha}|)(m_{-1})^{\alpha} \otimes (m_0 a_{\alpha}).$$

We denote by  ${}^{gr-C}\mathcal{M}(\psi)_{gr-A}$  the category of graded right-left  $(A, C, \psi)$ -entwined modules: its morphisms are the graded right A-linear maps and the graded left C-colinear maps.

#### 3.3.1. Graded Doi-Hopf modules

In this section, H is a Hopf colour algebra with a bijective antipode  $S_H$ , A is a colour algebra and C is a graded coalgebra.

We say that A is a graded left H-comodule algebra if it is a graded left H-comodule via  $\rho_{A,H}(a) = a_{[-1]} \otimes a_{[0]}$  such that  $\rho_{A,H}(aa') = (|a_{[0]}|/|a'_{[-1]}|)(a_{[-1]}a'_{[-1]}) \otimes a_{[0]} \otimes a'_{[0]}$  and  $\rho_{A,H}(1_A) = 1_H \otimes 1_A$ . This is equivalent to say that the multiplication and the unit are graded left H-collinear, where the left H-coaction on  $A \otimes A$  is defined by  $(a \otimes a')_{[-1]} \otimes (a \otimes a')_{[0]} = (|a_{[0]}|/|a'_{[-1]}|)(a_{[-1]}a'_{[-1]}) \otimes a_{[0]} \otimes a'_{[0]}$ .

We say that A is a graded right H-comodule algebra if it is a graded right H-comodule via  $\rho_{A,H}(a) = a_{[0]} \otimes a_{[1]}$  such that  $\rho_{A,H}(aa') = (|a_{[1]}|/|a'_{[0]}|)a_{[0]} \otimes a'_{[0]} \otimes (a_{[1]}a'_{[1]})$  and  $\rho_{A,H}(1_A) = 1_A \otimes 1_H$ . This is equivalent to say that the multiplication and the unit are graded right H-colinear, where the right H-coaction on  $A \otimes A$  is defined by  $(a \otimes a')_{[0]} \otimes (a \otimes a')_{[1]} = (|a_{[1]}|/|a'_{[0]}|)a_{[0]} \otimes a'_{[0]} \otimes (a_{[1]}a'_{[1]})$ . We say that C is a graded left H-module coalgebra if C is a graded left Hmodule such that  $\Delta_C(h \rightarrow c) = (|h_2|/|c_1|)(h_1 \rightarrow c_1) \otimes (h_2 \rightarrow c_2)$  and  $\epsilon_C(h \rightarrow c) = \epsilon_H(h)\epsilon_C(c)$ . This is equivalent to say that  $\Delta_C$  and  $\epsilon_C$  are graded left H-linear, where the left H-action on  $C \otimes C$  is defined by

$$h \rightharpoonup (c \otimes c') = (|h_2|/|c_1|)(h_1 \rightharpoonup c_1) \otimes (h_2 \rightharpoonup c_2).$$

We say that C is a graded right H-module coalgebra if C is a graded right Hmodule such that  $\Delta_C(c \leftarrow h) = (|c_2|/|h_1|)(c_1 \leftarrow h_1) \otimes (c_2 \leftarrow h_2)$  and  $\epsilon_C(c \leftarrow h) = \epsilon_H(h)\epsilon_C(c)$ . This is equivalent to say that  $\Delta_C$  and  $\epsilon_C$  are graded right H-linear, where the right H-action on  $C \otimes C$  is defined by

$$(c \otimes c') \leftarrow h = (|c_2|/|h_1|)(c_1 \leftarrow h_1) \otimes (c_2 \leftarrow h_2).$$

• Graded left-left Doi-Hopf modules.

Let A be a graded left H-comodule algebra and C a graded left H-module coalgebra. According to [5], we call the triple (H, A, C) a graded left-left Doi-Hopf datum.

The category  ${}^{gr-C}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(H)$  of graded left-left Doi-Hopf modules is the category whose objects are the graded left A-modules and the graded left C-comodules M such that  $\rho_{M,C}(am) = (|a_{[0]}|/|m_{-1}|)(a_{[-1]} \rightarrow m_{-1}) \otimes (a_{[0]}m_0)$ . The morphisms of this category are the graded left A-linear maps and the graded left C-colinear maps. Any graded left-left Doi-Hopf datum (H, A, C) gives rise to a graded left-left entwining structure  $(A, C, \psi)$ : the map  $\psi$  is defined by  $\psi(a \otimes c) = (|a_{[0]}|/|c|)(a_{[-1]} \rightarrow c) \otimes a_{[0]}$ . The corresponding category of graded left-left entwined modules coincides with the category  ${}^{gr-C}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(H)$ .

• Graded right-right Doi-Hopf modules.

Let A be a graded right H-comodule algebra and C a graded right H-module coalgebra. According to [5], we call the triple (H, A, C) a graded right-right Doi-Hopf datum.

The category  $\mathcal{M}(H)_{gr-A}^{gr-C}$  of graded right-right Doi-Hopf modules is the category whose objects are the graded right A-modules and the graded right Ccomodules M such that  $\rho_{M,C}(ma) = (|m_1|/|a_{[0]}|)(m_0a_{[0]}) \otimes (m_1 \leftarrow a_{[1]})$ . The morphisms of this category are the graded right A-linear maps and the graded right C-colinear maps. Any graded right-right Doi-Hopf datum (H, A, C) gives rise to a graded right-right entwining structure  $(A, C, \psi)$ : the map  $\psi$  is defined by  $\psi(c \otimes a) = (|c|/|a_{[0]}|)a_{[0]} \otimes (c \leftarrow a_{[1]})$ . The corresponding category of graded right-right entwined modules coincides with  $\mathcal{M}(H)_{gr-A}^{gr-C}$ .

• Graded left-right Doi-Hopf modules.

Let A be a graded right H-comodule algebra and C a graded left H-module coalgebra. According to [5], we call the triple (H, A, C) a graded left-right Doi-Hopf datum.

The category  $_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(H)^{gr-C}$  of graded left-right Doi-Hopf modules is the category whose objects are the graded left A-modules and the graded right C-comodules M such that  $\rho_{M,C}(am) = (|a_{[1]}|/|m_0|)(a_{[0]}m_0) \otimes (a_{[1]} \rightharpoonup m_1)$ . The

morphisms of this category are the graded left A-linear maps and the graded right C-colinear maps. Any graded left-right Doi-Hopf datum (H, A, C) gives rise to a graded left-right entwining structure  $(A, C, \psi)$ : the map  $\psi$  is defined by  $\psi(a \otimes c) = a_{[0]} \otimes (a_{[1]} \rightharpoonup c)$ . The corresponding category of graded left-right entwined modules coincides with  ${}_{gr-A}\mathcal{M}(H)^{gr-C}$ .

• Graded right-left Doi-Hopf modules.

Let A be a graded left H-comodule algebra and C a graded right H-module coalgebra. According to [5], we call the triple (H, A, C) a graded right-left Doi-Hopf datum.

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