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SELF-DUAL HOPF QUIVERS

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Abstract

We study pointed graded self-dual Hopf algebras with a help of the dual Gabriel theorem for pointed Hopf algebras [15]. Quivers of such Hopf algebras are said to be self-dual. An explicit classification of self-dual Hopf quivers is obtained. We also prove that finite dimensional coradically graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras are generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements as associative algebras. This partially justifies a conjecture of Andruskiewitsch and Schneider [3] and may help to classify finite dimensional self-dual pointed Hopf algebras.

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1. INTRODUCTION

One can start with quivers to construct path algebras and their quotient algebras. This produces finite dimensional elementary algebras in an exhaustive way, due to a well-known theorem of Gabriel. See Auslander, Reiten, Smalø [1] and Ringel [16]. There is a dual analogue for coalgebras given by Chin and Montgomery [6], which is remarkable for removing the restriction of finite dimensionality. Namely, any pointed coalgebra is a large subcoalgebra of the path coalgebra of some unique quiver.

A Hopf algebra is simultaneously an algebra and a coalgebra in a compatible way. We say that a Hopf algebra is pointed if its underlying coalgebra is pointed, i.e., its irreducible comodules are 1-dimensional. By Chin and Montgomery's theorem, for a pointed Hopf algebra H, the underlying coalgebra can be presented as a large subcoalgebra of a path coalgebra kQ for some unique quiver Q. In [15], Oystaeyen and Zhang proved that such a quiver is a Hopf quiver in the sense of Cibils and Rosso [10], and moreover, the associated graded Hopf algebra gr H of H (arising from the coradical filtration) is a Hopf subalgebra of some graded Hopf algebras.

In this paper we study graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras with a help of the dual Gabriel's theorem. For a positively graded Hopf algebra $H = \bigoplus_{n\geq 0} H^n$ (may be infinite dimensional) with finite dimensional homogeneous spaces, the graded dual $H^{gr} = \bigoplus_{n\geq 0} H^{n*}$ is also a positively graded Hopf algebra. We say that H is self-dual if there exists a graded Hopf isomorphism $H \cong H^{gr}$. We remark that self-dual Hopf algebras generated in degrees 0 and 1 were studied by Green and Marcos in [11], where descriptions of such Hopf algebras via the so-called self-dual Hopf bimodules were obtained.

We study the quivers of graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras, which we name self-dual Hopf quivers. An explicit classification of such quivers is obtained. We also prove that self-dual graded pointed Hopf algebras are generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements. In the finite dimensional case, this partially justifies a well-known conjecture of Andruskiewitsch and Schneider [3]. This result may help to give a classification of graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras via the self-dual Hopf quivers.

For simplicity of exposition, we assume throughout that k is an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. All algebras and coalgebras are over k. For a finite dimensional vector space V, we denote its k-linear dual by V^* . The unendowed tensor product \otimes is \otimes_k .

2. HOPF QUIVERS AND DUAL GABRIEL'S THEOREM

We begin by recalling general facts, due to Cibils and Rosso [10] and van Oystaeyen and Zhang [15], about constructing graded Hopf structures from path coalgebras and the dual Gabriel's theorem for pointed Hopf algebras.

2.1. Let Q be a quiver and kQ the k-space with as a basis all the paths of Q. Then kQ has a natural length gradation $kQ = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} kQ_n$, where kQ_n is spanned by all the paths of length n. Note that Q_0 is the set of vertices and Q_1 is the set of arrows. For each nontrivial path $p = a_n \cdots a_2 a_1 \in Q_n$ (i.e., $n \ge 1$) we define its starting vertex s(p) as the tail of arrow a_1 and terminating vertex t(p) as the head of arrow a_n .

Given a quiver Q, the graded space kQ has a natural graded path coalgebra structure as follows

$$\begin{split} \Delta(g) &= g \otimes g, \quad \varepsilon(g) = 1 \text{ for each } g \in Q_0, \\ \Delta(p) &= t(p) \otimes p + a_n \otimes a_{n-1} \cdots a_1 + \cdots + a_n \cdots a_2 \otimes a_1 + p \otimes s(p), \quad \varepsilon(p) = 0 \\ \text{ for each nontrivial path } p = a_n \cdots a_1. \end{split}$$

It is obvious that kQ is pointed with set of group-like elements $G(kQ) = Q_0$, and has the following coradical filtration

$$kQ_0 \subseteq kQ_0 \oplus kQ_1 \subseteq kQ_0 \oplus kQ_1 \oplus kQ_2 \subseteq \cdots$$

Hence kQ is coradically graded in the sense of Chin and Musson [7]. We remark that the path coalgebra kQ has another presentation as the so-called cotensor coalgebra and hence enjoy a universal property [14] (see also [15]).

2.2. Let G be a group and C the set of its conjugacy classes. A ramification datum of the group G is a formal sum $R = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}} R_C C$ with non-negative integer coefficients. Recall that for each ramification datum R of G, the corresponding Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, R) is defined as follows: the set of vertices Q_0 is G, and for each $x \in G$ and $c \in C$, there are R_C arrows from x to cx.

A vector space M is said to be a kG-Hopf bimodule if it is simultaneously a kG-bimodule and a kG-bicomodule such that the comodule structure maps are homomorphisms of kG-bimodules.

Hopf bimodules over kG were classified in [9], Proposition 3.3. We briefly recall this result for later application. For each $C \in C$, fix an element $u(C) \in C$, and let Z_C be the centralizer of u(C). There is an equivalence of categories

$$V: \mathbf{b}(kG) \longrightarrow \Pi_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \operatorname{mod}(kZ_C),$$

where b(kG) is the category of kG-Hopf bimodules and $mod(kZ_C)$ the category of left kZ_C modules. Given $M \in b(kG)$, then $V(M) = ({}^{u(C)}M^1)_{C \in \mathcal{C}}$, where the left module structure on ${}^{u(C)}M^1$ is defined by the conjugate action: $g \cdot m = g.m.g^{-1}$. On the contrary, for any $(M_C)_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \in \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \operatorname{mod}(kZ_C)$, the corresponding kG-Hopf bimodule is $\bigoplus_{C \in \mathcal{C}} kG \otimes_{kZ_C} M_C \otimes kG$.

Given a kG-Hopf bimodule M with bicomodule maps δ_L and δ_R , we define the Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, M) of M as follows: the set of vertices Q_0 is G, and for any $g, h \in G$, there are $\dim_k {}^h M^g$ arrows from g to h. Here by ${}^h M^g$ we mean the (h, g)-isotypic component

$$\{m \in M \mid \delta_L(m) = h \otimes m, \quad \delta_R(m) = m \otimes g\}.$$

The following lemma shows that the Hopf quivers arising from ramification data coincide with those from Hopf bimodules over a group, hence we may identify them by just saying Hopf quivers.

Lemma 2.1. For any quiver Q = Q(M, G), there exists a ramification datum R of G such that Q = Q(G, R), and vice versa.

Proof. Let M be a kG-Hopf bimodule with comodule structure maps δ_L and δ_R and Q = Q(G, M). For any $f, g, h \in G$ and $m \in {}^{h}M^{g}$, by the definition of kG-Hopf bimodules we have

$$\delta_L(f.m) = fh \otimes f.m, \quad \delta_L(m.f) = hf \otimes m.f$$

and

 $\delta_R(f.m) = f.m \otimes fg, \quad \delta_R(m.f) = m.f \otimes gf.$

It follows that

$$f.^{h}M^{g} \subseteq {}^{fh}M^{fg}, {}^{h}M^{g}.f \subseteq {}^{hf}M^{gf}$$

Note that f is invertible, hence actually we have

$$f.^h M^g = {}^{fh} M^{fg}, \quad {}^h M^g. f = {}^{hf} M^{gf}.$$

It follows that for $x, g, c \in G$,

$$g^{-1}cgxM^x = g^{-1}cgM^1.x = g^{-1}.^cM^1.g.x$$
.

Since the actions of group elements are invertible, it is clear that

$$\dim_k {}^{g^{-1}cgx}M^x = \dim_k {}^cM^1 .$$

In other words, for any $x \in G$ and any $c' \in C$, where C is the conjugacy class containing c, there are $\dim_k {}^c M^1$ arrows from x to c'x in Q. Let C be the set of the conjugacy classes of G. For each $C \in C$, fix an element $c \in C$. Take a ramification data of G as

$$R = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}} R_C C$$

with $R_C = \dim_k {}^c M^1$. It is clear that Q = Q(G, R).

On the contrary, let Q = Q(G, R) for some $R = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}} R_C C$. Take $(M_C)_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \in \prod_{C \in \mathcal{C}} \text{mod}(kZ_C)$ such that $\dim_k M_C = R_C$. This is always possible. For example, take M_C as trivial kZ_C -module. Let M be the associated kG-Hopf bimodule. By direct calculation of the isotypic components of M, we have that Q = Q(G, M).

2.3. Suppose that kQ can be endowed with a graded Hopf algebra structure with length gradation. Then kQ is pointed and kQ_0 is the coradical. Hence $kQ_0 \cong kG$ for some finite group Gand we now identify Q_0 and G. The graded Hopf algebra structure induces naturally on kQ_1 a kG-Hopf bimodule structure and Q is of course the Hopf quiver of it. By Lemma 2.1, the quiver Q is the Hopf quiver Q(G, R) of some ramification data R.

Given a Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, R) for some group G and some ramification data R, then kQ_1 admits kQ_0 -Hopf bimodule structures. Fix a kQ_0 -Hopf bimodule $(kQ_1, m_L, m_R, \delta_L, \delta_R)$. By the universal property of kQ, the bimodule structure can be extended to an associative multiplication and kQ becomes a graded bialgebra. The existence of antipode is guaranteed by Takeuchi [18]. Hence kQ admits a graded Hopf structure.

Cibils and Rosso's results [10] can be summarized as follows.

Theorem 2.2. Let Q be a quiver. Then Q is a Hopf quiver if and only if the path coalgebra kQ admits graded Hopf algebra structures. Moreover, if Q is a Hopf quiver, then the complete list of graded Hopf structures on kQ is in one-to-one correspondence with that of kQ_0 -Hopf bimodule structures on kQ_1 .

2.4. Let C be a pointed coalgebra with G = G(C), then the corresponding quiver Q(C) is obtained in the following way. The set of vertices of Q(C) is G. For $\forall x, y \in G$, the number of arrows from x to y is $\dim_k P_{x,y}(C) - 1$, where $P_{x,y}(C) = \Delta^{-1}(C \otimes x + y \otimes C)$. Chin and Montgomery's theorem says that C is a large subcoalgebra of the path coalgebra kQ(C). Here "large" means that the subcoalgebra contains all the vertices and arrows of Q(C). Of course in this case such a quiver is unique. We remark that, according to the definition, a pointed coalgebra and its associated graded coalgebra (induced by the coradical filtration) enjoy the same quiver.

Let H be a pointed Hopf algebra. The coradical filtration $\{H_n | n \ge 0\}$ is in fact a Hopf algebra filtration and hence the associated graded space

$$\operatorname{gr} H = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} \operatorname{gr} H^n = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} H_n / H_{n-1}$$

(with $H_{-1} = 0$) is a coradically graded Hopf algebra (see [12], Lemma 5.2.8). Consider the quiver Q(H) of the underlying coalgebra of H. The following result can be regarded as the version of the Gabriel's theorem for Hopf algebras from the coalgebra aspect, see [15], Proposition 4.4 and Theorem 4.6.

Theorem 2.3. Suppose that H is a pointed Hopf algebra and that G = G(H). Then Q(H) is a Hopf quiver and there exists a graded Hopf algebra embedding gr $H \hookrightarrow kQ(H)$, where the Hopf structure on kQ(H) is determined by the kG-Hopf bimodule structure on gr H^1 .

3. Self-Dual Hopf Quivers

In this section we consider the quivers of coradically graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras, which are called self-dual Hopf quivers. An explicit classification of such quivers is obtained.

3.1. Let $H = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} H^n$ be a positively graded Hopf algebra with finite dimensional homogeneous spaces. Recall that H is said to be self-dual if there exists a graded Hopf isomorphism $H \cong H^{gr}$. The self-duality is very natural and general in common: for any graded Hopf algebra H, the tensor product $H \otimes H^{gr}$ is self-dual.

In this section we always assume that H is coradically graded with $H^0 = kG$ (hence pointed) for some finite group G. In this case, if H is self-dual, then the group G is abelian. In fact, let $f: H \longrightarrow H^{gr}$ be a graded isomorphism, then f_0 , the restriction of f to degree 0, induces a Hopf isomorphism of kG and $(kG)^*$, hence G is abelian since $(kG)^*$ is commutative. Furthermore H^1 has a so-called self-dual kG-Hopf bimodule structure, see [11]. The self-duality of H^1 comes naturally from that of H. Namely, the isomorphism f_0 induces a kG-Hopf bimodule structure on the $(kG)^*$ -Hopf bimodule H^{1*} ; the restriction of f to degree 1 gives rise to an isomorphism of kG-Hopf bimodules $f_1: H(1) \longrightarrow H(1)^*$.

3.2. The classification of self-dual Hopf bimodules over a finite abelian group algebra was given in [11] using Cibils and Rosso's results on Hopf bimodules. We recall it here for application later on.

Let G be a finite abelian group. Write $G = G_1 \times G_2 \times \cdots \times G_t$, where $G_i = \langle \alpha_i \rangle$. The general elements of G are written as $\alpha^e = \alpha_1^{e_1} \cdot \alpha_2^{e_2} \cdots \alpha_t^{e_t}$. Let $\omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \cdots, \omega_t\}$ be a set of roots of unity such that order ω_i = order α_i . We define a map $\chi^{\omega} : kG \longrightarrow (kG)^*$ as follows: for any element $\alpha^e \in G$, let $\chi^{\omega}(\alpha^e) = \chi^{\omega}_{\alpha^e} \in (kG)^*$; for any $\alpha^f \in G$, let $\chi^{\omega}_{\alpha^e}(\alpha^f) = \omega_1^{e_1f_1}\omega_2^{e_2f_2}\cdots \omega_t^{e_tf_t}$. It is well-known that such a map χ^{ω} is a Hopf isomorphism and that $\{\chi^{\omega}_g\}_{g\in G}$ is a complete set of irreducible characters of G. Denote by S_g the irreducible module associated to the character χ^{ω}_g .

By Cibils and Rosso's classification of Hopf bimodules, there is an equivalence of categories

$$V : \mathbf{b}(kG) \longrightarrow \prod_{q \in G} \operatorname{mod}(kG),$$

where b(kG) is the category of kG-Hopf bimodules and mod(kG) the category of left kGmodules. Given $M \in b(kG)$, then $V(M) = ({}^{g}M^{1})_{g \in G}$. Write ${}^{g}M^{1} = \bigoplus_{h \in G} m_{h}(g)S_{h}$ as the sum of irreducible modules. Then the isomorphic classes of objects in b(kG) are in one-to-one correspondence with the set of matrices

 $\{(m_h(g))_{g,h\in G}|m_h(g) \text{ is a nonnegative integer}, \forall g,h\in G\}.$

Identifying kG with $(kG)^*$ via χ^{ω} , then M^* is a kG-Hopf bimodule. By [9], Proposition 5.1, if M corresponds to the matrix $(m_h(g))_{g,h\in G}$, then M^* corresponds to the matrix $(m_h^*(g))_{g,h\in G}$, where $m_h^*(g) = m_{g^{-1}}(h^{-1})$.

Now it is clear that a kG-Hopf bimodule M is self-dual if and only if there exists an ω as in the previous argument such that the corresponding matrix $(m_h(g))_{g,h\in G}$ of M satisfying $m_h(g) = m_{g^{-1}}(h^{-1})$, for any $g, h \in G$.

3.3. We say that a Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, M) is self-dual if the kG-Hopf bimodule M is selfdual. It is immediate that the quiver Q(H) of self-dual Hopf algebra H is self-dual. Precisely, $Q = Q(G, H^1)$. By Theorem 2.3, H is a Hopf subalgebra of kQ. On the other hand, given a self-dual Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, M), then self-dual Hopf algebra arises naturally. Let kG[M] be the Hopf subalgebra of kQ generated in degrees 0 and 1. This is the so-called bialgebra of type one introduced by Nichols [14]. By [11], Theorem 2.4, kG[M] is self-dual. We can summarize the above arguments as follows

Proposition 3.1. If H is coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra, then Q(H) is a self-dual Hopf quiver. Conversely if Q = Q(G, M) is a self-dual Hopf quiver, then kG[M] is a self-dual Hopf algebra.

3.4. Now we consider what self-dual Hopf quivers look like. The following theorem shows that such quivers are very general, as corresponds exactly to the naturalness and generality of the self-duality.

Theorem 3.2. Any quiver of form Q = Q(G, R) with G abelian and R a ramification data is self-dual.

Proof. Let G be an abelian group and $R = \sum_{g \in G} R_g g$ a ramification datum. Then by Lemma 2.1, Q = Q(G, M) for any Hopf bimodule M such that $\dim_k {}^g M^1 = R_g, \forall g \in G$. We need to prove that there exists a self-dual Hopf bimodule satisfying such condition.

For this, we fix an ω as in subsection 3.2. Let M be the kG-Hopf bimodule corresponding to matrix $(m_h(g))_{g,h\in G}$ with entries $m_{g^{-1}}(g) = R_g$, $\forall g \in G$ and 0 otherwise. It is clear that such an M is self-dual, and hence Q is self-dual.

3.5. In this subsection we consider the case of kQ itself being self-dual. First of all kQ_1 must be a self-dual kQ_0 -Hopf bimodule.

Proposition 3.3. Let H be a slef-dual Hopf structure on kQ. Then H is generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements as an associative algebra.

Proof. Denote by $\{H_n \mid n \geq 0\}$ the coradical filtration of H. On one hand, the underlying coalgebra of H is the path coalgebra kQ, hence we have $H_n = \bigoplus_{i \leq n} kQ_i$. On the other hand, the underlying algebra structure of H is $\bigoplus_{n\geq 0} kQ_n^*$. The Hopf structure on $\bigoplus_{n\geq 0} kQ_n^*$ is also graded, hence we have

$$\Delta(kQ_n^*) \subseteq \bigoplus_{i+j=n} kQ_i^* \otimes kQ_j^*.$$

Note that $kQ_0^* = (kG)^*$, then it is semisimple and cosemisimple, and hence $kQ_0^* \subseteq H_0$. By comparing the dimensions, we get $kQ_0^* = H_0$. Using induction and comparing dimensions arguments, we have $H_n = \bigoplus_{i \leq n} kQ_i^*$. In particular, $H_1 = kQ_0^* \oplus kQ_1^*$. Note that the algebra kQ^* is generated in degrees 0 and 1, hence H is generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements. \Box

Remark 3.4. If kQ itself is self-dual, then kQ = kG[M], i.e., it is a bialgebra of type one.

4. FINITE-DIMENSIONAL SELF-DUAL HOPF ALGEBRAS

The main purpose of this section is to prove that finite-dimensional coradically graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras are generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements.

4.1. In [2], Andruskiewitsch and Schneider proposed the so-called lifting method for classifying finite dimensional pointed Hopf algebras. The reader is referred to an up-to-date survey [4]. In the programme, a key step is to find the generators. Andruskiewitsch and Schneider conjectured that all finite dimensional pointed Hopf algebras over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 are generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements (see [3], Conjecture 1.4). By [2], Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3, it is enough to consider coradically graded Hopf algebras.

4.2. The following theorem shows that Andruskiewitsch and Schneider's conjecture is true for finite dimensional self-dual Hopf algebras.

Theorem 4.1. Let $H = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} H^n$ be a coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra. If H is finite dimensional and self-dual, then H is generated by group-like and skew-primitive elements.

Proof. We may assume that $H^0 = kG$ for some finite abelian group G. Let $J = \bigoplus_{n \ge 1} H^n$. It is clear that J is an nilpotent (Hopf) ideal of H. Note that $H/J = H^0 = kG$, which is isomorphic to $k^{|G|}$ as an associative algebra. It follows that H is an elementary algebra and J is the Jacobson radical. It is clear that $J^2 \subseteq \bigoplus_{n \ge 2} H^n$, and hence $H^1 \subseteq J/J^2$.

On the other hand, by the duality of coradical filtration and Jacobson radical filtration (see e.g. [12], 5.2.9), we have $J^2(H) = C_1(H^*)^{\perp}$, where $C_1(H^*)$ is the first term of the coradical filtration of the dual Hopf algebra H^* . By the self-duality of H, $C_1(H^*) = H_1$, which is exactly $H^0 \oplus H^1$ since H is coradically graded. This implies that $\dim_k J^2 = \dim_k H - \dim_k H_1$. By comparing the dimensions, we have $J^2 = \bigoplus_{n \ge 2} H^n$, and hence $H^1 = J/J^2$. It is well-known that (see e.g. [1], Theorem 1.9, p.65), as an associative algebra, H is generated by H/J and J/J^2 . Now the theorem follows.

Remark 4.2. Let $H = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} H^n$ be as in the theorem. By J we denote its Jacobson radical. Then by a similar argument of comparing dimensions, via the duality of coradical filtration and Jacobson radical filtration, we have $J^m = \bigoplus_{n \ge m} H^n$, for any integer $m \ge 1$.

4.3. The theorem above may help to classify completely finite dimensional graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebras. The following is direct consequence of the theorem.

Corollary 4.3. Any finite dimensional coradically graded pointed self-dual Hopf algebra is of the form kG[M] for some finite abelian group G and some self-dual kG-Hopf bimodule M.

4.4. Finally, we remark that there is not known necessary and sufficient condition for general self-dual kG-Hopf bimodule M such that kG[M] is finite dimensional. However we work out the simplest case with a help of results in [5].

Let G be a cyclic group of order n generated by g. Firstly let R = g be the simplest ramification datum. Then the Hopf quiver Q = Q(G, R) is a basic cycle. Namely, Q has set of vertices $\{g^i | i = 0, 1, ..., n - 1\}$ and set of arrows $\{a_i : g^i \longrightarrow g^{i+1} | i = 0, 1, ..., n - 1\}$. Finite dimensional pointed Hopf structures on such quiver are completely classified in [5], Theorem 3.6. As a consequence we have

Proposition 4.4. Let H be a finite dimensional pointed Hopf algebra with Q(H) being a basic cycle. Then H is self-dual if and only if H is the Taft algebra.

Proof. Recall that the Taft algebra T of dimension n^2 is generated by two elements h and x with relations

$$x^n = 0, \quad h^n = 1, \quad xh = qxh,$$

where q is an n-th primitive root of unity (see [17]). A concrete Hopf isomorphism map of T and T^* was given in [8].

We include a proof of the self-duality via our settings. Firstly note that Q(T) is a basic cycle. Take $\omega = q$ as in subsection 3.2. Let M be a kG-Hopf bimodule corresponding to matrix $(m_{g^j}(g^i))$ with entries $m_{g^{-1}}(g) = 1$ and 0 otherwise. Then M is self-dual. It is not difficult to see that T is the Hopf subalgebra kG[M] of kQ(T), and hence self-dual by Proposition 3.1.

On the contrary, all the finite dimensional Hopf structures on a basic cycle is isomorphic to the Hopf algebra $A(n, d, \mu, q)$ presented by generators and relations as follows

$$h^n = 1, \ x^d = \mu(1 - h^d), \ xg = ugx,$$

with u a root of unity of order d and $\mu = 0$ or 1. By [5], Theorem 4.3, if $A(n, d, \mu, q)$ is self-dual, then $\mu = 0$, and d = n. That is, $A(n, d, \mu, q)$ must be exactly the Taft algebra.

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