# POINTED FINITE TENSOR CATEGORIES OVER ABELIAN GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. We characterize the finite pointed tensor categories equivalent to de-equivariantizations of finite dimensional pointed Hopf algebras over abelian groups.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper  $\Bbbk$  will denote an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. By tensor category we mean a  $\Bbbk$ -linear abelian category with finite dimensional Hom spaces and objects of finite length, endowed with a rigid  $\Bbbk$ -bilinear monoidal structure and such the unit object is simple. A tensor category is called finite if it is  $\Bbbk$ -linearly equivalent to the category of finite dimensional comodules over a finite dimensional  $\Bbbk$ -coalgebra.

Let H be a coquasi-Hopf algebra over  $\Bbbk$ . The category  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  of its finite dimensional corepresentations is a tensor category. Tensor categories of this form are characterized, via tannakian reconstruction arguments, as those possessing a quasi-fiber functor with values in the category of finite dimensional vector spaces over  $\Bbbk$ .

**Comment 1 (by Cesar)**: el siguiente parrafo lo copié de la subsección 3.3, debemos reescribir esa parte, me parece que queda bien acá para explicar un poco más.

A tensor category is called pointed if every simple object is invertible. Example of such a categories are the category of finite dimensional comodules over a pointed coquasi-Hopf algebra. In fact, any finite pointed tensor category is equivalent to the category of comodules over a finite dimensional pointed coquasi-Hopf algebra.

In [3], we studied de-equivariantization of Hopf algebras, applying Tannakian techniques. We explicitly constructed a coquasi-bialgebra such that its tensor category of comodules realizes the de-equivariantization of a Hopf algebra, [3, Theorem 2.8]. As application, we defined a big family of pointed coquasi-Hopf algebras  $A(H, G, \Phi)$  attached to a coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra H and some extra group-theoretical data, see [3, Proposition 3.3] and [3, Definition 3.5].

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The purpose of work is to characterize **Comment 2** (by Cesar): se te ocurre algo mejor? pointed finite tensor categories over abelian group constructed as de-equivariantization of the tensor category of comodules over finite dimensional pointed Hopf algebras. For Hopf algebras, the deequivariantization process strictly generalize the theory of central extensions of Hopf algebra. However, now the central quotient is a coquasi-Hopf algebra.

We said that a tensor category C is coradically graded if C is equivalent to the category of comodules over a coradically graded coalgebra, see [11, Section 1.13] for a more categorical definition.

In [4] was proved that every finite-dimensional pointed Hopf algebra H with abelian group of group-like elements  $\Gamma$  is a cocycle deformation of  $\mathcal{B}(V)\#\Bbbk\Gamma$ , where  $V \in_{\Bbbk\Gamma}^{\Bbbk\Gamma} \mathcal{YD}$  denotes the infinitesimal braiding of H. In particular, it implies that  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  and  ${}^{\mathcal{B}(V)\#\Bbbk\Gamma}\mathcal{M}$  are tensor equivalent. Hence, the pointed tensor categoies obtained from H or  ${}^{\mathcal{B}(V)\#\Bbbk\Gamma}\mathcal{M}$  are the same. That is the reason why are interested only in coradically graded coquasi-Hopf algebras.

For a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  we will denote by  $G(\mathcal{C})$  the group of isomorphism classes of invertible objects and by  $\omega(\mathcal{C}) \in H^3(G(\mathcal{C}), \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  the cohomology class defined by the associator of the full tensor subcategory of  $\mathcal{C}$  of invertible objects.

Breen [7, Proposition 4.1] defined for every abelian group  $\Lambda$  a group homomorphism

$$\psi_{\Lambda}: H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^3 \Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}),$$

that measure if the category of Yetter-Drinfeld modules  ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Gamma}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Gamma}\mathcal{YD}$  is pointed, see Theorem 3.7.

Our main result can be summarized as:

**Theorem 1.1.** A finite tensor category C is tensor equivalent to a deequivariantization of a pointed Hopf algebra over an abelian group if and only if C is coradically graded, G(C) is abelian and  $\psi_{G(C)}(\omega_C) \equiv 1$ .

Theorem 1.1 is proved in Section 4, where a pointed Hopf algebra of the form  $\mathcal{B}(V) \# \Bbbk \Gamma$  is explicitly constructed. As a corollary, we obtain that every coradically graded pointed finite braided tensor category is tensor equivalent to a de-equivariantization of a coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra over an abelian group.

The organization of the paper is as follows. Section 2 is devoted to preliminaries. In Section 3 we define the map  $\psi_{\Lambda} : H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^3\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ and characterizations of the condition  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 1$ , which are used in the sequel. In Section 4 we proved generation in degree one for coradically graded coquasi-Hopf algebras A with associator,  $\psi_{G(A)}(\omega) = 0$ , where  $\omega \in$  $H^3(G(A), \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  defined by the associator. We prove Theorem 1.1. We finish the section with an example of a coradically graded coquasi-Hopf algebra over  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 3}$  with associator  $\omega \in Z^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ , such that  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) \neq 1$ . **Comment 3 (by Cesar)**: Agregar en paper?: el diagrama de dinking esta bien definido

**Comment 4 (by Cesar)**: Todo: 1) revisar notacion de unidad en cat mon. 2) agregar definition de product tensorial en ejem 2.3 (yetter-drinfeld)

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section we recall some definitions and results about coquasi-Hopf algebras and tensor categories. Throughout the paper we work over an algebraically closed arbitrary field of characteristic zero  $\Bbbk$ . Algebras and coalgebras are always defined over  $\Bbbk$ . For coalgebra  $(C, \Delta, \varepsilon)$  we will use Sweedler's notation omitting the sum symbol, that is  $\Delta(c) = c_1 \otimes c_2$  for all  $c \in C$ .

Given a group  $\Gamma$ ,  $\widehat{\Gamma}$  denotes the group of linear characters of  $\Gamma$  over  $\Bbbk$ , and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \widehat{\Gamma} \times \Gamma \to \Bbbk^{\times}$  is the evaluation map.

Given  $\theta \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , then we denote  $\mathbb{I}_{\theta} = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \leq \theta\}$ , or simply  $\mathbb{I}$  if  $\theta$  is clear from the context. Also,  $\delta_{x,y}$  is the Kronecker delta.

2.1. Coquasi-bialgebras. A coquasi-bialgebra  $(H, m, u, \omega, \Delta, \varepsilon)$  is a coalgebra  $(H, \Delta, \varepsilon)$  together with coalgebra morphisms:

- the multiplication  $m: H \otimes H \longrightarrow H$  (denoted  $m(g \otimes h) = gh$ ),
- the unit  $u : \mathbb{k} \longrightarrow H$  (where we call  $u(1) = 1_H$ ),

and a convolution invertible element  $\Omega \in (H \otimes H \otimes H)^*$  such that

(1) 
$$h_1(g_1k_1)\Omega(h_2, g_2, k_2) = \Omega(h_1, g_1, k_1)(h_2g_2)k_2$$

$$1_H h = h 1_H = h,$$

(3) 
$$\Omega(h_1g_1, k_1, l_1)\Omega(h_2, g_2, k_2l_2) = \Omega(h_1, g_1, k_1)$$

 $\times \Omega(h_2, g_2k_2, l_1)\Omega(g_3, k_3, l_2),$ 

(4) 
$$\Omega(h, 1_H, g) = \varepsilon(h)\varepsilon(g),$$

for all  $h, g, k, l \in H$ . Note that

$$\Omega(1_H, h, g) = \Omega(h, g, 1_H) = \varepsilon(h)\varepsilon(g) \qquad \text{for all } g, h \in H.$$

A coquasi-bialgebra H is a coquasi-Hopf algebra if there is a coalgebra map  $S: H \longrightarrow H^{\text{op}}$  (the antipode) and elements  $\alpha, \beta \in H^*$  such that

(5)  $\alpha(h)1_H = \mathcal{S}(h_1)\alpha(h_2)h_3,$ 

(6) 
$$\beta(h)1_H = h_1\beta(h_2)\mathcal{S}(h_3),$$

(7) 
$$\varepsilon(h) = \omega(h_1\beta(h_2), \mathcal{S}(h_3), \alpha(h_4)h_5)$$
$$= \omega^{-1}(\mathcal{S}(h_1), \alpha(h_2)h_3\beta(h_4), \mathcal{S}(h_5)), \quad \text{for all } h \in H.$$

**Example 2.1.** Let G be a discrete group. Recall that a (normalized) 3-cocycle  $\omega \in Z^3(G, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  is a map  $\omega : G \times G \to G \to \mathbb{k}^{\times}$  such that

$$\omega(ab, c, d)\omega(a, b, cd) = \omega(a, b, c)\omega(a, bc, d)\omega(b, c, d), \qquad \omega(a, 1, b) = 1$$

for all  $a, b, c, d \in G$ .

Given  $\omega \in Z^3(G, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ , we define coquasi-Hopf algebra  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega}G$ , with structure  $(\mathbb{k}[G], \Omega_{\omega}, S, \alpha, \beta)$ , where  $\mathbb{k}[G]$  is the group algebra with the usual comultiplication  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$  for all  $g \in G$ , and  $\Omega_{\omega}(g, h, k) = \omega(g, h, k)$  for all  $g, h, k \in G$ . The antipode structure is given by

$$S(g)=g^{-1}, \qquad \alpha(g)=1, \qquad \beta(g)=\omega(g,g^{-1},g)^{-1}, \qquad \text{for all } g\in G.$$

2.2. Braided tensor categories and the center construction. By a tensor category we mean a k-linear abelian rigid tensor category C whose unit object 1 is simple, see [11].

Let H be a coquasi-Hopf algebra. The category of left H-comodules  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  is rigid and monoidal, where the tensor product is  $\otimes_{\Bbbk}$ , the comodule structure of the tensor product is the codiagonal one and the associator is

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \phi_{U,V,W} & : & (U \otimes V) \otimes W \longrightarrow U \otimes (V \otimes W) \\ \phi_{U,V,W}((u \otimes v) \otimes w) & = & \Omega(u_{-1}, v_{-1}, w_{-1})u_0 \otimes (v_0 \otimes w_0) \end{array}$$

for  $u \in U$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $w \in W$  and  $U, V, W \in {}^{H}\mathcal{M}$ . The dual coactions are given by  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{S}^{-1}$ , as in the case of Hopf algebras.

**Example 2.2.** Let G be a discrete group and  $\omega \in Z^3(G, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . The tensor category  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega}[G]\mathcal{M}$  is  $\operatorname{Vec}_G^{\omega}$ , the category of G-graded vector spaces with associator induced by  $\omega$ .

A braided tensor category is a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$  endowed with a braiding  $c_{X,Y}: X \otimes Y \to Y \otimes X$ , see [15].

The main example of a braided tensor category in this paper will be the center  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  of a tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$ . The center construction produces a braided tensor category  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  from any tensor category  $\mathcal{C}$ . The objects of  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  are pairs  $(Z, c_{-,Z})$ , where  $Z \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $c_{X,Z} : X \otimes Z \to Z \otimes X$  are isomorphisms natural in X satisfying

(8) 
$$c_{X\otimes Y,Z} = (c_{XZ} \otimes \mathrm{id}_Y)(\mathrm{id}_X \otimes c_{Y,Z})$$

and  $c_{I,Z} = \mathrm{id}_Z$ , for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ . The braided monoidal structure is given in the following way:

• the tensor product is  $(Y, c_{-,Y}) \otimes (Z, c_{-,Z}) = (Y \otimes Z, c_{-,Y \otimes Z})$ , where

$$c_{X,Y\otimes Z} = (\mathrm{id}_Y \otimes c_{X,Z})(c_{X,Y} \otimes \mathrm{id}_Z) : X \otimes Y \otimes Z \to Y \otimes Z \otimes X, \quad X \in \mathcal{C},$$

- the identity element is  $(I, c_{-,I}), c_{Z,I} = id_Z$
- the braiding is the morphism  $c_{X,Y}$ .

**Example 2.3.** The Drinfeld center of  $\operatorname{Vec}_{\Lambda}^{\omega}$ . Let  $\Lambda$  be a discrete group, and  $\omega \in Z^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . The Drinfeld center of  $\operatorname{Vec}_{\Lambda}^{\omega}$  is equivalent to  $\overset{\mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda}{\mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}$ , the category of Yetter-Drinfeld modules over  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda$ . The objects of  $\overset{\mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda}{\mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}$  are  $\Lambda$ -graded vector spaces  $V = \bigoplus_{g \in \Lambda} V_g$  with a linear map  $\triangleright : \mathbb{k}^{\omega}\Lambda \otimes V \to V$  such that  $1 \triangleright v = v$  for all  $v \in V$ ,

$$(gh) \triangleright v = \frac{\omega(g,hkh^{-1},h)}{\omega(g,h,k)\omega(ghkh^{-1}g^{-1},g,h)} (g \triangleright (h \triangleright v)), \quad g,h,k \in \Lambda, \quad v \in V_k,$$

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satisfying the following compatibility condition:

$$g \triangleright V_h \subseteq V_{ghg^{-1}}$$
  $g, h \in \Lambda.$ 

Morphisms in  ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}$  are  $\Lambda$ -linear  $\Lambda$ -homogeneous maps. The category is tensor braided, with braiding  $c_{V,W}: V \otimes W \to W \otimes V, V, W \in {}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}$ ,

$$c_{V,W}(v \otimes w) = g \triangleright w \otimes v, \qquad g \in \Lambda, \qquad v \in V_g, \qquad w \in W.$$

2.3. Bosonization for coquasi-Hopf algebras. Now we recall the notation and results from [5] but restricted to pointed coquasi-Hopf algebras.

Given a Hopf algebra R in  ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}$  with multiplication  $\cdot : R \otimes R \to R$  and comultiplication  $\Delta : R \to R \otimes R$ ,  $\Delta(r) = r^{(1)} \otimes r^{(2)}$ , the bosonization of R by  ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}$  [5, Definition 5.4] is the coquasi-Hopf algebra  $R \# {}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}$  with underlying vector space  $R \otimes {}^{\Bbbk}\Lambda$  and the following structure maps:

$$\begin{split} (r\#g)(s\#h) &= \frac{\omega(g,l,h)\omega(k,l,gh)}{\omega(k,g,lh)\omega(l,g,h)} r \cdot (g \triangleright s) \#gh, \\ \Delta(r\#g) &= \frac{1}{\omega(kj^{-1},j,g)} r^{(1)} \#lg \; \otimes \; r^{(2)} \#g, \\ \Omega(r\#g,s\#h,t\#k) &= \varepsilon(r)\varepsilon(s)\varepsilon(t)\omega(g,h,k), \end{split}$$

for all  $g, h, k, l \in \Lambda$ ,  $r \in R_k$ ,  $s \in R_l$ ,  $t \in R$ , where  $r^{(1)} \otimes r^{(2)} \in \bigoplus_j R_{kj^{-1}} \otimes R_j$ . We have two canonical coquasi-Hopf algebra maps

$$\pi: R \# \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda \to \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda, \ \pi(r \# g) = \varepsilon(r)g, \quad \iota: \Bbbk^{\omega} \to R \# \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda, \ \iota(g) = 1 \# g,$$

such that  $\pi \circ \iota = \mathrm{id}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}$ .

Reciprocally, let H be a coquasi-Hopf algebra and assume that there exist coquasi-Hopf algebra maps  $\pi : H \to \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda$ ,  $\iota : \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda \to H$  such that  $\pi \circ \iota = \mathrm{id}_{\Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda}$ . Then  $H \simeq R \# \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda$ , where  $R = H^{\mathrm{co} \pi}$  admits a structure of Hopf algebra in  $\Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda \mathcal{YD}$  [5, Theorem 5.8].

In particular this applies for  $H = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} H_n$  coradically graded such that  $H_0 = \mathbb{k}^{\omega} \Lambda$  [5, 6.1]. Here, R is a graded Hopf algebra in  $\mathbb{k}_{k \simeq \Lambda}^{\omega} \mathcal{YD}$ :

$$R = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} R_n$$
, with  $R_n = R \cap H_n$ ,  $n \ge 0$ , so  $R_0 = \Bbbk 1$ .

2.4. Nichols algebras. Nichols algebras can be defined over any abelian braided tensor category see [19]. In particular we may consider Nichols algebra over  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M})$  or  $\mathcal{C} = {}^{H}_{H}\mathcal{YD}$ , where H is a coquasi-bialgebra, see [1] for the definition when H is a Hopf algebra and [14] for  $H = \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda$ .

Given an object  $V \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $n \geq 3$ ,  $V^{\otimes n}$  denotes  $(\cdots ((V \otimes V) \otimes \cdots) \otimes V)$ , *n* copies of *V*. We consider the following (graded) Hopf algebras in  $\mathcal{C}$ :

• the tensor algebra  $T(V) = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} V^{\otimes n}$ , with product given by the canonical isomorphism  $V^{\otimes m} \otimes V^{\otimes n} \simeq V^{\otimes (m+n)}$ ; the coproduct  $\Delta : T(V) \to T(V) \otimes T(V)$  is the unique graded algebra map such that  $\Delta_{0,1} : V \to \mathbb{k} \otimes V$  and  $\Delta_{1,0} : V \to V \otimes \mathbb{k}$  are the canonical isomorphisms.

• the tensor coalgebra  $C(V) = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} V^{\otimes n}$ , with coproduct

 $\Delta = \oplus_{m,n \ge 0} : C(V) \to C(V) \otimes C(V), \quad \Delta_{m,n} : V^{\otimes (m+n)} \xrightarrow{\sim} V^{\otimes m} \otimes V^{\otimes n};$ 

the product  $\Delta : T(V) \to T(V) \otimes T(V)$  is the unique graded coalgebra map induced by the canonical isomorphisms  $\Bbbk \otimes V \simeq V \simeq V \otimes \Bbbk$ .

There exists a unique graded Hopf algebra map  $T(V) \to C(V)$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , which is the identity on V. The *Nichols algebra*  $\mathcal{B}(V)$  of V is the image of this map: it is a graded Hopf algebra in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

We may identify  $\mathcal{B}(V)$  as a quotient  $\mathcal{B}(V) = T(V)/\mathcal{J}(V)$  with the following universal property:  $\mathcal{J}(V)$  is the largest coideal of T(V) spanned by elements of N-degree  $\geq 2$ . There are other characterizations of  $\mathcal{B}(V)$  [19].

A pre-Nichols algebra of V is any graded braided Hopf algebra in  $V \in \mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M})$  intermediate between T(V) and  $\mathcal{B}(V)$ , that is any braided Hopf algebra of the form T(V)/I where  $I \subseteq \mathcal{J}(V)$  is a homogeneous Hopf ideal.

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# 3. Trivializations of elements in $H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\omega \in H^n(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . We say that  $\omega$  is *trivializable* if there exist a finite abelian group  $\Gamma$  and a group epimorphism  $p : \Gamma \to \Lambda$  such that the pullback  $p^*\omega \in H^n(\Gamma, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  is trivial. In this case we say that  $\omega$  is *p*-trivial.

**Example 3.2.** Let  $C_n$  be the cyclic group of order *n* generated by  $\sigma$ . Then

$$\cdots \xrightarrow{N} \mathbb{Z}C_n \xrightarrow{\sigma-1} \mathbb{Z}C_n \xrightarrow{N} \mathbb{Z}C_n \xrightarrow{\sigma-1} \mathbb{Z}C_n \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

where  $N = 1 + \sigma + \sigma^2 + \dots + \sigma^{n-1}$  is a free resolution of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus,

$$H^{3}(C_{n}, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) = \mathbb{G}_{m}(n) := \{a \in \mathbb{k}^{\times} : a^{n} = 1\}.$$

Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that n|m and  $\pi : C_m \to C_n$  be the canonical group epimorphism. The induced map is

$$\pi^*: H^3(C_n, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) \to H^3(C_m, \mathbb{k}^{\times}), \qquad q \mapsto q^{\frac{m}{n}}$$

Hence, if  $q \in H^3(C_n, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  has order s, the canonical epimorphism  $\pi : C_{sn} \to C_n$  trivializes q. Thus  $\pi : C_{n^2} \to C_n$  trivializes all elements in  $H^3(C_n, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ .

Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite abelian group. We denote by  $\wedge^n \Lambda$  the *n*-th exterior power of  $\Lambda$ , viewed as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

For each  $\omega \in Z^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ , Breen [7, Proposition 4.1] defined an alternating trilinear map

$$\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega)(l_1, l_2, l_3) = \prod_{\sigma \in \mathbb{S}_3} \omega(l_{\sigma(1)}, l_{\sigma(2)}, l_{\sigma(3)})^{\operatorname{sng}(\sigma)}, \qquad l_1, l_2, l_3 \in \Lambda.$$

The group homomorphism  $\psi_{\Lambda}: Z^3(\Lambda, \Bbbk^{\times}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^3\Lambda, \Bbbk^{\times})$  induces a group homomorphism

$$\psi_{\Lambda}: H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^3\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}).$$

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Note that  $\operatorname{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes 3}, \Bbbk^{\times}) \subset Z^3(\Lambda, \Bbbk^{\times})$ . Hence, if  $\Lambda$  is finite the restriction of  $\psi_{\Lambda}$  to  $\operatorname{Hom}(\Lambda^{\otimes 3}, \Bbbk^{\times})$  is surjective. Thus  $\psi_{\Lambda}$  is surjective.

**Proposition 3.3.** If  $\omega \in H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  is trivializable then  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p : \Gamma \to \Lambda$  be an epimorphism of finite abelian groups. By [6, §7.2, Proposition 3], the map

 $\wedge^n(p):\wedge^n\Gamma\to\wedge^n\Lambda,\qquad g_1\wedge\cdots\wedge g_n\mapsto p(g_1)\wedge\cdots\wedge p(g_n),$ 

is surjective. Since  $\Lambda$  is finite, the group homomorphism

$$\wedge^{n}(p)^{*}: \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^{n}\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(\wedge^{n}\Gamma, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$$
$$f \mapsto [g_{1} \wedge \dots \wedge g_{n} \mapsto f(p(g_{1}) \wedge \dots \wedge p(g_{n}))].$$

is injective for all n.

Let  $\omega \in H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  such that  $p^*(\omega) = 0$ . Then  $\wedge^{(3)}(p)^* \circ \psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 0$ , since the diagram

is commutative. By the injectivity of  $\wedge^3(p)^*$ , we have that  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 0$ .  $\Box$ 

**Example 3.4.** Let  $\Lambda = (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus 3}$  and  $\omega \in Z^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ , defined by

$$\omega(\vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z}) = \zeta^{x_1 y_2 z_3}$$

where  $\zeta$  is a *n*-th root of unity and  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z} \in \Lambda$ . Then,

$$\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega)(ec{x},ec{y},ec{z}) = \zeta^{\mathrm{det}([ec{x},ec{y},ec{z}])}.$$

Thus,  $\psi(\omega) \neq 0$  and  $\langle \psi(\omega) \rangle = \text{Hom}(\wedge^3 \Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . It follows by Proposition 3.3 that  $\omega$  is not trivializable.

Let  $\omega \in Z^3(\Gamma, \Bbbk^{\times})$ . An abelian structure on  $\omega$  is a map  $c: \Gamma \times \Gamma \to \Bbbk^{\times}$  such that

$$\frac{c(a,bc)}{c(a,b)c(a,c)} = \frac{\omega(a,b,c)\omega(b,c,a)}{\omega(b,a,c)}$$
$$\frac{c(ab,c)}{c(a,c)c(b,c)} = \frac{\omega(a,c,b)}{\omega(a,b,c)\omega(c,a,b)},$$

for all  $a, b, c \in \Gamma$ . Following [9, 10] we denote by  $Z^3_{ab}(\Gamma, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  the abelian group of all abelian 3-cocycles  $(\omega, c)$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $(\omega, c) \in Z^3_{ab}(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  be an abelian 3-cocycle. Then  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 0$ .

*Proof.* If  $(\omega, c) \in Z^3_{ab}(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  the map

$$q: \Lambda \to \mathbb{k}^{\times}, \qquad \qquad g \mapsto c(g,g)$$

is a quadratic form on  $\Lambda$ , that is, q(-a) = q(a) and the map

$$b_q(a,b) = \frac{q(ab)}{q(a)q(b)},$$
  $a,b \in \Lambda,$ 

is a bicharacter. The quadratic form q determines completely the cohomology class of the pair (w, c), see [10, Theorem 26.1]. Using the map q, Quinn [18] defined an explicit 3-cocycle abelian 3-cocycle (h, c) with c(a, a, ) = q(a) for all  $a \in \Lambda$ . Assume that  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}/n_1\mathbb{Z} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/n_m\mathbb{Z}$ . For each  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  let  $q_i := q(\vec{e_i})$  and  $h_i \in Z^3(\mathbb{Z}/n_i\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  defined by

$$h_i(a, b, c) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } b + c < n_i, \\ q_i^{n_i a}, & \text{if } b + c \ge n_i, \end{cases}$$

where  $0 \leq a, b, c < n_i$ . Then by [18] and [10, Theorem 26.1],  $h \in Z^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  given by

$$h(\vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z}) = h(x_1, y_1, z_1)h(x_2, y_2, z_2) \cdots h(x_m, y_m, z_m),$$

is a 3-cocycle cohomologous to  $\omega$ . By Example 3.2, the epimorphism

$$\pi: \mathbb{Z}/n_1^2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/n_m^2\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}/n_1\mathbb{Z} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/n_m\mathbb{Z},$$

trivializes h and then also trivializes  $\omega$ .

Remark 3.6. Let  $\Lambda$  be a cyclic group of odd order and  $\omega \in H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  a nonzero element. Then there is not  $c \in C^2(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$  such that  $(\omega, c) \in Z^3_{ab}(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ , however by Example 3.2  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\omega \in H^3(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . The following statements are equivalent:

- (a)  $\psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) \equiv 1.$
- (b) The braided fusion category  $\overset{\mathbb{K}^{\omega}\Lambda}{\overset{\mathbb{K}^{\omega}$
- (c)  $\omega$  is trivializable.

*Proof.* For each  $a \in \Lambda$ , the map

$$\beta_a:\Lambda\times\Lambda\to \Bbbk^\times, \qquad \qquad \beta_a(g,h)=\frac{\omega(g,a,h)}{\omega(g,h,a)\omega(a,g,h)}$$

is a 2-cocycle, that is, satisfies the equation

$$\beta_a(g,h)\beta_a(gh,l) = \beta_a(g,hl)\beta_a(h,l),$$

for all  $g, h, l \in \Lambda$ . By [13, Example 6.3] we have an exact sequence of groups

$$0 \to \widehat{\Lambda} \to \operatorname{Inv}({}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD}) \to G_{\omega} \to 0,$$

where  $G_{\omega} = \{a \in \Lambda : 0 = [\beta_a] \in H^2(\Lambda, \mathbb{k}^{\times})\}$ . Then  $\mathbb{k}_{\omega\Lambda}^{\omega\Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$  is pointed if and only if  $0 = [\beta_a]$  for all  $a \in \Lambda$ .

Since  $\mathbb{k}^{\times}$  is divisible,  $\beta_a$  has trivial cohomology class if and only if  $\beta_a$  is symmetric. In conclusion,  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega \Lambda}_{\omega \Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$  is pointed if and only if  $\beta_a(g,h) = \beta_a(h,g)$  for all  $a, g, h \in \Lambda$ . Since

$$\frac{\beta_a(b,c)}{\beta_a(c,b)} = \psi_{\Lambda}(a,b,c),$$

 ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD} \text{ is pointed if and only if } \psi_{\Lambda}(\omega) = 1. \text{ Hence, (a)} \iff (b).$ 

Now (c)  $\implies$  (a) by Proposition 3.3. Assume that (b) holds. Then there is a finite abelian group  $\Gamma$  and an abelian 3-cocycle  $(\alpha, c) \in Z^3_{ab}(\Gamma, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ such that  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega}_{\Lambda} \mathcal{YD} \cong \operatorname{Vec}_{\Gamma}^{(\alpha,c)}$  as braided fusion categories. The forgetful functor  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega}_{\Lambda} \mathcal{YD} \to \operatorname{Vec}_{\Lambda}^{\omega}$  defines a group epimorphism  $\pi_1 : \Gamma \to \Lambda$  such that  $\pi_1^*([\omega]) = [\alpha]$ . By Proposition 3.5, there exists an abelian group  $\Gamma_2$  and an epimorphism  $\pi_2 : \Gamma_2 \to \Gamma_1$  such that  $\pi_1^*([\alpha]) = 0$ , hence  $\pi_2 \circ \pi_1 : \Gamma_2 \to \Lambda$ trivializes  $\omega$ .

### 4. POINTED CORADICALLY GRADED COQUASI-HOPF ALGEBRAS

Let  $\Gamma$  and  $\Lambda$  be abelian groups and  $p : \Gamma \to \Lambda$  a group epimorphism. We fix a section  $\iota : \Lambda \to \Gamma$  of p. Given  $\omega \in Z^3(\Lambda, \Bbbk^{\times})$ , we will denote by  $p^*\omega \in Z^3(\Gamma, \Bbbk^{\times})$ , the 3-cocycle defined by

$$p^*\omega(g,h,k) = \omega(p(g), p(h), p(k)), \qquad g,h,k \in \Gamma$$

We assume that there is  $\alpha : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to \mathbb{k}^{\times}$ , such that  $\delta(\alpha) = p^* \omega$ ; that is,

$$p^*\omega(g,h,k) = \frac{\alpha(g,h)\alpha(gh,k)}{\alpha(g,hk)\alpha(h,k)}, \qquad g,h,k \in \Gamma,$$

4.1. Trivializing the non-associativity of Nichols algebras. We consider the functor  ${}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}\mathcal{YD} \rightarrow {}^{\Bbbk^{p^*\omega}\Gamma}_{\Bbbk^{p^*\omega}\Gamma}\mathcal{YD}$  given on the objects by

$$V \mapsto \widehat{V}, \qquad \text{with } \Gamma \text{-grading} \qquad \qquad \widehat{V}_g = \begin{cases} V_k & g = \iota(k), \\ 0 & g \notin \iota(\Lambda), \end{cases}$$

and  $\Gamma$ -action via p; on the morphisms, it is just the identity.

Then there is a braided tensor equivalence

$$(F_{\alpha},\overline{\alpha}):_{\Bbbk^{p^*\omega}\Gamma}^{\Bbbk^{p^*\omega}\Gamma}\mathcal{YD}\to_{\Bbbk\Gamma}^{\Bbbk\Gamma}\mathcal{YD},$$

where  $F_{\alpha}(V) = V$  as  $\Gamma$ -graded vector spaces, with  $\Gamma$ -action

$$g \cdot v = \frac{\alpha(h,g)}{\alpha(g,h)} g \rhd v, \qquad g,h \in \Gamma, \qquad v \in V_g;$$

the functor is the identity for morphisms; the isomorphism constraints are

$$\overline{\alpha}_{V,V'}: F_{\alpha}(V \otimes V') \to F_{\alpha}(V) \otimes F_{\alpha}(V)$$
$$v \otimes v' \mapsto \alpha(g,h) \ v \otimes v', \qquad g,h \in \Gamma, \ v \in V_g, \ v' \in V_h.$$

4.2. Generation in degree one. Fix  $V \in_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$ . Hence  $W := F_{\alpha}(\widehat{V}) \in_{\Bbbk\Gamma}^{\Bbbk\Gamma} \mathcal{YD}$  is a braided vector space of diagonal type: there exists a basis  $(x_i)_{i\in\mathbb{I}}$ , elements  $g_i \in \Gamma$ ,  $\chi_i \in \widehat{\Gamma}$  such that  $x_i \in W_{g_i}^{\chi_i}$ , so the braing is

$$c(x_i \otimes x_j) = g_i \cdot x_j \otimes x_i = q_{ij} \ x_j \otimes x_i, \qquad q_{ij} := \chi_j(g_i), \qquad i, j \in \mathbb{I}.$$

Coming back to V, let  $\ell_i = p(g_i) \in \Lambda$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{I}$ . As V = W as vector spaces and the  $\Gamma$ -grading on W is induced by  $\iota$ , we have that  $g_i = \iota(\ell_i)$  and  $x_i \in V_{\ell_i}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{I}$ . The *quasi*-braiding in  $\mathbb{k}^{\omega \Lambda}_{k \to \Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$  is given by

$$c_V(x_i \otimes x_j) = g_i \triangleright x_j \otimes x_i = q_{ij} \frac{lpha(\ell_i, \ell_j)}{lpha(\ell_j, \ell_i)} \; x_j \otimes x_i, \qquad i, j \in \mathbb{I}.$$

We recall now some results about the FRT construction. Let H(W) the bialgebra corresponding to (W, c) [16, VIII.6]: it is the algebra presented by generators  $T_i^i$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbb{I}$  and relations

$$q_{ij}T_j^n T_i^m - q_{nm}T_i^m T_j^n, \qquad \qquad i, j, m, n \in \mathbb{I}$$

Hence H(W) is a quantum linear space, so in particular it is  $\mathbb{Z}^{I}$ -graded, with deg  $T_{i}^{j} = \alpha_{i}, i, j \in \mathbb{I}$ . The coproduct satisfies

$$\Delta(T_i^j) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{I}} T_i^k \otimes T_k^j, \qquad i, j \in \mathbb{I},$$

while the *R*-matrix  $\mathbf{r}: H(W) \otimes H(W) \to \mathbb{k}$  is determined by

$$\mathbf{r}(T_i^m \otimes T_j^n) = q_{ji}\delta_{i,m}\delta_{j,n}, \qquad i, j, m, n \in \mathbb{I}.$$

Hence W is a H(W)-comodule with coaction

$$\rho: W \to H(W) \otimes W, \qquad \rho(x_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{I}} T_i^j \otimes x_j, \qquad i \in \mathbb{I}.$$

and c is also the braiding in the category of H(W)-comodules.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $R = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} R_n \in_{\mathbb{K}^{\omega} \Lambda}^{\mathbb{K}^{\omega} \Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$  be a post-Nichols (respectively, pre-Nichols) algebra of  $V = R_1$  such that dim  $R < \infty$ . Then  $R = \mathcal{B}(V)$ .

*Proof.* By abuse of notation, let  $\alpha : H(W) \otimes H(W) \to \Bbbk$ ,

$$\alpha(T_{i_1}^{m_1} \dots T_{i_s}^{m_s}, T_{j_1}^{n_1} \dots T_{j_t}^{n_t}) = \delta_{i_1, m_1} \dots \delta_{i_s, m_s} \delta_{j_1, n_1} \dots \delta_{j_t, n_t}$$
$$\alpha(g_{i_1} \dots g_{i_s}, g_{j_1} \dots g_{j_t}), \qquad s, t \in \mathbb{N}, \ i_k, m_k, j_l, n_l \in \mathbb{I}.$$

As H(W) is  $\mathbb{Z}^{I}$ -graded, the map is well-defined, and  $\alpha(1, x) = \alpha(x, 1) = \varepsilon(x)$  for all  $x \in H(W)$ . Hence we may consider the coquasi-bialgebra  $H(W)^{\alpha}$  obtained by a 2-cocycle deformation by  $\alpha$ .

Notice that  $(V, c_V)$  is the image of (W, c) under the braided equivalence  ${}^{H(W)}\mathcal{M} \to {}^{H(W)^{\alpha}}\mathcal{M}$  induced by the 2-cocycle  $\alpha$ , and this equivalence takes pre- and post-Nichols algebras of (W, c) to pre- and post-Nichols algebras of  $(V, c_V)$ . Hence R is the image of a post-Nichols (respectively, pre-Nichols) algebra R' of (W, c), which is of diagonal type. By [2],  $R' = \mathcal{B}(W)$ , so  $R = \mathcal{B}(V)$ .

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4.3. Pointed coquasi-Hopf algebras and de-equivariantization. Let H be a coquasi-Hopf algebra and G be an affine group scheme over  $\Bbbk$ . A central inclusion of G in H is a full braided embedding  $\iota$  : Rep $(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M})$  such that the composition  $\iota \circ U$  : Rep $(G) \rightarrow {}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  is full, where  $U : \mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow {}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  is the forgetful functor.

Let  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  be the algebra of regular function over G. The algebra  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  is a commutative algebra in the symmetric category  $\operatorname{Rep}(G)$ , and thus a commutative algebra in the braided tensor category  $\mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M})$ . Following [12], we define the de-equivariantization  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}(G)$  of  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  by G, as the monoidal category of of left  $\mathcal{O}(G)$ -modules in  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$ , with the tensor product  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(G)} N$ .

In [3], we studied de-equivariantization of Hopf algebras, applying Tannakian techniques. In [3, Theorem 2.8] we constructed a coquasi-bialgebra such that its tensor category of comodules realizes the de-equivariantization of a Hopf algebra. As application, we explicitly describe a big family of pointed coquasi-Hopf algebras  $A(H, G, \Phi)$  attached to a coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra H and some extra data where G is a central subgroup of a finite group  $\Gamma$  and  $\Phi$  is a group morphism between G and  $\text{Hom}(\Gamma, k^{\times})$ , satisfying some conditions, see [3, Proposition 3.3] and [3, Definition 3.5].

**Theorem 4.2.** Let A be a finite-dimensional coradically graded coquasi-Hopf algebra such that  $A_0 \simeq \Bbbk^{\omega} \Lambda$ , where  $\omega$  is trivializable. Then  ${}^A\mathcal{M}$  is a de-equivariantization of a coradically graded pointed Hopf algebra over an abelian group.

*Proof.* By [5] there exists a post-Nichols (respectively, pre-Nichols) algebra  $R = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} R_n \in_{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda}^{\Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda} \mathcal{YD}$  of  $V = R_1$  such that  $A \simeq R \# \Bbbk^{\omega}\Lambda$ ; hence dim  $R < \infty$ , and by Theorem 4.1,  $R = \mathcal{B}(V)$ .

We consider  $\widehat{V} \in_{\mathbb{k}^{p^* \omega_{\Gamma}}}^{\mathbb{k}^{p^* \omega_{\Gamma}}} \mathcal{YD}$ : as the braiding is the same,  $\mathcal{B}(V) \simeq \mathcal{B}(\widehat{V})$  as braided Hopf algebras, and

(10) 
$$\pi := (\mathrm{id} \otimes p) : B := \mathcal{B}(\widehat{V}) \# \mathbb{k}^{p^* \omega} \Gamma \to A = \mathcal{B}(V) \# \mathbb{k}^{\omega} \Lambda$$

is a projection of coquasi-Hopf algebras.

Given an epimorphism of finite dimensional coquasi-Hopf algebra  $f: H \to Q$ , it follows by [8, Proposition 5.1] that

$$H^{\operatorname{co} f} := \{ b \in B : \operatorname{id} \otimes \pi \Delta(b) = b \otimes 1 \},\$$

admits a structure of commutative algebra in  $\mathcal{Z}({}^{H}\mathcal{M})$  such that the tensor category of left  $H^{\operatorname{co} f}$ -modules in  ${}^{H}\mathcal{M}$  is tensor equivalent to  ${}^{Q}\mathcal{M}$ .

We will see that there is a central inclusion  $\iota$ : Rep $(\widehat{\ker(p)}) \to \mathcal{Z}({}^{B}\mathcal{M})$ , such that the central algebra  $\mathcal{O}(\widehat{\ker(p)}) = k[\ker(p)]$  is the central algebra associated to the epimorphism (10).

The inclusion  $k[\ker(p)] \hookrightarrow B, a \mapsto 1 \# a$ , is an injective coquasi-Hopf algebra morphism, that induces a full tensor embedding

$$\operatorname{Rep}(\operatorname{ker}(p)) = \operatorname{Vec}_{\operatorname{ker}(p)} \hookrightarrow^B \mathcal{M}.$$

Let  $V_a = \operatorname{Span}_k(v) \in {}^{k[\ker(p)]}\mathcal{M}$  be a one-dimensional comodule with  $\Delta(v) = a \otimes v$ . Since 1 # a is a central group-like of B, for any  $M \in {}^B\mathcal{M}$ , the flip map

$$c_{M,V_a}: M \otimes V_a \to V_a \otimes M$$
$$m \otimes v \mapsto v \otimes m,$$

is an isomorphism of B-comodules. Equation (8), follows from the fact that

$$p_*(\omega)(a, g, h) = p_*(\omega)(g, a, h) = p_*(\omega)(g, h, a) = 1,$$

for all  $g, h \in \Gamma, a \in \ker(p)$ .

Since  $k[\ker(p)] = B^{\operatorname{co} \pi} := \{b \in B : \operatorname{id} \otimes \pi \Delta(b) = b \otimes 1\}$ , the central algebra associate to the surjective tensor functor  $\pi_* : {}^B\mathcal{M} \to {}^A\mathcal{M}$  is exactly  $k[\ker(p)]$ . Then by [8, Proposition 5.1],  ${}^A\mathcal{M}$  is a de-equivariantization of  ${}^B\mathcal{M}$  by  $\widehat{\ker(p)}$ .

Since there is  $\alpha : \Gamma \times \Gamma \to \mathbb{k}^{\times} \times$  such that  $\delta(\alpha) = p^*(\omega)$ , we can extend  $\alpha$ linearly to a map  $\alpha : B \otimes B \to \mathbb{k}$  such that  $\alpha(B_n \otimes B) = \alpha(B \otimes B_n) = 0$  if n > 0, so  $\alpha$  is a twist. Hence  $H := B^{\alpha}$  is a Hopf algebra; as a coalgebra, H =B is coradically graded, with  $H_0 = \mathbb{k}\Gamma$ . Hence  $H \simeq R' \#\mathbb{k}\Gamma$  for some graded Hopf algebra  $R' \in_{\mathbb{k}\Gamma}^{\mathbb{k}\Gamma} \mathcal{YD}$ , where  $R'_1 = F_{\alpha}(\widehat{V})$ , so  $H \simeq \mathcal{B}(W) \#\mathbb{k}\Gamma$ . Since  ${}^H\mathcal{M}$ is tensor equivalent to  ${}^B\mathcal{M}$ , we have that  ${}^A\mathcal{M}$  is a de-equivariantization of the Hopf algebra H by the group  $\ker(p)$ .

4.4. Example of a pointed coquasi-Hopf algebra over an abelian groups with non-trivializable associator. Let A and B be finite abelian groups and  $\alpha \in Z^2(A, \widehat{B})$  a 2-cocycle, that is, a map  $\alpha : A \times A \to \widehat{B}$  such that

$$\alpha(x,y)\alpha(xy,z) = \alpha(x,yz)\alpha(y,z), \qquad x,y,z \in A.$$

We denote by  $\widehat{B} \rtimes_{\alpha} A$  the central extension of A by  $\widehat{B}$  associated to  $\alpha$ . Explicitly,  $\widehat{B} \rtimes_{\alpha} A = \widehat{B} \times A$  as a set, and product given by

$$(x_1, a_1)(x_2, a_2) = (x_1x_2, \alpha(a_1, a_2), a_1a_2).$$

The function

$$\omega_{\alpha}((a_1, g_1), (a_2, g_2), (a_3, g_3)) = \alpha(a_1, a_2)(g_3)$$

is a 3-cocycle  $\omega_{\alpha} \in Z^3(A \oplus B, \mathbb{k}^{\times})$ . It is easy to see that  $\psi_{A \oplus B}(\omega_{\alpha}) = 0$  if and only if  $\alpha(a_1, a_2) = \alpha(a_2, a_1)$  for all  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ .

By [20, Theorem 3.6], the braided fusion categories  $\lim_{\substack{k \\ \alpha} A \oplus B} \mathcal{YD}$  and  $\lim_{\substack{k \\ B \rtimes \alpha} A} \mathcal{YD}$ are equivalent.

Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  and  $B = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . We define

$$\alpha: A \times A \to \widehat{B}, \qquad \qquad \alpha((m_1, m_2), (n_1, n_2)) = \chi^{m_1 n_2},$$

where  $\chi : \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{k}^{\times}$  is the non-trivial character.

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Since  $\alpha$  is non-symmetric,  $\psi_{A\oplus B}(\omega_{\alpha}) \neq 1$  and by Theorem 3.7  $\omega_{\alpha}$  is non-trivializable. The group  $\widehat{B} \rtimes_{\alpha} A$  is a non-abelian group of order eight with two elements of order four. Hence  $\widehat{B} \rtimes_{\alpha} A$  is a isomorphic to  $D_4$ , the dihedral group of order 8.

In [17, Example 6.5], Milinski and Schneider constructed a Nichols algebra  $\mathcal{B}(V)$  of dimension 64 over  $D_4$ . Since the braided categories  $\overset{\mathbb{K}^{\alpha}_{\alpha}A \oplus B}{\underset{\mathbb{K}^{\omega}_{\alpha}A \oplus B}{\overset{\mathbb{K}^{\omega}_{\alpha}A \oplus B}}}}}}}}$ 

$$A := \mathcal{B}(V') \# \Bbbk_{\omega_{\alpha}}[\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}],$$

is a coradically graded coquasi-Hopf algebra with non-trivializable associator.

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