

A CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN OBSERVABLE HOPE IDEALS AND LEFT COIDEAL SUBALGEBRAS

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1. Introduction. Let H be a commutative Hopf algebra over a field k with the antipode S . A Hopf ideal I of H is observable if it satisfies the following condition; for any finite dimensional right (resp. left) H/I -comodule V , there exists a right (resp. left) H -comodule W with the structure map λ_W (resp. ρ_W) and an injective H/I -comodule map $\theta: V \rightarrow W$, viewing W as a right (resp. left) H/I -comodule via

$$\begin{aligned} W &\xrightarrow{\lambda_W} W \otimes H \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \pi} W \otimes H/I \\ (\text{resp. } W &\xrightarrow{\rho_W} H \otimes W \xrightarrow{\pi \otimes 1} H/I \otimes W), \end{aligned}$$

where, in the following too, $\pi: H \rightarrow H/I$ is a canonical Hopf algebra map and \otimes means a tensor product over k . If G is an affine algebraic group defined over k and K is its closed subgroup defined over k , then $I = I(K)$, the ideal of the definition for K , is observable in $H = k[G]$, the coordinate ring of G over k , if and only if K is an observable subgroup of G in sense of [1].

A subalgebra of H which is also a left coideal of H is called a left coideal subalgebra.

In this paper, we give a bijective correspondence between observable Hopf ideals and left coideal subalgebras A which satisfies

$$(*) \quad A = \text{Ker} \left(H \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{in_1} \\ \xrightarrow{in_2} \end{array} H \otimes_A H \right)$$

and a canonical construction of W from V . In the last section where we assume that a ground field k is algebraically closed and H is a finitely generated domain over k as an algebra (which we call an affine Hopf domain), we show that the condition (*) on A is equivalent to the fact that if $a \in A$ is a unit in H , then a is a unit in A . Moreover, in this case, A is finitely generated over k as an algebra (which we call an affine k -algebra as usual.) [2] shows that A is affine if and only