

# Free quadri-algebras and dual quadri-algebras

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## Abstract

We study quadri-algebras and dual quadri-algebras. We describe the free quadri-algebra on one generator as a subobject of the Hopf algebra of permutations **FQSym**, proving a conjecture due to Aguiar and Loday, using that the operad of quadri-algebras can be obtained from the operad of dendriform algebras by both black and white Manin products. We also give a combinatorial description of free dual quadri-algebras. A notion of quadri-bialgebra is also introduced, with applications to the Hopf algebras **FQSym** and **WQSym**.

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## Introduction

An algebra with an associativity splitting is an algebra whose associative product  $\star$  can be written as a sum of a certain number of (generally nonassociative) products, satisfying certain compatibilities. For example, dendriform algebras [7, 11] are equipped with two bilinear products  $\prec$  and  $\succ$ , such that for all  $x, y, z$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(x \prec y) \prec z &= x \prec (y \prec z + y \succ z), \\(x \succ y) \prec z &= x \succ (y \prec z), \\(x \prec y + x \succ y) \succ z &= x \succ (y \succ z).\end{aligned}$$

Summing these axioms, we indeed obtain that  $\star = \prec + \succ$  is associative. Another example is given by quadri-algebras, which are equipped with four products  $\prec, \succ, \prec, \succ$  and  $\nearrow, \nwarrow$ , in such a way that:

- $\leftarrow = \curvearrowleft + \swarrow$  and  $\rightarrow = \searrow + \nearrow$  are dendriform products,
- $\uparrow = \curvearrowright + \nearrow$  and  $\downarrow = \swarrow + \searrow$  are dendriform products.

Shuffle algebras or the algebra of free quasi-symmetric functions **FQSym** are examples of quadri-algebras. No combinatorial description of the operad **Quad** of quadri-algebra is known, but a formula for its generating formal series is conjectured in [1] and proved in [19], as well as the Koszulity of this operad, see also [14]. A description of **Quad** is given with the help of the black Manin product on nonsymmetric operads **■**, namely  $\mathbf{Quad} = \mathbf{Dend} \blacksquare \mathbf{Dend}$ , where **Dend** is the nonsymmetric operad of dendriform algebras<sup>1</sup>. It is also suspected that the sub-quadri-algebra of **FQSym** generated by the permutation (12) is free. This conjecture is proved in [20]; we give here a different proof (Corollary 7). We use for this that **Quad** is also equal to  $\mathbf{Dend} \square \mathbf{Dend}$ , where  $\square$  is here the white Manin product (Corollary 5), and consequently can be seen as a suboperad of  $\mathbf{Dend} \otimes \mathbf{Dend}$ : hence, free  $\mathbf{Dend} \otimes \mathbf{Dend}$ -algebras contain free quadri-algebras, a result which is applied to **FQSym**. We also combinatorially describe the Koszul dual  $\mathbf{Quad}^!$  of **Quad**, and prove its Koszulity with the rewriting method of [2, 3, 10, 13].

The last section is devoted to a study of the compatibilities between the quadri-algebra structure of **FQSym** and its dual quadri-coalgebra structure: this leads to the notion of quadri-bialgebra (Definition 10). Another example of quadri-bialgebra is given by the Hopf algebra of packed words **WQSym**. It is observed that, unlike the case of dendriform bialgebras, there is no rigidity theorem for quadri-bialgebras; indeed:

- **FQSym** and **WQSym** are not free quadri-algebras, nor cofree quadri-coalgebras.
- **FQSym** and **WQSym** are not generated, as quadri-algebras, by their primitive elements, in the quadri-coalgebraic sense.

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*Notations 1.* 1. We denote by  $K$  a commutative field. All the objects (vector spaces, algebras, coalgebras, operads...) of this text are taken over  $K$ .

2. For all  $n \geq 1$ , we denote by  $[n]$  the set of integers  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

## 1 Reminders on quadri-algebras and operads

### 1.1 Definitions and examples of quadri-algebras

**Definition 1.** 1. A quadri-algebra is a family  $(A, \curvearrowleft, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$ , where  $A$  is a vector space and  $\curvearrowleft, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow$  are products on  $A$ , such that for all  $x, y, z \in A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (x \curvearrowleft y) \curvearrowleft z &= x \curvearrowleft (y \star z), & (x \nearrow y) \curvearrowleft z &= x \nearrow (y \leftarrow z), & (x \uparrow y) \nearrow z &= x \nearrow (y \rightarrow z), \\ (x \swarrow y) \curvearrowleft z &= x \swarrow (y \uparrow z), & (x \searrow y) \curvearrowleft z &= x \searrow (y \curvearrowleft z), & (x \downarrow y) \nearrow z &= x \searrow (y \nearrow z), \\ (x \leftarrow y) \swarrow z &= x \swarrow (y \downarrow z), & (x \rightarrow y) \swarrow z &= x \searrow (y \swarrow z), & (x \star y) \searrow z &= x \searrow (y \searrow z), \end{aligned}$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \leftarrow &= \curvearrowleft + \swarrow, & \rightarrow &= \nearrow + \searrow, & \uparrow &= \curvearrowleft + \nearrow, & \downarrow &= \swarrow + \searrow, \\ \star &= \curvearrowleft + \swarrow + \searrow + \nearrow = \leftarrow + \rightarrow = \uparrow + \downarrow. \end{aligned}$$

These relations will be considered as the entries of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, and will be referred as relations  $(1, 1) \dots (3, 3)$ .

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<sup>1</sup>This product is denoted by  $\square$  in [6, 12]. We shall not use this notation here, in order to avoid confusion between the two Manin products.

2. A quadri-coalgebra is a family  $(C, \Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\swarrow}, \Delta_{\searrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow})$ , where  $C$  is a vector space and  $\Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\swarrow}, \Delta_{\searrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow}$  are coproducts on  $C$ , such that:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta_{\leftarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\star}) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow}, & (\Delta_{\swarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\uparrow}) \circ \Delta_{\swarrow}, \\ (\Delta_{\rightarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\leftarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\rightarrow}, & (\Delta_{\searrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\leftarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\searrow}, \\ (\Delta_{\uparrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\rightarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\rightarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\uparrow}; & (\Delta_{\downarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\rightarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\rightarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\downarrow}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta_{\leftarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\swarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\downarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\swarrow}, \\ (\Delta_{\rightarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\swarrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\swarrow}) \circ \Delta_{\searrow}, \\ (\Delta_{\star} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\searrow} &= (Id \otimes \Delta_{\searrow}) \circ \Delta_{\searrow}, \end{aligned}$$

with:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\leftarrow} &= \Delta_{\searrow} + \Delta_{\rightarrow}, & \Delta_{\rightarrow} &= \Delta_{\leftarrow} + \Delta_{\swarrow}, & \Delta_{\uparrow} &= \Delta_{\leftarrow} + \Delta_{\rightarrow}, & \Delta_{\downarrow} &= \Delta_{\swarrow} + \Delta_{\searrow}, \\ \Delta_{\star} &= \Delta_{\leftarrow} + \Delta_{\swarrow} + \Delta_{\searrow} + \Delta_{\rightarrow}. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 1.* 1. If  $A$  is a finite-dimensional quadri-algebra, then its dual  $A^*$  is a quadri-coalgebra, with  $\Delta_{\diamond} = \diamond^*$  for all  $\diamond \in \{\leftarrow, \swarrow, \searrow, \rightarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow, \star\}$ .

2. If  $C$  is a quadri-coalgebra (even not finite-dimensional), then  $C^*$  is a quadri-algebra, with  $\diamond = \Delta_{\diamond}^*$  for all  $\diamond \in \{\leftarrow, \swarrow, \searrow, \rightarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow, \star\}$ .

3. Let  $A$  be a quadri-algebra. Adding each row of the matrix of relations:

$$\begin{aligned} (x \uparrow y) \uparrow z &= x \uparrow (y \star z), \\ (x \downarrow y) \uparrow z &= x \downarrow (y \uparrow z), \\ (x \star y) \downarrow z &= x \downarrow (y \downarrow z). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(A, \uparrow, \downarrow)$  is a dendriform algebra. Adding each column of the matrix of relations:

$$(x \leftarrow y) \leftarrow z = x \leftarrow (y \star z), \quad (x \rightarrow y) \leftarrow z = x \rightarrow (y \leftarrow z), \quad (x \star y) \rightarrow z = x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z).$$

Hence,  $(A, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$  is a dendriform algebra. The associative (non unitary) product associated to both these dendriform structures is  $\star$ .

4. Dually, if  $C$  is a quadri-coalgebra,  $(C, \Delta_{\uparrow}, \Delta_{\downarrow})$  and  $(C, \Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow})$  are dendriform coalgebras. The associated coassociative (non counitary) coproduct is  $\Delta_{\star}$ .

*Example 1.* 1. Let  $V$  be a vector space. As noticed in [1], the augmentation ideal of the tensor algebra  $T(V)$  is given four products defined in the following way: for all  $v_1, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_{k+l} \in V$ , with  $k, l \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 \dots v_k \leftarrow v_{k+1} \dots v_{k+l} &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k}} v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \dots v_{\sigma^{-1}(k+l)}, \\ v_1 \dots v_k \swarrow v_{k+1} \dots v_{k+l} &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=k+1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k}} v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \dots v_{\sigma^{-1}(k+l)}, \\ v_1 \dots v_k \searrow v_{k+1} \dots v_{k+l} &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=k+1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k+l}} v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \dots v_{\sigma^{-1}(k+l)}, \\ v_1 \dots v_k \rightarrow v_{k+1} \dots v_{k+l} &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k+l}} v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \dots v_{\sigma^{-1}(k+l)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $Sh(k, l)$  is the set of  $(k, l)$ -shuffles, that is to say permutations  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{k+l}$  such that  $\sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(k)$  and  $\sigma(k+1) < \dots < \sigma(k+l)$ . The associated associative product is the usual shuffle product.

2. The augmentation ideal of the Hopf algebra **FQSym** of permutations introduced in [15] and studied in [5] is also a quadri-algebra, as mentioned in [1]. For all permutations  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{S}_k$ ,  $\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_l$ , with  $k, l \geq 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha \curvearrowright \beta &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k}} (\alpha \otimes \beta) \circ \sigma^{-1}, \\ \alpha \curvearrowleft \beta &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=k+1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k}} (\alpha \otimes \beta) \circ \sigma^{-1}, \\ \alpha \curvearrowright \beta &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=k+1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k+l}} (\alpha \otimes \beta) \circ \sigma^{-1}, \\ \alpha \curvearrowleft \beta &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in Sh(k,l), \\ \sigma^{-1}(1)=1, \sigma^{-1}(k+l)=k+l}} (\alpha \otimes \beta) \circ \sigma^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

As **FQSym** is self-dual, its coproduct can also be split into four parts, making it a quadri-coalgebra. As the pairing on **FQSym** is defined by  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle = \delta_{\sigma, \tau^{-1}}$  for any permutations  $\sigma, \tau$ , we deduce that if  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , with the notations of [15]:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{\curvearrowright}(\sigma) &= \sum_{\sigma^{-1}(1), \sigma^{-1}(n) \leq i < n} \text{st}(\sigma(1) \dots \sigma(i)) \otimes \text{st}(\sigma(i+1) \dots \sigma(n)), \\ \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}(\sigma) &= \sum_{\sigma^{-1}(n) \leq i < \sigma^{-1}(1)} \text{st}(\sigma(1) \dots \sigma(i)) \otimes \text{st}(\sigma(i+1) \dots \sigma(n)), \\ \Delta_{\curvearrowright}(\sigma) &= \sum_{1 \leq i < \sigma^{-1}(1), \sigma^{-1}(n)} \text{st}(\sigma(1) \dots \sigma(i)) \otimes \text{st}(\sigma(i+1) \dots \sigma(n)), \\ \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}(\sigma) &= \sum_{\sigma^{-1}(1) \leq i < \sigma^{-1}(n)} \text{st}(\sigma(1) \dots \sigma(i)) \otimes \text{st}(\sigma(i+1) \dots \sigma(n)).\end{aligned}$$

The compatibilities between these products and coproducts will be studied in Proposition 11. For example:

$$\begin{aligned}(12) \curvearrowright (12) &= (1342), & \Delta_{\curvearrowright}((3412)) &= (231) \otimes (1), & \Delta_{\curvearrowright}((2143)) &= (213) \otimes (1), \\ (12) \curvearrowleft (12) &= (3142) + (3412), & \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}((3412)) &= (12) \otimes (12), & \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}((2143)) &= 0, \\ (12) \curvearrowright (12) &= (3124), & \Delta_{\curvearrowright}((3412)) &= (1) \otimes (312), & \Delta_{\curvearrowright}((2143)) &= (1) \otimes (132), \\ (12) \curvearrowleft (12) &= (1234) + (1324), & \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}((3412)) &= 0, & \Delta_{\curvearrowleft}((2143)) &= (21) \otimes (21).\end{aligned}$$

The dendriform algebra  $(\mathbf{FQSym}, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$  and the dendriform coalgebra  $(\mathbf{FQSym}, \Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow})$  are described in [7, 8]; the dendriform algebra  $(\mathbf{FQSym}, \uparrow, \downarrow)$  and the dendriform coalgebra  $(\mathbf{FQSym}, \Delta_{\uparrow}, \Delta_{\downarrow})$  are described in [9]. Both dendriform algebras are free, and both dendriform coalgebras are cofree, by the dendriform rigidity theorem [7]. Note that **FQSym** is not free as a quadri-algebra, as  $(1) \curvearrowright (1) = 0$ .

3. The dual of the Hopf algebra of totally assigned graphs [4] is a quadri-coalgebra.

## 1.2 Nonsymmetric operads

We refer to [13, 16, 19] for the usual definitions and properties of operads and nonsymmetric operads.

*Notations 2.* • Let  $V$  be a vector space. The free nonsymmetric operad generated in arity 2 by  $V$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{F}(V)$ . If we fix a basis  $(v_i)_{i \in I}$  of  $V$ , then for all  $n \geq 1$ , a basis of  $\mathbf{F}(V)_n$  is given by the set of planar binary trees with  $n$  leaves, whose  $(n-1)$  internal vertices are decorated by elements of  $\{v_i \mid i \in I\}$ . The operadic composition is given by the grafting of

trees on leaves. If  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then for all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\mathbf{F}(V)_n$  is finite-dimensional, and:

$$\dim(\mathbf{F}(V)_n) = \frac{1}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} \dim(V)^{n-1}.$$

- Let  $\mathbf{P}$  be a nonsymmetric operad and  $V$  a vector space. A structure of  $\mathbf{P}$ -algebra on  $V$  is a family of maps:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{P}_n \otimes V^{\otimes n} & \longrightarrow & V \\ p \otimes v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_n & \longrightarrow & p.(v_1, \dots, v_n), \end{cases}$$

satisfying some compatibilities with the composition of  $\mathbf{P}$ .

- The free  $\mathbf{P}$ -algebra generated by the vector space  $V$  is, as a vector space:

$$F_{\mathbf{P}}(V) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbf{P}_n \otimes V^{\otimes n};$$

the action of  $\mathbf{P}$  on  $F_{\mathbf{P}}(V)$  is given by:

$$p.(p_1 \otimes w_1, \dots, p_n \otimes w_n) = p \circ (p_1, \dots, p_n) \otimes w_1 \otimes \dots \otimes w_n.$$

- Let  $\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{P}_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a nonsymmetric operad. It is quadratic if :

- It is generated by  $G_{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{P}_2$ .
- Let  $\pi_{\mathbf{P}} : \mathbf{F}(G_{\mathbf{P}}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{P}$  be the canonical morphism from  $\mathbf{F}(G_{\mathbf{P}})$  to  $\mathbf{P}$ ; then its kernel is generated, as an operadic ideal, by  $\text{Ker}(\pi_{\mathbf{P}})_3 = \text{Ker}(\pi_{\mathbf{P}}) \cap \mathbf{F}(G_{\mathbf{P}})_3$ .

If  $\mathbf{P}$  is binary and quadratic, we put  $G_{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{P}_2$ , and  $R_{\mathbf{P}} = \text{Ker}(\pi_{\mathbf{P}})_3$ . By definition, these two spaces entirely determine  $\mathbf{P}$ , up to an isomorphism.

*Example 2.* 1. The nonsymmetric operad **Quad** of quadri-algebras is quadratic. It is generated by  $G_{\mathbf{Quad}} = \text{Vect}(\kappa, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$ , and  $R_{\mathbf{Quad}}$  is the linear span of the nine following elements:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{array}. \end{array}$$

As  $\dim(F(G_{\mathbf{Quad}})_3) = 32$ ,  $\dim(\mathbf{Quad}_3) = 32 - 9 = 23$ .

2. The nonsymmetric operad **Dend** of dendriform algebras is quadratic. It is generated by  $G_{\mathbf{Dend}} = \text{Vect}(<, >)$ , and  $R_{\mathbf{Dend}}$  is the linear span of the three following elements:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} < \\ < \\ < \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} < \\ < \\ < \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} > \\ > \\ > \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} > \\ > \\ > \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} * \\ * \\ * \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} * \\ * \\ * \end{array}. \end{array}$$

The nonsymmetric-operad **Quad** of quadri-algebras, being quadratic, has a Koszul dual **Quad**<sup>!</sup>. The following formulas for the generating formal series of **Quad** and **Quad**<sup>!</sup> has been conjectured in [1] and proved in [19], as well as the Koszulity:

**Proposition 2.** 1. For all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\dim(\mathbf{Quad}_n) = \sum_{j=n}^{2n-1} \binom{3n}{n+1+j} \binom{j-1}{j-n}$ . This is sequence A007297 in [18].

2. For all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\dim(\mathbf{Quad}_n^!) = n^2$ .

3. The operad of quadri-algebras is Koszul.

## 2 The operad of quadri-algebras and its Koszul dual

### 2.1 Dual quadri-algebras

Algebras on  $\mathbf{Quad}^1$  will be called dual quadri-algebras. This operad  $\mathbf{Quad}^1$  is described in [19] in terms of the white Manin product. Let us give an explicit description.

**Proposition 3.** *A dual quadri-algebra is a family  $(A, \lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$ , where  $A$  is a vector space and  $\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow: A \otimes A \rightarrow A$ , such that for all  $x, y, z \in A$ :*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x \lrcorner y) \lrcorner z &= x \lrcorner (y \lrcorner z) = x \lrcorner (y \swarrow z) = x \lrcorner (y \searrow z) = x \lrcorner (y \nearrow z), \\
 (x \nearrow y) \lrcorner z &= x \nearrow (y \lrcorner z) = x \nearrow (y \swarrow z), \\
 (x \lrcorner y) \nearrow z &= (x \nearrow y) \nearrow z = x \nearrow (y \searrow z) = x \nearrow (y \nearrow z), \\
 (x \swarrow y) \lrcorner z &= x \swarrow (y \lrcorner z) = x \swarrow (y \nearrow z), \\
 (x \searrow y) \lrcorner z &= x \searrow (y \lrcorner z), \\
 (x \swarrow y) \nearrow z &= (x \searrow y) \nearrow z = x \searrow (y \nearrow z), \\
 (x \lrcorner y) \swarrow z &= (x \swarrow y) \swarrow z = x \swarrow (y \swarrow z) = x \swarrow (y \searrow z), \\
 (x \searrow y) \swarrow z &= x(\searrow y) \swarrow z = x \searrow (y \swarrow z), \\
 (x \lrcorner y) \searrow z &= (x \swarrow y) \searrow z = (x \searrow y) \searrow z = (x \nearrow y) \searrow z = x \searrow (y \searrow z).
 \end{aligned}$$

These groups of relations are denoted by  $(1)^!, \dots, (9)^!$ . Note that the four products  $\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow$  are associative.

*Proof.* We put  $G = \text{Vect}(\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$  and  $E$  the component of arity 3 of the free nonsymmetric operad generated by  $G$ , that is to say:

$$E = \text{Vect} \left( \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_f^g, \searrow_f^g \\ \swarrow_f^g, \searrow_f^g \end{array} \mid f, g \in \{\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow\} \right).$$

We give  $G$  a pairing, such that the four products form an orthonormal basis of  $G$ . This induces a pairing on  $E$ : for all  $x, y, z, t \in G$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_x^y \\ \swarrow_x^y \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \searrow_z^t \\ \searrow_z^t \end{array} \rangle &= \langle x, z \rangle \langle y, t \rangle, & \langle \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_x^y \\ \swarrow_x^y \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_z^t \\ \swarrow_z^t \end{array} \rangle &= -\langle x, z \rangle \langle y, t \rangle, \\
 \langle \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_x^y \\ \swarrow_x^y \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_z^t \\ \swarrow_z^t \end{array} \rangle &= 0, & \langle \begin{array}{c} \swarrow_x^y \\ \swarrow_x^y \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \searrow_z^t \\ \searrow_z^t \end{array} \rangle &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The quadratic nonsymmetric operad  $\mathbf{Quad}$  is generated by  $G = \text{Vect}(\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$  and the subspace of relations  $R$  of  $E$  corresponding to the nine relations (1,1)...(3,3). The quadratic nonsymmetric operad  $\mathbf{Quad}^1$  is generated by  $G \approx G^*$  and the subspaces of relations  $R^\perp$  of  $E$ . As  $\dim(R) = 9$  and  $\dim(E) = 32$ ,  $\dim(R^\perp) = 23$ . A direct verification shows that the 23 relations given in  $(1)^!, \dots, (9)^!$  are elements of  $R^\perp$ . As they are linearly independent, they form a basis of  $R^\perp$ .  $\square$

*Notations 3.* We consider:

$$\mathcal{R} = \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} [n]^2.$$

The element  $(i, j) \in [n]^2 \subset \mathcal{R}$  will be denoted by  $(i, j)_n$  in order to avoid the confusions. We graphically represent  $(i, j)_n$  by putting in grey the boxes of coordinates  $(a, b)$ ,  $1 \leq a \leq i$ ,  $1 \leq b \leq j$ , of a  $n \times n$  array, the boxes  $(1, 1)$ ,  $(1, n)$ ,  $(n, 1)$  and  $(n, n)$  being respectively up left, down left, up right and down right. For example:

$$(2, 1)_3 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad (1, 1)_2 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad (3, 2)_4 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \square \\ \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

**Proposition 4.** Let  $A_{\mathcal{R}} = \text{Vect}(\mathcal{R})$ . We define four products  $\curvearrowright, \curvearrowleft, \curvearrowright, \curvearrowright$  on  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  by:

$$\begin{aligned} (i, j)_p \curvearrowright (k, l)_q &= (i, j)_{p+q}, & (i, j)_p \curvearrowright (k, l)_q &= (k+p, j)_{p+q}, \\ (i, j)_p \curvearrowleft (k, l)_q &= (i, p+l)_{p+q}, & (i, j)_p \curvearrowright (k, l)_q &= (k+p, l+p)_{p+q}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(A_{\mathcal{R}}, \curvearrowright, \curvearrowleft, \curvearrowright, \curvearrowright)$  is a dual quadri-algebra. It is graded by putting the elements of  $[n]^2 \in \mathcal{R}$  homogeneous of degree  $n$ , and the generating formal series of  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  is:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 X^n = \frac{X(1+X)}{(1-X)^3}.$$

Moreover,  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  is freely generated as a dual quadri-algebra by  $(1, 1)_1$ .

*Proof.* Let us take  $(i, j)_p, (k, l)_q$  and  $(m, n)_r \in \mathcal{R}$ . Then:

- Each computation in (1)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(i, j)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (2)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+k, j)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (3)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+q+m, j)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (4)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(i, p+l)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (5)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+k, p+l)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (6)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+q+m, p+l)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (7)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(i, p+q+n)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (8)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+k, p+q+n)_{p+q+r}$ .
- Each computation in (9)<sup>!</sup> gives  $(p+q+m, p+q+n)_{p+q+r}$ .

So  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  is a dual quadri-algebra. We now prove that  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  is generated by  $(1, 1)_1$ . Let  $B$  be the dual quadri-subalgebra of  $A_{\mathcal{R}}$  generated by  $(1, 1)_1$ , and let us prove that  $(i, j)_n \in B$  by induction on  $n$  for all  $(i, j)_n \in \mathcal{R}$ . This is obvious in  $n = 1$ , as then  $(i, j)_n = (1, 1)_1$ . Let us assume the result at rank  $n - 1$ , with  $n > 1$ .

- If  $i \geq 2$  and  $j \leq n - 1$ , then  $(1, 1)_1 \curvearrowright (i-1, j)_{n-1} = (i, j)_n$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $(i-1, j)_{n-1} \in B$ , so  $(i, j)_n \in B$ .
- If  $i \leq n - 1$  and  $j \geq 2$ , then  $(1, 1)_1 \curvearrowleft (i, j-1)_{n-1} = (i, j)_n$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $(i, j-1)_{n-1} \in B$ , so  $(i, j)_n \in B$ .
- Otherwise,  $(i = 1$  or  $j = n)$  and  $(i = n$  or  $j = 1)$ , that is to say  $(i, j)_n = (1, 1)_n$  or  $(i, j)_n = (n, n)_n$ . We remark that  $(1, 1) \curvearrowright (1, 1)_{n-1} = (1, 1)_n$  and  $(1, 1)_1 \curvearrowright (n-1, n-1)_{n-1} = (n, n)_n$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $(1, 1)_{n-1}$  and  $(n-1, n-1)_n \in B$ , so  $(1, 1)_n$  and  $(n, n)_n \in B$ .

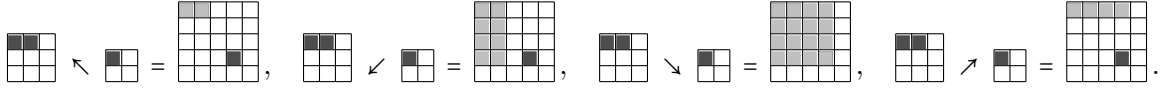
Finally,  $B$  contains  $\mathcal{R}$ , so  $B = A_{\mathcal{R}}$ .

Let  $C$  be the free **Quad**<sup>!</sup>-algebra generated by a single element  $x$ , homogeneous of degree 1. As a graded vector space:

$$C = \bigoplus_{n \geq 1} \mathbf{Quad}_n^! \otimes V^{\otimes n}.$$

where  $V = \text{Vect}(x)$ . So for all  $n \geq 1$ , by Proposition 2,  $\dim(C_n) = n^2 = \dim(A_n)$ . There exists a surjective morphism of **Quad**<sup>!</sup>-algebras  $\theta$  from  $C$  to  $A$ , sending  $x$  to  $(1, 1)_1$ . As  $x$  and  $(1, 1)_1$  are both homogeneous of degree 1,  $\theta$  is homogeneous of degree 0. As  $A$  and  $C$  have the same generating formal series,  $\theta$  is bijective, so  $A$  is isomorphic to  $C$ .  $\square$

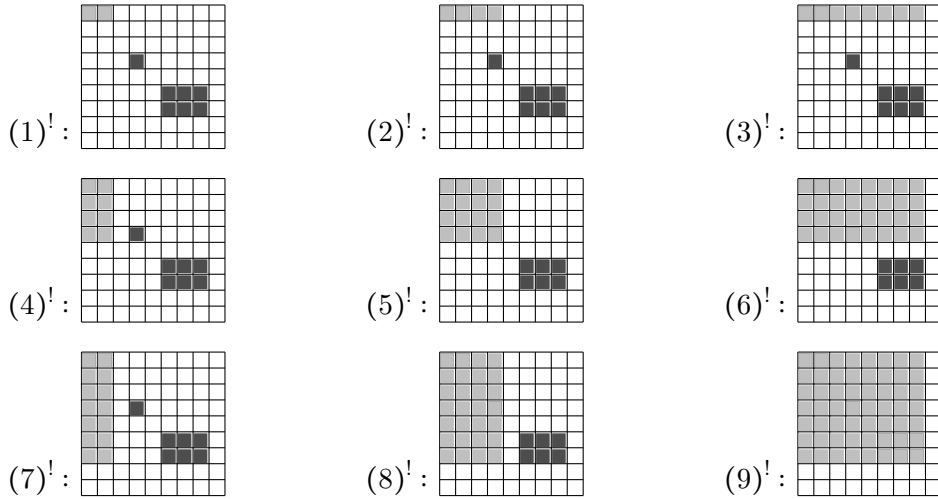
*Example 3.* Here are graphical examples of products. The result of the product is drawn in light gray:



Roughly speaking, the products of  $x \in [m]^2 \subset \mathcal{R}$  and  $y \in [n]^2 \subset \mathcal{R}$  are obtained by putting  $x$  and  $y$  diagonally in a common array of size  $(m+n) \times (m+n)$ . This array is naturally decomposed in four parts denoted by  $nw$ ,  $sw$ ,  $se$  and  $ne$  according to their direction. Then:

1.  $x \nwarrow y$  is given by the black boxes in the  $nw$  part.
2.  $x \swarrow y$  is given by the boxes in the  $sw$  part which are simultaneously under a black box and to the left of a black box.
3.  $x \searrow y$  is given by the black boxes in the  $se$  part.
4.  $x \nearrow y$  is given by the boxes in the  $ne$  part which are simultaneously over a black box and to the right of a black box.

Here are the results of the nine relations applied to  $x = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$ ,  $y = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$  and  $z = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$ :



*Remark 2.* 1. A description of the free **Quad**<sup>!</sup>-algebra generated by any set  $\mathcal{D}$  is done similarly. We put:

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{D}) = \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} [n]^2 \times \mathcal{D}^n.$$

The four products are defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} ((i, j)_p, d_1, \dots, d_p) \nwarrow ((k, l)_q, e_1, \dots, e_q) &= ((i, j)_{p+q}, d_1, \dots, d_p, e_1, \dots, e_q), \\ ((i, j)_p, d_1, \dots, d_p) \swarrow ((k, l)_q, e_1, \dots, e_q) &= ((i, p+l)_{p+q}, d_1, \dots, d_p, e_1, \dots, e_q), \\ ((i, j)_p, d_1, \dots, d_p) \searrow ((k, l)_q, e_1, \dots, e_q) &= ((k+p, l+p)_{p+q}, d_1, \dots, d_p, e_1, \dots, e_q), \\ ((i, j)_p, d_1, \dots, d_p) \nearrow ((k, l)_q, e_1, \dots, e_q) &= ((k+p, j)_{p+q}, d_1, \dots, d_p, e_1, \dots, e_q). \end{aligned}$$

2. We can also deduce a combinatorial description of the nonsymmetric operad **Quad**<sup>!</sup>. As a vector space, **Quad** <sub>$n$</sub> <sup>!</sup> = Vect( $[n]^2$ ) for all  $n \geq 1$ . The composition is given by:

$$(i, j)_m \circ ((k_1, l_1)_{n_1}, \dots, (k_n, l_n)_{n_m}) = (n_1 + \dots + n_{i-1} + k_i, n_1 + \dots + n_{j-1} + l_j)_{n_1 + \dots + n_m}.$$

In particular:

$$\nwarrow = (1, 1)_2, \quad \swarrow = (1, 2)_2, \quad \searrow = (2, 2)_2, \quad \nearrow = (2, 1)_2.$$



**Corollary 5.** We define a nonsymmetric operad **Dias** in the following way:

- For all  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\mathbf{Dias}_n = \text{Vect}([n])$ . The elements of  $[n] \subseteq \mathbf{Dias}_n$  are denoted by  $(1)_n, \dots, (n)_n$  in order to avoid confusions.
- The composition is given by:

$$(i)_m \circ ((j_1)_{n_1}, \dots, (j_m)_{n_m}) = (n_1 + \dots + n_{i-1} + j_i)_{n_1 + \dots + n_m}.$$

This is the nonsymmetric operad of associative dialgebras [11], that is to say algebras  $A$  with two products  $\vdash$  and  $\dashv$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x \dashv (y \dashv z) &= x \dashv (y \vdash z) = (x \dashv y) \dashv z, \\ (x \vdash y) \dashv z &= x \vdash (y \dashv z), \\ (x \dashv y) \vdash z &= (x \vdash y) \vdash z = x \vdash (y \vdash z). \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $\square$  and  $\blacksquare$  the two Manin products on nonsymmetric-operads of [19]. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Quad}^\dagger &= \mathbf{Dias} \otimes \mathbf{Dias} = \mathbf{Dias} \square \mathbf{Dias} = \mathbf{Dias} \blacksquare \mathbf{Dias}, \\ \mathbf{Quad} &= \mathbf{Dend} \blacksquare \mathbf{Dend} = \mathbf{Dend} \square \mathbf{Dend}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We denote by  $\mathbf{Dias}'$  the nonsymmetric operad generated by  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  and the relations:

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \vdash \dashv \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \diagup \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \diagup \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \diagup \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \diagup \\ \vdash \dashv \end{array}.$$

First, observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} (1)_2 \circ (I, (1)_2) &= (1)_2 \circ (I, (2)_2) = (1)_2 \circ ((1)_2, I) = (1)_3, \\ (1)_2 \circ ((2)_2, I) &= (2)_2 \circ (I, (1)_2) = (2)_3, \\ (2)_2 \circ (I, (2)_2) &= (2)_2 \circ ((1)_2, I) = (2)_2 \circ ((2)_2, I) = (3)_3. \end{aligned}$$

So there exists a morphism  $\theta$  of nonsymmetric operad from  $\mathbf{Dias}'$  to  $\mathbf{Dias}$ , sending  $\dashv$  to  $(1)_2$  and  $\vdash$  to  $(2)_2$ . Note that  $\theta(I) = (1)_1$ .

Let us prove that  $\theta$  is surjective. Let  $n \geq 1$ ,  $i \in [n]$ , we show that  $(i)_n \in \text{Im}(\theta)$  by induction on  $n$ . If  $n \leq 2$ , the result is obvious. Let us assume the result at rank  $n-1$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . If  $i = 1$ , then:

$$(1)_2 \circ ((1)_1, (1)_{n-1}) = (1)_n.$$

By the induction hypothesis,  $(1)_{n-1} \in \text{Im}(\theta)$ , so  $(1)_n \in \text{Im}(\theta)$ . If  $i \geq 2$ , then:

$$(2)_2 \circ ((1)_1, (i-1)_{n-1}) = (i)_n.$$

By the induction hypothesis,  $(1)_{n-1} \in \text{Im}(\theta)$ , so  $(i)_n \in \text{Im}(\theta)$ .

It is proved in [11] that  $\dim(\mathbf{Dias}'_n) = \dim(\mathbf{Dias}_n) = n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . As  $\theta$  is surjective, it is an isomorphism. Moreover, let us consider the following map:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{Dias} \otimes \mathbf{Dias} & \longrightarrow \mathbf{Quad}^\dagger \\ (i)_n \otimes (j)_n & \longrightarrow (i, j)_n. \end{cases}$$

It is clearly an isomorphism of nonsymmetric operads. It is proved in [19] that  $\mathbf{Dias} \square \mathbf{Dias} = \mathbf{Quad}^\dagger$ . As  $R_{\mathbf{Dias}}$  is the quadratic nonsymmetric algebra generated by  $(1)_2$  and  $(2)_2$  and the following relations:

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \vdash \dashv \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \dashv \vdash \end{array}, (a, b, c, d) \in E = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} ((1)_2, (1)_2, (1)_2, (1)_2), ((1)_2, (1)_2, (1)_2, (2)_2), \\ ((2)_2, (1)_2, (2)_2, (1)_2), ((1)_2, (2)_2, (2)_2, (2)_2), \\ ((2)_2, (2)_2, (2)_2, (2)_2) \end{array} \right\}.$$

**Dias**  $\blacksquare$  **Dias** is generated by  $(1, 1)_2$ ,  $(1, 2)_2$ ,  $(2, 1)_2$  and  $(2, 2)_2$  with the relations:

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{c} a \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ b \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ c \\ \diagup \\ d \end{array}, (a, b, c, d) \in E', \\ E' = & \{((a_1, a_2)_2, (b_1, b_2)_2, (c_1, c_2)_2, (d_1, d_2)_2) \mid (a_1, b_1, c_1, d_1), (a_2, b_2, c_2, d_2) \in E\}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives 25 relations, which are not linearly independent, and can be regrouped in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{array}{c} 11 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 11 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 11 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 11 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 11 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 11 \\ \diagup \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} 21 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 11 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} 11 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 21 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} 12 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 11 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} 22 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 11 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 22 \\ \diagup \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} 12 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 21 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} 11 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 12 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \end{array}, & \begin{array}{c} 21 \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ 12 \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 22 \\ \diagup \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 22 \\ \diagup \end{array}, \\ \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 22 \\ \diagup \end{array} &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 11 \\ \diagup \\ 22 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 12 \\ \diagup \\ 22 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 21 \\ \diagup \\ 22 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ 22 \\ \diagup \end{array}. \end{aligned}$$

where we denote  $ij$  instead of  $(i, j)_2$ . So **Dias**  $\blacksquare$  **Dias** is isomorphic to **Quad**<sup>1</sup> via the isomorphism given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Quad}^1 \longrightarrow \mathbf{Dias} \blacksquare \mathbf{Dias} \\ \swarrow \longrightarrow (1, 1)_2, \\ \nearrow \longrightarrow (1, 2)_2, \\ \searrow \longrightarrow (2, 2)_2, \\ \nearrow \longrightarrow (2, 1)_2. \end{array} \right.$$

By Koszul duality, as **Dias**<sup>1</sup> = **Dend**, we obtain the results for **Quad**. □

## 2.2 Free quadri-algebra on one generator

As **Quad** = **Dend**  $\square$  **Dend**, **Quad** is the suboperad of **Dend**  $\otimes$  **Dend** generated by the component of arity 2. An explicit injection of **Quad** into **Dend**  $\otimes$  **Dend** is given by:

**Proposition 6.** *The following defines a injective morphism of nonsymmetric operads:*

$$\Theta : \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Quad} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Dend} \otimes \mathbf{Dend} \\ \swarrow \longrightarrow < \otimes < \\ \nearrow \longrightarrow < \otimes > \\ \searrow \longrightarrow > \otimes > \\ \nearrow \longrightarrow > \otimes < . \end{array} \right.$$

**Corollary 7.** *The quadri-subalgebra of (**FQSym**,  $\swarrow, \nearrow, \searrow, \nearrow$ ) generated by (12) is free.*

*Proof.* Both dendriform algebras (**FQSym**,  $\downarrow, \uparrow$ ) and (**FQSym**,  $\leftarrow, \rightarrow$ ) are free. So the **Dend**  $\otimes$  **Dend**-algebra (**FQSym**  $\otimes$  **FQSym**,  $\uparrow \otimes \leftarrow, \downarrow \otimes \leftarrow, \downarrow \otimes \rightarrow, \uparrow \otimes \rightarrow$ ) is free. By restriction, the **Dend**  $\otimes$  **Dend**-subalgebra of **FQSym**  $\otimes$  **FQSym** generated by (1)  $\otimes$  (1) is free. By restriction, the quadri-subalgebra  $A$  of **FQSym**  $\otimes$  **FQSym** generated by (1)  $\otimes$  (1) is free.

Let  $B$  be the quadri-subalgebra of **FQSym** generated by (12) and let  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  be the unique morphism sending (1)  $\otimes$  (1) to (12). We denote by **FQSym**<sub>even</sub> the subspace of **FQSym** formed by the homogeneous components of even degrees. It is clearly a quadri-subalgebra of **FQSym**. As (12)  $\in$  **FQSym**<sub>even},  $A \subseteq$  **FQSym**<sub>even}. We consider the map:</sub></sub>

$$\psi : \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{FQSym}_{\text{even}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{FQSym} \otimes \mathbf{FQSym} \\ \sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n} \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\sigma(1)-1}{2}, \dots, \frac{\sigma(n)-1}{2} \right) \otimes \left( \frac{\sigma(n+1)}{2}, \dots, \frac{\sigma(2n)}{2} \right) \\ \text{if } \sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n) \text{ are odd and } \sigma(n+1), \dots, \sigma(2n) \text{ are even,} \\ 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{array} \right.$$

Let  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{2m}$ ,  $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n}$ . Let us prove that  $\psi(\sigma \diamond \tau) = \psi(\sigma) \diamond \psi(\tau)$  for  $\diamond \in \{\lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow\}$ .

*First case.* Let us assume that  $\psi(\sigma) = 0$ . There exists  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , such that  $\sigma(i)$  is even, and an element  $m+1 \leq j \leq m+n$ , such that  $\sigma(j)$  is odd. Let  $\tau \in \mathfrak{S}_{2n}$ . Let  $\alpha$  be obtained by a shuffle of  $\sigma$  and  $\tau[2n]$ . If the letter  $\sigma(i)$  appears in  $\alpha$  in one of the position  $1, \dots, m+n$ , then  $\psi(\alpha) = 0$ . Otherwise, the letter  $\sigma(i)$  appears in one of the positions  $m+n+1, \dots, 2m+2n$ , so  $\sigma(j)$  also appears in one of these positions, as  $i < j$ , and  $\psi(\alpha) = 0$ . In both case,  $\psi(\alpha) = 0$ , and we deduce that  $\psi(\sigma \diamond \tau) = 0 = \psi(\sigma) \diamond \psi(\tau)$ .

*Second case.* Let us assume that  $\psi(\tau) = 0$ . By a similar argument, we show that  $\psi(\sigma \diamond \tau) = 0 = \psi(\sigma) \diamond \psi(\tau)$ .

*Last case.* Let us assume that  $\psi(\sigma) \neq 0$  and  $\psi(\tau) \neq 0$ . We put  $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$  and  $\tau = (\tau_1, \tau_2)$ , where the letters of  $\sigma_1$  and  $\tau_1$  are odd and the letters of  $\sigma_2$  and  $\tau_2$  are even. Then  $\psi(\sigma \lrcorner \tau)$  is obtained by shuffling  $\sigma$  and  $\tau[2n]$ , such that the first and last letters are letters of  $\sigma$ , and keeping only permutations such that the  $(m+n)$  first letters are odd (and the  $(m+n)$  last letters are even). These words are obtained by shuffling  $\sigma_1$  and  $\tau_1[2m]$  such that the first letter is a letter of  $\sigma_1$ , and by shuffling  $\sigma_2$  and  $\tau_2[2m]$ , such that the last letter is a letter of  $\sigma_2$ . Hence:

$$\psi(\sigma \lrcorner \tau) = \psi(\sigma) \uparrow \otimes \leftarrow \psi(\tau) = \psi(\sigma) \lrcorner \psi(\tau).$$

The proof for the three other quadri-algebra products is similar.

Consequently,  $\psi$  is a quadri-algebra morphism. Moreover,  $\psi \circ \phi((1) \otimes (1)) = \psi(12) = (1) \otimes (1)$ . As  $A$  is generated by  $(1) \otimes (1)$ ,  $\psi \circ \phi = Id_A$ , so  $\phi$  is injective, and  $A$  is isomorphic to  $B$ .  $\square$

*Remark 3.* This result is also proved in [20], in a different way.

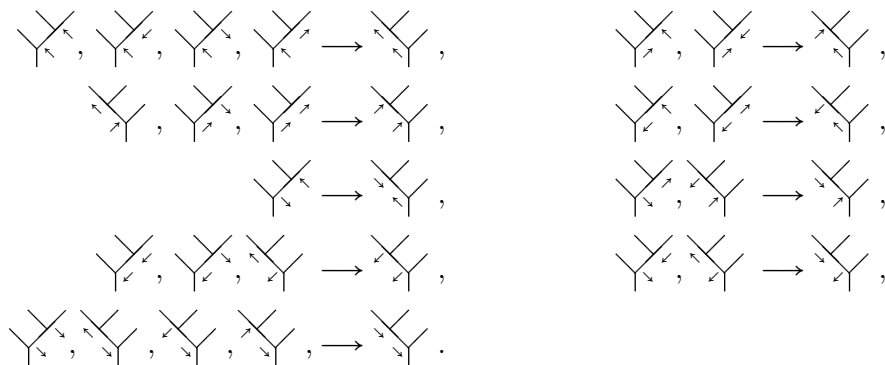
## 2.3 Koszulity of Quad

The Koszulity of **Quad** is proved in [19] by the poset method. Let us give here a second proof, with the help of the rewriting method of [2, 3, 10, 13].

**Theorem 8.** *The operads **Quad** and **Quad**<sup>1</sup> are Koszul.*

*Proof.* By Koszul duality, it is enough to prove that **Quad**<sup>1</sup> is Koszul. We choose the order

$\searrow < \nearrow < \swarrow < \lrcorner$  for the four operations, and the order  $\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} < \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array}$  for the two planar binary trees of arity 3. Relations (1)<sup>1</sup>, ..., (9)<sup>1</sup> give the following rewriting rule, defined by 23 elementary rewritings:



There are 156 critical monomials, and the 156 corresponding diagrams are confluent. Hence, **Quad**<sup>1</sup> is Koszul. We used a computer to find the critical monomials and to verify the confluence of the diagrams.  $\square$

### 3 Quadri-bialgebras

#### 3.1 Units and quadri-algebras

Let  $A, B$  be a vector spaces. We put  $A\overline{\otimes}B = (K \otimes B) \oplus (A \otimes B) \oplus (A \otimes K)$ . Clearly, if  $A, B, C$  are three vector spaces,  $(A\overline{\otimes}B)\overline{\otimes}C = A\overline{\otimes}(B\overline{\otimes}C)$ .

**Proposition 9.** 1. Let  $A$  be a quadri-algebra. We extend the four products on  $A\overline{\otimes}A$  in the following way: if  $a, b \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a \leftrightsquigarrow 1 &= a, & a \rightharpoonup 1 &= 0, & 1 \leftrightsquigarrow a &= 0, & 1 \rightharpoonup a &= 0, \\ a \swarrow 1 &= 0, & a \searrow 1 &= 0, & 1 \swarrow a &= 0, & 1 \searrow a &= a. \end{aligned}$$

The nine relations defining quadri-algebras are true on  $A\overline{\otimes}A\overline{\otimes}A$ .

2. Let  $A, B$  be two quadri-algebras. Then  $A\overline{\otimes}B$  is a quadri-algebra with the following products:

- if  $a, a' \in A \sqcup K$ ,  $b, b' \in B \sqcup K$ , with  $(a, a') \notin K^2$  and  $(b, b') \notin K^2$  :

$$\begin{aligned} (a \otimes b) \leftrightsquigarrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \uparrow a') \otimes (b \leftarrow b'), & (a \otimes b) \rightharpoonup (a' \otimes b') &= (a \uparrow a') \otimes (b \rightarrow b'), \\ (a \otimes b) \swarrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \downarrow a') \otimes (b \leftarrow b'), & (a \otimes b) \searrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \downarrow a') \otimes (b \rightarrow b'). \end{aligned}$$

- If  $a, a' \in A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (a \otimes 1) \leftrightsquigarrow (a' \otimes 1) &= (a \leftrightsquigarrow a') \otimes 1, & (a \otimes 1) \rightharpoonup (a' \otimes 1) &= (a \rightharpoonup a') \otimes 1, \\ (a \otimes 1) \swarrow (a' \otimes 1) &= (a \swarrow a') \otimes 1, & (a \otimes 1) \searrow (a' \otimes 1) &= (a \searrow a') \otimes 1. \end{aligned}$$

- If  $b, b' \in B$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \otimes b) \leftrightsquigarrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \leftrightsquigarrow b'), & (1 \otimes b) \rightharpoonup (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \rightharpoonup b'), \\ (1 \otimes b) \swarrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \swarrow b'), & (1 \otimes b) \searrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \searrow b'). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* 1. It is shown by direct verifications.

2. As  $(A, \uparrow, \downarrow)$  and  $(B, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$  are dendriform algebras,  $A \otimes B$  is a **Dend**  $\otimes$  **Dend**-algebra, so is a quadri-algebra by Proposition 6, with  $\leftrightsquigarrow = \uparrow \otimes \leftarrow$ ,  $\swarrow = \downarrow \otimes \leftarrow$ ,  $\searrow = \downarrow \otimes \rightarrow$  and  $\rightharpoonup = \uparrow \otimes \rightarrow$ . The extension of the quadri-algebra axioms to  $A\overline{\otimes}B$  is verified by direct computations.  $\square$

*Remark 4.* There is a second way to give  $A\overline{\otimes}B$  a structure of quadri-algebra with the help of the associativity of  $\star$ :

$$\text{If } a \in A \text{ or } a' \in A, b, b' \in K \oplus B, \left\{ \begin{aligned} (a \otimes b) \leftrightsquigarrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \leftrightsquigarrow a') \otimes (b \star b'), \\ (a \otimes b) \swarrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \swarrow a') \otimes (b \star b'), \\ (a \otimes b) \searrow (a' \otimes b') &= (a \searrow a') \otimes (b \star b'), \\ (a \otimes b) \rightharpoonup (a' \otimes b') &= (a \rightharpoonup a') \otimes (b \star b'); \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\text{if } b, b' \in K \oplus B, \left\{ \begin{aligned} (1 \otimes b) \leftrightsquigarrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \leftrightsquigarrow b'), \\ (1 \otimes b) \swarrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \swarrow b'), \\ (1 \otimes b) \searrow (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \searrow b'), \\ (1 \otimes b) \rightharpoonup (1 \otimes b') &= 1 \otimes (b \rightharpoonup b'). \end{aligned} \right.$$

$A \otimes K$  and  $K \otimes B$  are quadri-subalgebras of  $A\overline{\otimes}B$ , respectively isomorphic to  $A$  and  $B$ .

### 3.2 Definitions and example of FQSym

**Definition 10.** A quadri-bialgebra is a family  $(A, \lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow, \tilde{\Delta}_{\lrcorner}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\swarrow}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow})$  such that:

- $(A, \lrcorner, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$  is a quadri-algebra.
- $(A, \tilde{\Delta}_{\lrcorner}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\swarrow}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}, \tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow})$  is a quadri-coalgebra.
- We extend the four coproducts in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\lrcorner} &: \begin{cases} A & \longrightarrow A \otimes A \\ a & \longrightarrow \tilde{\Delta}_{\lrcorner}(a) + a \otimes 1, \end{cases} & \Delta_{\nearrow} &: \begin{cases} A & \longrightarrow A \otimes A \\ a & \longrightarrow \tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(a), \end{cases} \\ \Delta_{\swarrow} &: \begin{cases} A & \longrightarrow A \otimes A \\ a & \longrightarrow \tilde{\Delta}_{\swarrow}(a), \end{cases} & \Delta_{\searrow} &: \begin{cases} A & \longrightarrow A \otimes A \\ a & \longrightarrow \tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(a) + 1 \otimes a. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For all  $a, b \in A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\lrcorner}(a \lrcorner b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \lrcorner \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\nearrow}(a \lrcorner b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \lrcorner \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\lrcorner}(a \swarrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \swarrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\nearrow}(a \swarrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \swarrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\lrcorner}(a \searrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \searrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\nearrow}(a \searrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \searrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\lrcorner}(a \nearrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \nearrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\nearrow}(a \nearrow b) &= \Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \nearrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\swarrow}(a \lrcorner b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \lrcorner \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\searrow}(a \lrcorner b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \lrcorner \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\swarrow}(a \swarrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \swarrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\searrow}(a \swarrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \swarrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\swarrow}(a \searrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \searrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\searrow}(a \searrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \searrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \\ \Delta_{\swarrow}(a \nearrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \nearrow \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b) & \Delta_{\searrow}(a \nearrow b) &= \Delta_{\downarrow}(a) \nearrow \Delta_{\rightarrow}(b) \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 5.* In other words, for all  $a, b \in A$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\uparrow} \uparrow b \otimes a''_{\uparrow} + a'_{\uparrow} \uparrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \leftarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \uparrow b \otimes a''_{\downarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \uparrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b + a'_{\downarrow} \uparrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\uparrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \leftarrow b + a'_{\uparrow} \uparrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \leftarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b \otimes a''_{\downarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= b \otimes a + b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a \leftarrow b''_{\leftarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b \otimes a''_{\downarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= b'_{\searrow} \otimes a \leftarrow b''_{\searrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(a \leftarrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \leftarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \searrow b) &= a \downarrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes b''_{\leftarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \searrow b) &= b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a \rightarrow b''_{\leftarrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(a \searrow b) &= b'_{\searrow} \otimes a \rightarrow b''_{\searrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(a \searrow b) &= a \downarrow b''_{\searrow} \otimes b''_{\searrow} + a'_{\downarrow} \downarrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \nearrow b) &= a \uparrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes b''_{\leftarrow} + a'_{\uparrow} \uparrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \rightarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\leftarrow}(a \nearrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \uparrow b'_{\leftarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\leftarrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(a \nearrow b) &= a'_{\downarrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b + a'_{\downarrow} \uparrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\downarrow} \rightarrow b''_{\searrow}, \\
\tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(a \nearrow b) &= a \otimes b + a'_{\uparrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \rightarrow b + a \uparrow b''_{\searrow} \otimes b''_{\searrow} + a'_{\uparrow} \uparrow b'_{\searrow} \otimes a''_{\uparrow} \rightarrow b''_{\searrow}.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we obtain four dendriform bialgebras [7]:

$$(A, \leftarrow, \rightarrow, \Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow}), \quad (A, \downarrow^{op}, \uparrow^{op}, \Delta_{\downarrow}^{op}, \Delta_{\uparrow}^{op}), \quad (A, \rightarrow^{op}, \leftarrow^{op}, \Delta_{\uparrow}, \Delta_{\downarrow}), \quad (A, \uparrow, \downarrow, \Delta_{\rightarrow}^{op}, \Delta_{\leftarrow}^{op}).$$

Summing, we also obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\Delta}(a \leftarrow b) &= a' \uparrow b \otimes a'' + a' \otimes a'' \leftarrow b + a' \uparrow b' \otimes a'' \leftarrow b'', \\
\tilde{\Delta}(a \leftarrow b) &= b \otimes a + a' \downarrow b \otimes a'' + b' \otimes a \leftarrow b'' + a' \downarrow b' \otimes a'' \leftarrow b'', \\
\tilde{\Delta}(a \searrow b) &= a \downarrow b' \otimes b'' + b' \otimes a \rightarrow b'' + a' \downarrow b' \otimes a'' \rightarrow b'', \\
\tilde{\Delta}(a \nearrow b) &= a \otimes b + a \uparrow b' \otimes b'' + a' \otimes a'' \rightarrow b + a' \uparrow b' \otimes a'' \rightarrow b''.
\end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 11.** *The augmentation ideal of  $\mathbf{FQSym}$  is a quadri-bialgebra.*

*Proof.* As an example, let us prove the last compatibility. Let  $\sigma, \tau$  be two permutations, of respective length  $k$  and  $l$ . Then  $\Delta_{\nearrow}(\sigma \nearrow \tau)$  is obtained by shuffling in all possible ways the words  $\sigma$  and the shifting  $\tau[k]$  of  $\tau$ , such that the first letter comes from  $\sigma$  and the last letter comes from  $\tau[k]$ , and then cutting the obtained words in such a way that 1 is in the left part and  $k+l$  in the right part. Hence, the left part should contain letters coming from  $\sigma$ , including 1, and starts by the first letter of  $\sigma$ , and the right part should contain letters coming from  $\tau[k]$ , including  $k+l$ , and ends with the last letter of  $\tau[k]$ . there are four possibilities:

- The left part contains only letters from  $\sigma$  and the right part contains only letters from  $\tau[k]$ . This gives the term  $\sigma \otimes \tau$ .
- The left part contains only letters from  $\sigma$ , and the right part contains letters from  $\sigma$  and  $\tau[k]$ . This gives the term  $\sigma'_{\uparrow} \otimes \sigma''_{\uparrow} \rightarrow \tau$ .

- The left part contains letters from  $\sigma$  and  $\tau[k]$ , and the right part contains only letters from  $\tau[k]$ . This gives the term  $\sigma \uparrow \tau'_\rightarrow \otimes \tau''_\rightarrow$ .
- Both parts contains letters from  $\sigma$  and  $\tau[k]$ . This gives the term  $\sigma'_\uparrow \uparrow \tau'_\rightarrow \otimes \sigma''_\uparrow \rightarrow \tau''_\rightarrow$ .

So:

$$\Delta_{\nearrow}(\sigma \nearrow \tau) = \sigma \otimes \tau + \sigma'_\uparrow \otimes \sigma''_\uparrow \rightarrow \tau + \sigma \uparrow \tau'_\rightarrow \otimes \tau''_\rightarrow + \sigma'_\uparrow \uparrow \tau'_\rightarrow \otimes \sigma''_\uparrow \rightarrow \tau''_\rightarrow.$$

The other compatibilities are proved following the same lines.  $\square$

### 3.3 Other examples

Let  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  be the free quadri-algebra generated by  $V$ . As it is free, it is possible to define four coproducts satisfying the quadri-bialgebra axioms in the following way: for all  $v \in V$ ,

$$\tilde{\Delta}_{\kappa}(v) = \tilde{\Delta}_{\swarrow}(v) = \tilde{\Delta}_{\searrow}(v) = \tilde{\Delta}_{\nearrow}(v) = 0.$$

It is naturally graded by putting the elements of  $V$  homogeneous of degree 1.

**Proposition 12.** *For any vector space  $V$ ,  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  is a quadri-bialgebra.*

*Proof.* We only have to prove the nine compatibilities of quadri-coalgebras. We consider:

$$B_{(1,1)} = \{a \in F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V) \mid (\Delta_{\kappa} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(a) = (Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(a)\}.$$

First, for all  $v \in V$ :

$$(\Delta_{\kappa} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(v) = v \otimes 1 \otimes 1 = (Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(v).$$

so  $V \subseteq B_{(1,1)}$ . If  $a, b \in B_{(1,1)}$  and  $\diamond \in \{\kappa, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta_{\kappa} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(a \diamond b) &= ((\Delta_{\uparrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\uparrow}(a)) \diamond ((\Delta_{\leftarrow} \otimes Id) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b)) \\ &= ((Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta_{\uparrow}(a)) \diamond ((Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b)) \\ &= (Id \otimes \Delta)(\Delta_{\uparrow}(a) \diamond \Delta_{\leftarrow}(b)) \\ &= (Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta_{\kappa}(a \diamond b). \end{aligned}$$

So  $a \diamond b \in B_{(1,1)}$ , and  $B_{(1,1)}$  is a quadri-subalgebra of  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  containing  $V$ :  $B_{(1,1)} = F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$ , and the quadri-coalgebra relation (1.1) is satisfied. The eight other relations can be proved in the same way. Hence,  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  is a quadri-bialgebra.  $\square$

*Remark 6.* 1. We deduce that  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V), \leftarrow, \rightarrow, \Delta_{\leftarrow}, \Delta_{\rightarrow})$  and  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V), \uparrow, \downarrow, \Delta_{\rightarrow}^{op}, \Delta_{\leftarrow}^{op})$  are bidendriform bialgebras, in the sense of [7, 8]; consequently,  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V), \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$  and  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V), \uparrow, \downarrow)$  are free dendriform algebras.

2. When  $V$  is one-dimensional, here are the respective dimensions  $a_n$ ,  $b_n$  and  $c_n$  of the homogeneous components, of the primitive elements, and of the dendriform primitive elements, of degree  $n$ , for these two dendriform bialgebras:

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$a_n$	1	4	23	156	1 162	9 162	75 819	644 908	5 616 182	49 826 712
$b_n$	1	3	16	105	768	6 006	49 152	415 701	3 604 480	31 870 410
$c_n$	1	2	10	64	462	3 584	29 172	245 760	2 124 694	18 743 296

These are sequences A007297, A085614 and A078531 of [18].

3. Let  $V$  be finite-dimensional. The graded dual  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)^*$  of  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  is also a quadri-bialgebra. By the bidendriform rigidity theorem [7, 8],  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)^*, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$  and  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)^*, \uparrow, \downarrow)$  are free dendriform algebras. Moreover, for any  $x, y \in V$ , nonzero,  $x \succ y$  and  $x \searrow y$  are nonzero elements of  $\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V))$ , which implies that  $(F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)^*, \succ, \swarrow, \searrow, \nearrow)$  is not generated in degree 1, so is not free as a quadri-algebra. Dually, the quadri-coalgebra  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  is not cofree.

We now give a similar construction on the Hopf algebra of packed words  $\mathbf{WQSym}$ , see [17] for more details on this combinatorial Hopf algebra.

**Theorem 13.** *For any nonempty packed word  $w$  of length  $n$ , we put:*

$$m(w) = \max\{i \in [n] \mid w(i) = 1\}, \quad M(w) = \max\{i \in [n] \mid w(i) = \max(w)\}.$$

We define four products on the augmentation ideal of  $\mathbf{WQSym}$  in the following way: if  $u, v$  are packed words of respective lengths  $k, l \geq 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} u \prec v &= \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(w(1)\dots w(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(w(k+1)\dots w(k+l))=v, \\ m(w), M(w) \leq k}} w, & u \nearrow v &= \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(w(1)\dots w(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(w(k+1)\dots w(k+l))=v, \\ m(w) \leq k < M(w)}} w, \\ u \swarrow v &= \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(w(1)\dots w(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(w(k+1)\dots w(k+l))=v, \\ M(w) \leq k < m(w)}} w, & u \searrow v &= \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(w(1)\dots w(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(w(k+1)\dots w(k+l))=v, \\ k < m(w), M(w)}} w. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $\text{pack}$  denote the packing operation of words (see [17] for more details). We define four coproducts on the augmentation ideal of  $\mathbf{WQSym}$  in the following way: if  $u$  is a packed word of length  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\prec}(u) &= \sum_{u(1), u(n) \leq i < \max(u)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [i]}), \\ \Delta_{\swarrow}(u) &= \sum_{u(n) \leq i < u(1)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [i]}), \\ \Delta_{\searrow}(u) &= \sum_{1 \leq i < u(1), u(n)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [i]}), \\ \Delta_{\nearrow}(u) &= \sum_{u(1) \leq i < u(n)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [i]}). \end{aligned}$$

We used the following notation: if  $u$  is a packed word and  $I$  is a set of integers, then  $u_I$  is the word (non necessarily packed) obtained by deleting of the letters of  $u$  which do not belong to  $I$ . These products and coproducts make  $\mathbf{WQSym}$  a quadri-bialgebra. The induced Hopf algebra structure is the usual one.

*Proof.* For all packed words  $u, v$  of respective lengths  $k, l \geq 1$ :

$$u \star v = \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(w(1)\dots w(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(w(k+1)\dots w(k+l))=v}} w.$$

So  $\star$  is the usual product of  $\mathbf{WQSym}$ , and is associative. In particular, if  $u, v, w$  are packed words of respective lengths  $k, l, n \geq 1$ :

$$u \star (v \star w) = (u \star v) \star w = \sum_{\substack{\text{pack}(x(1)\dots x(k))=u, \\ \text{pack}(x(k+1)\dots x(k+l))=v, \\ \text{pack}(x(k+l+1), \dots, x(k+l+n))=w}} x.$$



Then each side of relations (1,1) ... (3,3) is the sum of the terms in this expression such that:

$$\begin{array}{lll}
m(x), M(x) \leq k & m(x) \leq k < M(x) \leq k + l & m(x) \leq k < k + l < M(x) \\
M(x) \leq k < m(x) \leq k + l & k < m(x), M(x) \leq k + l & k < m(x) \leq k + l < M(x) \\
M(x) \leq k < k + l < m(x) & k < M(x) \leq k + l < m(x) & k + l < m(x), M(x)
\end{array}$$

So  $(\mathbf{WQSym}, \rhd, \lhd, \swarrow, \nearrow)$  is a quadri-algebra.

For all packed word  $u$  of length  $n \geq 1$ :

$$\tilde{\Delta}(u) = \sum_{1 \leq i < \max(u)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [i]}).$$

So  $\tilde{\Delta}$  is the usual coproduct of  $\mathbf{WQSym}$  and is coassociative. Moreover:

$$(\tilde{\Delta} \otimes Id) \circ \tilde{\Delta}(u) = (Id \otimes \tilde{\Delta}) \circ \tilde{\Delta}(u) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j < \max(u)} u_{|[i]} \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[j] \setminus [i]}) \otimes \text{pack}(u_{|[\max(u)] \setminus [j]}).$$

Then each side of relations (1,1) ... (3,3) is the sum of the terms in this expression such that:

$$\begin{array}{lll}
u(1), u(n) \leq i & u(1) \leq i < u(n) \leq j & u(1) \leq i < j < u(n) \\
u(n) \leq i < u(1) \leq j & i < u(1), u(n) \leq j & i < u(1) \leq j < u(n) \\
u(n) \leq i < j < u(1) & i < u(n) \leq j < u(1) & j < u(1), u(n)
\end{array}$$

So  $(\mathbf{WQSym}, \Delta_{\rhd}, \Delta_{\lhd}, \Delta_{\swarrow}, \Delta_{\nearrow})$  is a quadri-coalgebra.

Let us prove, as an example, one of the compatibilities between the products and the co-products. If  $u, v$  are packed words of respective lengths  $k, l \geq 1$ ,  $\Delta_{\nearrow}(u \nearrow v)$  is obtained as follows:

- Consider all the packed words  $w$  such that  $\text{pack}(w(1) \dots w(k)) = u$ ,  $\text{pack}(w(k+1) \dots w(k+l)) = v$ , such that  $1 \notin \{w(k+1), \dots, w(k+l)\}$  and  $\max(w) \in \{w(k+1), \dots, w(k+l)\}$ .
- Cut all these words into two parts, by separating the letters into two parts according to their orders, such that the first letter of  $w$  in the left (smallest) part, and the last letter of  $w$  is in the right (greatest) part, and pack the two parts.

If  $u' \otimes u''$  is obtained in this way, before packing,  $u'$  contains 1, so contains letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$ , and  $u''$  contains  $\max(w)$ , so contains letters  $w(i)$ , with  $i > k$ . Four cases are possible.

- $u'$  contains only letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$ , and  $u''$  contains only letters  $w(i)$  with  $i > k$ . Then  $w = (u(1) \dots u(k)(v(1) + \max(u)) \dots (v(l) + \max(u))$  and  $u' \otimes u'' = u \otimes v$ .
- $u'$  contains only letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$ , whereas  $u''$  contains letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$  and letters  $w(j)$  with  $j > k$ . Then  $u'$  is obtained from  $u$  by taking letters  $< i$ , with  $i \geq u(1)$ , and  $u''$  is a term appearing in  $\text{pack}(u_{|[k] \setminus [i]}) \star v$ , such that there exists  $j > k - i$ , with  $u''(j) = \max(u'')$ . Summing all the possibilities, we obtain  $u'_\uparrow \otimes u''_\uparrow \rightarrow v$ .
- $u'$  contains letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$  and letters  $w(j)$  with  $j > k$ , whereas  $u''$  contains only letters  $w(i)$  with  $i > k$ . With the same type of analysis, we obtain  $u \uparrow v'_\rightarrow \otimes v''_\rightarrow$ .
- Both  $u'$  and  $u''$  contain letters  $w(i)$  with  $i \leq k$  and letters  $w(j)$  with  $j > k$ . We obtain  $u'_\uparrow \uparrow v'_\rightarrow \otimes u''_\uparrow \rightarrow v''_\rightarrow$ .

Finally:

$$\Delta_{\nearrow}(u \nearrow v) = u \otimes v + u'_\uparrow \otimes u''_\uparrow \rightarrow v + u \uparrow v'_\rightarrow \otimes v''_\rightarrow + u'_\uparrow \uparrow v'_\rightarrow \otimes u''_\uparrow \rightarrow v''_\rightarrow.$$

The fifteen remaining compatibilities are proved following the same lines.  $\square$

Example 4.

$$\begin{aligned}
(12) \curvearrowright (12) &= (1423), \\
(12) \curvearrowleft (12) &= (1312) + (2312) + (2413) + (3412), \\
(12) \curvearrowdown (12) &= (1212) + (1213) + (2313) + (2314), \\
(12) \curvearrowup (12) &= (1223) + (1234) + (1323) + (1324).
\end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 14.**  $(\mathbf{WQSym}, \rightarrow, \leftarrow)$  and  $(\mathbf{WQSym}, \downarrow, \uparrow)$  are free dendriform algebras.

*Remark 7.* 1. If  $A$  is a quadri-algebra, we put:

$$\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(A) = \text{Ker}(\tilde{\Delta}_{\curvearrowright}) \cap \text{Ker}(\tilde{\Delta}_{\curvearrowleft}) \cap \text{Ker}(\tilde{\Delta}_{\curvearrowdown}) \cap \text{Ker}(\tilde{\Delta}_{\curvearrowup}).$$

For any vector space  $V$ ,  $A = F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$  is obviously generated by  $\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(A)$ , as  $V \subseteq \text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(A)$ .

2. Let us consider the quadri-bialgebra  $\mathbf{FQSym}$ . Direct computations show that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})_1 &= \text{Vect}(1), \\
\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})_2 &= (0), \\
\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})_3 &= (0), \\
\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})_4 &= \text{Vect}((2413) - (2143), (2413) - (3412)).
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the homogeneous component of degree 4 of the quadri-subalgebra generated by  $\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})$  has dimension 23, with basis:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(1234), (1243), (1324), (1342), (1423), (1432), (2134), (2314), (2314), (2431), \\
&(3124), (3214), (3241), (3421), (4123), (4132), (4213), (4231), (4312), (4321), \\
&(2143) + (2413), (3142) + (3412), (2143) - (3142).
\end{aligned}$$

So  $\mathbf{FQSym}$  is not generated by  $\text{Prim}_{\mathbf{Quad}}(\mathbf{FQSym})$ , so is not isomorphic, as a quadri-bialgebra, to any  $F_{\mathbf{Quad}}(V)$ . A similar argument holds for  $\mathbf{WQSym}$ .

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