### CORING STRUCTURES AND HILBERT C\*-MODULES

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### 1. Introduction

S. Baaj and G. Skandalis [1] introduced the notion of multiplicative unitaries and they studied Hopf  $C^*$ -algebras associated with them. J. M. Vallin introduced the notion of pseudo-multiplicative unitaries and algebraic structures associated with them ([11], [12]). M. Enock and Vallin [2] studied pseudo-multiplictive unitaries and quantum groupoids associated with inclusions of von Neumann algebras. The author introduced a notion of multiplicative unitary operators (MUO) on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules ([8], see also [6] and [7]). It is interesting to study natural algebraic structures associated with MUO's. In this note, we will show the relation btween MUO's and coring structures on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. Coring structures were introduced by M. Sweedler [10] in the purely algebraic framework. Y. Watatani [13] showed that incusions of  $C^*$ -algebras give natural coring structures in the framework of his index theory. In this note, we introduce notions of coring structures on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules and study coring structures associated with MUO's. In Sections 2 and 3, we study coring structures associated with MUO's arising from groupoids and inclusions of  $C^*$ -algebras of inedx finite type in the sense of Watatani. In the case of groupoids, the base algebras are commutative. In the case of inclusions of

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 $C^*$ -algebras of index finite type, we do not know any concrete examples of MUO's on infinite-dimensional Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. Therefore it is interesting to study concrete examples of MUO's and the associated coring structures such that the base algebras are not commutative and the Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules are infinite-dimensional. In the last section, we study an MUO and the associated coring structures on the Hilbert  $C^*$ -module of compact operators. In this case, the Hilbert  $C^*$ -module is infinite-dimensional and the base algebra is the  $C^*$ -algebra of compact operators.

### 2. Preliminaries

2.1. Multiplicative operators on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. Let A be a  $C^*$ -algebra, let E be a Hilbert A-module and let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be \*-homomorphisms of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$ . We assume that  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  commute, that is,  $\phi(a)\psi(b)=\psi(b)\phi(a)$  for all  $a,b\in A$ . We define a \*-homomorphism  $\iota\otimes_{\phi}\psi$  of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E\otimes_{\phi}E)$  by  $(\iota\otimes_{\phi}\psi)(a)=I\otimes_{\phi}\psi(a)$ . and define a \*-homomorphism  $\iota\otimes_{\psi}\phi$  of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E\otimes_{\psi}E)$  by  $(\iota\otimes_{\psi}\phi)(a)=I\otimes_{\psi}\phi(a)$ . Let W be an operator in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E\otimes_{\psi}E,E\otimes_{\phi}E)$ . We assume that W satisfies the following equations;

$$(2.1) W(\iota \otimes_{\psi} \phi)(a) = (\phi \otimes_{\phi} \iota)(a)W,$$

(2.2) 
$$W(\psi \otimes_{\psi} \iota)(a) = (\iota \otimes_{\phi} \psi)(a)W,$$

$$(2.3) W(\phi \otimes_{\psi} \iota)(a) = (\psi \otimes_{\phi} \iota)(a)W$$

for all  $a \in A$ . Then we can define following operators;

$$W \otimes_{\psi} I \in \mathcal{L}_{A}(E \otimes_{\psi} E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E \otimes_{\psi} E),$$
 $I \otimes_{\phi \otimes_{\iota}} W \in \mathcal{L}_{A}(E \otimes_{\phi} E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\psi} E \otimes_{\phi} E),$ 
 $W \otimes_{\phi} I \in \mathcal{L}_{A}(E \otimes_{\psi} E \otimes_{\phi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E \otimes_{\phi} E),$ 
 $I \otimes_{\psi \otimes_{\iota}} W \in \mathcal{L}_{A}(E \otimes_{\psi} E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\iota \otimes \psi} (E \otimes_{\phi} E)),$ 
 $I \otimes_{\iota \otimes_{\phi}} W \in \mathcal{L}_{A}(E \otimes_{\iota \otimes_{\phi}} (E \otimes_{\psi} E), E \otimes_{\phi} E \otimes_{\phi} E).$ 

Since  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  commute, there exists an isomorphism  $\Sigma_{12}$  of  $E \otimes_{\iota \otimes \psi} (E \otimes_{\phi} E)$  onto  $E \otimes_{\iota \otimes \phi} (E \otimes_{\psi} E)$  as Hilbert A-modules such that, for  $x_i \in E$  (i = 1, 2, 3),

$$\Sigma_{12}(x_1 \otimes (x_2 \otimes x_3)) = x_2 \otimes (x_1 \otimes x_3).$$

**Definition 2.1** ([8]). Let W be an element of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$ . Assume that W satisfies the equations (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3). An operator W is said to be multiplicative if it satisfies the pentagonal equation

$$(2.4) (W \otimes_{\phi} I)(I \otimes_{\phi \otimes \iota} W)(W \otimes_{\psi} I) = (I \otimes_{\iota \otimes \phi} W) \Sigma_{12}(I \otimes_{\psi \otimes \iota} W).$$

**Example 2.2.** Suppose that  $A = \mathbb{C}$ . Then E = H is a usual Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{C}}(E) = \mathcal{L}(H)$  is the  $C^*$ -albebra of bounded linear operators on H. Let  $\phi = \psi = id$ , where  $id(\lambda) = \lambda I_H$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $E \otimes_{id} E$  is the usual tensor product  $H \otimes H$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{L}(H \otimes H)$  be the flip, that is,  $\Sigma(\xi \otimes \eta) = \eta \otimes \xi$ . Let W be an element of  $\mathcal{L}(H \otimes H)$ . Then the pentagonal equation (2.4) has the following form:

$$(2.5) (W \otimes I)(I \otimes W)(W \otimes I) = (I \otimes W)(\Sigma \otimes I)(I \otimes W).$$

Defin an operator  $\widetilde{W}$  by  $\widetilde{W} = W\Sigma$ . Then W satisfies the pentagonal equation (2.5) if and only if  $\widetilde{W}$  satisfies the usual pentagonal equation;

$$(2.6) \widetilde{W}_{12}\widetilde{W}_{13}\widetilde{W}_{23} = \widetilde{W}_{23}\widetilde{W}_{13}.$$

2.2. Coproducts on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. Let E be a Hilbert A-module and  $\phi$  be a \*-homomorphism of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$ .

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\delta$  be an operator in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$ . We say that  $\delta$  is a coproduct of  $(E, \phi)$  if  $\delta$  satisfies the following equations;

(2.7) 
$$\delta\phi(a) = (\phi \otimes \iota)(a)\delta \quad \text{for all } a \in A,$$

(2.8) 
$$(\delta \otimes I_E)\delta = (I_E \otimes \delta)\delta.$$

Suppose that  $\delta$  is a coproduct for E. For  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in E$ , we define a product  $\xi \eta$  in E by  $\xi \eta = \delta^*(\xi \otimes_{\phi} \eta)$ . It follows from (2.8) that this product is associative. Then E is an algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Note that we have  $\|\xi \eta\| \leq \|\delta\| \|\xi\| \|\eta\|$ .

2.3. Coproducts associated with MUO's. Let E be a Hilbert A-module and let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be \*-homomorphisms of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$  such that  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  commute. Let  $W \in \mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$  be a multiplicative unitary operator (MUO).

For an element  $\xi_0$  of E, we say that  $\xi_0$  has Property E1 if it satisfies the following conditions;

- (i)  $W(\xi_0 \otimes_{\psi} \xi_0) = \xi_0 \otimes_{\phi} \xi_0$ .
- (ii) For every  $\xi \in E$ , there exists an element  $\pi_{\xi_0}(\xi)$  of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$  such that

$$<\eta, \pi_{\xi_0}(\xi)\zeta> = < W(\xi_0 \otimes_{\psi} \eta), \xi \otimes_{\phi} \zeta> \text{ for every } \eta, \zeta \in E.$$

Fix an element  $\xi_0$  with Property E1. Define an operator  $\delta = \delta_{\xi_0}$  in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$  by  $\delta(\eta) = W(\xi_0 \otimes_{\psi} \eta)$ . Then we have  $\delta^*(\xi \otimes \eta) = \pi_{\xi_0}(\xi)\eta$ . Since W satisfies the pentagonal equation,  $\delta$  is a coproduct of  $(E, \phi)$ .

For an element  $\xi_0$  of E, we say that  $\xi_0$  has Property E2 if it satisfies the following conditions;

- (i)  $W(\xi_0 \otimes_{\psi} \xi_0) = \xi_0 \otimes_{\phi} \xi_0$ .
- (ii) For every  $\xi \in E$ , there exists an element  $\widehat{\pi}_{\xi_0}(\xi)$  of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$  such that

$$<\eta,\widehat{\pi}_{\xi_0}(\xi)\zeta>=< W^*(\xi_0\otimes_\phi\eta), \xi\otimes_\psi\zeta>\quad \text{ for every }\eta,\,\zeta\in E.$$

Fix an element  $\xi_0$  with Property E2. Define an operator  $\widehat{\delta} = \widehat{\delta}_{\xi_0}$  in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, E \otimes_{\psi} E)$  by  $\widehat{\delta}(\eta) = W^*(\xi_0 \otimes_{\phi} \eta)$ . Since W satisfies the pentagonal equation,  $\widehat{\delta}$  is a coproduct of  $(E, \psi)$ .

# 3. Coring structures on Hilbert $C^*$ -modules

Let E be a Hilbert A-module and let  $\phi$  be a \*-homomorphism of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$ . Note that A itself is a Hilbert A-module with the A-valued inner product  $\langle a, b \rangle = a^*b$ .

We denote by i the \*-homomorphism of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(A)$  defined by i(a)b = ab. Then there exists a unitary operator t in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_i A, E)$  defined by  $t(\xi \otimes_i a) = \xi a$ . If  $\phi$  is non-degenerate, then there exists a unitary operator t' in  $\mathcal{L}_A(A \otimes_{\phi} E, E)$  such that  $t'(a \otimes_{\phi} \xi) = \phi(a)\xi$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Suppose that  $\phi$  is non-degenerate. Let  $\delta$  be a coproduct of  $(E, \phi)$  and let Q be an element of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, A)$ , such that  $Q\phi(a) = aQ$  for  $a \in A$ .

(1) We say that  $(E, \phi, \delta, Q)$  is a right counital A-coring if it satisfies the following equation;

$$t(I_E \otimes_{\phi} Q)\delta = I_E.$$

Then Q is called a right counit.

(2) We say that  $(E, \phi, \delta, Q)$  is a left counital A-coring if it satisfies the following equation;

$$t'(Q \otimes_{\phi} I_E)\delta = I_E.$$

Then Q is called a left counit.

(3) We say that  $(E, \phi, \delta, Q)$  is a counital A-coring if Q is a right and left counit. Then Q is called a counit.

For  $n \geq 2$ , we set

$$E^{\otimes_{\phi} n} = E \otimes_{\phi} \cdots \otimes_{\phi} E$$
 (*n* times).

Let  $(E, \phi, \delta, Q)$  be a left or right counital A-coring. We defin an element  $\omega$  of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E^{\otimes_\phi 4}, E^{\otimes_\phi 2})$  by

$$\omega = \{ t(I_E \otimes_{\phi} Q) \otimes_{\phi} I_E \} (I_E \otimes_{\phi \otimes \iota} \delta^* \otimes_{\phi} I_E).$$

Then we have  $\omega(\omega \otimes_{\phi \otimes \iota} I) = \omega(I \otimes_{\phi \otimes \iota} \omega)$ . Therefore we can difine a product on  $E \otimes_{\phi} E$  by  $xy = \omega(x \otimes_{\phi \otimes \iota} y)$ . Then  $E \otimes_{\phi} E$  is an algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Note that we have

$$(\xi_1 \otimes_{\phi} \xi_2)(\eta_1 \otimes_{\phi} \eta_2) = (\xi_1 Q(\xi_2 \eta_1)) \otimes_{\phi} \eta_2.$$

**Definition 3.2.** We say that  $\delta$  and Q are compatible if the following equation holds;  $\delta(\xi\eta) = \delta(\xi)\delta(\eta)$  for every  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in E$ .

Example 3.3 ([13]). Let  $1 \in A_0 \subset A_1$  be an inclusion of  $C^*$ -algebras and let  $P_1$ :  $A_1 \to A_0$  be a faithful positive conditional expectation of index finite type. Let  $\{u_i, u_i^*; i = 1, \cdots, N\}$  be a quasi-basis of  $P_1$ . Let  $E_1 = A_1$  be a Hilbert  $A_0$ -module with the  $A_0$ -valued inner product defined by  $\langle a, b \rangle = P_1(a^*b)$ . Let  $\phi_1 : A_1 \to \mathcal{L}_{A_0}(E_1)$  be a \*-homomorphism defined by  $\phi_1(a)b = ab$ . We denote by  $\phi_0$  the restriction of  $\phi_1$  to  $A_0$ . Define  $\delta \in \mathcal{L}_{A_0}(E_1, E_1 \otimes_{\phi_0} E_1)$  by  $\delta(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^N (\xi u_i) \otimes_{\phi_0} u_i^*$ . The product on  $E_1$  induced by  $\delta$  agrees with the product on  $A_1$ . Then  $(E_1, \phi_0, \delta, P_1)$  is a compatible counital A-coring.

**Example 3.4.** Let G be a finite groupoid. Set  $A = C(G^{(0)})$  and E = C(G). Then E is a right A-module with the right A-action defined by  $(\xi a)(x) = \xi(x)a(s(x))$  for  $\xi \in E$ ,  $a \in A$  and  $x \in G$ . We define an A-valued inner product of E by

$$<\xi,\eta>(u)=\sum_{g\in G_u}\overline{\xi(g)}\eta(g)$$

for  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in E$  and  $u \in G^{(0)}$ , where  $G_u = s^{-1}(u)$  for  $u \in G^{(0)}$ . Then E is a Hilbert A-module. Define \*-homomorphisms  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$  by  $(\phi(a)\xi)(x) = a(r(x))\xi(x)$  and  $\psi(a) = \xi a$  respectively for  $a \in A$ ,  $\xi \in E$  and  $x \in G$ . Note that we have  $E \otimes_{\psi} E = C(G^2(ss))$  and  $E \otimes_{\phi} E = C(G^{(2)})$ , where  $G^2(ss) = \{(g,h) \in G^2; s(g) = s(h)\}$ . Let  $W \in \mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$  be the MUO defined by  $(W\xi)(g,h) = \xi(h,gh)$ . Define an element  $a_0 \in A$  by  $a_0(u) = |G_u|^{-1/2}$  and define an element  $\xi_0 \in E$  by  $\xi_0(g) = a_0(s(g))$ . Then  $\xi_0$  satisfies Properties E1 and E2. Note that we have  $||\xi_0|| = 1$ . Define an element  $\eta_0 \in E$  by  $\eta_0 = \chi_{G^{(0)}} a_0^{-1}$ . Define operators  $Q_{\eta_0}$ ,  $Q_{\xi_0} : E \to A$  by  $Q_{\eta_0}(\xi) = \langle \eta_0, \xi \rangle$  and  $Q_{\xi_0}(\xi) = \langle \xi_0, \xi \rangle$  respectively. Then  $(E, \phi, \delta_{\xi_0}, Q_{\eta_0})$  is a compatible counital A-coring. The product on E induced by  $\delta_{\xi_0}$  is of the form  $\xi \eta = (\xi * \eta)a_0$ , where  $\xi * \eta$  is the convolution product on C(G). We also have two compatible right counital A-corings  $(E, \psi, \delta_{\xi_0}, Q_{\xi_0})$ 

and  $(E, \psi, \delta_{\xi_0}, Q_{\eta_0})$ . Two products on  $E \otimes_{\psi} E$  associated with above right counital A-corings are different.

## 4. Coring structures associated with inclusions of $C^*$ -algebras

Let  $1 \in A_0 \subset A_1$  be an inclusion of  $C^*$ -algebras and let  $P_1 : A_1 \to A_0$  be a faithful positive conditional expectation of index-finite type with a quasi-basis  $\{u_i, u_i^*\}_{i=1}^N$ . Let  $E_1$ ,  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_0$  be as in Example 3.3. Set  $E_2 = E_1 \otimes_{\phi_0} E_1$  and define a \*-homomorphism  $\phi_2 : A_1 \to \mathcal{L}_{A_0}(E_2)$  by  $\phi_2 = \phi_1 \otimes \iota$ . Define a  $C^*$ -algebra A by  $A = \mathcal{L}_{A_0}(E_1, \phi_1)$  and a Hilbert A-module E by

$$E = \mathcal{L}_{A_0}((E_1, \phi_1), (E_2, \phi_2)),$$

that is, E is the set of elements  $x \in \mathcal{L}_{A_0}(E_1, E_2)$  such that  $x\phi_1(a) = \phi_2(a)x$  for all  $a \in A$ . The A-valued inner product on E is defined by  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^*y$ . We define \*-homomorphisms  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  of A to  $\mathcal{L}_A(E)$  by  $\phi(a)x = (a \otimes_{\phi_0} I)x$  and  $\psi(a)x = (I \otimes_{\phi_0} a)x$  respectively. We suppose that there exists an MUO  $W \in \mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$  such that  $V^*\widetilde{V} = W \otimes_i I_{E_1}$ , where  $V : E \otimes_{\phi} E \otimes_i E_1 \to E_3$  and  $\widetilde{V} : E \otimes_{\psi} E \otimes_i E_1 \to E_3$  are operators defined in [8]. As for sufficient conditions for W to exist, see [7] and [8]. Define an element  $x_0 \in E$  by  $x_0(\xi) = \xi \otimes_{\phi_0} 1$ . Then  $x_0$  satisfies Properties E1 and E2. Note that we have  $||x_0|| = 1$ . Define an element  $\widetilde{y_0} \in E$  by

$$\widetilde{y_0}(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^N (\xi u_i) \otimes_{\phi_0} u_i^*.$$

Note that we have  $\widetilde{y_0}^*(\xi \otimes_{\phi_0} \eta) = \xi \eta$ , where  $\xi \eta$  is the product on  $A_1$ . Define  $Q_{x_0}, Q_{\widetilde{y_0}} \in \mathcal{L}_A(E, A)$  by  $Q_{x_0}(x) = \langle x_0, x \rangle$  and  $Q_{\widetilde{y_0}}(x) = \langle \widetilde{y_0}, x \rangle$  respectively. Then we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.** (1)  $(E, \phi, \delta_{x_0}, Q_{x_0})$  is a compatible right counital A-coring.

(2) Suppose that there exist elements  $(v_i, w_i) \in E \times E \ (i = 1, \dots K)$  such that

$$\widehat{\delta}_{x_0}(\widetilde{y_0}) = \sum_{i=1}^K v_i \otimes_{\psi} w_i.$$

Then  $(E, \psi, \widehat{\delta}_{x_0}, Q_{\widetilde{y_0}})$  is a compatible counital A-coring.

### 5. Coring structures on the set of compact operators

$$M(x\otimes_{\phi}y)=(x\otimes I_H)y,$$

$$\widetilde{M}(x \otimes_{\psi} y) = (I_H \otimes x)y$$

for  $x, y \in E$  respectively. Define  $W = M^{-1}\widetilde{M}$ . Then we have the following:

**Theorem 5.1.** The operator W is the unique multiplicative unitary operator in  $\mathcal{L}_A(E \otimes_{\psi} E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$ .

Now we introduce a coring structure on  $(E, \phi, \psi)$ . Recall that an approximate unit  $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of A is said to be increasing if  $u_n \geq 0$  and  $u_{n+1} \geq u_n$  for every n.

**Definition 5.2.** Let  $\delta$  be a coproduct of  $(E, \phi)$ . For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , let  $Q_n$  be an element of  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, A)$  such that  $Q_n(\phi(a)x) = aQ_n(x)$  for  $a \in A$  and  $x \in E$  and let  $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be an increasing approximate unit of A such that  $u_1 \neq 0$  and  $u_n \neq u_{n+1}$  for every n. Then  $(\delta, \{Q_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty})$  is called a coring structure on  $(E, \phi, \psi)$  if it

satisfies the following equations for every n;

$$t(I_E \otimes_{\phi} Q_n)\delta = t'(Q_n \otimes_{\phi} I_E)\delta = \psi(u_n),$$
  
 $Q_n\psi(u_n) = Q_n.$ 

Then  $\{Q_n\}$  is called an approximate counit.

Let T be an element of  $\mathcal{L}(H, H \otimes H)$ . We will say that T has Property D if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $(T \otimes I_H)T = (I_H \otimes T)T$ .
- (ii) There exists a family  $\{K_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of mutually orthogonal non-trivial finite-dimensional subspaces of H such that  $H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$  and there exists a complete orthonormal basis  $\{e_{k_{n-1}+1}, \dots, e_{k_n}\}$  of  $K_n$  for  $n=1,2,\dots$ , where  $k_0=0$ , such that, if we set  $\lambda_{j,\ell}^i = \langle e_j \otimes e_\ell, Te_i \rangle$ , then  $\{\lambda_{j,\ell}^i\}$  satisfies the following conditions;
  - (a) for  $i = k_{n-1} + 1$ ,  $\lambda_{i,i}^i \neq 0$  and  $\lambda_{j,\ell}^i = \lambda_{\ell,j}^i = 0$  for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\ell = k_m + 1$   $(m = 0, 1, 2, \cdots)$  except for  $j = \ell = i$ ,
  - (b) if dim  $K_n \ge 2$ , for  $i = k_{n-1} + 2, \dots, k_n$ ,

$$\lambda_{i,k_{n-1}+1}^i = \lambda_{k_{n-1}+1,i}^i = \lambda_{k_{n-1}+1,k_{n-1}+1}^{k_{n-1}+1},$$

and  $\lambda_{j,\ell}^i = \lambda_{\ell,j}^i = 0$  for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\ell = k_m + 1$   $(m = 0, 1, 2, \cdots)$  except for  $(j,\ell) = (i,k_{n-1}+1)$ .

Then we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 5.3.** There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the set of coring structures  $(\delta, \{Q_n\}, \{u_n\})$  on  $(E, \phi, \psi)$  and the set of elements  $(T, \{K_n\}, \{e_{k_{n-1}+1}\})$  which satisfy Property D. The correspondence is given as follows: If  $(T, \{K_n\}, \{e_{k_{n-1}+1}\})$ 

has Property D, set

$$H_n = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n K_i,$$

$$\xi_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \in H_n, \quad \text{where } \eta_i = (\overline{\lambda_{k_{i-1}+1,k_{i-1}+1}^{k_{i-1}+1}})^{-1} e_{k_{i-1}+1} \in K_i,$$

define  $f_n \in H^*$  by  $f_n(\xi) = \langle \xi_n, \xi \rangle$ , then  $u_n \in \mathcal{K}(H)$  is the projection onto  $H_n$  and  $\delta$  and  $Q_n$  are given by the following equations;

$$\delta(x) = M^{-1}(I_H \otimes T)x,$$

$$Q_n(x) = (I_H \otimes f_n)x.$$

Question. Suppose that T has Property D. Does T determine  $\{K_n\}$  and  $\{e_{k_{n-1}+1}\}$  uniquely?

The following theorem shows the relation between the coring structures and the multiplicative unitary operator W defined above:

**Theorem 5.4.** Let  $(\delta, \{Q_n\}, \{u_n\})$  be a coring structure on  $(E, \phi, \psi)$  and let T be the operator which corresponds to  $(\delta, \{Q_n\}, \{u_n\})$  by Theorem 5.3. Put  $x_n = Tu_n$ . Then  $x_n$  is an element of E and satisfies Property E1. Let  $\delta_n$  be the coproduct of  $(E, \phi)$  defined by

$$\delta_n(x) = W(x_n \otimes_{\psi} x).$$

Then the following equation holds;

$$\delta = \lim_{n \to \infty} \delta_n$$

with respect to the strict topology on  $\mathcal{L}_A(E, E \otimes_{\phi} E)$ .

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