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The third definition of Green biset functor

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- ③ Functoriality. If $\varphi : G \rightarrow G'$ and $\psi : H \rightarrow H'$ are morphisms in $R\mathcal{D}$, then for any $a \in A(G)$ and $b \in A(H)$

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Proof

First, we will show that Definition Romero implies Definition Bouc. To do this, we first need to define the functor \times . Let G and H be elements of \mathcal{D} . We define the function as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\times : A(G) \times A(H) &\longrightarrow A(G \times H) \\ (a, b) &\longmapsto A_{(G \times H p_1)} G_G(a) \cdot A_{(G \times H p_2)} H_H(b).\end{aligned}$$

where p_1 and p_2 represent the first and second projections, respectively. Now, we will demonstrate that \times satisfies the following properties:

- *R*-bilinearity: For all G and H in \mathcal{D} , the function

$$\times : A(G) \times A(G) \longrightarrow A(G \times H)$$

is *R*-linear, since $A_{(G \times H p_2)} H_H$ and $A_{(G \times H p_1)} G_G$ are morphisms of *R*-algebras.

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Let $a \in A(G)$ and $b \in A(H)$. By following the diagram, we obtain:

$$\left(A\left({}_L L_{\rho_G}\right)(a)\right) \times b = A\left({}_{L \times H} P_1 L_L \circ_{L L_{\rho_G}}\right)(a) \cdot A\left({}_{L \times H} P_2 H_H\right)(b),$$

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The shifted Functor

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$$A_K(G) = A(G \times K).$$

For finite groups G and H and a finite (H, G) -biset U , the map

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is the map $A(U \times K)$, where $U \times K$ is viewed as a $(H \times K, G \times K)$ -biset in the obvious way.

Moreover, for a finite group G , $A_K(G) = A(G \times K)$ is a R -algebra with unity.

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