

## ERRATA TO “HECKE ALGEBRAS OF SEMIDIRECT PRODUCTS”

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There is a mistake in Lemma 1.3 of our paper [3] that invalidates the proofs of [3, Lemma 1.10] and [3, Theorem 1.9]. We are grateful to Iain Raeburn, Jacqui Ramagge and Udo Baumgartner for communicating this to us and for suggesting that Lemma 1 below should be used in place of [3, Lemma 1.3] to fix the results. It is also necessary to normalize the products mentioned in part (i) of [3, Theorem 1.9]. Indeed, the correct linear basis for the Hecke algebra there is the set

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{R(n)} \mu_t^*[n] \mu_s : s, t \in \Sigma \text{ and } n \in N \right\}.$$

**Lemma 1** (cf. [2, Corollary I. 4.5]). *If  $\Gamma_0 x \Gamma_0 y \Gamma_0 = \Gamma_0 xy \Gamma_0$ , then  $[x][y] = \frac{R(x)R(y)}{R(xy)} [xy]$ .*

The following lemma should replace [3, Lemma 1.10].

**Lemma 2.** *For  $s, t, \tau, \sigma \in \Sigma$  and  $n, m \in N$ ,*

$$[t^{-1}ns] = [\tau^{-1}m\sigma] \iff \mu_t^* \frac{[n]}{R(n)} \mu_s = \mu_\tau^* \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\sigma, \text{ in } H(\Gamma, \Gamma_0).$$

*Proof.* First notice that the partial products in  $\mu_\tau^* \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\sigma$  are supported on single double cosets. To compute them we use Lemma 1 to get

$$[\tau^{-1}][m] = \frac{R(\tau^{-1})R(m)}{R(\tau^{-1}m)} [\tau^{-1}m] \quad \text{and} \quad [\tau^{-1}m][\sigma] = \frac{R(\tau^{-1}m)R(\sigma)}{R(\tau^{-1}m\sigma)} [\tau^{-1}m\sigma],$$

and then combine the results to obtain the triple product

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_\tau^* \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\sigma &= \frac{[\tau^{-1}][m][\sigma]}{R(\tau)^{1/2} R(m) R(\sigma)^{1/2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{R(\tau)^{1/2} R(m) R(\sigma)^{1/2}} \frac{R(\tau^{-1})R(m)}{R(\tau^{-1}m)} \frac{R(\tau^{-1}m)R(\sigma)}{R(\tau^{-1}m\sigma)} [\tau^{-1}m\sigma]. \end{aligned}$$

Since the triple product is supported on a single double coset, the implication ( $\Leftarrow$ ) follows. Next we simplify the coefficient, using  $R(\tau^{-1}) = L(\tau) = 1$ , to obtain

$$(\dagger) \quad \mu_\tau^* \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\sigma = \left( \frac{R(\sigma)}{R(\tau)} \right)^{1/2} \frac{[\tau^{-1}m\sigma]}{R(\tau^{-1}m\sigma)}.$$

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Suppose now that  $[\tau^{-1}m\sigma] = [t^{-1}ns]$ . Taking quotients modulo  $N$  we see that  $\tau^{-1}\sigma = t^{-1}s$  in  $G = \Gamma/N$  so there exist elements  $\gamma$  and  $r$  in  $S = \Sigma/N$  such that  $\gamma\tau = rt$  and  $\gamma\sigma = rs$  because  $S$  is directed. Since  $R$  is a homomorphism on  $\Sigma$ ,

$$\frac{R(\sigma)}{R(\tau)} = \frac{R(\gamma\sigma)}{R(\gamma\tau)} = \frac{R(rs)}{R(rt)} = \frac{R(s)}{R(t)},$$

and the implication  $(\Rightarrow)$  now follows from  $(\dagger)$ . □

To correct the proof of [3, Theorem 1.9] we need a direct proof of the (rescaled) key identity

$$(\star) \quad \mu_x \mu_x^* \mu_r \frac{[n]}{R(n)} \mu_r^* \mu_y \mu_y^* = \mu_x \mu_x^* \mu_\gamma \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\gamma^* \mu_y \mu_y^*.$$

Suppose  $\mu_t^* \frac{[n]}{R(n)} \mu_s = \mu_\tau^* \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\sigma$  in  $H(\Gamma, \Gamma_0)$ , and let  $\gamma$  and  $r$  be as in the proof of Lemma 2 above. Then

$$\mu_{rt}^* \mu_r \frac{[n]}{R(n)} \mu_r^* \mu_{rs} = \mu_{\gamma\tau}^* \mu_\gamma \frac{[m]}{R(m)} \mu_\gamma^* \mu_{\gamma\sigma}.$$

Letting  $x = rt = \gamma\tau$  and  $y = rs = \gamma\sigma$  and multiplying on the left by  $\mu_x$  and on the right by  $\mu_y^*$  shows that equation  $(\star)$  holds in  $H(N, \Gamma_0)$  because of the relation  $(\mathfrak{h}_3)$ . Thus  $(\star)$  also holds for the universal (tilded) generators. Multiplying this now on the left by  $\tilde{\mu}_x^*$  and on the right by  $\tilde{\mu}_y$ , and simplifying, yields  $\tilde{\mu}_t^* \frac{\tilde{e}(n)}{R(n)} \tilde{\mu}_s = \tilde{\mu}_\tau^* \frac{\tilde{e}(m)}{R(m)} \tilde{\mu}_\sigma$ , as desired. It follows that the canonical homomorphism  $H(N, \Gamma_0) \rtimes_\alpha S \rightarrow H(\Gamma, \Gamma_0)$  maps the spanning set  $\{\frac{1}{R(m)} \tilde{\mu}_\tau^* \tilde{e}(m) \tilde{\mu}_\sigma\}$  of the universal algebra of the relations one-to-one and onto the linear basis  $\{\frac{1}{R(m)} \mu_\tau^* e(m) \mu_\sigma\}$  of the Hecke algebra, hence is an isomorphism.

**Note:** A very interesting generalization of the results of [3] to group extensions has been obtained by Baumgartner et al. in [1] which implicitly provides, in the particular case of split extensions, a correction to the error they found in [3].

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