

Constructions With Monoidal Categories

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01UF This chapter contains some material on constructions with monoidal categories.

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01UG 13.1 Moduli Categories of Monoidal Structures

01UH 13.1.1 The Moduli Category of Monoidal Structures on a Category

Let \mathcal{C} be a category.

01UJ **Definition 13.1.1.1.1.** The **moduli category of monoidal structures on \mathcal{C}** is the category $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ defined by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C}) & \longrightarrow & \text{MonCats} \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \text{忘} \\ \text{pt} & \xrightarrow{[\mathcal{C}]} & \text{Cats.} \end{array}$$

$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{pt} \times_{\text{Cats}} \text{MonCats},$

01UK **Remark 13.1.1.1.2.** In detail, the **moduli category of monoidal structures on \mathcal{C}** is the category $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ where:

- *Objects.* The objects of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ are monoidal categories $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{\mathcal{C}}, \lambda^{\mathcal{C}}, \rho^{\mathcal{C}})$ whose underlying category is \mathcal{C} .
- *Morphisms.* A morphism from $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{\mathcal{C}}, \lambda^{\mathcal{C}}, \rho^{\mathcal{C}})$ to $(\mathcal{C}, \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}'_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{C'}, \lambda^{C'}, \rho^{C'})$ is a strong monoidal functor structure

$$\begin{aligned} \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes}: A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} B &\xrightarrow{\sim} A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} B, \\ \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}'_{\mathcal{C}}}^{\otimes}: \mathbb{1}'_{\mathcal{C}} &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}} \end{aligned}$$

on the identity functor $\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ of \mathcal{C} .

- *Identities.* For each $M \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\mathcal{C}, \otimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{\mathcal{C}}, \lambda^{\mathcal{C}}, \rho^{\mathcal{C}}) \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C}))$, the unit map

$$\mathbb{1}_{M,M}^{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})}: \text{pt} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})}(M, M)$$

of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ at M is defined by

$$\text{id}_M^{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}}^{\otimes}),$$

where $(\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}}^{\otimes})$ is the identity monoidal functor of \mathcal{C} of ??.

- *Composition.* For each $M, N, P \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C}))$, the composition map

$$\circ_{M,N,P}^{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})} : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})}(N, P) \times \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})}(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})}(M, P)$$

of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ at (M, N, P) is defined by

$$\left(\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes, \prime}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}|\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes, \prime} \right) \circ_{M,N,P}^{\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})} \left(\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}|\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes} \right) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes, \prime} \circ \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes}, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}|\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes, \prime} \circ \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}|\mathcal{C}}^{\otimes} \right).$$

01UL Remark 13.1.1.1.3. In particular, a morphism in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ from $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{\mathcal{C}}, \lambda^{\mathcal{C}}, \rho^{\mathcal{C}})$ to $(\mathcal{C}, \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}}, \mathbb{1}'_{\mathcal{C}}, \alpha^{C, \prime}, \lambda^{C, \prime}, \rho^{C, \prime})$ satisfies the following conditions:

- 01UM** 1. *Naturality.* For each pair $f: A \rightarrow X$ and $g: B \rightarrow Y$ of morphisms of \mathcal{C} , the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} B & \xrightarrow{f \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} g} & X \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} Y \\ \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{X,Y}^{\otimes} \\ A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} B & \xrightarrow{f \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} g} & X \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} Y \end{array}$$

commutes.

- 01UN** 2. *Monoidality.* For each $A, B, C \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C})$, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & (A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} B) \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} C & \\ \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}} \swarrow & & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{C, \prime} \\ (A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} B) \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} C & & A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} (B \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} C) \\ \text{id}_{A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} B, C}^{\otimes} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} \\ (A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} B) \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} C & & A \boxtimes_{\mathcal{C}} (B \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} C) \\ & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{\mathcal{C}} & \swarrow \text{id}_{A, B \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} C}^{\otimes} \\ & A \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} (B \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} C) & \end{array}$$

commutes.

01UP 3. *Left Monoidal Unity*. For each $A \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C})$, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathbb{1}_C \boxtimes_C A & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}'_C, A}^\otimes} \mathbb{1}_C \otimes_C A \\
 \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^\otimes \boxtimes \text{id}_A \nearrow & & \searrow \lambda_A^C \\
 \mathbb{1}'_C \boxtimes_C A & \xrightarrow{\lambda_A^{C, '}} & A
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01UQ 4. *Right Monoidal Unity*. For each $A \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C})$, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & A \boxtimes_C \mathbb{1}_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, \mathbb{1}'_C}^\otimes} A \otimes_C \mathbb{1}_C \\
 \text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^\otimes \nearrow & & \searrow \rho_A^C \\
 A \boxtimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\rho_A^{C, '}} & A
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01UR **Proposition 13.1.1.1.4.** Let \mathcal{C} be a category.

01US 1. *Extra Monoidality Conditions*. Let $(\text{id}_C^\otimes, \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}|C}^\otimes)$ be a morphism of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\mathcal{C})$ from $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes_C, \mathbb{1}_C, \alpha^C, \lambda^C, \rho^C)$ to $(\mathcal{C}, \boxtimes_C, \mathbb{1}'_C, \alpha^{C, '}, \lambda^{C, '}, \rho^{C, '})$.

01UT (a) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, B}^\otimes \boxtimes \text{id}_C} & (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C \\
 \text{id}_{A \boxtimes_C B, C}^\otimes \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^\otimes \\
 (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, B}^\otimes \otimes \text{id}_C} & (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01UU (b) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{B, C}^\otimes} & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \\
 \text{id}_{A, B \boxtimes_C C}^\otimes \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{A, B \otimes_C C}^\otimes \\
 A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_A \otimes \text{id}_{B, C}^\otimes} & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C)
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01WB 2. *Extra Monoidal Unity Constraints.* Let $(\text{id}_C^\otimes, \text{id}_{1|C}^\otimes)$ be a morphism of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(C)$ from $(C, \otimes_C, 1_C, \alpha^C, \lambda^C, \rho^C)$ to $(C, \boxtimes_C, 1'_C, \alpha^{C'}, \lambda^{C'}, \rho^{C'})$.

01WC (a) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 1_C \otimes_C 1'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1_C \boxtimes_C 1'_C \\
 \lambda_{1'_C}^C \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_{1_C}^{C'} \\
 1'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_1^\otimes} & 1_C
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01WD (b) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C \boxtimes_C 1_C \\
 \rho_{1'_C}^C \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda_{1_C}^{C'} \\
 1'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_1^\otimes} & 1_C
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01WE (c) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 1'_C \boxtimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^\otimes} & 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C \\
 \lambda_{1_C}^{C'} \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_{1'_C}^C \\
 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_1^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01WF (d) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 1_C \boxtimes_C 1'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^\otimes} & 1_C \otimes_C 1'_C \\
 \rho_{1_C}^{C, '}\downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda_{1'_C}^C \\
 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_1^\otimes, -1} & 1'_C
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

01UV 3. *Mixed Associators.* Let $(C, \otimes_C, 1_C, \alpha^C, \lambda^C, \rho^C)$ and $(C, \boxtimes_C, 1'_C, \alpha^{C, '}, \lambda^{C, '}, \rho^{C, '})$ be monoidal structures on C and let

$$\text{id}_{-1, -2}^\otimes: -_1 \boxtimes_C -_2 \rightarrow -_1 \otimes_C -_2$$

be a natural transformation.

01UW (a) If there exists a natural transformation

$$\alpha_{A, B, C}^\otimes: (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C \rightarrow A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C)$$

making the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A, B, C}^\otimes} & A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\
 \text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^\otimes \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_A \otimes_C \text{id}_{B, C}^\otimes \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A, B, C}^C} & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C)
 \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A, B, C}^{C, '}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\
 \text{id}_{A, B}^\otimes \boxtimes_C \text{id}_C \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{A, B \boxtimes_C C} \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A, B, C}^\otimes} & A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C)
 \end{array}$$

commute, then the natural transformation id^\otimes satisfies the monoidality condition of [Item 2](#) of [Definition 13.1.1.1.3](#).

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(b) If there exists a natural transformation

$$\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes}: (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C \rightarrow A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C)$$

making the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \\ \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \otimes \text{id}_C \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{A,B \otimes_C C}^{\otimes} \\ (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^C} & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{C'}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\ \text{id}_{A \boxtimes_C B,C}^{\otimes} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} \\ (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \end{array}$$

commute, then the natural transformation id^{\otimes} satisfies the monoidality condition of [Item 2](#) of [Definition 13.1.1.1.3](#).

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(c) If there exists a natural transformation

$$\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes,\otimes}: (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C \rightarrow A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C)$$

making the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes,\otimes}} & A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\ \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \otimes \text{id}_C \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_A \otimes \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} \\ (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^C} & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{C'}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\ \text{id}_{A \boxtimes_C B,C}^{\otimes} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id}_{A,B \boxtimes_C C}^{\otimes} \\ (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes,\otimes}} & A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \end{array}$$

commute, then the natural transformation id^\otimes satisfies the monoidality condition of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3**.

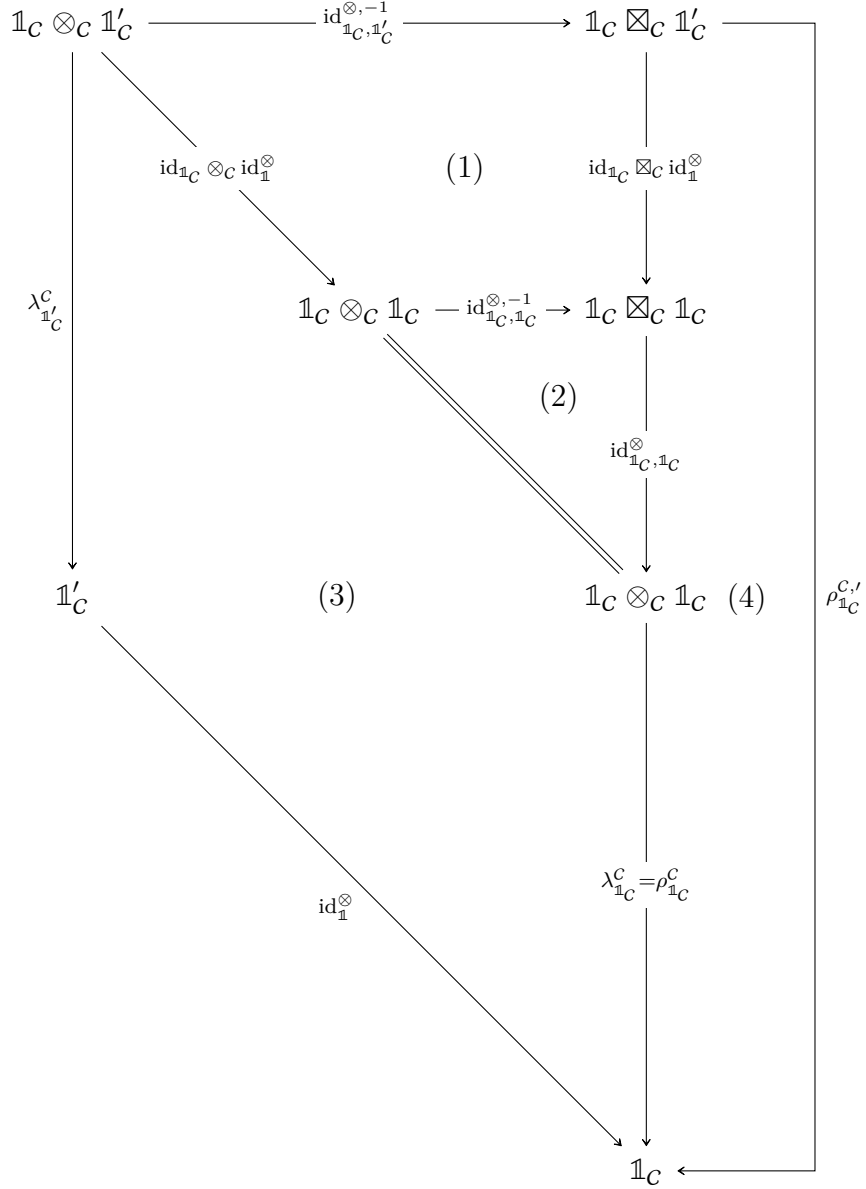
*Proof. **Item 1, Extra Monoidality Conditions:*** We claim that **Items 1a** and **1b** are indeed true:

1. *Proof of **Item 1a**:* This follows from the naturality of id^\otimes with respect to the morphisms $\text{id}_{A,B}^\otimes$ and id_C .
2. *Proof of **Item 1b**:* This follows from the naturality of id^\otimes with respect to the morphisms id_A and $\text{id}_{B,C}^\otimes$.

This finishes the proof.

Item 2, Extra Monoidal Unity Constraints: We claim that **Items 2a** and **2b** are indeed true:

1. *Proof of Item 1a:* Indeed, consider the diagram



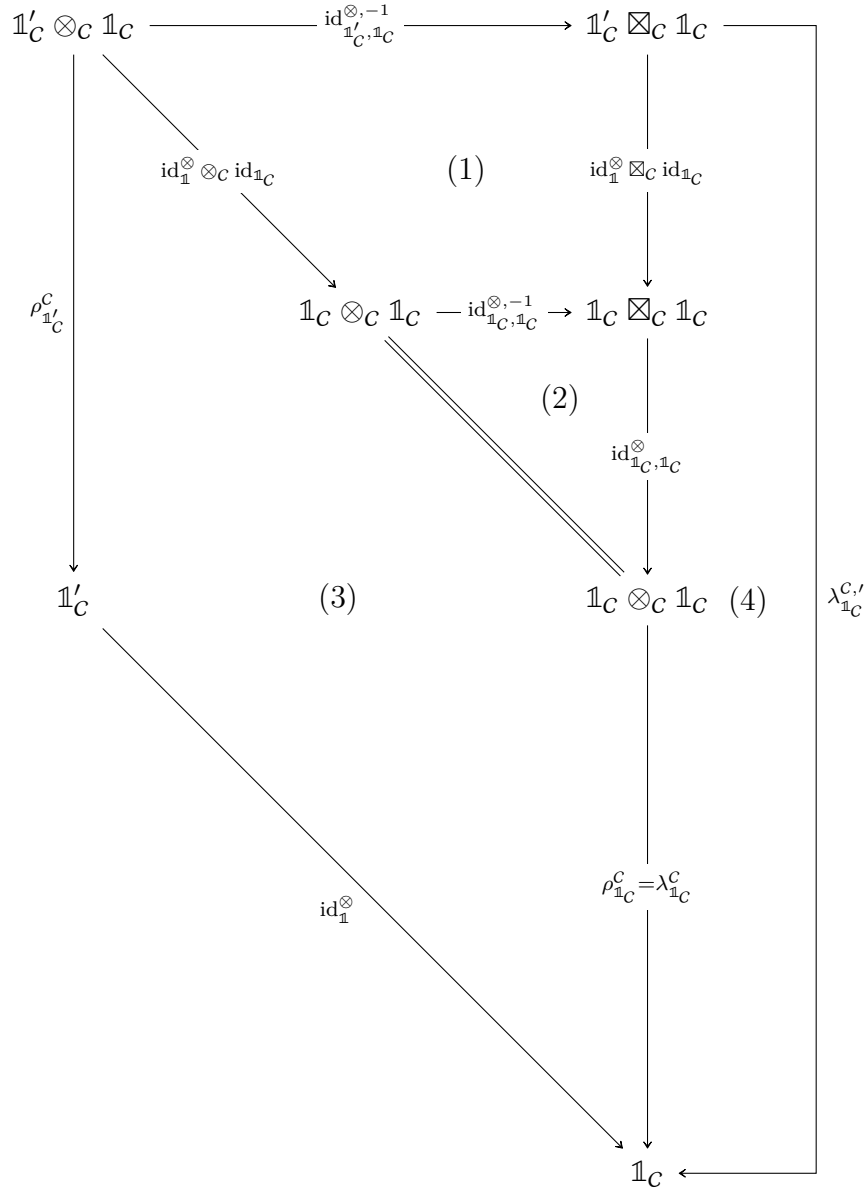
whose boundary diagram is the diagram whose commutativity we wish to prove. Since:

- Subdiagram (1) commutes by the naturality of $\text{id}_C^{\otimes, -1}$;
- Subdiagram (2) commutes trivially;

- Subdiagram (3) commutes by the naturality of λ^C , where the equality $\rho_{\mathbb{1}_C}^C = \lambda_{\mathbb{1}_C}^C$ comes from ??;
- Subdiagram (4) commutes by the right monoidal unity of $(\text{id}_C, \text{id}_C^\otimes, \text{id}_{C|\mathbb{1}}^\otimes)$;

so does the boundary diagram, and we are done.

2. *Proof of Item 1b:* Indeed, consider the diagram



whose boundary diagram is the diagram whose commutativity we wish to prove. Since:

- Subdiagram (1) commutes by the naturality of $\text{id}_C^{\otimes, -1}$;
- Subdiagram (2) commutes trivially;
- Subdiagram (3) commutes by the naturality of ρ^C , where the equality $\rho_{1_C}^C = \lambda_{1_C}^C$ comes from ??;
- Subdiagram (4) commutes by the left monoidal unity of $(\text{id}_C, \text{id}_C^{\otimes}, \text{id}_{C|1}^{\otimes})$;

so does the boundary diagram, and we are done.

3. *Proof of Item 2c:* Indeed, consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C \boxtimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes}} & 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C \\
 \downarrow \rho_{1'_C}^C & (1) & \downarrow \lambda_{1_C}^{C, '}& (\dagger) & \downarrow \rho_{1'_C}^C \\
 1'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C}^{\otimes}} & 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C.
 \end{array}$$

Since:

- The boundary diagram commutes trivially;
- Subdiagram (1) commutes by **Item 1b**;

it follows that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C \boxtimes_C 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes}} & 1'_C \otimes_C 1_C \\
 & & \downarrow \lambda_{1_C}^{C, '}& (\dagger) & \downarrow \rho_{1'_C}^C \\
 & & 1_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{1_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & 1'_C
 \end{array}$$

commutes. But since $\text{id}_{1_C, 1'_C}^{\otimes, -1}$ is an isomorphism, it follows that the diagram (\dagger) also commutes, and we are done.

4. *Proof of Item 2d:* Indeed, consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbb{1}_C \otimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_C, \mathbb{1}'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C \boxtimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_C, \mathbb{1}'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C \otimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C \\
 \downarrow \lambda_{\mathbb{1}'_C}^C & & \downarrow \rho_{\mathbb{1}_C}^{C, '}& & \downarrow \lambda_{\mathbb{1}_C}^C \\
 \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^{\otimes}} & \mathbb{1}_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{c} (1) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} (\dagger)$$

Since:

- The boundary diagram commutes trivially;
- Subdiagram (1) commutes by **Item 1a**;

it follows that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbb{1}_C \otimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_C, \mathbb{1}'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C \boxtimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}_C, \mathbb{1}'_C}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C \otimes_C \mathbb{1}'_C \\
 & & \downarrow \rho_{\mathbb{1}_C}^{C, '}& & \downarrow \lambda_{\mathbb{1}'_C}^C \\
 & & \mathbb{1}_C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^{\otimes, -1}} & \mathbb{1}_C
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{c} (\dagger)$$

commutes. But since $\text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}^{\otimes, -1}$ is an isomorphism, it follows that the diagram (\dagger) also commutes, and we are done.

This finishes the proof.

Item 3, Mixed Associators: We claim that **Items 3a** to **3c** are indeed true:

- 01UZ** 1. *Proof of Item 3a:* We may partition the monoidality diagram for id^{\otimes}

of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3** as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & & & \\
 \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \boxtimes \text{id}_C \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^C & & \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^{\otimes}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) & & \\
 \downarrow \text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^{\otimes} & (1) \downarrow & \downarrow \text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} & & \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & (A \boxtimes_C B) \otimes_C C & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) & & \\
 \swarrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{C, \prime} & \downarrow \text{id}_{A \boxtimes_C B, C}^{\otimes} & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{C, \prime} & & \\
 & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C) & & &
 \end{array}$$

Since:

- Subdiagram (1) commutes by **Item 1a** of **Item 1**.
- Subdiagram (2) commutes by assumption.
- Subdiagram (3) commutes by assumption.

it follows that the boundary diagram also commutes, i.e. id^{\otimes} satisfies the monoidality condition of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3**.

01V0 2. *Proof of Item 3b:* We may partition the monoidality diagram for id^{\otimes} of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3** as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & & & \\
 \text{id}_{A,B}^{\otimes} \boxtimes \text{id}_C \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^C & & \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^{\otimes}} & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) & & \\
 \downarrow \text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^{\otimes} & \swarrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes} & \downarrow \text{id}_{A \boxtimes_C B, C}^{\otimes} & & \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & A \otimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) & & \\
 \downarrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{C, \prime} & \downarrow \text{id}_A \otimes \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} & \downarrow \text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{B,C}^{\otimes} & & \\
 & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C) & & &
 \end{array}$$

Since:

- Subdiagram (1) commutes by assumption.
- Subdiagram (2) commutes by assumption.
- Subdiagram (3) commutes by **Item 1b** of **Item 1**.

it follows that the boundary diagram also commutes, i.e. id^\otimes satisfies the monoidality condition of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3**.

- 01V1** 3. *Proof of **Item 3c**:* We may partition the monoidality diagram for id^\otimes of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3** as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & (A \boxtimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & \\
 \text{id}_{A,B}^\otimes \boxtimes \text{id}_C \swarrow & & \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^C \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \boxtimes_C C & & A \boxtimes_C (B \boxtimes_C C) \\
 \downarrow \text{id}_{A \otimes_C B, C}^\otimes & \swarrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{\boxtimes, \otimes} & \downarrow \text{id}_A \boxtimes \text{id}_{B,C}^\otimes \\
 (A \otimes_C B) \otimes_C C & & A \boxtimes_C (B \otimes_C C) \\
 \searrow \alpha_{A,B,C}^{C, \otimes} & & \swarrow \text{id}_{A, B \otimes_C C}^\otimes \\
 & A \otimes_C (B \otimes_C C) &
 \end{array}$$

(1) (2)

Since subdiagrams (1) and (2) commute by assumption, it follows that the boundary diagram also commutes, i.e. id^\otimes satisfies the monoidality condition of **Item 2** of **Definition 13.1.1.1.3**.

This finishes the proof. □

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