

# Various definitions

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**Monoidal category:** A category  $C$  equipped with

- A functor  $\otimes : C \times C \rightarrow C$ ;
- unit object  $I \in C$ ;
- associator: natural iso  $(A \otimes B) \otimes C \xrightarrow{\alpha_{A,B,C}} A \otimes (B \otimes C)$ ;
- left unitor: natural iso  $I \otimes A \xrightarrow{\lambda_A} A$ ;
- right unitor: natural iso  $A \otimes I \xrightarrow{\rho_A} A$

satisfying triangle and pentagon equations.

- **Symmetric:** equipped with a natural iso  $A \otimes B \xrightarrow{\sigma_{A,B}} B \otimes A$  such that  $\sigma_{B,A} = \sigma_{A,B}^{-1}$ .