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Lecture 15

Tannakian categories

- k field (fixed throughout)
- When is a category equivalent to $\text{Rep}_k(G)$, for some (pro-)algebraic group G/k ?

Dfn: A neutral Tannakian category is a rigid, abelian, k -linear tensor category & overlooked for some time with $\text{End}(1) = k$, such that there exists an exact, faithful k -linear tensor functor $w: \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \text{Vect}_k^{\text{finite-dim. } k\text{-vector space}}$

"Fibre functor"

- (Rough) dictionary:
 - "rigid" \leftrightarrow dual objects exist,
 $X \cong (X^\vee)^\vee$
 - "abelian" \leftrightarrow kernels/cokernels exist
 $f = \text{ker}(\text{coker}(f))$ (f monic)
 $f = \text{coker}(\text{ker}(f))$ (f epic)
 - " k -linear" \leftrightarrow $\text{Hom}_k(X, Y)$ is a
 k -vector space
 - "tensor category" \leftrightarrow $\exists \otimes$ -product,
associative + commutative
(up to isomorphism),
 $\exists \mathbb{1} \in \mathcal{C}$ unit object
 - "exact" \leftrightarrow takes short exact
sequences to short
exact sequences
 - "faithful" \leftrightarrow injective on hom-
sets

"faithful" \iff $\text{Hom}(V, W) \cong \text{Hom}(V', W')$

- TENSOR + FUNCTION $\leftrightarrow F(x \otimes 1) = f(x) \otimes 1$

$$F(1\mathbb{L}) = 1\mathbb{L}' = k$$

- "k-linear" $\leftrightarrow \text{Hom}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(F(X), F(Y))$

is k-linear

Examples: (i) Vect $_k$, $w = id$, $1\mathbb{L} = k$

(ii) Vect $_{k^{\text{Gr}}}$ = graded vector spaces

$$V = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} V_n$$

$$\omega(V, \text{grading}) = V, \quad 1\mathbb{L} = (k, 0)$$

(iii) X connected topological space

Loc $_k(X)$ = category of local

systems of fin.-dim.

k-vector spaces

Each $x \in X$ gives a fiber functor.

$$\mathcal{L} \mapsto \mathcal{L}_{(x)}, \quad 1\mathbb{L} = k$$

(iv) X/k smooth, geometrically

connected scheme ($\text{char}(k)=0$),

$$(\text{End}(\mathcal{O}_{X,d}) = k)$$

$$X(k) \neq \emptyset$$

MIC (X/k) = category of vector

bundles w. integrable conn.
regular singular at $\bar{X} \setminus X$

each $x \in X(k)$ gives a fibre functor

$$(\mathcal{F}, \nabla) \mapsto \mathcal{F}_{(x)}, \quad \underline{\mathbb{1}} = (\mathcal{O}_x, d)$$

(V) $\text{Rep}_k(G)$, $G^{(\text{affine})}$ group scheme/k

$$\omega((V, \rho)) = V, \quad \underline{\mathbb{1}} = (k, D)$$

Dfn: \mathcal{C} neutral Tannakian cat.

$\omega: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Vect}_k$ fibre functor

Then define: $\underline{\text{Aut}}^\otimes(\omega): k\text{-alg} \rightarrow \text{Grps}$

$$\text{by } \underline{\text{Aut}}^\otimes(\omega)(R) = \left\{ (\pi_x)_{x \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})} \right\}$$

$$\pi_x: \omega(x) \otimes R \rightarrow \omega(x) \otimes R$$

nat. transformation

such that $\pi_{x \otimes y} = \pi_x \otimes \pi_y$,

$$\pi_{11} = \text{id}_R \quad \}$$

R k-algebra

The following is the main theorem
of Tannakian categories

Thm (Tannakian reconstruction)

\mathcal{C} neutral Tannakian category,
w fibre functor

Then: (i) $\underline{\text{Aut}}^{\otimes}(w)$ is representable
by an affine group scheme G

(ii) The functor

$$\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Rep}_k(G)$$

$x \mapsto w(x) \hookrightarrow G \cong \underline{\text{Aut}}^{\otimes}(w)$

defined by w is an

equivalence of tensor

categories

$$\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Rep}_k(G)$$

$w \downarrow \text{Vect}_k$ forget

Example: (i) $\mathcal{C} = \text{Vect}_k$, $G = \{ \text{id} \}$

(ii) $\mathcal{C} = \text{Vect}_k^{\text{gr}}$, $G = \mathbb{G}_m/k$

Exercise: show that to give

a grading $V = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} V_n$ on a finite-dimensional vector space V

is equivalent to giving

$$s: \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \text{GL}(V) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{morphism} \\ \text{of alg. groups} \end{matrix}$$

(iii) $\mathcal{C} = \text{Loc}_k(X)$, $w_X(d) = d|_X$

X locally arc-connected
 $\hookrightarrow \text{Alg}_k$

$$G = \Pi_1(X, x) = \underbrace{\Pi^{\text{top}}}_{{\text{D}_{\text{top}}(X, x)} \rightarrow H} \Pi$$

linear alg. / \mathbb{R}
Zariski loc.

(iv) $k = \mathbb{C}$, $\mathcal{C} = \text{MIC}(X/k)$, w_X

$$G = \Pi_1(X(\mathbb{C}), x)^{\text{alg}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{(define: } \Pi_1^{\text{alg}}(X, x) \\ \text{Tannakian group} \\ \text{of } (\text{MIC}(X/k), w_X) \\ \text{NOT compat. with } k \text{!} \end{array} \right)$$

(consequence of Riemann-Hilbert)

- For the proof, need notion
of coalgebra/comodule

Defn (i) A k -coalgebra is a triple (C, Δ, ε) where C

is a k -vector space,
or "comultiplication"

$$\Delta: C \rightarrow C \otimes C \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{ } \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right\} k\text{-linear}$$

$$\varepsilon: C \rightarrow k \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{ } \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right\} \text{"counit"}$$

such that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & C \otimes C \\ \Delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{id} \otimes \text{id} \\ C \otimes C & \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes \text{id}} & C \otimes C \otimes C \end{array}$$

"coassociative"

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & C \otimes C \\ \text{id} \swarrow & & \downarrow \text{id} \otimes \text{id} \\ C & & C \otimes C \end{array}$$

"counital"

$$C \otimes C \xrightarrow{\text{co-id}} k \otimes C \cong C \cong C \otimes k$$

commute

(ii) Given a k -coalgebra (C, δ)

a (right) C -comodule is a pair

(V, ρ) , V k -vector space

$\rho: V \rightarrow V \otimes C$ k -linear

such that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 V & \xrightarrow{\rho} & V \otimes C \\
 \downarrow \rho & & \downarrow \text{id}_{\otimes} \\
 V \otimes C & \xrightarrow{\rho \otimes \text{id}} & V \otimes C \otimes C \\
 V & \xrightarrow{\rho} & V \otimes C \\
 & \searrow \text{id} & \downarrow \text{id}_{\otimes} \\
 & & V \otimes k \cong V
 \end{array}$$

commute

Fact: If (A, m, u) finite-dimensional !
 k -algebra, with

$u: k \rightarrow A$ unit

Then: (A^*, m^*, u^*) is a coalgebra

(Converse also true without

$$\dim_k C < \infty$$

Exercise: $V =$ finite-dimensional
k-vector space. Show:

There exists a natural bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi: V \rightarrow V \otimes C \\ \text{C-comodule structure} \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{End}(V) \rightarrow C \\ \text{morphism of} \\ \text{coalgebras} \\ \varepsilon(\varphi) = \varphi(\text{id}) \end{array} \right\}$$

1 dual to matrix multiplication

Sketch of Proof of Theorem (Deligne-Milne)
(Section 2)

- First, for any G/k affine group scheme, have

$$\text{REP}_k(G) \cong \text{Comod}_k(\mathcal{O}(G))$$

and $\mathcal{O}(G)$ is a Hopf algebra/k

(Hopf algebra = $(H, m, u, \Delta, \varepsilon, S)$ s.t.

- (H, m, u) k-algebra

- (H, Δ, ε) k-coalgebra

"..."

- Δ, ε are morphisms of $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{bialgebras} \\ \text{k-algebras} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{morphisms} \\ \text{of k-coalgebras} \end{array}$

- $S: H \xrightarrow{\text{"antipode"}} k\text{-linear } S.t.$

$$m \circ (S \otimes id) \circ \Delta = m \circ (id \otimes S) \circ \Delta = u \circ \varepsilon \quad)$$

- e.g., $G = \mathbb{G}_m$, then

$$\mathcal{O}(G) = k[x, x^{-1}] \text{ Hopf algebra,}$$

$$\Delta(x^\pm) = x^\pm \otimes x^\pm,$$

$$\varepsilon(x^\pm) = 1, \quad S(x^\pm) = x^\mp$$

(Exercise: show that this defines
a Hopf algebra structure on
 $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{G}_m)$ dual to the group structure
on \mathbb{G}_m)

- First step: "Reconstruct the
coalgebra structure on $\mathcal{O}(G)$ "

\mathcal{C}, ω as above, $X \in Ob(\mathcal{C})$

- For $V \in Vect_k$, define

$$\underline{\text{Hom}}(V, X) := \underbrace{V \otimes X}_{(= X^n, \text{ if } V = k^n)} \in Ob(\mathcal{C})$$

general case similar)

Fact 1: $\exists!$ smallest subobject

$$P_x \subset \underline{\text{Hom}}(\omega(X), X)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \omega(P_x) \subset \text{Hom}(\omega(X), \omega(X))$$

contains $\text{id}_{\omega(X)}$

Fact 2: $A_x := \omega(P_x)$ is the

largest k -subalgebra of

$\text{End}(\omega(X))$ stabilizing

$\omega(Y)$, for all $Y \subset X^n$

- Let $\langle X \rangle \subset \mathcal{C}$ be the strictly
(closed under isomorphisms)
full subcategory, whose objects

are subquotients of X^n , $n \geq 0$

$$\langle X \rangle \xrightarrow{\omega|_{\langle X \rangle}} \text{Vect}_k$$

Forget

\dashv

$\hookrightarrow \text{Mod}_k(A_x)$

More precisely:

Lemma 1: For each $Y \in \langle X \rangle$,

the k -algebra A_x acts on

$\omega(Y)$ and ω defines
an equivalence of categories

$$\langle X \rangle \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Mod}_k(A_X)$$

$\omega|_{\langle X \rangle} \downarrow \text{Vect}_k \swarrow \text{forget}$

Moreover, $A_X = \text{End}(\omega|_{\langle X \rangle})$

(e.g. if $M \in \text{Mod}_k(A_X)$, then

$$P_X \otimes_{A_X} M := \text{coker}(P_X \otimes A_X \otimes M \xrightarrow{\cong} P_X \otimes M)$$

lies in $\langle X \rangle$, since P_X does

and $\omega(P_X \otimes_{A_X} M) \simeq M$, because

$$\omega(P_X) = A_X$$

\Rightarrow Essential Surjectivity)

- Define $B_X := A_X^\vee = \text{Hom}_k(A_X, k)$

k -coalgebra (OK since A_X
finite-dimensional)

- Have $\text{Mod}_k(A_X) \simeq \text{Comod}_k(B_X)$

$$(\text{Hom}(V \otimes A_X, V) \simeq \text{Hom}(V, V \otimes B_X))$$

gives the equivalence)

- $B_X, X \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ form a filtered diagram in k -coalgebras
 $(X, Y \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}), X' = X \oplus Y)$
and $B_X \longrightarrow B_{X'}$
 $B_Y \nearrow \nearrow \quad)$

Fact 3: $\mathcal{C} \simeq \text{Comod}_k(B)$

$$B := \varinjlim_{X \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})} B_X$$

Equivalence of categories defined

by w

- Key point: Each C -comodule V is a filtered colimit of its

finite-dimensional C -subcomodules

$$V_i \subset V$$

\Rightarrow first step

$v \in V, A(v) = \sum v_i \otimes c_i$
finitely many c_i, v_i
 $\Rightarrow V$ generated by
finite-dim.
 k -subcomodules

- Second step: "Reconstruct the algebra structure on $\mathcal{O}(G)$ "

Fact 4: There is a one-one corr.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B \otimes_k B \rightarrow B \\ \text{commutative} \\ k\text{-alg structure} \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{comodules} \rightarrow \text{comodules} \\ \text{functors, satisfying} \\ \text{associativity, comm.,} \\ \text{and unit constraints} \end{array} \right\}$$

- In our case, $\text{Comod}_B \cong \mathcal{C}$
has a tensor product ($\star_{\mathcal{U}}$)
 $\Rightarrow B$ is a commutative k -algebra
in fact a k -bialgebra

Fact 5: For each $R \in k\text{-alg}$,

$$\underline{\text{End}}(\omega)(R) \cong \text{Hom}_{k\text{-alg}}(B, R)$$

- Fact 5 $\Rightarrow B$ represents
 $\underline{\text{End}}(\omega) : k\text{-alg} \rightarrow \text{Monoids}$
 - Third step: B is a Hopf algebra
- Fact 6: $F, G : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}'$ tensor functors. $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}'$ tensor categories.
 If $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}'$ are rigid, then each natural transformation

$$\alpha : F \rightarrow G$$

is an isomorphism

- Fact 6 $\Rightarrow \underline{\text{End}}(\omega) = \underline{\text{Aut}}^\otimes(\omega)$
 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a Hopf-algebra
 \Rightarrow Theorem
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Non-neutral Tannakian categories

- R -h-algebra

$w: \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \text{Mod}_R$ fibre functor,

if w exact, faithful, tensorial

and $w(X) \in \text{Proj } R$, $\forall X \in \mathcal{C}$

Dfn: \mathcal{C} rigid abelian tensor cat.

\mathcal{C} , $\underline{\text{End}}(1\mathbb{L}) = k$, \mathcal{C} is Tannakian

if $\exists w: \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \text{Mod}_R$ fibre

functor, for some other k -alg.

- Main theorem of "non-neutral"

Tannakian theory :

$\mathcal{C} \simeq \text{Rep}_k(g)$, g certain
 (c.f. "Catégories Tannakiennes affines gerbe"
 P. Deligne")

