

## Braided Tensor Category $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, c, a)$

- $\mathcal{C}$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear category
- $\otimes: \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}$  is a bifunctor
- $a$ : assoc constraint satisfying pentagon axiom
- $c$ : commutativity constraint satisfying hexagon axioms

## Unit Object $(1, l_x: 1 \otimes X \xrightarrow{\sim} X, r_x: X \otimes 1 \xrightarrow{\sim} X)$

s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (X \otimes 1) \otimes Y & \xrightarrow{a_{X,1,Y}} & X \otimes (1 \otimes Y) \\ r_{X \otimes 1} \searrow & & \swarrow l_X \otimes l_Y \\ & X \otimes Y & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \otimes 1 & \xrightarrow{c_{X,1}} & 1 \otimes X \\ r_X \searrow & & \swarrow l_X \\ & X & \end{array}$$

A quasi bialgebra  $(A, \Delta, \varepsilon, \Phi)$  consists of

- (i) unital assoc alg  $A / \mathbb{C}$ .

$$(ii) \quad \Delta : A \longrightarrow A \otimes A$$

$$(iii) \quad \varepsilon : A \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$(iv) \quad \Phi \in A^{\otimes 3} \quad \text{invertible}$$

s.t.

$$(1) \quad (1 \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(a)) = \Phi \cdot (\Delta \otimes 1)(\Delta(a)) \cdot \Phi^{-1}$$

$$(2) \quad \varepsilon \otimes 1(\Delta(a)) = a = 1 \otimes \varepsilon(\Delta(a))$$

$$(3) \quad 1 \otimes \varepsilon \otimes 1(\Phi) = 1 \otimes 1$$

(4) Pentagon Axiom

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{(1 \otimes 1 \otimes \Delta)(\Phi)} \cdot \underbrace{(\Delta \otimes 1 \otimes 1)(\Phi)} \\ &= \underbrace{(1 \otimes \Phi)} \cdot \underbrace{(1 \otimes \Delta \otimes 1)(\Phi)} \cdot \underbrace{(\Phi \otimes 1)} \end{aligned}$$

in  $A^{\otimes 4}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 componentwise multiplication

$A$  : quasialgebra  $\rightsquigarrow \text{Rep}(A)$  is a tensor category.

For  $\text{Rep}(A)$  to be a Braided tensor category,  
 we need  $R \in A \otimes A$  invertible

• We want  $C_{xy} = (12) \cdot R_{x,y}$

Definition A quasi-triangular quasi-bialgebra

$(A, \Delta, \epsilon, R, \Phi)$  is the data of

- (i) Quasi-bialgebra
- (ii)  $R \in A \otimes A$  invertible (called R-matrix)

s.t.

$$(1) \quad \Delta^{\text{op}}(a) = R \cdot \Delta(a) \cdot R^{-1}$$

$$V \otimes W \xrightarrow{(12) \cdot R_{V,W}} W \otimes V$$

is  $A$ -linear

$$R \in A \otimes A \xrightarrow{R_{V,W}} \text{End}(V \otimes W)$$

s.t.

$$(12) \cdot R \cdot \Delta(a) = \Delta(a) (12) R$$

$$R \Delta(a) R^{-1} = \Delta^{\text{op}}(a)$$

(2) Hexagon Axiom / Cabling identities

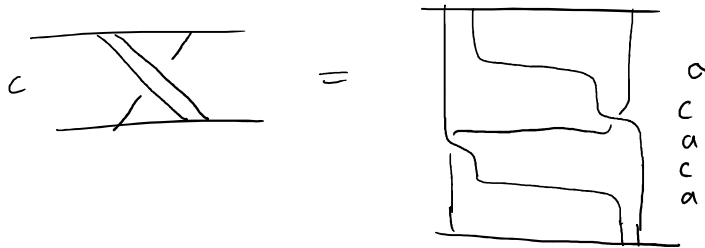
$$\Delta \otimes 1(R) = \Phi_{312} R_{13} \Phi_{132} R_{23} \Phi_{123}$$

in  $A^{\otimes 3}$

$$\Delta \otimes 1(R) = \bigoplus_{s12} R_{13} \bigoplus_{132} R_{23} \bigoplus_{123} = 1 \otimes R$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= \sum_k a_k \otimes b_k \otimes c_k \rightsquigarrow \Phi_{312} = \sum b_k \otimes c_k \otimes a_k \\ &\quad \parallel \\ &\Phi_{123} \qquad \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{132} = \sum a_k \otimes c_k \otimes b_k \end{aligned}$$

$$R = \sum \alpha_k \otimes \beta_k \rightsquigarrow R_{13} = \sum \alpha_k \otimes 1 \otimes \beta_k$$



$$\begin{aligned} \cancel{(1\ 2\ 3)} \Delta \otimes 1(R) &= \underbrace{\Phi_{123}^{(1\ 2)}}_{\downarrow} R_{12} \underbrace{\Phi_{123}^{-1}}_{\uparrow} R_{23} \Phi_{123} \\ &= (1\ 2) \Phi_{213} R_{12} \Phi_{123}^{-1} \underbrace{(2\ 3) R_{23} \Phi_{123}}_{\downarrow} \\ &= \cancel{(1\ 2)(2\ 3)} \Phi_{312} R_{13} \Phi_{132}^{-1} R_{23} \Phi_{123} \end{aligned}$$

$$1 \otimes \Delta(R) = \underset{231}{\Phi}^{-1} R_{13} \underset{213}{\Phi} R_{12} \underset{123}{\Phi}^{-1}$$

$$(3) \quad \epsilon \otimes 1(R) = 1 \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes \epsilon(R).$$

If  $R^{-1} = R_{21}$ , then triangular.

$(A, \Delta, \epsilon, R, \Phi) \rightsquigarrow \text{Rep } A$  is a braided tensor category  
q-t-q-b

bialgebra  $\rightsquigarrow$  Hopf algebra needs duals!

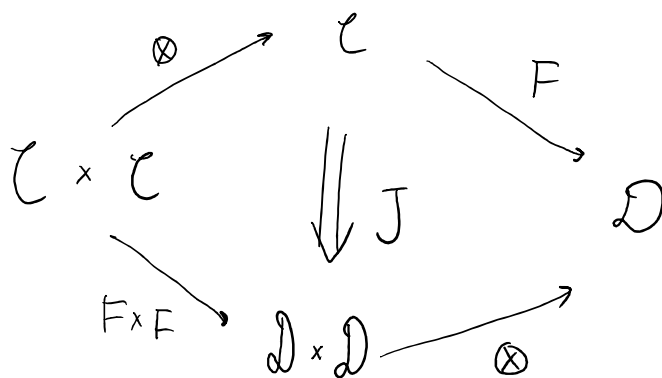
Let  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}$  be two tensor categories

Let  $F: \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}$  be an additive functor.

A tensor structure on  $F$ , denoted by  $J$ ,  
is natural iso-s

$$F(X \otimes Y) \xrightarrow{J_{X,Y}} F(X) \otimes F(Y)$$

$\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ , natural in  $X$  &  $Y$ .



s.t. the following diagram commutes (twist / cycle eqn)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F((X \otimes Y) \otimes Z) & \xrightarrow{F(a_{X,Y,Z}^e)} & F(X \otimes (Y \otimes Z)) \\
 \downarrow J_{X \otimes Y, Z} & & \downarrow J \\
 F(X \otimes Y) \otimes F(Z) & \curvearrowright & F(X) \otimes F(Y \otimes Z) \\
 \downarrow J \otimes \text{Id} & & \downarrow \text{Id} \otimes J \\
 (F(X) \otimes F(Y)) \otimes F(Z) & \xrightarrow{a_{F(X), F(Y), F(Z)}^p} & F(X) \otimes (F(Y) \otimes F(Z))
 \end{array}$$

If  $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}$  are also braided, we say

$J$  is compatible w/ braidings if

$$F(X \otimes Y) \xrightarrow{F(c_{X,Y}^e)} F(Y \otimes X)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F(x \otimes y) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & F(y \otimes x) \\
 \downarrow J_{xy} & \curvearrowright & \downarrow J_{yx} \\
 F(x) \otimes F(y) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & F(y) \otimes F(x) \\
 & \mathcal{C}_{F(x), F(y)}^D &
 \end{array}$$

## Twisting a Quasi-bialgebra

$$(A, \Delta, \varepsilon, \Phi) \quad J \in A \otimes A \text{ invertible}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  a new quasi-bialgebra  $(A, \Delta_J, \varepsilon, \Phi_J)$

$$\forall x \in A \quad \Delta_J(x) := J \cdot \Delta(x) \cdot J^{-1}$$

$$\text{Axiom} \quad \varepsilon \otimes (J) = 1 = 1 \otimes \varepsilon(J)$$

$$\boxed{\Phi_J = (1 \otimes J) \cdot (1 \otimes \Delta(J)) \cdot \Phi \cdot (\Delta \otimes 1(J))^{-1} (J \otimes 1)^{-1}}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad (A, \Delta_J, \varepsilon, \Phi_J) \text{ is a quasi-bialgebra}$$

"Trivializing an Associator"

Given  $\Phi$ , find  $J$  s.t.  $\Phi_J = 1^{\otimes 3}$ .

$$(A, \Delta, \varepsilon, R, \Phi) \rightsquigarrow (A, \Delta_J, \varepsilon, R_J, \Phi_J)$$

$$\parallel$$

$$J_{21} R J^{-1}$$

twist of a q-t-q-b  
by  $J$

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$$(\text{Rep } A, \otimes, a) \xrightarrow{\text{Id}} (\text{Rep } A, \otimes_J, a_J)$$

$J$  is a tensor structure on  
the identity functor.

Ex  $(\text{Rep } g, \otimes, c = (12), a = 1)$

$$g \subset V \otimes W \text{ by } x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V \otimes W & \longrightarrow & W \otimes V \\ v \otimes w & \longmapsto & w \otimes v \end{array} \text{ is } g\text{-intertwiner}$$

$$(V_1 \otimes V_2) \otimes V_3 \xrightarrow{\sim} V_1 \otimes (V_2 \otimes V_3)$$



natural id  
of vector sp

Ex  $\alpha : \text{Lie algebra} / \mathbb{C}$

$\mathcal{U}(\alpha)$  - unital assoc alg /  $\mathbb{C}$

$$\text{Rep}(\alpha) = \text{Rep}(\mathcal{U}(\alpha))$$

(eg  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{sl}_2) = \frac{\mathbb{C} \langle e, f, h \rangle}{\substack{\text{2-sided ideal} \\ \text{gen by } \begin{aligned} &he - eh - 2e \\ &hf - fh - (-2f) \\ &ef - fe - h \end{aligned}}} \right)$

$h, e, f,$   
 $[h, e] = 2e$   
 $[h, f] = -2f$   
 $[e, f] = h$

$$\mathcal{U}(\alpha) = \frac{\text{free assoc. algebra gen by } \alpha}{x \cdot y - y \cdot x - [x, y]}$$

$\mathcal{U}(\alpha)$  is a  $\eta$ -t- $\eta$ -b / co-comm bialg

$$\begin{cases} \Delta(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x & \forall x \in \alpha \\ \varepsilon(x) = 0 \\ \bar{\Phi} = 1^{\otimes 3} \end{cases} \quad R = 1^{\otimes 2}$$

$$I = 1$$

$$R = 1^{\otimes 2}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \text{quadratic } (\cdot, \cdot) \quad \Omega \in \mathcal{G} \otimes \mathcal{G}$$

Then

$$(\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{G}), \Delta, \varepsilon, R_{KZ}, \Phi_{KZ}) \text{ is also a q-t-q-b.}$$

$\parallel$   
 $e^{\pi i \mathcal{X} \Omega}$

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$$(\mathcal{U}_{\hbar}(\mathcal{G}), \Delta_{\hbar}, \varepsilon, R_{\hbar}, 1^{\otimes 3}) \text{ is another example.}$$

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