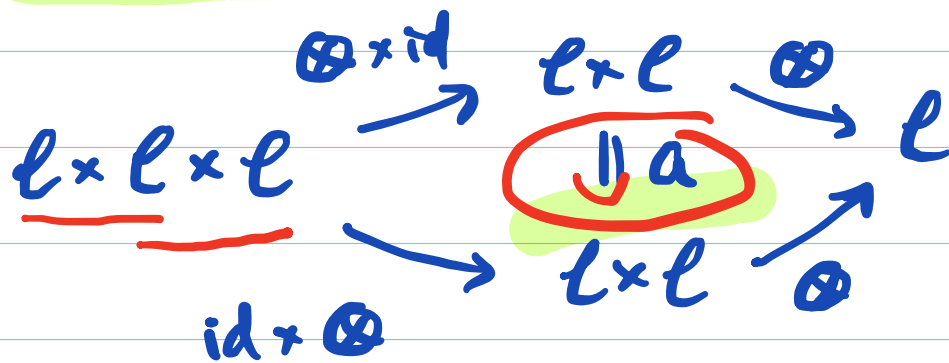


Modular Tensor Categories and invariants

of 3-manifolds

# Tensor categories

- How  $(V, W)$  -  $\mathbb{C}$  vector spaces ( $\mathbb{C}$ -linear additive)
- $\otimes : \mathcal{L} \times \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ ,  $(V, W) \mapsto V \otimes W$   
functor of the tensor product



$\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{C}}$

$(V \otimes W) \otimes U$   
 $(V \otimes (W \otimes U))$

$\alpha$  - isomorphism of functors, it satisfies the pentagon axiom and gives a system of functorial isomorphisms

$$a = \{a_{v,u,w}\}$$

$$a_{v,u,w} : (v \otimes u) \otimes w \rightarrow v \otimes (u \otimes w)$$

$$\underbrace{((v_1 \otimes v_2) \otimes v_3) \otimes v_4} \xrightarrow{a} (v_1 \otimes (v_2 \otimes v_3)) \otimes v_4$$

$$\downarrow a$$
$$(v_1 \otimes v_2) \otimes (v_3 \otimes v_4)$$

$$\downarrow a$$
$$v_1 \otimes ((v_2 \otimes v_3) \otimes v_4)$$

$$\textcircled{!} \xrightarrow{a} v_1 \otimes (v_2 \otimes (v_3 \otimes v_4))$$

guarantees that

$$(A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_n)_B \cong (A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_n)_{B'}$$

by compositions of  $a$ 's.

assoc. + 5-gen

- An identity object  $\underline{1} \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$

$$\underline{1} \otimes V \cong V \otimes \underline{1} \cong V$$

- commutativity constraint

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & \mathcal{C} \\
 \downarrow c & \parallel & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\otimes \circ p} & \mathcal{C}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \sigma: V \otimes W & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & W \otimes V \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 W \otimes V & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & V \otimes W
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (V, W) & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & V \otimes W \quad a, \tau, \Delta \\
 (V, W) & \xrightarrow{\otimes'} & W \otimes V \quad \dots
 \end{array}$$

compatibility with  $a$  for  $\otimes$  is guaranteed

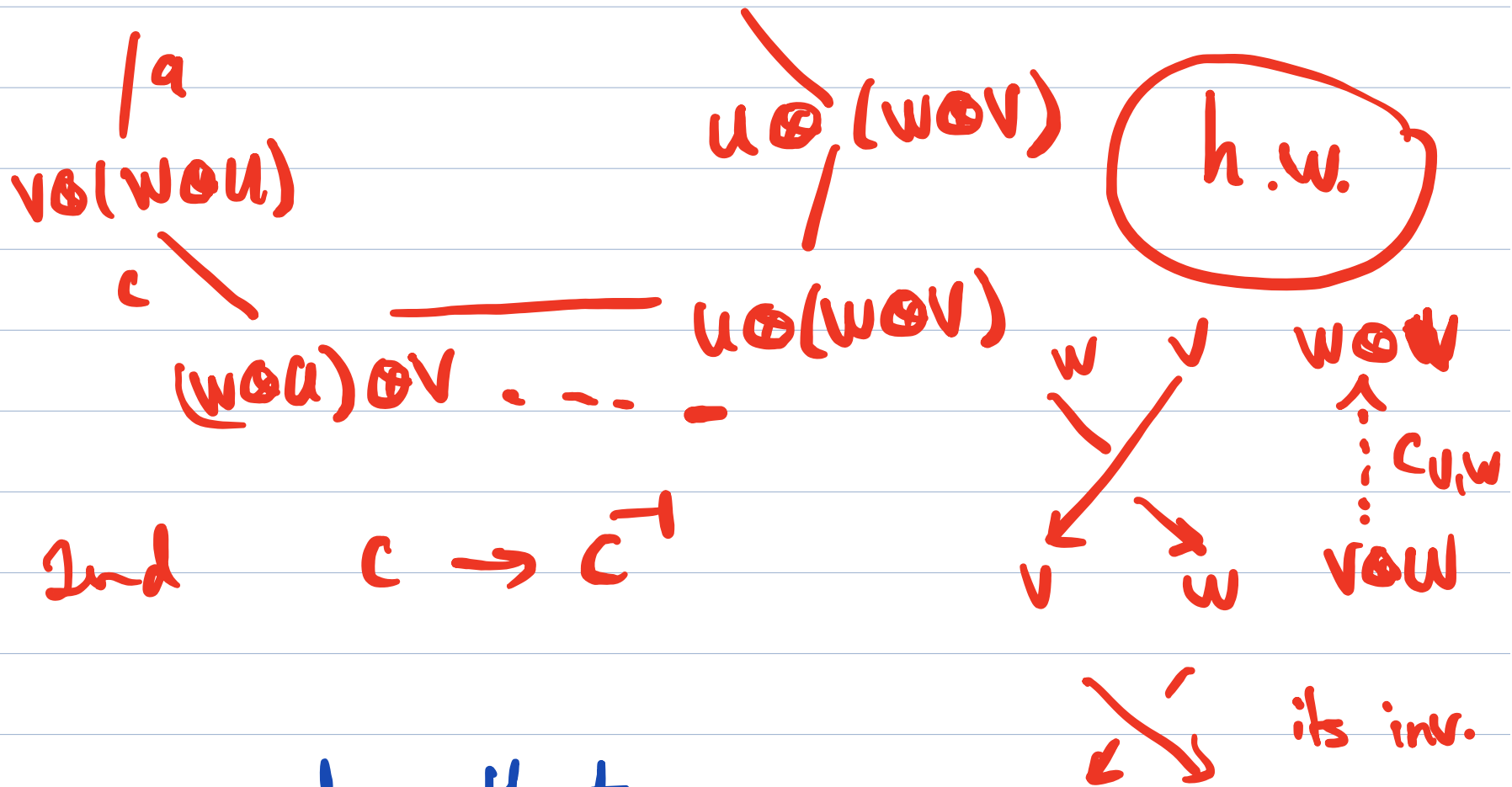
by two hexagon axioms.

comm. constraint

$c = \{c_{V,W}\}$  is a system of functorial isomorphisms

$$c_{V,W}: V \otimes W \xrightarrow{\cong} W \otimes V \quad \text{hexagon axioms:}$$

$$(v \otimes w) \otimes u \xrightarrow{\text{coid}} (w \otimes v) \otimes u$$

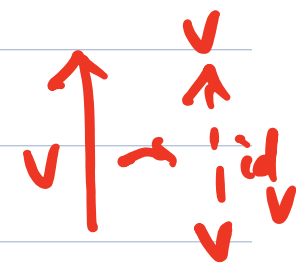


Ind  $C \rightarrow C^{-1}$

They guarantee that

$$(A_{\sigma_1} \otimes \dots \otimes A_{\sigma_n})_{\underline{B}} \cong (A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_n)_{\underline{B}'}$$

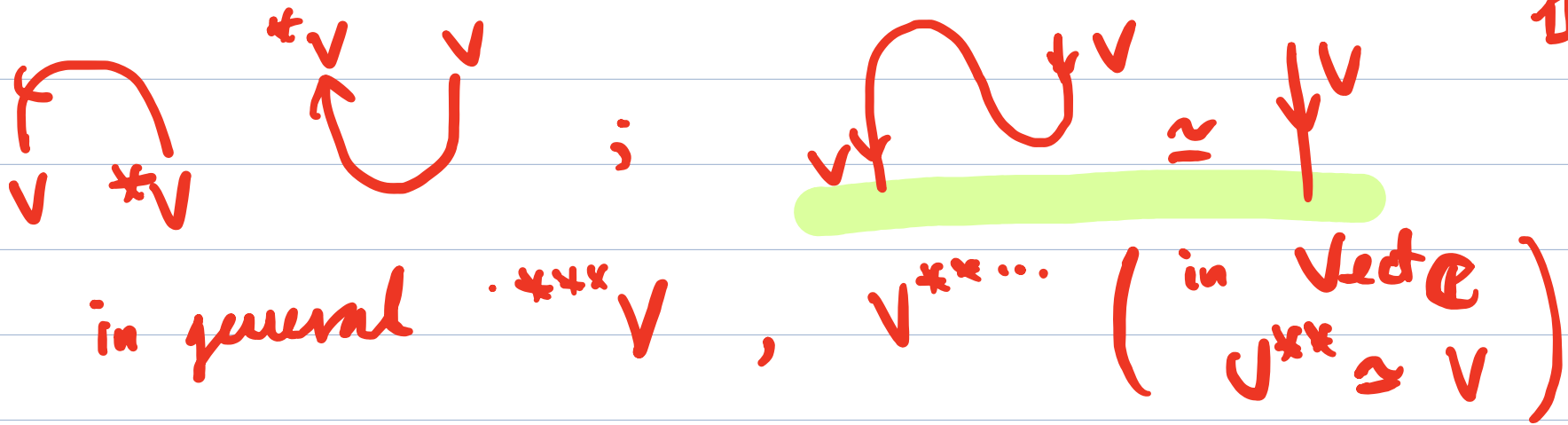
for any  $\sigma \in S_n$  and brackets  $B, B'$



• A right dual to  $V = (ev_V, \eta_V, V^*)$

$ev_V: V^* \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$ ,  $\eta_V: \mathbb{1} \rightarrow V \otimes V^*$

Similarly a left dual  ${}^*V$



## Ribbon categories

A tensor category is ribbon if  $\exists \nu: \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}} \rightarrow$

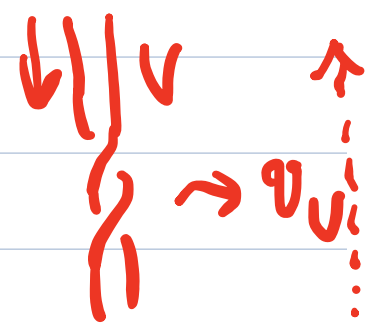
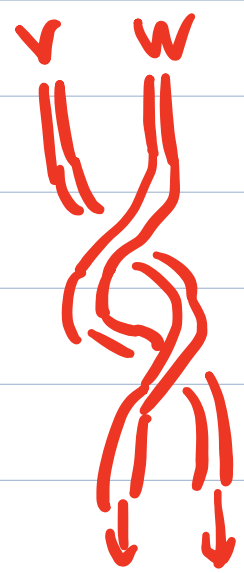
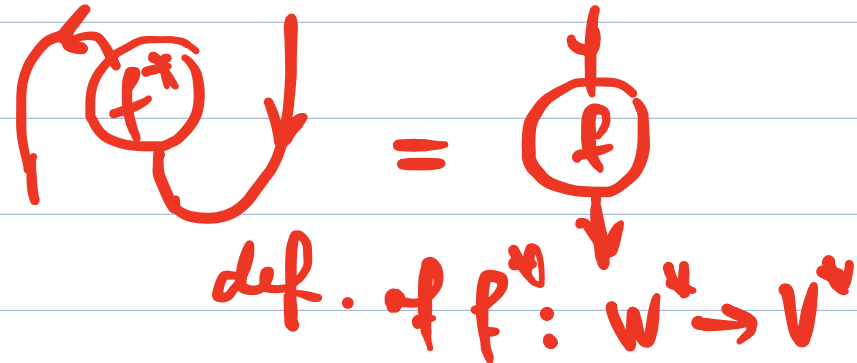
i.e.  $\nu = \{ \nu_V: V \rightarrow V \text{ functorial} \}$  s.t.

$$\nu \circ \nu_{\mathbb{1}} = \text{id}_{\mathbb{1}}$$

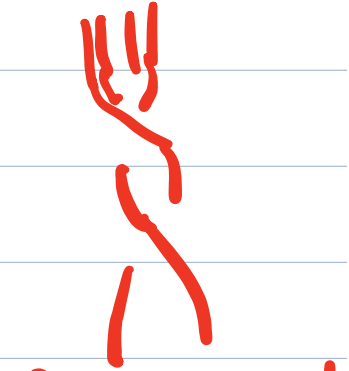
$$v \cdot \nu_{V \otimes W} = (\nu_V \otimes \nu_W) c_{VW}^{-1} c_{WV}^{-1}$$

$$v \cdot \nu_V^* = \nu_V^*$$

$\uparrow$   $f: V \rightarrow W$



$=$



full twist of framing

Example:  $\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{C}}$ , assume for each  $V, W \in \text{Vect-spaces}$

$\exists R^{VW}; V \otimes W \rightarrow W \otimes V$  s.t.  $R_{12}^{VW} R_{13}^{VU} R_{23}^{WU} = \text{opp. product}$

and  $R$  is invertible  $\&$   $(R^{V,W})^{\text{id} \otimes *}$  is also invertible  $(M: \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathbb{C}^m \ni, M^t, M^{t_2}, M^{t_2}, M^t = M^{t_1 t_2})$

$M$  is invertible,  $M^{tz}$  also invertible.)

Then  $(\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{C}}, R)$  is a tensor category

with  $C_{VW} = P^{VW} R^{VW}$ ,  $P^{VW}(\tau \otimes w) = w \otimes \tau$

Ribbon structure  $\Leftarrow$  assume certain  $\sqrt{\dots}$   
can be consistently taken.  
(R. 1989) (Algebra & Analysis)

Examples:  $H$ -Hopf algebras,  $H$ -mod is  
always a tensor category. (no comm. constr.)

if  $R \in H \otimes H \rightarrow$  s.t.  $\Delta^{\text{op}}(a) = R \Delta(a) R^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow (\Delta \otimes \text{id})(R) = R_{13} R_{23}$ ,  $(\text{id} \otimes \Delta)R = R_{13} R_{12}$   
 $\Rightarrow H\text{-mod}$  is a tensor cat.  $R^{VW} = (\eta^V \otimes \eta^W)(R)$ .



?  $(H, R \in H \otimes H)$

Drinfeld double:  $H$  - any (f.d.) Hopf algebra,  $\mathcal{D}(H) = H \otimes H^{\text{cop}}$

sol.  $R^{\mathcal{D}} = \sum e_i \otimes e^i \hookrightarrow H \otimes H^{\text{cop}} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D} \otimes \mathcal{D}$

satisfies (above)

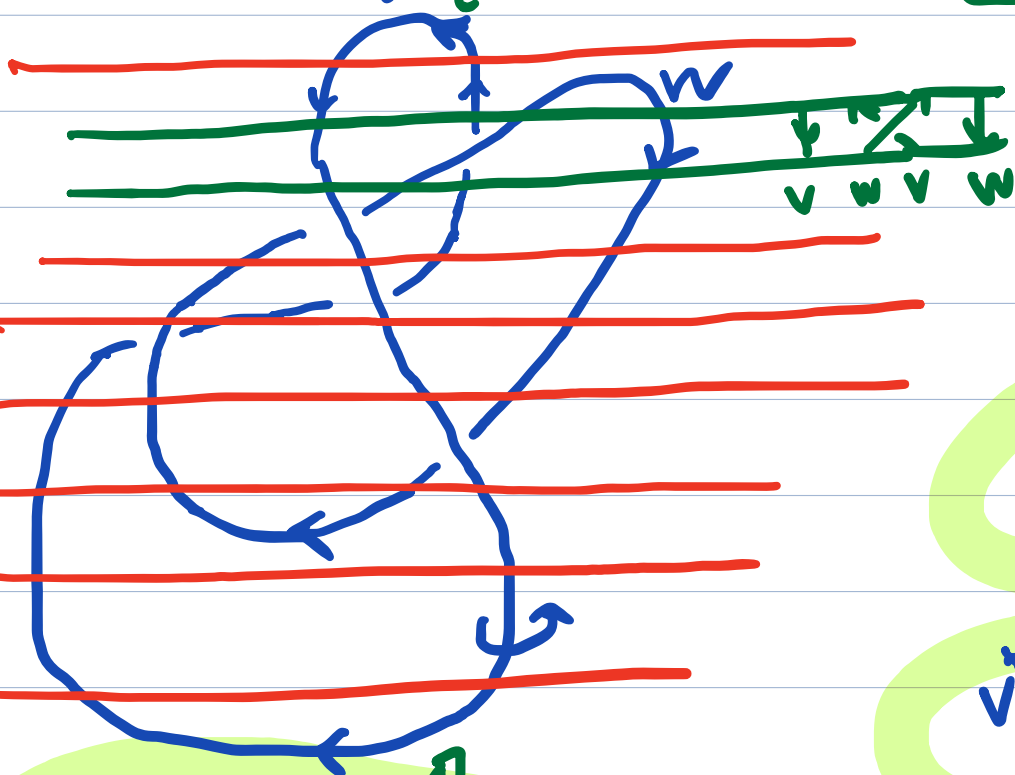
" $a = \text{id}$ "

$U_q(\mathfrak{g}), \dots$

(quasi-Hopf alg.  $a \neq \text{id}$ )

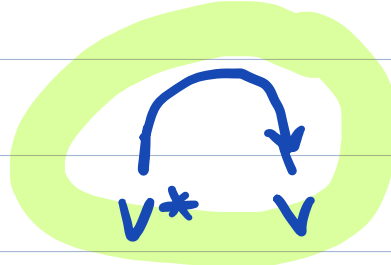
# Invariants of framed links from ribbon categories

$\Downarrow$  diagram

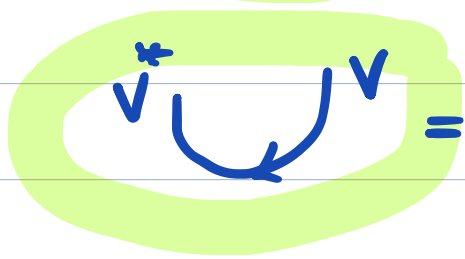


$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{L}(S') & \xrightarrow{\text{links } \subset \mathbb{R}^3} & \mathbb{R}^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \\
 & & \text{diagrams} \\
 & \begin{array}{ccc} v & u & w \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \uparrow \end{array} & \rightarrow & \text{id}_{v \otimes u \otimes w}
 \end{array}$$

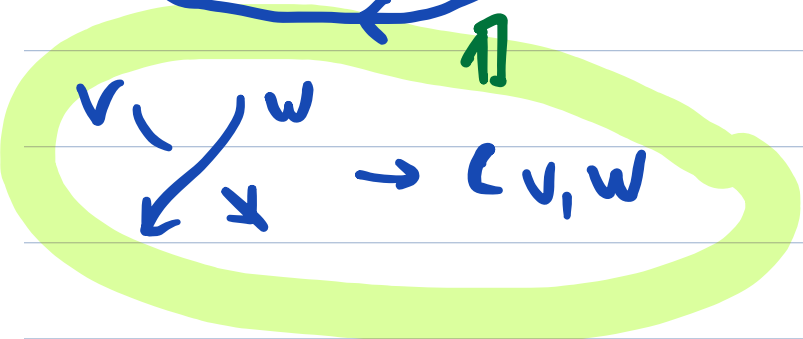
assume  $a_{v,u,w} = \text{id}_{v \otimes u \otimes w}$



$$\rightarrow \text{ev}_V : V^* \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &\rightarrow \mathbb{1} \xrightarrow{\cong} V \otimes V^* \xrightarrow{\cong} V^* \otimes V \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \nu} \\
 &\rightarrow V^* \otimes V
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\rightarrow c_{v,w}$$

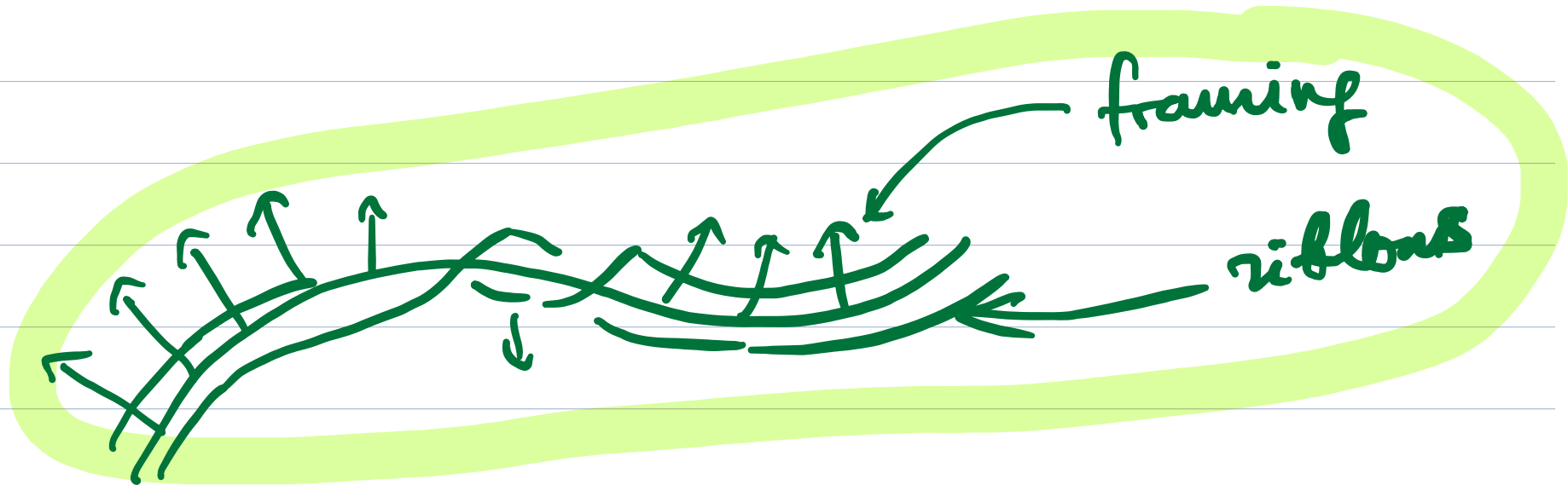
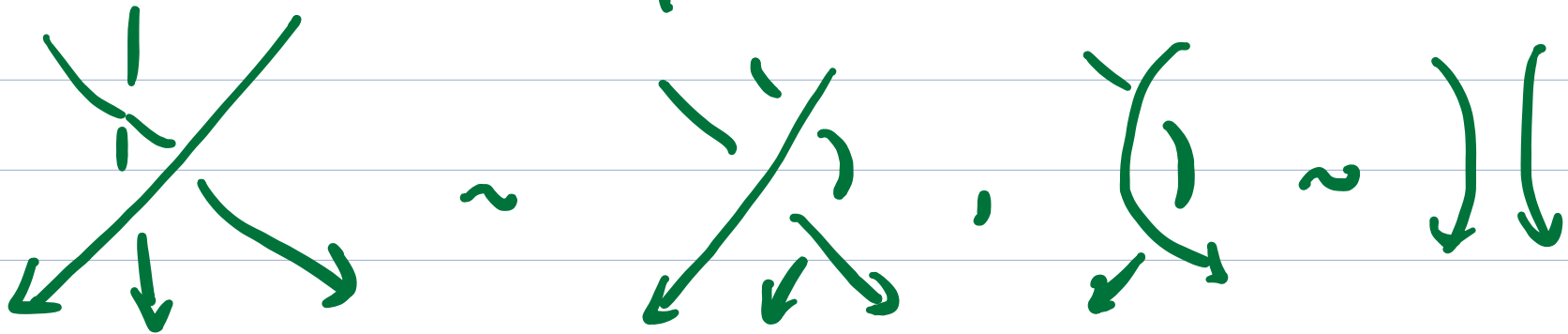
Redemeister thm.

framed

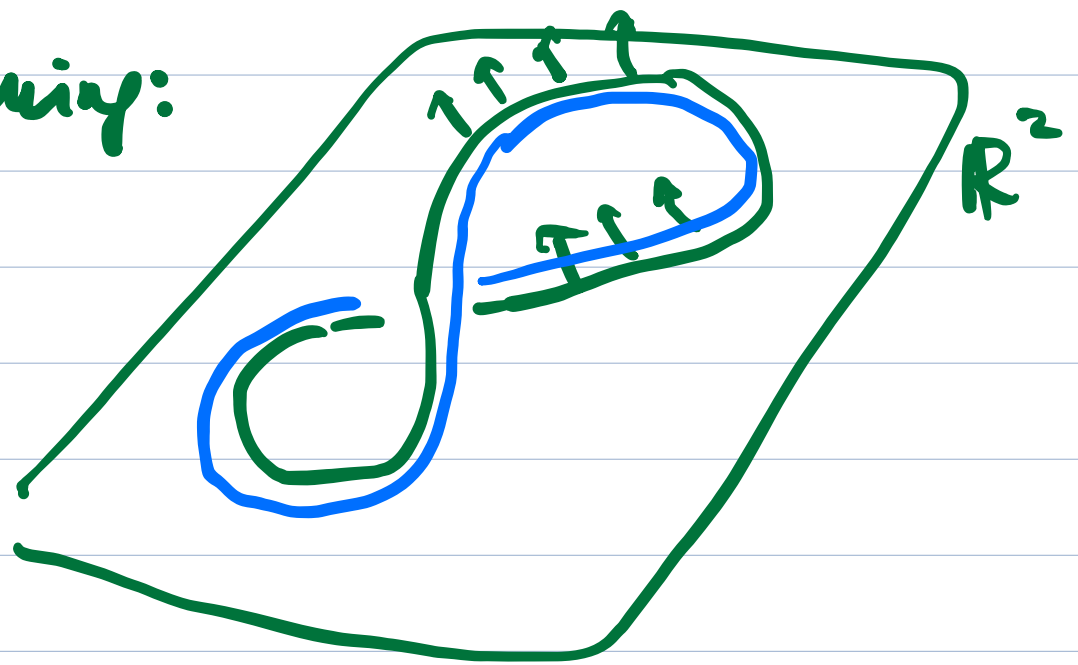
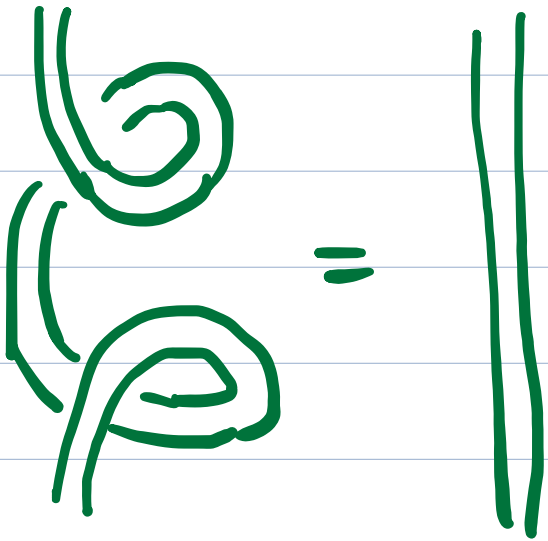
$$D_L \xrightarrow{\quad} D'_L$$

a sequence of Red. moves

moves for diagrams with black framing



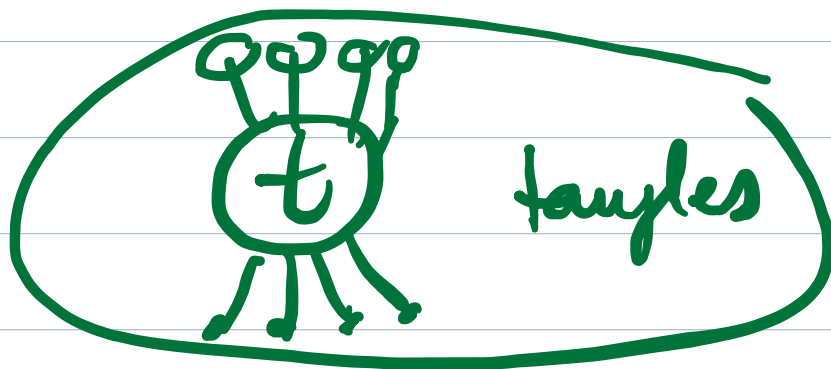
Blackboard framing:



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(Turaev, book)

(Turaev, R. 1999)  
(inv. of tangles)



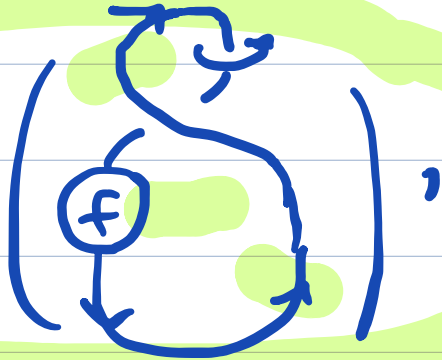
Redeemist  
invariant

The composition of such elem. morphisms

Gives  $\text{inv}(L^{v_1, \dots, v_k}) : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$ , i.e.  $\text{inv}(L) \in \mathbb{C} \stackrel{=}{=} \text{End}(\mathbb{1})$

$$\text{Tr}(f) : \mathbb{1} \xrightarrow{\eta} V \otimes V^* \xrightarrow{\text{f} \circ \text{id}} V \otimes V^* \xrightarrow{\zeta} V^* \otimes V \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes \nu} V^* \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$$

$$\text{Tr}(f) = \text{inv}$$



invariant of links colored by objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

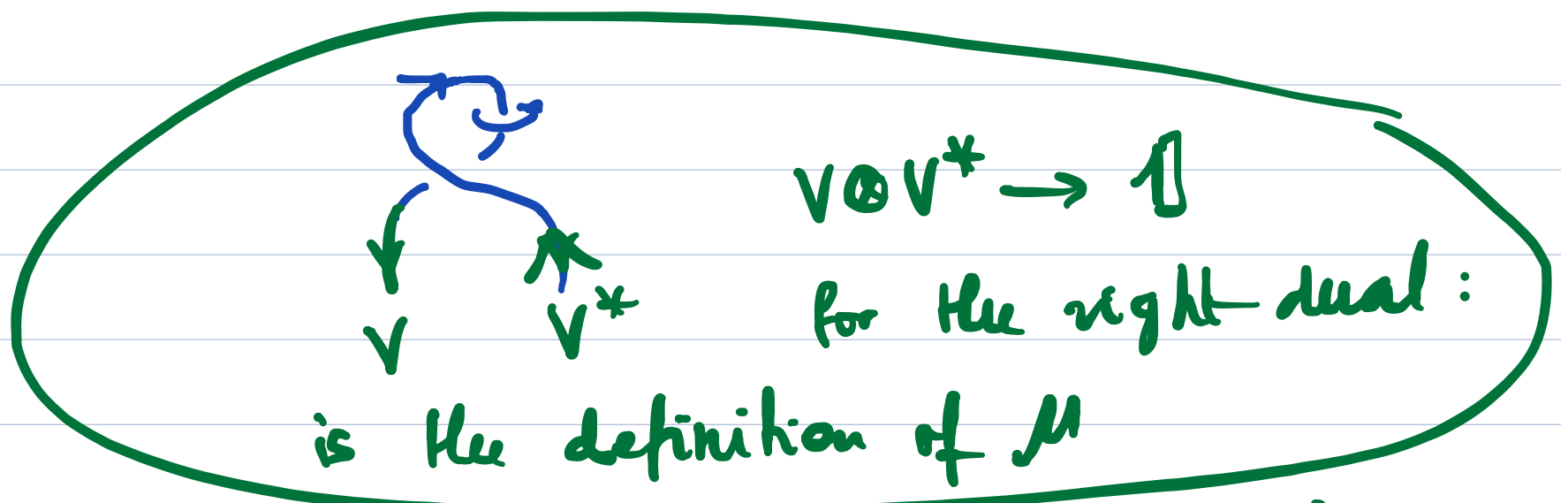
Similarly, invariants of tangles.

$$V^{**} \cong V, \quad \sigma_V : V \cong V$$

$\sigma$  can be used to construct  $\mu_V : V^{**} \cong V$

$$\mu_{V \otimes W} = \mu_V \otimes \mu_W, \quad \text{dim}_\mathbb{C}(V) = \text{Tr}_V(\text{id}_V)$$

$$\text{Tr}_{V \otimes W}(f \otimes g) = \text{Tr}_V(f) \text{Tr}_W(g)$$



Drinfeld 1989 (A & A) (on central elem.) ↙  
 $R_i \xrightarrow{\quad} (\text{explain how to } V \cong V^{**}) \curvearrowright$

## Modular tensor categories

all our categories are Abelian /  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Assume that  $\mathcal{C}$  - semisimple tensor category

with finitely many simple objects  $V_i / \mathbb{C}$

•  $\text{Hom}(V_i, V_j) = \delta_{ij} \cdot 1\text{-dim}$ ,

~~finite~~ <sup>punctured manifold</sup>

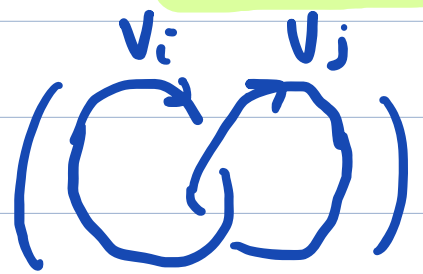
and any  $V \cong \bigoplus_i V_i^{\oplus n_i}$  (finite sum) (Gukov)

(Kruskal, ...) 2020?

Definition A ribbon tensor category is modular

if (MTC)

$S_{ij} = \text{Tr}_{V_i \otimes V_j} (C_{V_i, V_j} C_{V_j, V_i}) = \text{inv}$



$S, T_{ij} = \delta_{ij} V_i$  is nondegenerate

$\leftarrow \text{sl}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{\#(\text{simple objects})}$  (Moore-Siberg) (1990?) CFT



An example:  $q = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k}}$ . The category  $\mathcal{L}_q$

Simple objects  $V_0 = \mathbb{1}, V_1, \dots, V_{k-1}$   $0, 1, \dots, k-1$   $\mathbb{Z}_k$

•  $V_i \otimes V_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} V_{i+j \text{ mod } k}$

• braiding  $V_i \otimes V_j \xrightarrow{S} V_j \otimes V_i$   
 $\Downarrow$   
 $V_{i+j}(\kappa) \rightarrow V_{i+j}(\kappa)$ ,  $e^{\frac{i\pi}{\kappa} ij}$   $\sqrt{-1}$   
 $C_{ij}$   $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{ } \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right\} \text{not}$

•  $V_i^* = V_{-i}(\kappa)$ ,  $V_i^{**} = V_i$

•  $S_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{\kappa} ij\right)$ ,  $(S^{-1})_{ij} = \frac{1}{\kappa} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{\kappa} ij}$

discrete Fourier transform.





## Kirby calculus

Let  $L \subset S^3$ ,  $L = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^e L_i$

- Remove a tubular nbd along each component of  $L$ . The result is a 3d manifold with the boundary  $T_1 \cup \dots \cup T_e$
- Glue solid tori back to  $T_i$ 's twisting by a diffeomorphism each component.

This is a Dehn surgery.

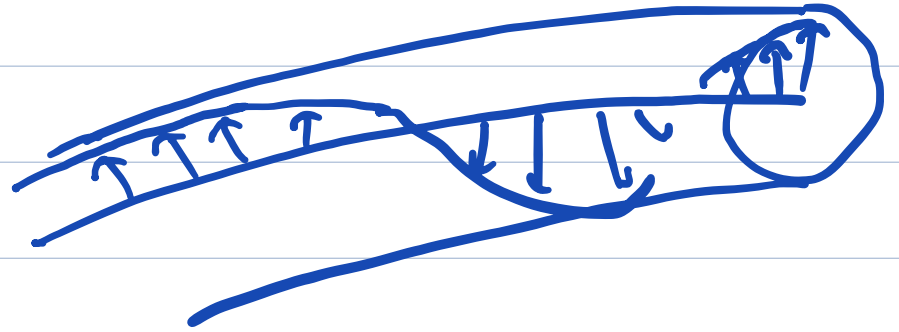
In particular:

- choose a framing on  $L$



• Framing defines a curve on each  $T_i$

It defines the gluing diffeomorphism.



Thm (Lickorish-Wallace, 1960's) Any closed oriented 3d manifold can be obtained by a surgery along a framed link  $L \subset S^3$ .

It follows from V.A. Rokhlin (1951) thm that each closed oriented 3-manifold bounds a compact oriented 4-Ball.

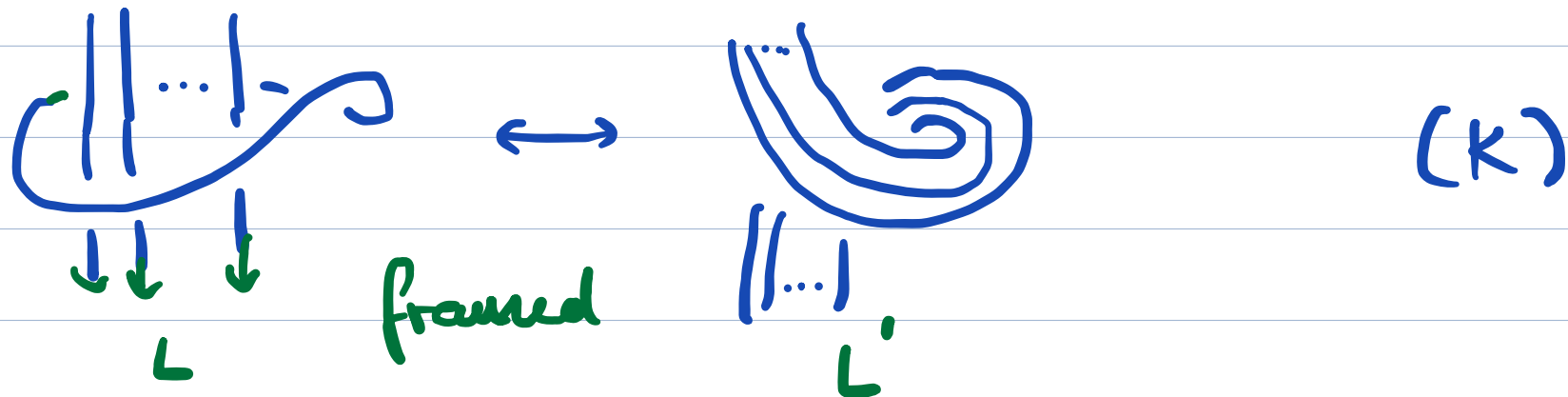
Thm (Kirby 1978 (Fenn, Rourke 1979)) Let  $M_L$

← Kirby calculus.

and  $M_L$  be two manifolds obtained by a surgery along  $L$  and  $L'$  on  $S^3$  respectively.

$M_L \cong M_{L'}$  if and only if  $L$  and  $L'$

are related by a sequence of moves



Corollary. If  $I_L$  is an invariant of links in  $S^3$  that satisfied (K), then it is an invariant of 3-manifolds (links are not oriented).

Remark. This is a nonlocal construction of 3-manifolds.



Local: A triangulation (Turaev-Viro, 199?)

M-closed.

$$TV(M) = |RT(M)|^2.$$

### Invariants of closed 3-manifolds

We want to construct invariants of 3-manifolds using Kirby calculus.

closed mfd's

Thm (R. - Turaev, MSRT-preprint 1989, 1991)

$$\tau(L^{v_1 \dots v_n} \subset M_{L'}) = D^{-|L'|} \begin{pmatrix} p_+ \\ p_- \end{pmatrix} \sigma(L')$$

$L_{\text{total}} = L \cup L' \leftarrow \text{surjery}$   
 $\sigma(L')$  signature of the link matrix of  $L'$   
 TQFT

$$\sum_{\substack{i_1 \dots i_{\ell'} \\ \text{all simple}}} d_{i_1} \dots d_{i_{\ell'}} \text{inv} \left( L^{v_1 \dots v_{\ell'}} \sqcup L^{v_{i_1} \dots v_{i_{\ell'}}} \right)$$

invariant of colored link in  $S^3$

$|L'| = \# \text{ conn. comp. of } L' = \ell'$  ;  $L, L'$  are framed

$$\sigma(L') = \text{sign lk}(L')$$

D - funct  
dim of  $\mathcal{L}$ .

$$d_i = \text{inv} \left( \bigcirc_{v_i} \right)$$

$$D = \sqrt{\sum_i d_i^2}$$

$$P_{\pm} = \sum_i d_i N_i^{\pm 1}$$

"  $\bigoplus_i V_i$  "  
space where  
all irreps  
appear ones.

Gelfand "model spaces"  
 $C(G/B)$ .

$$d_i = \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(V_i)$$

$$D^2 = \sum_i d_i^2$$

$$D^2 = \dim(\mathbb{C}[G])$$

$G$  - finite group

$$\mathcal{L} = \underline{G\text{-mod}}$$

invariant with respect to  $K$ -moves.

$$V_0, \dots, V_{k-1}, \quad \underline{\underline{L_q}} \quad \tau^{ij}, \quad q = e^{\frac{\pi\sqrt{-1}}{k}}, \quad \textcircled{U(1)}$$

$$v_i = q^{i^2}, \quad P_{\pm} = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} q^{\pm i^2}, \quad D = k,$$

$$\text{inv} = \frac{1}{k} \begin{pmatrix} L' \\ P_+ \\ P_- \end{pmatrix} \sigma(L') \sum_{i_1 \dots i_{k'}} q^{(i_1 \dots i_{k'}) (\hat{L}') \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ \vdots \\ i_{k'} \end{pmatrix}} =$$

$\textcircled{\text{no } L'}$

$k \rightarrow \infty$ , "semiclassical limit"

Witten, 1989,  $\int_{SU(2)} e^{ikCS(A)} \mathcal{D}A = \sum_{\alpha} \tau(\Lambda_{\alpha}) e^{\frac{1}{2} ikCS(\Lambda_{\alpha})}$   
 $\mathcal{V}_{\alpha}[A_0] = \text{Flat. conn/Gauge} \rightarrow \alpha \quad (1 + \dots \text{Fed})$

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How to see this from the comb. side?

$U_q$ -inv  $\rightsquigarrow$  U(1) Chern-Simons.  
path int-pert. side.

Mattes, Polyak. R. 1991... ?

Axelrod-Singer!

comb. constr.  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$   
of inv. of links  
with flat conn.  
in the complement.

perturb. finite type inv.  
of 3-manifolds

$(LM, [A_0])$

$q = e^{\frac{i\pi}{k}}$

$U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$

$M = S^3 \supset L$  this  
is the exp. of

Specializations to a root of 1.

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$



## Relations (Lusztig, 1989) in $U_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$

$$E^{(n)} E^{(m)} = \begin{bmatrix} n+m \\ m \end{bmatrix} E^{(n+m)}, \quad \begin{cases} E^{(n)}, F^{(n)} \\ \text{generators} \end{cases}$$

$$F^{(n)} F^{(m)} = \begin{bmatrix} n+m \\ m \end{bmatrix} F^{(n+m)},$$

$$E^{(p)} E^{(r)} = \sum_{0 \leq t \leq \min(p,r)} F^{(r-t)} \begin{bmatrix} K; 2t-p-r \\ t \end{bmatrix} E^{(p-t)}, \quad p, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$$

Corollary: For  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} K; c \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \prod_{s=1}^t \frac{K v^{c-s+1} - K^{-1} v^{-c+s-1}}{v^s - v^{-s}} \in U_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$$

Claim:  $U_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is a Hopf subalgebra.

- $R^{V,W} : V \otimes W \rightarrow V \otimes W$ .

- $R^{V,W} \cdot (\pi^V \otimes \pi^W) (\Delta(a)) = (\pi^V \otimes \pi^W) (\Delta^{op}(a)) \cdot R^{V,W}$

- $R^{V \otimes W, U} = R_{23}^{W,U} R_{13}^{V,U}$

$$R^{V, W \otimes U} = R_{1,2}^{V,W} R_{13}^{V,U}$$

(ii) Lusztig's integral form (with divided powers)

$$A = \mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$$

Definition:  $U_A(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \subset U_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is the unital  $A$ -subalgebra

generated by

$$E^{(n)} = \frac{E^n}{[n]!}, \quad F^{(n)} = \frac{F^n}{[n]!}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$$

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(b)  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is generated by  $E, E^{(l)}, F, F^{(l)}$   
 $K, K^{-1}$ .

(c)  $K^{2l} = 1$ ,  $K^l$  is central

(d)  $u_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \subset U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ ,  $K^{\pm 1}, E, F$  is a Hopf subalgebra

$U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ -mod  $\supset$  Proj modules, tensor ideal

Thm.

$U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ -mod / Projectives

is a modular tensor category

Conjecture: corresponding invariants of 3-manifolds  
when  $q = e^{\frac{i\pi}{K}}$   $\xrightarrow{K \rightarrow \infty}$  semiclassical CS series

- confirmed in cases with only isolated flat connection
- otherwise it is a problem on the semiclassical side.

Fact: Chen, Yang 2015 when  $q = e^{\frac{i\pi}{K} m}$   
 $m \neq 1$  this is not true

instead  $\tau_M \rightarrow e^{K \text{vol}(M)} \dots$ ,  $K \rightarrow \infty$