

# CONSTRUCTING NONSEMISIMPLE MODULAR TENSOR CATEGORIES (VIA RELATIVE CENTERS)

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## OUTLINE

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I. MODULAR TENSOR CATEGORIES  
(DEFINITION & WHY CARE?)

II. FOUNDATIONAL RESULTS

III. OUR RESULTS

IV. OUR APPLICATIONS ( $\equiv$  EXAMPLES)  
+ RECENT WORK OF OTHERS

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≡ BRAIDED FINITE TENSOR CATEGORY THAT IS  
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/k FIELD

EX.

$\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\text{f.d.}}$

$H\text{-mod}_{\mathbb{C}}$

↑  
f.d. Hopf alg.

A CATEGORY  $\mathcal{C}$  THAT'S • ABELIAN • ADDITIVE

• k-LINEAR & LOCALLY FINITE

• FINITE

( $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y)$  IS A FIN. DIM. k-VS)

(... FINITELY MANY SIMPLES)

EQUIPPED WITH  $\otimes, \mathbb{1} \leadsto (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \mathbb{1})$  IS MONOIDAL SO THAT

•  $\mathbb{1}$  IS SIMPLE

•  $\exists$  DUAL OBJECTS  $X^*, {}^*X \forall X \in \mathcal{C}$ . ("RIGID")

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A TENSOR CATEGORY  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \mathbb{1})$  IS BRAIDED IF EQUIPPED WITH NATURAL ISOMORPHISMS

$$C_{X,Y} : X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\sim} Y \otimes X \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$$

(SATISFYING COMPATIBILITY CONDITIONS...).

EX.  
 $H\text{-mod } \mathbb{K}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 f.d. quasitriangular  
 $\uparrow$   
 Hopf alg.  
 • quantized enveloping alg.  
 • quantum/Drinfeld double...

FURTHER, IT IS RIBBON IF EQUIPPED WITH

$$\text{NAT'L ISOM } \theta_X : X \xrightarrow{\sim} X^* \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{C}$$

WHERE  $\theta_{X \otimes Y} = (\theta_X \otimes \theta_Y) C_{Y,X} C_{X,Y} \neq (\theta_X)^* = \theta_X^* \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$

EX.  
 $H\text{-mod } \mathbb{K}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 f.d. ribbon  
 Hopf alg.

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A BRAIDED TENSOR CATEGORY  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \mathbb{1}, C)$

IS NONDEGENERATE IF ITS "MÜGER CENTER"

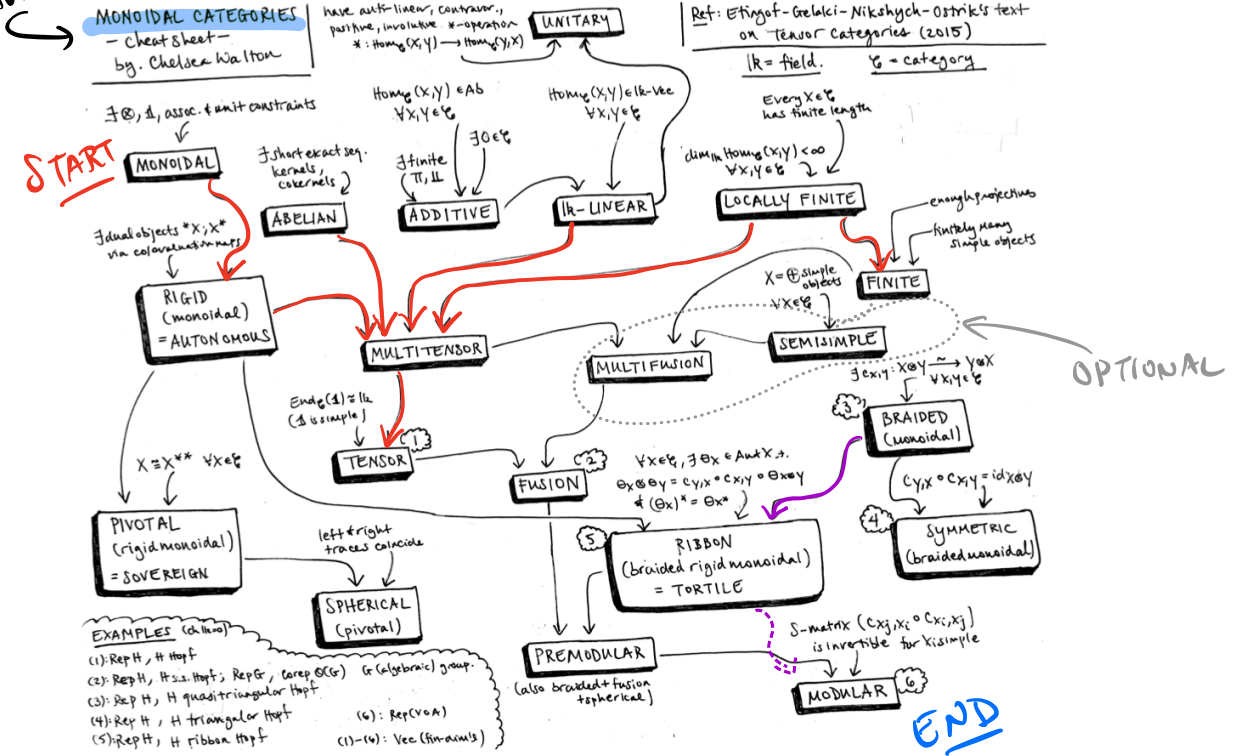
$$\mathcal{C}' = \{ X \in \mathcal{C} \mid C_{Y,X} C_{X,Y} = \text{Id}_{X \otimes Y} \quad \forall Y \in \mathcal{C} \}$$

IS EQUIV. TO  $\text{Vec } \mathbb{K}$ .

EX.  
 $H\text{-mod } \mathbb{K}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 f.d. factorizable  
 Hopf alg.  
 • quantum/Drinfeld double...

(OTHER CHARACTERIZATIONS INVOLVE "INVERTIBILITY OF S-MATRIX" (IN SS CASE), "FACTORIZABILITY", INVERTIBILITY OF CERTAIN MAP INDUCED BY HOPF PAIRING)

AVAILABLE ON MY SITE



## MODULAR TENSOR CATEGORY (MTC)

$\equiv$  BRAIDED FINITE TENSOR CATEGORY THAT IS RIBBON & NONDEGENERATE

## MODULAR FUSION CATEGORY (MFC)

$\equiv$  SEMISIMPLE MTC



# WHY CARE ABOUT MFCs & MTCs?

CONNECTIONS TO A MYRIAD OF FIELDS, INCLUDING -

LOW-DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY /  
TOPOLOGICAL QUANTUM FIELD THEORY

MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS /  
VARIOUS CONFORMAL FIELD THEORIES

## SUBFACTOR THEORY

... A LOT OF PPL MAKE THEIR  
LIVING & STUDYING  
SUCH GADGETS...

GOAL: CONSTRUCT MORE!

# KEY CONSTRUCTION OF AN MFC

FOR  $\mathcal{C}$   $\otimes$  CATEGORY,

$\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C}) =$  CENTER OF  $\mathcal{C}$  WITH OBJECTS  $(V, \{c_{V,X} : V \otimes X \rightarrow X \otimes V\}_{X \in \mathcal{C}})$   
OBTAIN "HALF BRANDING"  
NAT'L TRANSF. IN  $\mathcal{C}$   
SATISFYING CERTAIN  
COMP. CONDITIONS

Ex.  $\mathcal{C} = H\text{-MOD} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C}) \sim \text{Dra}(H)\text{-MOD}$   
↑ FD HOPF ALG ↑ DRINFELD DOUBLE OF H

SEMISIMPLE FINITE TENSOR CATEG.

THEOREM (MÜGER) IF  $\mathcal{C}$  IS A FUSION CATEGORY THAT IS

$\exists \{j_x : X \xrightarrow{\sim} X^{**}\}_{X \in \mathcal{C}}$  SAT. CERT. CONDS. (PIVOTALITY)

(TRACE-) SPHERICAL  $\equiv$  FOR  $\text{dim}_j(x) = \text{ev}_{x^*}(j_x \otimes \text{id}_{x^*}) \text{coev}_x : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow \mathbb{1} \in \mathcal{C}$

GET  $\text{dim}_j(x) = \text{dim}_j(x^*) \forall x \in \mathcal{C}$

THEN  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  IS A MODULAR FUSION CATEGORY.

# KEY CONSTRUCTION OF AN MTC

FOR  $\mathcal{C}$  FIN TENS. CAT.,

NEED GENERALIZED NOTION OF SPHERICALITY -

TAKE DISTING. INV. OBJ  $D \in \mathcal{C}$   $\neq$  CAN'T NAT'L  $\otimes$  ISOM  $\xi_D(X): D \otimes X \xrightarrow{\sim} X^{****} \otimes D$

$Sqrt(D, \xi_D) := \{EQ. CLASSES OF INV OBJ (V, \sigma_V) \text{ IN } \mathcal{Z}(Id_{\mathcal{C}}, (-)^{**})\}$

SO THAT  $\exists$  ISOM  $\nu: V^{**} \otimes V \rightarrow D$  WHERE

THIS SET BEING NONEMPTY TIED TO THIS RIBBONALITY OF  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 V^{**} \otimes V \otimes X & \xrightarrow{id \otimes \sigma_V} & V^{**} \otimes X^{**} \otimes V & \xrightarrow{\sigma_V^{**} \otimes id} & X^{****} \otimes V^{**} \otimes V \\
 \nu \otimes id \downarrow & & \cong & & \downarrow id \otimes \nu \\
 D \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\xi_D} & & & X^{****} \otimes D
 \end{array}$$

A PIVOTAL FIN.  $\otimes$  CAT  $(\mathcal{C}, j)$  IS **DSPS-SPHERICAL**

**DSPS-SPHERICAL + SEMISIMPLE**

IF  $\exists \nu: \mathbb{1} \xrightarrow{\sim} D \ni$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{j^{**} j} & X^{****} \\
 \nu \otimes id \downarrow & \cong & \downarrow id \otimes \nu \\
 D \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\xi_D} & X^{****} \otimes D
 \end{array}$$

**TRACE-SPHERICAL**

**DSPS-SPHERICAL  $\Rightarrow (\mathbb{1}, j) \in Sqrt(D, \xi_D) \Rightarrow Sqrt(D, \xi_D) \neq \emptyset$**

THEOREM (SHIMIZU) IF  $\mathcal{C}$  IS A TENSOR CATEGORY FOR WHICH

**$Sqrt(D, \xi_D) \neq \emptyset$  (OR IS **DSPS-SPHERICAL**)**

THEN  $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  IS A MODULAR TENSOR CATEGORY

## MODULARITY OF CENTERS

SEMISIMPLE SETTING :  $\mathcal{C}$  TRACE-SPHERICAL  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  [Müger] MFC

NONSEMISIMPLE SETTING :  $\mathcal{C}$  DSDS-SPHERICAL  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  [Shimizu] MTC  
 $\downarrow$   
 $\text{Sqrt}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{D}}) \neq \emptyset$

RELATIVE NONSEMISIMPLE SETTING :  $\mathcal{C}$  DSDS-SPHERICAL  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C})$  [Langitz-W] MTC  
 (OVER NONDEG. BRAID.  $\otimes$  CATEG.  $\mathcal{B}$ )  
 $\downarrow$   
 $\text{Sqrt}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{D}}) \neq \emptyset$   
 SEEN AS FOLLOWS

## RELATIVE MONOIDAL CENTER: DEFINITION

$(\mathcal{B}, \Psi)$  BRAIDED TENSOR CATEGORY

$\overline{\mathcal{B}} := (\mathcal{B}, \Psi^{-1})$

A TENSOR CATEGORY  $\mathcal{C}$  IS  $\mathcal{B}$ -CENTRAL IF  
 $\exists$  FAITHFUL BRAIDED TENSOR FUNCTOR  $G: \overline{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

THE RELATIVE MONOIDAL CENTER  $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C})$  FOR A  
 $\mathcal{B}$ -CENTRAL TENSOR CATEGORY IS (FOR SIMPLICITY HERE)

$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})}(G(\overline{\mathcal{B}}))$  (MÜGER CENTRALIZER)

IF  $(\mathcal{D}, c)$  IS A BRAIDED  $\otimes$  CATEG.,  $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{D}$  SUBSET OF OBJECTS  
 $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{FULL SUBCAT. OF } \mathcal{D} \text{ w/ OBJECTS } \{X \in \mathcal{D} \mid c_{Y,X} c_{X,Y} = \text{Id}_{X \otimes Y} \forall Y \in \mathcal{E}\}$

# RELATIVE MONOIDAL CENTER: EXAMPLES

$(\mathcal{B}, \psi)$   
BRAIDED  $\otimes$  CATEG.

$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{B}$ -CENTRAL  $\otimes$  CATEG.  
w/ FAITHFUL BR.  $\otimes$  FUNC.  $G: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C}_{\neq \mathcal{C}}(G(\mathcal{B}))$$

EX 1.  $\mathcal{B} = K$ -MOD  
↑  
F.D. QT HOPF ALG

$\mathcal{C} = H$ -MOD (K-MOD)  
↑  
F.D. HOPF ALG IN  $\mathcal{B}$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}) = \text{Drin}_K(H, H^*)\text{-MOD}$$

↑  
BRAIDED DRIN. DOUBLE

EX 2.  $\mathcal{B} = \text{Vec}_K$   
( $K = \mathbb{R}$ )

$\mathcal{C} = H$ -MOD  
↑  
F.D. HOPF ALG /  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C}) = \text{Drin}(H)\text{-MOD}$$

↑  
DRINFELD DOUBLE

EX 3.  $\mathcal{B} = U(\mathfrak{g})$ -MOD  
↑  
CARTAN PART OF  
SS LIE ALG.  $\mathfrak{g}$   
(HERE,  $\psi = \psi_{\mathfrak{g}}$ )

$\mathcal{C} = U_{\mathfrak{q}}(\mathfrak{g})$ -MOD ( $\mathcal{B}$ )  
↑  
NILP. PART OF  
SS LIE ALG.  $\mathfrak{g}$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}) = U_{\mathfrak{q}}(\mathfrak{g})\text{-MOD}$$

↑  
SMALL QUANTUM GROUP

# MAIN RESULT: MODULARITY OF MÜGER CENTRALIZERS

RECALL: FOR  $\mathcal{C}$  BRAIDED  $\otimes$  CATEG,

$$\mathcal{C}' := \{X \in \mathcal{C} \mid c_{Y,X} c_{X,Y} = \text{Id}_{X \otimes Y} \forall Y \in \mathcal{C}\} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{C}) \text{ MÜGER CENTER}$$

$$\mathcal{C} \text{ NONDEG} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C}' = \text{Vec}_K.$$

BRAIDED FIN. TENSOR CATEG.  
THAT'S NONDEG + RIBBON

FULL, CLOSED UNDER  
FINITE DIRECT SUMS  
& SUBQUOTIENTS

THEOREM 1 LET  $\mathcal{B}$  BE AN MTC,  $\mathcal{E}$  A TOPOLOGIZING SUBCAT OF  $\mathcal{B}$   
THEN  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{E})' \simeq \mathcal{E}'$ .

So,  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{E})$  IS MODULAR  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{E}$  IS MODULAR

( $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{E}), \mathcal{E}$  ARE RIBBON SUBCATS. OF  $\mathcal{B}$ )

GENERALIZING  
MÜGER, PLS 2003  
(IN SS SETTING)

# MAIN RESULT: MODULARITY OF RELATIVE $\otimes$ CENTERS

**THEOREM 2** LET  $\mathcal{B}$  BE A NONDEG. BRAIDED FIN.  $\otimes$  CATEGORY.

LET  $\mathcal{C}$  BE A  $\mathcal{B}$ -CENTRAL  $\otimes$  CATEGORY W/ FAITHFUL BR.  $\otimes$  FUNC  $G: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$ .

ASSUME  $G(\mathcal{B}) \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  IS TOPOLOGIZING &  $\frac{\text{Sqrt}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{D}}) \neq \emptyset}{(*)}$ .

THEN  $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C})$  IS AN MTC.

PF/RECALL  $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})}(G(\mathcal{B}))$ . APPLY THM 1 TO  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C})$  &  $\mathcal{C} = G(\mathcal{B})$ .  
 SHIMIZU: MTC BY  $(*)$

GENERALIZING  
 MÜGER, JPAA 2003 IN SS SETTING  
 SHIMIZU, 2018 IN NONSS SETTING  
 TO THE RELATIVE SETTING

## APPLICATION: MODULARITY OF REP. CATEGORIES OF SMALL QUANTUM GROUPS & OTHER POINTED HOPF ALGS.

EX. SHOW THAT  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})\text{-MOD}$  IS AN MTC VIA THEOREM 2.  
↑ ODD ORDER    ↑ SS LIE ALG

ALSO HAVE CONDITIONS WHEN REP CAT. OF BRAIDED DRINFELD DOUBLE

$\text{Drin}_{\text{IRG}}(\mathcal{B}(V), \mathcal{B}(V)^*)\text{-MOD}$  IS AN MTC.  
↑ FIN. ABELIAN    ↙ CERTAIN NICHOLS ALGS / G

SUCH NICHOLS ALGS FALL INTO THREE TYPES

- CARTAN ← MODULARITY WELL STUDIED
- SUPER ← ONE MTC EXAMPLE IN PAPER. OTHERS IN UPCOMING WORK OF LAUGWITZ - SANMARCO
- WFO ← STILL A MYSTERY

# MAIN RESULT: NONSS DECOMPOSITION THEOREM

THEOREM 3 LET  $\mathcal{D}$  BE AN MTC,

$\mathcal{E}$  TOPOLOGIZING NONDEG. BRAIDED TENSOR SUBCATEGORY. THEN:

$$\mathcal{D} \simeq \mathcal{E} \boxtimes C_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{E})$$

AS RIBBON CATEGORIES.

GENERALIZING  
MÜGER, PLMS 2003 IN SS SETTING

## SPECIAL CASES:

• UNDER HYP. OF THM 2:  $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{C}) \simeq \mathcal{B} \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C})$  (DECOMPOSITION OF MTC)

•  $\mathcal{B} = k\text{-mod}$ ,  $\mathcal{C} = H\text{-mod}(k\text{-mod})$ . GET:  
 $\uparrow$  f.d. quasitriangular Hopf alg.  $\uparrow$  f.d. Hopf alg.  $\in \mathcal{B}$

$$\text{Drin}(H \times k)\text{-mod} \simeq k\text{-mod} \boxtimes \text{Drin}_k(H, H^*)\text{-mod}$$

•  $\mathcal{B} = \mathbb{Z}_n\text{-mod}$ , with braiding  $\Psi_q$ ,  $\mathcal{C} = k[x]/(x^n)\text{-mod}(\mathcal{B}) \sim T_n(q^{-2})\text{-mod}$   
 $\uparrow$  Taft alg.

GET:

$$\mathcal{D}(T_n(q^{-2}))\text{-mod} \sim \mathbb{Z}_n\text{-mod} \boxtimes U_q(M_2)\text{-mod}$$

QUESTION: WHEN IS  $\text{Drin}_k(H, H^*)\text{-mod}$  PRIME AS A MTC?  
 $\uparrow$

DONE IN  
GROUP-THEORETICAL  
CASE

EVERY TOP. NONDEG. BRAIDED  $\boxtimes$  SUBCAT  
IS EQUIV TO  $\text{Vec}_k$  OR ITSELF?

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Thanks for listening!

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