

SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL CATEGORIES

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RECALL A GROUP IS A SET G WITH A BINARY OPERATION $G \times G \rightarrow G$ WHICH IS $e, \gamma \in G$

1) ASSOCIATIVE

2) UNITAL (WITH IDENTITY ELEMENT e) $e\gamma = \gamma = \gamma e$

3) EVERY ELEMENT HAS AN INVERSE

A MONOID IS A SET WITH BINARY OPERATION SATISFYING 1) AND 2).

IF THE OPERATION IS COMMUTATIVE, THE GROUP OR MONOID IS ABELIAN

E.G. $(\mathbb{N}, +, 0)$ (NATURAL #S UNDER ADDITION) IS AN ABELIAN MONOID.

DEF A MONOIDAL STRUCTURE \otimes

ON A CATEGORY \mathcal{C} IS A

FUNCTOR

$$\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\otimes} \mathcal{C}$$

$$(X, Y) \longmapsto X \otimes Y$$

AND A UNIT OBJECT $\mathbb{1}$ ALONG WITH

1) ASSOCIATIVITY: FOR OBJECTS

X, Y, Z , THERE IS A NATURAL

ISOMORPHISM

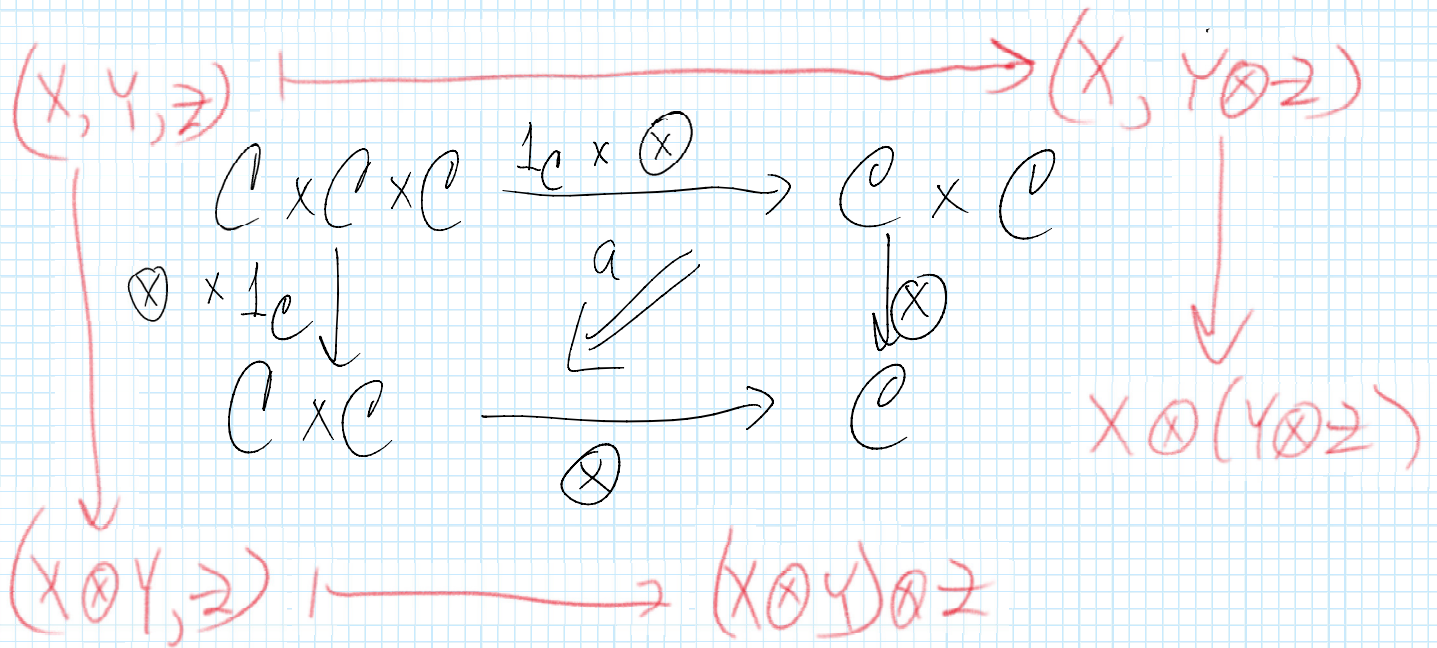
$$\alpha: (X \otimes (Y \otimes Z)) \xrightarrow{\sim} (X \otimes Y) \otimes Z$$

ASSOCIATOR

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$$a_{X,Y,Z} : X \otimes (Y \otimes Z) \rightarrow (X \otimes Y) \otimes Z$$

IT IS PART OF A NATURAL EQUIVALENCE BETWEEN TWO FUNCTORS



2) UNITAL CONDITION: FOR ANY OBJECT X THERE ARE NATURAL ISOMORPHISMS

$$I \otimes X \xrightarrow{\lambda_X} X \xleftarrow{p_X} X \otimes I$$

LEFT UNITOR

RIGHT UNITOR

THESE ARE REQUIRED TO SATISFY

a) THE ISOMORPHISMS λ_1 AND p_1 ARE THE SAME.

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b) IN 1) WHEN $Y = \mathbb{1}$, THE FOLLOWING COMMUTES

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X \otimes (1 \otimes Y) & \xrightarrow[\cong]{a_{X,1,Y}} & (X \otimes 1) \otimes Y \\
 X \otimes \mathbb{1}_Y & \searrow \cong & \swarrow \cong \\
 & X \otimes Y & P_X \otimes Y
 \end{array}$$

c) STASHEFF PENTAGON FOR $(W, X, Y, Z) \in \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & (W \otimes X) \otimes (Y \otimes Z) & & \\
 a_{W,X,Y \otimes Z} \nearrow & & & & a_{W \otimes X, Y, Z} \searrow \\
 W \otimes (X \otimes (Y \otimes Z)) & \text{THIS MUST} & & & ((W \otimes X) \otimes Y) \otimes Z \\
 & \text{COMMUTE} & & & \\
 W \otimes a_{X,Y,Z} \searrow & & & & a_{W,X,Y} \otimes Z \nearrow \\
 W \otimes (X \otimes Y) \otimes Z & \longrightarrow & (W \otimes (X \otimes Y)) \otimes Z & & \\
 & & a_{W, X \otimes Y, Z} & &
 \end{array}$$

REMARK IF \mathcal{C} IS COMPLETE, IT HAS A PRODUCT AND A

IT HAS A PRODUCT AND A TERMINAL OBJECT WHICH IS THE UNIT FOR THE PRODUCT.

THIS IS THE CATEGORICAL OR CARTESIAN MONOIDAL STRUCTURE DUALY FOR COCOMPLETE CATEGORIES.

DEF A MONOIDAL STRUCTURE AS ABOVE IS SYMMETRIC IF THERE IS A NATURAL ISO

$$X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\tau_{X,Y}} Y \otimes X$$

SATISFYING

i) TRIANGLE IDENTITY

$$1 \otimes X \xrightarrow{\tau_{1,X}} X \otimes 1$$

$$\lambda_X \searrow$$

$$\swarrow \rho_X$$

COMMUTES

X

ii) FIRST HEXAGON IDENTITY

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 (X \otimes Y) \otimes Z & \xleftarrow{a_{X,Y,Z}} & X \otimes (Y \otimes Z) & \xrightarrow{1_{X,Y} \otimes 1_Z} & (Y \otimes Z) \otimes X \\
 \downarrow 1_{X,Y} \otimes 1_Z & & \text{COMMUTES} & & \uparrow a_{Y,Z,X} \\
 (Y \otimes X) \otimes Z & \xleftarrow{a_{Y,X,Z}} & Y \otimes (X \otimes Z) & \xrightarrow{1_{Y,X} \otimes 1_Z} & Y \otimes (Z \otimes X)
 \end{array}$$

PROP 2.6.11 (HHR) COEND REDUCTION

LET $(\mathcal{D}, \oplus, \otimes)$ BE A SMALL COCOMPLETE MONOIDAL CATEGORY, THEN

FOR EACH $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}$

$$\int_{W \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{D}(W \otimes X, Y) \times \mathcal{D}(0, W) \cong \mathcal{D}(X, Y)$$

NOTE

$$\mathcal{D}(- \otimes X, Y) \times \mathcal{D}(0, -)$$

IS A FUNCTOR $\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \times \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Set}$

THERE IS A DUAL STATEMENT ABOUT ENDS.

DEF 2.6.19 LET $(\mathcal{C}, \oplus, 0)$ AND $(\mathcal{D}, \otimes, 1)$ BE (SYMMETRIC) MONOIDAL CATEGORIES. A FUNCTOR

$$\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{D}$$

NAIVE DEFINITION "EVIL"
 $F(X \oplus Y) \stackrel{!}{=} F(X) \otimes F(Y)$

F IS STRICTLY MONOIDAL

\mathcal{D} IS THEN A \mathcal{C} -ALGEBRA
(NOT A C^* -ALGEBRA)

F IS LAX (SYMM) MONOIDAL

IF THERE IS A NAT. TRANS

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$$M: F(-) \otimes F(-) \Rightarrow F(- \oplus -)$$

AND A MORPHISM $F(0) \rightarrow I$

IN \mathcal{D} , SATISFYING —

(THREE DIAGRAMS)

F IS STRONG MONOIDAL

IF M IS A NAT. EQUIVALENCE

LAX IS EASIEST TO
VERIFY AND IS WORTH
MORE THAN YOU THINK.