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Quantum dimension.

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0. Basic example. $V = \mathbf{C}^2$. Choose a basis $\{e_1, e_2\}$ and a dual basis $\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\}$ for V^* . We have evaluation and coevaluation maps: $e: V \otimes V^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$, $i: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow V \otimes V^*$. $ci = 2$.

1. Let C be a complex-linear abelian category, which we will “give” some structure: $\otimes: C \times C \rightarrow C$, a bilinear functor, $\alpha_{U,V,W}: (U \otimes V) \otimes W \rightarrow U \otimes (V \otimes W)$ functorial isomorphism. If $I \in C$ is a monoidal unit, we also have monoidal isomorphisms $\lambda_V: I \otimes V \rightarrow V$ and $\rho_V: V \otimes I \rightarrow V$ for all $V \in C$. We also have $\text{End}(V) = \mathbf{C}$.

Examples: Complex vector spaces, representations of $SU(n)$. Tensor product gives a monoidal structure. Hilbert spaces also form an example.

Braiding: Functorial isomorphism $V \otimes W \rightarrow W \otimes V$.

Rigidity: $e_V: V^* \otimes V \rightarrow I$ and $i_V: I \rightarrow V \otimes V^*$ with the obvious properties. Similar conditions for the left dual.

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Definition: A ribbon category is a rigid braided tensor category with functorial isomorphism $\delta_V: V \rightarrow V^{**}$ (can use left or right duals) such that $\delta_{V \otimes W} = \delta_V \otimes \delta_W$, $\delta_I = 1_I$, $\delta_{V^*} = (\delta_V^*)^{-1}$.

3. Quantum dimension. Let C be a semisimple ribbon category.

Definition: Let $V \in C$ and $f \in \text{End}(V)$. Define $\text{tr}(f)$ to be $I \rightarrow V \otimes V^* \rightarrow V \otimes V^* \rightarrow V^{**} \otimes V^* \rightarrow I$.

Property: $\text{tr}(f \otimes g) = \text{tr}(f) \text{tr}(g)$.

Definition: The quantum dimension of $V \in C$ is defined to be $\text{tr}(1_V)$.

4. Properties. Assume that there only finitely many simple objects. Dimension is real and positive.

5. Calculations. Denote $N_{f,g}^h = \dim \text{Hom}(V_h, V_f \otimes V_g)$.

Theorem (Wassermann): $H_f \otimes H_g = \oplus N_{f,g}^h \text{sign}(\sigma_n) H_{h'}$.

Corollary: $H \otimes H_f = \oplus_{g=f+1} H_g$.

Consider all IPER of $LSU(2)$ of level l : H_0, \dots, H_l . Define $d_i = \dim H_i$. Proposition: For all $0 \leq i \leq n$ we have $d_i = d_{l-i}$, $d_0 = d_l$, $d_1 d_i = d_{i-1} + d_{i+1}$. $d_1 d_{l-i} = d_{l-i-1} + d_{l-i+1}$. $d_{i-1} = d_{l-i+1}$, hence $d_{i+1} = d_{l-i-1}$.