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Algebraic result: the 1-morphism  $\text{Rep}_G \xrightarrow{\text{Rep}_{\mathbb{Q}G}} \text{Rep } G$   
in the 5-category  $\text{SgnTens}$  is invertible.

- Plan
- motivation WRT/CY
  - varying over char. stack
  - alg. result + (\*)

## Witten - Reshetikhin - Turaev (WRT) and Crane - Yetter (CY)

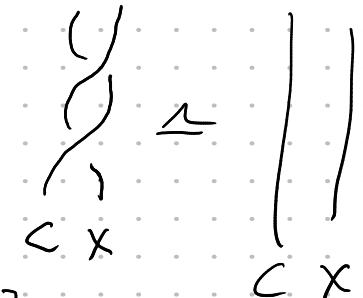
Fix  $\mathcal{C}$  a  $\begin{cases} \text{finite} \\ \text{semisimple} \\ \text{modular} \end{cases}$  tensor category (linear  $\mathbb{C}$ )

so  $\mathcal{C}$  is ... ribbon  $\Rightarrow$  has a graphical calculus

finite + modular  $\Leftrightarrow Z_2(\mathcal{C}) \cong \text{Vect}$

"

$$\left\{ c \in \mathcal{C}; \forall x \in \mathcal{C}, \quad \sigma_{c,x} \circ \sigma_{x,c} = \text{id}_{c \otimes x} \right\}$$



Example: Rep  $u_q$  at root of 1,  $\mathcal{C}$  a particular subquotient.

RT construction: invariants of framed links  $RT(L) \in \mathbb{C}$

well-behaved under Kirby moves ...

invariants of closed 3-manifolds  $WRT(M_c) \in \mathbb{C}$   
(via surgery)

Can try to form a TQFT  $\mathcal{Z} : \text{Bord}_{3,2}^{\text{or}, \sigma} \rightarrow \text{Vect}$

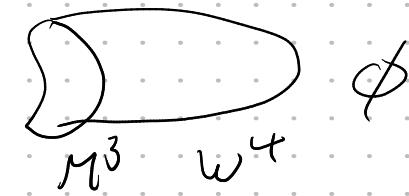
- functoriality fails up to scalars (anomaly)  $MCG^{\gamma}$  reps
- can fix by choosing extra data projective

E.g. for  $M^3$ : choose  $W^4$ ,  $\partial W^4 \cong M^3$ , etc...

Formalised as a relative TQFT [Freed - Teleman  
Johnson-Freyd - Scheimbauer]

Given  $n$ -d thy  $\alpha$ , an  $(n-1)$ -d thy rel  $\alpha$  is

$$1 \xrightarrow{F} \alpha$$



E.g.  $n=4$ , have:

$$\mathbb{C} = \underline{1}(M^3) \xrightarrow{F(M^3)} \alpha(M^3) \xrightarrow{\alpha(W^4)} \mathbb{C} = \alpha(\emptyset)$$

defined  $F$  up to scalars if  $\alpha$  is invertible,  
i.e.  $\alpha(M^3)$  is 1-d.

Under the Cobordism/Tangle Hypothesis [Baez-Dolan, Lurie (sketch), others...]

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Framed, fully} \\ \text{extended} \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{TQFTs} \\ Z: \text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}} \rightarrow \mathcal{T} \end{array} \right\} \xleftarrow{\sim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Fully dualizable} \\ \text{objects} \\ A \in \mathcal{T}^\vee \end{array} \right\}$$

$$Z \quad \longmapsto \quad \mathcal{Z}(\text{pt})$$

Invertible theory  
homomorphism of  
theories  $\mathcal{Z}^A \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}^B$

Invertible object  $A \in \mathcal{T}$   
sufficiently dualizable  
 $A \rightarrow B$  in  $\mathcal{T}$

Example:  $\mathcal{T} = \text{BrTens}$  "Morita 4-category"

[Bröcker  
Jordan  
Safarov  
Singder]

$\text{Rep}_{\mathcal{U}} \in \text{BrTens}$  is invertible.

Example  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Vect}$   
 $V$  dualizable:  $V^\vee$   
 $\text{ev}: V^\vee \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$   
 $\text{coev}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow V \otimes V^\vee$ .  
 $\Leftrightarrow V$  is f.d.  
 $V$  invertible; dualizable  
and  $\text{ev}, \text{coev}$  are  
isomorphisms  
 $\Leftrightarrow \dim V = 1$ .

What about non-SS WRT? Hard to compute.

Hennings - Lyubashenko, m-traces, ...

current state-of-the-art: [Blanchet-Constantinou-Green-Patureau-Mirand]

$$CGP^{\text{Rep } \mathbb{G}_m}(M^3) \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$CGP^{\text{Rep } \mathbb{G}_m^H}(M^3) \in \mathcal{O}(X_H(M^3)) \quad H \leq G \text{ Carter}$$

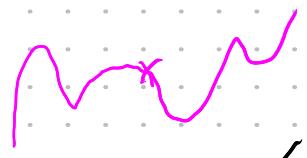
where  $X_G(M) = \text{Hom}(\pi_1(M), G) // G$  GIT

$$= \{\text{flat } G\text{-connections on } M\} \quad \text{Ch}_G(M) \rightarrow X_G(M)$$

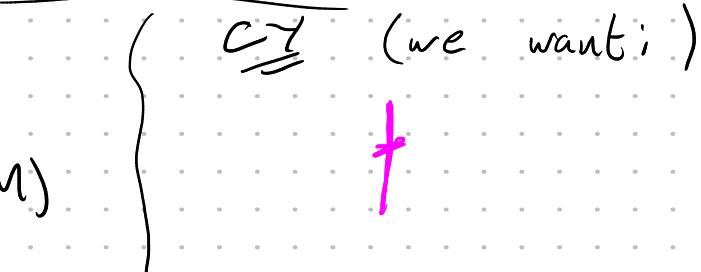
stack quotient  $\rightsquigarrow \underline{\text{Ch}_G(M)}$  character stack

WRT/CGP

x



$X_H(M)$



$\text{Ch}_G(M)$

$\text{Rep } \mathbb{G}_m$

$\text{Rep } \mathbb{G}_m^H$  (bigger)

$\text{Rep } \mathbb{G}_m$

something bigger

A sheaf on  $\text{Ch}_G(M)$

Fix  $G$  reductive,  $q$  a good root of  $l$ ,  $q^l = 1$ .

$$1 \longrightarrow (U_q) \longrightarrow$$

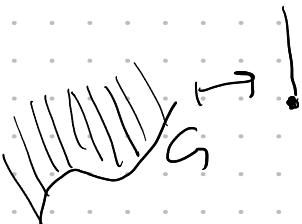
small quantum

Subalg gen. by

$$K_i^\pm, E_i, F_i$$

$$\text{mod } K_i^l = 1$$

$$O_q \otimes \mathbb{1}$$



$$U_q G \xrightarrow{F_r} U G \longrightarrow 1$$

big/Lusztig quantum group

generators:

$$K_i^\pm$$

$$\longleftarrow O$$

$$\boxed{E_i^{(r)} = [r]! E_i^{(r)}} \\ \text{so } E_i^l = 0 \text{ etc}$$

$$E_i^{(r)} \longleftarrow \{ E_i^{(r/l)} \}$$

$$l/r$$

$$0/n$$

$$O(G) \xleftarrow{\quad} 1$$

$$F_r^*$$

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$$O_q \xleftarrow{\quad} O_q \xleftarrow{\quad} O_q$$

$$\text{Vect} \xleftarrow{\quad} \text{Rep}_{U_q} \xleftarrow{\quad} \text{Rep}_{U_q G} \xleftarrow{\quad} V_q(\lambda) \xleftarrow{\quad} \text{Rep}_G \xleftarrow{\quad} \text{Vect}$$

$$\text{Rep}_G \otimes \text{Vect}$$

[Neyron]

$$V(\lambda) \uparrow [\text{Ben-Zvi}, \text{-Francis} \\ \text{-Witten}]$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^{\text{Rep}_G} \cdot M^3 \mapsto \text{QCoh}(\text{Ch}_G(M))$$

Deg (sketch): The 5-category  $\text{SymTens}$  has:

objects: symmetric tensor categories  $A, B, \dots$

1-morphisms: braided tensor categories as bimodules

$$A \otimes B \in \mathcal{S}$$

$$\leftrightarrow (\mathbb{X} \text{ br. tens.}, A \otimes B^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow[\text{sym. tens.}]{} Z_2(\mathbb{X}))$$

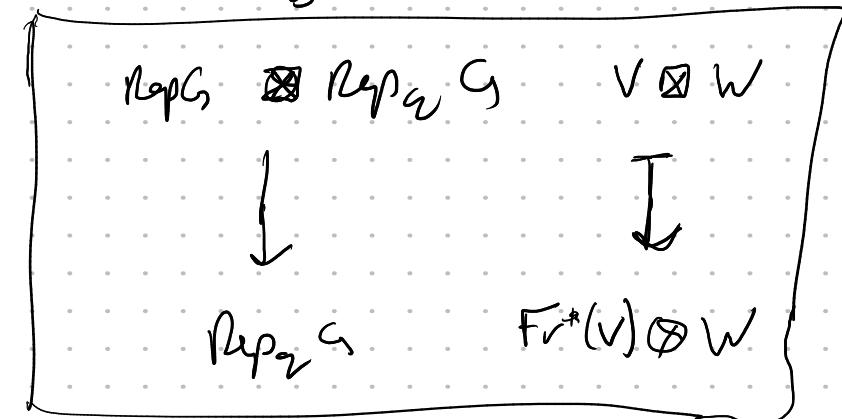
composition:  $\mathbb{X}^A, \mathbb{Y}^B, \mathbb{Z}^C, \mathbb{Y} \circ \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Y}$ .

2-morphisms: tensor categories as bimodules

3-morphisms: bimodule categories

4-morphisms: functors of such

5-morphisms: natural transformations of such



Easy check:  $Fr^*(\text{Rep}(G)) \subseteq Z_2(\text{Rep}(G))$ . Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Rep}(G) \otimes \text{Rep}(G)^{\text{op}} & \xrightarrow[\text{sym. tens.}]{} & \text{Rep}(G) \xrightarrow{Fr^*} Z_2(\text{Rep}(G)) \text{ defines 1-morphism} \\ & & \\ & & \text{Rep}(G) \xrightarrow{\text{Rep}(G)} \text{Rep}(G) \end{array}$$

Thm (K): The 1-morphism  $\text{Rep } G \xrightarrow{\text{Rep } G^*} \text{Rep } G$  is invertible in  $\text{Sym Tens}$ .

### Sym Tens

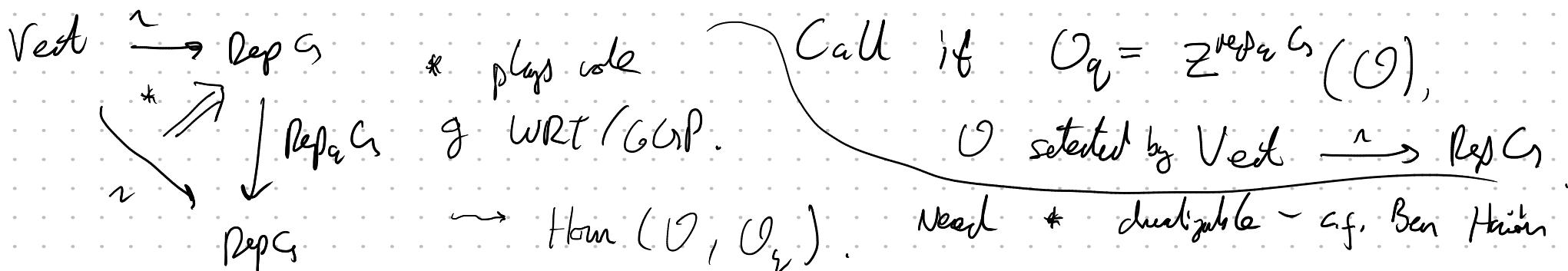
- 6b: sym. tens.
- 1-w: br. tens, bimod.
- 2-m: tens, bimod.
- 3-m: bimod.
- 4-m: functor
- 5-m: not tens

[Ben-Zvi - Francis - Nadler]:  $\text{Rep } G$  is 4-dualizable  
in Sym Tens, and

$$Z^{\text{Rep } G}(M^3) = \mathbb{Q}\text{Coh}(\text{Ch}_G(M^3))$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & -\otimes f & \downarrow \\ Z^{\text{Rep } G^*}(M^3) & & \mathbb{Q}\text{Coh}(\text{Ch}_G(M^3)) \end{array}$$

Thm  $\Rightarrow$   $f$  is invertible, i.e. a line bundle.



## Sym Tens

6b: sym. tens.

1-ws: br. tens. bimod.

2-m: tens. bimod.

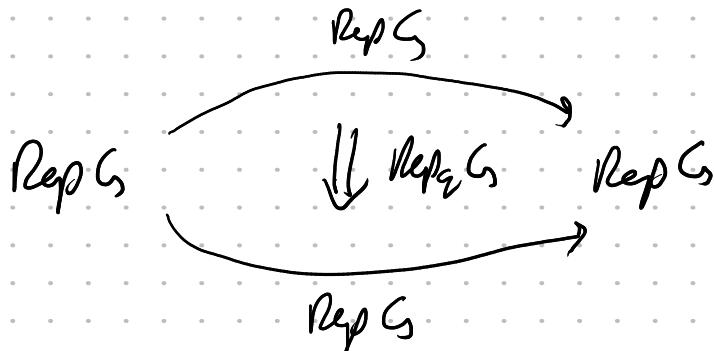
3-w: bimod.

4-ws: functor

5-m: nat. trans

For 3-manifolds:  $\text{Rep } G$  is  $E_3$  in  $\text{Pr}^L$ , a 2-cat.  
 $\Rightarrow \text{Rep } G$  is also  $E_4$ .

Consider



an invertible 2-morphism in  $\text{Alg}_4(\text{Pr}^L)$

Then

$$Z^{\text{Rep } G} : M^3 \longrightarrow \text{Qcoh}(\text{Ch}_q(M))^\otimes$$

$$Z \xrightarrow{\text{Rep } G} : M \longrightarrow \text{Qcoh}(\text{Ch}_q(M))$$

$$Z^{\text{Rep } G} : M \longrightarrow \mathcal{L} \in \text{End}_{\text{Qcoh-Qcoh}}(\text{Qcoh}) \simeq Z_1(\text{Qcoh})$$