

# Lecture 9 Fusion and modular cats II - modularity<sup>1</sup>

In this talk  $\mathcal{C}$  will be a ribbon fusion category. Recall that this means that

- We have a set of simple  $\{S_1, \dots, S_r\}$
- We have a braiding  $T_{ij}: S_i S_j \rightarrow S_j S_i$
- We have a pivotal structure  $S_i, S_i^*, S_i^{**} \simeq S_i$
- $\mathcal{C}$  is spherical and thus  $\dim_{\mathcal{C}}^{\ell}(S_i) = \dim_{\mathcal{C}}^{\vee}(S_i) = \dim_{\mathcal{C}}(S_i)$

Def 9.1 The dimension of  $\mathcal{C}$  is defined to be independent of  $\{S_i\}$

$$\text{be } \dim \mathcal{C} = \sum_i \dim_{\mathcal{C}}^{\ell}(S_i) \dim_{\mathcal{C}}^{\vee}(S_i) \stackrel{\text{system}}{=} \sum_i \dim_{\mathcal{C}}(S_i)^2$$

Lemma 9.2 For all  $i$  there is a scalar  $v_i \in \text{End}(\mathbb{1}_i) \cong \mathbb{K}$ ,  
 such that  $\uparrow_i = v_i \uparrow_i$  non-zero

Proof By Schur,  $\text{Hom}_\mathcal{C}(\uparrow_i, \uparrow_i) = \mathbb{K}\{\text{id}_{\uparrow_i}\}$

Lemma 9.3 We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_+ &:= \sum_i \mathcal{O}_i \mathcal{P}_i = \sum_i v_i^+ \dim(\uparrow_i)^2 \\ \Delta_- &:= \sum_i \mathcal{O}_i \mathcal{Q}_i = \sum_i v_i^- \dim(\uparrow_i)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Clear

For  $i, j$  we let  $\in \text{End}_\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{1}) \cong \mathbb{K}$

$$S_{ij} = \text{tr}(\mathcal{T}_{ji} \mathcal{T}_{ij}) = \text{Diagram} = \text{The value of the } i, j \text{-Hopf link}$$

Def 9.4  $\mathcal{C}$  is said to be **modular** if  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$  fusion + rules

$S = (S_{ij})_{ij} \in \text{Mat}_{r \times r}(\mathbb{K})$  is invertible

$\hat{\mathcal{C}}$  The S-matrix

**Example** Let  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}[S_3]$ -mod with symmetric pairing and usual pivotal structure. In particular,

$\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(S_0) = 1$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(S_1) = 2$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(S_2) = 1$

$\square \square^* = \square$      $\oplus^* = \oplus$

and  $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \searrow \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{matrix} \Rightarrow S_{ij} = \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(S_i) \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(S_j)$

Thus, we get the  $3 \times 3$  matrix 9

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which has  $\det(S) = 0$ . So  $\mathcal{L}$  is not modular.

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Proposition 9.5 If  $\mathcal{L}$  is modular, then

$$\dim \mathcal{L} = \Delta_+ \Delta_- \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{\Delta_+}_{\neq 0}, \underbrace{\Delta_-}_{\neq 0} \in \mathbb{K}^* \quad (\Rightarrow \dim \mathcal{L} \neq 0)$$

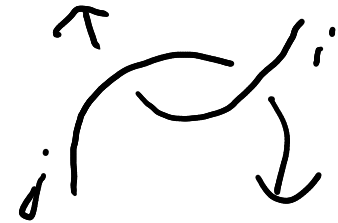
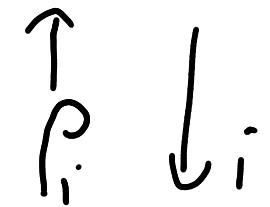

Proof A slightly annoying calculation shows that  $S^2 = \dim \mathcal{L} \cdot \text{id}_{V \times V} = \Delta_+ \Delta_- \text{id}_{V \times V}$ . This implies the claim.

Proposition 9.6 We have the Verlinde formula  $S$

$$\sum_i \frac{S_{ij} S_{ie} S_{ie^*}}{\dim(S_i)} = \dim(\mathcal{C}) N_{jk}^e$$

The fusion rules determine  $S$

Proof Omitted.

Define  $\tilde{S}_{ij} = \frac{\dim(S_i)}{\sqrt{\dim \mathcal{C}}}$    $\tilde{T}_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$    
 $\tilde{C}_{ij} = \delta_{ij^*}$    $\leadsto$  Matrices  $\tilde{S} = (\tilde{S}_{ij})$  etc.

Proposition 9.10 -  $\tilde{S}^2 = \tilde{C}$

$$- (ST)^3 = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_+}{\Delta_-}} \cdot S^2$$

Proof: Omitted

One gets even more numerical properties of  $\mathcal{C}$  modulo  $\mathcal{C}$ . One can even classify them.

However, let us address the crucial question:

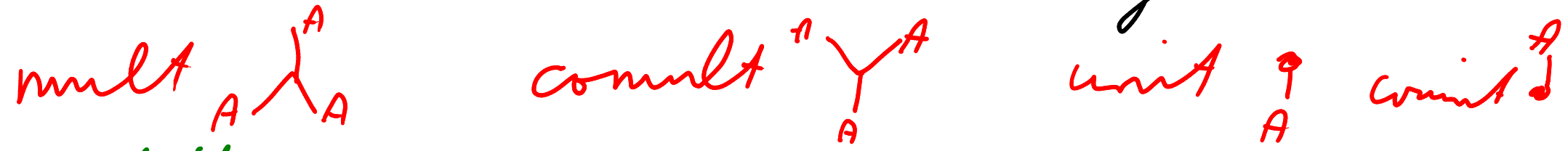
How to construct modular cuts?

**Example** If  $\mathcal{C}$  is symmetric, then  $T_{ij} T_{ij} = 1$  and thus,  $S = (\dim_{\mathcal{C}}(S_i) \dim_{\mathcal{C}}(S_j))$

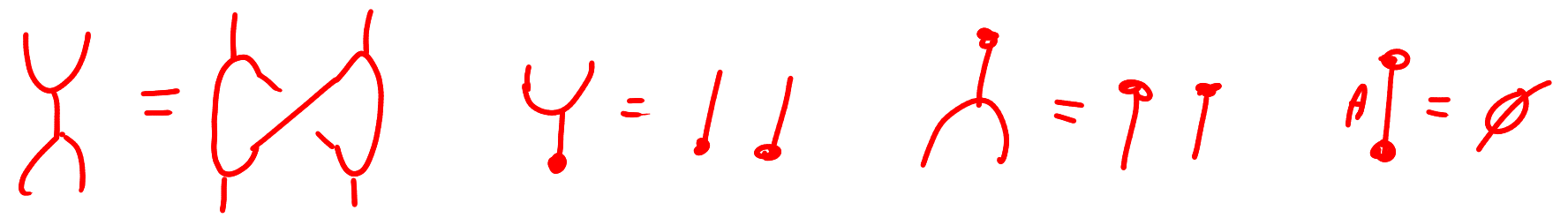
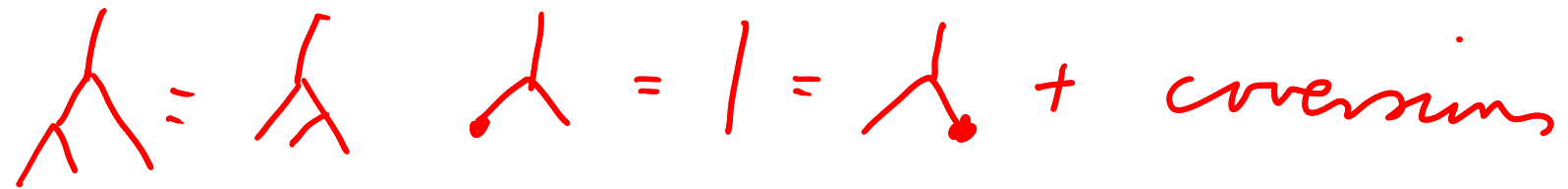
This implies that  $S$  is degenerate unless  $r = 1$ .

Thus,  $\text{Vert}_{\mathbb{K}} = \text{Vert}(1)$  is the only modular cut among  $\text{Vert}(6)$  (with the usual structure)

Recall that we have seen bialgebras: 7



and that



Recall that  $A_{\text{mod}}$  is monoidal via 

Def 9.11 An **antipode**  $S$  of  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  is a morphism  $\begin{array}{c} A \\ \oplus \\ A \end{array}$  such that  $\begin{array}{c} A \\ \oplus \\ A \end{array}$  is a **bialgebra**

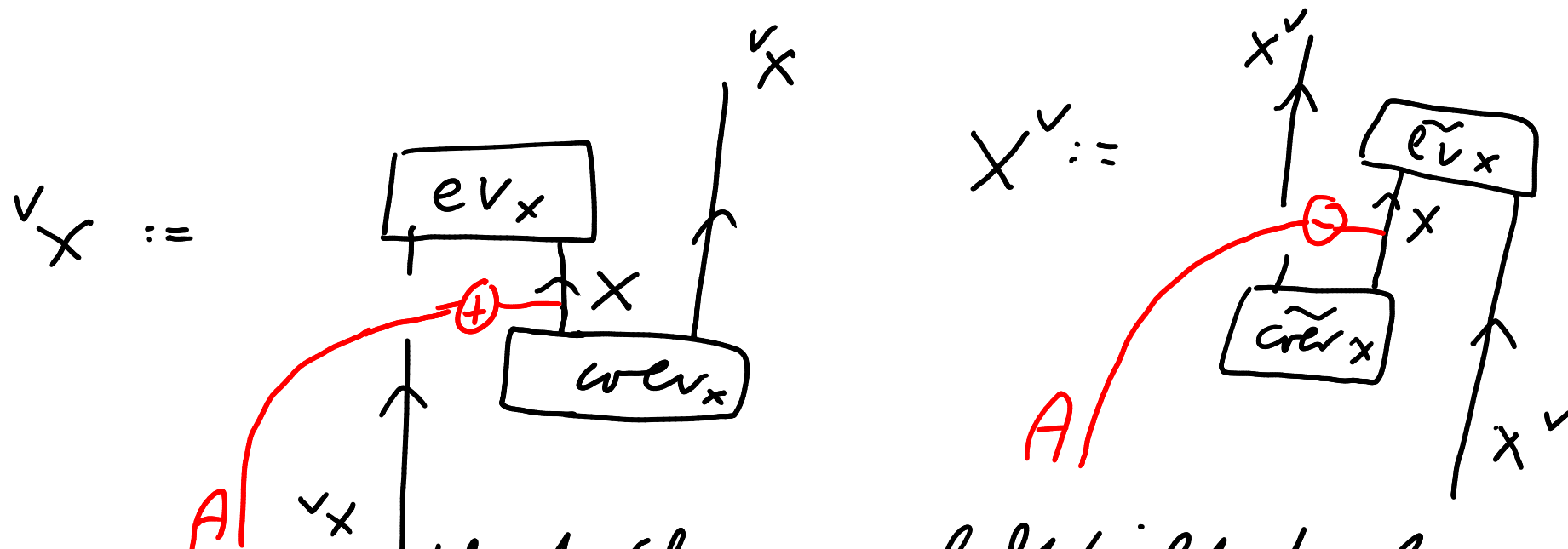


$\rightarrow$  if invertible depict the inverse as  $\begin{array}{c} A \\ \ominus \\ A \end{array}$

Def 9.12 A **Hopf algebra**  $H \in \mathcal{C}$  (braided + rigid)  $\mathcal{C}$  is a bialgebra with an invertible antipode

Theorem 9.13  $H\text{-mod}$  of  $H$ -modules in  $\mathcal{C}$  is a rigid category

Proof Define for  $X \in A\text{-mod}$  a  $A$ -action on  ${}^{\vee}X, X^{\vee}$ :



One checks that these are left/right dual.



For a finite group  $G$  we have Hopf algebras in  $\text{Vect}_K$ :

$$K[G]$$

$$F(G) = \text{Hom}(G, K)$$

basis  $\{g\}$   $\{g^*\}$ ,  $g^*(h) = \begin{cases} 1, & g=h \\ 0, & g \neq h \end{cases}$

mult  $m(g, h) = gh$

$$m(g^*, h^*) = \delta_{gh} g^*$$

comult  $\Delta(g) = gg$

$$\Delta(g^*) = \sum_{j^2=g} j^* k^*$$

unit  $\iota(1) = 1$

$$\iota(1) = \sum g^*$$

comit  $\varepsilon(g) = 1$

$$\varepsilon(g^*) = g^*(1)$$

antipode  $S(g) = g^{-1}$

$$S(g^*) = (g^{-1})^*$$

These are  $\cong$  as vector spaces  
and they will be the main ingredients of  
the quantum double of  $G$

Def 9.14 The quantum double  $D(G)$  of  $G$  is defined to be the Hopf algebra in  $\text{Vect}_K$  with basis  $\{g^*h\}$

$\text{mult}_m(g^*h, i^*j) = \delta_{g^*h, h, i^*} \cdot g^*k_j$

comult  $\Delta(g^*h) = \sum_{ij=y} (i^*h)(j^*h)$

unit  $(1) = \sum_g g^*$  counit  $\epsilon(g^*h) = \delta_{g, 1}$

antipode  $S(g^*h) = (h^{-1}g^{-1})^*h^{-1}$  Actually  $DG \text{ mod is pivotal}$   
since  $S^2 = 1$

Lemma 9.15 Let  $R = \sum_g (g^*)g$  and  $\Theta$  be the map of tensor factors.

The  $\nearrow = \Theta R$  gives  $D(G) \text{ mod the statistics of a braided, pivotal, ribbon cat.}$

Proof: We will discuss this next time.

Note that both,  $\mathbb{K}[G]$  as well as  $F(G)$  are subalgebras of  $D(G) \leftarrow \dim$  is  $|G|^2$

$\Rightarrow$  Each  $D(G)$ -module  $M$  is a  $G$ -graded  $V$   
 $M = \bigoplus_{g \in G} M_g$  such that  $h \cdot M_g \subset M_{hgh^{-1}}$   
and actually any  $X \in D(G)$  mod is of this form. We swap to  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$ .

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Let  $Z(g)$  be the centralizer of  $g$ , and let  $\pi$  be any simple of  $Z(g)$ .

Define  $V_{g, \pi} = \{xv \mid x \in G, xgx^{-1} = c_1 g, v \in \pi\}$  and action

$$f^* h \cdot xv = \delta_{g, h x g h^{-1} x^{-1}} \cdot h xv$$

Lemma 9.16  $V_{g, \pi}$  are simple  $D(G)$ -modules 12  
 and  $V_{g, \pi} \cong V_{g', \pi'}$  iff  $g \sim_{\text{conj}} g'$  and  $\pi \cong \pi'$   
Proof Omitted  $\Rightarrow Z(g) = Z(g')$

Example For  $G = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \langle 1, \sigma \rangle$  we have 2 conj classes  
 $\{1\}, \{\sigma\}$  and  $Z(1) = Z(\sigma) = G$  has 2 simple  
 $S_1 = \text{triv}, S_2 = \text{sgn}$ .

Action	$1^*1$	$1^*\sigma$	$\sigma^*1$	$\sigma^*\sigma$
$V_{1, S_1} = \mathbb{C}1$	1	1	0	0
$V_{1, S_2} = \mathbb{C}1$	1	-1	0	0
$V_{\sigma, S_1} = \mathbb{C}1$	0	0	1	1
$V_{\sigma, S_2} = \mathbb{C}1$	0	0	1	-1

Lemma 9.17  $D(G) \text{ mod}$  is a ribbon, fusion 13  
cat with simple objects  $\{V_{\bar{g}, \bar{\pi}}\}$

Proof The give formulas and arguments  
above show that  $D(G) \text{ mod}$  is ribbon.

The only non-trivial fact is that it is semisimple.

To see this recall that  $\mathcal{C} = A \text{ mod}$  semisimple iff

$$\sum (\dim \mathcal{S}_i)^2 = \dim A \quad \leftarrow \text{Good trick to remember}$$

We now simply compute, using that  $Z(G)$  is semi-  
simple and the orbit formula:

$$\sum_{\bar{g}, \bar{\pi}} (\dim V_{\bar{g}, \bar{\pi}})^2 = \sum_{\bar{g}, \bar{\pi}} |\bar{g}|^2 \dim \bar{\pi}^2 = \sum_{\bar{g}} |\bar{g}|^2 |Z(G)| = |G|^2$$

Theorem 9.18  $D(G)_{\text{mod}}$  is modular with

simple objects  $\{V_{\bar{g}, \pi}\}$  and

$$- (V_{\bar{g}, \pi})^* \simeq V_{\bar{g}^{-1}, \pi^*}$$

$$- \int_{\bar{g}, \pi, \bar{g}', \pi'} = \frac{1}{|Z(g)| |Z(g')|} \sum_{\substack{R \in G \\ Rg'R^{-1} \in Z(g)}} \text{tr}_{\pi}(Rg'^{-1}R^{-1}) \text{tr}_{\pi'}(R^{-1}g^{-1}R)$$

$$- T_{\bar{g}, \pi, \bar{g}', \pi'} = \int_{g, g'} \int_{\pi, \pi'} \frac{\text{tr}_{\pi}(g)}{\dim \pi}$$

Proof Uses character theory of finite groups and is omitted.

Example Back to  $G = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . We had 15  
 four simples  $V_{1,\square}$ ,  $V_{1,\square}$ ,  $V_{\sigma,\square}$ ,  $V_{\sigma,\square}$

The T-matrix is

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

← order  $V_{1,\square}, V_{1,\square}, V_{\sigma,\square}, V_{\sigma,\square}$

The S-matrix is

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$S^2 = id$   
 $(ST)^3 = id$

The modular group is, by definition, 16

$$SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \text{ or } PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}) = SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) / \pm 1$$

↳ Möbius transform

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$$

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Let  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Clearly

$$S, T \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \text{ or } S, T \in PSL_2(\mathbb{Z})$$

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Lemma 9.19  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \cong \langle S, T \mid (ST)^3 = S^2, S^4 = 1 \rangle$

$$PSL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \cong \langle S, T \mid (ST)^3 = S^2 = 1 \rangle$$

Proof omitted



Theorem 9.20 If  $\ell$  is modular, then 17

$$S \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\dim \ell}} S, \quad T \mapsto T$$

define a projective representation of  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .

↑  
a representation up to scalars

**Example** For  $D(6) \bmod$  we actually have  
 $S^2 = \text{id}$ ,  $(ST)^3 = \text{id} \leadsto$  action of  $PSL_2(\mathbb{Z})$