

## 37. COMPACT CLOSED CATEGORIES

**Compact closed category:** Symmetric, monoidal  $(\mathbf{C}, \otimes, \mathbf{1})$  with:

- Contravariant **duality functor**  $*$ :  $\mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ ;
- **Evaluation** natural transformation  $\text{ev}_X: X^* \otimes X \rightarrow \mathbf{1}$ ; and
- **Coevaluation** natural transformation  $\text{coev}_X: \mathbf{1} \rightarrow X \otimes X^*$ ,

**yanking conditions**

$$\left( X \xrightarrow{\text{coev}_X \otimes 1_X} X \otimes X^* \otimes X \xrightarrow{1_X \otimes \text{ev}_X} X \right) = 1_X$$

and

$$\left( X^* \xrightarrow{1_{X^*} \otimes \text{coev}_X} X^* \otimes X \otimes X^* \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_X \otimes 1_{X^*}} X^* \right) = 1_{X^*}$$

**Lemma:** Internal hom  $[X, Y] = X^* \otimes Y$ .

**Example:**  $(\mathcal{L}_{\text{fin}}, \otimes, K)$  with duality  $X^* = \mathcal{L}(X, K)$ .

If  $X$  has basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ ,

and  $X^*$  has dual basis  $\{\widehat{e}_1, \dots, \widehat{e}_n\}$  with  $\widehat{e}_i(e_j) = \delta_{ij}$ ,

then  $\text{coev}: K \rightarrow X \otimes X^*; 1 \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n e_j \otimes \widehat{e}_j$ .

Yanking:  $e_i \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n e_j \otimes \widehat{e}_j \otimes e_i \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n e_j \otimes \widehat{e}_j(e_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n e_j \delta_{ji} = e_i$

and  $\widehat{e}_i \mapsto \widehat{e}_i \otimes \sum_{j=1}^n e_j \otimes \widehat{e}_j \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^n \widehat{e}_i(e_j) \otimes \widehat{e}_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \delta_{ij} \widehat{e}_j = \widehat{e}_i$ .

Lemma: For  $Y$  with basis  $\{d_1, \dots, d_m\}$ ,

morphism  $e_i \mapsto d_j$  corresponds to tensor  $\widehat{e}_i \otimes d_j$ .

**Example:** Relation category **Rel**, biproduct is the disjoint union with

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \ni x & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\iota_X} \\ \xleftarrow{\pi_X} \end{array} & x \in X + Y \ni y \\ & & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\iota_Y} \\ \xrightarrow{\pi_Y} \end{array} & y \in Y \end{array}$$

Monoidal category  $(\mathbf{Rel}, \times, \{0\})$ , compact closed with  $X^* = X$ .

Evaluation  $\{((x, x), 0) \mid x \in X\}$ , coevaluation  $\{(0, (x, x)) \mid x \in X\}$ .

First yanking condition:

relation product of  $\{(x, (x', x')) \mid x, x' \in X\}$   
with  $\{((x', x), x') \mid x, x' \in X\}$  is  $\{(x, x) \mid x \in X\}$ .

Second is similar.