RENORMALIZED QUANTUM DIMENSION

AND

MULTIVARIABLE INVARIANTS FOR LINKS

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Consider $\mathcal{C}$ a category. The category of $\mathcal{C}$-colored framed tangles $\mathcal{T}_\mathcal{C}$ is defined as follows:

$\text{Ob}(\mathcal{T}_\mathcal{C}) = \{(V_1, \epsilon_1), \ldots, (V_m, \epsilon_m) \mid m \in \mathbb{N}, \epsilon_i \in \{\pm 1\}, V_i \in \mathcal{C}\}$.

$\text{Morph}(\mathcal{T}_\mathcal{C})(((V_1, \epsilon_1), \ldots, (V_m, \epsilon_m), (W_1, \delta_1), \ldots, (W_n, \delta_n))) = \mathcal{C}$ colored framed tangles $T : (V_1, \epsilon_1), \ldots, (V_m, \epsilon_m) \rightarrow (W_1, \delta_1), \ldots, (W_n, \delta_n)$.

**Observation**: The tangles have to respect the colors $V_i$. Once we have such a tangle, it has an induced orientation, coming from the signs $\epsilon_i$, using the following conventions:

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\[ \text{isotopy} \]
Example

\( V \in \text{Ob} \)

\((V_1, +) (V_2, -) (V_n, -)\)

\( T \in \text{Morph}(V, W) \)

\((W_1, +) (W_2, +) (W_{m-1}, -) (W_m, -)\)
Reshetikhin-Turaev functor

- **Aim:** Starting with any Ribbon Category $\mathcal{C}$, we’ll define a functor from the category of framed $\mathcal{C}$-colored tangles to $\mathcal{C}$.

**Theorem (Reshetikhin-Turaev)**

Consider $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}, \Theta, b, d')$ a Ribbon category. Then there exists a unique functor $F_{\mathcal{C}} : \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{C}} \to \mathcal{C}$ which is monoidal and satisfies the following local relations for any $V, W \in \mathcal{C}$:

1) $F((V,+)) = V \quad F((V,-)) = (V)^*$
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\[
V(\lambda) \quad \lambda \quad ((\lambda(h_i)), \lambda(h_s))
\]

− typical
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THE QUANTIZATION $U_h(g)$

**Definition**

Let $g$ be a super Lie algebra of type I. The quantization of $g$, denoted by $U_h(g)$ is the $\mathbb{C}[ [ h ] ]$-super-algebra generated by three families of elements $h_i$, $E_i$ and $F_i$, for $i \in \{1, \ldots, r\}$ with the relations:

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An $U_h(g)$-module $W$ is called topologically free of finite rank if there is a finite dimensional $g$-module $V$ with $W \cong V[ [ h ] ]$ as $\mathbb{C}[ [ h ] ]$-modules.

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Denote by $\mathcal{M}=\text{the category of topologically free of finite rank } U_h(g)$-modules. Then this is a Ribbon category.
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Final Lemma

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**Theorem (Geer and Patureau)**

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1) 
   
   
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