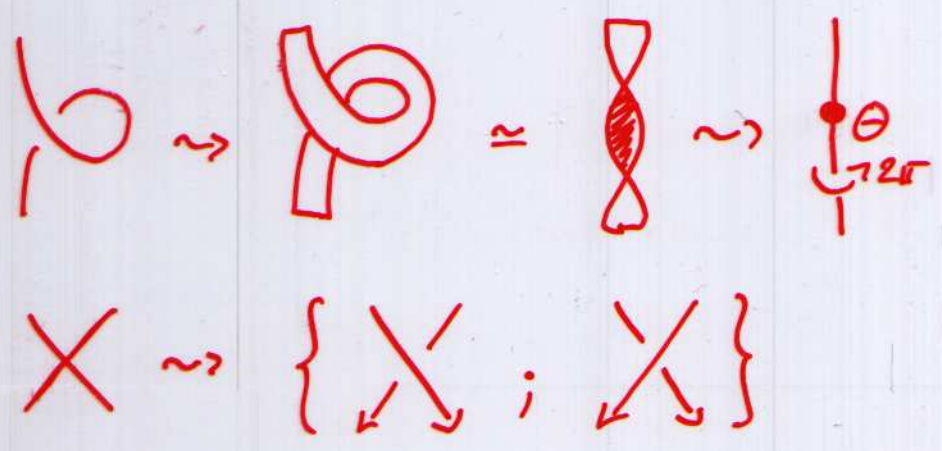


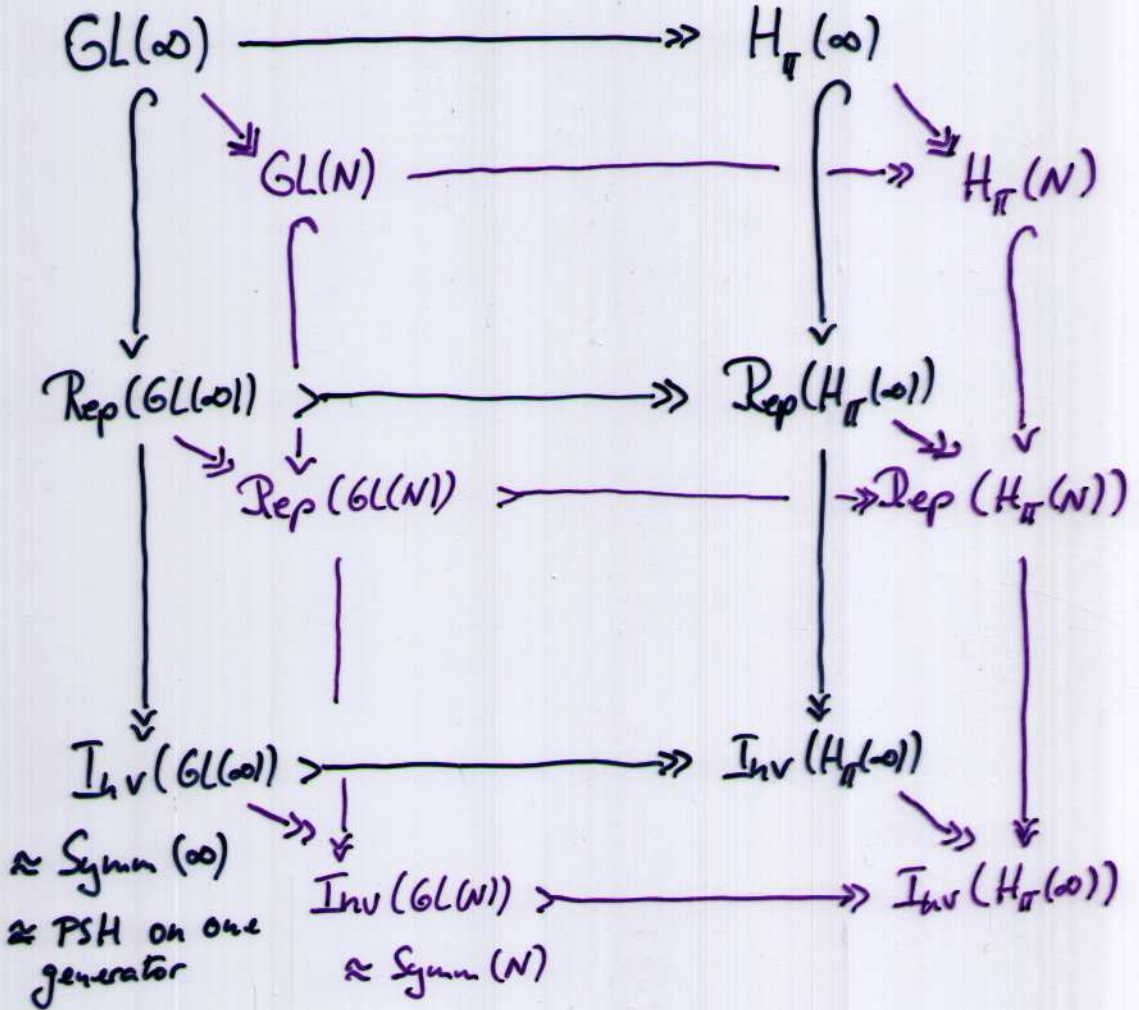
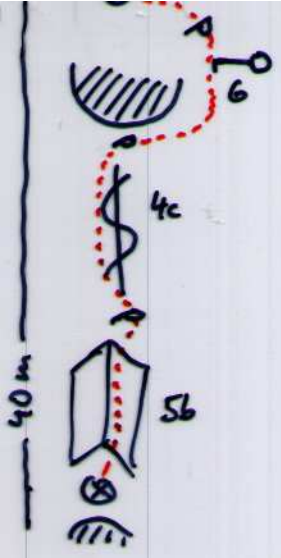
On the ribbon Hopf algebra structure  
of plethysmically generated  
subcharacter rings of  $GL(\infty)$



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topos of our route



Note: as HA we have

$$\text{Symm}(\infty) \cong \text{Inv}(GL(\infty)) \cong \text{Inv}(H_{\pi}(\infty))$$

Note: We need far more structure as the HA provides, such as ONB, duality, Schur positivity, ... so that the enriched structures encode different settings.

Arithmetic Hierarchy

$f \in \text{Sym}(\infty)$   $X, Y, \dots$   $\infty$ -alphabets

'+' :  $f(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta} f(X+Y) = \sum_{\{f\}} f_{(1)}(X) f_{(2)}(Y)$

outer coproduct

'\*' :  $f(X) \xrightarrow{\delta} f(XY) = \sum_{\{f\}} f_{(1)}(X) f_{(2)}(Y)$

inner coproduct

' $\lambda$ ' :  $f(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta} f("X^Y") = \sum_{\langle f \rangle} f_{(1)}(X) f_{(2)}(Y)$

plethysm coproduct

[non-cocommutative, non-linear (polynomial),  
cf. Connes-Moscovici, Connes-Kreimer non-lin. coprod..]

For some (Schur) basis we have:

$\Delta \lambda = \sum c_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} \lambda_{\mu} \otimes \lambda_{\nu}$

$c_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}$  : Littlewood-Richardson-rule

$\delta \lambda = \sum g_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} \lambda_{\mu} \otimes \lambda_{\nu}$

$g_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}$  : Murakami-Nakayama-rule

$\Delta \lambda = \sum p_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} \lambda_{\mu} \otimes \lambda_{\nu}$

$p_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}$  : "copledthysm"

Brouder-Schmitt convention on Sweedler indices  $\Delta \rightarrow ()$ ,  $\delta \rightarrow \{ \}$ ,  $\Delta \rightarrow \langle \rangle$

$\text{Inv}(GL(\infty)) \cong \text{Sym}(\infty)$  'irreducibles' (4)

complete symmetric functions:

$$H(z) := \sum_{n \geq 0} h_n(x) z^n := \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 - x_i z}$$

$$h_{\lambda}(x) = h_{\lambda_1}(x) h_{\lambda_2}(x) \dots h_{\lambda_{\ell}}(x) \quad \lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{\ell})_{\geq}$$

integer partition

monomial symmetric functions:

$$x^{\alpha} := x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n} \quad \alpha \vdash m \quad \text{integer composition}$$

$$m_{\alpha}(x) = \text{sym}(x^{\alpha})$$

Schur functions:

$m = \text{card of alphabet } X$

$$\Delta_{\lambda}^{[m]}(x) = \sum_{\alpha \in \text{SSYT}(\lambda, m)} x^{\alpha} \quad + \text{'stability'}$$

Ex:  $\lambda = (21) = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \quad m = 3 \rightarrow X = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{(21)}^{[3]}(x) &\cong \frac{11}{2} + \frac{11}{3} + \frac{12}{2} + \frac{12}{3} + \frac{13}{2} + \frac{13}{3} + \frac{22}{3} + \frac{23}{3} \\ &\cong x_1^2 x_2 + x_1^2 x_3 + x_1 x_2^2 + 2x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_1 x_3^2 + x_2^2 x_3 + x_2 x_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

Orthogonality:

Schur functions will be identified as characters of irred.  $GL(N)$  representations and are hence assumed to be orthogonal:

$$\text{Schur-Hall scalar product } \langle \Delta_{\lambda}, \Delta_{\mu} \rangle = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$$

# GL(N) - characters

$$V = \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}} (\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N) \in \text{FdVect}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

$$GL(N) \cong \text{Aut}(V) \subset \text{End}(V) \cong \text{Hom}(V, V)$$

$$g \cdot v = gv \quad \text{action of } g \in GL(N) \text{ on } v \in V$$

$$V \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}(V) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{F}} S(V)$$

diagonal action

$$g \cdot \mathcal{T}^k(V) : g \cdot (v_1, \dots, v_k) = (gv_1, gv_2, \dots, gv_k)$$

$$h \in GL(N \cdot k) \text{ acting on } W \cong \mathcal{T}^k(V)$$

$\text{Cent}_{GL(N \cdot k)}(GL(N)) = S_k$

$S_k$  : sym grp on  $k$  letters

Schur - Weyl - duality

Schur  $\Rightarrow S_k$  - character labels (integer partitions) specify the  $GL(N)$  irreducible modules

$$\mathcal{T}(V) = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} \mathcal{T}^k(V) \quad \mathcal{T}^k(V) = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash k} V^{\lambda}$$

where  $V^{\lambda}$  is an irreducible vectorspace of Schur symmetry type ' $\lambda$ '.

characters (equi-spectral classes)

$g \sim h \iff \text{inv}(g) = \text{inv}(h)$  as multisets

An equivalence class  $[g]$  is characterized by its spectral data (eigenvalues)  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$  (related to the Cartan subgroup)

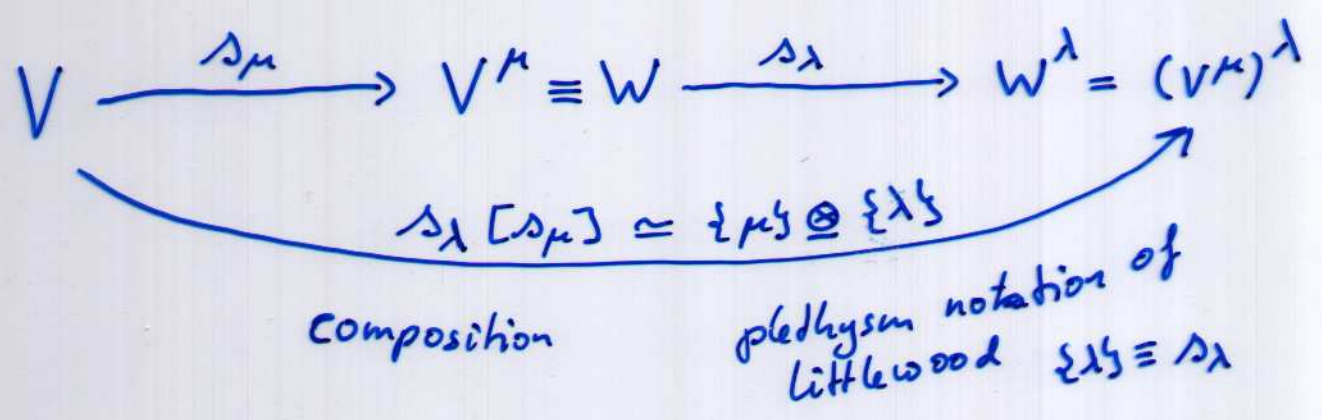
$V^\lambda \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} [V^\lambda] \cong \Delta_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_N)$

we drop [...] from now onwards

Schur functions  $\Rightarrow$  Schur functors

$V \xrightarrow{\Delta_\lambda} V^\lambda$   
 $(x_1, \dots, x_N) \quad \Delta_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_N)$

functionality: plethysm  $\cong$  composition



$\{\Delta_\lambda\}_{\lambda \vdash n, n \geq 0}$  constitute a set of polynomial functors on  $\text{FdVect}_\mathbb{C}$ , ... see Macdonald's book.

Graphical description:



$$V \otimes V \xrightarrow{\langle \Delta_\mu, \Delta_\nu \rangle} V^\mu \otimes V^\nu \xrightarrow{\cong} \bigoplus_\lambda c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda V^\lambda$$

$$\Delta_\mu \cdot \Delta_\nu = \sum_\lambda c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda \Delta_\lambda \quad \text{Littlewood-Richardson rule}$$



$$V \otimes V \xrightarrow{\langle \Delta_\mu, \Delta_\nu \rangle} V^\mu \otimes V^\nu \xrightarrow{\cong} \bigoplus_\lambda g_{\mu\nu}^\lambda V^\lambda$$

$$\Delta_\mu * \Delta_\nu = \sum_\lambda g_{\mu\nu}^\lambda \Delta_\lambda \quad \text{Murnaghan-Nakayama rule}$$



$$V \xrightarrow{\Delta_\mu} V^\mu \cong W \xrightarrow{\Delta_\nu} W^\nu \cong (V^\mu)^\nu \rightarrow \bigoplus_\lambda p_{\mu\nu}^\lambda V^\lambda$$

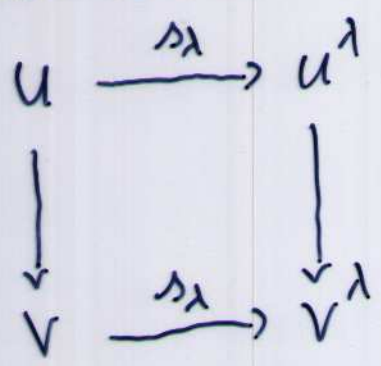
$$\Delta_\nu [\Delta_\mu] = \sum_\lambda p_{\mu\nu}^\lambda \Delta_\lambda \quad \text{plethysm} \cong \text{composition}$$

this can be recast in a  $\lambda$ -ring structure

- the coefficients  $c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda, g_{\mu\nu}^\lambda, p_{\mu\nu}^\lambda$  are defined via characteristic polynomials, see for example

D. Knutson

- linear substitutions:



# Subgroup Characters

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$$GL \longrightarrow \text{Inv}(GL) \cong \text{Sym HA}$$

$$\text{Def: } H^{\pi} = \{g\}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\ H_{\pi} & \longrightarrow & \text{Inv}(H_{\pi}) \cong \text{Sym HA} \end{array}$$

$$g \in GL; g \circ J^{\pi} = J^{\pi} g$$

Note: If  $H_{\pi} \in \{GL(N-1), O(N), Sp(N)\}$  'classical groups' then one still finds a basis of irreducible characters, otherwise only indecomposables occur.

$$\text{Ex: mod-Inv}(GL) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}} \{ \lambda_{\lambda} \}_{\lambda \vdash n, n=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\text{mod-Inv}(O) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}} \{ o_{\lambda} \}_{\lambda \vdash n, n=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\text{iso: } \lambda_{\lambda} \xrightarrow{\cong} o_{\lambda} \quad \Big| \cong \quad \text{as modules}$$

Note: This map does not respect the algebraic structure (product, coproduct) of Sym

Q: How does a GL-character  $\lambda_{\lambda} \equiv \{\lambda\}$  decompose into O-characters  $o_{\lambda} \equiv [\lambda]$  ?

$$\text{Ex: } \mathcal{T}^{ij} = \mathcal{T}^{(ij)} + \mathcal{T}^{[ij]} \cong \{2\} + \{11\} \\ \cong \square + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$GL \downarrow O \quad \mathcal{T}^{(ij)} = \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}}^{(ij)} + \mathcal{T}^g{}^{(ij)} \quad \{2\} = [2] + [0]$$

$$\mathcal{T}^{[ij]} = \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}}^{[ij]} \quad \{11\} = [1]$$



in general:

$$\{\lambda\} = \sum_{\mu} d_{\lambda\mu} \{\mu\}$$

'Wick type' contraction, how?

- irred. characters are orthogonal

$$\langle 1 \rangle : \text{Symm} \times \text{Symm} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\langle \lambda | \mu \rangle = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$$

- Schur function series (Littlewood, King, Wybourne, ...)

$$M(z) = \sum h_n(x) z^n = \sum \{n\} z^n = \prod_i \frac{1}{1-x_i z}$$

• Actions:

$$- M(z) \lambda = \sum \lambda_{(n)} \cdot \lambda z^n$$

multiplicative

$$- M^\perp(z) \lambda = \sum \lambda / \lambda_{(n)} z^n$$

as differential op.

$$\langle \lambda^\perp \mu | \nu \rangle = \langle \mu | \lambda \cdot \nu \rangle$$

$$\text{Now: } GL(N) \downarrow GL(N-1) \quad \lambda^\perp_{[N]} \rightarrow \lambda^\perp_{[N-1]}$$

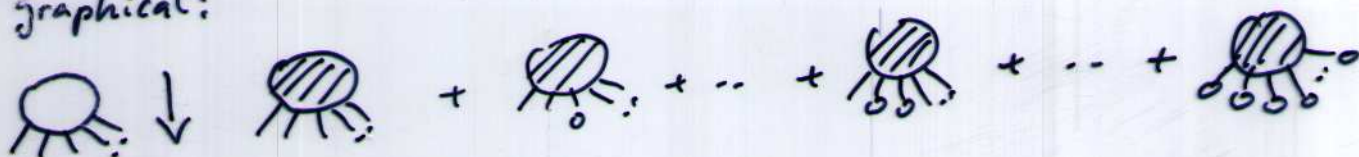
$$\lambda \mapsto M^\perp \cdot \lambda = \langle M(z) | \lambda_{(1)} \rangle \lambda_{(2)} \Big|_{z=1}$$

$$\{n\} \mapsto \{n\} / \{1\} = \{n\} + \{n-1\} + \dots + \{0\}$$

so since

$$M(z)^{-1} = L(z) = M[-\lambda_1](z) = \sum (-1)^n e_n z^n \quad e_n = \lambda_{(n)}$$

graphical:



branchings, cont.~

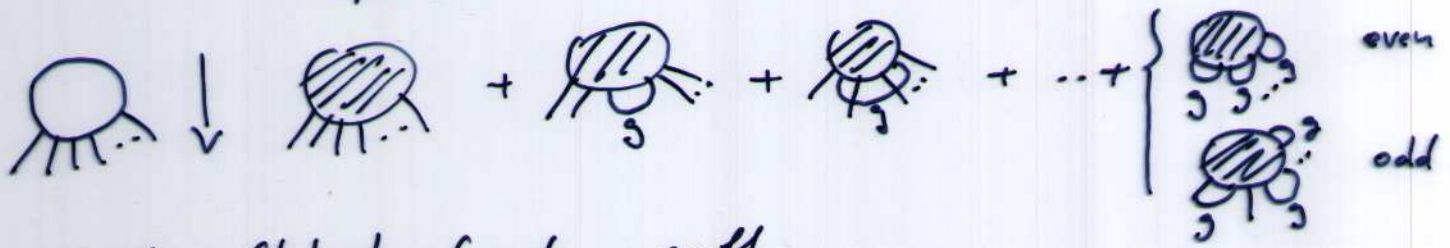
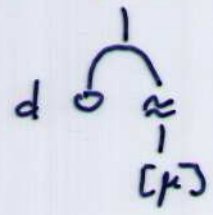
$\mathfrak{sl} \downarrow \mathfrak{o}$ :

$$D(z) = \mathcal{H}[\Lambda_2](z) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{1-x_i x_j z}$$

$$C(z) = \mathcal{L}[\Lambda_2](z) = \prod_{i,j} (1-x_i x_j z) = \mathcal{H}[-\Lambda_2](z)$$

- iso  $\mathfrak{sl} \cong \mathfrak{o} \iff \{\lambda\} \cong [\lambda]$
- $\{\lambda\} \downarrow [\mu] = [\lambda/D] = \langle D | \Lambda_{\lambda(1)} \rangle \Lambda_{\lambda(2)} = \langle D | \Lambda_{\lambda(1)} \rangle \mathfrak{o}_{\lambda(2)}$

graphical:  $\{\lambda\}$   $d(x) = \langle D | x \rangle = \langle \mathcal{H}[\Lambda_2] | x \rangle$



product: Glebsel - Gordan coeff.

$$[\mu] \cdot [\nu] = \oplus \tilde{c}_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} [\lambda]$$

$$= \sum_{\gamma} \left[ \binom{\mu}{\gamma} \cdot \binom{\nu}{\gamma} \right] \quad \text{Newell-Littlewood}$$

$$[\mu] \cdot [\nu] = \left[ \left( \binom{\mu}{\gamma} \cdot \binom{\nu}{\gamma} \right) / d \right]$$

$$= \left[ \left( \binom{\mu}{\gamma} / \mathcal{H}[-\Lambda_2] \cdot \binom{\nu}{\gamma} / \mathcal{H}[-\Lambda_2] \right) / \mathcal{H}[\Lambda_2] \right]$$

$$= c(\{\mu_{(1)}\}) c(\{\nu_{(1)}\}) d(\{\mu_{(1)}\nu_{(1)}\}) [\{\mu_{(1)} \cdot \nu_{(1)}\}]$$

$$= \underbrace{(2d)}_{\text{example}} (\{\mu_{(1)}\}, \{\nu_{(1)}\}) [\{\mu_{(1)} \cup \{\nu_{(1)}\}\}]$$

generalize:  $C = \mathcal{M}[\Lambda_2] = L[\Lambda_2]$   
 $D = \mathcal{M}[-\Lambda_2]$   $\Lambda_2 \cong [J^{(ij)}]$

to plethystic Schur function series

$\mathcal{M}_\pi = \mathcal{M}[\Lambda_\pi]$   $L_\pi = \mathcal{M}_\pi^{-1} = \mathcal{M}[-\Lambda_\pi]$

Thm [Farois King, Weybourne]

$((\mu))_\pi ((\nu))_\pi = \oplus (\chi^\pi)_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} ((\lambda))_\pi$

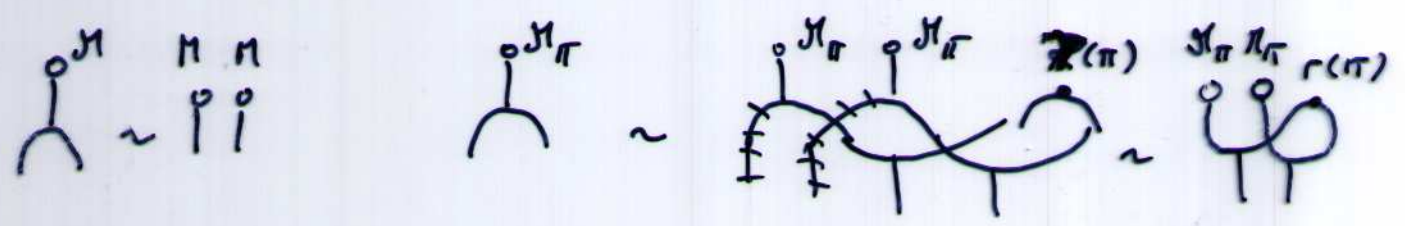
with the key lemma:

$\Delta \mathcal{M}[\Lambda_\pi] = (\Delta \mathcal{M})[\Lambda_\pi] = (\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M})[\Lambda_\pi]$   
 $= \mathcal{M}_\pi \otimes \mathcal{M}_\pi \cdot \mathcal{R}(\pi)$

where

- $\mathcal{R}(\pi)$  is an universal R-matrix
- $\mathcal{R}(\pi)$  depends on inner products and plethysms

Note:  $\Delta \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{M}$  was a group like series



$r : \mathbb{1} \rightarrow \text{Sym} \otimes \text{Sym}$  is a cogeneration law structure

# Char - GL $\cong$ Char - O

While combinatorially very different (module + basis) the HA of characters are isomorphic, however, spoiling for example the  $\lambda$ -ring structure

Weyl groups: Schur-Weyl duality  $GL \leftrightarrow S_N$   $O \leftrightarrow D_N$

inv.  $S_n$  poly:  $\sigma \in S_n$

$$\sigma \cdot (x_1 + \dots + x_n) = x_1 + \dots + x_n = p_1(x)$$

$$\sigma \cdot (x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2) = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = p_2(x)$$

$\vdots$

$$\sigma (x_1^n + \dots + x_n^n) = x_1^n + \dots + x_n^n = p_n(x)$$

$$\sigma (x_1^{n+1} + \dots + x_n^{n+1}) = x_1^{n+1} + \dots + x_n^{n+1} = p_{n+1}(x)$$

$$\text{but } p_{n+1}(x) = f_i(p_1(x) \dots p_n(x)) \quad \forall i \geq 1$$

Adams operations

$D_N$ :  $y_i = x_i^2$  and look at sym. functions in the  $y_i$ .

$$D_N = \{\tau_i\} \cup \{\sigma_i\}_{i=1}^N \quad \text{where } S_n = \{\sigma_i\}_{i=1}^N \quad \tau_i x_i = -x_i$$

$$\hookrightarrow p_1(y) = y_1 + \dots + y_n = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2$$

$$p_2(y) = y_1^2 + \dots + y_n^2 = x_1^4 + \dots + x_n^4$$

$\vdots$

results: [F. Jarvis King]

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i)  $\text{Symm} \cong \text{Char-GL} \cong \text{Char-O} \cong \text{Char-Sp}$   
and conjecturally  $\cong \text{Char-H}_\pi$

ii) While  $\text{Char-GL}$  is a self dual HA  
the other HA's are not self dual

- dual HA's are in general no longer  
build over finite modules

- each  $\text{Char-H}_\pi$  comes with an own  
Schur-Hall scalar product on irreducibles  
(indecomposables) making these orthonormal

$$\langle o_\lambda | o_\mu \rangle_\pi = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$$

$$\langle sp_\lambda | sp_\mu \rangle_\pi = \delta_{\lambda\mu}$$

⋮

iii) There are isomorphic (but combinatorially  
demanding) versions of sym. fct. bases

$s_\lambda, e_\lambda, h_\lambda, f_\lambda, m_\lambda, p_\lambda$

and new bases

$o_\lambda, sp_\lambda, \pi s_\lambda$

# The ribbon graph HA structure

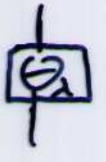
- $\text{Inv}(GL) \rightarrow V \cong V^*$  (as iso classes)  $\sim \downarrow \uparrow$
- we need Schur-positivity to detect proper characters
- $\text{Sym} \cong \{ \lambda \}_{\lambda + \mu = 0}^{\infty} \cong ((\lambda))_{\mathbb{N}, \lambda + \mu = 0}^{\infty}$  as modules

ribbons :

blackboard framing

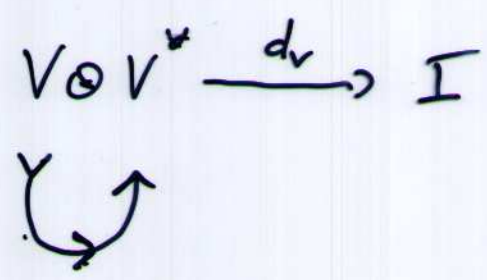
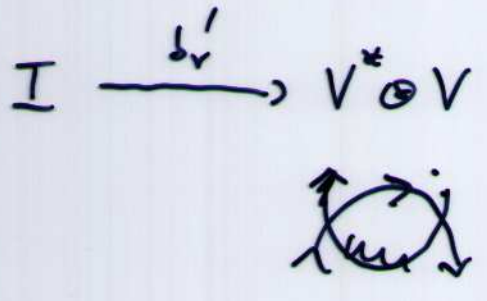
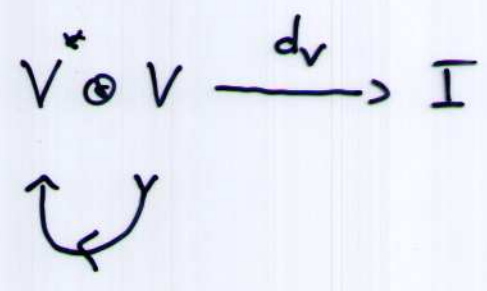
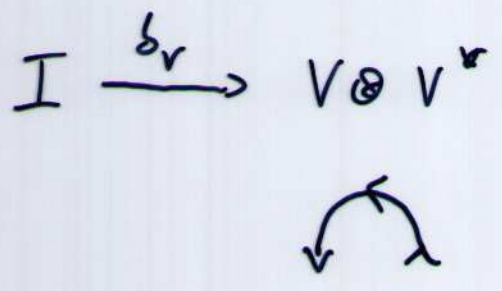


this introduces a ribbon element and

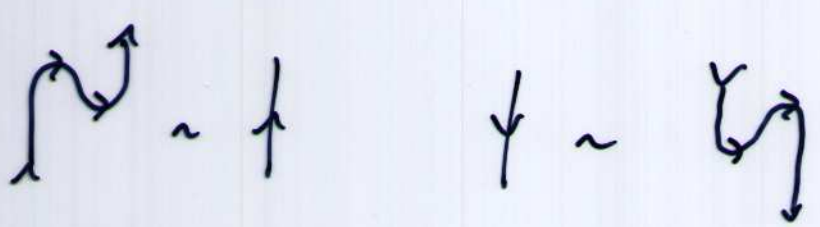
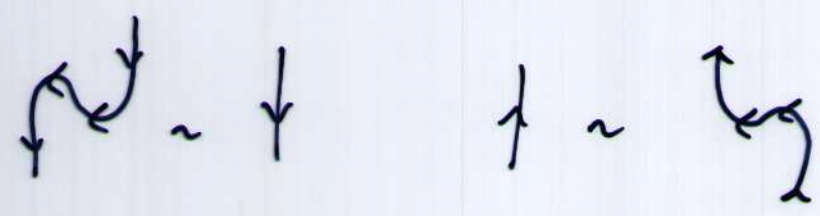
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the ribbon structure relates left-to-right and right-to-left duality (closed structures)

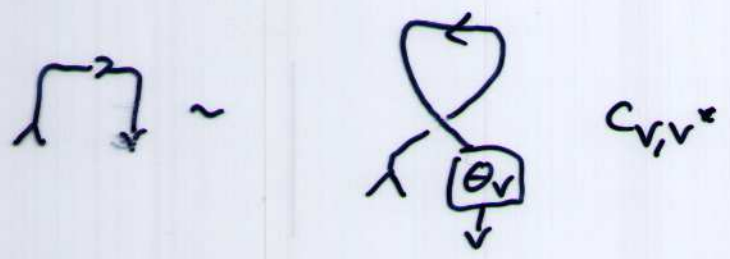
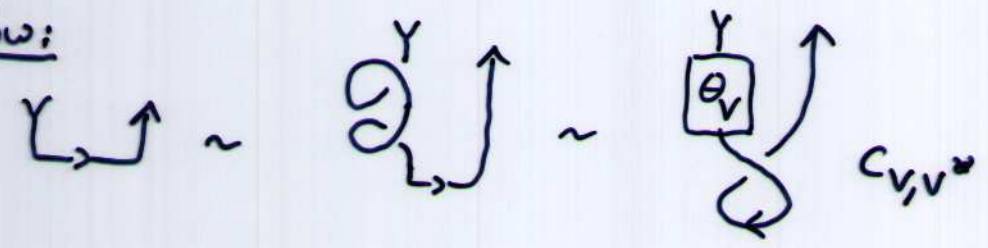
closure



with: (e.g. Kassel XIV.3 (3.4) (3.5))



Now:



# "Quantum" Trace and Dim

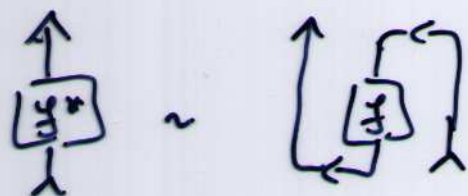
Let  $f \sim \boxed{f}$  be a morphism on Symm

Def:  $\text{Tr}_V^\Pi : \text{Hom}(V^\otimes, V^\otimes) \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathbb{I})$

$$\text{Tr}_V^\Pi(f) = \boxed{f} = \begin{array}{c} \boxed{f} \\ \boxed{\text{id}_V} \end{array} \text{ with } C_{V, V^*}$$

this trace fulfills:

- i)  $\text{Tr}_V^\Pi(fg) = \text{Tr}_V^\Pi(gf)$
- ii)  $\text{Tr}_V^\Pi(f \otimes g) = \text{Tr}_V^\Pi(f) \text{Tr}_V^\Pi(g)$
- iii)  $\text{Tr}_V^\Pi(f^*) = \text{Tr}_V^\Pi(f)$  in  $\text{End}(\mathbb{I})$

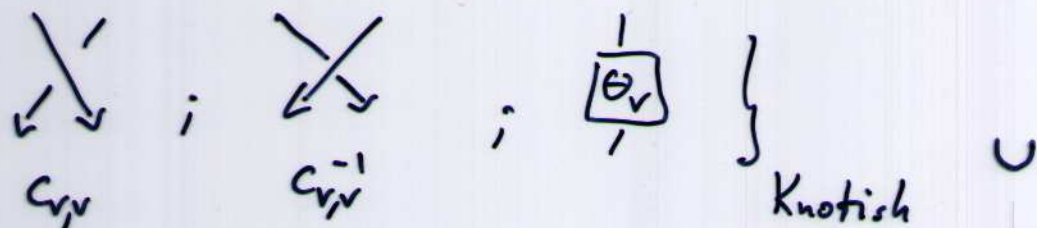


Def:  $\text{dim}^\Pi(V) := \text{Tr}_V^\Pi(\text{id}_V)$



ribbon H/A structure of Char -  $H_{\Pi}$

$GL \downarrow H_{\Pi}$  gives explicit combinatorial expr. for

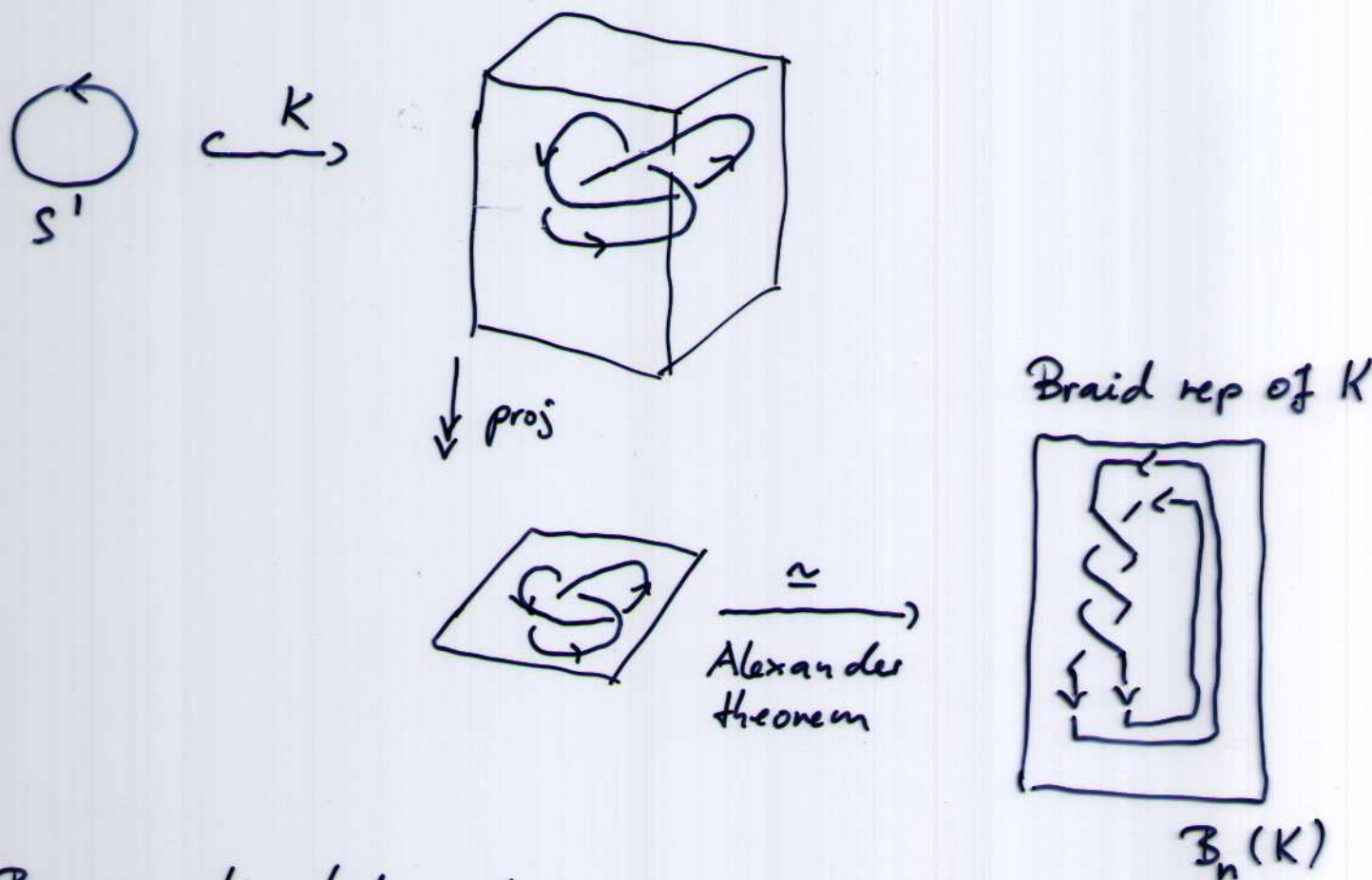


One gets a Drinfeld double

$\mathcal{D}(H) = H \otimes H^*$  with  $H^* \neq H$  in general

# Knot / Link Invariants

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$B_n$  complicated, study homomorphisms

- $B_n \twoheadrightarrow S_n$   
 $\{\tau_i\} \mapsto \{\sigma_i\} \quad \sigma_i^2 = 1 \quad \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  trivializes all traces

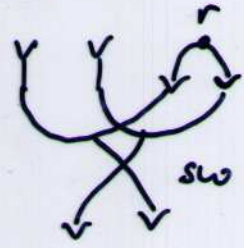
- $B_n \twoheadrightarrow S_n^{\mathbb{R}}$  Weyl group of  $H_{\mathbb{R}}$   
 allows a non-trivial braiding  $C_{r,r}$   
 induced by  $R(\mathbb{R})$   $R$ -matrix

preliminary results

$GL \downarrow O$  ( $GL \downarrow Sp$ )



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$$\text{sw} = \sum_{\lambda} \Lambda_{\lambda} \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda}$$

Cauchy-kernel

in Char-0

Char-GL



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$$\Theta_{\nu} = \sum_{\alpha} \Lambda_{\alpha} \cdot \Lambda_{\alpha}$$

$$\Theta_{\nu} = \mathcal{M}[\rho_1, \rho_1] = ((\text{mod } \delta) \mathcal{M})[\rho_1, \rho_1]$$

$$= \mathcal{M}_{[1]}[\rho_1] \cdot \mathcal{M}_{[2]}[\rho_2] = \sum_{\alpha} \Lambda_{\alpha} \cdot \Lambda_{\alpha}$$

But:  $GL \downarrow O$  is a triangular case and the explicit calculated traces are trivial (i.e. reproduce the dim, etc.)

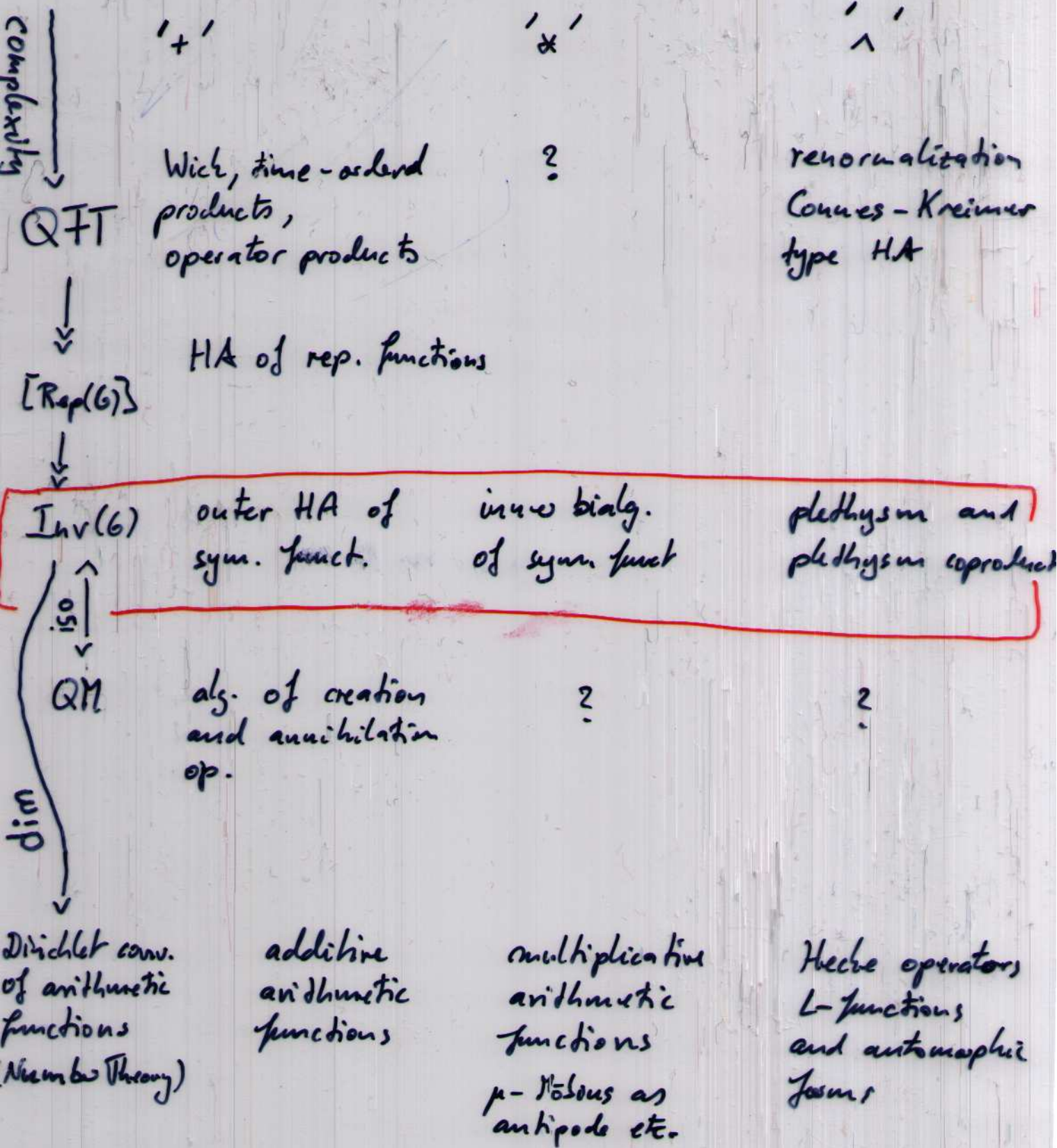
Way out: Consider  $H_{\mu} \downarrow H_{\nu}$  for  $|\mu| \geq 2$

yields non-trivial (not triangular) R-matrices

-> under investigation.

# Landscape picture of structure

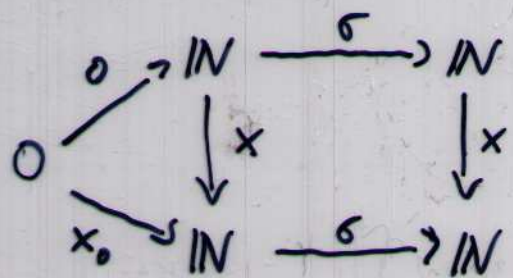
## Arithmetic hierarchy →



More layers possible: quantum protocols, quantum computing, knots/links, quantum chemistry

# Some Rotaism

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Natural Number Object NNO

$\sigma : n \rightarrow n+1$  successor map

captures the theory of recursion

•  $m = \sigma^m(0)$  evaluation of  $(\sigma \circ \dots \circ \sigma)$  on  $\sigma$

iterate:

•  $m+n = \sigma^m(0) + \sigma^n(0) = \sigma^{m+n}(0)$

•  $m \cdot n = \sigma^n(0) + \dots + \sigma^n(0) = (\sigma^n)^m(0)$

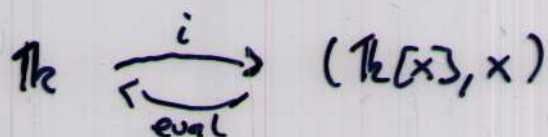
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do this on a one letter alphabet  $a$  by forming symmetric algebras

$\mathbb{K} \xrightarrow{i} \mathbb{K}[a]$  'adjoining an invariant'



adjoint functors



and iterate!

(Remark: Rota-Stein used super symmetric alphabets capturing Ext, Symm and other cases ...)

(Tens [Tens [B]<sup>+</sup>] in Brouter-Schmitt)

•  $\mathbb{k} \simeq \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow S[a] \simeq \mathbb{Z}[a]$  (is a HA)

$\mathbb{Z}[a]^+ = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \{ a^n \}_{n \geq 1}$  underlying module  
(actually comodule)

prod:  $a^n \cdot a^m = a^{n+m}$

coprod:  $\Delta a^n = \sum_{n_1+n_2=n} \binom{n}{n_1} a^{n_1} \otimes a^{n_2}$

unit:  $1 \rightarrow \eta(1) = a^0 = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}[a]$

counit:  $\mathbb{Z}[a] \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} \mathbb{Z} \quad \varepsilon(a^n) = \delta_{n0}$

• iterate on the (co)module  $\mathbb{k}^+[a]$ ;  $\text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \{ a^n \}_{n=1}^{\infty} = V$

$\text{Div}[V] = \text{Div}[\text{mod-}\mathbb{k}^+[a]] \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{(\mathbb{N})}[a^1, a^2, a^3, \dots]$

note:  $S(V)^* \simeq \text{Div}(V^{\vee})$

$\text{Div}[V] \ni m_{\lambda} = (a^1)^{(r_1)} (a^2)^{(r_2)} \dots (a^n)^{(r_n)}$

$\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_e) = [1^{r_1} 2^{r_2} 3^{r_3} \dots n^{r_n}]$

the product in  $\text{Div}[V]$  is not the product of symmetric functions, but up to the binomial factors concatenation (unordered)

$$(a^i)^{\binom{n_i}{n_j}} \cdot (a^j)^{\binom{n_j}{n_i}} = \begin{cases} \binom{n_i+n_j}{n_i} (a^i)^{n_i+n_j} & i=j \\ (a^i)^{n_i} (a^j)^{n_j} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

reintroduce the product structure on  $V$

$V = \mathbb{Z}[a]^+$  using a HA twist via an (algebra valued) Laplace pairing:

Def:  $\langle , \rangle : \text{Div}[V] \times \text{Div}[V] \rightarrow \text{Div}[V]$

- i)  $\langle 1, 1 \rangle = 1$
- ii)  $\langle (a^n)^{(m)} | (a^r)^{(s)} \rangle = \delta_{ms} (a^{n+r})^{(s)}$
- iii)  $\langle A | BC \rangle = \langle A_{(1)} | B \rangle \langle A_{(2)} | C \rangle$   
 $\langle AB | C \rangle = \langle A | C_{(1)} \rangle \langle B | C_{(2)} \rangle$
- iv)  $\langle A | B \rangle = 0$  if  $\text{deg}(A) \neq \text{deg}(B)$

Def:  $\text{Pleth}(S[a])$  as the HA deformation of  $\text{Div}[V]$  with new product

$$\text{Pleth}(V) \cong (\text{Div}[V], \circ)$$

$$A \circ B = \langle A_{(1)} | B_{(2)} \rangle \cdot A_{(2)} \cdot B_{(1)}$$

Ex:  $m_3 \cdot m_2 = m_{32}$        $m_2 \cdot m_2 = \binom{2}{1} m_{22}$

$$m_3 \circ m_2 = m_5 + m_{32}$$

$$m_2 \circ m_2 = m_4 + 2m_{22}$$

showing that  $\text{Pleth}(S[a]) \cong \text{Sym} \cong \mathbb{Z}[a^1, a^2, \dots]^{S_{\text{act}}}$  is the HA of sym. functions

$\Rightarrow$   $\circ$ -product captures the LRR (in monomial basis) without obscure algebra-comb. structure

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- Plethystic Hopf algebras are due to G.-C. Rota and Joel A. Stein, PNAS 91, 1994, 13057 ff
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- Several topics, like conformal field theory, vertex operators, etc are not in the landscape picture but can be added smoothly.

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