# A1. On k-linear categories

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## 1 On monoidal categories

### 1.1 R-linear monoidal categories

**Definition 1.1.** Let R be a ring. An R-linear monoidal category is a monoidal category  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \phi)$  (Stacks project authors, 2020, Tag 0FFJ) such that  $\mathcal{C}$  is R-linear (Stacks project authors, 2020, Tag 09MI) and the functor  $\otimes : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$  is R-bilinear, i. e., for any objects X, Y, Z, W of  $\mathcal{C}$  the map

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X,Y) \times \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Z,W) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X \otimes Z,Y \otimes W)$$

is R-bilinear.

**Definition 1.2.** An *R-linear symmetric monoidal category* is a quadruple  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \phi, \psi)$ , where  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \phi)$  is an *R*-linear monoidal category and  $\psi$  is a commutativity constraint compatible with  $\phi$ . I. e.,  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \phi, \psi)$  is a symmetric monoidal category that is *R*-linear.

#### 1.2 Internal Hom

**Definition 1.3.** Let X and Y be objects of a monoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$ . If the functor

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-\otimes X,Y)\colon \mathcal{C}^{\operatorname{op}}\to \operatorname{Sets},\ Z\mapsto \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Z\otimes X,Y)$$

is representable, we denote the representing object by  $\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X,Y) \in \mathrm{ob}(\mathcal{C})$  and call it the inner hom from X to Y. This means that there is an isomorphism, functorial in Z:

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Z \otimes X, Y) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Z, \operatorname{Hom}(X, Y)).$$

The unique preimage of  $id_{Hom(X,Y)}$  under the functorial isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X,Y)\otimes X,Y)\to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X,Y),\operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X,Y))$$

is denoted by

$$\operatorname{ev}_{XY} \colon \operatorname{Hom}(X,Y) \otimes X \to Y.$$

#### Remark 1.4.

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbf{1}, \operatorname{Hom}(X, Y)) \cong \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbf{1} \otimes X, Y) = \operatorname{Hom}(X, Y).$$

**Definition 1.5.** If for an object X of  $\mathcal{C}$  and the unit object  $\mathbf{1}$  the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X \otimes -, \mathbf{1})$  is representable, we denote the inner hom  $\operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X, \mathbf{1})$  by  $X^{\vee}$  and call it the *dual object* to X. We call X dualizable. We denote  $\operatorname{ev}_X := \operatorname{ev}_{X,\mathbf{1}} \colon X^{\vee} \otimes X \to \mathbf{1}$  and call it the evaluation morphism. For any object Z of  $\mathcal{C}$  we have a functorial isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}(Z, X^{\vee}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(Z \otimes X, \mathbf{1}).$$

If objects X and Y of  $\mathcal{C}$  are dualizable and  $f: X \to Y$  is a morphism in  $\mathcal{C}$  we can define  $^tf: Y^{\vee} \to X^{\vee}$  as the image of  $\operatorname{ev}_Y \circ (\operatorname{id}_{Y^{\vee}} \otimes f)$  under the functorial isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y^{\vee} \otimes X, \mathbf{1}) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y^{\vee}, X^{\vee}).$$

When f is an isomorphism, so is  ${}^tf$  and we let  $f^{\vee} := ({}^tf)^{-1} \colon X^{\vee} \to Y^{\vee}$ . Then

$$\operatorname{ev}_Y \circ (f^{\vee} \otimes f) = \operatorname{ev}_X \colon X^{\vee} \otimes X \to \mathbf{1}.$$

**Definition 1.6.** In a symmetric monoidal category C, let  $i_X \colon X \to X^{\vee\vee}$  be the unique preimage of the composition of the commutativity law  $\psi \colon X \otimes X^{\vee} \to X^{\vee} \otimes X$  with  $\operatorname{ev}_X \colon X^{\vee} \otimes X \to \mathbf{1}$  under the functorial isomorphism

$$\operatorname{Hom}(X, X^{\vee\vee}) \to \operatorname{Hom}(X \otimes X^{\vee}, \mathbf{1}) \ni \operatorname{ev}_X \circ \psi.$$

If  $i_X$  is an isomorphism, then X is called *reflexive*.

**Definition 1.7.** A symmetric monoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$  is called *rigid* if

- 1. the inner hom  $\underline{\text{Hom}}(X,Y)$  exists for all objects X and Y,
- 2. the morphisms

$$\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X_1,Y_1)\otimes\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X_2,Y_2)\to\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X_1\otimes X_2,Y_1\otimes Y_2)$$

corresponding to the morphism

$$\left(\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X_1,Y_1)\otimes\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X_2,Y_2)\right)\otimes\left(X_1\otimes X_2)\right)\xrightarrow{\mathrm{ev}_{X_1,Y_1}\otimes\mathrm{ev}_{X_2,Y_2}}Y_1\otimes Y_2$$

are isomorphisms for all objects  $X_1, X_2, Y_1, Y_2$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ ,

3. all objects of  $\mathcal{C}$  are reflexive.

**Remark 1.8.** A symmetric monoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$  is *rigid* if and only if all objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  admit a dual: If all objects admit a dual, then the inner hom for objects X and Y of  $\mathcal{C}$  is the objects  $X^{\vee} \otimes Y$  with  $\operatorname{ev}_{X,Y} \colon (X^{\vee} \otimes Y) \otimes X \xrightarrow{\psi} X^{\vee} \otimes X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\operatorname{ev}_X \otimes \operatorname{id}_Y} \mathbf{1} \otimes Y \to Y$ .

**Definition 1.9.** Let X and Y be objects of a symmetric monoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$  such that the inner hom  $\underline{\text{Hom}}(X,Y)$  exists and X is dualizable. The morphism

$$(X^{\vee} \otimes Y) \otimes X \cong (\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X, \mathbf{1}) \otimes \underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(\mathbf{1}, Y)) \otimes (X \otimes \mathbf{1}) \to \mathbf{1} \otimes Y \cong Y$$

corresponds to a morphism  $\phi_{X,Y}$ :

$$X^\vee \otimes Y = \underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X,\mathbf{1}) \otimes \underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(1,Y) \to \underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X \otimes \mathbf{1},\mathbf{1} \otimes Y) = \underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X,Y).$$

An object X of C is called *finite* if the morphism  $\phi_{X,X} \colon X^{\vee} \otimes X \to \underline{\text{Hom}}(X,X)$  is an isomorphism.

**Definition 1.10.** For a finite dualizable object X of  $\mathcal{C}$  we call the composition

$$\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(X,X) \xrightarrow{\phi_{X,X}^{-1}} X^{\vee} \otimes X \xrightarrow{\mathrm{ev}_X} \mathbf{1}.$$

the trace morphism of X and denote it by  $\operatorname{tr}_X$ . The dimension of X is the composition of the trace  $\operatorname{tr}_X$  with  $j_X \colon \mathbf{1} \to \operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X,X)$  (induced by  $X \otimes 1 \to X$ ):

$$\operatorname{End}(\mathbf{1},\mathbf{1}) \ni \dim_X \colon \mathbf{1} \xrightarrow{j_X} \operatorname{\underline{Hom}}(X,X) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{tr}_X} \mathbf{1}$$

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### 1.3 Abelian symmetric monoidal categories

**Definition 1.11.** An abelian symmetric monoidal category is a symmetric monoidal category  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes)$  such that  $\mathcal{C}$  is an abelian category and the functor  $\otimes$  is additive in each variable.

**Proposition 1.12.** Let  $(C, \otimes)$  be a rigid symmetric monodial category such that C is abelian. Then the functor  $\otimes$  is bi-additive commutes with colimits and limits in each variable.

*Proof.* The functor  $- \otimes X : \mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{C}$  is left adjoint to  $\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X, -)$ , hence it commutes with colimits and is additive. By considering the opposite caegory  $\mathcal{C}^{\operatorname{op}}$  we see that  $- \otimes X$  is also right adjoint to  $\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X, -)$ , so it also preserves limits.

### 1.4 Ind-Completion

**Definition 1.13.** For a category  $\mathcal{C}$  let  $PSh(\mathcal{C})$  denote the category of presheaves of sets on  $\mathcal{C}$  (Stacks project authors, 2020, Tag 00V1). An *ind-object* in  $\mathcal{C}$  is an object of  $PSh(\mathcal{C})$  which is isomorphic to a filtered colimit (Stacks project authors, 2020, Tag 04AX)  $colim_I h_{\mathcal{C}}(M)$  for  $M: I \to \mathcal{C}$  a filtered diagram in  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $h_{\mathcal{C}}: \mathcal{C} \to PSh(\mathcal{C})$  the Yoneda embedding.

**Definition 1.14.** The ind-complection of  $\mathcal{C}$  is the full subcategory  $\operatorname{Ind}(\mathcal{C}) \subseteq \operatorname{PSh}(\mathcal{C})$  on ind-objects in  $\mathcal{C}$ . Denote by  $i_{\mathcal{C}} \colon \mathcal{C} \to \operatorname{Ind}(\mathcal{C})$  the natural functor induced by  $h_{\mathcal{C}} \colon \mathcal{C} \to \operatorname{PSh}(\mathcal{C})$ .

**Proposition 1.15.** The category  $\operatorname{Ind}(\mathcal{C})$  admits all small filtered colimits and the inclusion  $\operatorname{Ind}(\mathcal{C}) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{PSh}(\mathcal{C})$  commutes with small filtered colimits.

**Proposition 1.16.** The ind-completion of an R-linear symmetric monoidal category C acquires a canonical symmetric monoidal structure extending that of C.

*Proof.* Use Proposition 1.12.

**Definition 1.17.** faithfully flat object of an R-linear monoidal abelian category

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Or should we define the trace as  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbf{1},-)$  applied to  $\operatorname{tr}_X$ ? Note that  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbf{1},\underline{\operatorname{Hom}}(X,Y)) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X,Y)$ . Then it is a morphism  $\operatorname{Tr}_X \colon \operatorname{End}(X) \to \operatorname{End}(\mathbf{1})$  and  $\dim(X) = \operatorname{Tr}_X(\operatorname{id}_X)$ . Compare (Deligne and Milne, 1982, p. 10).

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