

DEFINITION OF (RATIONAL) CHIRAL SEGAL CFT

(1a) For every closed (compact, smooth, oriented) 1-manifold S , a category $\mathcal{C}(S)$, isomorphic to $\text{Vec}_{\text{f.d.}}^{\oplus r}$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}$ which depends on S .

[Think: There is a certain group or algebra associated to S , and $\mathcal{C}(S)$ is the category of representations of that group or algebra ($r = \text{number of irreps.}$)]

For every pair of 1-manifolds S_1, S_2 there is a bilinear functor $\mathcal{C}(S_1) \times \mathcal{C}(S_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(S_1 \sqcup S_2) : (\lambda, \mu) \mapsto \lambda \otimes \mu$ which induces an equivalence of categories

$$\mathcal{C}(S_1) \otimes \mathcal{C}(S_2) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{C}(S_1 \sqcup S_2).$$

Here, given two linear categories \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} isomorphic to $\text{Vec}_{\text{f.d.}}^{\oplus r}$, their tensor product $\mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{D}$ has objects of the form $\bigoplus c_i \otimes d_i$ for $c_i \in \mathcal{C}$ and $d_i \in \mathcal{D}$, and hom-spaces given by $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{D}}(\bigoplus c_i \otimes d_i, \bigoplus c'_j \otimes d'_j) = \bigoplus_{ij} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(c_i, c'_j) \otimes \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(d_i, d'_j)$.

We also have an equivalence $\text{Vec}_{\text{f.d.}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{C}(\emptyset) : \mathbb{C} \mapsto 1$.

There is an associator $(\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes \nu \xrightarrow{\cong} \lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes \nu)$, unitors $1 \otimes \lambda \xrightarrow{\cong} \lambda$ and $\lambda \otimes 1 \xrightarrow{\cong} \lambda$, and a braiding $\lambda \otimes \mu \xrightarrow{\cong} \mu \otimes \lambda$ [we omit the isomorphisms $(S_1 \sqcup S_2) \sqcup S_3 \cong S_1 \sqcup (S_2 \sqcup S_3)$, $\emptyset \sqcup S \cong S$, $S \sqcup \emptyset \cong S$, and $S_1 \sqcup S_2 \cong S_2 \sqcup S_1$] which are natural (i.e. for any morphisms $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda', \mu \rightarrow \mu', \nu \rightarrow \nu'$ the following diagrams commute

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} (\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes \nu & \longrightarrow & (\lambda' \otimes \mu') \otimes \nu' & & 1 \otimes \lambda & \longrightarrow & 1 \otimes \lambda' & & \lambda \otimes 1 & \longrightarrow & \lambda' \otimes 1 & & \lambda \otimes \mu & \longrightarrow & \lambda' \otimes \mu' \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes \nu) & \longrightarrow & \lambda' \otimes (\mu' \otimes \nu') & & \lambda & \longrightarrow & \lambda' & & \lambda & \longrightarrow & \lambda' & & \mu \otimes \lambda & \longrightarrow & \mu' \otimes \lambda' \end{array} \right)$$

and subject to the well-known pentagon, triangle, hexagon, and symmetry axioms (the same axioms which appear in the definition of a symmetric monoidal category):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \begin{array}{ccc} & (\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes (\nu \otimes \rho) & \\ \nearrow & & \searrow \\ ((\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes \nu) \otimes \rho & & \lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes (\nu \otimes \rho)) \\ \downarrow & & \nearrow \\ (\lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes \nu)) \otimes \rho & \longrightarrow & \lambda \otimes ((\mu \otimes \nu) \otimes \rho) \end{array} & \begin{array}{ccc} & \lambda \otimes \mu & \\ \nearrow & & \searrow \\ (\lambda \otimes 1) \otimes \mu & \longrightarrow & \lambda \otimes (1 \otimes \mu) \end{array} & \begin{array}{ccc} & (\mu \otimes \lambda) \otimes \nu & \longrightarrow & \mu \otimes (\lambda \otimes \nu) \\ \nearrow & & \searrow & \\ (\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes \nu & & \mu \otimes (\nu \otimes \lambda) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes \nu) & \longrightarrow & (\mu \otimes \nu) \otimes \lambda \end{array} & \begin{array}{ccc} & \mu \otimes \lambda & \\ \nearrow & & \searrow \\ \lambda \otimes \mu & \longrightarrow & \lambda \otimes \mu \end{array} \end{array}$$

(1b) For every closed 1-manifold S , a faithful functor $U : \mathcal{C}(S) \rightarrow \text{TopVec}$ which equips $\mathcal{C}(S)$ with the structure of a concrete category.

If $\mathcal{C}(S) \cong \text{Vec}_{\text{f.d.}}^{\oplus r}$, so that an object can be written as an r -tuple of finite dimensional vector spaces, then the U functor is always of the form $(V_1, \dots, V_r) \mapsto \bigoplus V_i \otimes W_i$, where the W_i are typically infinite dimensional.

The forgetful functor satisfies $U(\lambda \otimes \mu) = U(\lambda) \otimes U(\mu)$ and $U(1) = \mathbb{C}$, naturally in λ and μ , and compatibly with the associator, unitors, and braiding:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} U((\lambda \otimes \mu) \otimes \nu) = (U(\lambda) \otimes U(\mu)) \otimes U(\nu) & U(1) \otimes U(\lambda) = U(1 \otimes \lambda) & U(\lambda) \otimes U(1) = U(\lambda \otimes 1) & U(\lambda \otimes \mu) = U(\lambda) \otimes U(\mu) \\ \downarrow & \parallel & \parallel & \downarrow \\ U(\lambda \otimes (\mu \otimes \nu)) = U(\lambda) \otimes (U(\mu) \otimes U(\nu)) & \mathbb{C} \otimes U(\lambda) \longrightarrow U(\lambda) & U(\lambda) \otimes \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow U(\lambda) & U(\mu \otimes \lambda) = U(\mu) \otimes U(\lambda) \end{array}$$

(2a) For every complex cobordism with thin parts Σ from S_1 to S_2 , a linear functor $F_\Sigma : \mathcal{C}(S_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(S_2)$.

If Σ and Σ' are complex cobordisms from S_1 to S_2 , then for every biholomorphic map $\phi : \Sigma \xrightarrow{\cong} \Sigma'$ such that $\phi|_{S_1} = \text{id}$ and $\phi|_{S_2} = \text{id}$, we have an invertible natural transformation $F_\Sigma \cong F_{\Sigma'}$, compatible with composition of maps.

We also have invertible natural transformations $F_{1_S} \cong \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S)}$, $F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} \cong F_{\Sigma_1} \circ F_{\Sigma_2}$, and $F_{\Sigma_1 \sqcup \Sigma_2} \cong F_{\Sigma_1} \otimes F_{\Sigma_2}$. They are natural with respect to biholomorphic maps of complex cobordisms, and make the following diagrams commute:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
F_{1_S \cup \Sigma} \longrightarrow F_{1_S} \circ F_\Sigma & F_{\Sigma \cup 1_S} \longrightarrow F_\Sigma \circ F_{1_S} & F_{1_{S_1} \cup 1_{S_2}} \longrightarrow F_{1_{S_1}} \otimes F_{1_{S_2}} & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3} \longrightarrow F_{\Sigma_1} \circ F_{\Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3} \\
\downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
F_\Sigma = \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S)} \circ F_\Sigma & F_\Sigma = F_\Sigma \circ \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S)} & \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S_1 \cup S_2)} \rightarrow \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S_1)} \otimes \text{id}_{\mathcal{C}(S_2)} & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} \circ F_{\Sigma_3} \rightarrow F_{\Sigma_1} \circ F_{\Sigma_2} \circ F_{\Sigma_3} \\
\\
F_{\Sigma \cup \emptyset} \longrightarrow F_\Sigma \otimes \text{id}_{\text{vec}} & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3} \longrightarrow F_{\Sigma_1} \otimes F_{\Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_3} & F_{(\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2) \cup (\Sigma'_1 \cup \Sigma'_2)} \longrightarrow F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} \otimes F_{\Sigma'_1 \cup \Sigma'_2} & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} \longrightarrow F_{\Sigma_2} \otimes F_{\Sigma_1} \\
\searrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
F_\Sigma & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} \otimes F_{\Sigma_3} \rightarrow F_{\Sigma_1} \otimes F_{\Sigma_2} \otimes F_{\Sigma_3} & F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma'_1} \circ F_{\Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma'_2} \rightarrow (F_{\Sigma_1} \circ F_{\Sigma_2}) \otimes (F_{\Sigma'_1} \circ F_{\Sigma'_2}) & F_{\Sigma_2 \cup \Sigma_1} \longrightarrow F_{\Sigma_1} \otimes F_{\Sigma_2}
\end{array}$$

(These diagrams are a bit sloppy as the functors being compared don't always have the same domain/codomain. Fixing them is not difficult, but would make them bulky.)

(2b) For every complex cobordism with thin parts Σ from S_1 to S_2 and every object $\lambda \in \mathcal{C}(S_1)$, a continuous linear map $Z_\Sigma : U(\lambda) \rightarrow U(F_\Sigma(\lambda))$.

The maps Z_Σ are natural in λ . They're also natural in Σ , meaning that for every biholomorphic map $\phi : \Sigma' \rightarrow \Sigma$ fixing S_1 and S_2 and every $\lambda \in \mathcal{C}(S_1)$, we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
U(\lambda) & \xrightarrow{Z_\Sigma} & U(F_\Sigma(\lambda)) \\
\parallel & & \parallel \\
U(\lambda) & \xrightarrow{Z_{\Sigma'}} & U(F_{\Sigma'}(\lambda))
\end{array}$$

We also have $Z_{1_S} = \text{id}_{U(\lambda)}$, $Z_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2} = Z_{\Sigma_1} \circ Z_{\Sigma_2}$, and $Z_{\Sigma_1 \sqcup \Sigma_2} = Z_{\Sigma_1} \otimes Z_{\Sigma_2}$. (Some isomorphisms have been omitted for better readability. For example, the last equality should say that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
U(\lambda \otimes \mu) & \xrightarrow{Z_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2}} & U(F_{\Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2}(\lambda \otimes \mu)) \\
\parallel & & \parallel \\
U(\lambda) \otimes U(\mu) & \xrightarrow{Z_{\Sigma_1} \otimes Z_{\Sigma_2}} & U(F_{\Sigma_1}(\lambda)) \otimes U(F_{\Sigma_2}(\mu))
\end{array}$$

A central ext. $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{\text{Ann}}(S) \rightarrow \text{Ann}(S) \rightarrow 0$ of the semigroup of annuli with ∂ parametrized by S . The extension depends on the central charge $c \in \mathbb{Q}$.

(3a) For every circle S , annulus $A \in \text{Ann}(S)$, and every lift $\tilde{A} \in (\mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{Z}).\text{Ann}_c(S)$, a trivialization $T_{\tilde{A}} : F_A(\lambda) \xrightarrow{\cong} \lambda$. [Think: 'the map $\Sigma \mapsto F_\Sigma$ is topological.']

These should satisfy $T_{1_S} = \text{id}$ and $T_{\tilde{A}_1 \cup \tilde{A}_2} = T_{\tilde{A}_1} \circ T_{\tilde{A}_2}$ (omitting the isomorphism $F_{A_1 \cup A_2} \cong F_{A_1} \circ F_{A_2}$ for better readability). Moreover, the central \mathbb{C}^\times should act in the standard way: $T_{z \cdot \tilde{A}} = z \cdot T_{\tilde{A}}$ for every $z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$.

(3b) For every circle S and every object $\lambda \in \mathcal{C}(S)$, the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
(\mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{Z}).\text{Ann}_c(S) & \longrightarrow & \text{End}(U(\lambda)) \\
\psi & & \psi \\
\tilde{A} & \mapsto & \left(U(\lambda) \xrightarrow{Z_A} U(F_A(\lambda)) \xrightarrow{U(T_{\tilde{A}})} U(\lambda) \right)
\end{array}$$

is holomorphic (holomorphic in the interior, and strong-continuous all the way to the boundary) [Think: 'the map $A \mapsto Z_A$ is holomorphic.']