## Q-system completion for C\*-algebras

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### Goals and overview

Study quantum symmetries of C\*-algebras: Unitary Tensor Categories (UTC) act on operator algebras via unitary tensor functors: [HHP20, Izu98, Jon20]

$$H: \mathsf{C} \stackrel{\otimes}{\hookrightarrow} \mathsf{Bim}(A).$$

- $\heartsuit$  Perform subfactor reconstruction for C\*-algs: all irreducible finite index extensions of II<sub>1</sub>-factors are crossed products N ⊂ N  $\rtimes_H Q$ , where Q ∈ C is a Q-system. [JP19]
- ♠ C\*-algs are good receptacles for UTC-actions: i.e. C\*Alg is Q-system complete. [CHPJP21]
- ♦ Induce new UTC-actions on W\*/C\*-algs from old. [GY20]

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# Graphical calculus for UTCs

- Diagrams read bottom to top
- Objects denoted by labelled strands
- 1-morphisms denoted by coupons:



- $-\circ-$  Composition by vertical stacking
- $-\otimes -$  Tensoring by horizontal concatenation
  - † Adjoint by vertical reflection

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## Bimodules over Q-systems

A bimodule  $X \in C(a \rightarrow b)$  over Q-systems  $P \in C(a \rightarrow a)$  and  $Q \in C(b \rightarrow b)$  consists of left and right actions

$$\lambda = \qquad \text{and} \qquad \rho = \qquad \text{, satisfying}$$
(B1) (associativity) = , = , = , = , (B2) (separable) = = , (B3) (Frobenius) = = , (B4) (unital) = , and = .

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## Composition of 1-morphisms

► Analogous to Connes fusion/Relative tensor product: To compose the P - Q bimodule  ${}_{A}X_{B}$  and the Q - R bimodule  ${}_{B}Y_{C}$ , we unitarily split the separability projector ([NY16])

$$p_{X,Y} := - := - = u_{X,Y}^{\dagger} \circ u_{X,Y}$$

for a coisometry  $u_{X,Y}$ , unique up to unique unitary. Graphically:

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$$|f|: |\mathbf{X}| \to |\mathbf{Y}|$$
 given by  $|f|\left(\xi\right) := \xi \in |\mathbf{Y}|$ .

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