Monoidal Structures on GL(2)-Modules and Abstractly Automorphic Representations

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Introduction

- L-functions are important objects.
- When the L-functions are equal: get deep connections across mathematics.
 - Modularity Theorem ⇒ Fermat's Last Theorem.
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- Part of PhD thesis, under supervision of J. Bernstein. Relevant part recently uploaded to arXiv as [Dor20].

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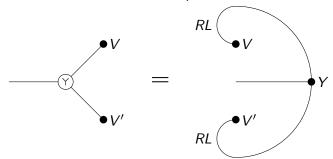
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• Saw stuff like this before: tensor products.



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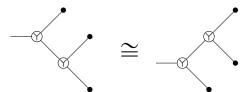
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- Important takeaway:
 - Irreducible V has dim $\mathsf{Hom}(\mathbb{1}_{\scriptscriptstyle Y},V)=0,1$, exactly if V is generic.
 - Choice of map $\mathbb{1}_{Y} \to V$ is same data as Kirillov model.

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- Turns out generic V are commutative algebras (in fact, idempotents).
- Follows because $\mathbb{1}_{Y} \rightarrow V$ is surjective.

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- Global theory deserves a whole lecture on its own.
- We will give a sample instead...

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• The theta functional can be used to construct a product

$$\mathfrak{I}(\widehat{Y})\mathfrak{I} \to \mathfrak{I}.$$

- The product makes I into a commutative (?)-algebra.
 - Unit map $\mathbb{1}_{\forall} \to \mathbb{I}$ is contragradient to sending an automorphic form to its Whittaker function.

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- Have an \bigcirc -algebra of automorphic forms \Im . First question: what are its modules?
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$$\mathsf{Mod}^{\mathrm{aut}}(G)$$
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Abstract

Consider the function field F of a smooth curve over \mathbb{F}_q , with $q \neq 2$. L-functions of automorphic representations of $\mathrm{GL}(2)$ over F are important objects for studying the arithmetic properties of the field F. Unfortunately, they can be defined in two different ways: one by Godement–Jacquet, and one by Jacquet–Langlands. Classically, one shows that the resulting L-functions coincide using a complicated computation.

Each of these L-functions is the GCD of a family of zeta integrals associated to test data. I will categorify the question, by showing that there is a correspondence between the two families of zeta integrals, instead of just their L-functions. The resulting comparison of test data will induce an exotic symmetric monoidal structure on the category of representations of $\mathrm{GL}(2)$.

It turns out that an appropriate space of automorphic functions is a commutative algebra with respect to this symmetric monoidal structure. I will outline this construction, and show how it can be used to construct a category of automorphic representations.