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TQFT on category of bordisms

Definition. TQFT on category of bordisms

$$\text{TQFT} : \text{Bordism}_n \rightarrow \text{Vec}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

be a functor from (diffeomorphism class) bordisms to complex vector spaces which preserves the tensor product in each categories (that is, a tensor functor)

$$\text{TQFT}(N_1 \amalg N_2) = \text{TQFT}(N_1) \otimes \text{TQFT}(N_2)$$

Here, by definition $\text{TQFT}(N)$ only depend on diffeomorphism class of N .

Corollary: $\text{TQFT}(N)$ is a representation of $\pi_0(\text{Diff}(N))$?

QFT gives such a functor

- $N_i, N_f \in \text{Bordism}_n$

be the initial and final spacetimes, then

$$\phi_i \in X^{N_i}, \phi_f \in X^{N_f}$$

the field configurations,

- so a state vector is

$$\Psi(\phi) \in {}'L^2(X^N)' =: \text{TQFT}(N)$$

- then

$$M : N_i \rightarrow N_f$$

- which must give us some

$$K_M(\phi_i, \phi_f)$$

that is the result of the path integral

- then

$$(\text{TQFT}(M)\Psi)(\phi_f) := \int_{\phi_i} K(\phi_i, \phi_f)\Psi(\phi_i)$$

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