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# ENRICHED MORITA THEORY OF MONOIDS IN A CLOSED SYMMETRIC MONOIDAL CATEGORY

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Abstract. We develop Morita theory of monoids in a closed symmetric monoidal category, in the context of enriched category theory.

### 1. Introduction

Let R, R' be rings. The Eilenberg-Watts theorem  $[4]$ ,  $[12]$  states that every cocontinuous functor  $\mathcal{F}: Mod_R \to Mod_{R'}$  between the categories of right modules is naturally isomorphic to the functor  $-\otimes_{R} R M_{R'}$  of taking tensor product over R for some  $(R, R')$ -bimodule  $_R M_{R'}$ . We say R, R' are Morita equivalent if we have an equivalence of categories between  $Mod_R$  and  $Mod_{R'}$ . The main theorem of Morita theory [\[9\]](#page-18-2) states that the following are equivalent:

- Rings  $R, R'$  are Morita equivalent;
- There exists a finitely generated projective generator  $P_{R'}$  in  $Mod_{R'}$  together with an isomorphism of rings  $R \cong End_{R'}(P_{R'});$
- There exists an  $(R, R')$ -bimodule  $_R M_{R'}$  and an  $(R', R)$ -bimodule  $_{R'} N_R$  together with isomorphisms of bimodules  $_R M_{R'} \otimes_{R'R'} N_R \cong {}_RR_R$  and  ${}_{R'}N_R \otimes_{R} M_{R'} \cong {}_{R'}R'_{R'}$ .

We generalize these results in the context of enriched category theory. We begin by establishing the Eilenberg-Watts theorem in an enriched context. We follow the approach introduced by Mark Hovey in [\[5,](#page-18-3) §1-2] using tensorial strengths of enriched functors between tensored enriched categories. After establishing the Eilenberg-Watts theorem, we provide a theorem which characterizes when an enriched category is equivalent to the enriched category of right modules over the given monoid of the base category. As a corollary, we obtain the main result of Morita in enriched context.

The base category that we consider in this paper is a closed symmetric monoidal category  $C = (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, c, [-, -])$  whose underlying category  $\mathcal{C}$  is finitely complete and finitely

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cocomplete. Some examples are the closed symmetric monoidal categories  $\mathcal{S}et/fset/\mathcal{S}et$ of small sets/finite sets/simplicial sets, Cat of small categories,  $\mathcal{A}\ell/\ell\mathcal{A}\ell$  of abelian groups/finitely generated abelian groups,  $\sqrt{v}c_K/f\sqrt{v}c_K$  of vector spaces/finite dimensional vector spaces over a field K,  $Mod_R/Mod_R/dgMod_R$  of modules/L-complete modules/dgmodules over a commutative ring  $R$ ,  $CGT/CGT_*$  of unbased/based compactly generated topological spaces,  $\mathcal{S}p_{CGT_*}^{\Sigma}$  of topological symmetric spectra,  $CGWH/CGWH_*$  of unbased/based compactly generated weakly Hausdorff spaces, Ban of Banach spaces with linear contractions. Every elementary topos is also an example.

We explain our main ideas and results. A monoid in C is a triple  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  where b is an object in C and  $u_b$ ,  $m_b$  are the unit, product morphisms in C. For each monoid b in C, we denote  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}$  as the C-enriched category of right **b**-modules. We can see b as a right **b**-module which we denote as  $b_{\mathfrak{b}}$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  has coequalizers. For each C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$ , the object  $\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})$  in  $\mathcal D$  is equipped with a left action of  $\mathfrak b$ , and we have the C-enriched left adjoint functor

$$
-\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}):\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}\to \mathcal{D}
$$

of taking tensor product over  $\mathfrak b$ . We show that there is a canonical C-enriched natural transformation

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}: -\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \Longrightarrow \mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D} \tag{1.1}
$$

associated to  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  (Lemma [3.1\)](#page-11-0). This was defined in [\[5,](#page-18-3) Proposition 1.1] as an ordinary natural transformation when  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  for another monoid  $\mathfrak{b}'$  in C. Moreover, we show that the following are equivalent (Proposition [3.2\)](#page-12-0):

- $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$  is a C-enriched left adjoint;
- $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  is C-enriched cocontinuous;
- $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  preserves C-tensors, i.e. its tensorial strength is invertible, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{F}_0$  preserves coequalizers;
- The C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$ :  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} F(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ :  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  in [\(1.1\)](#page-1-0) is invertible.

Using this result, we prove the following generalization of the Eilenberg-Watts theorem. Left **b**-module objects in  $\mathcal{D}$  are introduced in §[2.4.](#page-6-0)

<span id="page-1-2"></span>1.1. THEOREM. Let b be a monoid in C and let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  has coequalizers. We have a fully faithful left adjoint functor

<span id="page-1-1"></span>
$$
{}_{b}\mathcal{D}\longrightarrow C\text{-}Funct(\mathcal{M}od_{b},\mathcal{D})
$$
\n
$$
(1.2)
$$

from the category of left  $\mathfrak b$ -modules objects in  $\mathcal D$  to the category of C-enriched functors  $Mod_{b} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ . The essential image of the left adjoint functor [\(1.2\)](#page-1-1) is the coreflective full

subcategory C-Funct<sub>cocon</sub>( $Mod_b$ , D) of cocontinuous C-enriched functors  $Mod_b \rightarrow D$ , and we have an adjoint equivalence of categories

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{D} \xrightarrow[\simeq]{\simeq} \mathcal{C}\text{-}\mathit{Funct}_{\mathit{cocon}}(\mathit{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathcal{D}).
$$

The coreflection of a C-enriched functor  $\mathcal F$  : **Mod**<sub>b</sub>  $\rightarrow$  D is the associated C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  in [\(1.1\)](#page-1-0).

Let us explain why Theorem [1.1](#page-1-2) can be seen as a generalization of the Eilenberg-Watts theorem. Given another monoid  $\mathfrak{b}'$  in C, we define a  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodule as a left  $\mathfrak{b}$ -module object in  $\mathcal{M}od_{b'}$  (Definition [2.6\)](#page-7-0). After substituting  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{M}od_{b'}$  in Theorem [1.1,](#page-1-2) we obtain the following corollary.

<span id="page-2-0"></span>1.2. COROLLARY. Let  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  be monoids in C. We have an adjoint equivalence of categories

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{M}\mathit{od}_{\mathfrak{b}'}\xrightarrow[\simeq]{\simeq} \mathcal{C}\text{-}\mathit{Funct}_{\mathit{cocon}}(\mathcal{M}\mathit{od}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathcal{M}\mathit{od}_{\mathfrak{b}'})
$$

from the category of  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodules to the category of cocontinuous C-enriched functors  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  .

The original Eilenberg-Watts theorem [\[4\]](#page-18-0), [\[12\]](#page-18-1) states that the functor from left to right in Corollary [1.2](#page-2-0) is essentially surjective when  $C = \mathcal{A}\delta$ . This has been generalized to the situation where the target category is a general tensored  $\mathcal{J}\ell$ -enriched category by Nyman and Smith [\[10\]](#page-18-4). The main result of their article is precisely our Theorem [1.1](#page-1-2) in the special case  $C = \mathcal{A}\ell$ . We mention that Corollary [1.2](#page-2-0) has been discussed online when  $C$  is a Bénabou cosmos. <sup>[1](#page-2-1)</sup>

In the original Eilenberg-Watts theorem, we only assume the cocontinuity of the underlying functor (i.e., preservation of sums and coequalizers). In a general C-enriched setting this is not enough, and we use preservation of C-tensors which is a more restrictive condition than preservation of sums. The reason why the weaker assumption is enough in the case of  $C = \mathcal{A}\delta$  is the following special property of abelian module categories: any natural transformation between cocontinuous functors out of an abelian module category is invertible as soon as it is invertible at a projective generator.

Next, we characterize when a C-enriched category  $\mathcal D$  is equivalent to  $\mathcal M$ *od*<sub>b</sub>. We say an object X in a C-enriched category  $\mathcal D$  is a C-enriched compact generator if the C-enriched Hom functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  is conservative, preserves C-tensors and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -)$ <sub>0</sub> preserves coequalizers (Definition [4.1\)](#page-14-0).

<span id="page-2-2"></span>1.3. THEOREM. Let b be a monoid in C, and let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  has coequalizers. Then  $\mathcal D$  is equivalent to **Mod**<sub>b</sub> as Cenriched categories if and only if there exists a C-enriched compact generator  $X$  in  $D$ inducing an isomorphism of monoids  $f : \mathfrak{b} \cong End_{\mathcal{D}}(X)$  in C.

<span id="page-2-1"></span><sup>1</sup>See https://mathoverflow.net/questions/159735/in-what-generality-does-eilenberg-watts-hold and https://ncatlab.org/nlab/show/Eilenberg-Watts+theorem for the discussions of Corollary [1.2](#page-2-0) over a Bénabou cosmos C.

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Using Theorem [1.1](#page-1-2) and Theorem [1.3,](#page-2-2) we establish the main theorem of Morita theory in enriched context. We say monoids  $\mathfrak b$  and  $\mathfrak b'$  in C are *Morita equivalent* if  $\mathcal Mod_{\mathfrak b}$  and  $Mod_{b'}$  are equivalent as *C*-enriched categories.

<span id="page-3-0"></span>1.4. COROLLARY. Let  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  be monoids in C. The following are equivalent:

- (i) Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are Morita equivalent;
- (ii) There exists a C-enriched compact generator  $x_{b'}$  in  $\mathcal{M}od_{b'}$  together with an isomorphism of monoids  $\mathfrak{b} \cong End_{\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}'}}(x_{\mathfrak{b}'})$  in C;
- (iii) There exists a  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodule  $\mathfrak{b}x_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  and a  $(\mathfrak{b}', \mathfrak{b})$ -bimodule  $\mathfrak{b}'y_{\mathfrak{b}}$  together with isomorphisms of bimodules  $_bx_{b'} \otimes_{b' b'} y_b \cong_b b_b$  and  $_{b'}y_b \otimes_{b} y_{b'} \cong_{b'}b'_{b'}$ .

If we consider  $C = \mathcal{A}\delta$  in Corollary [1.4,](#page-3-0) we recover the original result of Morita.

#### 2. Enriched Categories

We fix a closed symmetric monoidal category  $C = (\mathcal{C}, \otimes, c, [-,-])$  whose underlying category  $\mathcal C$  is finitely complete and finitely cocomplete. We denote objects in  $\mathcal C$  with small letters. Let z, x, y be objects in C. We have the functor  $\otimes : \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$  and the unit object  $c$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , together with coherence isomorphisms

<span id="page-3-1"></span>
$$
a_{z,x,y}: z \otimes (x \otimes y) \xrightarrow{\cong} (z \otimes x) \otimes y, \qquad \qquad i_x: c \otimes x \xrightarrow{\cong} x,
$$
  
\n
$$
s_{x,y}: x \otimes y \xrightarrow{\cong} y \otimes x, \qquad \qquad j_x: x \otimes c \xrightarrow{\cong} x
$$
\n
$$
(2.1)
$$

in C that are natural in variables z, x, y. For each object x in C, the functor  $-\otimes x : C \to C$ admits a right adjoint  $[x, -]: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$  and we have a functor  $[-, -]: \mathcal{C}^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$ .

We refer [\[3\]](#page-18-5), [\[6\]](#page-18-6) for the basics of enriched category theory. Let  $D$  be a C-enriched category and let X, Y, Z be objects in  $\mathcal{D}$ . We denote  $\mathcal{D}(X, Y)$  as the Hom object and  $\mathbb{I}_X : c \to \mathcal{D}(X,X), \mu_{X,Y,Z} : \mathcal{D}(Y,Z) \otimes \mathcal{D}(X,Y) \to \mathcal{D}(X,Z)$  as the identity, composition morphisms in C. We denote  $\mathcal{D}_0$  as the underlying category of  $\mathcal{D}$ . A morphism  $X \to Y$ in  $D$  means a morphism from X to Y in the underlying category  $D_0$  of D. We denote  $\mathbb{I}_X : X \xrightarrow{\cong} X$  as the identity morphism  $\mathbb{I}_X : c \to \mathcal{D}(X,X)$  of X in  $\mathcal{D}$ . For each morphism  $l: X \to Y$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , we have morphisms  $l_{\star}: \mathcal{D}(Z, X) \to \mathcal{D}(Z, Y)$  and  $l^{\star}: \mathcal{D}(Y, Z) \to \mathcal{D}(X, Z)$ in C.

The category  $\mathcal C$  has a canonical C-enriched category structure whose Hom objects are given by  $\mathcal{C}(x, y) = [x, y]$ . We identify the underlying category of the C-enriched category  $\mathcal C$  with the original category  $\mathcal C$ .

Let  $\mathcal{D}'$  be another C-enriched category. For each C-enriched functor  $\alpha : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$ , we have the underlying functor  $\alpha_0$ :  $\mathcal{D}_0 \to \mathcal{D}'_0$  and we denote  $\alpha_{X,Y}$ :  $\mathcal{D}(X,Y) \to$  $\mathcal{D}'(\alpha(X), \alpha(Y))$  as the morphism between Hom objects. We write  $I_{\mathcal{D}}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}$  as the identity C-enriched functor of D. Let  $\beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$  be another C-enriched functor from D to D'. For each C-enriched natural transformation  $\xi : \alpha \Rightarrow \beta : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'$ , we have the underlying natural transformation  $\xi_0$ :  $\alpha_0 \Rightarrow \beta_0$ :  $\mathcal{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_0$  whose component at each object X in D is  $(\xi_0)_X = \xi_X : \alpha(X) \to \beta(X)$ . We denote C-Funct $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$  as the category of C-enriched functors from  $\mathcal D$  to  $\mathcal D'$ .

2.1. Tensored enriched categories and tensorial strengths. We say a Cenriched category  $\mathcal D$  is tensored if for each object X in  $\mathcal D$ , the C-enriched Hom functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  admits a left adjoint C-enriched functor  $-\otimes X : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$ . We denote the components of the unit, counit of the C-enriched adjunction  $-\otimes X + \mathcal{D}(X, -)$  at  $z \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), Y \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{D})$  as

$$
\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow[\mathcal{D(X,-)}]{-\otimes X} \mathcal{D}
$$
\n
$$
\mathcal{C}v_{z,X}: z \to \mathcal{D}(X,z \otimes X), \quad Ev_{X,Y}: \mathcal{D}(X,Y) \otimes Y \to X.
$$

For each morphism  $l : z \otimes X \to Y$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , we denote the corresponding morphism in  $\mathcal{C}$ as  $\overline{l}$  :  $z \to \mathcal{D}(X, Y)$  and call it as the *right adjunct* of *l*. We have a unique isomorphism  $i_X : c \circledast X \stackrel{\cong}{\to} X$  in  $\mathcal D$  whose right adjunct is the morphism  $\overline{i}_X = \mathbb{I}_X : c \to \mathcal D(X,X)$  in  $\mathcal C$ .

Let  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'$  be tensored C-enriched categories and let  $z \in Obi(\mathcal{C}), X \in Obi(\mathcal{D})$ . For each C-enriched functor  $\beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$ , the tensorial strength associated to  $\beta$  at z, X is a morphism  $t^{\beta}_{z,X}: z \otimes \beta(X) \to \beta(z \otimes X)$  in  $\mathcal{D}'$  defined as follows:

$$
t^{\beta}_{z,X} := Ev_{\beta(X),\beta(z\circledast X)} \circ (\beta_{X,z\circledast X} \circ \mathbb{I}_{\beta(X)}) \circ (Cv_{z,X} \circledast \mathbb{I}_{\beta(X)})
$$
  

$$
: z \circledast \beta(X) \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}(X,z \circledast X) \circledast \beta(X) \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}'(\beta(X),\beta(z \circledast X)) \circledast \beta(X) \longrightarrow \beta(z \circledast X).
$$

We say the C-functor  $\beta$  :  $\mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$  preserves C-tensors if the tensorial strength  $t_z^{\beta}$ z,X associated to  $\beta$  is an isomorphism in  $\mathcal{D}'$  for every pair z, X.

2.2. EXAMPLE. The C-enriched category C is tensored. Let  $z, x, y \in Obj(\mathcal{C})$ . The tensored object of x, y in C is  $x \otimes y = x \otimes y$ . Moreover,

- the coherence isomorphism  $u_x : c \otimes x \stackrel{\cong}{\to} x$  in [\(2.1\)](#page-3-1) corresponds to the unique iso $morphism\;u_x:c\circledast x\stackrel{\cong}{\rightarrow}x\;in\mathcal{C};$
- the coherence isomorphism  $a_{z,x,y}: z \otimes (x \otimes y) \stackrel{\cong}{\rightarrow} (z \otimes x) \otimes y$  in [\(2.1\)](#page-3-1) corresponds to the tensorial strength  $t_{z,x}^{-\otimes y}:z\circledast(x\circledast y)\stackrel{\cong}{\to}(z\circledast x)\circledast y$  associated to the C-enriched functor  $-\otimes y : \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$  at z, x.

Let x, y be objects in C. Throughout this paper, we identify the object  $x \otimes y$  in C with the tensored object  $x \otimes y$  in C. For instance, given a monoid  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  in C, we denote the product morphism as  $m_b : b \otimes b \to b$ .

Let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category. For each object  $X$  in  $\mathcal D$ , the C-enriched functor  $-\otimes X:\mathcal{C}\to\mathcal{D}$  preserves C-tensors. We denote the associated tensorial strength as

$$
a_{w,z,X} := t_{w,z}^{-\circledast X} : w \circledast (z \circledast X) \xrightarrow{\cong} (w \circledast z) \circledast X, \qquad \forall w,z \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C}).
$$

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We often omit this isomorphism and simply denote  $w \otimes z \otimes X \in Obj(\mathcal{D})$ .

2.3. EXAMPLE. Let  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  be a monoid in C. We explain the tensored C-enriched category **Mod**<sub>b</sub> of right b-modules. A right b-module is a pair  $z_b = (z, z \otimes b \xrightarrow{\gamma_z} z)$  of an object z in C, and a morphism  $\gamma_z : z \otimes b \to z$  in C satisfying the right b-action relations. For instance, we have the right **b**-module  $b_b := (b, b \otimes b \xrightarrow{\gamma_b = m_b} b)$ . The Hom object between right **b**-modules  $z_b = (z, \gamma_z)$  and  $\tilde{z}_b = (\tilde{z}, \gamma_{\tilde{z}})$  is given by the equalizer

<span id="page-5-0"></span>
$$
\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}(z_{\mathfrak{b}},\tilde{z}_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{U}_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\tilde{z}_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{C}(z,\tilde{z}) \xrightarrow[(\gamma_{\tilde{z}}) \ast \circ (-\circledast b)_{z,\tilde{z}}]{} \mathcal{C}(z \circledast b,\tilde{z}).
$$
\n(2.2)

The tensored object of  $w \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}})$  is the right **b**-module

$$
w \circledast z_{\mathfrak{b}} = (w \circledast z, \ \gamma_{w \circledast z}), \qquad \gamma_{w \circledast z} = \mathbb{I}_w \circledast \gamma_z : w \circledast z \circledast b \longrightarrow w \circledast z.
$$

For each right **b**-module  $z_b = (z, \gamma_z)$ , the morphism  $\gamma_z : z \otimes b \rightarrow z$  in C becomes a morphism  $\gamma_{z_b} : z \otimes b_b \to z_b$  in **Mod**<sub>b</sub>. For instance, the morphism  $\gamma_b = m_b : b \otimes b \to b$  in C becomes a morphism  $\gamma_{b_b} : b \otimes b_b \to b_b$  in **Mod**<sub>b</sub>. The underlying category (**Mod**<sub>b</sub>)<sub>0</sub> of **Mod**<sub>b</sub> has coequalizers. For each right **b**-module  $z_b = (z, \gamma_z)$ , we have the following coequalizer  $diagram in (\text{Mod}_b)_0.$ 

<span id="page-5-2"></span>
$$
z \otimes b \otimes b_{\mathfrak{b}} \xrightarrow{\gamma_z \otimes \mathbb{I}_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}} z \otimes b_{\mathfrak{b}} \xrightarrow{\gamma_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} z_{\mathfrak{b}} \qquad (2.3)
$$

Let **b** be a monoid in C. We have the forgetful C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{U}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{C}$ whose morphism on Hom objects is given by the equalizer  $\mathcal{U}_{z_b, \tilde{z}_b} : \mathcal{M}od_b(z, \tilde{z}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}(z, \tilde{z})$ defined in [\(2.2\)](#page-5-0). The forgetful C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{U}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{C}$  preserves C-tensors, as the associated tensorial strength at  $w \in Obj(\mathcal{C}), z_{\mathfrak{b}} = (z, \gamma_z) \in Obj(\mathcal{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}})$  is the identity morphism  $w \circledast z = w \circledast z$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

We introduce basic properties of tensorial strengths without proof. See [\[11,](#page-18-7) §3] for detailed explanations.

1. Let  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'$  be tensored C-enriched categories and let  $w, z \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), X \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{D})$ . For each C-enriched functor  $\beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$ , the tensorial strength associated to  $\beta$ satisfies the following relations.

<span id="page-5-1"></span>
$$
c \circledast \beta(X) \xrightarrow{t_{c,X}^{\beta}} \beta(c \circledast X) \qquad w \circledast (z \circledast \beta(X)) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{I}_{w} \circledast t_{z,X}^{\beta}} w \circledast \beta(z \circledast X) \xrightarrow{t_{w,z \circledast X}^{\beta}} \beta(w \circledast (z \circledast X))
$$
  
\n
$$
\simeq \bigotimes_{i_{\beta(X)}} s(i_X) \qquad \xrightarrow{a_{w,z,\beta(X)}} \bigotimes_{(w \circledast z) \circledast \beta(X)} s(\beta(X) \xrightarrow{t_{w \circledast z,X}^{\beta}} \beta(w \circledast (z \circledast X)) \xrightarrow{t_{w \circledast z}^{\beta}} \beta(w \circledast z) \circledast X)
$$
\n
$$
(2.4)
$$

Conversely, suppose we have a functor  $\mathcal{F}_0$  :  $\mathcal{D}_0 \to \mathcal{D}'_0$  between the underlying categories of  $D$ ,  $D'$  together with a collection of morphisms in  $D'$ 

$$
\{ t_{z,X} : z \oplus \mathcal{F}_0(X) \to \mathcal{F}_0(z \oplus X) \mid z \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), \ X \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{D}) \}
$$

which is natural in variables  $z$ ,  $X$  and satisfies the relations  $(2.4)$ . Then we have a unique C-enriched functor  $\beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$  whose underlying functor  $\beta_0$  is equal to  $\mathcal{F}_0$ and  $t_{z,X}^{\beta} = t_{z,X}$  holds for every pair z, X.

2. Let  $\alpha, \beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}'$  be C-enriched functors between tensored C-enriched categories  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'$  and let  $z \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), X \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{D})$ . For each C-enriched natural transformation  $\xi : \alpha \Rightarrow \beta : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'$ , we have the following relation.

<span id="page-6-1"></span>
$$
z \circledast \alpha(X) \xrightarrow{t_{z,X}^{\alpha}} \alpha(z \circledast X)
$$
  
\n
$$
\mathbb{I}_{z} \circledast \mathfrak{c}_{X} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \mathfrak{c}_{z \circledast X}
$$
  
\n
$$
z \circledast \beta(X) \xrightarrow{t_{z,X}^{\beta}} \beta(z \circledast X)
$$
\n(2.5)

Conversely, suppose we are given a natural transformation  $\xi_0 : \alpha_0 \Rightarrow \beta_0 : \mathcal{D}_0 \to \mathcal{D}'_0$ between the underlying functors  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\beta_0$ . Then  $\xi_0$  becomes a C-enriched natural transformation  $\xi : \alpha \Rightarrow \beta : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'$  if and only if it satisfies the relation [\(2.5\)](#page-6-1) for every pair  $z$ ,  $X$ . This is precisely the correspondence between C-enriched natural transformations and strong natural transformations, first introduced by Anders Kock in [\[7\]](#page-18-8). It is also explained in [\[2\]](#page-17-1).

3. Let  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}', \mathcal{D}''$  be tensored C-enriched categories and let  $\mathcal{D} \stackrel{\beta}{\rightarrow} \mathcal{D}' \stackrel{\beta'}{\rightarrow} \mathcal{D}''$  be Cenriched functors. The tensorial strength of the composition  $\beta' \beta : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}''$  at  $z \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), X \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{D})$  is given by

$$
t_{z,X}^{\beta'\beta} = \beta'(t_{z,X}^{\beta}) \circ t_{z,\beta(X)}^{\beta'} : z \circledast \beta'\beta(X) \longrightarrow \beta'\big(z \circledast \beta(X)\big) \longrightarrow \beta'\beta(z \circledast X).
$$

<span id="page-6-0"></span>2.4. LEFT MODULE OBJECTS. For the rest of this section,  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  is a monoid in C.

2.5. DEFINITION. Let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category. A left b-module object in  $\mathcal D$ is a pair  $_bX = (X, b\otimes X \xrightarrow{\rho_X} X)$  of an object X in D, and a morphism  $\rho_X : b \otimes X \to X$ in D satisfying the left b-action relations. A morphism  $\Delta b \rightarrow \Delta \tilde{X}$  of left b-module objects in D is a morphism  $X \to \overline{X}$  in D which is compatible with the left b-action morphisms  $\rho_X$ ,  $\rho_{\tilde{X}}$ . We denote

 $\n <sub>b</sub>$ 

as the category of left b-module objects in  $\mathcal D$ . We do not treat  $_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal D$  as a C-enriched category.

Let X be an object in a tensored C-enriched category  $\mathcal D$ . Then the triple  $End_{\mathcal D}(X) :=$  $(\mathcal{D}(X, X), \mathbb{I}_X, \mu_{X,X,X})$  is a monoid in C. For each morphism  $\rho_X : b \otimes X \to X$  in  $\mathcal{D},$ the pair  $(X, \rho_X)$  is a left **b**-module object in  $\mathcal{D}$  if and only if the right adjunct  $\bar{\rho}_X : b \to b$  $\mathcal{D}(X, X)$  of  $\rho_X$  becomes a morphism  $\overline{\rho}_X : \mathfrak{b} \to \mathcal{E}nd_{\mathcal{D}}(X)$  of monoids in C.

Let D be a tensored C-enriched category and let  $\Delta X = (X, \rho_X)$  be a left b-module object in D. Then the C-enriched Hom functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  factors through the

forgetful C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{U}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{C}$ . We have a C-enriched functor

<span id="page-7-1"></span>
$$
\mathcal{D} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b}X,-)} \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \downarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b}X,-): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \qquad (2.6)
$$

which sends each object Y in D to the right **b**-module  $\mathcal{D}({}_bX, Y) = (\mathcal{D}(X, Y), \gamma_{\mathcal{D}(X, Y)})$ whose right **b**-action is given by

$$
\gamma_{\mathcal{D}(X,Y)}:\mathcal{D}(X,Y)\circledast b \xrightarrow{\mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{D}(X,Y)}\circledast\bar{\rho}_X} \mathcal{D}(X,Y)\circledast \mathcal{D}(X,X) \xrightarrow{\mu_{X,X,Y}} \mathcal{D}(X,Y).
$$

<span id="page-7-0"></span>2.6. DEFINITION. Let  $\mathfrak{b}' = (b', u_{b'}, m_{b'})$  be another monoid in C. We define a  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ bimodule  $_bx_{b'}$  as a left **b**-module object in the tensored C-enriched category  $\mathcal{M}$ od<sub>b'</sub> of right  $\mathfrak{b}'$ -modules. Equivalently, it is a pair  $\mathfrak{g}x_{\mathfrak{b}'} = (x_{\mathfrak{b}'}, b \otimes x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \xrightarrow{\rho_x} x_{\mathfrak{b}'})$  of a right  $\mathfrak{b}'$ -module  $x_{\mathfrak{b}'} = (x, x \circledast b' \stackrel{\gamma_x'}{\rightarrow} x)$  and a morphism  $\rho_{x_{\mathfrak{b}'}} : b \circledast x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \rightarrow x_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  in **Mod**<sub>b'</sub> satisfying the left b-action relations. We denote

$$
_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{M}\mathit{od}_{\mathfrak{b}'}
$$

as the category of  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodules. We do not treat  $_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  as a C-enriched category. Note that we have the  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b})$ -bimodule  $_b b_{\mathfrak{b}} := (b_{\mathfrak{b}}, \gamma_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}: b \otimes b_{\mathfrak{b}} \to b_{\mathfrak{b}})$ .

2.7. EXAMPLE. We explain what  $Mod_b$  and  $_bMod_{b'}$  are in each example of the base category C.

- 1. Let  $C = \mathcal{A}b$  be the closed symmetric monoidal category of abelian groups.
	- Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are rings;
	- $Mod_{b}$  is the preadditive category of right modules over the ring  $\mathfrak{b}$ ;
	- $_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}'}$  is the category of  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodules.
- 2. Let  $C = f \mathcal{A}$  be the closed symmetric monoidal category of finitely generated abelian groups.
	- Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are rings finitely generated as abelian groups;
	- $Mod_b$  is the preadditive category of right modules over the ring  $\mathfrak b$  which are finitely generated as abelian groups;
	- $_b$ Mod<sub>b'</sub> is the category of  $(b, b')$ -bimodules which are finitely generated as abelian groups.
- 3. Let  $C = sSet$  be the closed symmetric monoidal category of simplicial sets.
	- Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are simplicial monoids;
- Mod<sub>b</sub> is the simplicially enriched category of simplicial sets equipped with a right action of the simplicial monoid  $\mathfrak{b}$ ;
- $\delta$  **Mod**<sub>b'</sub> is the category of simplicial sets equipped with a bi-action of the simplicial monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$ .
- 4. Let  $C = Ban$  be the closed symmetric monoidal category of Banach spaces and linear contractions between them, equipped with the projective tensor product.
	- Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are associative unital Banach algebras;
	- Mod<sub>b</sub> is the Ban-enriched category of Banach spaces equipped with a right action of the Banach algebra b;
	- **b***Mod<sub>b'</sub>* is the category of Banach spaces equipped with a bi-action of the Banach algebras  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$ .
- 5. Let  $C = Sp_{CGT_*}^{\Sigma}$  be the closed symmetric monoidal category of topological symmetric spectra.
	- $\bullet$  Monoids  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$  in  $C$  are symmetric ring spectra;
	- Mod<sub>b</sub> is the  $\mathcal{Sp}^{\Sigma}_{CGT_{*}}$ -enriched category of symmetric spectra equipped with a right action of the symmetric ring spectrum b;
	- **b***Mod*<sub>b'</sub> is the category of symmetric spectra equipped with a bi-action of the symmetric ring spectra  $\mathfrak b$ ,  $\mathfrak b'$ .

<span id="page-8-0"></span>2.8. DEFINITION. Let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal D_0$ has coequalizers. We define the functor

$$
-\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}}-:(\text{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}})_0\times {}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{D}\to \mathcal{D}_0
$$

as follows. The functor sends each pair of a right **b**-module  $z_b = (z, \gamma_z)$  and an object  $\mathfrak{b}_b X = (X, \rho_X)$  in  $\mathfrak{b} \mathcal{D}$  to the following coequalizer in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

$$
z \circledast b \circledast X \xrightarrow[\mathbb{I}_z \circledast \rho_X]{\gamma_z \circledast \mathbb{I}_X} z \circledast X \xrightarrow{cq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}^X}} z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\,\mathfrak{b}} X
$$

The functor sends each pair of a morphism  $l : z_b \to \tilde{z}_b$  in  $\mathcal{M}od_b$  and a morphism  $\tilde{l} : {}_bX \to$  $\delta_b \tilde{X}$  in  $\delta_b \mathcal{D}$  to the unique morphism  $l \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{l} : z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \delta_b X \to \tilde{z}_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \delta_b \tilde{X}$  in  $\mathcal D$  satisfying the relation

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}\n z \circledast X & \xrightarrow{l \circledast \tilde{l}} & \tilde{z} \circledast \tilde{X} \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 z_6 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X & \xrightarrow{\exists! l \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{l}} & \tilde{z}_6 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{X} & & \text{ } & \text{ } & \\
 z_7 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 z_8 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X & \xrightarrow{\exists! l \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{l}} & \tilde{z}_6 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{X} & & \\
 z_9 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \text{ } & \text{ } & \\
 z_1 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_2 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_3 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_4 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_5 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_6 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_7 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_8 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } & \\
 z_9 \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} & \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{ } &
$$

Let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal D_0$  has coequalizers. For each object  $\mathfrak{b}_b X = (X, \rho_X)$  in  $\mathfrak{b}_b \mathcal{D}$ , we have a unique isomorphism  $\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} X : \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b}_s X \xrightarrow{\cong}$ X in D which satisfies the relation  $\rho_X = \iota_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} \circ \text{cq}_{b_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} X$ . The inverse of  $\iota_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} X$  is given by

<span id="page-9-3"></span>
$$
b \circledast X \longrightarrow_{\begin{subarray}{c} cq_{b_b,b} \downarrow \\ b_b \circledast_{b} bX \end{subarray}} \begin{array}{c} \rho_X \\ \downarrow \\ b_b \circledast_{b} bX \end{array} \qquad (i_{bX}^b)^{-1} = c q_{b_b,bX} \circ (u_b \circledast \mathbb{I}_X) \circ i_X^{-1} \qquad (2.7)
$$

<span id="page-9-2"></span>2.9. LEMMA. Let  $\mathcal D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal D_0$  has coequalizers. We have a well-defined functor

<span id="page-9-1"></span>
$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{D} \longrightarrow C\text{-}Funct(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathcal{D})
$$
  

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}X \longmapsto -\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} {}_{\mathfrak{b}}X : \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}
$$
 (2.8)

from the category of left  $\mathfrak b$ -module objects in  $\mathcal D$  to the category of C-enriched functors  $Mod_{b} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ .

1. For each object  $\mathfrak{b}X = (X, \rho_X)$  in  $\mathfrak{b}D$ , we have a C-enriched functor –  $\mathfrak{B}_{\mathfrak{b}}X$ :  $Mod_{b} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  which is uniquely determined as follows. The underlying functor of  $-\otimes_b Y$  is defined in Definition [2.8,](#page-8-0) and the associated tensorial strength

$$
a_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}}x := t_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} X} : w \otimes (z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} X) \xrightarrow{\cong} (w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}) \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} X, \quad w \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), \ z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$

is the unique isomorphism in  $\mathcal D$  satisfying the relation

$$
w \circledast (z \circledast X) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} a_{w,z,X} \\ \cong \\ \end{array}} (w \circledast z) \circledast X
$$
  
\n
$$
w \circledast (z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast X) \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} a_{w,z,X} \\ \cong \\ \end{array}} (w \circledast z) \circledast X
$$
  
\n
$$
c q_{w \circledast z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}} x
$$
  
\n
$$
c q_{w \circledast z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}} x \circ a_{w,z,X}
$$
  
\n
$$
= a_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}} x \circ (\mathbb{I}_{w} \circledast c q_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}} x).
$$

2. For each morphism  $\mathfrak{b}X \to \mathfrak{b}\tilde{X}$  in  $\mathfrak{b}\mathcal{D}$ , the following collection of morphisms in  $\mathcal D$ 

<span id="page-9-0"></span>
$$
\left\{ z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} X \to z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \tilde{X} \mid z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}) \right\} \tag{2.9}
$$

defines a C-enriched natural transformation  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b} \mathfrak{b}} X \Rightarrow -\otimes_{\mathfrak{b} \mathfrak{b}} \tilde{X}$  :  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$ .

PROOF. We leave for the readers to check that such isomorphisms  $a_{w,z_b,b}$  in D uniquely exist, and satisfy the relations [\(2.4\)](#page-5-1). Thus we have a unique C-enriched functor  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b} \mathfrak{b}} X$ :  $Mod_{b} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  as described in statement 1. Statement 2 is also true, as we can check that the collection [\(2.9\)](#page-9-0) of morphisms in  $\mathcal D$  satisfies the relation [\(2.5\)](#page-6-1). We conclude that the functor [\(2.8\)](#page-9-1) is well-defined.Е

We will show in §[3](#page-10-0) that the functor [\(2.8\)](#page-9-1) in Lemma [2.9](#page-9-2) is the fully faithful left adjoint functor [\(1.2\)](#page-1-1) described in Theorem [1.1.](#page-1-2)

<span id="page-10-1"></span>2.10. PROPOSITION. Let  $D$  be a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  has coequalizers. For each left **b**-module object  $\mathbf{K}$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , we have a C-enriched adjunction

$$
\mathbf{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}} \xrightarrow{\phantom{aa} \mathfrak{B}_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}}X} \mathcal{D} \qquad \qquad -\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X \dashv \mathcal{D}({}_{\mathfrak{b}} X, -) : \mathbf{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}
$$

whose unit, counit C-enriched natural transformations  $\eta$ ,  $\varepsilon$  are described below.

• The component of the unit  $\eta$  at each  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} = (z, \gamma_z) \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$  is the unique mor $phism \eta_{z_b} : z_b \to \mathcal{D}({}_bX, z_b \otimes_{b} {}_bX)$  in  $\mathcal{M}od_b$ , whose corresponding morphism in C is

$$
\eta_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}:\;z\xrightarrow{Cv_{z,X}}\mathcal{D}(X,z\circledast X)\xrightarrow{(cq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}\cdot\mathfrak{b}}x)\star}\mathcal{D}(X,z_{\mathfrak{b}}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}}X).
$$

• The component of the counit  $\varepsilon$  at each  $Y \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{D})$  is the unique morphism  $\varepsilon_Y$ :  $\mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b} X, Y) \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} X \to Y$  in  $\mathcal D$  which satisfies the relation

$$
\mathcal{D}(X,Y) \circledast X \longrightarrow_{\mathit{Ev}_{X,Y}} \mathit{Ev}_{X,Y} = \varepsilon_Y \circ \mathit{cq}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b} X,Y),\mathfrak{b} X}.
$$
\n
$$
\mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b} X,Y) \circledast_{\mathfrak{b} \mathfrak{b} X} \xrightarrow{\exists! \varepsilon_Y} Y
$$
\n
$$
Ev_{X,Y} = \varepsilon_Y \circ \mathit{cq}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b} X,Y),\mathfrak{b} X}.
$$

PROOF. The components  $\eta_{z_b}$ ,  $\varepsilon_Y$  are well-defined and are natural in variables  $z_b$ , Y, respectively. As their components  $\eta_{z_0}$ ,  $\varepsilon_Y$  satisfy the relation [\(2.5\)](#page-6-1), we obtain C-enriched natural transformations  $\eta$ ,  $\varepsilon$ . We leave for the readers to check that  $\eta$ ,  $\varepsilon$  satisfy the triangular identities.

#### <span id="page-10-0"></span>3. The Eilenberg-Watts Theorem

In this section, we prove Theorem [1.1](#page-1-2) which generalizes the Eilenberg-Watts theorem in enriched context. We also give a proof of Corollary [1.2.](#page-2-0) Throughout this section,  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  is a monoid in C and D is a tensored C-enriched category whose underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  has coequalizers. We are going to show that the functor

$$
\begin{aligned}\n\mathfrak{b} \mathcal{D} & \xrightarrow{(2.8)} \mathcal{C} \text{-}Funct(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathcal{D}) \\
\mathfrak{b} X & \longmapsto - \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} X : \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}\n\end{aligned}
$$

defined in Lemma [2.9](#page-9-2) is left adjoint to the functor of evaluating at  $b_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$ . Let us explain the right adjoint functor in detail. Using the properties [\(2.4\)](#page-5-1), [\(2.5\)](#page-6-1) of tensorial strengths associated to C-enriched functors  $\mathcal{M}od_6 \to \mathcal{D}$ , one can check that the following are true.

• For each C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}of_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$ , the object  $\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  becomes a left **b**-module object  $_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) = (\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}), \rho_{\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})})$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  whose left **b**-action morphism is

$$
\rho_{\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})}:\ b\circledast \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})\xrightarrow{t_{b,b_{\mathfrak{b}}^{F}}^{F}} \mathcal{F}(b\circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}})\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}(\gamma_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}})} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}).
$$

• For each C-enriched natural transformation  $\xi : \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$ , the component  $\xi_{b_b} : \mathcal{F}(b_b) \to \mathcal{F}(b_b)$  of  $\xi$  at  $b_b$  becomes a morphism  $\xi_{b_b} : {}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_b) \to {}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_b)$  of left  $b$ -module objects in  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Thus we obtain a well-defined functor

<span id="page-11-3"></span>
$$
C\text{-}Funct(\mathcal{M}od_b, \mathcal{D}) \longrightarrow_b \mathcal{D}
$$
  

$$
\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D} \longmapsto_b \mathcal{F}(b_b)
$$
 (3.1)

of evaluating at  $b_{\mathfrak{b}}$ .

<span id="page-11-0"></span>3.1. LEMMA. For each C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{F}$  :  $\mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$ , we have a C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  :  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \Rightarrow \mathfrak{F}$  :  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  whose component  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}$  at  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$  is the unique morphism in  $\mathcal D$  satisfying the relation

$$
\begin{array}{ccc}\n\mathcal{Z} \circledast \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\quad t_{z,b_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathcal{F}}}} & \mathcal{F}(z \circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \\
\downarrow^{eq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})} & & \downarrow^{\mathcal{F}(\gamma_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}})} & \mathcal{F}(\gamma_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}) \circ t_{z,b_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} = \lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} \circ cq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \\
\downarrow^{eq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) & & \downarrow^{\mathcal{F}(\gamma_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}})} & \mathcal{F}(\gamma_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}) \circ t_{z,b_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} = \lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} \circ cq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}).\n\end{array}
$$

Moreover, the component of  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  at  $b_{\mathfrak{b}}$  is given by  $\lambda_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} = \iota_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathfrak{b}}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) : b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})$ .

PROOF. We leave for the readers to check that such morphism  $\lambda_{z_0}^{\mathcal{F}}$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  uniquely exists, and that the following diagram of morphisms in  $\mathcal D$  commutes.

<span id="page-11-2"></span>
$$
z \circledast b \circledast \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\qquad t_{z \circledast b, b_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(z \circledast b \circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
\n
$$
\gamma_z \circledast \mathbb{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \downarrow \mathbb{I}_{z \circledast \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})} \xrightarrow{\qquad t_{z, b_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(\gamma_z \circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \downarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{I}_{z \circledast \gamma_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}})
$$
\n
$$
z \circledast \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\qquad t_{z, b_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(\gamma_z \circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \downarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{I}_{z \circledast \gamma_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}})
$$
\n
$$
\alpha_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}, \mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\qquad \qquad \exists! \ \lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(z_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
\n
$$
z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\qquad \exists! \ \lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(z_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
\n
$$
(3.2)
$$

The collection  $\{\lambda_{z_0}^{\mathcal{F}}\}$  of morphisms in  $\mathcal{D}$  is natural in variable  $z_0$ . To show that the collection  $\{\lambda_{z_b}^{\mathcal{F}}\}$  is C-enriched natural in variable  $z_b$ , we need to verify the following relation for every pair  $w \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{C}), z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}}).$ 

<span id="page-11-1"></span>
$$
w \otimes (z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) \xrightarrow{a_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}} \cdot \mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})} (w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}) \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\downarrow_{w \otimes \lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} \downarrow_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{L_{w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} (w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}) \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
w \otimes \mathcal{F}(z_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{t_{w,z_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{F}(w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}})} (3.3)
$$

Consider the following commutative diagram.

$$
w \otimes (z \otimes \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) = w \otimes (z \otimes \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) = w \otimes (z \otimes \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) = w \otimes (z \otimes \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}))
$$
  
\n
$$
\downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w} \otimes c_{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}))} \cong \downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w} \otimes c_{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}))} \downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w} \otimes c_{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}))}
$$
  
\n
$$
w \otimes (z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) = w \otimes (z \otimes \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})) \downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w} \otimes c_{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}))}
$$
  
\n
$$
\cong \downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w \otimes c_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\cong \downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
(w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}) \otimes_{\mathfrak{b} \mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}((w \otimes z) \otimes \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\downarrow^{\mathbb{I}_{w \otimes z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathcal{F}(w \ot
$$

After right-cancelling the epimorphism  $\mathbb{I}_w \otimes cq_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}_{(b_{\mathfrak{b}})}$  in the above diagram, we obtain the relation [\(3.3\)](#page-11-1). Thus we have a well-defined C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  as we claimed. From the definition of  $i_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})$  given in [\(2.7\)](#page-9-3), we obtain that  $\lambda_{b_{\mathfrak{b}}}^{\mathfrak{F}}=i_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}})$ :  $b_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \stackrel{\cong}{\rightarrow} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}).$ 

<span id="page-12-0"></span>3.2. PROPOSITION. For each C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$ , the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$  is a C-enriched left adjoint;
- (ii)  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  is C-enriched cocontinuous;
- (iii)  $\mathcal{F}: Mod_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  preserves C-tensors, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{F}_0$  preserves coequalizers;
- (iv) The C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$ :  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} F(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ : **Mod**<sub> $\mathfrak{b} \to \mathcal{D}$  defined</sub> in Lemma [3.1](#page-11-0) is invertible.

PROOF. By Proposition [2.10,](#page-10-1) (iv) implies (i). It is straightforward that (i) implies (ii), and (ii) implies (iii). We claim that (iii) implies (iv). Assume that the C-enriched functor  $\mathcal F$ :  $Mod_b \to \mathcal{D}$  preserves C-tensors, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{F}_0 : (Mod_b)_0 \to \mathcal{D}_0$  preserves coequalizers. Recall the coequalizer diagram  $(2.3)$  in  $(\mathcal{M}od_6)_0$ . If we look at the diagram in  $(3.2)$  we see that the top, middle horizontal morphisms in  $\mathcal D$  are isomorphisms, and the right vertical morphisms also form a coequalizer diagram in the underlying category  $\mathcal{D}_0$  of  $\mathcal{D}$ . This shows that  $\lambda_{z_b}^{\mathcal{F}}$  is an isomorphism in  $\mathcal{D}$  for every  $z_b \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_b)$ . We conclude that the C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  is invertible.

<span id="page-12-2"></span>3.3. LEMMA. Let  $\mathcal{F}, \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}$  :  $\mathcal{M}od_b \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  be C-enriched functors. For each C-enriched natural transformation  $\xi : \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$ , we have the following relation for every  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}).$ 

<span id="page-12-1"></span>
$$
z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \mathfrak{F}(z_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
  
\n
$$
\mathbb{I}_{z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{c} \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}}} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \mathfrak{c}_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}
$$
  
\n
$$
z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b} \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \xrightarrow{\lambda_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}}} \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}(z_{\mathfrak{b}})
$$
\n
$$
(3.4)
$$

PROOF. For each  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} = (z, \gamma_z) \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$ , we have the following diagram.



After right-cancelling the epimorphism  $cq_{z_b,b}\mathcal{F}(b_b)$  in the above diagram, we obtain the relation [\(3.4\)](#page-12-1).

Let  $\mathfrak{b}X$  be a left **b**-module object in D. The functor C-Funct( $Mod_{\mathfrak{b}}$ , D)  $\rightarrow \mathfrak{b}$ D of evaluating at  $b_{\mathfrak{b}} \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$  defined in [\(3.1\)](#page-11-3) sends the C-enriched functor  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K$ :  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  to the left **b**-module object  $_{\mathfrak{b}}b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K = (b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K, \rho_{b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K})$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , where

$$
\rho_{b_b\circledast_b} \times :b\circledast (b_b \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X) \xrightarrow{a_{b,b_b,\mathfrak{b}}X} (b\circledast b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X \xrightarrow{\gamma_{b_b} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathbb{I}_{\mathfrak{b}}X} b_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{b}} X.
$$

One can check that the isomorphism  $i_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} \colon b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K \xrightarrow{\cong} X$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  defined in [\(2.7\)](#page-9-3) becomes an isomorphism  $i_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}}X :_{\mathfrak{b}}b_{\mathfrak{b}}\otimes_{\mathfrak{b}}X \xrightarrow{\cong} {\mathfrak{b}}X$  in  $_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{D}$ . We are ready to prove Theorem [1.1.](#page-1-2)

PROOF OF THEOREM [1.1.](#page-1-2) From the equivalence of statements  $(i)-(iv)$  in Proposition [3.2,](#page-12-0) we conclude that the map [\(2.8\)](#page-9-1) induces an equivalence of categories

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathcal{D} \stackrel{\simeq}{\longrightarrow} C\text{-}Funct_{\mathit{cocon}}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathcal{D})
$$

between  $_{b}\mathcal{D}$  and the category of cocontinuous C-enriched functors  $\mathcal{M}od_{b} \to \mathcal{D}$ . The latter is a full, coreflective subcategory of the category  $C\text{-}Funct(Mod_b, \mathcal{D})$  of all C-enriched functors  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{D}$  thanks to Lemma [3.3](#page-12-2) by taking  $\widetilde{\mathcal{F}}$  to be a general C-enriched functor and  $\mathcal F$  a C-cocontinuous one. This completes the proof of Theorem [1.1.](#page-1-2)

One can also directly show that the functor  $_{b}\mathcal{D} \rightarrow C\text{-}Funct(\text{Mod}_{b}, \mathcal{D})$  in [\(2.8\)](#page-9-1) is left adjoint to the functor  $C\text{-}Funct(Mod_b, \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow {}_b\mathcal{D}$  in [\(3.1\)](#page-11-3). The component of the unit at each object  $_{\mathfrak{b}} X$  in  $_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{D}$  is the isomorphism  $(\imath_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} X)^{-1} :_{\mathfrak{b}} X \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow}_{\mathfrak{b}} b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} K$  in  $_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathcal{D}$ . The component of the counit at each C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$  is the C-enriched natural transformation  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$ :  $-\otimes_{\mathfrak{bb}} \mathcal{F}(b_{\mathfrak{b}}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  defined in Lemma [3.1.](#page-11-0) One can check that the isomorphism  $(\iota_{\mathfrak{b}}^{\mathfrak{b}} X)^{-1}$  is natural in variable  $\mathfrak{b} X$ , and by Lemma [3.3](#page-12-2)  $\lambda^{\mathcal{F}}$  is natural in variable F. We can check the triangular identities using the relation  $\lambda_{b_b}^{\mathcal{F}} = \iota_{\mathfrak{b}^{\mathcal{F}}(b_b)}^{\mathfrak{b}}$  and the explicit description of  $(\iota_{\mathfrak{s}}^{\mathfrak{b}} \chi)^{-1}$  given in [\(2.7\)](#page-9-3). The rest of the statements in Theorem [1.1](#page-1-2) are straightforward to check using Proposition [3.2.](#page-12-0) This is another proof of Theorem [1.1.](#page-1-2)

PROOF OF COROLLARY [1.2.](#page-2-0) Let  $\mathfrak{b}'$  be another monoid in C. After substituting  $\mathcal{D} =$  $Mod_{b'}$  in Theorem [1.1,](#page-1-2) we obtain the adjoint equivalence of categories

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}\mathfrak{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}'}\xrightarrow[\simeq]{\simeq} \mathbb{C}\text{-}Funct_{cocon}(\mathfrak{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}},\mathfrak{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}'})
$$

whose right adjoint is the functor of evaluating at  $b<sub>b</sub>$ .

# 4. Morita Theory

In this section, we prove Theorem [1.3](#page-2-2) which characterizes when a C-enriched category  $\mathcal D$ is equivalent to  $\mathcal{M}od_b$  for a given monoid  $\mathfrak b$  in C. We also give a proof of Corollary [1.4](#page-3-0) which generalizes the result of Morita in enriched context.

- <span id="page-14-0"></span>4.1. DEFINITION. Let  $\mathcal D$  be a C-enriched category and let  $X \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal D)$ . We say
	- (i) X is a C-enriched compact object in D if the C-enriched Hom functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -)$ :  $\mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  preserves C-tensors, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -)$ <sub>0</sub> preserves coequalizers;
	- (ii) X is a C-enriched generator in D if the C-enriched Hom functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$ is conservative;
- (iii) X is a C-enriched compact generator in  $\mathcal D$  if it is both a C-enriched compact object and a C-enriched generator in D.

4.2. EXAMPLE. Consider the case when  $C = \mathcal{A}\mathfrak{b}$  is the closed symmetric monoidal category of abelian groups. Let R be a ring and let  $\mathcal{M}od_R$  be the preadditive category of right R-modules. For each right R-module  $N_R$ ,

- (i)  $N_R$  is an  $\mathcal{A}b$ -enriched compact object in  $\mathcal{M}od_R$  if and only if it is a finitely generated projective right R-module;
- (ii)  $N_R$  is an  $\mathcal{A}\ell$ -enriched generator in  $\mathcal{M}\mathcal{A}_R$  if and only if it is a generator in the category of right R-modules;
- (iii)  $N_R$  is an  $\mathcal{A}b$ -enriched compact generator in  $\mathcal{M}od_R$  if and only if it is a finitely generated projective generator in the category of right R-modules.

Let us explain the 'only if' part of statement (i). Assume that  $N_R$  is an  $\mathcal{A}\mathfrak{b}\text{-enriched com-}$ pact object in  $Mod_R$ . By Proposition [3.2,](#page-12-0) the  $Ab$ -enriched Hom functor  $Mod_R(N_R, -)$  is  $\mathcal{A}b$ -enriched cocontinuous. In particular, the underlying functor  $\mathcal{M}od_R(N_R, -)$ <sub>0</sub> is cocontinuous.

•  $N_R$  is a projective right R-module if and only if the underlying functor  $Mod_R(N_R, -)$ <sub>0</sub> preserves coequalizers.

 $\blacksquare$ 

• A projective right R-module  $N_R$  is finitely generated if and only if the underlying functor  $Mod_R(N_R, -)$ <sub>0</sub> preserves arbitrary sums. This is explained in the proof of  $[1, Proposition 1.2(c)].$  $[1, Proposition 1.2(c)].$ 

Therefore  $N_R$  is a finitely generated projective right R-module.

<span id="page-15-0"></span>4.3. LEMMA. Let  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  be a monoid in C. The right  $\mathfrak{b}$ -module  $b_{\mathfrak{b}}$  is a C-enriched compact generator in  $\mathcal{N}od_b$ , and we have an isomorphism of monoids  $\mathfrak{b} \cong End_{\mathcal{N}od_b}(b_b)$  in C.

**PROOF.** Recall that for each  $z_b \in Obj(\mathcal{Mod}_b)$ , we have a morphism  $\gamma_{z_b} : z \otimes b_b \to z_b$  in  $\mathcal{M}od_b$ . One can check that the corresponding right adjunct  $\bar{\gamma}_{z_b}$ :  $z \stackrel{\cong}{\to} \mathcal{M}od_b(b_b, z_b)$  is an isomorphism in  $\mathcal{C}$ , and is C-enriched natural in variable  $z_{\mathfrak{b}}$ . Thus we have an isomorphism of C-enriched functors  $\mathcal{U} \cong \mathcal{M}od_b(b_b, -): \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{C}$ . The forgetful C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{U}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_b \to \mathcal{C}$  is conservative, preserves C-tensors, and its underlying functor  $\mathcal{U}_0$  preserves coequalizers. We conclude that  $b_{\mathfrak{b}}$  is a C-enriched compact generator in  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}$ . We leave for the readers to check that the isomorphism  $\bar{\gamma}_{b_b}$ :  $b \stackrel{\cong}{\to} \mathcal{M}od_b(b_b, b_b)$  in C becomes an isomorphism of monoids  $\bar{\gamma}_{b_b}$ :  $\mathfrak{b} \cong End_{\mathcal{M}(\mathfrak{a}_b)}(b_b)$  in C.  $\blacksquare$ 

We are ready to prove Theorem [1.3.](#page-2-2)

PROOF OF THEOREM [1.3.](#page-2-2) By Lemma [4.3,](#page-15-0) the only if part is true. We prove the if part as follows. Let us denote  $f : b \stackrel{\cong}{\to} \mathcal{D}(X,X)$  as the isomorphism in C. Then we have a morphism  $\rho_X : b \circledast X \xrightarrow{\ f \circledast \mathbb{I}_X}$  $\mathcal{D}(X,X)\otimes X \xrightarrow{Ev_{X,X}} X$  in  $\mathcal D$  whose right adjunct is  $\bar \rho_X = f : b \xrightarrow{\cong}$  $\mathcal{D}(X, X)$ , and the pair  $_{\mathfrak{b}}X = (X, \rho_X)$  is a left **b**-module object in  $\mathcal{D}$ . By Proposition [2.10,](#page-10-1) we have the following adjoint pair of C-enriched functors.

<span id="page-15-1"></span>
$$
\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \xrightarrow[\beta := \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b}X, -)} \mathcal{D}
$$
\n
$$
(4.1)
$$

We are going to show that the C-enriched adjunction  $(4.1)$  is an adjoint equivalence of Cenriched categories. First, we show that  $\beta \alpha$ :  $\mathcal{M}od_b \rightarrow \mathcal{M}od_b$  is C-enriched cocontinuous as follows. Recall the diagram in [\(2.6\)](#page-7-1).

- The C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  preserves C-tensors, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -)$ <sub>0</sub> preserves coequalizers.
- The C-enriched category  $Mod_b$  is tensored, and the underlying category  $(Mod_b)_0$ has coequalizers.
- The forgetful C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{U}: \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{C}$  is conservative, preserves C-tensors, and the underlying functor  $\mathcal{U}_0$  preserves coequalizers.

Thus we obtain that the C-enriched functor  $\beta = \mathcal{D}(bX, -) : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{M}od_b$  preserves Ctensors, and the underlying functor  $\beta_0$  preserves coequalizers. Then the C-enriched functor

 $\beta \alpha$ :  $\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}$  also has the same properties. By Proposition [3.2,](#page-12-0) we conclude that the C-enriched functor  $\beta \alpha$  :  $\mathcal{M}od_b \rightarrow \mathcal{M}od_b$  is cocontinuous.

Next, we show that the adjunction [\(4.1\)](#page-15-1) is an adjoint equivalence of C-enriched categories. We begin by showing that the unit  $\eta : I_{\text{Mod}_b} \Rightarrow \beta \alpha : \text{Mod}_b \rightarrow \text{Mod}_b$  is a C-enriched natural isomorphism. By Corollary [1.2,](#page-2-0) it suffices to show that the component  $\eta_{b_b}: b_b \to \mathcal{D}({}_b X, b_b \otimes b_b X)$  at  $b_b$  is an isomorphism in  $\mathcal{M}od_b$ . Consider the following diagram.



We obtain that the morphism  $\eta_{b_b} : b \to \mathcal{D}(X, b_b \otimes_{b b} X)$  in C is equal to  $(\imath_b^b)_\star^{-1} \circ f$ :  $b \stackrel{\cong}{\to} \mathcal{D}(X,X) \stackrel{\cong}{\to} \mathcal{D}(X,b_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} X)$  which is an isomorphism. This shows that the unit  $\eta: I_{\text{Mod}_{b}} \Rightarrow \beta \alpha$  is a C-enriched natural isomorphism.

To conclude that the C-enriched adjunction [\(4.1\)](#page-15-1) is an equivalence of C-enriched categories, it suffices to show that the right adjoint  $\beta = \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{b}X, -) : \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}$  is conservative. This is because any C-enriched adjunction with fully faithful left adjoint and conservative right adjoint is an adjoint equivalence of C-enriched categories due to the triangular identities. As we assumed that X is also a C-enriched generator in  $\mathcal{D}$ , the C-enriched functor  $\mathcal{D}(X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$  is conservative. From the relation [\(2.6\)](#page-7-1), we obtain that  $\beta = \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{b}X, -): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{M}\mathcal{O}\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{b}}$  is also conservative. This completes the proof of Theorem [1.3.](#page-2-2)

4.4. REMARK. Let us weaken the assumption of Theorem [1.3](#page-2-2) and merely assume that  $X$  is a C-enriched compact object in D. Then the left adjoint C-enriched functor  $\alpha : \mathcal{M}od_b \to \mathcal{D}$ in  $(4.1)$  induces an equivalence of C-enriched categories from **Mod**<sub>b</sub> to a coreflective full C-enriched subcategory of D.

4.5. REMARK. Theorem 1.3 is related to the result in  $\lbrack 2 \rbrack$  which states that the Eilenberg-Moore category of a C-enriched C-tensor preserving monad  $\mathcal T$  on  $\mathcal C$  is equivalent to the category of right  $\mathcal{T}(c)$ -modules.

Let  $\mathfrak{b} = (b, u_b, m_b)$  be a monoid in C. We have a C-enriched natural isomorphism

<span id="page-16-0"></span>
$$
\jmath^{\mathfrak{b}}: -\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{b}} \stackrel{\cong}{\Longrightarrow} I_{\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}}} : \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}} \tag{4.2}
$$

whose component at  $z_{\mathfrak{b}} = (z, \gamma_z) \in \mathrm{Obj}(\mathcal{M}od_{\mathfrak{b}})$  is the unique isomorphism  $j^{\mathfrak{b}}_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}} : z_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} {}_{\mathfrak{b}} b_{\mathfrak{b}} \stackrel{\cong}{\rightarrow}$ 

 $z<sub>b</sub>$  in  $\mathcal D$  satisfying the relation



Let  $\mathfrak{b}'$ ,  $\mathfrak{b}''$  be additional monoids in C. For each pair of a  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}')$ -bimodule  $\mathfrak{b}x_{\mathfrak{b}'} = (x_{\mathfrak{b}'}, \rho_{x_{\mathfrak{b}'}})$ and a  $(\mathfrak{b}', \mathfrak{b}'')$ -bimodule  $\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{y}_{\mathfrak{b}''}$ , we have the  $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}'')$ -bimodule

$$
{}_{\mathfrak{b}}x_{\mathfrak{b}'}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'}y_{\mathfrak{b}''}=\left(x_{\mathfrak{b}'}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'\mathfrak{b}'}y_{\mathfrak{b}''},\ \ \rho_{x_{\mathfrak{b}'}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'\mathfrak{b}'}y_{\mathfrak{b}''}}:b\circledast(x_{\mathfrak{b}'}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'}y_{\mathfrak{b}''})\longrightarrow x_{\mathfrak{b}'}\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'}y_{\mathfrak{b}''}\right)
$$

whose left **b**-action is given by

$$
\rho_{x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}} : b \circledast (x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}) \stackrel{a_{b,x_{\mathfrak{b}'},\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}}{\cong} (b \circledast x_{\mathfrak{b}'}) \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''} \stackrel{\rho_{x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \otimes \mathfrak{b}'} \mathbb{I}_{\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}}{\longrightarrow} x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}.
$$

We have a C-enriched natural isomorphism

<span id="page-17-3"></span>
$$
a_{-,{}_{b}x_{b'},{}_{b'}y_{b''}}: -\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}}({}_{b}x_{b'}\circledast_{b' b'}y_{b''}) \stackrel{\cong}{\Longrightarrow} (-\circledast_{\mathfrak{b}}{}_{b}x_{b'})\circledast_{\mathfrak{b'}\mathfrak{b'}y_{b''}}: \mathfrak{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b}} \to \mathfrak{Mod}_{\mathfrak{b''}} \tag{4.3}
$$

whose component  $a_{z_b,bx_{b'},b\prime y_{b''}}$  at  $z_b \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{Mod}_b)$  is the unique morphism in  $\mathcal{Mod}_{b''}$  which makes the following diagram commutative.

$$
z \circledast (x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}) \xrightarrow{\underset{\cong}{a_{z,x_{\mathfrak{b}'},\mathfrak{b}''} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}}} (z \circledast x_{\mathfrak{b}'}) \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}' \mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}
$$
  
\n
$$
c q_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},{\mathfrak{b}}} z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}''} y_{\mathfrak{b}''} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow c q_{z_{\mathfrak{b}},{\mathfrak{b}}} z_{\mathfrak{b}''} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}''} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}
$$
  
\n
$$
z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} ({}_{\mathfrak{b}} x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}) \xrightarrow{\text{if } a_{z_{\mathfrak{b}}},{\mathfrak{b}} x_{\mathfrak{b}'}, y_{\mathfrak{b}''}} (z_{\mathfrak{b}} \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}} z_{\mathfrak{b}'}) \circledast_{\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}''}
$$

We are ready to prove Corollary [1.4.](#page-3-0)

PROOF OF COROLLARY [1.4.](#page-3-0) By substituting  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{M}od_{b'}$  in Theorem [1.3,](#page-2-2) we immediately obtain that statements (i), (ii) are equivalent. We are left to show that statements (i), (iii) are equivalent. The monoids  $\mathfrak{b}$ ,  $\mathfrak{b}'$  in C are Morita equivalent if and only if there exist a pair of cocontinuous C-enriched functors  $\alpha$  :  $Mod_{b} \to Mod_{b'}$ ,  $\beta$  :  $Mod_{b'} \to Mod_{b'}$ together with a pair of C-enriched natural isomorphisms  $\beta \alpha \cong I_{\mathcal{M}od_b}$ ,  $\alpha \beta \cong I_{\mathcal{M}od_b'}$ . By Corollary [1.2](#page-2-0) and using the C-enriched natural isomorphisms [\(4.2\)](#page-16-0), [\(4.3\)](#page-17-3), we obtain that the existence of such pair  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  is equivalent to the existence of bimodules  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , with isomorphisms of bimodules  $_{\mathfrak{b}} x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}'} \mathfrak{b}_\mathfrak{b'} y_{\mathfrak{b}} \cong {}_{\mathfrak{b}} b_{\mathfrak{b}}$  and  $_{\mathfrak{b}'} y_{\mathfrak{b}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{b}_x x_{\mathfrak{b}'} \cong {}_{\mathfrak{b}'} b'_{\mathfrak{b}'}$ .

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