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As the title suggests, this is a continuation of Scott Morrison's talk "Blob Homology 1".

Proving that the blob complex has various nice formal properties requires precise definitions of both TQFTs and weak  $n$ -categories with strong duality. The definitions we use are novel and very closely related. So closely related, in fact, that proving a Baez-Dolan type result relating TQFTs to  $n$ -categories becomes essentially tautological. It is somewhat harder to show that our definitions are (more or less) equivalent to more traditional definitions of TQFTs and  $n$ -categories. (Received September 15, 2009)