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**Hendryk Pfeiffer\*** (pfeiffer@math.ubc.ca), Department of Mathematics, The University of British Columbia, 121-1984 Mathematics Road, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z2, Canada. *Fusion categories in terms of graphs and relations.*

Every fusion category  $\mathcal{C}$  that is  $k$ -linear over a suitable field  $k$ , is the category of finite-dimensional comodules of a Weak Hopf Algebra  $H$  over  $k$ , the universal coend with respect to the long canonical functor  $\omega: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{Vect}_k$ . We show that  $H$  is a quotient  $H = H[\mathcal{G}]/I$  of a Weak Bialgebra  $H[\mathcal{G}]$  which has a combinatorial description in terms of a finite directed graph  $\mathcal{G}$  that depends on the choice of a generator  $M$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  and on the fusion coefficients of  $\mathcal{C}$ . The algebra underlying  $H[\mathcal{G}]$  is the path algebra of the quiver  $\mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G}$ , and so the composability of paths in  $\mathcal{G}$  parameterizes the truncation of the tensor product of  $\mathcal{C}$ . The ideal  $I$  is generated by two types of relations. The first type enforces that the tensor powers of the generator  $M$  have the appropriate endomorphism algebras, thus providing a Schur–Weyl dual description of  $\mathcal{C}$ . If  $\mathcal{C}$  is braided, this includes relations of the form ‘ $RTT = TTR$ ’ where  $R$  contains the coefficients of the braiding on  $\omega M \otimes \omega M$ . The second type of relations removes a suitable set of group-like elements. (Received February 09, 2010)