

Topological Full Groups and Graph Groupoids

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Topological Full Groups in the Literature

- [Measurable dynamics](#) (Dye '63)
- [Topological dynamics](#) (Giordano-Putnam-Skau '99, Matsumoto '10)
- [Étale groupoids](#) (Matui '11)
- [Group theory](#) (Grigorchuk-Medynets & Juschenko-Monod '12)
- [Inverse semigroups](#) (Lawson '17)



Motivation

Dynamical systems

(One sided SFT's)

Étale
groupoids

C^* -algebras

(Cuntz-Krieger
algebras)

Group theory

(Topological
full groups)



Groupoids

A **topological groupoid** \mathcal{G} has:

- partially defined multiplication (continuous)
- inverses g^{-1} (continuous)
- right units $s(g) = g^{-1}g$, left units $r(g) = gg^{-1}$
- $\mathcal{G}^{(0)} = \{g^{-1}g \mid g \in \mathcal{G}\}$ **unit space**
- \mathcal{G} **étale** if $s, r: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ local homeomorphisms
- $\text{Iso}(x) = \{x \xrightarrow{g} x\}$
- \mathcal{G} **effective** if $\text{Iso}(\mathcal{G})^\circ = \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$
- $\text{orbit}_{\mathcal{G}}(x) = \{y \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \mid x \xrightarrow{g} y\}$
- \mathcal{G} **minimal** if every orbit is dense in $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$

Assume \mathcal{G} étale, Hausdorff, second countable, locally compact
(**ample / $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ totally disconnected**)



Groupoids

Example (Transformation groupoid)

- $\Gamma \curvearrowright X$ group action
- $X \rtimes \Gamma = X \times \Gamma$
- $x \xrightarrow{(x,\gamma)} \gamma \cdot x$
- $(X \rtimes \Gamma)^{(0)} = X \times \{e\} = X$

Example (Groupoid of germs)

- $\text{Germ}(\Gamma \curvearrowright X) = (X \rtimes \Gamma) / \sim$
- $(x, \gamma) \sim (x, \gamma') \iff \gamma, \gamma'$ agree on a n'hood of x
- NB: not always Hausdorff



Groupoids

Example (Deaconu-Renault groupoids)

- $\sigma: X \rightarrow X$ partial local homeomorphism
- $\mathcal{G}(X, \sigma) = \{(x, m - n, y) \mid \sigma^m(x) = \sigma^n(y)\}$
- $y \xrightarrow{(x, m-n, y)} x$
- $\mathcal{G}_\sigma^{(0)} = \{(x, 0, x) \mid x \in X\} = X$

Example (Graph groupoid)

- E directed graph
- $\partial E = E^\infty \cup E_{\text{sing}}^*$, $\sigma_E: \partial E \rightarrow \partial E$ shift map
- $\mathcal{G}_E = \mathcal{G}(\partial E, \sigma_E)$
- $\mathcal{G}_E^{(0)} = \partial E$ compact \iff finitely many vertices

The Topological Full Group

$U \subseteq \mathcal{G}$ open **bisection** ($s|_U, r|_U$ injective)

$\pi_U: s(U) \rightarrow r(U)$ homeomorphism

$s(g) \mapsto r(g), \quad g \in U$

U **full** $\implies \pi_U: \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$

Definition (Matui '11)

\mathcal{G} étale and $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ **compact**.

- $[[\mathcal{G}]] := \{\pi_U \mid U \subseteq \mathcal{G} \text{ compact open full bisection}\}$
- $[[\mathcal{G}]] \leq \text{Homeo}(\mathcal{G}^{(0)})$
- $\pi_U \circ \pi_V = \pi_{UV}$
- $\text{id}_{\mathcal{G}^{(0)}} = \pi_{\mathcal{G}^{(0)}}$
- $(\pi_U)^{-1} = \pi_{U^{-1}}$



The Topological Full Group

- $[[\mathcal{G}]] =$ “finitary” homeomorphisms of $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ (which preserve orbits in a continuous manner)

Example (Transformation groupoid)

- $T: X \xrightarrow{\cong} X$ (X compact)
- $[[X \rtimes_T \mathbb{Z}]] = \{ \pi: X \xrightarrow{\cong} X \mid \pi(x) = T^{k(x)}(x), \\ k: X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \text{ continuous} \}$
- “finitely many piecewise powers of T ”

Example (Deaconu-Renault groupoids)

- $[[\mathcal{G}_\sigma]] = \{ \pi: X \xrightarrow{\cong} X \mid \sigma^{m(x)}(\pi(x)) = \sigma^{n(x)}(x), \\ (X \text{ compact}) \quad m, n: X \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ continuous} \}$
- $[[\mathcal{G}_E]]$ “change bounded prefix of infinite paths”: $\mu y \mapsto \nu y$

Matui's Spatial Realization Theorem

Theorem (Matui '15)

\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H} effective minimal étale groupoids with $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}, \mathcal{H}^{(0)}$ Cantor spaces, then TFAE:

1. $\mathcal{G} \cong \mathcal{H}$
2. $[[\mathcal{G}]] \cong [[\mathcal{H}]]$
3. $D([[\mathcal{G}]]) \cong D([[\mathcal{H}]])$

- Also true for other subgroups (Nekrashevych '17)

Extending the Topological Full Group

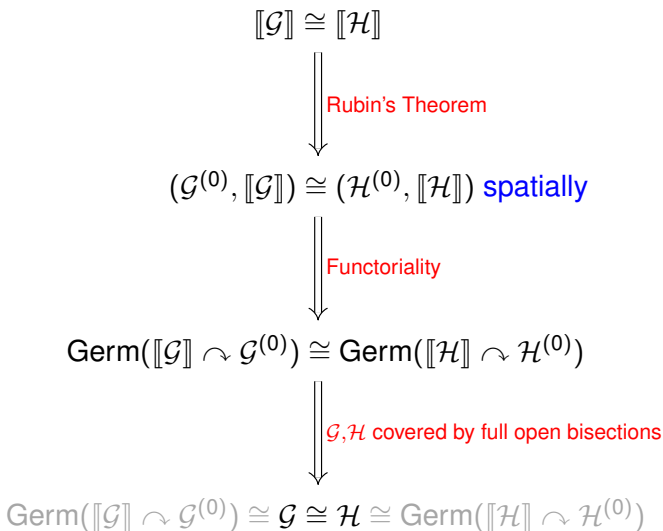
- $\pi: X \rightarrow X$, $\text{supp}(\pi) = \overline{\{x \in X \mid \pi(x) \neq x\}}$

Definition

\mathcal{G} effective étale and $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ locally compact.

- $[[\mathcal{G}]] := \{\pi_U \mid U \text{ clopen full bisection, } \text{supp}(\pi_U) \text{ compact}\}$
- U as above $\implies U = V \sqcup A$, V compact open bisection with $s(V) = r(V)$ and $A \subseteq \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ clopen
- \mathcal{G} second countable $\implies [[\mathcal{G}]]$ countable

Strategy for Reconstruction



One of Rubin's Many Theorems

Definition

$\Gamma \leq \text{Homeo}(X)$ is **locally moving** if

- $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq X$ open $\implies \exists \gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \{\text{id}_X\}$ with $\text{supp}(\gamma) \subseteq A$.
- Γ locally moving $\implies X$ has no isolated points

Theorem (Rubin '89)

X_1, X_2 Hausdorff, locally compact, totally disconnected and first countable with

- $\Gamma_i \leq \text{Homeo}(X_i)$ locally moving & **flexible**
- $|\Gamma_i(x)| \geq 3 \forall x \in X_i$

Then any (abstract) isomorphism $\Phi: \Gamma_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_2$ is **spatial**, i.e.

$$\exists h: X_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} X_2 \text{ such that } \Phi(\gamma) = h \circ \gamma \circ h^{-1} \forall \gamma \in \Gamma_1$$

Our Reconstruction Theorem

Theorem

\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H} effective étale groupoids with $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}, \mathcal{H}^{(0)}$ locally compact, totally disconnected (& no isolated points) and

- $[[\mathcal{G}]], [[\mathcal{H}]]$ locally moving
- \mathcal{G} -orbits, \mathcal{H} -orbits ≥ 3

Then TFAE:

1. $\mathcal{G} \cong \mathcal{H}$
2. $[[\mathcal{G}]] \cong [[\mathcal{H}]]$

Application to Graph Groupoids & C^* -algebras

E countable graph

- condition (I) \implies condition (L) $\iff \mathcal{G}_E$ effective
- no sinks & condition (I) $\implies [[\mathcal{G}_E]]$ locally moving
- no sinks & no “bad sources” \implies orbits ≥ 3

Application to Graph Groupoids & C^* -algebras

Corollary

E, F countable graphs with no sinks, no “bad sources”, and satisfying condition (I). Then TFAE:

1. $C^*(E)$ and $C^*(F)$ are isomorphic as C^* -algebras, s.t. $\mathcal{D}(E) \mapsto \mathcal{D}(F)$.
2. \mathcal{G}_E and \mathcal{G}_F are isomorphic as topological groupoids.
3. $[\mathcal{G}_E]$ and $[\mathcal{G}_F]$ are isomorphic as abstract groups.
4. E and F are *orbit equivalent* graphs.

- $1 \Leftrightarrow 2$: Renault '08
- $2 \Leftrightarrow 4$: Brownlowe, Carlsen, Whittaker '17

Thanks for listening!