

Non-Commutative Stone duality:
groups,
groupoids,
and pseudogroups

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A Couple of restrictions

1. We work with monoids rather than semigroups.

This means certain spaces will be compact rather than

locally compact.

2. We focus on Boolean inverse monoids.

But the theory extends to distributive inverse

semigroups and pseudogroups.

The talk is in two parts

Part 1: The theory of non-commutative Stone
duality.

Part 2: Application of the theory in Part 1 to
" k -monoids" = 1-vertex higher rank
graphs.

Part 1

The theory of non-commutative Stone duality

Classical Stone duality

A.K.A. the 'Commutative case'.

M.H. Stone, Applications of the theory of Boolean rings to general topology, T.A.M.S. 41 (1937), 375-481.

A topological space is called Boolean if it is Compact, Hausdorff and has a basis of clopen subsets.

Proposition If X is a Boolean space, then the set $\underline{B}(X)$ of clopen subsets of X is a Boolean algebra.

Let B be a Boolean algebra.

A subset $F \subseteq B$ is called a filter if (1) $a, b \in F \Rightarrow a \wedge b \in F$

(2) $a \in F$ and $a \leq b \Rightarrow b \in F$. A filter is proper if

$0 \notin F$. A maximal proper filter is called an

Ultrafilter.

Denote the set of all ultrafilters on B by $\underline{X}(B)$.

Let $a \in B$. Denote by U_a the set of all ultrafilters that contain a .

$$\text{Put } \tau = \{U_a : a \in B\}.$$

Proposition τ is the basis for a topology on $\underline{X}(B)$ that makes it a Boolean space.

We call $\underline{X}(B)$ the Stone space of B .

Theorem [Commutative Stone duality]

(1) Let B be a Boolean algebra.

Then $B \cong \underline{B}(X(S))$.

(2) Let X be a Boolean space.

Then $X \cong \overline{X}(B(X))$.

Examples

(1) Finite discrete spaces are Boolean spaces.

Their associated Boolean algebras are the powerset Boolean algebras.

(2) Up to isomorphism, there is exactly one countable, atomless Boolean algebra called the Tarski algebra.

Its Stone space is the Cantor space.

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We now go non-commutative ...

Boolean inverse monoids

An inverse semigroup is a semigroup in which for each element

a there is a unique element \bar{a}^{-1} s.t. $a = a\bar{a}^{-1}a$ and

$$\bar{a}^{-1} = \bar{a}^{-1}a\bar{a}^{-1}.$$

Key facts

1. Idempotents commute and form a meet semilattice

where $e \wedge f = ef$. $E(S)$ is the set of idempotents.

2. Define $a \leq b$ by $a = be$ for some idempotent e .

\leq is the natural partial order.

$a \leq b \Rightarrow \bar{a} \leq \bar{b}$. If $c \leq d$ then $ac \leq bd$.

3. If $a, b \leq c$ then $\bar{a}\bar{b}$ and $\bar{a}\bar{b}$ are idempotents.

We say a is compatible with b if $\bar{a}b$ and $\bar{a}\bar{b}$ are idempotents, denoted $a \sim b$.

A subset whose elements are pairwise compatible is called a compatible subset.

An inverse monoid is called distributive if

$$(1) a \sim b \Rightarrow \exists a \vee b.$$

$$(2) c(a \vee b) = c a \vee c b \text{ and } (a \vee b)c = a c \vee b c$$

when $\exists a \vee b$.

A distributive inverse monoid is called Boolean if its set of idempotents forms a Boolean algebra.

[A pseudogroup has arbitrary compatible joins, and left and right distributivity by multiplication].

<u>Commutative</u>	<u>Non-Commutative</u>
Frame	Pseudogroup
Distributive lattice	Distributive inverse monoid
Boolean algebra	Boolean inverse monoid

A groupoid G is a (small) category in which each arrow is invertible. Denote the set of identities of

G by G_0 . There are maps $d, r: G \rightarrow G_0$

given by $d(g) = \bar{g}g$, $r(g) = g\bar{g}$. Put

$$G * G = \{ (g, h) \in G \times G : d(g) = r(h) \}.$$

There is a map $m: G * G \rightarrow G$ given by

$(g, h) \mapsto gh$. There is a map $i: G \rightarrow G$

given by $i(g) = \bar{g}$.

A topological groupoid is a groupoid G equipped with a topology such that d, r, m, i are all continuous.

A topological groupoid is étale if $d: G \rightarrow C_0$ is a local homeomorphism.

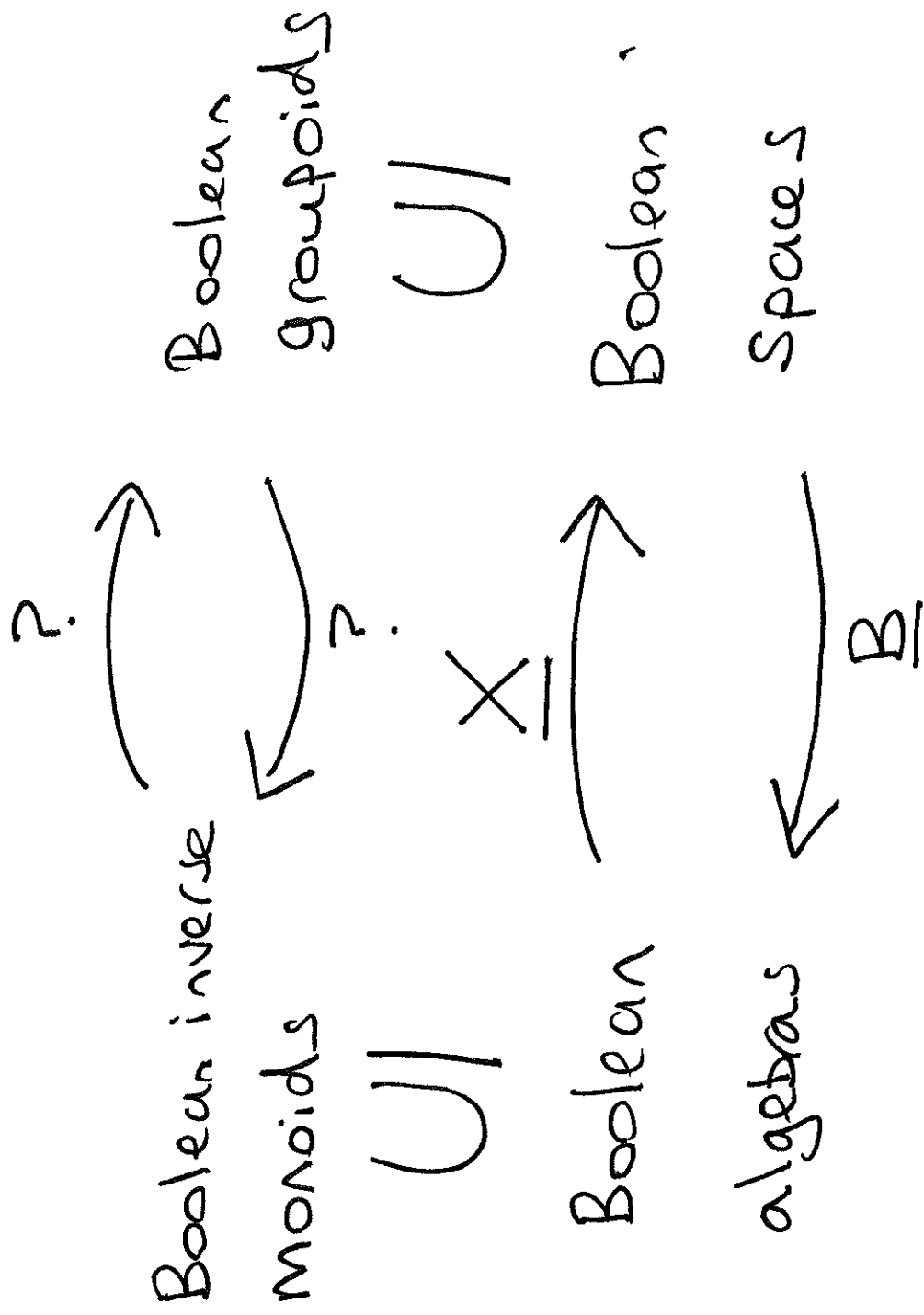
What does being étale really mean?

Theorem (Resende, 2006)

If G is an étale groupoid then $\Omega(G)$, the set of all open subsets of G , is a monoid under subset multiplication.

A Boolean groupoid is an étale groupoid

whose identity space is Boolean.



Let G be a groupoid.

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A subset $A \subseteq G$ is called a partial bisection

if $\bar{A}A, A\bar{A} \subseteq G_0$.

Proposition If G is a Boolean groupoid

then the set $\underline{KB}(G)$ of compact-open partial bisections is a Boolean inverse monoid

under subset multiplication.

Let S be a Boolean inverse monoid.

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Denote the set of all ultrafilters on S by $\underline{G}(S)$.

Put $\tau = \{U_s : s \in S\}$.

Proposition $\underline{G}(S)$ is a groupoid for an appropriate definition of multiplication. τ is the basis for a topology on $\underline{G}(S)$ that makes it a Boolean groupoid. We call $\underline{G}(S)$ the Stone groupoid of S .

Theorem [Non-Commutative Stone duality]
 (Leng & Lawson, Resende).

(1) Let S be a Boolean inverse monoid.

Then $S \cong \underline{KB}(S)$.

(2) Let G be a Boolean groupoid.

Then $G \cong \underline{G}(KB(G))$.

Boolean inverse monoid	Boolean groupoid
λ -monoid	Hausdorff
fundamental	effective
Countable	Second-Countable
Tarski algebra of idempotents	Identity space is the Cantor space
0-simplifying	Minimal
0-simple	Purely infinite + minimal
group of units	topological full group

A Tarski inverse monoid is a countable Boolean

inverse Λ -monoid whose set of idempotents forms a

Tarski algebra.

Congruence-free = 0-simple + fundamental

The following was a result of Matui.

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Theorem The group of units of a congruence-free

Tarski inverse monoid is:

a full, countable subgroup of the group of self-homeomorphisms of the Cantor space which act minimally and in which each element has clopen support.

In addition, the commutator subgroup is simple.

Part 2

Constructing a Thompson-esque group
from a Λ -vertex higher rank graph
(Called here a k -monoid)

This is joint work with Alina Vdovina.

Assumed "nice"

A K-monoid is a countable monoid S equipped with a homomorphism $d: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^k$ satisfying the

unique factorization property (UFP): if $d(s) = \underline{m} + \underline{n}$

then there exist unique elements $x, y \in S$ s.t

$$(1) \quad s = xy \quad (2) \quad d(x) = \underline{m} \quad \text{and} \quad d(y) = \underline{n}.$$

Examples 1-monoids \equiv Countable free monoids

Finite direct products of free monoids.

Let S be a monoid.

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A subset $R \subseteq S$ is a right ideal if $RS \subseteq R$.

R is finitely generated if $R = XS$ where $X \subseteq S$ is a finite set.

A function $\theta: R_1 \rightarrow R_2$ between two right ideals

is a morphism if $\theta(as) = \theta(a)s \quad (\forall s \in S) \quad (\forall a \in R_1)$

Let S be a k -monoid.

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Define $\underline{R}(S)$ to consist of all bijective

morphisms between finitely generated right ideals

Proposition $\underline{R}(S)$ is a distributive

inverse Λ -monoid.

A right ideal is essential if it has a non-empty intersection with every (non-empty) right ideal.

$\underline{R}(S)^e$ is defined to be all the bijective morphisms between finitely generated essential right ideals.

Let T be any inverse semigroup.

Define a relation σ on T by

$$a \sigma b \iff (\exists c) (c \leq a, b).$$

Then σ is a congruence on T , T/σ is a group

and if P is any congruence on T such that

T/P is a group then $\sigma \subseteq P$.

Define

$$G(S) = \frac{R(S)^e}{\sigma}$$

Let T be an inverse Λ -monoid.

Define \equiv on T as follows:

$$a \equiv b \Leftrightarrow (\forall x < a)(x \neq 0) (x \wedge b \neq 0)$$

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$$(\forall x < b) (x \neq 0) (x \wedge a \neq 0)$$

It can be proved that \equiv is a congruence.

Theorem Let S be a K -monoid.

$\underline{C}(S) = \underline{R}(S) / \equiv$ is a Boolean inverse monoid.

Its Stone groupoid is the usual groupoid associated to S .

Under mild conditions on S , the monoid $\underline{C}(S)$ is a congruence-free Tarski monoid.

Its group of units is isomorphic to $G(S)$.

It follows that the group $G(S)$ is Thompson-esque.

We now give a more direct description of this group.

Details will be omitted.

Elements of S , x and y , are called incomparable
if $x \in S \cap y \in S = \emptyset$. Otherwise, they are

Comparable.

Maximal generalized = maximal finite set
Prefix code of incomparable elements

$S^\infty = \text{set of sectors in } S$

[Generalization of right-infinite strings.]

Usually, S^∞ is the Cantor space.

If X is a maximal generalized prefix code,

then $S^\infty = X S^\infty$ and $\{x S^\infty : x \in X\}$

is a finite partition of S^∞ .

Let $x, y \in S$.

Define $f_x^{-1} : x S^\infty \rightarrow y S^\infty$ by

$xw \mapsto yw$ where $w \in S^\infty$.

This is a partial homeomorphism of S^∞ .

Let $X = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$ and $Y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$ be

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maximal generalized prefix codes.

Define $f_{(X,Y)} : S^\infty \rightarrow S^\infty$ by

$$f_{(X,Y)} = \bigcup_{i=1}^m y_i x_i^{-1}$$

Theorem $G(S)$ is the group consisting of

all such self-homeomorphisms of S^∞

of the form $f_{(X,Y)}$.