

MONODROMY GROUPOID OF A LOCAL TOPOLOGICAL GROUP-GROUPOID

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we define a local topological group-groupoid and prove that if G is a local topological group-groupoid, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ of G is a local group-groupoid.

Introduction

The general idea of the monodromy principle was stated in Chevalley [10] for a topological structure G and also for a topological group and developed by Douady and Lazard in [11] for Lie groups, generalized to topological groupoid case in [3] and [15].

The notion of *monodromy groupoid* was described by J. Pradines [21] in the early 1960s. Let G be a topological groupoid such that each star G_x has a universal cover and as a set, $\text{Mon}(G)$ be the union of the stars $(\pi_1 G_x)_{1_x}$. Then there is a groupoid structure on $\text{Mon}(G)$ whose object set X is the same as that of G and groupoid composition is defined by the concatenation composition of the paths in the stars G_x . In [3], in the smooth groupoid case including topological groupoids, the star topological groupoid and topological groupoid structures of $\text{Mon}(G)$ are studied under some suitable local conditions. We call $\text{Mon}(G)$, the monodromy groupoid of G .

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In Mackenzie [12], it was given a non-trivial direct construction of the topology on $\text{Mon}(G)$ and proved also that $\text{Mon}(G)$ satisfies the monodromy principle on the globalisation of continuous local morphisms on G .

A group-groupoid is an internal groupoid in the category of groups [2, 15]. In [14] it is proved that if G is a topological group-groupoid, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ becomes a group-groupoid, which is defined in [2, 4] as the group object in the category of groupoids. In [19], this result was generalized to internal groupoids in topological groups with operations. So it is proved in [19] that if G is a topological group with operations, then $\text{Mon}(G)$ becomes an internal groupoid in the category of groups with operations. Also in [8], the monodromy groupoid of a Lie groupoid is constructed.

The properties and examples of local subgroupoids are given in [9]. On the other hand the notion of local topological group-groupoid which is the group object in the category of local topological groupoids is given in [20]. Also it is proved that the category $\text{LTGpCov}/L$ of covering morphisms $p: \tilde{L} \rightarrow L$ of local topological groups in which \tilde{L} has also a universal cover and the category $\text{LTGpGdCov}/\pi_1(L)$ of covering morphisms $q: \tilde{G} \rightarrow \pi_1(L)$ of local topological group-groupoids based on $\pi_1(L)$ are equivalent [20].

In this paper we prove that if G is a local topological group-groupoid, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ becomes a local group-groupoid.

1. Preliminaries

A *groupoid* is a (small) category in which each morphism is an isomorphism [1, p.205]. So a groupoid G has a set G of morphisms, which we call just *elements* of G , a set $\text{Ob}(G)$ of *objects* together with maps $s, t: G \rightarrow \text{Ob}(G)$ and $\epsilon: \text{Ob}(G) \rightarrow G$ such that $s\epsilon = t\epsilon = 1_{\text{Ob}(G)}$. The maps s, t are called *initial* and *final* point maps respectively and the map ϵ is called *object inclusion*. If $g, h \in G$ and $t(g) = s(h)$, then the *composite* gh exists such that $s(gh) = s(g)$ and $t(gh) = t(h)$. So there exists a partial composition defined by $G_t \times_s G \rightarrow G, (g, h) \mapsto gh$, where $G_t \times_s G$ is the pullback of t and s . Further, this partial composition is associative, for $x \in \text{Ob}(G)$ the element $\epsilon(x)$ denoted by 1_x acts as the identity, and each element g has an inverse g^{-1} such that $s(g^{-1}) = t(g)$,

$t(g^{-1}) = s(g)$, $gg^{-1} = (\epsilon s)(g)$, $g^{-1}g = (\epsilon t)(g)$. The map $G \rightarrow G$, $a \mapsto g^{-1}$ is called the *inversion*.

In a groupoid G for $x, y \in \text{Ob}(G)$ we write $G(x, y)$ for the set of all morphisms with initial point x and final point y . We say G is *transitive* if for all $x, y \in \text{Ob}(G)$, the set $G(x, y)$ is not empty. For $x \in \text{Ob}(G)$ we denote the star $\{g \in G \mid s(g) = x\}$ of x by G_x .

A star topological groupoid is a groupoid in which the stars G_x 's have topologies such that for each $g \in G(x, y)$ the left (and hence right) translation

$$L_g: G_y \longrightarrow G_x, h \mapsto gh$$

is a homeomorphism and G is the topological sum of the G_x 's.

DEFINITION 1.1. [5,6] A topological groupoid is a groupoid such that the set G of morphisms and the set $\text{Ob}(G)$ of objects are topological spaces and source, target, inclusion, inverse and product maps are continuous. □

DEFINITION 1.2. [6] Let G and \tilde{G} be two topological groupoids. Then a groupoid morphism of topological groupoids is a morphism of groupoids $p: \tilde{G} \rightarrow G$ such that the pair of maps $p: \tilde{G} \rightarrow G$ and $O_p: \text{Ob}(\tilde{G}) \rightarrow \text{Ob}(G)$ are continuous. □

Recall that a covering map $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ of connected spaces is called universal if it covers every covering of X in the sense that if $q: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow X$ is another covering of X then there exists a map $r: \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{Y}$ such that $p = qr$ (hence r becomes a covering). A covering map $p: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is called simply connected if \tilde{X} is simply connected. So a simply connected covering is a universal covering.

Let X be a topological space admitting a simply connected cover. A subset U of X is called liftable if U is open, path-connected and the inclusion $U \rightarrow X$ maps each fundamental group of U trivially. If U is liftable, and $q: Y \rightarrow X$ is a covering map, then for any $y \in Y$ and $x \in U$ such that $qy = x$, there is a unique map $i: U \rightarrow Y$ such that $ix = y$ and qi is the inclusion $U \rightarrow X$. A space X is called semi-locally simply connected if each point has a liftable neighborhood and locally simply connected if it has a base of simply connected sets. So a locally simply connected space is also semi-locally simply connected.

Let X be a topological space such that each path component of X admits a simply connected covering space. It is standard that if the

fundamental groupoid $\pi_1 X$ is denoted with the topology as in [7], and $x \in X$, then the target map $t: (\pi_1 X)_x \rightarrow X$ is the universal covering map of X based at x (see also Brown [1, 10.5.8]).

The following theorem is proved in [7, Theorem 1]. We give a sketch proof since we need some details of the proof in Theorem 3.11. An alternative but equivalent construction of the topology is in [1, 10.5.8].

THEOREM 1.3. *If X is a locally path connected and semi-locally simply connected space, then the fundamental groupoid $\pi_1 X$ may be given a topology making it a topological groupoid.*

Proof. Let \mathcal{U} be the open cover of X consisting of all liftable subsets. For each U in \mathcal{U} and $x \in U$ define a map $\lambda_x: U \rightarrow \pi_1 X$ by choosing for each $x' \in U$, a path in U from x to x' and letting $\lambda_x(x')$ be the homotopy class of this path. By the condition on U the map λ_x is well defined. Let $\tilde{U}_x = \lambda_x(U)$. Then the sets $\tilde{U}_x^{-1} \alpha \tilde{V}_y$ for all $\alpha \in \pi_1 X(x, y)$ form a base for a topology such that $\pi_1 X$ is a topological groupoid with this topology. \square

2. Monodromy Groupoids

In this section we give a review of the constructions of the monodromy groupoid from [3].

Let G be a star topological groupoid. The groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ is defined from the universal covers of stars G_x 's at the base points identities as follows: As a set, $\text{Mon}(G)$ is the union of the stars $(\pi_1 G_x)_{1_x}$. The object set X of $\text{Mon}(G)$ is the same as that of G . The initial point map $s: \text{Mon}(G) \rightarrow X$ maps all of $(\pi_1 G_x)_{1_x}$ to x , while the target point map $t: \text{Mon}(G) \rightarrow X$ is defined on each $(\pi_1 G_x)_{1_x}$ as the composition of the two target maps

$$(\pi_1 G_x)_{1_x} \xrightarrow{t} G_x \xrightarrow{t} X.$$

As expounded in Mackenzie [12] it is seen a multiplication on $\text{Mon}(G)$ defined by

$$[a] \bullet [b] = [a \star (a(1)b)],$$

where \star inside the bracket denotes the usual composition of paths. So the path $a \star (a(1)b)$ is defined by

$$(a \star (a(1)b))(t) = \begin{cases} a(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ a(1)b(2t-1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Here assume that a is a path in G_x from 1_x to $a(1)$, where $t(a(1)) = y$, say, and b is a path in G_x from 1_y to $b(1)$, then for each $t \in [0, 1]$ the composition $a(1)b(t)$ is defined in G_y , running a path $a(1)b$ from $a(1)$ to $a(1)b(1)$. It is straightforward to prove that in this way a groupoid is defined on $\text{Mon}(G)$ and that the composition of the final maps of paths induces a morphism of groupoids $p: \text{Mon}(G) \rightarrow G$.

If each star G_x admits a simply connected cover at 1_x , then we may topologise each star $(\text{Mon}(G))_x$ so that it is the universal cover of G_x based at 1_x , and then $\text{Mon}(G)$ becomes a star topological groupoid. We call $\text{Mon}(G)$ the *monodromy groupoid* or *star universal cover* of G .

Let **Gpd** be the category of groupoids and **TGd** the category of topological groupoids. Let **STGd** be the full subgroupoid of **TGd** on those topological groupoids whose stars have universal covers. Then we have a functor

$$\text{Mon}: \text{STGd} \rightarrow \text{Gpd}$$

assigning each topological groupoid G such that the stars have universal covers, to the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$.

THEOREM 2.1. [14, Theorem 2.1] *For the topological groupoids G and H such that the stars have universal covers, the monodromy groupoids $\text{Mon}(G \times H)$ and $\text{Mon}(G) \times \text{Mon}(H)$ are isomorphic.*

EXAMPLE 2.2. Let G be a topological group which can be thought as a topological groupoid with only one object. If G has a simply connected cover, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ of G is just the universal cover of G . □

EXAMPLE 2.3. [3, Theorem 6.2] If X is a topological space, then $G = X \times X$ becomes a topological groupoid on X . Here a pair (x, y) is a morphism from x to y with inverse morphism (y, x) . The groupoid composition is defined by $(x, y)(u, z) = (x, z)$ whenever $y = u$. If X has a simply connected cover, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ of G is isomorphic to the fundamental groupoid $\pi_1(X)$. □

3. Local group-groupoid structure of monodromy groupoids

In this section we introduce the notion of local topological group-groupoid and prove that if G is a local topological group-groupoid where each star G_x has a universal cover, then $\text{Mon}(G)$ is a local group-groupoid.

Now we emphasize the definition given in [16, Definition 2].

DEFINITION 3.1. Let L be a set. A *local group* is a quintuple $\mathbf{L} = (L, \mu, \mathcal{U}, i, V)$, where

- (1) a distinguish element $e \in L$, the identity element,
- (2) a multiplication $\mu: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow L, (x, y) \mapsto x \circ y$ defined on a subset \mathcal{U} of $L \times L$ such that $(\{e\} \times L) \cup (L \times \{e\}) \subseteq \mathcal{U}$,
- (3) an inversion map $i: V \rightarrow L, x \mapsto \bar{x}$ defined on a subset $e \in V \subseteq L$ such that $V \times i(V) \subseteq \mathcal{U}$ and $i(V) \times V \subseteq \mathcal{U}$,
all satisfying the following properties:
 - (i) Identity: $e \circ x = x = x \circ e$ for all $x \in L$
 - (ii) Inverse: $i(x) \circ x = e = x \circ i(x)$, for all $x \in V$
 - (iii) Associativity: If $(x, y), (y, z), (x \circ y, z)$ and $(x, y \circ z)$ all belong to \mathcal{U} , then

$$x \circ (y \circ z) = (x \circ y) \circ z.$$

□

From now on we denote such a local group by \mathbf{L} .

Note that if $\mathcal{U} = L \times L$ and $V = L$, then a local group becomes a group. It means that the notion of local group generalizes that of group. Now we give the following definition (see [16, Definition 5]):

DEFINITION 3.2. Let $(L, \mu, \mathcal{U}, i, V)$ and $(\tilde{L}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\mathcal{U}}, \tilde{i}, \tilde{V})$ be local groups. A map $f: L \rightarrow \tilde{L}$ is called a *local group morphism* if

- (i) $(f \times f)(\mathcal{U}) \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{U}}, f(V) \subseteq \tilde{V}, f(e) = \tilde{e}$
- (ii) $f(x \circ y) = \tilde{f}(x) \circ \tilde{f}(y)$ for $(x, y) \in \mathcal{U}$
- (iii) $f(i(x)) = \tilde{i}(f(x))$ for $x \in V$.

□

We study on the topological version of Definition 3.1.

DEFINITION 3.3. [16] Let L be a local group, if L has a topology structure such that \mathcal{U} is open in $L \times L$, V is open in L , the maps μ and i are continuous, then $(L, \mu, \mathcal{U}, i, V)$ is called a *local topological group*. □

It is obvious that if $\mathcal{U} = L \times L$ and $V = L$, then a local topological group L becomes a topological group.

EXAMPLE 3.4. [16, p.26] Let G be a topological group, L be an open neighbourhood of the identity element e . Then we obtain a local topological group taking $\mathcal{U} = (L \times L) \cap \mu^{-1}(L)$ and $V = L \cap \bar{L}$, where $\bar{L} = \{\bar{x} | x \in L\}$.

Here the group product μ and the inversion i on G are restricted to define a local group product and inverse maps on L .

Further if we choose \mathcal{U} and V such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\{e\} \times L) \cup (L \times \{e\}) &\subseteq \mathcal{U} \subseteq (L \times L) \cap \mu^{-1}(L) \\ \{e\} &\subseteq V \subseteq L \cap i^{-1}(L) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$V \times i(V) \cup (i(V) \times V) \subseteq \mathcal{U}$$

then we have a local topological group. □

DEFINITION 3.5. [17, Definition 3.3] Let $(L, \mu, \mathcal{U}, i, V)$ and $(\tilde{L}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\mathcal{U}}, \tilde{i}, \tilde{V})$ be local topological groups. A continuous map $f: L \rightarrow \tilde{L}$ is called a *local topological group morphism* if

- (i) $(f \times f)(\mathcal{U}) \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{U}}, f(V) \subseteq \tilde{V}, f(e) = \tilde{e}$
- (ii) $f(x \circ y) = f(x) \circ f(y)$ for $(x, y) \in \mathcal{U}$
- (iii) $f(i(x)) = \tilde{i}(f(x))$ for $x \in V$.

□

Before giving the definition of local group-group, we state local morphism of groupoids (see [13, Definition 6.1.6] for the notion of local morphism of Lie groupoids).

DEFINITION 3.6. Let G and H be groupoids. A local morphism from G to H consists of a map $f: W \rightarrow H$ defined on a subset of G including all the identities 1_x for $x \in \text{Ob}(G)$ such that

- (i) $f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$ for $a, b \in W$ with $t(a) = s(b)$
- (ii) $f(a^{-1}) = f(a)^{-1}$.

The notion of local group-groupoid is given in [17, Definition 4.1] as follows.

DEFINITION 3.7. A *local group-groupoid* G is a groupoid in which $\text{Ob}(G)$ and G both have local group structures such that the following maps are the local morphisms of groupoids (i.e., they are both groupoid morphisms and local group morphisms):

- (i) $\mu: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow G, (a, b) \mapsto a \circ b$
- (ii) $i: V \rightarrow G, a \mapsto \bar{a}$
- (iii) $e: \star \rightarrow G$, where \star is singleton.

□

In a local group-groupoid we write ab for the composition in groupoid while $a \circ b$ for the multiplication in local group; and write a^{-1} for the inverse of a in groupoid while \bar{a} for the one in local groupoid. We obtain that in a local group-groupoid G ,

$$(ac) \circ (bd) = (a \circ b)(c \circ d)$$

for $a, b, c, d \in G$ such that the necessary composition and multiplications are defined.

The category of local group-groupoids is denoted by **LGpGpd**.

DEFINITION 3.8. [17, Definition 5.1] Let G and H be two local group-groupoids. A morphism of local group-groupoids $f: H \rightarrow G$ is a morphism of underlying groupoids preserving local group structure, i.e., $f(a \circ b) = f(a) \circ f(b)$ for $a, b \in \mathcal{U} \subseteq H \times H$. □

DEFINITION 3.9. [17, Definition 5.1] A morphism $f: H \rightarrow G$ of local group-groupoids is called a covering morphism (resp. universal covering morphism) if it is a covering (resp. universal covering) on underlying groupoids. □

As topological version of Definition 3.7, a local morphism of topological groupoids can be stated as follows:

DEFINITION 3.10. Let G and H be topological groupoids. A local morphism from G to H consists of a continuous local morphism $f: W \rightarrow H$ of groupoids defined on an open subset of G including all the identities.

Now we study on local topological group-groupoids as the following definition:

DEFINITION 3.11. Let G be a topological groupoid. If the set G of morphisms and the set $\text{Ob}(G)$ of objects have local topological group structures such that the maps

- (i) $\mu: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow G, (a, b) \mapsto a \circ b$
- (ii) $i: V \rightarrow G, a \mapsto \bar{a}$
- (iii) $e: \star \rightarrow G$, where \star is singleton

are local morphisms of topological groupoids, then G is called a *local topological group-groupoid*.

□

Let us denote the category of local topological group-groupoids as LTGpGpd .

EXAMPLE 3.12. A local topological group is just a local topological group-groupoid with one object and arrows the elements of the local topological group.

EXAMPLE 3.13. Given any collection of local topological groups L_1, L_2, \dots their disjoint union $G = L_1 \sqcup L_2 \sqcup \dots$ is a local topological group-groupoid; here a pair of morphisms of G can only be composed if they come from the same L_n in which case their composition is the product they have there.

EXAMPLE 3.14. If L is a local topological group, then $G = L \times L$ is a local topological group-groupoid.

We know that $L \times L$ is a topological groupoid. Since $\text{Ob}(G) = L$ is a local topological group, we prove that $L \times L$ has a local topological group structure. On the other hand $L \times L$ is a local group-groupoid [17, Example 4.1]. Here a pair (x, y) is a morphism from x to y and the groupoid composite is defined by $(x, y)(z, u) = (x, u)$ whenever $y = z$. The local group multiplication is defined by $(x, y) \circ (z, u) = (x \circ z, y \circ u)$. The maps

$$\mu' = (\mu \times \mu): \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow L \times L, ((x, y), (z, u)) \mapsto (x \circ z, y \circ u)$$

and

$$i' = (i \times i): V \times V \mapsto L \times L, (x, y) \mapsto \overline{(x, y)} = (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$$

exist and since μ and i are continuous respectively, then μ' and i' are continuous such that $\mathcal{U}' = \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U}$ is open in $G \times G$ and $V' = V \times V$ is open in G . Then $G = L \times L$ becomes a local topological group-groupoid.

□

EXAMPLE 3.15. If L is a local topological group such that the underlying space is locally path connected and semi-locally simply connected, then the fundamental groupoid $\pi_1 L$ is a local topological group-groupoid. Let L be a local topological group such that $\mathcal{U} \subseteq L \times L$ and $e \in V \subseteq L$

are open. We know from [7, Proposition 4.2] that $\pi_1 L$ is a topological groupoid. Since the maps on local topological group structure

$$\mu: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow L, (x, y) \mapsto x \circ y$$

and

$$i: V \mapsto L, x \mapsto \bar{x}$$

are continuous, then the induced maps

$$\pi_1(\mu): \pi_1 \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \pi_1 L, [(a, b)] \mapsto [a \circ b]$$

and

$$\pi_1(i): \pi_1 V \mapsto \pi_1 L, [a] \mapsto [\bar{a}] = [\bar{a}]$$

are well defined. Note that since (a, b) is defined in \mathcal{U} , then $a \circ b$ is defined. So $\pi_1 L$ is a local group-groupoid [17, Proposition 4.2]. Also the induced maps $\pi_1(\mu)$ and $\pi_1(i)$ are continuous such that $\pi_1 \mathcal{U}$ and $\pi_1 V$ are open. Therefore $\pi_1 L$ becomes a local topological group-groupoid. \square

THEOREM 3.16. *Let X and Y be local topological groups such that the underlying spaces are locally path connected and semi-locally simply connected. Then $\pi_1(X \times Y)$ and $\pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y$ are isomorphic as local topological groupoids.*

Proof. We know from [1] that the topological groupoids $\pi_1(X \times Y)$ and $\pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y$ are isomorphic as groupoids. By Theorem 1.3 and the reference [1, 6.4.4] it is possible to see that $\pi_1(X \times Y)$ and $\pi_1 X \times \pi_1 Y$ are homeomorphic. \square

In [14, Theorem 3.10], it is proved that if G is a topological group-groupoid such that each star G_x has a universal cover, then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ is a group-groupoid. Also Mucuk and Akiz, in [19, Theorem 3.13], proved a more general result and developed the monodromy groupoid for an internal groupoid in the category of topological groups with operations, which is defined in [18]. We now give the local group-groupoid structure of monodromy groupoids.

THEOREM 3.17. *Let G be a local topological group-groupoid such that each star G_x has a universal cover. Then the monodromy groupoid $\text{Mon}(G)$ is a local group-groupoid.*

Proof. Let G be a local topological group-groupoid as assumed. Considering the local group structures of $\text{Ob}(G)$ and G , we define local group structures of $\text{Ob}(\text{Mon}(G))$ and $\text{Mon}(G)$. Since $\text{Ob}(G) = \text{Ob}(\text{Mon}(G))$,

then it is sufficient to prove that $\text{Mon}(G)$ satisfies the conditions of local group.

- (1) Let e be the identity element of $\text{Ob}(G)$ and so 1_e be the identity element of local group G . Then $[a_e]$ is the identity element of $\text{Mon}(G)$, which is also identity morphism in $\text{Mon}(G)$ from e to e , where a_e is the constant path at 1_e in G_e .
- (2) There is a local topological group structure on the set G of morphisms with the local group multiplication

$$\mu: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow G, (a, b) \mapsto a \circ b$$

defined on a subset \mathcal{U} of $G \times G$. Considering the functor

$$\text{Mon}: \text{STGd} \rightarrow \text{Gpd},$$

and taking $\text{Mon}(U) = \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$, we have the following multiplication

$$\tilde{\mu}: \tilde{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \text{Mon}(G), ([a], [b]) \mapsto [a] \circ [b] = [a \circ b]$$

defined on the subset $\tilde{\mathcal{U}} \subseteq \text{Mon}(G) \times \text{Mon}(G)$ such that $(\{[a_e]\} \times \text{Mon}(G)) \cup (\text{Mon}(G) \times \{[a_e]\}) \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ is well defined.

- (3) There is an inversion map

$$i: V \rightarrow G, a \mapsto \bar{a}$$

defined on a subset $1_e \in V \subseteq G$ are continuous morphisms of local groupoids. By taking $\text{Mon}(V) = \tilde{V}$, we have the following map

$$i: \tilde{V} \rightarrow \text{Mon}(G), [a] \mapsto [\bar{a}]$$

defined on the subset $[a_e] \in \tilde{V} \subseteq \text{Mon}(G)$ such that $\tilde{V} \times i(\tilde{V}) \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ and $i(\tilde{V}) \times \tilde{V} \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$.

In addition to these properties, we have to show that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) Identity: $\tilde{\mu}([a_e], [a]) = [a_e] \circ [a] = \tilde{\mu}([a], [a_e])$, for all $[a] \in \text{Mon}(G)$.
- (ii) Inverse: $\tilde{\mu}([i(a)], [a]) = \tilde{\mu}([\bar{a}], [a]) = [\bar{a} \circ a] = [a_e]$ and on the other hand we have $\tilde{\mu}([a], [i(a)]) = \tilde{\mu}([a], [\bar{a}]) = [a \circ \bar{a}] = [a_e]$, for all $[a] \in \tilde{V}$.
- (iii) Associativity: If $([a], [b]), ([b], [c]), (\tilde{\mu}([a], [b]), [c])$ and $([a], \tilde{\mu}([b], [c]))$ all belong to $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$, then by the local group structure of G we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mu}([a], \tilde{\mu}([b], [c])) &= \tilde{\mu}([a], [b \circ c]) \\ &= [a] \circ ([b] \circ [c]).\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{\mu}([a], [b]), [c]) &= \tilde{\mu}([a \circ b], [c]) \\ &= ([a \circ b]) \circ [c].\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } [a] \circ ([b] \circ [c]) = ([a \circ b]) \circ [c]$$

Now we have to prove that the morphisms $\tilde{\mu}$ and i are morphisms of local groups. For the morphism $\tilde{\mu}: \tilde{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \text{Mon}(G)$, $([a], [b]) \mapsto [a \circ b]$, since

$$\tilde{\mu}([a], [b])([c], [d]) = \tilde{\mu}([ac], [bd]) = [ac \circ bd]$$

and

$$\tilde{\mu}([a], [b])\tilde{\mu}([c], [d]) = [a \circ b][c \circ d] = [ac \circ bd],$$

then we have

$$\tilde{\mu}([a], [b])([c], [d]) = \tilde{\mu}([a], [b])\tilde{\mu}([c], [d]).$$

So $\tilde{\mu}$ is a local morphism.

For the morphism $i: \tilde{V} \rightarrow G$, $a \mapsto \bar{a}$, since

$$i([a][b]) = i([ab]) = \overline{[ab]} = [\bar{a}\bar{b}] = [\bar{a}][\bar{b}]$$

and

$$i([a])i([b]) = [\bar{a}][\bar{b}],$$

we have

$$i([a][b]) = i([a])i([b]).$$

So i is a local morphism.

We now prove that the interchange law

$$[a \circ c] \bullet [b \circ d] = [a \bullet b] \circ [c \bullet d]$$

in $\text{Mon}(G)$ is satisfied when \bullet denotes the groupoid composition in $\text{Mon}(G)$ and $a \bullet b$, $c \bullet d$ are defined and (a, c) and (c, d) are in \mathcal{U} . If

these $a \bullet b$ and $b \bullet c$ are defined, then we have the following:

$$(a \bullet b)(t) = \begin{cases} a(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ a(1)b(2t - 1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(c \bullet d)(t) = \begin{cases} c(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ c(1)d(2t - 1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(a \bullet b) \circ (c \bullet d)(t) = \begin{cases} (a \circ c)(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ (a(1)b(2t - 1)) \circ (c(1)d(2t - 1)), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$(a \bullet b) \circ (c \bullet d) = (a \circ c) \star ((a(1)b) \circ (c(1)d)).$$

On the other hand

$$(a \circ c) \bullet (b \circ d)(t) = \begin{cases} (a \circ c)(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ (a \circ c)(1)(b \circ d)(2t - 1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and hence

$$(a \circ c) \bullet (b \circ d) = (a \circ c) \star (a \circ c)(1)(b \circ d).$$

By the interchange law in G , $(a \circ c)(1)(b \circ d) = (a(1)b) \circ (c(1)d)$ and so we have that

$$(a \circ c) \bullet (b \circ d) = (a \bullet b) \circ (c \bullet d).$$

which insures the interchange law in $\text{Mon}(G)$.

For $a, b \in \text{Mon}(G)$, where $a \bullet b$ is defined, we have the followings:

$$\overline{(a \bullet b)(t)} = \begin{cases} \overline{a(2t)}, & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \overline{(a(1)b(2t - 1))}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\overline{a(t)} \bullet \overline{b(t)} = \begin{cases} \overline{a(2t)}, & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \overline{a(1)} \overline{b(2t - 1)}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}.$$

Since $\overline{(a(1)b(2t - 1))} = \overline{a(1)} \overline{b(2t - 1)}$ in G we have that $\overline{a \bullet b} = \overline{a} \bullet \overline{b}$.

All these details complete the proof that $\text{Mon}(G)$ is a local group-groupoid. \square

We can now restate [14, Theorem 2.1] for local topological group-groupoids as follows:

THEOREM 3.18. *For local topological group-groupoids G and H whose stars have universal covers, the monodromy groupoids $\text{Mon}(G \times H)$ and $\text{Mon}(G) \times \text{Mon}(H)$ are isomorphic as local group-groupoids.*

Proof. We know from the proof of [14, Theorem 2.1] that

$$f: \text{Mon}(G \times H) \longrightarrow \text{Mon}(G) \times \text{Mon}(H), f([a]) = ([p_1a], [p_2a])$$

is an isomorphism of groupoids. So it is sufficient to prove that f is a local morphism.

For $[a], [b] \in \text{Mon}(G)$,

$$\begin{aligned} f([a] \circ [b]) &= ([p_1(a \circ b)], [p_2(a \circ b)]) \\ &= ([p_1a \circ p_1b], [p_2a \circ p_2b]) \\ &= ([p_1a], [p_2a]) \circ ([p_1b], [p_2b]) \\ &= f([a]) \circ f([b]). \end{aligned}$$

Also for $[a] \in \text{Mon}(G)$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(i[a]) &= f[i(a)] \\ &= ([p_1(i(a))], [p_2(i(a))]) \\ &= ([i(p_1a)], [i(p_2a)]) \\ &= i([p_1a], [p_2a]) \\ &= i(f[a]). \end{aligned}$$

Then f becomes a local morphism. \square

As a result of Theorem 3.17 we can state that we have a functor $\text{Mon}: \text{LTGpGpd} \rightarrow \text{LGpGpd}$.

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