

Lie groupoids: Lecture 1

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Summary: • lie groupoids
• lie algebroids
• Applications: symplectic geometry, quantum mechanics, ... (noncommutative geometry, index theory, etc.)

Literature: • lectures on integrability of lie brackets (Crainic, Fernandes)
• General theory of lie gpds and lie algbds (Mackenzie)

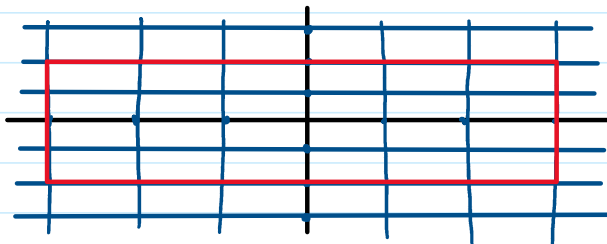
Prerequisites: Smooth manifolds, Diff. geometry, lie groups

0. Motivation

Let's study symmetries of torus spaces:

$$\Omega = (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}) \cup (2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R})$$

$$\tilde{\Omega} = \Omega \cap \left(\underbrace{[-2m, 2m] \times [-n, n]}_{=: A} \right)$$



Symmetry of Ω is captured by action of the group

$$G_{\Omega} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{translations by } \Lambda = 2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \\ \cup \text{ reflections through lines in } \frac{1}{2}\Lambda \\ \cup \text{ reflections through pts in } \frac{1}{2}\Lambda \end{array} \right\}$$

and likewise, the group

$$G_{\tilde{\Omega}} = \langle a, b \mid a^2 = b^2 = (ab)^2 = e \rangle = D_4 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$$

is supposed to describe symmetries of $\tilde{\Omega}$.

Notice: G_{Ω} is large, $G_{\tilde{\Omega}}$ small.

Is this the best we can do to describe $\tilde{\Omega}$?

To study symmetries of $\tilde{\Omega}$, we'd be better off defining:

$O(2) \times \mathbb{R}^2$ (Euclidean gr.)

$$G_{\tilde{\Omega}}^{\text{loc}} = \{ (\eta, \phi, x) \in A \times E(2) \times A \};$$

$\eta = \phi(x)$ and x has a nbd. $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

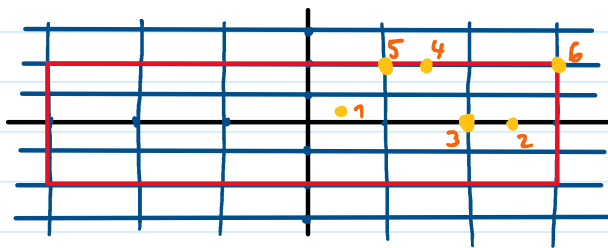
- grid is mapped s.t. \rightarrow to grid
- open tiles are mapped to open tiles
- extension \rightarrow extension
- $\bullet \phi(U \cap \tilde{\Omega}) \subset \tilde{\Omega}$
 - $\bullet \phi(U \cap (A \setminus \tilde{\Omega})) \subset A \setminus \tilde{\Omega}$
 - $\bullet \phi(U \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus A)) \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus A$


This turns out to be a groupoid (moreover, Lie).

Orbits? Naturally we define an orbit as an equivalence class w.r.t. relation \sim on A :


$$x \sim y \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \exists (\eta, \phi, x) \in G_{\tilde{\Omega}}^{\text{loc}}$$


In our case, we get the following orbits:





\mathcal{O}_1 = interior pts of tiles 

\mathcal{O}_2 = interior edge points 

\mathcal{O}_3 = interior crossing points 

\mathcal{O}_4 = boundary edge points 

\mathcal{O}_5 = boundary "T" points 

\mathcal{O}_6 = boundary corner points 

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This captures a lot more information than D_4 , since G_{loc} is defined to capture local data.

Another example: actions of $so(2)$ on \mathbb{R}^2 and $so(3)$ on $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}^2/so(2) \approx [0, \infty) \approx \mathbb{R}^3/so(3)$.

But the singular pt. $\{0\}$ are of different type; this is captured by the fact that the action $gpds$ $so(2) \curvearrowright \mathbb{R}^2$ and $so(3) \curvearrowright \mathbb{R}^3$ are not Morita equivalent.

I. Lie groupoids

1. Basic definitions & examples

Df. A groupoid is a small category where every morphism is invertible. More precisely, consists of:

(i) sets G (of morphisms) and M (of objects)

(ii) maps $s, t: G \rightarrow M$, prescribing a morphism its domain, codomain

(iii) a unit map $1: M \rightarrow G$ prescribing 1_x to any $x \in M$

(iv) a partial multiplication map "composable pairs"

$$m: G * G \rightarrow G; \quad G * G = \{(g, h) \in G \times G; s(g) = t(h)\}$$

which sends (g, h) to gh ,

or that

$$(i) \quad s(gh) = s(h), \quad t(gh) = t(g)$$

$$(ii) \quad s(1_x) = t(1_x) = x, \quad g 1_{t(g)} = g, \quad 1_{s(g)} g = g$$

$$(iii) \quad \forall g \in G \exists! g^{-1} \in G. \quad g^{-1} g = 1_{s(g)}, \quad g g^{-1} = 1_{t(g)}$$

$$(iv) \quad (gh)_k = g(h_k)$$

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$$\text{Denote: } G \rightrightarrows M,$$

$G_x^x \dots$ "vector grp"

$$G_x = s^{-1}(x), G_y = t^{-1}(y), G_x^y = G_x \cap G_y$$

$$L_g = m(g, \cdot) : G^{s(g)} \rightarrow G^{t(g)} \quad (L_g^{-1} = L_{g^{-1}})$$

$$R_g = m(\cdot, g) : G_{t(g)} \rightarrow G_{s(g)} \quad (R_g^{-1} = R_{g^{-1}})$$

Prop. $G \rightrightarrows M, g \in G_x^y$.

(i) If $hg = g$, then $h = 1_g$. If $gh = g$, then $h = 1_x$

(ii) If $hg = 1_x$ or $gh = 1_y$, then $h = g^{-1}$.

Smooth category?

↳ We want m to be a smooth map, so $G * G$ has to be a smooth manifold. Notice:

$$G * G = (s \times t)^{-1}(\Delta_M) \quad (s \times t : G \times G \rightarrow M \times M)$$

so we require $s \times t$ to be transverse to Δ_M , i.e.

$$d(s \times t)_{(g, h)} (T_g G \oplus T_h G)$$

$\forall g, h.$

$$+ T_{(x, x)} \Delta_M = T_{(x, x)} (M \times M)$$

$$s(g) = t(h) = x$$

or equiv.

$$ds_g (T_g G) \oplus dt_h (T_h G)$$

$$+ \{ (v, v) ; v \in T_x M \} = T_x M \oplus T_x M$$

$$\{ (v+w, v+u) ; v \in T_x M, w \in \text{im}(ds_g), u \in \text{im}(dt_h) \}$$

$$= T_x M \oplus T_x M.$$

This is fulfilled if s, t are **submersions**.

↳ If only one of them is a submersion, the other one is a submersion if inv is smooth since $s = t \circ \text{inv}$.

Note: $T_{(g,h)} G * G = d(s \times t)_{(g,h)}^{-1} (T_{(x,x)} \Delta_M)$
 $= \{ (v, w) \in T_g G \oplus T_h G ; ds_g(v) = dt_h(w) \}$

and $\dim G * G = 2 \dim G - \dim M$.

Def. A lie groupoid is a yepd. $G \rightrightarrows M$, s.t. G and M are smooth mflds, $s, t, m, 1_x$ are smooth and s, t are submersions.

Remk. L_g, R_g are diffeom's but G^x, G^y may not be diffeomorphic since $g: x \rightarrow y$ may not exist!

Prop. $\text{inv}: G \rightarrow G$ in a lie groupoid is smooth.

Pf. Define

$$\mathcal{V}: G * G \rightarrow G \times_t G := (t \times t)^{-1}(\Delta_M)$$

$$\mathcal{V}(g, h) = (g, gh) \quad \text{i.e. } \mathcal{V} = (\text{pr}_1, m)$$

and notice this is a bij., since $\mathcal{V}^{-1}(g, h) = (g, g^{-1}h)$.

Realize inv as the composition

$$G \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times (1 \circ t)} G \times_t G \xrightarrow{\mathcal{V}^{-1}} G * G \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_2} G$$

$$g \mapsto (g, 1_t(g)) \mapsto (g, g^{-1}) \mapsto g^{-1}$$

So WTS \mathcal{V} is an immersion (since $\dim G * G = \dim G \times_t G$).

↳ $d\mathcal{V}_{(g,h)}(v, w) = 0$; $\text{pr}_2 = \text{pr}_2 \circ \mathcal{V}$, so
 \uparrow \leftarrow $\sim G \times_t G$

$$\rightarrow \text{arr } (g, h) (v, w) = v; \text{ pr}_1 = \text{pr}_1 \circ \sigma, \text{ sr}$$

$$d(\text{pr}_1)_{(g, h)} (v, w) = 0. \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \sim G * G \\ \nwarrow \sim G \times_t G \end{array}$$

So $v = 0$. This implies $w \in \ker(d\tau_h) = T_h G^{t(h)}$
 by ! above

$$\text{But } d\pi_{(g, h)} (v, w) = d(\underbrace{\pi}_{L_g})_h (w) + d(\underbrace{\pi}_{R_h})_g (v)$$

$$= d(L_g)_h (w) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{L}_g \text{ differs} \\ \text{since } m = \text{pr}_1 \circ \sigma \end{array} \quad w = 0. \quad \square$$

Prop. Hence we either check s, t are subm. OR
 one of them is a subm. and inv is smooth.

Examples:

o) Base gpd. $G = \{1_x; x \in M\}$ ($s, t = \text{id}_M$)

i) Trivial gpd; M mfd, G lie grp. (no action)

Define $M \times G \times M \rightrightarrows M$:

- $s = \text{pr}_3, t = \text{pr}_1$

- $1_x = (x, e, x)$

- $(z, g, y) (y, h, x) = (z, gh, x)$

- $(y, g, x)^{-1} = (x, g^{-1}, y)$.

$M = \{*\}$... lie group; $G = \{e\}$... Pair gpd.

ii) Action gpd. G acts on M from the left. $G \times M \rightrightarrows M$:

- $s(g, x) = x, t(g, x) = g \cdot x$

- $1_x = (e, x)$

- $(g, y) (h, x) = (gh, x)$ defined iff $y = h \cdot x$

- $(g, y)(h, x) = (gh, x)$ defined iff $y = h \cdot x$
- $(g, x)^{-1} = (g^{-1}, g \cdot x)$

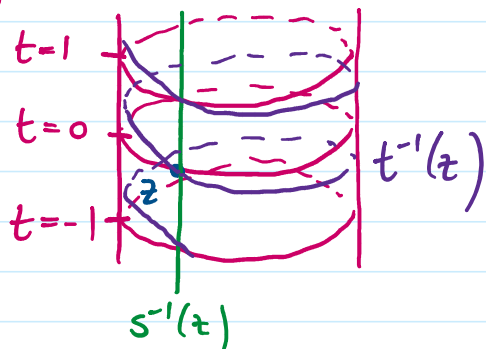
Then: $(G \ltimes M)_x = G \times \{x\}$

$$(G \ltimes M)^\partial = \{(g, x) \mid y = g \cdot x\} = \{(g, g^{-1}y) \mid g \in G\} \dots \text{differs to } G$$

Note: $\text{Orb}_G(y) = \text{pr}_2((G \ltimes M)^\partial)$

$$(G \ltimes M)_x^* = \{(g, x) \mid g \cdot x = x\} = \text{Stab}_G(x).$$

concretely: $\mathbb{R} \ltimes S^1, (t, z) \mapsto e^{2\pi i t} z$



$$(\mathbb{R} \ltimes S^1)_z^* = \mathbb{Z} \times \{z\}.$$