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DOUBLING BIALGEBRAS OF FINITE TOPOLOGIES

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ABSTRACT. The species of finite topological spaces admits two graded bimonoid structures, recently defined by F. Fauvet, L. Foissy, and the second author. In this article, we define a doubling of this species in two different ways. We build a bimonoid structure on each of these species and describe a cointeraction between them. We also investigate two related associative products obtained by dualisation.

1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Recall (see e.g. [14, 16, 9]) that a topology on a finite set X is given by the family \mathcal{T} of open subsets of X, subject to the three following axioms:

- $\phi \in \mathfrak{T}, X \in \mathfrak{T}$,
- The union of (a finite number of) open subsets is an open subset,
- The intersection of a finite number of open subsets is an open subset.

Any topology \mathcal{T} on *X* defines a quasi-order (i.e. a reflexive transitive relation) denoted by $\leq_{\mathcal{T}}$ on *X*:

(1.1) $x \leq_{\mathbb{T}} y \iff$ any open subset containing x also contains y.

Conversely, any quasi-order \leq on X defines a topology \mathcal{T}_{\leq} given by its upper ideals, i.e. subsets $Y \subset X$ such that $(y \in Y \text{ and } y \leq z) \implies z \in Y$. Both operations are inverse to each other:

(1.2)
$$\leq_{\mathfrak{T}_{\leq}}=\leq, \qquad \mathfrak{T}_{\leq_{\mathfrak{T}}}=\mathfrak{T}.$$

Hence there is a natural bijection between topologies and quasi-orders on a finite set X. Any quasi-order (hence any topology \mathcal{T}) on X gives rise to an equivalence relation:

(1.3)
$$x \sim_{\mathbb{T}} y \iff (x \leq_{\mathbb{T}} y \text{ and } y \leq_{\mathbb{T}} x).$$

More on finite topological spaces can be found in [3, 8, 15, 16].

Let us recall the construction from [8] of two bimonoids [1, 2] in cointeraction on the linear species of finite topological spaces, which orginated from a previous Hopf-algebraic approach [10, 11]. Let \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' be two topologies on a finite set *X*. We say that \mathcal{T}' is finer than \mathcal{T} , and we write $\mathcal{T}' < \mathcal{T}$, when any open subset for \mathcal{T} is an open subset for \mathcal{T}' . This is equivalent to the fact that for any $x, y \in X$, $x \leq_{\mathcal{T}'} y \Rightarrow x \leq_{\mathcal{T}} y$.

The quotient \mathcal{T}/\mathcal{T}' of two topologies \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' with $\mathcal{T}' \prec \mathcal{T}$ is defined as follows ([9, Paragraph 2.2]): The associated quasi-order $\leq_{\mathcal{T}/\mathcal{T}'}$ is the transitive closure of the relation \mathcal{R} defined by:

(1.4)
$$x \Re y \iff (x \leq_{\mathfrak{T}} y \text{ or } y \leq_{\mathfrak{T}'} x).$$

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Recall that a linear species is a contravariant functor from the category of finite sets with bijections into the category of vector spaces (on some field **k**). The tensor product of two species \mathbb{E} and \mathbb{F} is given by

(1.5)
$$(\mathbb{E}\otimes\mathbb{F})_X=\bigoplus_{Y\sqcup Z=X}\mathbb{E}_Y\otimes\mathbb{F}_Z.$$

The species \mathbb{T} of finite topological spaces is defined as follows: For any finite set X, \mathbb{T}_X is the vector space freely generated by the topologies on X. For any bijection $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X'$, the isomorphism $\mathbb{T}_{\varphi} : \mathbb{T}_{X'} \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}_X$ is defined by the obvious relabelling:

$$\mathbb{T}_{\varphi}(\mathfrak{T}) = \{\varphi^{-1}(Y), Y \in \mathfrak{T}\}$$

for any topology \mathcal{T} on X'.

For any finite set X, let us recall from [9] the coproduct Γ on \mathbb{T}_X :

(1.6)
$$\Gamma(\mathfrak{T}) = \sum_{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}} \mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'.$$

The sum runs over topologies T' which are T-admissible, i.e

- finer than T,
- such that $\mathfrak{T}'_{|Y} = \mathfrak{T}_{|Y}$ for any subset $Y \subset X$ connected for the topology \mathfrak{T}' ,
- such that for any $x, y \in X$,

(1.7)
$$x \sim_{\mathbb{T}/\mathbb{T}'} y \iff x \sim_{\mathbb{T}'/\mathbb{T}'} y.$$

A commutative monoid structure ([9, Paragraph 2.3]) on the species of finite topologies is defined as follows: For any pair X_1, X_2 of finite sets we introduce

$$m: \mathbb{T}_{X_1} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}_{X_1 \sqcup X_2}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_1 \otimes \mathcal{T}_2 \longmapsto \mathcal{T}_1 \mathcal{T}_2,$$

where $\mathcal{T}_1\mathcal{T}_2$ is the disjoint union topology characterized by $Y \in \mathcal{T}_1\mathcal{T}_2$ if and only if $Y \cap X_1 \in \mathcal{T}_1$ and $Y \cap X_2 \in \mathcal{T}_2$. The notation \sqcup stands for disjoint union, and the unit is given by the unique topology on the empty set.

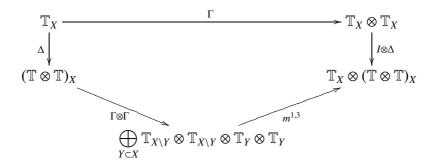
For any topology \mathcal{T} on a finite set *X* and for any subset $Y \subset X$, we denote by $\mathcal{T}_{|Y}$ the restriction of \mathcal{T} to *Y*. It is defined by:

$$\mathfrak{T}_{|Y} = \{Z \cap Y, Z \in \mathfrak{T}\}.$$

The external coproduct Δ on \mathbb{T} is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Delta:\mathbb{T}_X & \longrightarrow & (\mathbb{T}\otimes\mathbb{T})_X = \bigoplus_{Y\sqcup Z=X}\mathbb{T}_Y\otimes\mathbb{T}_Z \\ & \mathcal{T} & \longmapsto & \sum_{Y\in\mathcal{T}}\mathcal{T}_{|X\setminus Y}\otimes\mathcal{T}_{|Y}. \end{array}$$

The internal and external coproducts are compatible, i.e. the following diagram commutes for any finite *X*.

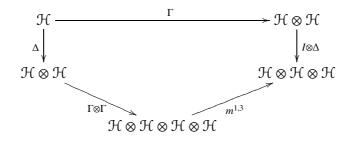


Now consider the graded vector space:

(1.8)
$$\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\mathbb{T}) = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} \mathcal{H}_n$$

where $\mathcal{H}_0 = \mathbf{k}.1$, and where \mathcal{H}_n is the linear span of topologies on $\{1, ..., n\}$ when $n \ge 1$, modulo the action of the symmetric group S_n . The vector space \mathcal{H} can be seen as the quotient of the species \mathbb{T} by the "forget the labels" equivalence relation: $\mathcal{T} \sim \mathcal{T}'$ if \mathcal{T} (resp. \mathcal{T}') is a topology on a finite set X (resp. X'), such that there is a bijection from X onto X' which is a homeomorphism with respect to both topologies. The functor $\overline{\mathcal{K}}$ from linear species to graded vector spaces thus obtained is intensively studied in ([1, chapter 15]) under the name "bosonic Fock functor". This naturally leads to the following:

- (\mathcal{H}, m, Δ) is a commutative connected Hopf algebra, graded by the number of elements.
- (\mathcal{H}, m, Γ) is a commutative bialgebra, graded by the number of equivalence classes minus the number of connected components.
- (\mathcal{H}, m, Δ) is a comodule-bialgebra on (\mathcal{H}, m, Γ) . In particular the following diagram of unital algebra morphisms commutes:



On the vector space freely generated by rooted forests, Connes and Kreimer define in [6, 7, 12] a graded bialgebra structure defined using allowable cuts. In [5], D. Calaque, K. Ebrahimi-Fard and the second author introduced bases of a graded Hopf algebra structure defined using contractions of trees. M. Belhaj Mohamed and the second author introduced in [4] the doubling of these two spaces and they built two bialgebra structures on these spaces, which are in interaction. They have also shown that two bialgebra satisfied a commutative diagram similar to the diagram of [5] in the case of rooted trees Hopf algebra, and in the case of directed graphs without cycles [13].

In Section 2 of this paper, we define two different doubling species \mathbb{D} and $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ of the species \mathbb{T} . For later use will also consider $\mathcal{D} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\mathbb{D})$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{D}} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\tilde{\mathbb{D}})$. The species \mathbb{D} is defined as follows: For any finite set X, \mathbb{D}_X is the vector space spanned by the pairs (\mathcal{T}, Y) where \mathcal{T} is a topology on X and $Y \in \mathcal{T}$. Similarly, $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ is the vector space spanned by the ordered pairs $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}')$ where \mathcal{T} is a topology on X, and $\mathcal{T}' \otimes \mathcal{T}$. We prove that there exist graded bimonoid structures on \mathbb{D}_X and $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, where the external and internal coproducts are defined respectively by

(1.9)
$$\Delta(\mathfrak{T},Y) = \sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|Y|}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|Z},Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|X \setminus Z},Y \setminus Z),$$

for all $(\mathfrak{T}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$, and

(1.10)
$$\Gamma(\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}') = \sum_{\mathfrak{T}''\otimes\mathfrak{T}'} (\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'',\mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'').$$

for all $(\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}') \in \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$. We show the inclusions $\Delta(\mathbb{D}_X) \subset (\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D})_X = \bigoplus_{Y \sqcup Z = X} \mathbb{D}_Y \otimes \mathbb{D}_Z$ and $\Gamma(\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X) \subset \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, and that Δ and Γ are coassociative. It turns out that only the internal coproduct Γ is counital.

In Section 3, after a reminder of the main results of [9], we show an important restriction result, namely the notion of \mathcal{T} -admissibility is stable under restriction to any subset (Proposition 3.1), and we prove that \mathbb{D}_X admits a comodule structure on $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ given by the coaction $\Phi : \mathbb{D}_X \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \mathbb{D}_X$, which is defined for all $(\mathcal{T}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$ by:

$$\Phi(\mathfrak{T},Y) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}' \\ \mathfrak{T}'_{|X|Y} = D_{X\setminus Y;\mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}',Y)$$

where, for any topology \mathcal{T} on a finite set X, the finest \mathcal{T} -admissible topology is denoted by $D_{X,\mathcal{T}}$. The connected components of $D_{X,\mathcal{T}}$ are the equivalence classes of \mathcal{T} , and $D_{X,\mathcal{T}}$ restricted to each connected component is the coarse topology. For any $Y \subset X$, we note $D_{Y,\mathcal{T}}$ for $D_{Y,\mathcal{T}|_Y}$.

Remark 1.1. We obviously have $d(D_{X,T}) = 0$ where *d* is the grading given by the number of equivalence classes minus the number of connected components [9]. We also clearly have

$$\mathfrak{T}/D_{X,\mathfrak{T}}=\mathfrak{T}.$$

In Sction 4, we construct an associative product on \mathbb{D} given by $* : \mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D} \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}$, defined for all $(\mathcal{T}_1, Y_1) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_1}$ and $(\mathcal{T}_2, Y_2) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_2}$, (where X_1 and X_2 are two finite sets) by:

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) \longmapsto \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2) & \text{if } X_2 = X_1 \setminus Y_1 \text{ and } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1|_{X_2} \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

This product is obtained by dualizing the restriction of the coproduct Δ to \mathbb{D}_X , identifying \mathbb{D}_X with its graded dual using the basis { $(\mathcal{T}, Y), \mathcal{T}$ topology and $Y \in \mathcal{T}$ }. We accordingly construct a second associative algebra structure on $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ by dualizing the restriction of the coproduct Γ to $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, yielding the associative product $* : \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, defined by:

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2') \longmapsto \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{U}) & \text{if } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_1' \\ 0 & \text{if not,} \end{cases}$$

where \mathcal{U} is defined by $\mathcal{T}'_2 = \mathcal{U}/\mathcal{T}'_1$.

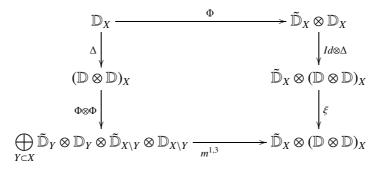
Finally, we define in Section 5 a new map

$$\xi: \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \bigoplus_{Y \sqcup Z = X} \mathbb{D}_Y \otimes \mathbb{D}_Z \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \bigoplus_{Y \sqcup Z = X} \mathbb{D}_Y \otimes \mathbb{D}_Z$$

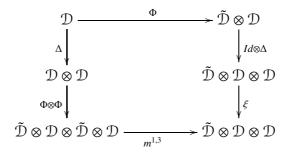
by:

$$\xi((\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}')\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_1,Y_1)\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_2,Y_2)) = (\mathfrak{T}_{|Y_1}\mathfrak{T}_{|X\setminus Y_1},\mathfrak{T}'_{|Y_1}\mathfrak{T}'_{|X\setminus Y_1})\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_1,Y_1)\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_2,Y_2).$$

We prove that the coaction Φ and the map ξ make the following diagram commute:



Applying the functor $\overline{\mathcal{K}}$ leads to the diagram:



where we have written Δ for $\overline{\mathcal{K}}(\Delta)$ and so on. All arrows of this diagram are algebra morphisms.

2. DOUBLING BIALGEBRAS OF FINITE TOPOLOGIES

Let *X* be any finite set, and \mathbb{D}_X be the vector space spanned by the pairs (\mathcal{T}, Y) where \mathcal{T} is a topology, and $Y \in \mathcal{T}$. We define the coproduct Δ by:

$$\Delta: \mathbb{D}_X \longrightarrow (\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D})_X = \bigoplus_{Z \subset X} \mathbb{D}_Z \otimes \mathbb{D}_{X \setminus Z}$$
$$(\mathfrak{T}, Y) \longmapsto \sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_Y}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_Z}, Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z).$$

Theorem 2.1. \mathbb{D} *is a commutative graded connected bimonoid, and* $\mathbb{D} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\mathbb{D})$ *is a commutative graded bialgebra.*

Proof. To show that \mathbb{D} is a bimonoid [1], it is necessary to show that Δ is coassociative, and that the species coproduct Δ and the product defined by:

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1)(\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) = (\mathfrak{T}_1\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2)$$

are compatible. The unit **1** is identified to the empty topology, and the grading is given by: (2.1) $d(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = |Y|.$

The associativity of the product is given by the direct computation:

$$(\mathcal{T}_1\mathcal{T}_2,Y_1\sqcup Y_2)(\mathcal{T}_3,Y_3)=(\mathcal{T}_1\mathcal{T}_2\mathcal{T}_3,Y_1\sqcup Y_2\sqcup Y_3)=(\mathcal{T}_1,Y_1)(\mathcal{T}_2\mathcal{T}_3,Y_2\sqcup Y_3).$$

The coassociativity of coproduct Δ is also straightforwardly checked:

$$\begin{split} (\Delta \otimes id) \Delta(\mathfrak{T}, Y) &= (\Delta \otimes id) \left(\sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z) \right) \\ &= \sum_{W \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, \ Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{W}}, W) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z \setminus W}}, Z \setminus W) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z), \end{split}$$

and

$$(id \otimes \Delta)\Delta(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = (id \otimes \Delta) \left(\sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z) \right)$$
$$= \sum_{U \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y \setminus Z}}, Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{U}}, U) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus (Z \sqcup U)}}, Y \setminus (Z \sqcup U)).$$

Coassociativity then comes from the obvious fact that $(W, Z) \mapsto (W, Z \setminus W)$ is a bijection from the set of pairs (W, Z) with $Z \in \mathcal{T}_{|_Y}$ and $W \in \mathcal{T}_{|_Z}$, onto the set of pairs (W, U) with $W \in \mathcal{T}_{|_Y}$ and $U \in \mathcal{T}_{|_{Y \setminus W}}$. The inverse map is given by $(W, U) \mapsto (W, W \sqcup U)$. Finally, we show immediately that

$$\Delta((\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1)(\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2)) = \Delta(\mathfrak{T}_1\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2) = \Delta(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1)\Delta(\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2).$$

Remark 2.1. The bimonoid \mathbb{D} is not counitary, because $(\mathcal{T}, Y) \otimes \mathbf{1}$ never occurs in $\Delta(\mathcal{T}, Y)$ unless Y = X.

Let $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ be the vector space spanned by the ordered pairs $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}')$ where \mathcal{T} is a topology on X and $\mathcal{T}' \otimes \mathcal{T}$. We define the coproduct Γ for all $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}') \in \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ by:

$$\Gamma(\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}')=\sum_{\mathfrak{T}''\otimes\mathfrak{T}'}(\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}'')\otimes(\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'',\mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'').$$

Lemma 2.1. ([9, Proposition 2.7]) Let T and T'' be two topologies on X. If $T'' \otimes T$, then $T' \mapsto T'/T''$ is a bijection from the set of topologies T' on X such that $T'' \otimes T' \otimes T$, onto the set of topologies U on X such that $U \otimes T/T''$.

Theorem 2.2. $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ is a commutative graded bimonoid, and $\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\tilde{\mathbb{D}})$ is a graded bialgebra.

Proof. To show that $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ is a bimonoid, it is necessary to show that Γ is coassociative and that the species coproduct Γ and the product defined by:

$$m((\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_1')(\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{T}_2')) = (\mathcal{T}_1\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{T}_1'\mathcal{T}_2')$$

are compatible. The unit **1** is identified to the empty topology, the counit ϵ is given by $\epsilon(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') = \epsilon(\mathfrak{T}')$ and the grading is given by:

(2.2)
$$d(\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}') = d(\mathfrak{T}'),$$

where the grading d on the right-hand side has been defined in the introducion. We now calculate:

$$\begin{split} (\Gamma \otimes id) \Gamma(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') &= (\Gamma \otimes id) \left(\sum_{\mathfrak{I}'' \otimes \mathfrak{I}'} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'', \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'') \right) \\ &= \sum_{\mathfrak{T}''' \otimes \mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}'} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}''') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}''', \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'', \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}''). \end{split}$$

On the other hand;

$$\begin{split} (id \otimes \Gamma)\Gamma(\mathfrak{I}, \mathfrak{I}') &= (id \otimes \Gamma) \left(\sum_{\mathfrak{I}'' \otimes \mathfrak{I}'} (\mathfrak{I}, \mathfrak{I}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}'', \mathfrak{I}'/\mathfrak{I}'') \right) \\ &= \sum_{\mathfrak{I}'' \otimes \mathfrak{I}', \ \mathfrak{I}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{I}'/\mathfrak{I}''} (\mathfrak{I}, \mathfrak{I}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}'', \mathfrak{I}_1) \otimes ((\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}'')/\mathfrak{I}_1, (\mathfrak{I}'/\mathfrak{I}'')/\mathfrak{I}_1) \\ &= \sum_{\mathfrak{I}'' \otimes \mathfrak{U} \otimes \mathfrak{I}'} (\mathfrak{I}, \mathfrak{I}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{I}'', \mathfrak{U}/\mathfrak{I}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{I}/\mathfrak{U}, \mathfrak{I}'/\mathfrak{U}). \end{split}$$

The result then comes from Lemma 2.1. Hence, $(\Gamma \otimes id)\Gamma = (id \otimes \Gamma)\Gamma$, and consequently Γ is coassociative. Finally we have directy:

$$\Gamma((\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1')(\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2'))=\Gamma(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1')\Gamma(\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2').$$

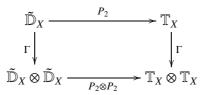
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Proposition 2.1. The second projection

$$P_2: \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}$$
$$(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') \longmapsto \mathfrak{T}'$$

is a bimonoid morphism with respect to the internal coproducts.

Proof. The fact that P_2 respects the product is trivial. It suffices to show that P_2 is a coalgebra morphism for any finite set X, analogously to Proposition 1, i.e, P_2 verifies the following commutative diagram:



which can be seen by direct computation:

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \circ P_2(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') &= \Gamma(\mathfrak{T}') \\ &= \sum_{\mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}'} \mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'' \\ &= \sum_{\mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}'} P_2(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}'') \otimes P_2(\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'', \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'') \\ &= (P_2 \otimes P_2)\Gamma(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}'). \end{split}$$

3. Comodule-Hopf Algebra structure

3.1. **Comodule-Hopf algebra structure on** \mathcal{H} **.** F. Fauvet, L. Foissy and the second author have studied the Hopf algebra (\mathcal{H}, m, Δ) as a comodule-Hopf algebra on the bialgebra (\mathcal{H}, m, Γ) , where $\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\mathbb{T})$. Here the notations m, Δ, Γ are shorthands for $\overline{\mathcal{K}}(m), \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\Delta), \overline{\mathcal{K}}(\Gamma)$ respectively. The coaction is the map $\overline{\mathcal{K}}(\phi) : \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$ where ϕ is defined as follows:

$$\phi(\mathfrak{T}) = \Gamma(\mathfrak{T}) = \sum_{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}} \mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'.$$

Proposition 3.1. Let \mathcal{T} be a topology on a finite set X. For any subset $W \subset X$ and for any $\mathcal{T}' \otimes \mathcal{T}$ we have $\mathcal{T}'_{|_W} \otimes \mathcal{T}_{|_W}$.

Proof. Let \mathcal{T} be a topology on a finite set X, let W be any subset of X, and let $\mathcal{T}' \otimes \mathcal{T}$. Let R (resp. R') be the relation defined on X by aRb if and only if $a \leq_{\mathcal{T}} b$ or $b \leq_{\mathcal{T}'} a$ (resp. aR'b if and only if $a \leq_{\mathcal{T}'} b$ or $b \leq_{\mathcal{T}'} a$). We have $\mathcal{T}' \otimes \mathcal{T}$ hence R' implies R.

- The relation $\mathcal{T}_{|_W} \prec \mathcal{T}_{|_W}$ is obvious.
- If $Y \subset W$ connected for the topology \mathfrak{T}' , and $x \in Y$, we have

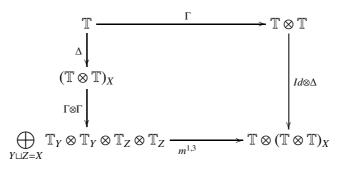
 $Y = \{y \in W, \text{ there is a chain } xR't_1 \cdots R't_nR'y, \text{ with } t_1, \dots, t_n \in W\}.$

The set $\tilde{Y} := \{y \in W, \text{ there is a chain } xR't_1 \cdots R't_nR'y, \text{ with } t_1, \ldots, t_n \in X\}$ is a connected component of X for the topology \mathfrak{T}' , so $\mathfrak{T}'_{|_{\tilde{Y}}} = \mathfrak{T}_{|_{\tilde{Y}}}$, hence a fortiori $\mathfrak{T}'_{|_Y} = \mathfrak{T}_{|_Y}$, because the inclusion $Y \subset \tilde{Y}$ holds.

• Let $x, y \in W$. If $x \sim_{\mathfrak{T}'|_W} \mathfrak{T}'|_W} y$ there is $t_1, \ldots, t_n \in W$, $j \in [n]$, $y = t_j$ such that $xR't_1 \cdots R't_nR'x$. This implies $xRt_1 \ldots Rt_nRx$, therefore $x \sim_{\mathfrak{T}|_W} \mathfrak{T}'|_W} y$. Conversely, if $x \sim_{\mathfrak{T}|_W} \mathfrak{T}'|_W} y$ there is $t_1, \ldots, t_n \in W$ and $j \in [n]$ with $y = t_j$, such that $xRt_1 \cdots Rt_nRx$. For $A = \{x, t_1, \ldots, t_n\}$, we have for all a and b in A, $a \sim_{\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'} b$. Since $\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}$, we have $a \sim_{\mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'} b$, hence a and b in the same connected component Z for the topology \mathfrak{T}' .

We have $\mathfrak{T}'_{|_Z} = \mathfrak{T}_{|_Z}$ and $A \subset Z$, hence $\mathfrak{T}'_{|_A} = \mathfrak{T}_{|_A}$. Then for all $a, b \in A$, aRb if and only if aR'b, so we have $xR't_1 \cdots R't_nR'x$, therefore $x \sim_{\mathfrak{T}'_{|_W}/\mathfrak{T}'_{|_W}} y$.

Proposition 3.2. [9] *The internal and external coproducts are compatible, i.e. the following diagram commutes.*



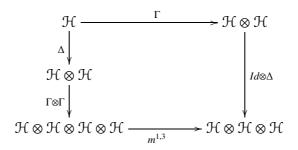
i.e., the following identity is verified:

$$(Id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Gamma = m^{1,3} \circ (\Gamma \otimes \Gamma) \circ \Delta,$$

where $m^{1,3}$: $\mathbb{T}_{X_1} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_2} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_3} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_4} \longrightarrow \mathbb{T}_{X_1 \sqcup X_3} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_2} \otimes \mathbb{T}_{X_4}$ is defined by

$$m^{1,3}(\mathfrak{T}_1\otimes\mathfrak{T}_2\otimes\mathfrak{T}_3\otimes\mathfrak{T}_4)=\mathfrak{T}_1\mathfrak{T}_3\otimes\mathfrak{T}_2\otimes\mathfrak{T}_4.$$

Applying the functor $\bar{\mathcal{K}}$ yields the comodule-Hopf algebra structure of (\mathcal{H}, m, Δ) on the bialgebra (\mathcal{H}, m, Γ) . In particular the diagram above yields the commutative diagram



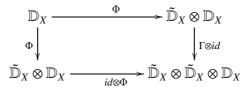
3.2. Comodule structure on the doubling bialgebras of finite topologies. For any finite set *X*, we define $\Phi : \mathbb{D}_X \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \mathbb{D}_X$, for all $(\mathfrak{T}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$ by:

$$\Phi(\mathfrak{T},Y) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \\ \mathfrak{T}'|_{X \setminus Y} = D_{X \setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}',Y).$$

The map Φ is well defined.

Theorem 3.1. \mathbb{D} admits a comodule structure on $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ given by Φ .

Proof. The proof amounts to show that the following diagram is commutative for any finite set X:



Let $(\mathfrak{T}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$:

$$\begin{split} (\Gamma \otimes id) \Phi(\mathfrak{T}, Y) &= (\Gamma \otimes id) \left(\sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \\ \mathfrak{T}'_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', Y) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \\ \mathfrak{T}'_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}'', \mathfrak{T}'/\mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', Y) \end{split}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(id \otimes \Phi)\Phi(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = (id \otimes \Phi) \left(\sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \\ \mathfrak{T}'|_{X\setminus Y} = D_{X\setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', Y) \right)$$
$$= \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \\ \mathfrak{T}'|_{X\setminus Y} = D_{X\setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', Y \in (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}')/\mathfrak{T}_1, \\ \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X\setminus Y}} = D_{X\setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}'}}} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \mathfrak{T}_1) \otimes ((\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}')/\mathfrak{T}_1, Y)$$
$$= \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{U} \otimes \mathfrak{T}, Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}' \\ \mathfrak{U}_{|_{X\setminus Y}} = D_{X\setminus Y, \mathfrak{U}}}} (\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', \mathfrak{U}/\mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{U}, Y).$$

Then,

$$(id \otimes \Phi) \circ \Phi = (\Gamma \otimes id) \circ \Phi,$$

and consequently Φ is a coaction.

4. Associative algebra structures on the doubling spaces

4.1. Associative product on \mathcal{D} . For any finite set *X*, recall here that an element (\mathcal{T}, Y) belongs to \mathbb{D}_X if \mathcal{T} is a topology on *X* and $Y \in \mathcal{T}$.

Theorem 4.1. The product $* : \mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D} \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}$ defined for all $(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_1}$ and $(\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_2}$ by:

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) \longmapsto \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2) & \text{if } X_2 = X_1 \setminus Y_1 \text{ and } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1|_{X_2}, \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

is associative.

Proof. Let $(\mathcal{T}_1, Y_1), (\mathcal{T}_2, Y_2)$ and (\mathcal{T}_3, Y_3) be three elements of $\mathbb{D}_{X_1}, \mathbb{D}_{X_2}$ and \mathbb{D}_{X_3} respectively. We suppose first that $X_2 = X_1 \setminus Y_1$ and $\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1|_{X_2}$, otherwise the result is zero.

$$((\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2)) * (\mathfrak{T}_3, Y_3) = (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2) * (\mathfrak{T}_3, Y_3) = (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2 \sqcup Y_3),$$

whenever $X_3 = X \setminus (Y_1 \sqcup Y_2)$ and $\mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_1|_{X_3}$, the left-hand side vanishing otherwise. Hence,

$$((\mathcal{T}_{1}, Y_{1})*(\mathcal{T}_{2}, Y_{2}))*(\mathcal{T}_{3}, Y_{3}) = \begin{cases} (\mathcal{T}_{1}, Y_{1} \sqcup Y_{2} \sqcup Y_{3}) \\ \text{if } X_{2} = X_{1} \setminus Y_{1}, X_{3} = X_{1} \setminus (Y_{1} \sqcup Y_{2}), \mathcal{T}_{2} = \mathcal{T}_{1}|_{X_{2}} \text{ and } \mathcal{T}_{3} = \mathcal{T}_{1}|_{X_{3}} \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

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On the other hand, we have

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * ((\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) * (\mathfrak{T}_3, Y_3)) = (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2 \sqcup Y_3)$$

= $(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2 \cup Y_3),$

whenever $X_3 = X_2 \setminus Y_2$ and $\mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_{2|_{X_3}}$, as well as $X_2 = X_1 \setminus Y_1$ and $\mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_{1|_{X_2}}$. Then

$$(\mathfrak{T}_{1}, Y_{1})*((\mathfrak{T}_{2}, Y_{2})*(\mathfrak{T}_{3}, Y_{3})) = \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_{1}, Y_{1} \sqcup Y_{2} \sqcup Y_{3}) \\ \text{if } X_{2} = X_{1} \setminus Y_{1}, X_{3} = X_{2} \setminus Y_{2}, \mathfrak{T}_{2} = \mathfrak{T}_{1|_{X_{2}}} \text{ and } \mathfrak{T}_{3} = \mathfrak{T}_{2|_{X_{3}}} \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

We therefore conclude that for all $(\mathcal{T}_1, Y_1), (\mathcal{T}_2, Y_2), (\mathcal{T}_3, Y_3) \in \mathbb{D}_X$, we have

$$((\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2)) * (\mathfrak{T}_3, Y_3) = (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) * ((\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) * (\mathfrak{T}_3, Y_3)),$$

which proves the associativity of the product *.

4.2. Associative product on $\tilde{\mathcal{D}}$. Recall here that an element $(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}')$ belongs to $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$ if \mathfrak{T} and \mathfrak{T}' are both topologies on *X* such that $\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}$.

Theorem 4.2. The product $* : \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, defined by:

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2') \longmapsto \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{U}) & \text{if } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_1', \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

is associative, where U is defined by $T'_2 = U/T'_1$. ([9, Proposition 2.7], see Lemma 2.1).

Proof. Let $(\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}'_1)$, $(\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{T}'_2)$ and $(\mathcal{T}_3, \mathcal{T}'_3)$ be three elements of $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, i.e., $\mathcal{T}'_1 \otimes \mathcal{T}_1$, $\mathcal{T}'_2 \otimes \mathcal{T}_2$ and $\mathcal{T}'_3 \otimes \mathcal{T}_3$. We suppose first that $\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1/\mathcal{T}'_1$, otherwise the result is zero.

$$((\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2')) \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3') = (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{U}) \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3'),$$

where \mathcal{U} is defined by $\mathcal{T}'_2 = \mathcal{U}/\mathcal{T}'_1$, then

$$((\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1')*(\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2'))*(\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3')=(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathcal{V})$$

where \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{U} are defined by $\mathfrak{T}'_3 = \mathcal{V}/\mathcal{U}$, and $\mathfrak{T}'_2 = \mathcal{U}/\mathfrak{T}'_1$. Then,

$$((\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1')\ast(\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2'))\ast(\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3')\longmapsto\begin{cases}(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{V}) & \text{if }\mathfrak{T}_2=\mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_1' \text{ and }\mathfrak{T}_3=\mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{U}\\0 & \text{if not.}\end{cases}$$

Where $\mathfrak{T}'_2 = \mathfrak{U}/\mathfrak{T}'_1$, and $\mathfrak{T}'_3 = \mathfrak{V}/\mathfrak{U}$.

On the other hand, for $T_3 = T_2/T'_2$, we have

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast ((\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3')) = (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{W})$$

where $\mathfrak{T}'_3 = \mathcal{W}/\mathfrak{T}'_2$, where $\mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_2/\mathfrak{T}'_3$, and $\mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}'_2$. Then $\mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_2/\mathfrak{T}'_3 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathcal{W}$, and $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{Z}/\mathfrak{T}'_1$. Hence

$$(\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast ((\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3')) = \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{Z}) & \text{if } \mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_1/(\mathfrak{T}_2' \sqcup \mathfrak{T}_3') \text{ and } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_2' \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Where \mathcal{Z} is defined by $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{Z}/\mathcal{T}'_1$, and $\mathcal{T}'_3 = \mathcal{W}/\mathcal{T}'_2$. It remains to show that $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{Z}$: We have $\mathcal{V}/\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{T}'_3 = \mathcal{W}/\mathcal{T}'_2 = (\mathcal{Z}/\mathcal{T}'_1)/(\mathcal{U}/\mathcal{T}'_1) = \mathcal{Z}/\mathcal{U}$.

Moreover, $\mathfrak{T}_3 = \mathfrak{T}_2/\mathfrak{T}_2' = (\mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_1')/(\mathfrak{U}/\mathfrak{T}_1') = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{U}$. We therefore conclude that for all $(\mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}_1')$, $(\mathfrak{T}_2, \mathfrak{T}_2')$ and $(\mathfrak{T}_3, \mathfrak{T}_3')$ in $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, we have

$$\left((\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2')\right) \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3') = (\mathfrak{T}_1,\mathfrak{T}_1') \ast \left((\mathfrak{T}_2,\mathfrak{T}_2') \ast (\mathfrak{T}_3,\mathfrak{T}_3')\right),$$

which proves the associativity of the product *.

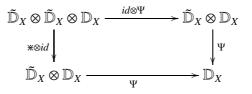
5. Relations between the laws on $\mathbb D$ and $\tilde{\mathbb D}$

Definition 5.1. For any finite set X, let $\Psi : \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes \mathbb{D}_X \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}_X$ be the map defined by:

$$\Psi((\mathfrak{T},\mathfrak{T}')\otimes(\mathfrak{U},Y)) = \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T},Y) & \text{if } \mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{I} \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Proposition 5.1. Ψ *is an action of* $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ *on* \mathbb{D} .

Proof. We have to verify the commutativity of this diagram:



Let $(\mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}'_1)$ and $(\mathfrak{T}_2, \mathfrak{T}'_2)$ be two elements of $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X$, and $(\mathfrak{U}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$. We have

$$(id \otimes \Psi)((\mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}_1') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_2, \mathfrak{T}_2') \otimes (\mathfrak{U}, Y)) = \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}_1') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_2, Y) & \text{if } \mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{T}_2/\mathfrak{T}_2' \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$\Psi \circ (id \otimes \Psi)((\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_1') \otimes (\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{T}_2') \otimes (\mathcal{U}, Y)) = \begin{cases} (\mathcal{T}_1, Y) & \text{if } \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{T}_2/\mathcal{T}_2' \text{ and } \mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1/\mathcal{T}_1' \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(\mathbf{*} \otimes id)((\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_1') \otimes (\mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{T}_2') \otimes (\mathcal{U}, Y)) = \begin{cases} (\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{V}) \otimes (\mathcal{U}, Y) & \text{if } \mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{T}_1/\mathcal{T}_1' \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

where $\mathfrak{T}'_2 = \mathcal{V}/\mathfrak{T}'_1$. Then,

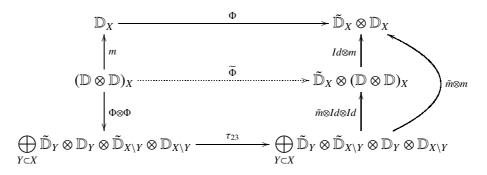
$$\Psi \circ (\mathfrak{K} \otimes id)((\mathfrak{T}_1, \mathfrak{T}_1') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_2, \mathfrak{T}_2') \otimes (\mathfrak{U}, Y)) = \begin{cases} (\mathfrak{T}_1, Y) & \text{if } \mathfrak{T}_2 = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathfrak{T}_1' \text{ and } \mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{T}_1/\mathcal{V} \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{T}_2/\mathcal{T}_2' = (\mathcal{T}_1/\mathcal{T}_1')/(\mathcal{V}/\mathcal{T}_1') = \mathcal{T}_1/\mathcal{V}$. We conclude then

$$\Psi \circ (\mathfrak{K} \otimes id) = \Psi \circ (id \otimes \Psi).$$

which proves that Ψ is an action of $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ on \mathbb{D} .

Proposition 5.2. Φ *is a monoid morphism, i.e. the following diagram is commutative:*



Proof. Let $(\mathfrak{T}_1, Y_1) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_1}$ and $(\mathfrak{T}_2, Y_2) \in \mathbb{D}_{X_2}$, with $X_1 \sqcup X_2 = X$. Let $\mathfrak{T}'_1 \otimes \mathfrak{T}_1$ and $\mathfrak{T}'_2 \otimes \mathfrak{T}_2$. Then $\mathfrak{T}'_1 \mathfrak{T}'_2 \otimes \mathfrak{T}_1 \mathfrak{T}_2$. Conversely, any topology \mathfrak{U} on X such that $\mathfrak{U} \otimes \mathfrak{T}_1 \mathfrak{T}_2$ can be written $\mathfrak{T}'_1 \mathfrak{T}'_2$ with $\mathfrak{T}'_i = \mathfrak{U}_{|X_i|}$ for i = 1, 2, and we have $\mathfrak{T}'_i \otimes \mathfrak{T}_i$. We have then:

$$\Phi \circ m((\mathcal{T}_1, Y_1) \otimes (\mathcal{T}_2, Y_2)) = \sum_{\substack{\mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{T}, \ Y_1 \sqcup Y_2 \in \mathcal{T}_1 \mathcal{T}_2 / \mathcal{U} \\ \mathcal{U}_{|X_1 \sqcup X_2 \setminus Y_1 \sqcup Y_2} = D_{X_1 \sqcup X_2 \setminus Y_1 \sqcup Y_2, \mathcal{U}}} (\mathcal{T}_1 \mathcal{T}_2, \mathcal{U}) \otimes ((\mathcal{T}_1 \mathcal{T}_2) / \mathcal{U}, Y_1 \sqcup Y_2)$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(\Phi \otimes \Phi)((\mathfrak{T}_{1}, Y_{1}) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{2}, Y_{2})) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{T}_{1}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{1}, \mathfrak{T}_{1}' |_{X_{1} \setminus Y_{1}} = D_{X_{1} \setminus Y_{1}, \mathfrak{T}_{1}', Y_{1} \in \mathfrak{T}_{1}/\mathfrak{T}_{1}' \\ \mathfrak{T}_{2}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{2}, \mathfrak{T}_{2}' |_{X_{2} \setminus Y_{2}} = D_{X_{2} \setminus Y_{2}, \mathfrak{T}_{2}', Y_{2} \in \mathfrak{T}_{2}/\mathfrak{T}_{2}'}} (\mathfrak{T}_{1}, \mathfrak{T}_{1}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{1}/\mathfrak{T}_{1}', Y_{1}) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{2}, \mathfrak{T}_{2}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{2}/\mathfrak{T}_{2}', Y_{2}),$$

therefore

$$(\tilde{m} \otimes m) \circ \tau_{23} \circ (\Phi \otimes \Phi)((\mathcal{T}_{1}, Y_{1}) \otimes (\mathcal{T}_{2}, Y_{2})) = \sum_{\substack{\mathcal{T}_{1}' \otimes \mathcal{T}_{1}, \mathcal{T}_{1}' = D_{X_{1} \setminus Y_{1}, \mathcal{T}_{1}', Y_{1} \in \mathcal{T}_{1}/\mathcal{T}_{1}' \\ \mathcal{T}_{2}' \otimes \mathcal{T}_{2}, \mathcal{T}_{2}' \mid_{X_{2} \setminus Y_{2}} = D_{X_{2} \setminus Y_{2}, \mathcal{T}_{2}', Y_{2} \in \mathcal{T}_{2}/\mathcal{T}_{2}'}} (\mathcal{T}_{1}\mathcal{T}_{2}, \mathcal{T}_{1}'\mathcal{T}_{2}') \otimes ((\mathcal{T}_{1}/\mathcal{T}_{1}')(\mathcal{T}_{2}/\mathcal{T}_{2}'), Y_{1} \sqcup Y_{2}) \\ = \Phi \circ m((\mathcal{T}_{1}, Y_{1}) \otimes (\mathcal{T}_{2}, Y_{2})).$$

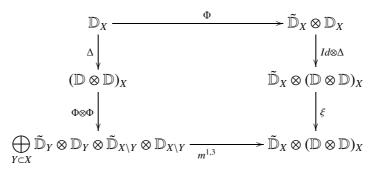
Hence

$$\Phi \circ m = (\tilde{m} \otimes m) \circ \tau_{23} \circ (\Phi \otimes \Phi).$$

Theorem 5.1. For any finite set X, let $\xi : \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes (\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D})_X \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_X \otimes (\mathbb{D} \otimes \mathbb{D})_X$ be the map defined by:

(5.1)
$$\xi((\mathfrak{T},\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_{1},Z)\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_{2},W)) = (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X\setminus Z}},\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{Z}}\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{X\setminus Z}})\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_{1},Z)\otimes(\mathfrak{T}_{2},W).$$

The following diagram is commutative:



i.e.,

 $\xi \circ (id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Phi = (m^{1,3}) \circ (\Phi \otimes \Phi) \circ \Delta.$

Proof. In (5.1), the finite set *X* is partitioned into two subsets X_1 and X_2 , and *Z* (resp. *W*) is an open subset of X_1 (resp. X_2) for \mathcal{T}_1 (resp. \mathcal{T}_2). According to Proposition 3.1, the relation $\mathcal{T}_{|_Z}\mathcal{T}_{|_{X\setminus Z}} \otimes \mathcal{T}'_{|_Z}\mathcal{T}'_{|_{X\setminus Z}}$ holds, hence the map ξ is well defined. For any $(\mathcal{T}, Y) \in \mathbb{D}_X$, we have

$$\begin{split} (id\otimes\Delta)\circ\Phi(\mathfrak{T},Y)&=(id\otimes\Delta)\left(\sum_{\substack{\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}\otimes\mathfrak{T},\,Y\in\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}\\\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|X\setminus Y}=D_{X\setminus Y,\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}}}}(\mathfrak{T},\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})\otimes(\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}},Y)\right)\\ &=\sum_{\substack{\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}\otimes\mathfrak{T},\,\,Y\in\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}\\\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|X\setminus Y}=D_{X\setminus Y,\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}}}}\sum_{\substack{Z\in(\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|Y}}}(\mathfrak{T},\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})\otimes((\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|Z},Z)\otimes((\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|X\setminus Z},Y\backslash Z) \end{split}$$

therefore

$$\xi \circ (id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Phi(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = \sum_{\substack{\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} \otimes \mathfrak{T}, \ Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} \\ \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus Y, \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}}}} \sum_{Z \in (\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|_Y}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_Z} \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_Z} \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}) \otimes ((\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|_Z}, Z) \otimes ((\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(\Phi \otimes \Phi) \circ \Delta(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = \sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}} \sum_{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}} \sum_{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z'}}} \sum_{\substack{Y \setminus Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z'}}/\mathfrak{T}'' \\ \mathfrak{T}''_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{T}''}}} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, \mathfrak{T}') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}/\mathfrak{T}', Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, \mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}/\mathfrak{T}'', Y \setminus Z),$$

therefore

$$m^{1,3} \circ (\Phi \otimes \Phi) \circ \Delta(\mathfrak{T}, Y) = \sum_{Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_Y}} \sum_{\mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_Z}} \sum_{\mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, Y \setminus Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}/\mathfrak{T}''} (\mathfrak{T}_{|_Z} \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, \mathfrak{T}' \mathfrak{T}'') \otimes (\mathfrak{T}/\mathfrak{T}', Z) \otimes (\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}/\mathfrak{T}'', Y \setminus Z).$$

To show that the both expressions above coincide, we use the two following lemmas.

Lemma 5.1. Let \mathfrak{T} and $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}$ be two topologies on X, such that $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} \otimes \mathfrak{T}$ and let $Y \in \mathfrak{T}$. Then $Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}$ if and only if both Y and $X \setminus Y$ are open subsets of X for $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}$.

Proof. From $Y \in \mathcal{T}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathcal{T}$ we immediately get $Y \in \tilde{\mathcal{T}}$. Now let $x \in X \setminus Y$ and $y \in X$ with $x \leq_{\tilde{\mathcal{T}}} y$. From $x \leq_{\tilde{\mathcal{T}}} y$ we get $y \leq_{\mathcal{T}/\tilde{\mathcal{T}}} x$. Suppose that $y \in Y$ then $x \in Y$ (because $Y \in \mathcal{T}/\tilde{\mathcal{T}}$), which is absurd. Hence $X \setminus Y \in \tilde{\mathcal{T}}$.

Conversely, suppose that both *Y* and *X**Y* are open subsets of *X* for $\tilde{\mathcal{T}}$, let $y \in Y$ and let $z \in X$ with $y \leq_{\mathcal{T}/\tilde{\mathcal{T}}} z$. There is a chain

 $yRt_1\cdots Rt_kRz$

with $t_1, \ldots, t_k \in X$, where *aRb* means $a \leq_{\mathfrak{T}} b$ or $a \geq_{\mathfrak{T}} b$. Supposing $a \in Y$ we have either $a \leq_{\mathfrak{T}} b$ which yields $b \in Y$, or $b \leq_{\mathfrak{T}} a$, which would yield the contradiction $a \in X \setminus Y$ if *b* were to belong to $X \setminus Y$. Hence we necessarily have $b \in Y$. Progressing along the chain, from $y \in Y$ we therefore infer $z \in Y$.

Lemma 5.2. Let \mathfrak{T} be a topology on a finite set X, and let Z be an open subset of X for T. Let \mathfrak{U} be the topology $\mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}\mathfrak{T}_{|_{X\setminus Z}}$. Then we have

 $\mathfrak{U} \otimes \mathfrak{T}.$

Proof. The relation $\mathcal{U} < \mathcal{T}$ is obvious. Any connected component W for \mathcal{U} is contained either in Z or in $X \setminus Z$, hence $\mathcal{T}_{|_W} = \mathcal{U}_{|_W}$. Finally, consider $x, y \in X$ such that $x \sim_{\mathcal{T}/\mathcal{U}} y$. There is a chain $xRt_1R\cdots Rt_kRx$ with some $j \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$ such that $t_j = y$. By the argument which was used in the end of the proof of Proposition 3.1, the whole chain belongs to the same \mathcal{U} -connected component, hence we have $x\tilde{R}t_1\tilde{R}\cdots\tilde{R}t_k\tilde{R}x$, where $a\tilde{R}b$ stands for $a \leq_{\mathcal{U}} b$ or $b \leq_{\mathcal{U}} a$. Hence $x \sim_{\mathcal{U}/\mathcal{U}} y$. \Box

Proof of theorem 5.1 (*continued*). Let \mathcal{E} be the set of triples $(Z, \mathcal{T}', \mathcal{T}'')$ which occur in the expression of $m^{1,3} \circ (\Phi \otimes \Phi) \circ \Delta(\mathcal{T}, Y)$ above, i.e. subject to the conditions

$$Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Y}}, \quad \mathfrak{T}'' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}, \quad \mathfrak{T}' \otimes \mathfrak{T}_{|_{Z}}, \quad \mathfrak{T}''_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus Y, \mathfrak{T}''}, \quad Y \setminus Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}/\mathfrak{T}'',$$

and let \mathcal{F} be the set of pairs $(Z, \tilde{\mathcal{T}})$ which occur in the expression of $\xi \circ (id \otimes \Delta) \circ \Phi(\mathcal{T}, Y)$ above, i.e. subject to the conditions

 $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} \otimes \mathfrak{T}, \quad Y \in \mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}, \quad \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{X \setminus Y}} = D_{X \setminus Y, \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}}, \quad Z \in (\mathfrak{T}/\tilde{\mathfrak{T}})_{|_{Y}}.$

To prove Theorem 5.1, it suffices to show that $(Z, \mathfrak{T}', \mathfrak{T}'') \mapsto (Z, \mathfrak{T}'\mathfrak{T}'')$ is a bijection from \mathcal{E} onto \mathcal{F} . For any $(Z, \mathfrak{T}'\mathfrak{T}'') \in \mathcal{E}$, it is clear from Lemma 5.2 that $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} \otimes \mathfrak{T}$ holds, with $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}} := \mathfrak{T}'\mathfrak{T}''$. From $Y \in \mathfrak{T}$ we get $Y \setminus Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}$. Together with $Y \setminus Z \in \mathfrak{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}/\mathfrak{T}''$ one deduces from Lemma 5.1 that both $Y \setminus Z$ and $X \setminus Y$ are open subsets of $X \setminus Z$ for \mathfrak{T}'' . Hence we have a partition

$$(5.2) X = Z \sqcup Y \backslash Z \sqcup X \backslash Y$$

of *X* into three open subsets for the topology \tilde{T} . From $Y \in \tilde{T}$ and $X \setminus Y \in \tilde{T}$ we get $Y \in T/\tilde{T}$ from Lemma 5.1. We also have

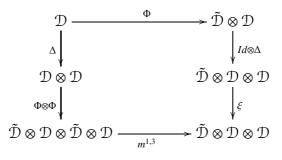
$$\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_{|_{X\setminus Y}} = \mathfrak{T}''_{|_{X\setminus Y}} = D_{X\setminus Y,\mathfrak{T}''} = D_{X\setminus Y,\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}}.$$

Finally, from the fact that both *Z* and *X**Z* are open for $\tilde{\mathcal{T}}$ and $Z \in T$, we get $Z \in \mathcal{T}/\tilde{\mathcal{T}}$ from Lemma 5.1, hence $Z \in (\mathcal{T}/\tilde{\mathcal{T}})|_{v}$. This proves $(Z, \tilde{\mathcal{T}}) \in \mathcal{F}$.

Conversely, for any $(Z, \tilde{T}) \in \mathcal{F}$, from $Y \in \mathcal{T}/\tilde{T}$ and Lemma 5.1 we get that both Y and $X \setminus Y$ are open subsets of X for \tilde{T} , and from $Z \in \mathcal{T}/\tilde{T}$ and the same lemma we get that both Z and $X \setminus Z$ are open subsets of X for \tilde{T} . Hence the splitting (5.2) into three open subsets holds, and we have $\tilde{T} = \mathcal{T}'\mathcal{T}''$, with $\mathcal{T}' := \tilde{T}_{|_{Z}}$ and $\mathcal{T}'' := \tilde{T}_{|_{X \setminus Z}}$. The triple $(Y, \mathcal{T}', \mathcal{T}'')$ verifies the five required

conditions to belong to \mathcal{E} . Both correspondences from \mathcal{E} to \mathcal{F} are obvioulsly inverse to each other, which ends up the proof of Theorem 5.1.

Remark 5.1. If we apply the functor $\overline{\mathcal{K}}$, we notice here that this diagram yields the commutative diagram:



where Φ is a shorthand for $\overline{\mathcal{K}}(\Phi)$ and so on.

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