

# PMATH 950, Winter 2016

**Assignment #2** Due: February 25.

Generally,  $G$  will denote a locally compact group, below.

1. Let  $N$  be a closed normal subgroup of  $G$ .

(a) Verify that the functional on  $\mathcal{C}_c(G)$  given by

$$I(f) = \int_{G/N} \int_N f(xn) dn dxN$$

where  $dn = dm_N(n)$ ,  $dxN = dm_{G/N}(xN)$  for choices of left Haar measures  $m_N$  and  $m_{G/N}$ , defines a left Haar integral.

[Hint: Let  $T_N : \mathcal{C}_c(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_c(G/N)$  be given by  $T_N f(xN) = \int_N f(xn) dn$ . The above formula takes the form  $\int_{G/N} T_N f(xN) dxN$ .]

(b) Let  $\Delta_N : N \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ , and  $\Delta_G : G \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  denote the respective modular functions. Deduce that  $\Delta_G|_N = \Delta_N : N \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ .

(c) Let  $Z(G) = \{z \in G : xz = zx \text{ for } x \text{ in } G\}$ . [We may take for granted the easy fact that this is a closed subgroup.] Show that if  $G/Z(G)$  is unimodular, then so too is  $G$ .

(d) Suppose  $G$  admits a compact normal subgroup  $K$  for which  $G/K$  is unimodular. Then  $G$  is unimodular as well. [You may wish to verify that if  $\alpha$  is a continuous automorphism of  $K$ , then  $\delta_K(\alpha) = 1$ , in notation of A1, Q4.]

(e) Verify that the following two groups are unimodular, and compute Haar measures for each:

$$\mathbb{H} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \quad G = \mathbb{T}^d \rtimes \mathrm{SL}_d(\mathbb{Z})$$

where the product in  $G$  is given by

$$(z, a)(w, b) = (z a \cdot w, ab), \text{ where } [a_{ij}] \cdot (z_1, \dots, z_d) = \left( \prod_{j=1}^d z_j^{a_{1j}}, \dots, \prod_{j=1}^d z_j^{a_{dj}} \right)$$

[Recognizing that  $\mathbb{T}^d \cong \mathbb{R}^d / (2\pi\mathbb{Z})^d$  helps to see that the latter is a group.]

2. (a) Define for  $E$  in  $\mathcal{B}(G)$

$$\tilde{E} = \{(x, y) \in G \times G : xy \in E\}.$$

Show that  $\tilde{E} \in \mathcal{B}(G \times G)$ . Define for  $\mu, \nu$  in  $M(G)$

$$\mu \tilde{*} \nu(E) = \mu \times \nu(E).$$

Show that  $\mu \tilde{*} \nu$  is a Radon measure such that for  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{C}_c(G)$  that

$$\int_G \varphi d(\mu \tilde{*} \nu) = \int_G \varphi d(\mu * \nu)$$

and hence  $\mu \tilde{*} \nu = \mu * \nu$ . [Using Jordan decomposition, you may elect to work with positive measures. You may use, without proof, the fact that the product of finite Radon measures is Radon.]

(b) Deduce, for  $E$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  as above that

$$\mu * \nu(E) = \int_G \nu(x^{-1}E) d\mu(x) = \int_G \mu(Ey^{-1}) d\nu(y).$$

Explain why  $x \mapsto \nu(x^{-1}E) : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is Borel measurable.

(c) Let  $M_+^1(G) = \{\mu \in M(G) : \mu \geq 0 \text{ and } \mu(G) = 1\}$  denote the space of probability measures. Show that for  $\mu, \nu$  in  $M_+^1(G)$  that  $\mu * \nu \in M_+^1(G)$  too.

3. Let  $N$  be a closed normal subgroup in  $G$ . Let

$$\tau_{G_N} = \{U \subseteq G : x^{-1}(U \cap xN) \in \tau_N \text{ for all } x \in G\}$$

where  $\tau_N$  is the relativized topology from  $G$  on  $N$ .

Example: Notice that  $\tau_{G_{\{e\}}}$  is the discrete topology on  $G$ . If  $N$  is open, then  $\tau_{G_N} = \tau_G$ .

(a) Show that  $G_N = (G, \tau_{G_N})$  is a locally compact group, whose topology is finer than  $\tau_G$ .

(b) Show that if  $H$  is a locally compact group, and  $\eta : H \rightarrow G$  is a continuous homomorphism, then the map  $M(\eta) : M(H) \rightarrow M(G)$  given by

$$\int_G \varphi d[M(\eta)(\mu)] = \int_H \varphi \circ \eta d\mu(h), \text{ where } \mu \in M(H), \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c(G)$$

defines a contractive homomorphism, which is isometric if  $\eta$  is injective.

(c) If  $\iota : G_N \rightarrow G$  and  $j : N \rightarrow G$  be the formal identity maps, show that

$$M(\iota)[M(G_N)] = \ell^1\text{-}\bigoplus_{x \in T} \delta_x * M(j)[M(N)]$$

where  $T$  is a set of distinct coset representatives of  $N$  in  $G$ .

(d) Let

$$I(G_N) = \{\mu \in M(G) : \mu(xE) = 0 \text{ whenever } E \in \mathcal{B}(N), x \in G\}.$$

Show that  $I(G_N)$  is an ideal in  $M(G)$ .

4. Let  $G$  be abelian,  $H$  be a closed subgroup of  $G$ . We let  $H^a = \{\sigma \in \widehat{G} : \sigma(s) = 1 \text{ for all } s \text{ in } H\}$  denote the *annihilator* of  $H$  in  $\widehat{G}$ .

(a) Verify that  $H^a$  is a closed subgroup of  $\widehat{G}$ .

(b) Show that there is a natural isomorphism:  $\widehat{H} \cong \widehat{G}/H^a$ .

(c) Show that there is a natural isomorphism:  $\widehat{G/H} \cong H^a$ .

(d) Deduce that  $H$  is open in  $G$  if and only if  $H^a$  is compact; and  $H$  is compact if and only if  $H^a$  is open in  $\widehat{G}$ .

5. Let  $p$  be a prime.

(a) Let  $\mathbb{T}_p = \{z \in \mathbb{T} : z^{p^n} = 1 \text{ for some } n \text{ in } \mathbb{N}\}$  be the  $p$ -power torsion subgroup of  $\mathbb{T}$ . Show that there is a natural isomorphism  $\widehat{\mathbb{T}}_p \cong \mathbb{T}_p$ . [Hint: any character on  $\mathbb{T}_p$  is determined by its values on the dense copy of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .]

(b) Show that there is a natural homeomorphic isomorphism  $\widehat{\mathbb{Q}}_p \cong \mathbb{Q}_p$ . [Consider the basic character  $\sigma$ , given by  $\sigma_1|_{\mathbb{O}_p} = 1$ , and for  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_p \setminus \mathbb{O}_p$

$$\sigma_1(x) = e^{2\pi i \sum_{j=-m}^{-1} a_j p^j}, \text{ where } x = \sum_{j=-m}^{\infty} a_j p^j, a_j \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}.$$

If  $\xi \in \mathbb{Q}_p$ , let  $\sigma_\xi(x) = \sigma_1(\xi x)$ , which is a character. Conversely, any character  $\sigma_1$  is determined by what it does on each subgroup  $\mathbb{O}_p \subset \frac{1}{p}\mathbb{O}_p \subset \frac{1}{p^2}\mathbb{O}_p \subset \dots$ ]

(c) Show that  $\mathbb{O}_p^a \cong \mathbb{O}_p$  in  $\widehat{\mathbb{Q}}_p \cong \mathbb{Q}_p$ .