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are then seen from (10.9), (10.10) and (10.11) to satisfy

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \| Q'_j \| &\leq 1, \\ \text{sp } (Q'_j) &\subseteq [A_j], \\ \left| \int v D_{A_j} Q'_j d\lambda_G \right| &\geq (1 - 3v^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \| D_{A_j} \|_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10.13)$$

provided  $v$  is chosen  $\geq 9 \| D_{A_j} \|_1^{-1}$ . In view of (7.6), we may choose the integer  $v \geq \max_j (36, 9 \| D_{A_j} \|_1^{-1})$ . Then (10.13) shows that there are unimodular complex numbers  $\xi_j$  such that the  $Q_j = \xi_j Q'_j$  satisfy (7.7).

## APPENDIX

### *Rudin-Shapiro sequences*

**A.1 NOTATIONS AND DEFINITIONS.** As hitherto, all topological groups  $G$  are assumed to be Hausdorff; and, for any locally compact group  $G$ ,  $\lambda_G$  will denote a selected left Haar measure, with respect to which the Lebesgue spaces  $L^p(G)$  are to be formed.  $C_c(G)$  denotes the set of complex-valued continuous functions on  $G$  having compact supports.

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological groups,  $\text{Hom } (X, Y)$  denotes the set of continuous homomorphisms of  $X$  into  $Y$ .

Suppose henceforth  $G$  to be locally compact. As in 5.1, if  $k \in C_c(G)$ ,  $T_k$  will denote the convolution operator

$$f \mapsto f * k$$

with domain  $C_c(G)$  and range in  $C_c(G)$ ; and  $\| k \|_{p,q}$  will denote the  $(p, q)$ -norm of this operator, i.e., the smallest real number  $m \geq 0$  such that

$$\| f * k \|_q \leq m \| f \|_p \quad (f \in C_c(G)).$$

It is well-known that, if  $G$  is Abelian,  $\| k \|_{2,2}$  is equal to

$$\| \hat{k} \|_\infty = \sup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} | \hat{k}(\gamma) |,$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the character group of  $G$  and  $\hat{k}$  is the Fourier transform of  $k$ . (Something similar is true whenever  $G$  is compact, but we shall not use this.)

$U$ -RS-sequences on  $G$  are as defined in 5.4.

In A.2-A.4 we are concerned with conditions on  $G$  sufficient to ensure the possibility of constructing  $U$ -RS-sequences on  $G$  for certain choices of  $U$ . In A.5 we use Rudin-Shapiro sequences on infinite compact Abelian groups to support statements made in 7.5.

**A.2 THE ABELIAN CASE.** If  $G$  is Abelian and nondiscrete, the methods of § 2 of [5] show how to construct (reasonably explicitly) a  $U$ -RS-sequence  $(h_n)$  on  $G$  for any preassigned nonvoid open  $U \subseteq G$ ; see also [7], (37.19.b). In addition, we may assume that each  $\hat{h}_n$  is integrable on  $\Gamma$ , the character group of  $G$ . [To see this, let  $V$  be a compact neighbourhood of the origin of  $G$  and let  $W$  be a nonvoid subset of  $U$  such that  $V + W \subseteq U$ . Let  $\{u_i\}$  be an approximate identity on  $G$  comprised of functions in  $C_c(G)$  with supports in  $V$  and Fourier transforms in  $L^1(\Gamma)$ . Finally, let  $(k_n)$  be a  $W$ -RS-sequence; then for each  $n \in N$  we may select  $i_n$  so that  $(k_n * u_{i_n})$  is a  $U$ -RS-sequence with the further property that  $(k_n * u_{i_n})^\wedge = \hat{k}_n \hat{u}_{i_n} \in L^1(\Gamma)$ , as required.] We take this construction for granted (but see A.5 below) and use it to show how to construct  $U$ -RS-sequences on certain non-Abelian groups  $G$ . The basis of the extension is a simple technique of passage from a quotient group to the original, the crucial step being A.3.2 below.

### A.3 THE NOT-NECESSARILY ABELIAN CASE.

**A.3.1** Assume here that  $K$  is a compact normal subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $\lambda_K$  be normalised so that  $\lambda_K(K) = 1$ ; and let  $\pi : x \mapsto \bar{x}$  denote the natural mapping of  $G$  onto  $G/K$ .

If  $f \in C_c(G)$ , the function  $f'$  on  $G/K$  defined by

$$f'(\bar{x}) = \int_K f(xt) d\lambda_K(t) \quad (\text{A.1})$$

belongs to  $C_c(G/K)$ ; cf. [7], (15.21). If  $g \in C_c(G/K)$ ,  $g \circ \pi \in C_c(G)$  and

$$(g \circ \pi)' = g. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

If  $\tau_a$  denotes left-translation by amount  $a$ , it is verifiable that  $(\tau_a f)' = \tau_{\bar{a}} f'$ . From this it follows that the disposable factors in  $\lambda_G$  and  $\lambda_{G/K}$  can be mutually adjusted so that

$$\int_G f d\lambda_G = \int_{G/K} f' d\lambda_{G/K} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

for  $f \in C_c(G)$ . Using (A.3), a direct calculation confirms that

$$(f * (k \circ \pi))' = f' * k \quad (\text{A.4})$$

whenever  $f \in C_c(G)$  and  $k \in C_c(G/K)$ .

Another consequence of (A.3) is that for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$

$$\|f\|_p \geq \|f'\|_p \quad (\text{A.5})$$

for every  $f \in C_c(G)$ ; and that for  $0 < p \leq \infty$

$$\|f\|_p = \|f'\|_p \quad (\text{A.6})$$

for every  $f \in C_c(G;K)$ , the set of  $f \in C_c(G)$  which are constant on cosets modulo  $K$ .

A.3.2 Let  $k \in C_c(G/K)$ . Then

$$\|k \circ \pi\|_{p,q} \leq \|k\|_{p,q}. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

PROOF. For  $f \in C_c(G)$ ,  $f * (k \circ \pi) \in C_c(G;K)$  and (A.6) gives

$$\|f * (k \circ \pi)\|_q = \|(f * (k \circ \pi))'\|_q,$$

which by (A.4)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \|f' * k\|_q \\ &\leq \|f'\|_p \|k\|_{p,q} \\ &\leq \|f\|_p \|k\|_{p,q}, \end{aligned}$$

the last step by (A.5). Whence (A.7).

A.3.3 If  $(h_n)$  is a  $V$ -RS-sequence on  $G/K$  and  $U = \pi^{-1}(V)$ , then  $(h_n \circ \pi)$  is a  $U$ -RS-sequence on  $G$ .

PROOF. In view of A.3.2 it suffices to note that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp } (h_n \circ \pi) &= \pi^{-1}(\text{supp } h_n) \\ &\subseteq \pi^{-1}(V), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_n \circ \pi\|_\infty &= \|h_n\|_\infty, \\ \|h_n \circ \pi\|_2 &= \|h_n\|_2, \end{aligned}$$

the last two because of (A.6) and (A.2).

A.3.4 Suppose that  $K$  is a compact normal subgroup of  $G$  and that one can construct  $V$ -RS-sequences on  $G/K$  for any given nonvoid open  $V \subseteq G/K$ . Then one can construct  $U$ -RS-sequences on  $G$  for any given open subset  $U$  of  $G$  which contains  $K$ .



PROOF. Apply A.3.3, taking a nonvoid open subset  $W$  of  $G$  such that  $KW \subseteq U$ , and noting that  $V = \pi(W)$  is then nonvoid and open in  $G/K$  and that  $\pi^{-1}(V) = KW \subseteq U$ .

A.3.5 Let  $\delta(G)$  be the closure in  $G$  of the derived (= commutator) subgroup of  $G$ , and suppose that  $\delta(G)$  is compact and nonopen in  $G$ . Then one can construct  $U$ -RS-sequences on  $G$  for any given open subset  $U$  of  $G$  containing  $\delta(G)$ . (Note that, since  $\delta(G)$  is a closed subgroup of  $G$ , it is nonopen in  $G$  if and only if it has empty interior, or if and only if it is locally null for  $\lambda_G$ .)

PROOF. This follows from A.2 and A.3.4 because:  
 $\delta(G)$  is in any case a normal subgroup of  $G$  such that  $G/\delta(G)$  is LCA [see [7], (5.22), (5.26), (23.8)]; and  $\delta(G)$  is nonopen in  $G$  if and only if  $G/\delta(G)$  is nondiscrete ([7], (5.21)).

A.3.6 The hypotheses of A.3.5 are satisfied in any one of the following cases (all groups being assumed Hausdorff and locally compact):

(i)  $G = G_1 \times G_2$ , where  $\delta(G_1)$  and  $\delta(G_2)$  are compact and  $\delta(G_1)$  is nonopen in  $G_1$  (hence in particular if  $G = A \times B$ , where  $A$  is nondiscrete Abelian and  $\delta(B)$  is compact);

(ii)  $\delta(G)$  is compact and there exists an open connected subset  $W$  of  $G$  such that  $e \in W \not\subseteq \delta(G)$  (hence in particular if  $G$  is compact and connected and  $\delta(G) \neq G$ );

(iii)  $\delta(G)$  is compact and, for some Abelian  $A$ , some  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(G, A)$  and some connected open subset  $W$  of  $G$ , we have  $e \in W$  and  $\varphi|_W$  non-constant (hence in particular if  $G$  is compact and connected and  $\text{Hom}(G, A)$  is nontrivial);

(iv)  $G = \varphi(H)$ , where  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(G, H)$  is such that  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is locally countable (that is, such that  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  intersects each compact set in a countable set), and where  $\delta(H)$  is compact and nonopen in  $H$ .

PROOF. (i) It is evident that  $\delta(G) \subseteq \delta(G_1) \times \delta(G_2)$ , which shows that  $\delta(G)$  is compact and nonopen in  $G$  [if it were open,  $\delta(G_1) = \text{pr}_{G_1}(\delta(G_1) \times \delta(G_2))$  would have interior points].

(ii) Were  $\delta(G)$  to be open in  $G$ ,  $W$  would be a disjoint union of  $W \cap \delta(G)$  and  $W \cap (G \setminus \delta(G))$ , each relatively open in  $W$ . Since

$e \in W \cap \delta(G)$ , connectedness of  $W$  would imply that  $W \cap (G \setminus \delta(G)) = \emptyset$ , i.e.,  $W \subseteq \delta(G)$ , a contradiction.

(iii)  $\text{Ker } \varphi$  is a closed subgroup of  $G$  containing  $\delta(G)$ ; since  $W \not\subseteq \text{Ker } \varphi$ , it follows that  $W \not\subseteq \delta(G)$ . Now use (ii).

(iv) Clearly,

$$\delta(G) \subseteq \overline{\varphi(\delta(H))} = \varphi(\delta(H))$$

is compact. Suppose  $\delta(G)$  were open in  $G$ . Then  $\varphi(\delta(H))$  has interior points, and the same would be true of

$$\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(\delta(H))) = S\delta(H),$$

where  $S = \text{Ker } \varphi$ . So there would exist a compact neighbourhood  $V$  of the identity in  $H$  such that

$$V \subseteq S\delta(H)$$

and so

$$V = V \cap (S\delta(H)).$$

But, if  $y \in V \cap (S\delta(H))$ ,  $y = sz$  for some  $s \in S$  and  $z \in \delta(H)$ , hence  $s = yz^{-1} \in V\delta(H)^{-1}$ , and so  $s \in (V\delta(H)^{-1}) \cap S$ , which is countable by hypothesis, say  $\{s_n : n \in N\}$ . But then

$$y \in \bigcup_{n \in N} s_n \delta(H).$$

Thus

$$V = V \cap (S\delta(H)) \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in N} s_n \delta(H)$$

and so, since  $\lambda_H(\delta(H)) = 0$ ,

$$0 < \lambda_H(V) \leq \sum_{n \in N} \lambda_H(\delta(H)) = 0,$$

a contradiction.

**A.3.7 REMARKS.** (i) A.3.6 (iii) suffices to show that any finite-dimensional unitary group  $U(n)$  satisfies the hypotheses of A.3.5. [For  $U(n)$  is compact and connected (see [7], (7.15)); and we may apply A.3.6 (iii) with  $A = T$ , the circle group, and  $\varphi = \det$ .]

On the other hand, it is easy to see (cf. A.3.6 (i) and its proof) that if  $G = \prod_{i \in I} G_i$ , where the  $G_i$  are compact and at least one of them satisfies the hypothesis of A.3.5, then  $G$  satisfies the said hypotheses.

So every product of unitary groups satisfies the hypotheses of A.3.5.

(ii) The hypotheses of A.3.5 are also satisfied if  $G = G_1 \oplus G_2$ , the semidirect product of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  (see [7], (2.6) and (6.20)), provided  $G_1$  is compact and  $\delta(G_2)$  is compact and nonopen in  $G_2$  (hence in particular if  $G = A \oplus B$ , where  $A$  is compact and  $B$  is nondiscrete and Abelian). In fact,  $\delta(G) \subseteq G_1 \times \delta(G_2)$  and the proof proceeds as for A.3.6 (i).

A.4 THE OPERATORS  $f \mapsto k * f$ . Retaining the notations introduced in A.3, it turns out that (cf. (A.4))

$$((k \circ \pi) * f)' = k * f^{\vee\vee} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

for every  $f \in C_c(G)$  and  $k \in C_c(G/K)$ , where, for any function  $g$  with domain a group  $X$ ,  $\check{g}$  denotes the function  $x \mapsto g(x^{-1})$  with domain  $X$ . As a consequence, the results of A.3 have direct analogues for the operator  $f \mapsto k * f$ , provided  $G/K$  is unimodular, which is so if and only if  $G$  is unimodular.

#### A.5 CONCERNING 7.5.

A.5.1 Throughout A.5 we suppose  $G$  to be infinite compact Abelian. Let  $\Gamma_0$  be any infinite subsemigroup of the character group  $\Gamma$  of  $G$ ;  $0 \in \Gamma_0$ . The construction described in § 2 of [5] may be employed to produce t.p.s.  $f_n$  ( $n \in N$ ) on  $G$  which, together with their spectra  $S_n$ , satisfy the conditions:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} S_0 &= \{0\}, S_n \subseteq \Gamma_0, |S_n| = 2^n \\ B2^{n/2} &\leq \|f_n\|_s \leq A2^{n/2} \quad (1 \leq s \leq \infty), \\ \|f_n\|_{2,2} &= \|\hat{f}_n\|_\infty \leq 1, \\ \hat{f}_n &= \varphi \text{ on } S_n, 0 \text{ on } \Gamma \setminus S_n, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are positive absolute constants and  $\varphi$  is a function on  $\Gamma$  with  $\text{Ran } \varphi \subseteq \{-1, 0, 1\}$  and  $|\varphi(\gamma)| = 1$  if and only if  $\gamma \in S_n$ . (When  $G = T$ , these  $f_n$  are virtually the original Rudin-Shapiro t.p.s. In the terminology adopted in 5.4 above the  $h_n = 2^{-n/2} f_n$  constitute a  $G$ -RS-sequence on  $G$ .)

If we now choose  $\alpha_n \in \Gamma$  inductively so that, on writing  $F_n = \alpha_n + S_n$ , we have

$$\alpha_{n+1} \in \Gamma_0 \setminus [(F_0 \cup \dots \cup F_n) - S_{n+1}],$$

then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} |F_n| &= |S_n| = 2^n, F_n \subseteq \Gamma_0, \\ F_n \cap F_m &= \emptyset \text{ if } m \neq n, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{A.10})$$

and the t.p.s

$$w_n = 2^{-n/2} \alpha_n f_n \quad (\text{A.11})$$

satisfy the relations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \|w_n\|_\infty &\leq A, \hat{w}_n = 2^{-n/2} \varphi_n, \\ \text{Ran } \varphi_n &\subseteq \{-1, 0, 1\}, |\varphi_n(\gamma)| = 1 \text{ if and only if } \gamma \in F_n. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{A.12})$$

From (A.10) and (A.12) it follows that at least one of the sets  $A_n = \varphi_n^{-1}(\{1\})$ ,  $B_n = \varphi_n^{-1}(\{-1\})$  has not fewer than  $2^{n-1}$  elements. Define  $\varepsilon_n = 1$ ,  $C_n = A_n$  if  $|A_n| \geq 2^{n-1}$  and  $\varepsilon_n = -1$ ,  $C_n = B_n$  if  $|A_n| < 2^{n-1}$ . Then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (\varepsilon_n w_n)^\wedge(\gamma) &= 2^{-n/2} \text{ if } \gamma \in C_n, \\ C_n &\subseteq F_n, |C_n| \geq 2^{n-1}. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{A.13})$$

A.5.2 In terms of the construction given in A.5.1, it is possible to write down any number of continuous functions  $f$  on  $G$  and sequences  $(\Delta_j)$  of finite subsets of  $\Gamma_0$  such that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta_j &\subseteq \Delta_{j+1}, \\ \text{sp}(f) &\subseteq \Gamma_0, \\ S_{\Delta_j} f(0) &\text{ is real and } \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_{\Delta_j} f(0) = \infty, \\ \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} |\hat{f}(\gamma)| &= \infty; \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{A.14})$$

cf. the statements made in 7.5.

Indeed, if  $(c_n)_{n=0}^\infty$  is a sequence of real numbers satisfying

$$c_n \geq 0, \sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n < \infty, \sum_{n=0}^\infty 2^{n/2} c_n = \infty, \quad (\text{A.15})$$

and if

$$\Delta_j = C_0 \cup \dots \cup C_j, \quad (\text{A.16})$$

it suffices to take

$$f = \sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n \varepsilon_n w_n, \quad (\text{A.17})$$

(A.14) being then a simple consequence of (A.12) and (A.13).

However, it is a consequence of the choice of the  $\gamma_n$  and  $\alpha_n$  and of (A.12) [on evaluating the Fourier series of  $w_n$  at 0] that  $||A_n| - |B_n|| \leq 2^{n/2}$ , which implies that  $C_n$  contains only about one half the elements of  $F_n$ , so that  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \Delta_j$  falls far short of exhausting  $\Gamma_0$ . In particular,  $(\Delta_j)$  is not a convergence grouping of the sort described in § 7.

A.5.3 Two further consequences of the construction in A.5.1 are perhaps worth mentioning in passing.

(i) For any complex-valued sequence  $(c_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n| < \infty, \quad (\text{A.18})$$

the formula

$$g = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n w_n \quad (\text{A.19})$$

yields a continuous function  $g \in C(G)$ . It is easy to specify choices of  $(c_n)$  in accord with (A.18), and of nonnegative functions  $\eta$  on  $\Gamma$  such that

$$\lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \eta(\gamma) = 0, \quad (\text{A.20})$$

for which

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} |\hat{g}(\gamma)|^{2-2\eta(\gamma)} = \infty. \quad (\text{A.21})$$

One might, for example, take  $c_n = n^{-2}$  and  $\eta(\gamma) = 6n^{-1} \log n$  for  $\gamma \in F_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $\eta(\gamma) = 0$  for  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus F$ , where  $F = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$ .

This is an analogue of a well-known result of Banach for the case  $G = T$ ; it provides numerous reasonably constructive counter-examples to conjectural improvements of the Hausdorff-Young theorem.

(ii) Take  $(c_n)$ ,  $\eta$  and  $g$  as in (i) immediately above. Let  $\psi$  be any nonnegative function on  $\Gamma$  which is bounded away from zero on  $F$ . Let further  $\theta$  be any complex-valued function on  $\Gamma$  such that

$$\theta(\gamma) = \psi(\gamma) |\hat{g}(\gamma)|^{1-2\eta(\gamma)} \cdot \text{sgn } \hat{g}(\gamma) \quad \text{for } \gamma \in F. \quad (\text{A.22})$$

Then (A.21), (A.22) and Bochner's theorem combine to show that  $\theta$  is

not a Fourier-Stieltjes transform. Yet, if  $\psi$  is bounded, and if we define  $\theta(\gamma) = 0$  for  $\gamma \in \Gamma \setminus F$ , (A.20) and the fact that  $g \in C(G)$  ensure that

$$\theta \in \bigcap_{r>2} l^r(\Gamma). \quad (\text{A.23})$$

We thus obtain explicit examples of functions  $\theta$  satisfying (A.23) which are not Fourier-Stieltjes transforms.

Note that, if every  $c_n$  is real and nonzero, an (unbounded)  $\psi$  can be chosen so as to make  $\text{Ran } \theta = \{-1, 1\}$ ; this yields explicit examples of  $\pm 1$ -valued functions  $\theta$  which are not Fourier-Stieltjes transforms. (These are, of course, also obtainable by starting with functions  $\text{sgn } \hat{h}$ , where  $h \in C(G)$ ,  $\hat{h}$  is real-valued and  $\hat{h} \notin l^1(\Gamma)$ .)

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