

DISCONTINUOUS TRANSLATION INVARIANT FUNCTIONALS

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ABSTRACT. Let G be an infinite σ -compact locally compact group. We shall study the existence of many discontinuous translation invariant linear functionals on a variety of translation invariant Fréchet spaces of Radon measures on G . These spaces include the convolution measure algebra $M(G)$, the Lebesgue spaces $L^p(G)$, where $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, and certain combinations thereof. Among other things, it will be shown that $C(G)$ has many discontinuous translation invariant functionals, provided that G is amenable. This solves a problem of G. H. Meisters.

Let G be a locally compact group. In the present paper, we shall consider various translation invariant spaces of functions and measures on G , and prove the existence of discontinuous invariant functionals on such spaces. Among other things, it will be shown that $C(G)$ admits “many” discontinuous left-invariant functionals, provided that G is an infinite, σ -compact, locally compact amenable group (our hypotheses are a little weaker than amenability). This resolves the problem of G. H. Meisters [11] as to whether there exists a discontinuous invariant functional on $C(\Pi)$, where Π denotes the circle group. As far as the compact groups are concerned, the problems for $C(G)$ and for $L^\infty(G)$ are equivalent (see Remark (IV) stated below). As some basic references on this subject, we refer to E. Granirer’s papers [3, 4] on invariant means, the nice survey article [14] by Meisters, and G. S. Woodward’s paper [22] on discontinuous invariant functionals on a variety of invariant spaces.

Let G be an arbitrary locally compact (LC) group. All of the Lebesgue spaces $L^p(G)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, are taken with respect to a fixed left Haar measure λ_G on G . If G is compact, we normalize λ_G so that $\lambda_G(G) = 1$. Let $C(G)$ and $C_c(G)$ denote the Banach space of all continuous bounded (complex-valued) functions on G , and the subspace of all members of $C(G)$ with compact supports, respectively. We denote by $C_0(G)$ the uniform closure of $C_c(G)$ in $C(G)$. Thus the dual of $C_0(G)$ may be identified with the convolution measure algebra $M(G)$ of G (cf. Hewitt and Ross [7]).

A net (f_α) in $C_c(G)$ converges to the zero function if and only if (i) $f_\alpha \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on G and (ii) the f_α ’s are eventually supported by a fixed compact set (depending on the net). This topology for $C_c(G)$ is different from the uniform topology, and will be used throughout the paper unless otherwise mentioned. The continuous dual of $C_c(G)$ will be denoted $C'_c(G)$. An element of $C'_c(G)$ is often called

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a Radon measure on G (cf. [16]). If a linear subspace X of $C'_c(G)$ is equipped with a topological-linear-space topology which is stronger than the weak topology $\sigma(X, C_c(G))$, we call X a *topological linear space on G* . Normed, Banach, and Fréchet spaces on G are defined in a similar fashion. Notice that if X and Y are two Fréchet spaces on G such that $X \subset Y$, then the identity map of X into Y is continuous by the closed graph theorem. We shall regard all of the spaces $L^p(G) \subset L^1_{\text{loc}}(G)$ and $M(G)$ as linear subspaces of $C'_c(G)$. In particular, if $f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(G)$, then

$$\langle \phi, f \rangle = \langle \phi, f \lambda_G \rangle = \int \phi(x) f(x) d\lambda_G(x) \quad (\phi \in C_c(G)).$$

Similarly, $M(G) + L^p(G)$ denotes the algebraic sum of $M(G)$ and $L^p(G)$ in $C'_c(G)$.

For each $\phi \in C_c(G)$ and $a \in G$, define ${}_a\phi$ and $\phi_a \in C_c(G)$ by setting ${}_a\phi(x) = \phi(ax)$ and $\phi_a(x) = \phi(xa)$ for all $x \in G$. Let δ_a denote the unit point-measure at a . Thus we have

$$\langle \phi, \delta_a * \mu \rangle = \langle {}_a\phi, \mu \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \phi, \mu * \delta_a \rangle = \langle \phi_a, \mu \rangle$$

for $\phi \in C_c(G)$ and $\mu \in C'_c(G)$. Here follow some other definitions which we shall need later.

(a) A subset X of $C'_c(G)$ is left invariance if $\delta_a * X \subset X$ for all $a \in G$. Right- (or two-sided) invariance is defined similarly.

(b) For a subset X of $C'_c(G)$, we define

$$T_l(X) = \text{sp}\{f - \delta_a * f : f \in X \text{ \& } a \in G\}, \quad T_r(X) = \text{sp}\{f - f * \delta_a : f \in X \text{ \& } a \in G\},$$

and $T(X) = T_l(X) + T_r(X)$, where “sp” stands for linear span.

(c) If X and Y are two topological spaces such that $X \subset Y$ set-theoretically, we shall write “ $-$ ” for the closure in the smaller space X and “ \sim ” for the closure in the larger space Y .

(d) For a topological linear space X , X' denotes the continuous dual of X . If X is a normed space and $r > 0$, we define $B_r(X) = \{f \in X : \|f\| \leq r\}$.

In the sequel, G will always denote an infinite σ -compact LC group, unless otherwise mentioned. The following two lemmas are central to all of our results. Their natural “two-sided” versions are obvious and will be left to the reader.

LEMMA 1. *Let X and Y be a left-invariant Fréchet space and a left-invariant Banach space on G , respectively. Suppose that*

(i) $X \subset Y$ and $T_l(X)^- \subset \text{sp}(F) + T_l(Y)$

for some countable subset F of Y . Then there exist a natural number N and a compact subset K of G such that $\widetilde{W}_{N,K}$ contains a relative neighborhood of 0 in $T_l(X)^-$ (with respect to X), where

(ii) $W_{N,K} = \{\sum_{k=1}^N (h_k - \delta_{a_k} * h_k) : h_k \in B_N(Y) \text{ \& } a_k \in K \forall k\}$.

PROOF. Let f_1, f_2, \dots be an enumeration of the elements of F . Since G is σ -compact, we can write $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$, where the K_n 's are compact subsets of G with $K_n \subset K_{n+1}$ for all $n \geq 1$. Given a natural number n , define

$$(1) \quad V_n = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n c_j f_j : c_j \in \mathbf{C} \text{ \& } |c_j| \leq n \forall j \right\}.$$

Likewise, define W_n by (ii) with N and K replaced by n and K_n , respectively. Notice that V_n is compact. Since the algebraic sum of a compact set and a closed set is closed in any topological linear space, it follows that $V_n + W_n^\sim$ is closed in Y .

By (i), the Fréchet space $T_l(X)^-$ is covered by the sets $V_n + W_n^\sim$. Since $T_l(X)^-$ is contained in the Banach space Y on G , it follows from the closed graph theorem that each $(V_n + W_n^\sim) \cap T_l(X)^-$ is closed in $T_l(X)^-$. We, therefore, infer from the Baire category theorem that at least one of the sets $V_n + W_n^\sim$ contains a nonempty (relative) open subset of $T_l(X)^-$. However, we have $V_n - V_n \subset V_{2n}$ and $mV_n \subset V_{mn}$ for all m and $n \geq 1$ by (1); similarly for the sets W_n^\sim . Accordingly, there exists a natural number r such that $V_r + W_r^\sim$ contains a neighborhood U of $0 \in T_l(X)^-$.

Now we claim that $U \subset W_N^\sim$ for some $N \geq r$. To confirm this, first notice that the union of all W_n^\sim forms a linear subspace of Y . Call this union S and put $F_p = \{f_1, \dots, f_p\}$ for $p = 1, 2, \dots, r$. If $F_r \subset S$, then $F_r \subset W_m^\sim$ for some m ; hence $V_r \subset W_n^\sim$ for some $n > m$ by (1) and (ii); hence $V_r + W_r^\sim \subset W_n^\sim + W_r^\sim \subset W_N^\sim$, where $N = n + r$. Thus $F_r \subset S$ implies $U \subset W_N^\sim$ for some N . So assume that F_r is not contained in S . Then we may suppose that, for some $p \leq r$, F_p is a maximal subset of F_r which is linearly independent modulo S . After repeating a similar argument as above, we then obtain

$$(2) \quad U \subset V_r + W_r^\sim \subset \text{sp}(F_p) + W_N^\sim$$

for some $N \geq r$. Notice that $T_l(X) \subset T_l(Y) \subset S$; hence

$$(3) \quad T_l(X) \cap [\text{sp}(F_p) + W_N^\sim] = T_l(X) \cap W_N^\sim$$

by the linear independence of F_p modulo S . We infer from (2) and (3) that $U \cap T_l(X) \subset W_N^\sim$. Since $[T_l(X)^-] \cap W_N^\sim$ is closed in $T_l(X)^-$, it follows that $U \subset W_N^\sim$, as desired.

LEMMA 2. *Let X be a left-invariant Fréchet space on G , and let Y be a left-invariant Banach space on G such that*

$$(C_0) \quad X \subset Y \text{ and } T_l(X)^- \subset \text{sp}(F) + T_l(Y)$$

for some countable subset F of Y . Suppose

$$(C_1) \quad \text{the unit closed ball } B_1(Y) \text{ is } \sigma(Y, C_c)\text{-compact;}$$

$$(C_2) \quad \text{the orbit } \{\delta_x * f : x \in G\} \text{ of each } f \in X \text{ is bounded in } X;$$

and also (if G is noncompact)

$$(C_3) \quad \text{for which } f \in X, \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \delta_x * f = 0 \text{ in } \sigma(X, C_c).$$

Let $W_{N,K} \subset Y$ be as in the conclusion of Lemma 1. Then:

$$(i) \quad W_{N,K} \text{ is } \sigma(Y, C_c)\text{-compact;}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{if } G \text{ is noncompact, } W_{2N,K} \text{ contains a neighborhood of } 0 \in X;$$

$$(iii) \quad \text{if } G \text{ is compact, there exists a neighborhood } V \text{ of } 0 \in X \text{ such that } h - \lambda_G * h \in W_{2N,K} \text{ for all } h \in V.$$

PROOF. For each open subset U of G with compact closure, let C_U denote the subspace of all $\phi \in C_c(G)$ such that $\text{supp } \phi \subset U^-$. Then C_U forms a Banach space with respect to the uniform norm and the imbedding of C_U into $C_c(G)$ is continuous. Since Y is a Banach space contained in $C_c'(G)$, the closed graph theorem assures that

there exists a finite constant $D = D_U$ such that

$$(4) \quad |\langle \phi, h \rangle| \leq D \|\phi\|_\infty \cdot \|h\|_Y \quad (\phi \in C_U, h \in Y).$$

Now we claim that the mapping

$$(5) \quad (x, h) \rightarrow \delta_x * h: G \times B_1(Y) \rightarrow C'_c(G)$$

is continuous when $B_1(Y)$ is equipped with the relative weak topology $\sigma(Y, C_c) | B_1(Y)$. Suppose that (x_α, h_α) is a convergent net in $G \times B_1(Y)$ with limit (x, h) . We need to prove that $\lim \delta_{x_\alpha} * h_\alpha = \delta_x * h$ in $\sigma(C'_c, C_c)$. Given $\phi \in C_c(G)$, choose an open subset U of G such that U^- is compact and $\text{supp}(\phi) \subset U$. Since $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$ in G , it is obvious that $_{x_\alpha}\phi \in C_U$ for eventually all α 's. It follows from (4) that

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle \phi, \delta_{x_\alpha} * h_\alpha \rangle - \langle \phi, \delta_x * h \rangle| &= |\langle _{x_\alpha}\phi, h_\alpha \rangle - \langle _x\phi, h \rangle| \\ &\leq |\langle _{x_\alpha}\phi - _x\phi, h_\alpha \rangle| + |\langle _x\phi, h_\alpha - h \rangle| \\ &\leq D \|_{x_\alpha}\phi - _x\phi\|_\infty + |\langle _x\phi, h_\alpha - h \rangle| \end{aligned}$$

for eventually all α 's. Since $_{x_\alpha}\phi \rightarrow _x\phi$ uniformly and $h_\alpha \rightarrow h$ in $\sigma(Y, C_c)$, the last inequalities confirm our claim.

Put $E_K = \{h - \delta_x * h: h \in B_1(Y) \text{ \& } x \in K\}$. From condition (C_1) and the claim just established, we infer that E_K is $\sigma(Y, C_c)$ -compact whenever K is a compact subset of G . The set $W_{N,K}$ in the conclusion of Lemma 1 is the N -fold algebraic sum of NE_K , and is therefore $\sigma(Y, C_c)$ -compact. This confirms (i).

Now we shall prove (ii) and (iii) assuming that

$$(C_1)^* \quad W_{N,K} = [Y + \text{sp}(\lambda_G)] \cap W_{N,K}^*,$$

where $W_{N,K}^*$ denotes the $\sigma(C'_c, C_c)$ -closure of $W_{N,K}$ in $C'_c(G)$. Of course, $(C_1)^*$ is weaker than (C_1) but is strong enough to guarantee the norm-closedness of $W_{N,K}$ in Y . Now choose and fix a convex neighborhood V of $0 \in X$ such that $(V - V) \cap T_l(X)^- \subset W_{N,K}$. Each $f \in X$ has bounded orbit in X by (C_2) . Accordingly there exists a natural number $n = n_f$ such that $n^{-1}(\delta_x * f) \in V$ for all $x \in G$. Hence

$$(6) \quad n^{-1}(f - \delta_x * f) \in (V - V) \cap T_l(X) \subset W_{N,K} \quad (x \in G).$$

Suppose G is noncompact. Then (C_3) , combined with (6) and $(C_1)^*$, yields $n^{-1}f \in W_{N,K}$. Since $f \in X$ is arbitrary, it follows that $X \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty nW_{N,K}$. But $W_{N,K}$ is norm-closed in Y by $(C_1)^*$, and X is a Fréchet space contained in the Banach space Y ; hence $X \cap W_{N,K}$ is closed in X (cf. the proof of Lemma 1). It follows from the Baire category theorem that $X \cap W_{N,K}$ has nonempty interior in X . Since $W_{N,K} - W_{N,K} \subset W_{2N,K}$, we conclude that $W_{2N,K}$ contains a neighborhood of 0 in X , which established (ii).

Finally assume G is compact. Then $C_c(G) = C(G)$, $C'_c(G) = M(G)$, $\sigma(C'_c, C_c)$ is nothing but the weak-* topology of $M(G)$. Choose a net (τ_α) of probability measures on G , each with finite support, such that $\tau_\alpha \rightarrow \lambda_G$ weak-*. Then $n^{-1}(f - \tau_\alpha * f) \in W_{N,K}$ for each α by (6) and the convexity of V . Passing to the weak-* limit and making use of $(C_1)^*$, we obtain $n^{-1}(f - \lambda_G * f) \in W_{N,K}$. Notice that $\lambda_G * X \subset \lambda_G * M(G) = \text{sp}(\lambda_G)$. Since $f \in X$ is arbitrary, it follows at once that

$$(7) \quad X \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty n[\{c\lambda_G: |c| \leq 1\} + W_{N,K}].$$

Using $(C_1)^*$ and (7), we repeat a similar argument as in the last paragraph to conclude that $\text{sp}(\lambda_G) + W_{2N,K}$ contains a neighborhood V' of $0 \in X$. Thus each $h \in V'$ has a representation of the form $h = c\lambda_G + \mu$ for some $c \in \mathbb{C}$ and some $\mu \in W_{2N,K}$. But it is obvious that $\langle 1, \nu \rangle = 0$ for all $\nu \in W_{2N,K} \subset T_l(M(G))$. Therefore $\langle 1, h \rangle = c\langle 1, \lambda_G \rangle + \langle 1, \mu \rangle = c$, and

$$h - \lambda_G * h = h - \langle 1, h \rangle \lambda_G = \mu \in W_{2N,K},$$

as desired.

We abbreviate *left- [two-sided] invariant linear functional* as LILF [TILF]. It is evident that Lemma 2 as well as Lemma 1 has a natural “two-sided” analogue. All that follows are corollaries to Lemma 2.

THEOREM 1. *There exist uncountably many TILF's on $M(G)$ whose restrictions to one of $M_a(G)$ or $M_d(G)$ are linearly independent modulo the continuous functionals on $M_a(G)$ or $M_d(G)$.*

PROOF. The symbols $M_a(G)$ and $M_d(G)$ denote the absolutely continuous and discrete measures on G , respectively. Notice that $M_a(G)$ is a closed two-sided ideal while $M_d(G)$ is a closed two-sided invariant subalgebra of $M(G)$.

By Zorn's lemma, $T(M_a(G))^-$ contains a subset F_a which is maximal with respect to the linear independence modulo $T(M_a(G))$. Similarly there exists a subset F_d of $T(M_d(G))^-$ which is maximal with respect to the linear independence modulo $T(M_d(G))$. If G is discrete, then $M_a(G) = M_d(G) = M(G)$, so we shall choose $F_a = F_d$. If G is nondiscrete, it is obvious that $F_a \cap F_d = \emptyset$ and that $F_a \cup F_d$ is linearly independent modulo $T(M(G))$. Notice that

$$T(M_a(G))^- = \text{sp}(F_a) + T(M_a(G)) \subset \text{sp}(F_a) + T(M(G)),$$

and similarly for $M_d(G)$ and F_d .

Now suppose that X is any two-sided invariant, closed subspace of $M(G)$ and that there exists a countable subset F of $M(G)$ such that $T(X)^- \subset \text{sp}(F) + T(M(G))$. We then claim that the unit ball $B_1(X)$ of X is not weak-* dense in $B_1(M(G))$. Indeed, by a natural “two-sided” version of Lemma 2, there exists a weak-* compact subset W of $T(M(G))$ such that: if G is noncompact, then $B_1(X) \subset W$; and if G is compact, then $\mu - \lambda_G * \mu \in W$ for all $\mu \in B_1(X)$. First assume G is noncompact. Since W is weak-* compact, we then have $B_1(X)^* \subset W$, where $B_1(X)^*$ denotes the weak-* closure of $B_1(X)$ in $M(G)$. Since $W \subset T(M(G))$, we conclude that $\langle 1, \mu \rangle = 0$ for all $\mu \in B_1(X)^*$; hence $B_1(X)$ is not weak-* dense in $B_1(M(G))$. Next assume that G is compact (and infinite). Then $\mu - \lambda_G * \mu \in W$ for all $\mu \in B_1(X)^*$, again by the weak-* compactness of W . Taking discrete parts, we obtain $\mu_d \in (W)_d \subset T(M_d(G))$ for all $\mu \in B_1(X)^*$. A similar argument as above therefore shows that $B_1(X)$ is not weak-* dense in $B_1(M(G))$.

By the Hahn-Banach convexity theorem, both $B_1(M_a(G))$ and $B_1(M_d(G))$ are weak-* dense in $B_1(M(G))$. It follows from the above paragraph that neither F_a nor F_d is countable. In order to obtain uncountably many TILF's on $M(G)$ with the desired properties, it is sufficient to extend $\{\mu + T(M(G)); \mu \in F_a \cup F_d\}$ to a Hamel base of the quotient space $M(G)/T(M(G))$. (Notice here that the dimension of $T(M)^-/T(M)$ plays an important role.) This completes the proof.

For two normed spaces X and Y on G , we define a norm on $X \cap Y$ by setting $\|f\| = \|f\|_X + \|f\|_Y$ for $f \in X \cap Y$. Notice that if both X and Y are Banach spaces on G , then so is $X \cap Y$.

THEOREM 1*. *Suppose G is noncompact (and σ -compact). Let $X \subset L^1(G)$ be a left-invariant Fréchet space on G whose topology is induced by countably many, left-invariant seminorms [e.g., $X = L^1 \cap C_0$]. If X contains an element with nonzero Haar integral, then there exist uncountably many TILF's on $L^1(G)$ whose restrictions to X are linearly independent modulo X' .*

PROOF. Unfortunately the closed unit ball of $L^1(G)$ is not $\sigma(C'_c, C_c)$ -compact, unless G is discrete. So we replace $L^1(G)$ by $Y = M(G)$. Since the topology of X is induced by left-invariant seminorms, each element of X has bounded (left) orbit in X . Since $X \subset L^1(G) \subset M(G)$ and G is noncompact, X also satisfies condition (C_3) in Lemma 2.

Let F be a subset of $T_l(X)^-$ which is maximal with respect to the linear independence modulo $T_l(X)$. Let F_0 be a subset of F which is maximal with respect to the linear independence modulo $T(M(G))$. Then we have

$$T_l(X)^- = \text{sp}(F) + T_l(X) \subset \text{sp}(F_0) + T(M(G)).$$

Therefore the proofs of Lemmas 1 and 2 apply to the present situation *mutatis mutandis*. Since X contains an element with nonzero Haar integral by the hypotheses, it follows from Lemma 2 that the set F_0 cannot be countable. This completes the proof.

REMARKS. (I) Let G be an arbitrary LC group. If there exists a closed normal subgroup H of G such that G/H is infinite and σ -compact, then $M(G)$ has uncountably many TILF's whose restrictions to $M_a(G)$ are linearly independent modulo $[M_a(G)]'$. The proof is routine.

(II) It is possible to prove that if G is a noncompact LCA group, then every translation invariant linear operator on $L^1(G)$ is continuous. (We omit the proof although it is nontrivial.) Thus the study of invariant functionals and the study of invariant operators are somewhat different (cf. [9]).

THEOREM 2. *Suppose $1 < p \leq \infty$. Then the following assertions are equivalent.*

(i) *Each LILF on $L^p(G)$ is either a constant multiple of the Haar integral (if G is compact) or the zero functional (if G is noncompact).*

(ii) *The dimension of the quotient space $L^p(G)/T_l(L^p(G))$ is at most countable.*

(iii) *There exist a natural number N , a finite constant C , and a compact subset K of G such that each $f \in L^p(G)$ has a representation of the form*

$$f = a + \sum_{k=1}^N (f_k - \delta_{x_k} * f_k),$$

where $a \in \mathbb{C}$ [$a = 0$ if G is noncompact], $x_k \in K$, $f_k \in L^p(G)$, and $\|f_k\|_p \leq C\|f\|_p$ for all k 's.

PROOF. The space $X = Y = L^p(G)$ is a left-invariant Banach space on G and possesses the three properties (C_1) , (C_2) and (C_3) in Lemma 2. The only exceptional

case arises when G is noncompact and $p = \infty$, because then $L^\infty(G)$ does not satisfy (C_3) . However, this difficulty may be circumvented as follows.

Suppose that G is noncompact (and σ -compact) and that $T_l(C_0(G))^- \subset \text{sp}(F) + T_l(L^\infty(G))$ for some countable subset F of $L^\infty(G)$. It is obvious that $X = C_0(G)$ satisfies conditions (C_2) and (C_3) in Lemma 2. It follows from Lemma 2 with $Y = L^\infty(G)$ that there exists a natural number N and a compact subset K of G such that $B_1(C_0(G))$ is contained in the weak-* compact subset $W_{N,K}$ of $T_l(L^\infty(G))$. But then $B_1(L^\infty(G)) \subset W_{N,K}$, since $B_1(C_0(G))$ is weak-* dense in $B_1(L^\infty(G))$. We have thus proved that (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) holds even in the exceptional case under discussion. This completes the proof.

THEOREM 2*. *Let G be a σ -compact, noncompact, amenable LC group, and let $1 < p \leq \infty$. Then there exist uncountably many LILF's on $L^1(G) + L^p(G)$ whose restrictions to $L^p \cap C_0(G)$ are linearly independent modulo the continuous linear functionals on $L^p \cap C_0(G)$.*

PROOF. The space $Y = M(G) + L^p(G)$ forms a Banach space on G with respect to the intermediate norm defined by

$$\|f\| = \inf \{ \|g\|_M + \|h\|_p : g \in M(G), h \in L^p(G), \text{ \& } g + h = f \}.$$

It is easy to check that $X = L^p \cap C_0(G)$ and Y satisfy conditions (C_1) – (C_3) in Lemma 2.

Suppose, by way of contradiction, that $T_l(X)^- \subset \text{sp}(F) + T_l(Y)$ for some countable subset F of Y . Then Lemma 2 yields a $\sigma(Y, C_c)$ -compact subset $W_{N,K}$ of $T_l(Y)$ such that $B_1(L^p \cap C_0) \subset W_{N,K}$. By using an appropriate approximate identity, one checks that $B_1(L^p \cap C_0)$ is $\sigma(C'_c, C_c)$ -dense in $B_1(L^p \cap L^\infty)$; hence $B_1(L^p \cap L^\infty) \subset W_{N,K}$. The remainder of the proof may be accomplished by modifying Woodward's method in [22, Theorem 1], as follows:

Since $B_1(L^p \cap L^\infty) \subset W_{N,K}$, each element f of $L^p \cap L^\infty$ can be written in the form

$$(8) \quad f = \mu + \sum_{k=1}^N (h_k - \delta_{x_k} * h_k),$$

where $\mu \in M(G)$, $h_k \in L^p(G)$ and $x_k \in K$ for all k 's. Since G is assumed to be amenable, it satisfies the Følner condition [5]. We can, therefore, find a sequence (E_n) of compact subsets of G such that

$$(9) \quad \lambda_G(E_n \Delta x^{-1} E_n) < n^{-1} \lambda_G(E_n) \quad (x \in K, n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

where Δ stands for symmetric difference of sets. There is no loss of generality in assuming that $\lambda_G(E_n) > n^2$ for all $n \geq 1$. Writing $q = p/(p-1)$, we infer from (9) and Hölder's inequality that $h \in L^p(G)$ and $x \in K$ imply

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{E_n} (h - \delta_x * h) dx \right| &\leq \int_{E_n \Delta x^{-1} E_n} |h| dx \leq \lambda_G(E_n \Delta x^{-1} E_n)^{1/q} \|h\|_p \\ &\leq n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n)^{1/q} \|h\|_p \end{aligned}$$

for all $n \geq 1$. It follows from (8) that $f \in L^p \cap L^\infty$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{E_n} f dx \right| &\leq \|\mu\| + n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n)^{1/q} \sum_{k=1}^N \|h_k\|_p \\ &\leq C_f \cdot n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n)^{1/q} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots), \end{aligned}$$

where C_f is a finite constant depending only on f . Therefore the Banach-Steinhaus theorem yields a finite constant C such that

$$(10) \quad \left| \int_{E_n} f dx \right| \leq C n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n)^{1/q} (\|f\|_p + \|f\|_\infty)$$

for all $f \in L^p \cap L^\infty$ and all n 's. In particular, choosing f to be the indicator function of E_n , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_G(E_n) &\leq C n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n)^{1/q} [\lambda_G(E_n)^{1/p} + 1] \\ &\leq 2C n^{-1/q} \lambda_G(E_n) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

Since q is a finite positive number, the last inequalities give us the desired contradiction.

THEOREM 3. *Let X be a left-invariant closed subspace of $L^\infty(G)$ such that $B_1(X)$ is weak-* dense in $B_1(L^\infty)$ [e.g., $C_0(G)$, $C_u(G)$, $C(G)$, etc.]. Suppose either:*

- (i) G is compact and $L^\infty(G)$ has two linearly independent LILF's,
- (ii) G is noncompact and $L^\infty(G)$ has a nonzero LILF, or
- (iii) $l^\infty(G)$ has a LILF which does not annihilate $C(G)$.

Then there exist uncountably many LILF's on $L^\infty(G)$ whose restrictions to X are linearly independent modulo X' .

PROOF. A moment's glance at the proof of Theorem 2 shows that the desired conclusion is certainly true if either (i) or (ii) holds. So it will suffice to show that (iii) implies (i) if G is compact, and (ii) if G is noncompact. If G is discrete, then there is nothing to prove. So assume G is nondiscrete.

Passing to a nondiscrete metrizable quotient of G (cf. [7, p. 71]), we can find a compact subset E of G such that $\lambda_G(E) > 0$ and E has empty interior. Then no finitely many translates of E cover G (a.e.) by the Baire category theorem. Since the maximal ideal space of $L^\infty(G)$ is compact, it follows that there exists a nonzero complex homomorphism Φ of $L^\infty(G)$ such that $\Phi(\delta_x * \xi_E) = 0$ for all $x \in G$. (ξ_E denotes the indicator function of E .) It is easy to see that such a Φ can be chosen so that $\Phi(f) = f(e)$ for all $f \in C(G)$, where e is the identity element of G . Define a mapping Φ' from $L^\infty(G)$ into $l^\infty(G)$ by setting

$$(11) \quad (\Phi'f)(x) = \Phi(\delta_{x^{-1}} * f) \quad (f \in L^\infty(G) \text{ and } x \in G).$$

Thus $\Phi'\xi_E = 0$ and $(\Phi'f)(x) = f(x)$ for all $f \in C(G)$. Moreover, $f \in L^\infty(G)$, $a \in G$, and $x \in G$ imply

$$\Phi'(\delta_a * f)(x) = \Phi(\delta_{x^{-1}} * \delta_a * f) = (\Phi'f)(a^{-1}x)$$

by (11). It follows immediately that $\Phi'[T_l(L^\infty(G))] \subset T_l(l^\infty(G))$.

Now suppose that either (i) or (ii) fails to hold. Then $L^\infty(G) = \text{sp}(\xi_E) + T_l(L^\infty(G))$ by Theorem 2 with $p = \infty$. Since $C(G) \subset L^\infty(G)$ and $\Phi'\xi_E = 0$, it follows that $C(G) = \Phi'[C(G)] \subset T_l(L^\infty(G))$. This contradicts (iii) and the proof is complete.

COROLLARY 4. *Let G be a σ -compact, infinite, LC group. If G is amenable as a discrete group, a fortiori, if G is abelian, then there exist uncountably many LILF's on $L^\infty(G)$ whose restrictions to $C_0(G)$ are linearly independent modulo $[C_0(G)]'$.*

PROOF. Obvious from the definition of amenability.

REMARKS. (III) Whenever G is a nondiscrete σ -compact LC group, there exist uncountably many TILF's on $M(G) + L^\infty(G)$ whose restrictions to $L^1(G)$ are linearly independent modulo $[L^1(G)]'$. This may be proved by modifying the proof of Theorem 1.

(IV) $L^\infty(G)$ has a discontinuous LILF if and only if so does $C_{lu}(G)$, the Banach space of all left uniformly continuous bounded functions on G . The "only if" part is a special case of Theorem 3. The proof of the "if" part requires Cohen's factorization theorem [2]; see also [6].

(V) Let $\text{LIM}(L^\infty(G))$ denote the set of all left-invariant means on $L^\infty(G)$. As is well known, if G is an infinite LC group which is amenable as a discrete group, then the dimension of [the linear space spanned by] $\text{LIM}(L^\infty(G))$ is quite "huge"; see [1, 3–5, 18–21]. This can also happen for some nonamenable groups.

Suppose that G and H are two infinite compact groups, and that G is amenable as a discrete group. For each $M \in \text{LIM}(L^\infty(G))$, define

$$\langle f, M \times \lambda_H \rangle = \left\langle \int f(x, y) d\lambda_H(y), M_x \right\rangle \quad (f \in L^\infty(G \times H)).$$

It is obvious that this is well defined and that the correspondence $M \rightarrow M \times \lambda_H$ is an isomorphism of $\text{LIM}(L^\infty(G))$ into $\text{LIM}(L^\infty(G \times H))$. We do not know whether condition (iii) in Theorem 3 characterizes the amenable groups.

(VI) Let G be a free group with two generators (cf. [7]). It is a well-known fact that $l^\infty(G)$ has no left-invariant mean. In fact, the zero functional is the only one LILF on $l^\infty(G)$. Therefore the conclusion of Theorem 3 fails to hold for some groups.

Let a and b be the free generators of G , and let $f \in l^\infty(G)$ be given. We claim that f has a representation of the form

$$f(x) = g(ax) - g(x) + h(bx) - h(x) \quad (x \in G)$$

for some g and $h \in l^\infty(G)$. To confirm this, notice that G is the union of the sets $\{e\}$, A and B , where $A[B]$ is the set of all reduced words starting with a nonzero power of $a[b]$. Therefore we can write $f = f_1 + f_2$, where $f_1, f_2 \in l^\infty(G)$, $\text{supp } f_1 \subset A \cup \{e\}$, and $\text{supp } f_2 \subset B \cup \{e\}$. Using the fact that G is the union of the disjoint sets $b^n(A \cup \{e\})$ for $n = 0, \pm 1, \dots$, we define

$$h(b^n x) = \begin{cases} f_1(x) & \text{if } x \in A \cup \{e\} \text{ and } n > 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in A \cup \{e\} \text{ and } n \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Similarly, define

$$g(a^n x) = \begin{cases} f_2(x) & \text{if } x \in B \cup \{e\} \text{ and } n > 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in B \cup \{e\} \text{ and } n \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

One checks that $f_1(x) = h(bx) - h(x)$ and $f_2(x) = g(ax) - g(x)$ for all $x \in G$. Hence $f = f_1 + f_2$ admits a decomposition of the desired form. It follows immediately that the only LILF on $l^\infty(G)$ is the trivial functional.

(VII) Let G be an arbitrary LC group. Suppose G contains a closed normal subgroup H such that G/H is compact and $C(G/H)$ admits a discontinuous LILF. Then there exist uncountably many LILF's on $C_c(G)$ which are linearly independent modulo $C'_c(G)$. This may be proved by using Theorem (15.21) of [7] and applying Lemma 2 (cf. [17]).

EXAMPLES. (a) Let $A_1(\mathbf{R})$ denote the space of all $f \in L^1 \cap C^\infty(\mathbf{R})$ such that $\text{supp } \hat{f} \subset [-1, 1]$ and $f^{(n)} \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$. Here \hat{f} denotes the Fourier transform of f . It is evident that $A_1(\mathbf{R})$ forms an invariant Fréchet space on \mathbf{R} with respect to the seminorms

$$p_n(f) = \|f\|_1 + \|f'\|_1 + \cdots + \|f^{(n)}\|_1 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let Y denote the linear span in $C'_c(\mathbf{R})$ of all $M(\mathbf{R}) + L^p(G)$ with $1 \leq p < \infty$. Then Y has uncountably many TILF's whose restrictions to $A_1(\mathbf{R})$ are linearly independent modulo $[A_1(\mathbf{R})]'$.

To prove this, put $Y_m = M(\mathbf{R}) + L^m(\mathbf{R})$ for $m \geq 1$. Then $Y_m \subset Y_{m+1}$ and Y is the union of all Y_m with $m \in \mathbf{N}$. Accordingly, Y may be regarded as the strict inductive limit of the invariant Banach spaces Y_m ($m \in \mathbf{N}$). Suppose by way of contradiction that the above-stated result is false. Then we can modify the proofs of Lemmas 1 and 2 to obtain three natural numbers N, q and n with the following property: each $f \in A_1(\mathbf{R})$ can be written in the form

$$f = \sum_{j=1}^N (\mu_j - \delta_{x_j} * \mu_j) + \sum_{j=1}^N (h_j - \delta_{x_j} * h_j),$$

where $\mu_j \in M(\mathbf{R})$, $h_j \in L^q(\mathbf{R})$, $x_j \in [-N, N]$, $\|\mu_j\|_M \leq Np_n(f)$, and $\|h_j\|_q \leq Np_n(f)$ for all j 's.

Now put $I_m = [-m, m]$ for $m = 1, 2, \dots$. Then notice that the symmetric difference $\{[-N, N] + I_m\} \Delta I_m$ has Lebesgue measure $2N$ and is disjoint from I_m . If $f \in A_1(\mathbf{R})$ is as above, we infer from Hölder's inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{-m}^m f dx \right| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^N |\mu([I_m - x_j] \Delta I_m)| + \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{[I_m - x_j] \Delta I_m} |h_j| dx \\ &\leq o(1) + \sum_{j=1}^N \left\{ \int_{[I_m - x_j] \Delta I_m} |h_j|^q dx \right\}^{1/q} (2N)^{(q-1)/q} \\ &= o(1) + o(1) = o(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_{\mathbf{R}} f dx = 0$ for all $f \in A_1(\mathbf{R})$, which is of course absurd.

(b) As was proved by Meisters [10], each TILF on $C^\infty(\Pi)$ is continuous and is therefore a constant multiple of the Lebesgue integral. However, this is not true for any $C^{(m)}(\Pi) = \{f \in C(\Pi): f^{(m)} \in C(\Pi)\}$, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

To prove this, fix $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and let Y_m denote the subspace of all $f \in C^{(m-1)}(\Pi)$ such that $f^{(m-1)}$ is absolutely continuous and $f^{(m)} \in L^\infty(\Pi)$. Then Y_m forms an invariant Banach space on Π with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{(m)} = \|f\|_\infty + \|f'\|_\infty + \cdots + \|f^{(m)}\|_\infty \quad (f \in Y_m).$$

One checks that the imbedding of $C^{(m)}(\Pi)$ into Y_m is isometric, that $B_1(Y_m)$ is $\sigma(Y_m, C(\Pi))$ -compact, and that the unit ball of $C^{(m)}(\Pi)$ is $\sigma(Y_m, C(\Pi))$ -dense in $B_1(Y_m)$. Suppose that $X = C^{(m)}(\Pi)$ has no discontinuous TILF. Then Lemmas 1 and 2 assure that each $f \in Y_m$ can be written in the form

$$f = \langle 1, f \rangle + \sum_{j=1}^N (h_j - \delta_{x_j} * h_j),$$

where $h_j \in Y_m$ and $x_j \in \Pi$ for all j 's. Taking the m th derivatives of both sides of the last equation, we obtain

$$f^{(m)} = \sum_{j=1}^N [h_j^{(m)} - \delta_{x_j} * h_j^{(m)}].$$

However, it is easy to see that $(d/dt)^m Y_m$ consists of all $g \in L^\infty(\Pi)$ with $\langle 1, g \rangle = 0$. It follows from Theorem 3 that the last expression is impossible for some $f \in Y_m$. This *reductio ad absurdum* establishes the desired result. Notice also that each TILF on $C^{(m)}(\Pi)$ which extends to a TILF on $L^2(\Pi)$ is necessarily continuous by [15].

(c) The following example is included here because of its contrast with the last example. Let G be a compact abelian group with dual Γ , and let (ψ_n) be a sequence of elements of $l^\infty(\Gamma)$ such that $1 \leq \psi_1 \leq \psi_2 \leq \cdots$. Let X consist of all $f \in C(G)$ such that

$$p_n(f) = \sum \{|\hat{f}(\gamma)| \cdot \psi_n(\gamma) : \gamma \in \Gamma\} < \infty \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

It is obvious that X forms an invariant Fréchet space on G with respect to the seminorms $p_n(\cdot)$. Suppose that there exists a compact subgroup H of G such that G/H is an infinite torsion group. Then it is easy to construct an element $f_0 \in X$ with the following property: whenever F is a finite subset of G , then $\lambda_{H(F)} * f_0$ is nonconstant, where $H(F)$ is the compact subgroup of G generated by $H \cup F$ and $\lambda_{H(F)}$ is the normalized Haar measure of $H(F)$.

Suppose by way of contradiction that there is no TILF on $L^1(G)$ whose restriction to X is discontinuous. Then, by Lemmas 1, 2 and the Lebesgue-Radon-Nikodým theorem, we can write f_0 in the form

$$f_0 = C + \sum_{j=1}^N (g_j - \delta_{x_j} * g_j),$$

where $C = \langle 1, f_0 \rangle$, $g_j \in L^1(G)$ and $x_j \in G$ for all j 's. Letting $F = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, we then have $\lambda_{H(F)} * f_0 = C$ a.e. on G . Since f_0 is continuous, it follows that $\lambda_{H(F)} * f_0 = C$ everywhere on G , which contradicts our choice of f_0 .

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