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# Convolutions of measures on some thin sets

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## 1. Introduction.

Let G be a LCA group with dual  $\hat{G}$ , and E a compact subset of G. Following Rudin [4], we say that E is a Kronecker set if, to each  $f \in C(E)$ with |f|=1 and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\tilde{\tau} \in \hat{G}$  such that  $||f-\tilde{\tau}||_E < \varepsilon$ . Let also  $T=\{|z|=1\}$  be the circle group. Then in [2; Lemma 6.10], T. W. Körner proved that there exist two Kronecker sets  $K_1$  and  $K_2 \subset T$ , both homeomorphic to  $D_2 = \{0, 1\}^{\infty}$ , and two nonzero nonnegative Borel measures  $\mu_1$ on  $K_1$  and  $\mu_2$  on  $K_2$ , such that  $K_1 + K_2 = T$ , and  $\mu_1 * \mu_2 \in C^{\infty}(T)$ .

In this paper, we prove analogs to the above result for general LCA groups. I thank Professor S. Saeki for his useful advices.

### 2. Notations.

Throughout this paper, G is used to denote a nondiscrete LCA group. We shall respectively denote by  $A(G) = (L^1(\widehat{G}))^{\uparrow}$  and  $C_c(G)$ , the Fourier algebra of G, and the set of all continuous functions with compact support. Also we shall respectively denote by M(G),  $M_c(G)$ , and  $M_0(G)$ , the measure algebra of all bounded regular measures on G, the set of all continuous measures in M(G), and the set of those measures  $\mu \in M(G)$  whose Fourier-Stieltjes transforms vanish at infinity. For  $\mu \in M(G)$ ,  $\|\mu\|$  will denote the total variation norm. The symbols  $C_c^+(G)$ ,  $M^+(G)$ , and  $M_c^+(G)$ , will designate the set of all nonnegative functions in  $C_c(G)$ , the set of all nonnegative measures in M(G), and the set of all nonnegative measures in  $M_c(G)$ , respectively. For  $\mu$ ,  $\nu \in M(G)$ , we write  $\mu \perp \nu$  if  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are mutually singular. We set  $M_0^{\perp}(G) = \{\mu \in M(G) | \mu$  is singular with each  $\nu \in M_0(G)\}$ . For the other notation, we refer to Rudin [4].

DEFINITION 1. Let 0 be the unit of G.  $q(G) = \sup \{s | \text{every neighborhood } 0 \in G \text{ contains an element of order } \geq s \}$ .

DEFINITION 2. Let  $q \ge 2$  be an integer, and E a totally disconnected compact subset of G. We say that E is a  $K_q$ -set if, to each  $f \in C(E)$  with  $f^q=1$ , there exists  $\gamma \in \hat{G}$  such that  $f=\gamma$  on E.

### 3. Statements of the results.

THEOREM A. Let G be a metrizable LCA group with  $q(G) = \infty$ . Let also  $E \subset G$  be a compact set, and  $N \ge 2$  an integer. Then there exist disjoint Kronecker sets  $K_1, \dots, K_N$ , all homeomorphic to  $D_2 = \{0, 1\}^{\infty}$ , and nonzero measures  $\mu_1 \in M_c^+(K_1), \dots, \mu_N \in M_c^+(K_N)$ , such that

(i) the union of any N-1 sets of the  $K_j$ 's is a Kronecker set,

(ii)  $\mu_1 * \cdots * \mu_N$  is absolutely continuous with respect to Haar measure on G, and its Radon-Nikodym derivative is in A(G) and positive on E.

THEOREM B. Let G be a nondiscrete metrizable LCA group with  $q = q(G) < \infty$ , and  $N \ge 2$  an integer. Then there exists an open neighborhood U of 0 such that for each compact set  $E \subset U$  with  $0 \notin E$ , the conclusion of Theorem A is satisfied with  $K_q$ -set in place of Kronecker set.

REMARK. In the above result, if  $N \neq 2$  or  $q \neq 2$ , the condition  $0 \notin E$  is unnecessary.

COROLLARY 1. Let G be a nondiscrete LCA group. Then there exist nonzero measures  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2 \in M_c^+(G) \cap M_0^{\perp}(G)$  such that

(i)  $\|\mu_i\| = \overline{\lim} |\hat{\mu}_i(\tilde{r})|$  (*i*=1, 2),

(ii)  $\mu_1 * \mu_2 \in A(G) \cap C_c^+(G).$ 

COROLLARY 2 ([1]). Let G be a nondiscrete LCA group. Then  $M_0^{\perp}(G)$  is not an algebra.

## 4. Some lemmas for the proof of Theorem A.

LEMMA 1. Let f, g be in  $A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$  with  $||f||_{L^1(G)} = ||g||_{L^1(G)} = 1$ , and  $q(G) = \infty$ . Let also  $0 < \eta < 1$  be given. Then there exists  $\nu \in M^+(G)$  with  $||\nu|| = 1$ , such that

- (i)  $\operatorname{supp} \nu \subset \operatorname{int} (\operatorname{supp} f),$
- (ii) supp v is a finite Kronecker set,
- (iii)  $||f*g-\nu*g||_{A(G)} < \eta$ .

PROOF. Let  $\eta' > 0$  be given. Since f, g are in  $C_{\epsilon}^+(G)$ , there exists  $\{V_i\}$  a finite partition of supp f, such that

(4.1.1) 
$$\operatorname{int} V_i \cap \operatorname{int} (\operatorname{supp} f) \neq \phi,$$

 $(4. 1. 2) \qquad |f(x) - f(y)| < \eta', \ |g(x) - g(y)| < \eta', \ \text{for any } z \in G, \ x, \ y \in z + V_i \,.$ 

Then there exists  $\{y_i\}$  a finite Kronecker set such that  $y_i \in V_i \cap int(supp f)$ . Put

$$u' = \sum_{i} \left( \int_{\mathcal{V}_{i}} f(y_{i}) \, dy \right) \delta_{y_{i}}.$$

From (4. 1. 2), we see that

(4.1.3) 
$$| \|\nu'\| - 1 |$$
  
=  $|\sum_{i} \int_{\nu_{i}} f(y_{i}) dy - \sum_{i} \int f(y) \chi_{\nu_{i}}(y) dy |$   
 $\leq \eta' \cdot m (\operatorname{supp} f),$ 

where *m* denotes Haar measure of *G*, and from (4.1.2), (4.1.3) that for each  $x \in G$ 

$$\begin{array}{ll} (4.\ 1.\ 4) & |f \ast g(x) - \nu' \ast g(x)| \\ & \leq \sum_{i} \left\{ \int_{\mathcal{V}_{i}} |g(x - y)| \, |f(y) - f(y_{i})| dy \\ & + \int_{\mathcal{V}_{i}} |g(x - y) - g(x - y_{i})| \, |f(y_{i})| dy \right\} \\ & \leq \eta' \|g\|_{L^{1}(G)} + \eta' \cdot \left(1 + \eta' \cdot m \left( \operatorname{supp} f \right) \right). \end{array}$$

Putting  $\nu = \frac{\nu'}{\|\nu'\|}$ , we have by (4.1.3) (4.1.5)  $\|\nu - \nu'\| \le |1 - \|\nu'\|| \le \eta' \cdot m (\operatorname{supp} f).$ 

Also by (4.1.4) and (4.1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4.\ 1.\ 6) & |f \ast g(x) - \nu \ast g(x)| \\ & \leq |f \ast g(x) - \nu' \ast g(x)| + |\nu' \ast g(x) - \nu \ast g(x)| \\ & \leq \eta' \|g\|_{L^1(G)} + \eta' \cdot \left(1 + \eta' \cdot m \,(\operatorname{supp} f)\right) + \left(\eta' \cdot m \,(\operatorname{supp} f)\right) \cdot \|g\|_{\infty} \,. \end{aligned}$$

Now we can complete the proof as follows. First choose  $\hat{F}$  a compact subset of  $\hat{G}$  such that

(4.1.7) 
$$\int_{\hat{F}^{\sigma}} |\hat{g}(\tilde{r})| d\tilde{r} < \frac{\eta}{4} .$$

By (4.1.1), (4.1.2) and (4.1.6), there exists  $\nu$ , satisfying (i) ond (ii), such that

(4.1.8) 
$$||f*g-\nu*g||_{\infty} < [m(\operatorname{supp} f + \operatorname{supp} g)]^{-1} \cdot [\hat{m}(\hat{F})]^{-1} \cdot \frac{\eta}{2},$$

where  $\hat{m}$  denotes Haar measure of  $\hat{G}$ . Then by (4.1.7) and (4.1.8), we have

$$\begin{split} \|f \ast g - \nu \ast g\|_{A(G)} &\leq \int_{\hat{F}} |\hat{f}(\tilde{r}) \, \hat{g}(\tilde{r}) - \hat{\nu}(\tilde{r})| d\tilde{r} \\ &+ \int_{\hat{F}^c} |\hat{f}(\tilde{r}) \, g(\tilde{r}) - \hat{\nu}(\tilde{r}) \, \hat{g}(\tilde{r})| d\tilde{r} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \|f^*g - \nu_*g\|_{\mathcal{A}(G)} \leq & \left[\widehat{m}(\widehat{F})\right] \cdot \int |f^*g(x) - \nu^*g(x)| dx \\ &+ 2 \int_{\widehat{F}^\sigma} |\widehat{g}(\widehat{r})| d\widehat{r} \\ \leq & \eta \,. \end{split}$$

LEMMA 2. Let E be a compact subset of G,  $\varepsilon$  a positive number, and let  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_3$  in  $A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$  satisfy

$$\|f_1\|_{L^1(G)} = \|f_2\|_{L^1(G)} = \|f_3\|_{L^1(G)} = 1 \text{ and}$$
  
int (supp  $f_1$ ) + int (supp  $f_2$ ) + int (supp  $f_3$ )  $\supset E$ .

Then there exist  $\nu_1$ ,  $\nu_2$  in  $M^+(G)$  with  $\|\nu_1\| = \|\nu_2\| = 1$ ,  $N \ge 2$  an integer, and  $\{a_{1i}, \dots, a_{Ni}\} \subset \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} f_i)$  (i=1, 2), such that

 $(\mathbf{i}) \quad \bigcup_{j=1}^{N} \left( a_{j1} + a_{j2} + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} f_2) \right) \supset E,$ 

(ii)  $\operatorname{supp} \nu_i = \{a_{1i}, \dots, a_{Ni}\}\ (i=1, 2), \ \operatorname{supp} \nu_1 \cap \operatorname{supp} \nu_2 = \phi, \ and \ (\operatorname{supp} \nu_1) \cup (\operatorname{supp} \nu_2) \ is \ a \ Kronecker \ set,$ 

(iii)  $||f_1*f_2*f_3-\nu_1*\nu_2*f_3||_{A(G)} < \varepsilon.$ 

PROOF. Since E is a compact set, it follows from the hypothesis that there exist  $N' \ge 2$  an integer, and  $\{a_{1i}, \dots, a_{N'i}\} \subset \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} f_i)$  (i=1, 2), such that

(4.2.1) 
$$\bigcup_{j=1}^{N'} \left( a_{j1} + a_{j2} + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} f_3) \right) \supset E, \text{ and}$$

(4. 2. 2) 
$$\{a_{11}, \dots, a_{N'1}; a_{12}, \dots, a_{N'2}\}$$
 is Kronecker set.

Then by Lemma 1, we have  $\nu_1 \in M^+(G)$ ,  $\|\nu_1\| = 1$ , and Card (supp  $\nu_1 \ge N'$ , such that

(4.2.3) Supp  $\nu_1 \cup \{a_{12}, \dots, a_{N'2}\}$  is a finite Kronecker set,

$$(4. 2. 4) \quad \text{int} (\operatorname{supp} f_1) \supset \operatorname{supp} \nu_1 \supset \{a_{11}, \dots, a_{N'1}\}, \text{ and}$$

$$(4. 2. 5) ||f_1*f_2*f_3-\nu_1*f_2*f_3||_{\mathcal{A}(G)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

In the same way, we have  $\nu^2 \in M^+(G)$ ,  $\|\nu_2\| = 1$  such that

- (4. 2. 6)  $(\operatorname{supp} \nu_1) \cup (\operatorname{supp} \nu_2)$  is a finite Kronecker set, and  $(\operatorname{supp} \nu_1) \cap (\operatorname{supp} \nu_2) = \phi$ ,
- (4. 2. 7)  $\text{int } (\operatorname{supp} f_2) \supset \operatorname{supp} \nu_2 \supset \{a_{12}, \dots, a_{N'2}\}, \\ \operatorname{Card} (\operatorname{supp} \nu_2) \geq \operatorname{Card} (\operatorname{supp} \nu_1), \text{ and}$

(4.2.8) 
$$||f_2*f_3-\nu_2*f_3||_{A(G)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume  $\operatorname{Card}(\operatorname{supp} \nu_1) = \operatorname{Card}(\operatorname{supp} \nu_2)$ (if necessary, replace  $\nu_1$  by an appropriate  $\nu'_1$ ).

Put  $N=Card (supp \nu_1)=Card (supp \nu_2)$ . We have (i), (ii) in Lemma 2 by (4. 2. 1) and (4. 2. 7). By (4. 2. 5) and (4. 2. 8), we have

$$\begin{split} \|f_1 * f_2 * f_3 - \nu_1 * \nu_2 * f_3 \|_{\mathcal{A}(G)} \\ &\leq \|f_1 * f_2 * f_3 - \nu_1 * f_2 * f_3 \|_{\mathcal{A}(G)} \\ &+ \|\nu_1 * f_2 * f_3 - \nu_1 * \nu_2 * f_3 \|_{\mathcal{A}(G)} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \|f_2 * f_3 - \nu_2 * f_3 \|_{\mathcal{A}(G)} \\ &< \varepsilon \,. \end{split}$$

which establishes part (iii).

LEMMA 3. Under the notation in Lemma 2, let  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  be positive numbers. Then there exist W a compact neighborhood of 0 and  $\hat{K}$  a finite subset of  $\hat{G}$ , such that

(i)  $diam(W) < \eta_1$ ,

(ii)  $\{a_{ji}+W\}_{j=1,\dots,N;\ i=1,2}$  are disjoint sets,  $a_{ji}+W\subset int(supp f_i) \ (j=1, \dots, N;\ i=1, 2)$ , and  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{N} (x_{j1}+x_{j2}+int(supp f_3)) \supset E$  for any  $x_{si}\in a_{si}+W$   $(s=1, \dots, N;\ i=1, 2)$ ,

(iii) given  $\alpha_{js}$  reals  $(j=1, \dots, N; s=1, 2)$ , there exists  $\tilde{\gamma} \in \hat{K}$  satisfying

 $|\gamma(x) - \exp(i\alpha_{js})| < \eta_2 \text{ for } x \in a_{js} + W \quad (j = 1, \dots, N; s = 1, 2).$ 

PROOF. By (i) in Lemma 2, and [5; Lemma 2], we have  $W_1$  a compact neighborhood of 0 satisfying (i) and (ii). On the other hand, by (ii) in Lemma 2, there exists  $\hat{K} \subset \hat{G}$  a finite set, such that for any  $\alpha_{js}$  reals  $(j=1, \dots, N; s=1, 2)$ , we can take  $\gamma \in \hat{K}$  satisfying

(\*) 
$$|\Upsilon(a_{js}) - \exp(i\alpha_{js})| < \frac{\eta_2}{2}$$
  $(j = 1, \dots, N; s = 1, 2).$ 

After all, by (\*), it is sufficient to choose  $W \subset W_1$  a compact neighborhood of 0 such that

$$\begin{split} |\varUpsilon(x) - \varUpsilon(a_{js})| &< \frac{\eta_2}{2} \\ \text{for any } \varUpsilon\in \widehat{K} \text{ and } x \in a_{js} + W \qquad (j = 1, \, \cdots, \, N; \; s = 1, \, 2) \end{split}$$

LEMMA 4. Under the notation in Lemma 3, there exist  $f'_1, f'_2 \in A(G) \cap C^+_{\epsilon}(G)$  with  $\|f'_1\|_{L^1(G)} = \|f'_2\|_{L^1(G)} = 1$ , such that

(i) int  $(\operatorname{supp} f'_1) + \operatorname{int} (\operatorname{supp} f'_2) + \operatorname{int} (\operatorname{supp} f_3) \supset E$ , (ii)  $\operatorname{supp} f'_i \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^N (a_{ji} + W)$  (i = 1, 2), E. Sato

(iii)  $||f_1*f_2*f_3-f_1'*f_2'*f_3||_{A(G)} < 2\varepsilon$ .

PROOF. First, let  $\hat{F}$  be a compact subset of  $\hat{G}$  such that

(4. 4. 1) 
$$\int_{\hat{F}^{\sigma}} \hat{f}_{3}(\tilde{r}) |d\tilde{r}| < \frac{\varepsilon}{8} .$$

Next, for W in Lemma 3, there exists  $h \in A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$  with supp  $h \subset W$ and  $||h||_{L^1(G)} = 1$ , such that

(4. 4. 2) 
$$\int_{\vec{F}} |\hat{f}_3(\vec{r}) - \hat{h}(\vec{r}) \hat{f}_3(\vec{r})| d\vec{r} < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}.$$

Put  $f'_1 = \nu_1 * h$ ,  $f'_2 = \nu_2 * h$  where  $\nu_1$ ,  $\nu_2$  are as in Lemma 2. Then, we have

$$\begin{split} \|f'_i\|_{L^1(G)} &= 1, \ f'_i \in A(G) \cap C^+_e(G), \ \text{and} \\ & \text{supp} \, f_i \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^N (a_{ji} + W) \qquad (i = 1, \, 2) \,. \end{split}$$

So we have (i) and (ii) immediately. Also by Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{split} \|f_1 * f_2 * f_3 - f_1' * f_2' * f_3\|_{A(G)} \\ &\leq \|f_1 * f_2 * f_3 - \nu_1 * \nu_2 * f_3\|_{A(G)} \\ &+ \|\nu_1 * \nu_2 * f_3 - f_1' * f_2' * f_3\|_{A(G)} \\ &\leq \varepsilon + 2 \|f_3 - h * f_3\|_{A(G)} \,. \end{split}$$

By (4. 4. 1) and (4. 4. 2), we have

$$\|f_3 - h * f_3\|_{A(G)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} + \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

## 5. The proofs of Theorem A and Theorem B.

The proof of Theorem A. We prove Theorem A only for N=3, since the proof for the general case is similar.

First, choose  $g_1$ ,  $g_2$ ,  $g_3 \in A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$  with  $||g_1||_{L^1(G)} = ||g_2||_{L^1(G)} = ||g_3||_{L^1(G)}$ = 1, such that

$$\operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_1) + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_2) + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_3) \supset E$$
,

and

$$g_1 * g_2 * g_3 \ge \delta > 0$$
 on  $E$ .

Next, suppose that for some  $r \ge 0$ , we constructed

$$g_{3r+1}, g_{3r+2}, g_{3r+3} \in A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$$

with  $||g_{3r+1}||_{L^1(G)} = ||g_{3r+2}||_{L^1(G)} = ||g_{3r+3}||_{L^1(G)} = 1$ , such that

$$\operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3r+1}) + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3r+2}) + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3r+3}) \supset E$$

and

$$g_{3r+1} * g_{3r+2} * g_{3r+3} \ge \delta(1 - 10^{-1} - \dots - 10^{-r})$$
 on  $E$ .

We now describe the construction in the  $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$  step. We use Lemmas 2 and 3 for  $f_i = g_{3r+i}$  (i=1, 2, 3), and positive numbers  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\eta_1$ ,  $\eta_2$  which tend to 0 rapidly depending on r. Then we get  $g'_{3r+1}=f'_1$ ,  $g'_{3r+2}=f'_2$ ,  $g_{3r+3}=f_3$  as in Lemma 4. Again putting  $f_1=g'_{3r+2}$ ,  $f_2=g_{3r+3}$ ,  $f_3=g'_{3r+1}$ , we get similarly  $g''_{3r+1}$ ,  $g'_{3r+3}$ ,  $g'_{3r+1}$  in place of  $f'_1$ ,  $f'_2$ ,  $f_3$  as in Lemma 4. In the third step, putting  $f_1=g'_{3r+3}$ ,  $f_2=g'_{3r+1}$ ,  $f_3=g''_{3r+2}$ , we get  $g''_{3r+3}$ ,  $g''_{3r+2}$  in place of  $f'_1$ ,  $f'_2$ ,  $f'_3$  as in Lemma 4.

Put 
$$g_{3(r+1)+i} = g_{3r+i}''$$
  $(i = 1, 2, 3)$ .

We can demand that

$$(5. 1. 1) g_{3(r+1)+i} \in A(G) \cap C_{c}^{+}(G), \|g_{3(r+1)+i}\|_{L^{1}(G)} = 1 (i = 1, 2, 3),$$

(5. 1. 2)  $\operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3(r+1)+1} + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3(r+1)+2}) + \operatorname{int}(\operatorname{supp} g_{3(r+1)+3}) \supset E$ ,

and

(5. 1. 3) 
$$\|g_{3r+1}*g_{3r+2}*g_{3r+3}-g_{3(r+1)+1}*g_{3(r+1)+2}*g_{3(r+1)+3}\|_{A(G)} \leq \frac{\delta}{10^{r+1}}.$$

From (5. 1. 3), we have

$$g_{3(r+1)+1} * g_{3(r+1)+2} * g_{3(r+1)+3} \ge \delta(1 - 10^{-1} - \dots - 10^{-(r+1)})$$
 on  $E$ .

This completes our inductive construction.

Now let

$$L_{3r+i}$$
 be supp  $g_{3r+i}$   $(i=1, 2, 3)$ ,

and

$$K_i = \bigcap_{r=0}^{\infty} L_{3r+i}$$
  $(i = 1, 2, 3).$ 

Then if we carefully choose  $\{g_{3r+i}\}_{r\geq 0}$ , i=1, 2, 3 recalling the proofs of Lemma 3 and Lemma 4, we can demand that the  $K_i$ 's (i=1, 2, 3) are disjoint Kronecker sets, homeomorphic to Cantor set such that the union of any two sets in  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$ ,  $K_3$  is a Kronecker set and  $K_1+K_2+K_3\supset E$ . (cf [4; 5.2.4])

By (5.1.1), we can find an increasing sequence  $\{r_n\}$  of natural numbers such that  $\{g_{3r_n+i}\}_{n\geq 1}$  has a limit  $\mu_i$  in the weak\* topology of M(G) for i=1, 2, 3.

Then it is easy to see that  $\mu_i \in M_c^+(K_i)$  and  $\|\mu_i\| = 1$  (i=1, 2, 3).

On the other hand, by (5. 1. 3),  $(g_{3r+1}*g_{3r+2}*g_{3r+3})_{r\geq 0}$  is a Cauchy sequence in A(G).

Putting g the limit of  $g_{3r+1}*g_{3r+2}*g_{3r+3}$  as r tends to  $\infty$ , we have

$$g \in A(G) \cap C_c^+(G)$$
,  $g \ge \frac{\delta}{100} > 0$  on  $E$ ,

and

$$d(\mu_1 * \mu_2 * \mu_3) = gdm.$$

We get the desired result.

The proof of Theorem B. If we use the next Lemma 5, Theorem B can be proved in the same way as Theorem A. Because we can use as  $\eta_2 = 0, \alpha_{js} \in \left\{\frac{2\pi}{q}, \frac{4\pi}{q}, \cdots, \frac{2q\pi}{q}\right\}$  in Lemma 3.

LEMMA 5 ([3; chap XIII 3.7]). Let G be a nondiscrete LCA group, and  $q=q(G)<\infty$ . Then there exists U an open neighborhood of 0, such that for any  $k\geq 1$  integer and  $V_1, \dots, V_k\subset U$  disjoint, nonempty open sets, there exist  $x_i\in V_i$ , all with order q, such that  $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  is an independent set.

#### 6. The proofs of Corollaries.

Since Corollary 2 is clear from Corollary 1, it is sufficient to show Corollary 1.

The proof of Corollary 1. Since G is a nondiscrete LCA group,  $\hat{G}$  is a noncompact set. Thus there exists Y an open subgroup of G, which is  $\sigma$ -compact, but is not compact. Put  $H=Y^{\perp}$ .

We have that G/H is a nondiscrete, metrizable group, and

(6.1) H is a compact group.

By Theorem A and Theorem B, there exist  $\nu_i$  nonzero measures in  $M^+(G/H)$ , such that

(6.2) supp  $\nu_i$  is a compact subset of some  $K_q$ -set (i = 1, 2),

and

(6.3) 
$$\nu_1 * \nu_2 \in A(G/H).$$

Then From [4; 5.5.3] and [4; 5.6.10], it is easy to see

(6.4) 
$$\nu_i \in M_0^{\perp}(G/H)$$
  $(i=1,2)$ 

By (6.2), recalling  $\nu_i \ge 0$  (i=1, 2), we get

(6.5)  $\|\nu_i\| = \overline{\lim_{r \to \infty}} |\hat{\nu}_i(r)| \qquad (i = 1, 2).$ 

Let  $m_H$  be the normalized Haar measure on H. We define  $\mu_i \in M^+(G)$  by setting

(6.6) 
$$\int_{G} f(x) \, d\mu_i = \int_{G/H} \int_{H} f(x+y) \, dm_H(y) \, d\nu_i \qquad (i=1,2)$$

for  $f \in C_0(G)$ , where  $C_0(G)$  is the completion of  $C_c(G)$  in the supremum norm. By (6.1) and (6.2), supp  $\mu_i$  is compact (i=1, 2). Then for any bounded continuous function f, we have (6.6). In particular for  $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$ , we get

(6.7) 
$$\hat{\mu}_i(\tau) = \begin{cases} \hat{\nu}_i(\tau) & \text{for } \tau \in Y \\ 0 & \text{for } \tau \notin Y. \end{cases}$$

We claim that  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  have the required properties. Recalling the choice of Y, (6.3), (6.5), and (6.6), we get

$$\|\mu_i\| = \overline{\lim_{r \to \infty}} |\hat{\mu}_i(r)|, \ \mu_i \in M^+_c(G) \qquad (i = 1, 2),$$

and

 $\mu_1 * \mu_2 \in A(G).$ 

To complete the proof, it is sufficient to show  $\mu_1 \in M_0^{\perp}(G)$ . Suppose that  $\mu_1$  is not in  $M_0^{\perp}(G)$ . Then there exists  $\mu'$  a nonzero nonnegative measure in  $M_0(G)$  such that  $\mu'$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu_1$ . Hence putting  $\mu = \mu' * m_H$ , we get that  $\mu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu_1$ . Hence  $\mu_1$ . We define  $\nu \in M(G/H)$  by

$$\int_{G} f(x) d\mu = \int_{G/H} \int_{H} f(x+y) dm_{H}(y) d\nu \text{ for } f \in C_{0}(G).$$

Then  $\mu$  being absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu \in M_0(G)$ , we get that  $\nu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\nu_1$ , and nonzero measure in  $M_0(G/H)$ . This contradicts (6.4).

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