

Lifting Fourier-Stieltjes transforms and transferring cocycles

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Abstract

We exhibit a class of linear liftings of Fourier-Stieltjes transforms defined on a closed subgroup of a locally compact Abelian group to Fourier-Stieltjes transforms defined on the whole group. Using these liftings, we establish a result about unitary representations associated with cocycles on compact Abelian groups with dense action.

0. Introduction

Let G be a locally compact Abelian group and \widehat{G} be the dual group of G . Let $A(G)$ be the space of Fourier transforms of Haar-integrable functions on \widehat{G} , $B(G)$ be the space of Fourier transforms of complex finite regular Borel measures on \widehat{G} , $B_+^\dagger(G)$ be the set of Fourier transforms of regular Borel probability measures on \widehat{G} , and $B_s(G)$ be the space of Fourier transforms of finite regular Borel measures on \widehat{G} singular with respect to Haar measure. Let G_0 be a closed subgroup of G and R be the operator of the restriction to G_0 of functions defined on G . A well-known elementary result states that $R(A(G))=A(G_0)$ and $R(B(G))=B(G_0)$ (cf. [13, Theorems 2.7.2 and 2.7.4]). J. Inoue [10] constructed a linear isometry I from $B(G_0)$ into $B(G)$, carrying $A(G_0)$ in $A(G)$, $B_+^\dagger(G_0)$ in $B_+^\dagger(G)$, and $B_s(G_0)$ in $B_s(G)$, such that RI is the identity on $B(G_0)$ and, for each $\psi \in B(G_0)$, the support of $I\psi$ is contained in the set of all elements of the form $x+y$ with x in the support of ψ and y in any given neighbourhood of 0 in G . Inoue's construction, relying on a subtle reduction to the case in which G_0 is discrete and in which such an isometry can be expressed by a simple formula (cf. [9, Theorem A.7.1]) is fairly complicated and leads to a rather non-transparent formula for I . In this paper, we reveal a class of isometries with properties as above, which have a strikingly simple form. Taking advantage of the special shape of these isometries, we establish a result about transferring cocycles from closed subgroups of compact Abelian groups with dense action to the entire groups. The latter result will provide motivation to the proposed approach.

1. A lifting theorem

With G a locally compact Abelian group, let m_G be the Haar measure on G and $\mathcal{K}(G)$ be the space of all complex continuous functions on G with compact support. With G_0 a closed subgroup of G , let G/G_0 be the corresponding quotient group and π be the canonical epimorphism from G onto G/G_0 . Suppose the Haar measure on G/G_0 is normalized so that

$$\int_G f(x) dm_G(x) = \int_{G/G_0} \left[\int_{G_0} f(x+y) dm_{G_0}(x) \right] dm_{G/G_0}(y) \quad (y = \pi(x))$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{K}(G)$; here we adopt the standard notational convention regarding double integrals in which one integration is performed over a subgroup and the other over the corresponding quotient group (cf. [3, p. 44; 5, p. 249]).

Let $C(G)$ be the space of all complex bounded continuous functions on G , $C_0(G)$ be the space of all complex continuous functions on G vanishing at infinity, and, for $1 \leq p < +\infty$, let $L^p(G)$ be the p th Lebesgue space based on m_G .

Let \mathcal{F} be the Fourier transformation defined by

$$\mathcal{F}f(\gamma) = \int_G f(x)(x, -\gamma) dm_G(x) \quad (f \in L^1(G), \gamma \in \widehat{G}).$$

We normalize the Haar measure on \widehat{G} so that

$$f(x) = \int_{\widehat{G}} \mathcal{F}f(\gamma)(x, \gamma) dm_{\widehat{G}}(\gamma) \quad (x \in G),$$

whenever $f \in L^1(G) \cap C(G)$ and $\mathcal{F}f \in L^1(\widehat{G})$.

Let G_0^\perp be the annihilator of G_0 in \widehat{G} defined as

$$\{\gamma \in \widehat{G} : (x, \gamma) = 1 \text{ for } x \in G_0\}.$$

Let ρ be the canonical epimorphism from \widehat{G} onto \widehat{G}/G_0^\perp . With the normalization of Haar measures on mutually dual groups adopted above, we have

$$\int_{\widehat{G}} f(\gamma) dm_{\widehat{G}}(\gamma) = \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \left[\int_{G_0^\perp} f(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \right] dm_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp}(\dot{\gamma}) \quad (\dot{\gamma} = \rho(\gamma))$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{K}(\widehat{G})$.

Let $M(G)$ be the space of all complex finite regular Borel measures on G , $M_s(G)$ be the space of measures in $M(G)$ singular with respect to Haar measure, $M_a(G)$ be the space of atomic measures in $M(G)$, and $M_0(G)$ be

the space of measures $\mu \in M(G)$ such that $\mathcal{F}\mu \in C_0(\widehat{G})$, where $\mathcal{F}\mu$, the Fourier transform of μ , is defined by

$$\mathcal{F}\mu(\gamma) = \int_G (x, -\gamma) d\mu(x) \quad (\gamma \in \widehat{G}).$$

We identify the space of measures in $M(G)$ absolutely continuous with respect to Haar measure with the space $L^1(G)$. We also let

$$B_a(\widehat{G}) = \{\mathcal{F}\mu : \mu \in M_a(G)\}$$

and

$$B_0(\widehat{G}) = \{\mathcal{F}\mu : \mu \in M_0(G)\}.$$

For any space E of functions or measures, we denote by E_+ the set of all non-negative elements of E .

Given a topological space X , let $\mathcal{B}(X)$ be the space of all complex bounded Borel functions on X , and $\mathfrak{B}(X)$ be the σ -algebra of Borel subsets of X .

Suppose h is a function in $C_+(\widehat{G})$ such that, for each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$,

$$\int_{G^\dagger} h(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G^\dagger}(\xi) = 1. \tag{1.1}$$

As we shall see shortly, such functions exist in abundance. For each $f \in \mathcal{K}(\widehat{G})$, the function

$$g_f(\gamma) = \int_{G^\dagger} h(\gamma + \xi) f(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G^\dagger}(\xi) \quad (\gamma \in \widehat{G})$$

is continuous on \widehat{G} and $g_f(\gamma + \eta) = g_f(\gamma)$ for each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$ and each $\eta \in G^\dagger$, so that $g_f = \tilde{g}_f \circ \rho$, where \tilde{g}_f is a uniquely determined continuous function on \widehat{G}/G^\dagger . Moreover, \tilde{g}_f has compact support (cf. [5, Theorem 14.1.5.5]), and if we let $\|\cdot\|_{\infty, X}$ denote the supremum norm over a set X , then $\|\tilde{g}_f\|_{\infty, \widehat{G}/G^\dagger} = \|g_f\|_{\infty, \widehat{G}} \leq \|f\|_{\infty, \widehat{G}}$. Thus, by the Riesz theorem, for each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G^\dagger)$ the bounded linear functional

$$f \rightarrow \int_{\widehat{G}/G^\dagger} \tilde{g}_f d\mu \quad (f \in \mathcal{K}(G))$$

can be represented as

$$f \rightarrow \int_G f dJ_\mu$$

for a unique J_μ in $M(\widehat{G})$. We claim that given $f \in \mathcal{B}(\widehat{G})$, g_f is in $\mathcal{B}(\widehat{G}/G^\dagger)$ and, for each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G^\dagger)$,

$$\int_{\widehat{G}} f dJ_{\mu} = \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger}} \tilde{g}_f d\mu. \quad (1.2)$$

Let f be a non-negative lower semicontinuous function on \widehat{G} and $(f_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in A}$ be an increasing net in $\mathcal{K}_+(\widehat{G})$ such that $\sup_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} = f$. Then, by the generalized monotone convergence theorem (cf. [3, Chapitre 4, §1, n° 1, Théorème 1]), $\tilde{g}_f = \sup_{\alpha} \tilde{g}_{f_{\alpha}}$ and, since the $\tilde{g}_{f_{\alpha}}$ ($\alpha \in A$) are in $\mathcal{K}_+(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$, \tilde{g}_f is lower semicontinuous. Let $\mu \in M_+(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$. Then, still by the generalized monotone convergence theorem,

$$\int_{\widehat{G}} f dJ_{\mu} = \sup_{\alpha} \int_{\widehat{G}} f_{\alpha} dJ_{\mu} = \sup_{\alpha} \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger}} \tilde{g}_{f_{\alpha}} d\mu = \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger}} \tilde{g}_f d\mu.$$

In particular, for each open subset U of \widehat{G} , if we let 1_U denote the characteristic function of U , then \tilde{g}_{1_U} is lower semicontinuous and (1.2) holds with $f = 1_U$. Let

$$\mathcal{D} = \{E \in \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G}) : \tilde{g}_{1_E} \in \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger}) \text{ and (1.2) holds for } f = 1_E\}.$$

Clearly, \mathcal{D} is a Dynkin class: 1° \widehat{G} is in \mathcal{D} ; 2° if E is in \mathcal{D} , then $\widehat{G} \setminus E$ is in \mathcal{D} ; 3° if $(E_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of pairwise disjoint sets in \mathcal{D} , then $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_n$ is in \mathcal{D} . According to the main theorem about Dynkin classes, if Ω is a non-empty set and \mathcal{E} is a family of subsets of Ω closed under finite intersections, then the smallest Dynkin class containing \mathcal{E} coincides with the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{E} (cf. [2, Theorem 1.2.4]). Applying this result in the situation where $\Omega = \widehat{G}$ and where \mathcal{E} is the family of all open subsets of \widehat{G} , we conclude that $\mathcal{D} = \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G})$, so that the claim is valid for all $f = 1_E$ ($E \in \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G})$), and next, by the usual extension, for all f in $\mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G})$. The final step consists in an obvious extension of the validity of (1.2) to all measures in $M(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$.

The mapping $J: \mu \rightarrow J_{\mu}$ is clearly a linear operator from $M(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$ into $M(\widehat{G})$. Its basic properties are listed in the following

THEOREM 1.1. *The following hold true:*

- (i) J is an isometry;
- (ii) $J_{\mu} \in M_+(\widehat{G})$ if and only if $\mu \in M_+(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$;
- (iii) $J_{\mu} \in L^1(\widehat{G})$ if and only if $\mu \in L^1(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$;
- (iv) if $\mu \in M_a(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})$ and G/G_0 is compact, then $J_{\mu} \in M_a(\widehat{G})$.

PROOF. (i) For each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G})$, let $\rho_*\mu$ be the image of μ by ρ given by

$$\rho_*\mu(B) = \mu(\rho^{-1}(B)) \quad (B \in \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G}/G_0^{\dagger})).$$

The mapping $\rho_* : \mu \rightarrow \rho_*\mu$ is clearly a linear operator from $M(\widehat{G})$ into $M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$. One verifies at once that the composition ρ_*J is the identity operator in $M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$. Since $\|J\| \leq 1$ and $\|\rho_*\| \leq 1$, it follows that J is an isometry.

(ii) As J is an isometry and $J_\mu(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp) = \mu(\widehat{G})$ for each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$, it is clear that $J_\mu \geq 0$ if and only if $\mu \geq 0$.

(iii) If $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$ is absolutely continuous with respect to $m_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp}$ and f is the corresponding density, then, as one directly verifies, J_μ is absolutely continuous with respect to $m_{\widehat{G}}$ with density $h(f \circ \rho)$. Conversely, if for $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$, J_μ is absolutely continuous with respect to $m_{\widehat{G}}$ and g is the corresponding density, then, as it follows immediately from the identity $\rho_*J_\mu = \mu$, μ is absolutely continuous with respect to $m_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp}$ with density d defined as

$$d(\dot{\gamma}) = \int_{G_0^\perp} g(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \quad (\dot{\gamma} = \rho(\gamma), \gamma \in \widehat{G}).$$

(iv) Suppose that G/G_0 is compact. Then G_0^\perp is discrete. Let $\mu = \sum_{s \in S} a_s \delta_s$, where S is a countable subset of \widehat{G}/G_0^\perp and the a_s ($s \in S$) are complex numbers such that $\sum_{s \in S} |a_s| < +\infty$ (for each $s \in S$, δ_s stands, of course, for the Dirac measure at s). For each $s \in S$, choose $\gamma_s \in \widehat{G}$ so that $\rho(\gamma_s) = s$. Then, as easily seen,

$$J_\mu = \sum_{s \in S} \sum_{\xi \in G_0^\perp} a_s h(\gamma_s + \xi) \delta_{\gamma_s + \xi}$$

showing that J_μ is atomic along with μ .

The proof is complete.

Now that the role of functions satisfying (1.1) is clear, we turn to the question of the existence of such functions.

Let \mathcal{U} be a locally finite covering of \widehat{G}/G_0^\perp consisting of open relatively compact sets. For each $U \in \mathcal{U}$, let f_U be a function in $\mathcal{X}_+(\widehat{G})$ such that $\rho(\{\gamma : f_U(\gamma) > 0\}) \supset U$. Let g_U be the function on \widehat{G} defined by

$$g_U(\gamma) = \begin{cases} f_U(\gamma) \left[\int_{G_0^\perp} f_U(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \right]^{-1}, & \text{if } \gamma \in \rho^{-1}(U); \\ 0, & \text{if } \gamma \in \widehat{G} \setminus \rho^{-1}(U). \end{cases}$$

The latter definition makes sense for if $\gamma \in \rho^{-1}(U)$, then $f_U(\gamma + \chi) \neq 0$ for some $\chi \in G_0^\perp$, whence

$$\int_{G_0^\perp} f_U(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) > 0.$$

Notice that g_U is lower semicontinuous and, for each $\gamma \in \rho^{-1}(U)$,

$$\int_{G_0^+} g_U(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^+}(\xi) = 1. \quad (1.3)$$

Let $(\varphi_U)_{U \in \mathcal{U}}$ be a partition of unity subordinate to \mathcal{U} . Set $f = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} (\varphi_U \circ \rho) g_U$. Clearly, f is a non-negative lower semicontinuous function on \widehat{G} . If we arbitrarily fix an element γ of \widehat{G} , then, for each $\xi \in G_0^+$,

$$f(\gamma + \xi) = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} \varphi_U(\rho(\gamma)) g_U(\gamma + \xi).$$

The right-hand sum has only a finite number of non-zero summands corresponding to those U 's for which $\varphi_U(\rho(\gamma)) > 0$ or, equivalently, for which $\gamma \in \rho^{-1}(U)$. Hence

$$\int_{G_0^+} f(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^+}(\xi) = \sum_{U \in \mathcal{U}} \varphi_U(\rho(\gamma)) \int_{G_0^+} g_U(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^+}(\xi).$$

Taking into account (1.3), we see that f satisfies (1.1).

Let p be a function in $\mathcal{X}_+(G_0^+)$ such that

$$\int_{G_0^+} p(\eta) dm_{G_0^+}(\eta) = 1. \quad (1.4)$$

For each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$, set

$$r(\gamma) = \int_{G_0^+} f(\gamma + \eta) p(\eta) dm_{G_0^+}(\eta).$$

Repeating *mutatis mutandis* the argument used in the proof of (1.2), we see that r is a non-negative lower semicontinuous function on \widehat{G} . By (1.1) applied to f and by (1.4),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{G_0^+} r(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^+}(\xi) &= \int_{G_0^+} \left[\int_{G_0^+} f(\gamma + \xi + \eta) p(\eta) dm_{G_0^+}(\eta) \right] dm_{G_0^+}(\xi) \\ &= \int_{G_0^+} \left[\int_{G_0^+} f(\gamma + \xi + \eta) dm_{G_0^+}(\xi) \right] p(\eta) dm_{G_0^+}(\eta) \\ &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

so r satisfies (1.1) and $\|r\|_{\infty, \widehat{G}} \leq \|p\|_{\infty, G_0^+}$. Now, letting $*$ denote convolution, if s is a function in $\mathcal{X}_+(\widehat{G})$ such that $\int_{\widehat{G}} s dm_{\widehat{G}} = 1$, then $h = r * s$ is a function in $C_+(\widehat{G})$ satisfying (1.1).

Let $\mathcal{F}h$ be the Fourier transform of h in the sense of pseudomeasures, that is, $\mathcal{F}h$ is the element of the dual space $A(G)'$ of $A(G)$ given by

$$\langle \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\widehat{G}} h(\xi) w(-\xi) dm_{\widehat{G}}(\xi) \quad (\varphi \in A(G); \varphi = \mathcal{F}w, w \in L^1(\widehat{G})).$$

It turns out that the support of $\mathcal{F}h$ may always be assumed to be arbitrarily small.

Indeed, let U be a neighbourhood of 0 in G and V be a compact symmetric neighbourhood of 0 in G such that $V+V \subset U$, where $V+V = \{x+y : x, y \in V\}$. Set $\psi = (m_G(V))^{-1}(\mathcal{F}1_V)^2$. A standard argument shows that ψ is a non-negative element of $C_0(\widehat{G}) \cap L^1(\widehat{G})$ with $\int_{\widehat{G}} \psi dm_{\widehat{G}} = 1$ whose Fourier transform, $(m_G(V))^{-1}(1_V * 1_V)$, is supported by U . Now, if we set $\tilde{h} = \psi * h$, then \tilde{h} is an element of $C_+(\widehat{G})$ satisfying (1.1) whose Fourier transform, $\mathcal{F}\psi\mathcal{F}h$, has support in U .

Given a function f on G and an element x of G , let $T_x f$ be the translate of f by x , that is,

$$T_x f(y) = f(x+y) \quad (y \in G).$$

We recall that if $x \in G$ and $S \in A(G)'$, then the translate $T_x S$ of S by x is the pseudomeasure

$$\langle T_x S, \varphi \rangle = \langle S, T_{-x} \varphi \rangle \quad (\varphi \in A(G)).$$

Let $\mathcal{A}(G)$ be the space of all compactly supported Fourier transforms of elements of $L^1(\widehat{G}) \cap C(\widehat{G})$. With S in $A(G)'$, we shall say that the function $G_0 \ni x \rightarrow T_x S \in A(G)'$ is weakly integrable whenever $G_0 \ni x \rightarrow \langle T_x S, \varphi \rangle$ is in $L^1(G_0)$ for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}(G)$. Notice that if f is any $m_{\widehat{G}}$ -essentially bounded $m_{\widehat{G}}$ -measurable function on \widehat{G} whose Fourier transform has compact support, then $G_0 \ni x \rightarrow T_x \mathcal{F}f$ is weakly integrable. In the light of the previous paragraph it is clear that the assumptions about the function h appearing in the theorem to follow are consistent.

THEOREM 1.2. *Let h be a function in $C_+(\widehat{G})$ satisfying (1.1) such that $G_0 \ni x \rightarrow T_x \mathcal{F}h \in A(G)'$ is weakly integrable. Then, for each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\dagger)$ and each $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}(G)$,*

$$\int_G \varphi \mathcal{F}J_\mu dm_G = \int_{G_0} \langle T_{-x} \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle \mathcal{F}\mu(x) dm_{G_0}(x).$$

PROOF. For each $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}(G)$ with $\varphi = \mathcal{F}w$ ($w \in L^1(\widehat{G}) \cap C(\widehat{G})$), we have

$$\int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\dagger} \left[\int_{G_0^\dagger} h(\gamma + \xi) |w(-\gamma - \xi)| dm_{G_0^\dagger}(\xi) \right] dm_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\dagger}(\gamma) \leq \|h\|_{\infty, \widehat{G}} \|w\|_{1, \widehat{G}} \quad (\gamma = \rho(\gamma)),$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{1, \widehat{G}}$ denotes the $L^1(\widehat{G})$ norm, so that \tilde{g}_{w^*} , where $w^*(\gamma) = w(-\gamma)$ for all $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$, is in $L^1(\widehat{G}/G_0^\dagger) \cap C(\widehat{G}/G_0^\dagger)$ (cf. [3, Chapitre 7, § 2, n° 3, Propo-

sition 3; 5, Theorem 14. 4. 5]). Remembering that $(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)^\wedge$ can canonically be identified with G_0 , for each $x \in G_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} \tilde{g}_{w^*}(x) &= \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \tilde{g}_{w^*}(\dot{\gamma})(x, -\dot{\gamma}) dm_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp}(\dot{\gamma}) \\ &= \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \left[\int_{G_0^\perp} h(\gamma + \xi) w(-\gamma - \xi)(x, -\gamma - \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \right] dm_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp}(\dot{\gamma}). \end{aligned}$$

Given $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$, set $v(\gamma) = w(\gamma)(x, \gamma)$. Then, of course, $\mathcal{F}v = T_{-x}\varphi$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} \tilde{g}_{w^*}(x) &= \int_{\widehat{G}} h(\gamma) v(-\gamma) dm_{\widehat{G}}(\gamma) = \langle \mathcal{F}h, T_{-x}\varphi \rangle \\ &= \langle T_x \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since $G_0 \ni x \rightarrow \langle T_x \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle \in \mathbf{C}$ is in $L^1(G_0)$ and \tilde{g}_{w^*} is continuous, it follows that

$$\tilde{g}_{w^*}(\dot{\gamma}) = \int_{G_0} \langle T_x \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle(x, \dot{\gamma}) dm_{G_0}(x) \quad (\dot{\gamma} = \rho(\gamma)).$$

Hence, in view of (1. 2), for each $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_G \varphi \mathcal{F}J_\mu dm_G &= \int_{\widehat{G}} w^* dJ_\mu = \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \tilde{g}_{w^*} d\mu \\ &= \int_{G_0} \langle T_x \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle \left[\int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} (x, \dot{\gamma}) d\mu(\dot{\gamma}) \right] dm_{G_0}(x) \\ &= \int_{G_0} \langle T_x \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle \mathcal{F}\mu(-x) dm_{G_0}(x) \\ &= \int_{G_0} \langle T_{-x} \mathcal{F}h, \varphi \rangle \mathcal{F}\mu(x) dm_{G_0}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.

Now we are in a position to state the main result of this section. It will be a minor generalisation of Inoue's result mentioned in the introduction.

THEOREM 1. 3. *Let h be a function in $C_+(\widehat{G})$ satisfying (1. 1), and let I be the linear operator from $B(G_0)$ into $B(G)$ defined by*

$$I\psi = \mathcal{F}J_\mu \quad (\psi \in B(G_0); \psi = \mathcal{F}\mu, \mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)).$$

Then

- (i) I is an isometry such that RI is the identity on $B(G)$;
- (ii) $I(A(G_0)) \subset I(A(G))$;
- (iii) $I(B_+^\perp(G_0)) \subset B_+^\perp(G)$;
- (iv) $I(B_s(G_0)) \subset B_s(G)$;
- (v) if G/G_0 is compact, then $I(B_a(G_0)) \subset B_a(G)$.

If, for a given neighbourhood U of 0 in G , h is such that $\text{supp } \mathcal{F}h \subset U$, then

(vi) $\text{supp } I\psi \subset \text{supp } \psi + U$ for each $\psi \in B(G_0)$.

PROOF. (i) That I is an isometry follows immediately from Theorem 1.1(i). By (1.1) and (1.2), for each $\psi \in B(G_0)$ with $\psi = \mathcal{F}\mu$ ($\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp)$) and each $x \in G_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I\psi(x) &= \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \left[\int_{G_0^\perp} h(\gamma + \xi)(x, -\gamma - \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \right] d\mu(\gamma) \\ &= \int_{\widehat{G}/G_0^\perp} \left[\int_{G_0^\perp} h(\gamma + \xi) dm_{G_0^\perp}(\xi) \right] (x, -\gamma) d\mu(\gamma) \\ &= \psi(x), \end{aligned}$$

showing that RI is the identity in $B(G)$.

(ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) are consequences of suitable statements of Theorem 1.1.

(vi) results from Theorem 1.2.

2. A refinement

In this section, we single out a class of functions satisfying (1.1) and examine the corresponding lifting operators. The results of this section will be of direct use in the next section.

Let G be a locally compact Abelian group satisfying the second axiom of countability and G_0 be a closed subgroup of G such that G/G_0 is compact. Let η be a section of the canonical epimorphism π over G/G_0 , that is, η is a Borel right inverse of π (for the existence of at least one such section see [14, Theorem 8.11]).

For each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$, set

$$h(\gamma) = \left| \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(x), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(x) \right|^2; \tag{2.1}$$

here we assume that m_{G/G_0} has mass equal to 1. Clearly, h is a function in $C_+(\widehat{G})$ with values no greater than 1. It turns out that h satisfies (1.1).

To see this, notice first that for each $x \in G$, $\pi(x - \eta\pi(x)) = 0$, so $x - \eta\pi(x)$ lies in G_0 . Hence, for each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$ and each $\xi \in G_0^\perp$,

$$(\eta\pi(x), \gamma + \xi) = (\eta\pi(x), \gamma)(x, \xi). \tag{2.2}$$

Since G_0^\perp is the discrete dual of G/G_0 , it follows from Parseval's identity and the above identity that

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} h(\gamma + \xi) &= \sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} \left| \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma)(\dot{x}, \xi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \right|^2 \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} |(\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma)|^2 dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) = 1,\end{aligned}$$

as was to be shown.

As we saw earlier, for each $x \in G$, $x - \eta\pi(x)$ is an element of G_0 . We shall denote it by $[x]$ and refer to it as the integral part of x . Such a terminology fits in with the one employed in the special case in which $G = \mathbf{R}$, $G_0 = \mathbf{Z}$, and, for each $\dot{x} \in \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{Z}$, $\eta(\dot{x})$ is the unique element of $[0, 1)$ such that $\pi\eta(\dot{x}) = \dot{x}$.

Now we can state our major result.

THEOREM 2.1. *If I is the lifting operator associated with h given by (2. 1), then, for each $\phi \in B(G_0)$ and each $x \in G$,*

$$I\phi(x) = \int_{G/G_0} \phi([x + \eta(\dot{y})]) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}).$$

PROOF. In view of (2. 2) and Parseval's identity, for each $x \in G$ and each $\gamma \in \widehat{G}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} h(\gamma + \xi)(x, -\gamma - \xi) &= (x, -\gamma) \sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} (x, -\xi) \left| \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{y}), \gamma + \xi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \right|^2 \\ &= (x, -\gamma) \sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y}), \gamma)(\dot{y}, \xi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \\ &\quad \times \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{y}), \gamma)(\dot{y}, \xi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \\ &= (x, -\gamma) \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y}) - \eta(\dot{y}), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}).\end{aligned}$$

Since, for any $x, y \in G$, $[x + \eta(\dot{y})] = x + \eta(\dot{y}) - \eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y})$, we see that

$$\sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} h(\gamma + \xi)(x, -\gamma - \xi) = \int_{G/G_0} ([x + \eta(\dot{y})], -\gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}).$$

Now, if $\mu \in M(\widehat{G}/\widehat{G}_0^+)$ is such that $\phi = \mathcal{F}\mu$, then, in view of (1. 2), for each $x \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned}I\phi(x) &= \mathcal{F}J_\mu(x) = \int_{\widehat{G}/\widehat{G}_0^+} \left[\sum_{\xi \in \widehat{G}_0^+} h(\gamma + \xi)(x, -\gamma - \xi) \right] d\mu(\dot{\gamma}) \\ &= \int_{\widehat{G}/\widehat{G}_0^+} \left[\int_{G/G_0} ([x + \eta(\dot{y})], -\gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \right] d\mu(\dot{\gamma}) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} \mathcal{F}\mu([x + \eta(\dot{y})]) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y})\end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{G/G_0} \psi([x + \eta(y)]) dm_{G/G_0}(y).$$

The proof is complete.

It is worth noticing that if one takes \mathbf{R} for G , \mathbf{Z} for G_0 , and the natural mapping from \mathbf{R}/\mathbf{Z} onto $[0, 1)$ for η , then Theorem 2. 1 in conjunction with Theorem 1. 3 implies the following theorem due to R. Goldberg [7].

THEOREM 2. 2. *If $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$ is the sequence of Fourier coefficients of a finite Borel measure on $[0, 2\pi)$, then the function whose graph consists of the line segments successively joining the points (n, a_n) is the Fourier transform of a finite Borel measure on \mathbf{R} .*

More generally, the extension to \mathbf{R}^n of Goldberg's result due to C. C. Graham and A. Maclean [8] can immediately be deduced from Theorems 1. 3 and 2. 1.

We close this section with the following

THEOREM 2. 3. *If I is the lifting operator associated with h given by (2. 1), then*

$$I(B_0(G_0)) \subset B_0(G).$$

PROOF. Let ψ be a non-zero element of $B_0(G_0)$. Since every Borel measure on locally compact space satisfying the second axiom of countability is regular, given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a compact subset C of G such that $\eta_* m_{G/G_0}(C) > 1 - \varepsilon/4 \|\psi\|_{\infty, G_0}$. Since G/G_0 is compact, the set $\pi^{-1}(\pi(C))$ is also compact. Passing if necessary to $\pi^{-1}(\pi(C))$, we may assume with no loss of generality that $\pi^{-1}(\pi(C)) = C$. For each $\dot{x} \in G/G_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & m_{G/G_0}(G/G_0 \setminus \pi(C) \cap (\pi(C) - \dot{x})) \\ & \leq m_{G/G_0}(G/G_0 \setminus \pi(C)) + m_{G/G_0}(G/G_0 \setminus (\pi(C) - \dot{x})) \\ & = 2(1 - \eta_* m_{G/G_0}(C)) \\ & < \frac{\varepsilon}{2\|\psi\|_{\infty, G_0}} \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\int_{G/G_0 \setminus \pi(C) \cap (\pi(C) - \dot{x})} \psi([x + \eta(y)]) dm_{G/G_0}(y) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}; \tag{2. 3}$$

here, of course,

$$\pi(C) - \dot{x} = \{\dot{z} \in G/G_0 : \dot{z} = \dot{y} - \dot{x} \text{ with } \dot{y} \in \pi(C)\}.$$

Let K be a compact subset of G_0 such that $|\psi(z)| < \varepsilon/2$ for $z \in G_0 \setminus K$. The set $K + C - C$ is compact, so to end the proof, it suffices to show that $|I\psi(x)| < \varepsilon$ for $x \in G \setminus (K + C - C)$.

Let $x \in G \setminus (K + C - C)$. Note that if y is in $\pi(C) \cap (\pi(C) - \dot{x})$, then $\eta(y)$ and $\eta(\dot{x} + y)$ are in $\eta(\pi(C))$. But $\pi(\eta(\pi(C))) = \pi(C)$ and so $\eta(\pi(C)) \subset \pi^{-1}(\pi(C)) = C$. Thus $\eta(y)$ and $\eta(\dot{x} + y)$ are in C , which implies that $x + \eta(y) - \eta(\dot{x} + y)$ is in $G_0 \setminus K$ and next that $\psi([x + \eta(y)]) < \varepsilon/2$. Consequently

$$\int_{\pi(C) \cap (\pi(C) - \dot{x})} \psi([x + \eta(y)]) dm_{G/G_0}(y) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

The latter inequality together with (2.3) implies that $|I\psi(x)| < \varepsilon$.

The proof is complete.

3. An application

Let G be a locally compact non-compact Abelian group satisfying the second axiom of countability and Σ be a compact Abelian group satisfying the second axiom of countability. Suppose that there is a one-to-one continuous homomorphism α from G onto a dense subgroup of Σ .

A (G, Σ) -cocycle is a Borel function A from $\Sigma \times G$ into the circle group \mathbf{T} such that

$$A(\sigma, x + y) = A(\sigma, x)A(\sigma + \alpha(x), y)$$

for all $\sigma \in \Sigma$ and all $x, y \in G$. Given a (G, Σ) -cocycle A , one defines a unitary strongly continuous representation U of G in $L^2(\Sigma)$ by setting

$$(U(x)f)(\sigma) = A(\sigma, x)f(\sigma + \alpha(x)) \quad (x \in G, \sigma \in \Sigma, f \in L^2(\Sigma)).$$

In virtue of the Stone-Naïmark-Ambrose-Godement theorem (cf. [1, Theorem 6.2.1]), there is a unique regular projection-valued measure E on $\mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G})$, taking values in a Boolean algebra of projections in $L^2(\Sigma)$, such that, for each $x \in G$,

$$U(x) = \int_{\widehat{G}} (x, -\gamma) dE(\gamma),$$

where the integral is to be interpreted in the sense of strong convergence. If, for each $f, g \in L^2(\Sigma)$, $E_{f,g}$ is the Borel measure on \widehat{G} given by

$$E_{f,g}(A) = (E(A)f, g) \quad (A \in \mathfrak{B}(\widehat{G})),$$

where (\cdot, \cdot) denotes the scalar product in $L^2(\Sigma)$, and if

$$\mathcal{J} = \{E_{f,g} : f, g \in L^2(\Sigma)\},$$

then, as one can show, either $\mathcal{J} \subset M_a(\widehat{G})$, or $\mathcal{J} \subset (M_s(\widehat{G}) \setminus M_a(\widehat{G})) \cup \{0\}$, or $\mathcal{J} \subset L^1(\widehat{G})$. One expresses this property by saying that A is either trivial, or of singular type, or of Haar type, respectively. Moreover, one has either $\mathcal{J} \subset M_0(\widehat{G})$ or $\mathcal{J} \cap M_0(\widehat{G}) = \{0\}$ and, correspondingly, one says that A is either of type (C_0) or of oscillatory type. Cocycles of different types exist and play a vital role in harmonic analysis, ergodic theory, and differential equations (cf. [4]).

Let $\widehat{\alpha}$ be the homomorphism from $\widehat{\Sigma}$ into \widehat{G} given by

$$(x, \widehat{\alpha}(\chi)) = (\alpha(x), \chi) \quad (x \in G, \chi \in \widehat{\Sigma}).$$

Let Γ be a subgroup of $\widehat{\alpha}(\widehat{\Sigma})$ that is discrete under the topology inherited from \widehat{G} . Let G_0 be the annihilator of Γ in G and K be the closure of $\alpha(G_0)$ in Σ . Of course, G_0 is a closed subgroup of G and G/G_0 is compact. Let η be a section over G/G_0 of the canonical epimorphism π from G onto G/G_0 . It turns out that by means of η each (G_0, K) -cocycle can be transferred into a (G, Σ) -cocycle of the same type. The description of this transfer and its properties is the main objective of the present section.

For each $\dot{x} \in G/G_0$ and each $k \in K$, set

$$\theta(\dot{x}, k) = \alpha(\eta(\dot{x})) + k.$$

We first show that θ is a bijection from $G/G_0 \times K$ onto Σ inducing an isomorphism of the Borel structures of the two groups.

Suppose that $\theta(\dot{x}_1, k_1) = \theta(\dot{x}_2, k_2)$ for $x_1, x_2 \in G$ and $k_1, k_2 \in K$. Since Γ is contained in $\widehat{\alpha}(\widehat{\Sigma})$, it follows that $\Gamma = \widehat{\alpha}(K^\perp)$. Now $\alpha(\eta(\dot{x}_1) - \eta(\dot{x}_2)) = k_2 - k_1$ is annihilated by K^\perp , so $\eta(\dot{x}_1) - \eta(\dot{x}_2)$ is annihilated by $\widehat{\alpha}(K^\perp)$ and hence $\eta(\dot{x}_1) - \eta(\dot{x}_2)$ is in G_0 . Consequently, $\pi\eta(\dot{x}_1) = \pi\eta(\dot{x}_2)$ which amounts to $\dot{x}_1 = \dot{x}_2$ and next implies that $k_1 = k_2$. Thus θ is injective.

Given $\sigma \in \Sigma$, let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in G such that $\sigma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha(x_n)$. (Note that, in view of second countability, both G and Σ are metrizable.) By the compactness of G/G_0 , there exists x in G , a subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, and a sequence $(y_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in G_0 such that $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n_k} - y_k)$. In view of the compactness of K , we may assume that the sequence $(\alpha(y_k))_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is convergent. Let j be the limit of this sequence. Then $\sigma = \alpha(x) + j$. With this representation, it is now easy to see that

$$\sigma = \theta(\dot{x}, j + \alpha(x - \eta(\dot{x}))) \quad (\dot{x} = \pi(x)).$$

This establishes the surjectiveness of θ .

It is clear that θ is a Borel map. Since the Borel structures of $G/G_0 \times K$ and Σ are standard, it follows that θ^{-1} is also Borel (cf. [11]).

Now we shall show that

$$\theta_*(m_{G/G_0} \otimes m_K) = m_\Sigma. \quad (3.1)$$

Notice first that

$$\int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \gamma = 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } \gamma \in \Gamma \setminus \{0\}. \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

In fact, for any $x, y \in G$, $\eta(\dot{x}) + \eta(\dot{y}) - \eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y})$ is in G_0 , so $(\eta(\dot{x}) + \eta(\dot{y}), \gamma) = (\eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y}), \gamma)$ whatever $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} ((y, \gamma) - 1) \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \\ &= ((\eta(\dot{y}), \gamma) - 1) \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} (\eta(\dot{x}) + \eta(\dot{y}), \gamma) - (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} ((\eta(\dot{x} + \dot{y}), \gamma) - (\eta(\dot{x}), \gamma)) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

from which (3.2) follows immediately.

For any $\chi \in \widehat{\Sigma}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{F}\theta_*(m_{G/G_0} \otimes m_K))(\chi) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} (\alpha(\eta(\dot{x})), \chi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) \int_K (k, \chi) dm_K(k). \end{aligned}$$

If $\chi \notin K^\perp$, then

$$\int_K (k, \chi) dm_K(k) = 0;$$

if $\chi \in K^\perp$, then

$$\int_K (k, \chi) dm_K(k) = 1$$

and, moreover, since $\tilde{\alpha}(\chi)$ is in Γ , it follows from (3.1) that

$$\int_{G/G_0} (\alpha(\eta(\dot{x})), \chi) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \chi = 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } \chi \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$(\mathcal{F}\theta_*(m_{G/G_0} \otimes m_K))(\chi) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \chi=0; \\ 0, & \text{if } \chi \neq 0, \end{cases}$$

which establishes (3. 1).

Now we are ready to discuss transference of cocycles.

Let A be a (G_0, K) -cocycle. For each $x \in G$ and each $\sigma \in \Sigma$, put

$$\tilde{A}(\sigma, x) = A(k, [x + \eta(\dot{y})]),$$

where $(\dot{y}, k) = \theta^{-1}(\sigma)$ ($\dot{y} \in G/G_0, k \in K$). One verifies by a direct computation that \tilde{A} is a (G, Σ) -cocycle. The definition of \tilde{A} in the case where $G = \mathbf{R}$ and $G_0 = \mathbf{Z}$ is due to T. W. Gamelin [6]. The above general definition of \tilde{A} parallels the one employed by J. Mathew and M. G. Nadkarni in [12].

The following is the main result of the present section :

THEOREM 3. 1. If a (G_0, K) -cocycle A is trivial (resp. of singular type, of Haar type, of type (C_0) , of oscillatory type), then the corresponding (G, Σ) -cocycle \tilde{A} is also trivial (resp. of singular type, of Haar type, of type (C_0) , of oscillatory type).

PROOF. Let U be the unitary representation of G_0 in $L^2(K)$ associated with A and V be the unitary representation of G in $L^2(\Sigma)$ associated with \tilde{A} . Let E and F be the corresponding projection-valued measures. Then, for each $x \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}F_{1,1}(x) &= (V(x)1, 1) = \int_{\Sigma} \tilde{A}(x, \sigma) dm_{\Sigma}(\sigma) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} \left[\int_K A(k, [x + \eta(\dot{y})]) dm_K(k) \right] dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} (U([x + \eta(\dot{y})])1, 1) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}) \\ &= \int_{G/G_0} \mathcal{F}E_{1,1}([x + \eta(\dot{y})]) dm_{G/G_0}(\dot{y}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by virtue of Theorem 2. 1, $\mathcal{F}F_{1,1}$ is the image of $\mathcal{F}E_{1,1}$ by the lifting operator corresponding to the function h given by (2. 1). That \tilde{A} is trivial (resp. of singular type, of Haar type, of oscillatory type) now follows upon applying Theorem 1. 3. To conclude that \tilde{A} is of type (C_0) whenever A is so, it suffices to invoke Theorem 2. 3.

The proof is complete.

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