

Topological Groups

Sheet III — TT21

III.1. Suppose that G is a topological group. Show that the map $C_c(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; f \mapsto \sum_{x \in G} f(x)$ is a Haar integral (if and) only if there is a finite open normal $H \leq G$.

III.2. Let $G := (-1, 1)$ be endowed with the usual topology inherited from \mathbb{R} and the binary operation $x \circ y := (x + y)/(1 + xy)$. Show that G with this operation is a locally compact Hausdorff Abelian topological group and that the map

$$C_c(-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; f \mapsto \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{1 - x^2} dx$$

is a left Haar integral on G .

III.3. Suppose that G is a topological group. We say that $\int : C_c(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a **right Haar integral** if it is a non-negative non-trivial linear map with

$$\int_x f(xt) = \int f \text{ for all } t \in G \text{ and } f \in C_c(G).$$

Let G be the set of matrices of the form $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ where $x > 0$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that G is a subgroup of $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ and that the map

$$C_c(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; f \mapsto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f \left(\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{x^2} dx dy$$

is a left Haar integral on G . Show that

$$C_c(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; f \mapsto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f \left(\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \frac{1}{x} dx dy$$

is a right Haar integral.

III.4. Suppose that G is a locally compact topological group. Show that there is a unique continuous homomorphism $\Delta : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that for any left Haar integral \int on G we have

$$\int_x f(xt) = \Delta(t) \int f \text{ for all } t \in G \text{ and } f \in C_c(G).$$

III.5. We say that a topological group is **unimodular** if the function Δ in Exercise III.4 is identically 1. Show that if G is a topological group that is either compact, discrete, or locally compact Abelian then it is unimodular. Give an example of a group that is not unimodular. Give an example of a non-Abelian, non-compact and non-discrete group that *is* unimodular.