

## A class of Banach spaces

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**Abstract:** Let  $G$  be a separable locally compact unimodular group of type I,  $\widehat{G}$  be its dual,  $\hat{p}$  is a measurable field of, not necessary bounded, operators on  $\widehat{G}$  such that  $\hat{p}(\pi)$  is self-adjoint,  $\hat{p}(\pi) \geq I$  for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , and

$$A_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f(x) := \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr[\hat{f}(\pi)\pi(x)^{-1}]d\mu(\pi), \hat{f} \in L_1(\widehat{G}), \|f\|_{\hat{p}} = \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) < \infty\}.$$

We show that  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is a Banach space endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_{\hat{p}}$ , and we generalize this result to the matricial group  $G = G_{nm}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , of a local field.

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**Introduction.** Domar [2] gave a natural generalization of the Beurling algebras to any locally compact Abelian group (LCA)  $G$ , where the weight is a measurable function  $\hat{p}(\hat{x})$  on  $\widehat{G}$ , the dual group of  $G$ , bounded on every compact set and satisfying:

$$\forall \hat{x}, \hat{y} \in \widehat{G}, \quad \hat{p}(\hat{x}) \geq 1, \quad \hat{p}(\hat{x} + \hat{y}) \leq \hat{p}(\hat{x})\hat{p}(\hat{y}).$$

The associated Banach algebra is:

$$F_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f(x) := \int_{\widehat{G}} \hat{f}(\hat{x})\overline{\hat{f}(\hat{x})}d\hat{x}, x \in G, \hat{f} \in L_1(\widehat{G}), \int_{\widehat{G}} |\hat{p}(\hat{x})\hat{f}(\hat{x})|d\hat{x} < \infty\},$$

endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_{\hat{p}} = \int_{\widehat{G}} |\hat{p}(\hat{x})\hat{f}(\hat{x})|d\hat{x}$ . In fact, the essential characterization given by Domar [2, p. 18] for this algebra is the following:  $F_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is of type  $F(G)$  (see [2] or [8, p. 15]) if and only if  $\sum_1^\infty \frac{\log[\hat{p}(n\hat{x}_0)]}{n^2} < \infty$ , which is the case if and only if for every neighborhood  $V$  of the identity in  $G$ , there exists a function in  $F_{\hat{p}}(G)$  which vanishes outside  $V$  (that is to say  $F_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is of non-quasianalytic type when  $G = \mathbf{R}$ ).

If  $G$  is not Abelian,  $\widehat{G}$ , the dual of  $G$ , is no more a group and the natural extension (from the point of view that the weight must be defined on  $\widehat{G}$ ) of Domar's results to  $G$  is a very difficult problem. We generalize here the space  $F_{\hat{p}}(G)$ , as Banach space, to a separable locally compact unimodular type I group

$G$  and to some nonunimodular groups. Indeed, Let  $\hat{p}$  be a measurable field of, not necessary bounded, operators on  $\widehat{G}$  such that  $\hat{p}(\pi)$  is self-adjoint,  $\hat{p}(\pi) \geq I$  for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , and

$$A_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f(x) := \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr[\hat{f}(\pi)\pi(x)^{-1}]d\mu(\pi), \hat{f} \in L_1(\widehat{G}), \|f\|_{\hat{p}} = \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) < \infty\}.$$

We establish that  $(A_{\hat{p}}(G), \|\cdot\|_{\hat{p}})$  is a Banach space, and then we generalize this result to the matricial group  $G = G_{nm}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , of a local field, which is not unimodular. Finally we can raise the following open problem: is  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  a Banach algebra with respect to pointwise multiplication for some unbounded weight  $\hat{p}$ ?

**1. Separable locally compact unimodular type I groups.** Let  $G$  be a separable locally compact unimodular group, then  $G$  is of type I if and only if  $G$  is postliminary by [1, th., p. 168], which is the case if and only if (by [1, p. 271]) for every irreducible unitary representation  $\pi$  of  $G$ , the norm adherence of  $\pi(L_1(G))$  contains the space of compact operators on  $\mathcal{H}_\pi$ , the space of representation of  $\pi$ .

Henceforth  $G$  denotes a separable locally compact unimodular postliminary group (SLCUP). Let  $A(G) := \{u = f * \tilde{g}, f, g \in L_2(G), \tilde{g} = \overline{g(x^{-1})}\}$ , endowed with the norm  $\|u\| = \inf\{\|f\|_2\|g\|_2, u = f * \tilde{g}\}$ , be its Fourier algebra,  $\widehat{G}$  be its dual, i.e., the set of (equivalence classes of) irreducible unitary represen-

tations, and  $\mu$  be the Plancherel measure on  $\widehat{G}$  associated with the Haar measure of  $G$  [1, p. 328]. If  $f \in L_1(G)$ ,  $\hat{f}$  denotes the usual Fourier transform of  $f$ ,  $\hat{f}(\pi) = \int_G f(x)\pi(x)dx$ , and if  $f \in A(G)$ ,  $\hat{f}$  denotes the only element of  $L_1(\widehat{G})$  such that  $f(x) = \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr[\hat{f}(\pi)\pi(x)^{-1}]d\mu(\pi)$  (which is possible according to [7, th. 3.1, p. 217]). Note that these two notations coincide when  $f \in A(G) \cap L_1(G)$ . The following result generalizes its Abelian analogue [6, th. 8, p. 377] and gives again another proof easier.

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $f \in L_1(G)$ , then  $\hat{f} \in L_2(\widehat{G})$  if and only if  $f \in L_2(G)$ .*

*Proof.* In view of Plancherel theorem [7, th. 2.1, p. 213], we have the sufficiency. We obtain the necessity by applying Parseval theorem [7, th. 2.3, p. 214] and [7, cor. 2.4, p. 216].  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $\hat{p}$  be a measurable field of, not necessary bounded, operators on  $\widehat{G}$  such that  $\hat{p}(\pi)$  is self-adjoint,  $\hat{p}(\pi) \geq I$  for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , and*

$$A_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f(x) := \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr[\hat{f}(\pi)\pi(x)^{-1}]d\mu(\pi),$$

$$\hat{f} \in L_1(\widehat{G}), \|f\|_{\hat{p}} = \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) < \infty\}.$$

Then  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is a Banach space endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_{\hat{p}}$ .

*Proof.* According to [8, cor. 22, p. 41], for each  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  such that  $\hat{p}(\pi) \geq I$ , we have

$$(1) \quad Tr|\hat{f}(\pi)| \leq Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)|,$$

from which follows that  $\|f\|_{\hat{p}}$  is a norm on  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$ . Establish that  $(A_{\hat{p}}(G), \|\cdot\|_{\hat{p}})$  is complete. Let  $f_n$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$ , then, by exceeding some rank  $n_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{p}\hat{f}_n - \hat{p}\hat{f}_m\|_1 &= \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}_m(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) \\ &= \|f_n - f_m\|_{\hat{p}} \leq \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\hat{p}\hat{f}_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L_1(\widehat{G})$ , thus there exists  $\hat{g} \in L_1(\widehat{G})$  such that  $\hat{p}\hat{f}_n \rightarrow \hat{g}$  in  $L_1(\widehat{G})$ . It suffices to show that there exists  $f \in A(G)$  such that  $\hat{p}\hat{f} = \hat{g}$ . In fact, from (1) follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{f}_n - \hat{f}_m\|_1 &:= \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{f}_m(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) \\ &\leq \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{p}\hat{f}_m(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) \leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\hat{f}_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L_1(\widehat{G})$ . It converges to  $F \in L_1(\widehat{G})$  and thus, in view of [7, th. 3.1,

p. 217], there exists  $f \in A(G)$  such that  $\hat{f} = F$ . Show that  $\hat{p}\hat{f} = \hat{g}$ . Indeed, since  $(\|\cdot\|_{\infty})$  denotes the uniform norm (operator norm) in  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty}(\mathcal{H}_{\pi})$  the space of bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}_{\pi}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\widehat{G}} \|\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{f}(\pi)\|_{\infty} d\mu(\pi) \\ &\leq \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{f}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\widehat{G}} \|\hat{p}\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{g}(\pi)\|_{\infty} d\mu(\pi) \\ &\leq \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}\hat{f}_n(\pi) - \hat{g}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

then, according to Riesz theorem [4, p. 156], there exists a subsequence  $\hat{f}_{n_k}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{f}_{n_k}(\pi) - \hat{f}(\pi)\|_{\infty} &\rightarrow 0, \\ \text{and } \|\hat{p}\hat{f}_{n_k}(\pi) - \hat{g}(\pi)\|_{\infty} &\rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . It follows that

$$\langle \hat{f}_{n_k}(\pi)y, \hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}_{n_k}(\pi)y \rangle \rightarrow \langle \hat{f}(\pi)y, \hat{g}(\pi)y \rangle,$$

for all  $y \in \mathcal{H}_{\pi}$  and  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . Now  $G([\hat{p}(\pi)]^*)$ , the graph of  $[\hat{p}(\pi)]^*$ , is closed for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  (see for example [8, rq., p. 46], with  $T = \hat{p}(\pi)$ ). Then  $G(\hat{p}(\pi)) = G([\hat{p}(\pi)]^*)$  is closed for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , thus  $(\hat{f}(\pi)y, \hat{g}(\pi)y) \in G(\hat{p}(\pi))$  and  $\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)y = \hat{g}(\pi)y$  for all  $y \in \mathcal{H}_{\pi}$  and for  $\mu$ -almost all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . Consequently  $\hat{p}\hat{f} = \hat{g}$ .  $\square$

**Problem 1** (open problem). Is the Banach space  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  a Banach algebra with respect to pointwise multiplication for some unbounded weight  $\hat{p}$ ?

**Remark.** The dictionary which enables us to pass over from  $F_{\hat{p}}(G)$  to  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is the following

$$F_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f \in A(G), \int_{\widehat{G}} |\hat{p}(\hat{x})\hat{f}(\hat{x})|d\hat{x} < \infty\}$$

and

$$A_{\hat{p}}(G) = \{f \in A(G), \int_{\widehat{G}} Tr|\hat{p}(\pi)\hat{f}(\pi)|d\mu(\pi) < \infty\}.$$

**2. The matricial group  $G = G_{nm}$ ,  $m \geq n$ , of a local field.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a local field,  $n \leq m \in \mathbf{N}^*$ . Let  $M_{nm}$  be the space of all  $n \times m$ -matrices with elements from  $\mathbf{K}$ ,  $GL_n$  be the multiplicative group of all  $n \times n$ -invertible matrices with elements from  $\mathbf{K}$ , and  $G = G_{nm}$  be the semi-direct product  $M_{nm} \rtimes GL_n$ , i.e.,  $G_{nm}$  denotes the group of pairs

$(b, a)$ , where  $b \in M_{nm}$  and  $a \in GL_n$ , with multiplication given by  $(b, a)(b', a') = (b + ab', aa')$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the Hilbert space  $L^2(GL_n, \frac{du}{|\det(u)|^n})$ , where  $|\cdot|$  is the module in  $\mathbf{K}$ . For all  $\lambda$  in  $M_{mn}$ , the formula

$$[\pi_\lambda(b, a)\xi](u) = \tau(\text{Tr}(b\lambda u))\xi(ua),$$

defines a unitary representation of  $G_{nm}$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ , where  $(b, a) \in G$ ,  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $u \in GL_n$ , and  $\tau$  is a fixed additive unitary nontrivial character on  $\mathbf{K}$ . Letting  $S = S_{mn}$  denote the canonical realization in  $M_{mn}$  (see [8, p. 56, 57],  $S$  is a well defined part of  $M_{mn}$ ) which identifies with  $\widehat{G}_{ess} = \{\text{equivalence classes of } \pi_\lambda, \lambda \in S\}$ , the essential dual of  $G = G_{nm}$ , and which bears the Plancherel measure that we denote by  $ds(\lambda)$ .

Now we shall introduce the notion of the regularized Fourier cotransformation on  $G$ , which helps as a guide to pass over from the unimodular case to the nonunimodular one, and translates, mainly vis-à-vis the Fourier inversion, the usual Fourier transformation on LCA and SLCUP groups. In fact, let  $\mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H})$  be the space of nuclear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H})) = \{F : S \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H}), \int_S \text{Tr}|F(\lambda)|ds(\lambda) < \infty\}$ , and  $\mathcal{F}$  be the Fourier cotransformation, which an isometry of Banach spaces of  $L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H}))$  onto  $A(G)$ , defined by

$$\bar{\mathcal{F}}(F)(x) = \int_S \text{Tr}[\pi_\lambda(x)F(\lambda)]ds(\lambda).$$

Then we define the regularized Fourier cotransform of a function  $f \in A(G)$  by

$$(2) \quad \hat{f} := \bar{\mathcal{F}}^{-1}(\check{f}),$$

where  $\check{f}(x) = f(x^{-1})$ , and the following proposition justifies this notation. Recall that if  $G$  is a SLCUP group, then

$$\hat{f} \longrightarrow f(x) := \int_{\widehat{G}} \text{Tr}[\hat{f}(\pi)\pi(x)^{-1}]d_\mu(\pi)$$

is an isometry of Banach spaces of  $L^1(\widehat{G})$  onto  $A(G)$  by [7, th. 3.1, p. 217], and if  $f \in A(G) \cap L^1(G)$ , we have  $\hat{f} = \mathcal{F}(f)$ , the usual Fourier transform of  $f$ . If  $G = G_{nm}$ , definition (2) generalizes these notations:

**Proposition 3.** *The regularized Fourier cotransformation*

$$\hat{f} \longrightarrow f(x) := \int_S \text{Tr}[\hat{f}(\lambda)\pi_\lambda(x)^{-1}]ds(\lambda)$$

is an isometry of Banach spaces of  $L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H}))$  onto  $A(G)$ . If moreover  $f \in A(G) \cap L^1(G)$ , then  $\hat{f} = \mathcal{F}(f) \circ \delta_1$ , where  $\delta_1$  is the unbounded operator in  $\mathcal{H}$  defined by  $\delta_1\xi(u) = |\det(u)|^m\xi(u)$ , and  $\mathcal{F}(f)\lambda := \pi_\lambda(f)$  if  $\lambda \in S$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\hat{f} := \bar{\mathcal{F}}^{-1}(\check{f})$ , then  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}(\hat{f}) = \check{f}$ , and thus

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \check{f}(x^{-1}) = \bar{\mathcal{F}}(\hat{f})(x^{-1}) \\ &= \int_S \text{Tr}[\hat{f}(\lambda)\pi_\lambda(x)^{-1}]ds(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, if  $f \in A(G)$ , then  $\|f\| = \|\check{f}\|$  by [8, form. (1.1), p. 22]. It follows that  $\hat{f} \longrightarrow f(x) := \int_S \text{Tr}[\hat{f}(\lambda)\pi_\lambda(x)^{-1}]ds(\lambda)$  is an isometry of  $L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H}))$  onto  $A(G)$ . Suppose that  $f \in A(G) \cap L^1(G)$ , then in view of [8, th. 36, p. 58] we have

$$f(x) = \int_S \text{Tr}[\mathcal{F}f(\lambda) \circ \delta_1\pi_\lambda(x)^{-1}]ds(\lambda).$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{F}(f) \circ \delta_1 = \hat{f}$ .

Note that the appearance of the unbounded operator  $\delta_1$  comes from the fact that  $G$  is not unimodular. □

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $\hat{p}$  be a measurable function on  $S$  with values in  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ , the space of linear (not necessarily bounded) operators in  $\mathcal{H}$ , such that  $\hat{p}(\lambda)$  is self-adjoint,  $\hat{p}(\lambda) \geq I$  for almost all  $\lambda \in S$ , and*

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\hat{p}}(G) &= \{f(x) := \int_S \text{Tr}[\hat{f}(\lambda)\pi_\lambda(x)^{-1}]ds(\lambda), \\ \hat{f} \in L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H})), \int_S \text{Tr}|\hat{p}(\lambda)\hat{f}(\lambda)|ds(\lambda) < \infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A_{\hat{p}}(G)$  is a Banach space under the norm  $\|f\|_{\hat{p}} = \int_S \text{Tr}|\hat{p}(\lambda)\hat{f}(\lambda)|ds(\lambda)$ .

*Proof.* The proof is analogous to the proof of Theorem 2. □

**Examples** (of weights). Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}^*$ ,  $\delta_x$  the unbounded operator in  $\mathcal{H}$  defined by  $\delta_x\xi(u) = |\det(u)|^{mx}\xi(u)$ , then the constant weight  $\hat{p}$  defined by  $\hat{p}(\lambda) := \delta_x + I$ , for every  $\lambda \in S$ , satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 4.

For recent results on the group  $G_{nm}$  when  $m = n = 1$  see [9]. In that case the essential dual of  $G$  remounts to a single point denoted  $\pi$  and the space  $L^1(S, \mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H}))$  is merely  $\mathcal{L}_1(\mathcal{H})$ .

As for the uncertainty principle for the matricial group of a local field, our results on the Hausdorff-Young theorem for  $G_{nm}$  and the inversion theorem for  $L^p(G_{nm})$  enable us to give the following natural generalization of [9, th. 4 and cor. 5] to  $G = G_{nm}$  ( $n \leq m$ ):

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $G$ ,  $M$  be a finite dimension subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the space*

$$A_{K,M}(G) = \{f \in A(G), \text{supp}(f) \subseteq K, \text{supp}(\hat{f}) \subseteq M\},$$

where  $\text{supp}(\hat{f}) \subseteq M$  means that  $\text{Im}(\hat{f}(\lambda)) \subseteq M$  for almost all  $\lambda \in S$ , is a Banach space of finite dimension.

**Corollary 6.** *If  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{C}$  or  $\mathbf{R}$ , then  $A_{K,M}(G) = 0$ .*

For recent results on (the weak and topological) Paley-Wiener property for group extensions and locally compact groups see [3, 5]. In our case  $G = G_{nm}$ , and by Corollary 6, if  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{C}$  or  $\mathbf{R}$ , then the P.W property [9] is valid on  $G$ , in other words, a function  $f \in A(G)$  with compact support is identically zero if and only if there exists a finite dimension subspace  $M$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $\text{supp}(\hat{f}) \subseteq M$ .

If  $G$  is a LCA group, Theorem 5 can be read as the following: let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $G$ ,  $\hat{K}_1$  be a compact subset of  $\hat{G}$ , then the space

$$A_{K,\hat{K}_1}(G) = \{f \in A(G), \text{supp}(f) \subseteq K, \text{supp}(\hat{f}) \subseteq \hat{K}_1\}$$

is a Banach space of finite dimension. From which follows that the P.W property is valid on  $G$  (that is  $A_{K,M}(G) = 0$  for all  $K$  and  $\hat{K}_1$  as above) if and only if  $G$  has no non-empty open compact subset. This yields to raise the following open problem: *what happens for Corollary 6 if  $\mathbf{K} \neq \mathbf{C}$  and  $\neq \mathbf{R}$ ?*

Note that if  $\mathbf{K} \neq \mathbf{C}$  and  $\neq \mathbf{R}$ , then  $G = G_{nm}$

does have non-empty open compact subsets.

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