

## DERIVED ALGEBRAS IN $L_1$ OF A COMPACT GROUP

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Let  $G$  be a compact topological group. In this paper, it is shown that the derived algebra  $D_p$  of  $L_p(G)$  (for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) is contained in the ideal  $S_p$  of functions in  $L_p(G)$  with unconditionally convergent Fourier series. It is also noted that this inclusion can be strict if  $G$  is nonabelian. Finally, it is shown that the derived algebra of the center of  $L_p(G)$  is always equal to the center of  $S_p$ , generalizing a known result that  $D_p = S_p$  when  $G$  is compact and abelian.

In general, let  $(A, \| \cdot \|_A)$  be a Banach algebra which is an essential left Banach  $L_1(G)$ -module in  $L_1(G)$  under convolution. For convenience and with no loss of generality it is assumed that

$$\| f \|_A \geq \| f \|_1 \quad \text{for every } f \in A .$$

This paper investigates the relationship between the derived algebra of  $A$  and the ideal in  $A$  of functions with unconditionally convergent Fourier series. Bachelis has shown in [1] that in case  $G$  is abelian and  $A$  is equal to  $L_p(G)$ , for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , the two algebras coincide.

Bachelis' result is generalized to the derived algebra of the center of  $L_p(G)$  and it is shown that for the compact group  $\mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  and  $A = L_p(\mathcal{S}_3^\infty)$  with  $p \neq 2$ , the derived algebra is strictly contained in the ideal of functions in  $L_p(\mathcal{S}_3^\infty)$  whose Fourier series converge unconditionally.

Notation throughout will be as in [4].  $\Sigma$  will denote the dual object of  $G$ , the set of equivalence classes of continuous irreducible unitary representations of  $G$ . For each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ ,  $H_\sigma$  will denote the representation space of  $\sigma$  (of finite dimension  $d_\sigma$ ) and  $\mathcal{E}(\Sigma)$  will denote the product space  $\prod_{\sigma \in \Sigma} B(H_\sigma)$ . Important subspaces of  $\mathcal{E}(\Sigma)$  referred to in the text include:

- (i)  $\mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma) = \{E = \{E_\sigma\}: \|E_\sigma\|_{op} \text{ is small off finite sets}\}$
- (ii)  $\mathcal{E}_1(\Sigma) = \{E = \{E_\sigma\}: \|E\|_1 = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma \|E_\sigma\|_{\phi_1} < \infty\}$
- (iii)  $\mathcal{E}_2(\Sigma) = \{E = \{E_\sigma\}: \|E\|_2^2 = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma \|E_\sigma\|_{\phi_2}^2 < \infty\}$ .

For  $f \in L_1(G)$ ,  $f$  has Fourier series  $f \sim \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma \text{tr}(A_\sigma U^{(\sigma)})$  where  $A_\sigma \in B(H_\sigma)$ ,  $U^{(\sigma)} \in \sigma$ . The Fourier transform  $\hat{f}$  of  $f$  has the property that  $\hat{f}(\sigma) = A_\sigma^t$  and hence:

$$\|\hat{f}\|_\infty = \sup_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \|A_\sigma\|_{op} .$$

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1. **The derived algebra.** We begin by defining the derived algebra  $D_A$  for an essential left Banach  $L_1(G)$ -module  $A$ , and noting a few of its properties.

DEFINITION 1.1. If  $f \in A$ , we define

$$\|f\|_{D_A} = \sup_{g \in A} \frac{\|f * g\|_A}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty}$$

and let

$$D_A = \{f \in A: \|f\|_{D_A} < \infty\}.$$

The following facts are easy to check.

PROPOSITION 1.2. (i)  $(D_A, \|\cdot\|_{D_A})$  is a Banach algebra and a left Banach  $L_1(G)$ -module in  $L_1(G)$  under convolution.

(ii)  $\|f\|_A \leq \|f\|_{D_A}$  for every  $f \in A$ .

(iii) If we denote the set of trigonometric polynomials by  $T(G)$  then we have

$$\|f\|_{D_A} = \sup_{g \in T(G)} \frac{\|f * g\|_A}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty} \quad \text{for every } f \in A.$$

We next give a characterization of  $D_A$  which is due essentially to Helgason ([3], Theorem 2).

THEOREM 1.3. (Helgason)

$$D_A = \{f \in A: \hat{f}E \in \hat{A}, \text{ for every } E \in \mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)\}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $f \in A$  and that for  $E \in \mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$ ,  $\hat{f}E = \hat{g}_E$  for some  $g_E \in A$ . Then the linear map  $E \rightarrow g_E$  of  $\mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$  into  $A$  has closed graph and is therefore continuous. In particular, there exists a constant  $k > 0$  such that

$$\|f * h\|_A \leq k \|\hat{h}\|_\infty \quad \text{for every } h \in A.$$

Consequently,  $f$  belongs to  $D_A$ .

Conversely, if  $f \in D_A$  then the continuous map  $\hat{g} \rightarrow f * g$  of  $\hat{A}$  into  $A$  extends to a continuous map  $E \rightarrow h_E$  of  $\mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$  into  $A$ . Then the element  $\hat{f}E = \hat{h}_E$  belongs to  $\hat{A}$  for every  $E \in \mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$ .

This characterization of  $D_A$  gives two more properties of  $D_A$ .

**COROLLARY 1.4.** (i)  $D_A$  is an ideal in  $L_1(G)$  and  
 (ii)  $\hat{D}_A$  is a right ideal in  $\mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$ .

We denote by  $C(G)$  the algebra of continuous complex valued functions on  $G$ , and by  $K(G)$  the algebra of functions on  $G$  with absolutely convergent Fourier series (see [4], Sect. 34).

For  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , the derived algebra of  $L_p(G)$  is denoted by  $D_p$ .

**EXAMPLES 1.5.** (i)  $D_{K(G)} = K(G)$ ,  
 (ii)  $D_{C(G)} = K(G)$ , and  
 (iii)  $D_p = L_2(G)$  for  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ .

*Proof.* First we show (i). Let  $f$  belong to  $K(G)$  and  $g$  to  $T(G)$ . Then  $\|f * g\|_K = \|\hat{f}\hat{g}\|_1 \leq \|\hat{f}\|_1 \|\hat{g}\|_\infty = \|f\|_K \|\hat{g}\|_\infty$ . Hence, by (1.2),  $f$  belongs to  $D_{K(G)}$ .

To see (ii), observe that since  $\|\cdot\|_u \leq \|\cdot\|_{K(G)}$  on  $K(G)$ , it follows that  $K(G) = D_{K(G)} \subset D_{C(G)}$ . Conversely, let  $f \in D_{C(G)}$  with Fourier series given by

$$f \sim \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma \text{tr}(A_\sigma U^{(\sigma)}).$$

For each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , let  $V_\sigma$  be the unitary matrix such that  $V_\sigma A_\sigma = |A_\sigma|$ . For  $F \subset \Sigma$ , a finite set, define:

$$g = \sum_{\sigma \in F} d_\sigma \text{tr}(V_\sigma U^{(\sigma)}).$$

Then  $g \in T(G)$ ,  $\|\hat{g}\|_\infty = 1$  and we have:

$$\sum_{\sigma \in F} d_\sigma \|A_\sigma\|_{\phi_1} = \sum_{\sigma \in F} d_\sigma \text{tr} |A_\sigma| = |f * g(e)| \leq \|f * g\|_u \leq \|f\|_{D_C}.$$

Hence  $\|f\|_{K(G)} \leq \|f\|_{D_{C(G)}}$  and  $f \in K(G)$ .

To prove (iii), we use the facts (see [4], 36.10, 36.12) that  $D_1 = L_2(G)$  and

$$2^{-1/2} \|f\|_2 \leq \|f\|_{D_1} \leq \|f\|_2 \quad \text{for every } f \in L_2(G).$$

It  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $f \in L_2(G)$ , then for  $g \in T(G)$  we see that

$$\|f * g\|_p \leq \|f * g\|_2 = \|\hat{f}\hat{g}\|_2 \leq \|\hat{f}\|_2 \|\hat{g}\|_\infty = \|f\|_2 \|\hat{g}\|_\infty.$$

Hence, we conclude that  $\|f\|_{D_p} \leq \|f\|_2$  and

$$\|f\|_{D_p} \geq \|f\|_{D_1} \geq 2^{-1/2} \|f\|_2.$$

**2. The ideal in  $A$  of functions with unconditionally con-**

vergent Fourier series. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  denote the family of all nonvoid finite subsets of  $\Sigma$ . For  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ , let  $D(F) = \sum_{\sigma \in F} d_\sigma \chi_\sigma$ . For  $f$  in  $L_1(G)$ ,  $f * D(F)$  is the finite partial sum of the Fourier series of  $f$  consisting only of terms involving elements of  $F$ . We say that  $f$  in  $A$  has unconditionally convergent Fourier series in  $A$  whenever

$$\lim_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \|f - f * D(F)\|_A = 0.$$

We denote by  $S_A$  the family of all functions in  $A$  with this property. If we also define

$$\|f\|_{S_A} = \sup_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \|f * D(F)\|_A,$$

then the following facts are easily verified.

- PROPOSITION 2.1.** (i) If  $f \in S_A$ , then  $\|f\|_{S_A} < \infty$ .  
(ii)  $(S_A, \|\cdot\|_{S_A})$  is a Banach algebra.  
(iii)  $\|f\|_A \leq \|f\|_{S_A}$  for every  $f \in A$ .  
(iv) If  $f \in S_A$ , then  $\lim_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \|f - f * D(F)\|_{S_A} = 0$ .  
(v)  $S_A$  is an essential left Banach  $L_1(G)$ -module in  $L_1(G)$  under convolution.

Since  $S_A$  satisfies the conditions we have postulated for  $A$ , we may compute its derived algebra.

- THEOREM 2.2.** (i)  $D_{S_A} = D_A \cap S_A$  and  $\|f\|_{D_{S_A}} = \|f\|_{D_A}$  for  $f \in D_{S_A}$ .  
(ii)  $S_{S_A} = S_A$  (isometry).

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  belongs to  $D_{S_A}$ . Then for  $f \in S_A$  and  $g \in T(G)$  we have

$$\frac{\|f * g\|_A}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty} \leq \frac{\|f * g\|_{S_A}}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty} \leq \|f\|_{D_{S_A}}.$$

Hence we have  $\|f\|_{D_A} \leq \|f\|_{D_{S_A}} < \infty$ , and thus  $f$  belongs to  $D_A \cap S_A$ .

Conversely, if  $f \in D_A \cap S_A$  then for  $g \in T(G)$  and  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have

$$\frac{\|f * g * D(F)\|_A}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty} \leq \frac{\|f * g * D(F)\|_A}{\|g * D(F)\|_A} \leq \|f\|_{D_A}.$$

Thus it follows that  $\|f\|_{D_{S_A}} \leq \|f\|_{D_A} < \infty$ , and  $f$  belongs to  $D_{S_A}$ .

Part (ii) follows immediately from (2.1, iv).

**3. Central derived algebras.** Let  $A^z$  denote the center of  $A$ . Then  $A^z = L_1^z(G) \cap A$  and  $(A^z, \|\cdot\|_A)$  is an essential Banach  $L_1^z(G)$ -module

in  $L_1^z(G)$  under convolution. Before we investigate the derived algebra of  $A^z$ , we prove a useful proposition.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *For  $E \in \mathcal{E}_\infty(\Sigma)$ , define a function  $\varphi_E$  on  $\Sigma$  by:  $\varphi_E(\sigma) = 1/d_\sigma \operatorname{tr}(E_\sigma)$  for every  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ . The map  $E \rightarrow \varphi_E$  is an isometric isomorphism of*

- (i)  $\mathcal{E}_\infty^z(\Sigma)$  onto  $l_\infty(\Sigma)$ ,
- (ii)  $\mathcal{E}_0^z(\Sigma)$  onto  $c_0(\Sigma)$ , and
- (iii)  $\mathcal{E}_{00}^z(\Sigma)$  onto  $c_{00}(\Sigma)$ .

For  $f \in L_1^z(G)$ , let  $\hat{f}(\sigma) = 1/d_\sigma \operatorname{tr}(\hat{f}(\sigma)) = \varphi_{\hat{f}}(\sigma)$ , so that  $f$  has Fourier series  $\sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} d_\sigma \hat{f}(\sigma) \chi_\sigma$ . Then the map  $f \rightarrow \hat{f}$  is the Gel'fand transform  $A^z$ ,  $\Sigma$  is the maximal ideal space of  $A^z$ , and

- (iv)  $\|f\|_\infty = \|\hat{f}\|_\infty$  for every  $f \in L_1^z(G)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $E$  belong to  $\mathcal{E}_\infty^z(\Sigma)$ . By Schur's lemma we have

$$(1) \quad E_\sigma = \varphi_E(\sigma) I_{d_\sigma} \quad \text{for } \sigma \in \Sigma.$$

It follows that

$$(2) \quad \|E\|_\infty = \|\varphi_E\|_\infty.$$

Clearly the map  $E \rightarrow \varphi_E$  is linear and carries  $\mathcal{E}_\infty^z(\Sigma)$  isometrically onto  $l_\infty(\Sigma)$ . By (1),  $E \rightarrow \varphi_E$  is multiplicative. By (2), the image of  $\mathcal{E}_0^z(\Sigma)$  is  $c_0(\Sigma)$ , and the image of  $\mathcal{E}_{00}^z(\Sigma)$  is  $c_{00}(\Sigma)$ . The rest of the proof is analogous to ([4], 28.71).

**DEFINITION 3.2.** For  $f$  in  $A^z$ , let

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{D}_A} = \sup_{g \in A^z} \frac{\|f * g\|_A}{\|g\|_\infty}.$$

The derived algebra  $\mathcal{D}_A$  of  $A^z$  is defined as

$$\mathcal{D}_A = \{f \in A^z: \|f\|_{\mathcal{D}_A} < \infty\}.$$

The following properties of  $\mathcal{D}_A$  are easily proved.

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** (i)  $(\mathcal{D}_A, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{D}_A})$  is a Banach algebra and an  $L_1^z(G)$ -module under convolution.

- (ii)  $\|f\|_A \leq \|f\|_{\mathcal{D}_A}$  for every  $f \in A^z$ .
- (iii)  $\|f\|_{\mathcal{D}_A} = \sup_{g \in T^z(G)} \|f * g\|_A / \|g\|_\infty$  for every  $f \in A^z$ .
- (iv)  $D_A^z \subset \mathcal{D}_A$ .

Helgason's characterization (1.3) has an analogue in the central case. We omit the proof since it is exactly like that of (1.3).

THEOREM 3.4. (Helgason)

$$\mathcal{D}_A = \{f \in A^z: \overset{\circ}{f}\varphi \in (A^z)^\circ \text{ for every } \varphi \in c_0(\Sigma)\}.$$

We next prove that the center  $S_A^z$  of  $S_A$  is always contained in  $\mathcal{D}_A$ . To do so, we use the following well known fact which follows from a theorem of Seever ([6]).

FACT 3.5. *Let  $X$  be a discrete topological space and  $M$  a Banach space. If  $T: M \rightarrow l_\infty(X)$  is a bounded linear map whose image contains the characteristic function of every subset of  $X$ , then  $T$  is onto.*

We also use the following lemma which states that every element of  $l_\infty(\Sigma)$  is a multiplier for  $S_A^z$ .

LEMMA 3.6. *If  $f \in S_A^z$  and  $\varphi \in l_\infty(\Sigma)$ , then there exists  $g \in S_A^z$  such that  $\overset{\circ}{g} = \varphi \overset{\circ}{f}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  belong to  $S_A^z$ , and denote by  $M$  the collection of all  $\varphi \in l_\infty(\Sigma)$  such that  $\varphi \overset{\circ}{f} \in (S_A^z)^\circ$ . Then  $M$  is a Banach space under the norm

$$\|\varphi\| = \|\varphi\|_\infty + \|g\|_{S_A} \text{ where } \overset{\circ}{g} = \varphi \overset{\circ}{f}.$$

To show  $M = l_\infty(\Sigma)$ , it suffices by (3.5) to show that for  $\Delta \subset \Sigma$ , the characteristic function  $\varphi$  of  $\Delta$  is an element of  $M$ . To establish this, we note that the net  $\{f * D(E): E^{\text{finite}} \subset \Delta\}$  is Cauchy in  $S_A^z$ , so there is a function  $g$  in  $S_A^z$  such that

$$\lim_{E^{\text{finite}} \subset \Delta} \|g - f * D(E)\|_{S_A} = 0.$$

We conclude that  $\overset{\circ}{g} = \varphi \overset{\circ}{f}$  and hence,  $\varphi$  belongs to  $M$ .

THEOREM 3.7.  $S_A^z \subset \mathcal{D}_A$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  belongs to  $s_A^z$ . Then for  $\varphi \in c_0(\Sigma) \subset l_\infty(\Sigma)$ ,  $\varphi \overset{\circ}{f}$  belongs to  $(S_A^z)^\circ$  and hence to  $(A^z)^\circ$  by (3.6). Therefore  $f \in \mathcal{D}_A$  by (3.4).

We now restrict our attention to the case of  $A = L_p(G)$  for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . As before we write  $D_A = D_p$ ; we also write  $S_A = S_p$  and  $\mathcal{D}_A = \mathcal{D}_p$ . To compare  $D_p$  and  $S_p$  we use the following.

LEMMA 3.8. *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . If  $f \in L_p(G)$  and  $\|f\|_{S_p} < \infty$ , then  $f \in S_p$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  belong to  $L_p(G)$  with  $\|f\|_{S_p} < \infty$ . Suppose  $f$  has Fourier series

$$f \sim \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} d_{\sigma_j} \text{tr}(A_{\sigma_j} U^{(\sigma_j)}).$$

For  $\varphi \in L_p(G)^*$  and any nonvoid finite  $F \subset Z^+$ , we have

$$\left| \sum_{j \in F} \varphi(d_{\sigma_j} \text{tr}(A_{\sigma_j} U^{(\sigma_j)})) \right| \leq \|f\|_{S_p} \|\varphi\|_{op}.$$

Hence, we see

$$\sup_{F \text{ finite} \subset Z^+} \left| \sum_{j \in F} \varphi(d_{\sigma_j} \text{tr}(A_{\sigma_j} U^{(\sigma_j)})) \right| < \infty,$$

which implies

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\varphi(d_{\sigma_j} \text{tr}(A_{\sigma_j} U^{(\sigma_j)}))| < \infty.$$

Thus the Fourier series of  $f$  is weakly subseries Cauchy and, since  $L_p(G)$  is weakly complete, the series is weakly subseries convergent. Therefore, by the Orlicz-Pettis theorem ([2], p. 60, or [6], p. 19) it is norm convergent and unconditionally convergent to some  $g \in L_p(G)$ . Comparing transforms, we see that  $f = g$  and consequently,  $f$  belongs to  $S_p$ .

Finally, we state the main result of this section, generalizing the abelian result of Bachelis.

THEOREM 3.9. *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Then we have*

- (i)  $D_p \subset S_p$ , and
- (ii)  $\mathcal{D}_p = S_p^z$ .

*Proof.* Observe that  $\|f\|_{S_p} \leq \|f\|_{D_p}$  for every  $f \in D_p$ , and that  $\|f\|_{S_p} \leq \|f\|_{\mathcal{D}_p}$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{D}_p$ . The theorem now follows from (3.8).

4.  $\mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  as a source of examples. Throughout this section  $G$  will denote  $\mathcal{S}_3^\infty = \prod_{\aleph_0} \mathcal{S}_3$ , where  $\mathcal{S}_3$  is the symmetric group on three symbols. Using this group we demonstrate that Bachelis' result does not extend to the non-abelian case.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let  $G = \mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Then*

- (i)  $D_p = S_p$  if and only if  $p = 2$ , and

(ii)  $D_p = L_p$  if and only  $p = 2$ .

*Proof.* By (1.5, iii) and (3.9), we have

$$L_2(G) = D_2 \subset S_2 \subset L_2(G).$$

Suppose  $p \neq 2$ . Observe that (ii) follows from (i) because

$$D_p \subset S_p \subset L_p.$$

Note also that  $\|f\|_{S_p} \leq \|f\|_{D_p}$  for every  $f \in D_p$ . Hence to prove that  $D_p \neq S_p$  it is enough to find sequences  $\{f^{(n)}\}$  in  $D_p$  and  $\{g^{(n)}\}$  in  $T(G)$  such that

$$(1) \quad \frac{\|f^{(n)} * g^{(n)}\|_p}{\|\widehat{g^{(n)}}\|_\infty \|f^{(n)}\|_{S_p}} \longrightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

We select these sequences as follows. Let  $\sigma$  be the representation class on  $\mathcal{S}_3$  of dimension 2 (see [4], 27.61). For  $f$  and  $g$  in  $T_\sigma(\mathcal{S}_3)$  which will be specified later, form

$$f^{(n)}(\underline{x}) = \prod_{k=1}^n f(x_k)$$

and

$$g^{(n)}(\underline{x}) = \prod_{k=1}^n g(x_k),$$

where  $\underline{x} \in G$  is given by  $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ . Then  $f^{(n)}$  and  $g^{(n)}$  are elements of  $T_{\sigma^{(n)}}(G)$  where  $\sigma^{(n)}$  is the element of  $\Sigma_G$  given by

$$U_{\underline{x}}^{\sigma^{(n)}} = U_{x_1}^{(\sigma)} \otimes \dots \otimes U_{x_n}^{(\sigma)} \quad \text{for every } \underline{x} \in G.$$

It is easily verified that

$$\begin{aligned} \|f^{(n)}\|_{S_p} &= \|f^{(n)}\|_p = \|f\|_p^n, \\ \|f^{(n)} * g^{(n)}\|_p &= \|f * g\|_p^n, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|\widehat{g^{(n)}}\|_\infty = \|\widehat{g}\|_\infty^n.$$

Hence, to show (1) it suffices to find  $f$  and  $g$  in  $T_\sigma(\mathcal{S}_3)$  such that

$$\frac{\|f * g\|_p}{\|\widehat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} > 1.$$

Let  $g = 2u_{11}^{(\sigma)} + 2iu_{22}^{(\sigma)}$  and note that  $\|\widehat{g}\|_\infty = 1$ . The rest of the argument divides into two cases.

*Case 1.*  $1 \leq p < 2$ . In this case we let  $f = 2\chi_\sigma$  so that  $f * g = g$ , and we compute

$$\|f\|_p = 2 \left[ \frac{2^p + 2}{6} \right]^{1/p} \quad (\text{see [4], 27.61}).$$

Also, we have

$$\|g\|_p = 2 \left[ \frac{(1 + 2^{1-p}) 2 \sqrt{2}^p}{6} \right]^{1/p},$$

and therefore we conclude

$$\frac{\|f * g\|_p}{\|\widehat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} = 2^{1/p-1/2} > 1.$$

*Case 2.*  $2 < p < \infty$ . In this case we let  $f = 2iu_{12}^{(\sigma)} + 2u_{21}^{(\sigma)}$ . Then  $f * g = -2u_{12}^{(\sigma)} + 2u_{21}^{(\sigma)}$  and so we have

$$\|f\|_p = \sqrt{6} \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^{1/p} \quad \text{and} \quad \|f * g\|_p = 2 \sqrt{3} \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Therefore, we conclude

$$\frac{\|f * g\|_p}{\|\widehat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} = 2^{1/2-1/p} > 1.$$

The question naturally arises as to whether  $D_A^z$  is equal to  $\mathcal{D}_A$ . The next example shows that in some cases the answer is no.

**THEOREM 4.2.** *If  $G = \mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  and  $1 \leq p < 4$ , then  $D_p^z = \mathcal{D}_p$  if and only if  $p = 2$ .*

*Proof.* By (1.5, iii) and (3.3, iv) we have

$$D_2^z = \mathcal{D}_2 = L_2^z(G).$$

Suppose  $p \neq 2$ . Since  $D_p^z \subset \mathcal{D}_p$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{D}_p} \leq \|\cdot\|_{D_p^z}$  on  $D_p^z$ , to show that  $D_p^z \neq \mathcal{D}_p$ , it suffices to find sequences  $\{f^{(n)}\}$  in  $D_p^z$  and  $\{g^{(n)}\}$  in  $T(G)$  such that

$$\frac{\|f^{(n)} * g^{(n)}\|_p}{\|\widehat{g^{(n)}}\|_\infty \|f^{(n)}\|_{\mathcal{D}}} \longrightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

As in the proof of (4.1) we construct the sequences by choosing  $f$  and  $g$  on  $\mathcal{S}_3$  as follows. First, let  $f = 2\chi_\sigma$ . Then  $f * g = g$  for any  $g \in T_\sigma(\mathcal{S}_3)$ , and  $\|f\|_p = 2 [(2^p + 2)/6]^{1/p}$ . Also we have  $f^{(n)} = 2^n \chi_{\sigma^n}$  and

$\|f^{(n)}\|_{\mathcal{S}_p} = \|f^{(n)}\|_p = \|f\|_p^n$ . As before, it suffices to find  $g \in T_o(\mathcal{S}_3)$  with the property that

$$\frac{\|g\|_p}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} > 1.$$

Again we consider two cases.

*Case 1.*  $1 \leq p < 2$ . Let  $g = 2u_{11}^{(\sigma)} + 2iu_{22}^{(\sigma)}$ . Then as in (4.1), Case 1, we have

$$\frac{\|g\|_p}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} = 2^{1/p-1/2} > 1.$$

*Case 2.*  $2 < p < 4$ . Let  $g = 2u_{12}^{(\sigma)} + 2u_{21}^{(\sigma)}$ . Then  $\|\hat{g}\|_\infty = 1$  and

$$\|g\|_p = 2 \left[ \frac{2\sqrt{3}^p}{6} \right]^{1/p}.$$

Therefore we see

$$\frac{\|g\|_p}{\|\hat{g}\|_\infty \|f\|_p} = \left[ \frac{2 \cdot 3^{p/2}}{2^p + 2} \right]^{1/p} > 1.$$

Finally, we observe that for  $G = \mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  we have the following.

**THEOREM 4.3.**  $K(G) \subsetneq S_{C(G)}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\|f\|_u \leq \|f\|_{K(G)}$  for  $f$  in  $K(G)$ , it follows that

$$K(G) = S_{K(G)} \subset S_{C(G)}.$$

Also, since  $\|f\|_{S_{C(G)}} \leq \|f\|_{K(G)}$  for  $f$  in  $K(G)$ , to show that  $K(G) \neq S_{C(G)}$ , we need only find  $f \in T_o(\mathcal{S}_3)$  such that

$$\frac{\|f\|_{K(\mathcal{S}_3)}}{\|f\|_\infty} > 1.$$

If we let  $f = u_{12}^{(\sigma)} + u_{21}^{(\sigma)}$ , then we have  $\|f\|_\infty = \sqrt{3}$  and  $\|f\|_{K(\mathcal{S}_3)} = 2$ . Hence, the proof is complete.

The techniques used to prove (4.1) – (4.3) can also be applied to show the following.

**THEOREM 4.4.** *If  $G = \mathcal{S}_3^\infty$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then*

$$\mathcal{D}_p(G) = L_p^z(G) \text{ if and only if } p = 2.$$

## 5. Open questions.

(5.1) Is  $T(G)$  dense in  $D_A$ ? If so, then it can easily be shown that  $D_{D_A}$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $D_A$ . One easily shows that the density of  $T(G)$  is equivalent to the condition that  $S_{D_A} = D_A$ .

(5.2) Another question of interest is whether or not  $D_A$  is self-adjoint (that is, closed under  $f \rightarrow \tilde{f}$ , where  $\tilde{f}(x) = \overline{f(x^{-1})}$ ) whenever  $A$  is. Equivalently, is  $\hat{D}_A$  a left ideal in  $\mathcal{E}_0(\Sigma)$  when  $A$  is self-adjoint?

(5.3) Are there any conditions on a compact non-abelian group  $G$  sufficient to imply that  $D_p = S_p$  for  $p \neq 2$ ?

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