

38. On the Duality Theorem of Non-commutative Compact Groups.

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1. The duality theorem of L. Pontrjagin¹⁾ concerning the compact commutative group was, by T. Tannaka²⁾, ingeniously extended to arbitrary compact group. To this extension, S. Bochner³⁾ and M. Krein⁴⁾ respectively gave new proofs recently. They three all start with the proof of the positivity or the continuity of certain homomorphisms. The proof given below is a direct one and will be shorter than theirs. It may be considered as a simplification of Tannaka's original proof. Our method lies in the use of Gelfand-Silov's abstraction⁵⁾ of Weierstrass' polynomial approximation theorem.

2. Let \mathfrak{G} be a compact (=bicomact) Hausdorff group and let \mathfrak{U} be a complete set of mutually inequivalent, continuous, unitary, irreducible representations $U(s) = (u_{ij}(s))$ of \mathfrak{G} . The completeness (Peter-Weyl-Neumann's theory of almost periodic functions) implies: 1) for any pair of distinct points $s, t \in \mathfrak{G}$, there exists an $U(s) \in \mathfrak{U}$ such that $U(s) \neq U(t)$, 2) if $U_1(s), U_2(s) \in \mathfrak{U}$ then the product (complex conjugate) representation $U_1(s) \times U_2(s) (\bar{U}_1(s))$ is, as a unitary representation of \mathfrak{G} , completely reducible to a sum of a finite number of representations $\in \mathfrak{U}$. Let \mathfrak{R} be the totality of Fourier polynomials:

$$x(s) = \sum \alpha_{ij}^{(q)} u_{ij}^{(q)}(s),$$

viz. finite linear combinations of $u_{ij}^{(q)}(s)$, where $(u_{ij}^{(q)}(s)) \in \mathfrak{U}$ and $\alpha_{ij}^{(q)}$ denote complex numbers. By 2) \mathfrak{R} is a ring with unit e ($e(s) \equiv 1$ on \mathfrak{G}) and complex multipliers. Here the sum and the multiplication in \mathfrak{R} is the ordinary function sum and function multiplication. Let \mathfrak{T} be the totality of the linear homomorphisms T of \mathfrak{R} onto the field \mathfrak{K} of complex numbers such that

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} T \cdot e = 1, \\ T \cdot \bar{x} = \overline{T \cdot x} \quad (\text{bar indicates complex conjugates: } \bar{x}(s) = \overline{x(s)}). \end{cases}$$

\mathfrak{T} is not void since each $s \in \mathfrak{G}$ induces such a homomorphism T_s :

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4) On positive functionals on almost periodic functions, C. R. URSS, **30** (1941).

5) Über verschiedene Methoden der Einführung der Topologie in die Menge der maximalen Ideale eines normierten Ringes, Rec. Math., **9**, **7** (1941). Cf. H. Nakano: 連続函数 ring 及び vector lattice, 全国紙上数学談話会 **218** (1941).

$$(2) \quad T_s \cdot x = x(s).$$

We have, by 1), $T_s \neq T_t$ if $s \neq t$.

\mathfrak{X} may be considered as a group which contains \mathfrak{G} as a subgroup.

Proof: We define the product $T = T_1 T_2$ in \mathfrak{X} as follows. Let $U(s) = (u_{ij}(s))_1^n$ be any member of \mathfrak{U} , then we put

$$(3) \quad T \cdot u_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n (T_1 \cdot u_{ik})(T_2 \cdot u_{kj}) \quad (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n).$$

Because of the linear independence of $u_{ij}^{(q)}(s)$'s, $(u_{ij}^{(q)}(s)) \in \mathfrak{U}$, we may extend T linearly on the whole \mathfrak{R} . It is easy to see that the extension T is also a member of \mathfrak{X} and that \mathfrak{X} is a group with the unit T_{s_0} (s_0 = the identity of \mathfrak{G}). \mathfrak{G} is thus isomorphically embedded in the group \mathfrak{X} by the correspondence $s \leftrightarrow T_s$.

Next introduce a *weak topology* in \mathfrak{X} by taking for a neighbourhood of the unity T_{s_0} every set

$$\mathcal{O}_\epsilon \{ |T \cdot x_i - T_{s_0} \cdot x_i| < \epsilon, \quad x_i \in \mathfrak{R}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \}$$

\mathfrak{X} is a compact Hausdorff space as a closed subset of the infinite dimensional torus. It is easily seen that the isomorphic embedding $s \leftrightarrow T_s$ is also a topological one. Hence \mathfrak{G} may be considered as a closed subgroup of the compact Hausdorff group \mathfrak{X} . In the truth we have the

Theorem (of T. Tannaka). $\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{G}$, viz. every $T \in \mathfrak{X}$ is equal to a certain T_s :

$$T \cdot x = x(s), \quad x \in \mathfrak{R}.$$

Proof. By the weak topology each $x(s) \in \mathfrak{R}$ may be considered as a continuous function $x(T)$ on the compact Hausdorff space \mathfrak{X} such that $x(T_s) = x(s)$. The ring $\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{X})$ of continuous functions $x(T)$, $x \in \mathfrak{R}$, satisfies the following three conditions: i) $1 = e(T) \in \mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{X})$, ii) for any two distinct points $T_1 \neq T_2$ of \mathfrak{X} there exists $x \in \mathfrak{R}$ such that $x(T_1) \neq x(T_2)$, iii) for any $x(T) \in \mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{X})$ there exists the complex conjugate function $\bar{x}(T) = \overline{x(T)}$ in $\mathfrak{R}(\mathfrak{X})$.

Now let $\mathfrak{X} - \mathfrak{G}$ be not void. Then there exists a point $T_0 \in \mathfrak{X} - \mathfrak{G}$ and a continuous function $y(T)$ on \mathfrak{X} such that

$$(4) \quad y(T) \geq 0 \text{ on } \mathfrak{X}, \quad y(s) = 0 \text{ on } \mathfrak{G} \text{ and } y(T_0) = 1.$$

By i)-iii) and the Gelfand-Silov's theorem referred to above, there exists, for any $\epsilon > 0$, $x(s) = \sum \alpha_{ij}^{(q)} u_{ij}^{(q)}(s) \in \mathfrak{R}$ such that

$$|y(T) - \sum \alpha_{ij}^{(q)} u_{ij}^{(q)}(T)| \leq \epsilon \text{ on } \mathfrak{X}$$

and, in particular,

$$|y(s) - \sum \alpha_{ij}^{(q)} u_{ij}^{(q)}(s)| \leq \epsilon \text{ on } \mathfrak{G}.$$

Let $u_{11}^{(q_0)}(s) = e(s) \equiv 1$, then by taking *Haar-Neumann's mean* we obtain

$$|M_T(y(T)) - \alpha_{11}^{(\gamma_0)}| \leq \varepsilon, \quad |M_s(y(s)) - \alpha_{11}^{(\gamma_0)}| \leq \varepsilon.$$

This is a contradiction, since we have $M_T(y(T)) > 0$, $M_s(y(s)) = 0$ from (4).

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Remark 1. The above proof also gives a new proof of a theorem of E. R. van Kampen¹⁾ which is an extension of W. Burnside's theorem²⁾. This was kindly pointed out to me by T. Tannaka. It is to be noted that Kampen's theorem plays an important rôle in Tannaka's proof.

Remark 2. In another note the author will give a proof of Pontrjagin's duality theorem for locally compact commutative group, by combining the generalized Plancherel's theorem³⁾ and the theory of Haar's measure⁴⁾. It intends to be a simplification of Raikov's proof⁵⁾, published recently.

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