

*ASSOCIATE AND PSEUDOASSOCIATE SETS  
IN LCA GROUPS, II*

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $G$  be a compact Abelian group with dual group  $\Gamma$ . A compact subset  $K$  of  $G$  and a subset  $A$  of  $\Gamma$  are *associated* (respectively, *pseudoassociated*) if for each  $\varphi \in B(A)$  (respectively,  $\varphi \in l^\infty(A)$ ) there exists a measure  $\mu$  (respectively, a pseudomeasure  $S$ ) concentrated on  $K$  and such that  $\hat{\mu}|_A = \varphi$  (respectively,  $\hat{S}|_A = \varphi$ ). Professor S. Hartman has asked whether there is a relationship between the notions of associate and pseudoassociate. In a previous note [1] we proved the existence of pairs  $K, A$  that were pseudoassociate, but not associate. In this note we construct a pair  $K, A$  that is associate, but not pseudoassociate.

We now describe the construction. We work on the circle group  $T$ . Let  $K$  be a Kronecker set, and let  $A$  be a union of arithmetic progressions of increasing length. In the next section we show that  $K$  and  $A$  may be constructed in such a way that  $K$  and  $A$  are associate. Let us now point out why such  $K$  and  $A$  can never be pseudoassociate.

Since  $A$  has arbitrarily long arithmetic progressions,  $B(A) \neq l^\infty(A)$ , as is well known. Since  $K$  is a Kronecker set,  $M(K) = PM(K)$  by a result of Varopoulos (see [2]). Hence

$$PM(K)\hat{\ }|_A = M(K)\hat{\ }|_A \subseteq B(A) \neq l^\infty(A).$$

A necessary and sufficient condition for  $K$  and  $A$  to be associate is that there exists a number  $\delta > 0$  such that, for all trigonometric polynomials  $f$  with frequencies in  $A$ ,

$$\delta \|f\|_\infty \leq \sup \{|f(x)| : x \in K\},$$

but our construction can be simplified only slightly using this fact.

**2. The construction.** Let  $\lambda(1) = 0$ , and let  $x \in T$  be any element of infinite order. Let  $E(1)$  be any finite set of integers such that, for each  $z \in T$ , there exists  $\gamma \in E(1)$  with  $|z - \langle \gamma, x \rangle| < 2^{-11}$ . Let  $\delta(1) = 2^{-11}$ . Then for each probability measure  $\nu$  on  $T$  there exists a probability meas-

ure  $\sigma$  on  $K(1) = \{x\}$  such that  $\hat{\nu} = \hat{\sigma}$  on  $\lambda(1)$ . Let  $U(1)$  be a compact neighborhood of  $0 \in T$  such that  $|1 - \langle \gamma, u \rangle| < 2^{-13}$  for  $u \in U(1)$  and  $\gamma \in E(1)$ . This begins our inductive construction.

Suppose that  $n \geq 1$ , and that non-negative integers  $\lambda(1), \lambda(2), \dots, \lambda(n)$ , finite subsets  $E(1) \subseteq E(2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq E(n)$  of integers, independent finite subsets  $K(1) \subseteq K(2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq K(n)$  of  $T$ , compact neighborhoods  $U(1), U(2), \dots, U(n)$  of  $0 \in T$  and numbers  $\delta(1) > \delta(2) > \dots > \delta(n) > 0$  have been found so that the following conditions hold:

- (1)  $j\lambda(j) < \lambda(j+1)$  for  $1 \leq j < n$ ;
- (2)  $\lambda(j+1)U(j) = T$  for  $1 \leq j < n$ ;
- (3)  $\delta(j) + |1 - \langle k\lambda(j+1), x \rangle| < 2^{-j-9}$  for  $x \in K(j)$  and  $1 \leq k \leq j < n$ ;
- (4) for  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and each probability measure  $\nu$  on  $T$ , there exists a probability measure  $\sigma$  on  $K(j)$  such that

$$\delta(j) + \sum_{i=1}^k |\hat{\nu}(i\lambda(k)) - \hat{\sigma}(i\lambda(k))| < 2^{-k-8} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq j;$$

- (5)  $|1 - \langle k\lambda(j+1), x \rangle| < \delta(j)/2$  for  $x \in K(j)$  and  $1 \leq k \leq j < n$ ;
- (6) for  $x, y \in K(j)$ ,  $x + U(j) \cap y + U(j) \neq \emptyset$  implies  $x = y$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ;
- (7)  $K(j) + U(j) \supseteq K(j+1)$  for  $1 \leq j < n$ ;
- (8)  $\text{Int } U(j) \supseteq U(j+1) + U(j+2) + \dots + U(l)$  for  $1 \leq j < l \leq n$ ;
- (9) for each  $f: K(j) \rightarrow T$ , there exists  $\gamma \in E(j)$  such that
 
$$\delta(n) + |f(x) - \langle \gamma, x \rangle| < 2^{-j-9} \quad \text{for } x \in K(j) \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n;$$
- (10)  $|1 - \langle x, \gamma \rangle| < \delta(j)/3j$  for  $x \in U(j)$ ,  $\gamma \in E(j)$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ;
- (11)  $|1 - \langle x, j\lambda(k) \rangle| < \delta(k)/3k$  for  $x \in U(k)$  and  $1 \leq j \leq k \leq n$ .

We set  $A(j) = \{k\lambda(j): 1 \leq k \leq j\}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

We now produce  $\lambda(n+1)$  and  $K(n+1)$ . Let  $N \geq n\lambda(n)$  be so large that  $NU(n) = T$ . Let  $\lambda = \lambda(n+1) \geq N$  be such that

$$(12) \quad |1 - \langle k\lambda, x \rangle| < \delta(n)/3n \quad \text{for } x \in K(n) \text{ and } 1 \leq k \leq n+1.$$

Let  $A(n+1) = \{k\lambda: 1 \leq k \leq n+1\}$ . Then, for each probability measure  $\nu$  on  $T$ , there exists a probability measure  $\sigma_2$  on  $U(n)$  such that

$$(13) \quad \sum_{\gamma \in A(n+1)} |\hat{\nu}(\gamma) - \hat{\sigma}_2(\gamma)| < 2^{-n-7}.$$

Let  $F = K(n) + U(n)$ . A straightforward argument shows that there exists a finite set  $K \subseteq F$  such that for each probability measure  $\sigma_2$  on  $F$  there is a probability measure  $\sigma_3$  on  $K$  such that

$$(14) \quad \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda(k)} |\hat{\sigma}_2(\gamma) - \hat{\sigma}_3(\gamma)| < \min(2^{-k-7}, \delta(n)/3) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n+1,$$

and such that  $K(n+1) = K(n) \cup K$  is independent.

Now let  $\nu$  be any probability measure on  $T$ . Then there exists a probability measure  $\sigma_1$  on  $K(n)$  such that (4) holds for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , and there exists a probability measure  $\sigma_2$  on  $U(n)$  such that (13) holds. Then (4) and (11) imply

$$(15) \quad 2\delta(n)/3 + \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda(k)} |\hat{\nu}(\gamma) - \hat{\sigma}_1(\gamma)\hat{\sigma}_2(\gamma)| < 2^{-k-9} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n$$

while (12) and (13) imply

$$(16) \quad 2\delta(n)/3 + \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda(k)} |\hat{\nu}(\gamma) - \hat{\sigma}_1(\gamma)\hat{\sigma}_2(\gamma)| < 2^{-n-10}.$$

By our choice of  $K$  and (15) there exists a probability measure  $\sigma_4$  on  $K$  such that

$$(17) \quad \delta(n)/3 + \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda(k)} |\hat{\nu}(\gamma) - \hat{\sigma}_4(\gamma)| < 2^{-k-9} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n+1.$$

This proves that  $K(n+1)$ ,  $\lambda(n+1)$  and  $\Lambda(n+1)$  have properties (1)-(5) if  $0 < \delta(n+1) \leq \delta(n)/3$ .

The construction of  $E(n+1)$  is straightforward, as is the choice of  $U(n+1)$ .

The induction is complete.

We let

$$K = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (K(n) + U(n)).$$

That  $K$  is a Kronecker set follows from (7)-(10), exactly as in [3], p. 101 and 102. Let

$$\Lambda = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \Lambda(k).$$

We now show that  $M(K) \hat{\ }_{\Lambda} = B(\Lambda)$ . Let  $\varphi \in B(\Lambda)$ . Then there exist non-negative measures  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_4$  such that, on  $\Lambda$ ,

$$\varphi = \hat{\mu}_1 - \hat{\mu}_2 + i\hat{\mu}_3 - i\hat{\mu}_4 \quad \text{and} \quad 2\|\varphi\| \geq \sum_{j=1}^4 \|\mu_j\|.$$

Let  $\sigma_1^{(n)}, \sigma_2^{(n)}, \dots, \sigma_4^{(n)}$  be probability measures on  $K(n)$  such that (4) holds for  $\nu_j = \|\mu_j\|^{-1}\mu_j$ . Let

$$A_n = \bigcup_{j=1}^n A(j),$$

and

$$\omega_n = \|\mu_1\| \sigma_1^{(n)} + \|\mu_2\| \sigma_2^{(n)} + i \|\mu_3\| \sigma_3^{(n)} - i \|\mu_4\| \sigma_4^{(n)}.$$

Then (4) implies

$$\|\varphi|_{A_n} - \hat{\omega}_n|_{A_n}\|_{B(A_n)} \leq 4 \sum_{k=1}^n 2^{-k-8} 2 \|\varphi\| = 2^{-3} \|\varphi\|_{B(A_n)}.$$

Taking weak-\* limits, we see that, for each  $\varphi \in B(A)$ , there exists  $\sigma \in M(K)$  such that

$$(18) \quad \|\sigma\| \leq 2 \|\varphi\|_{B(A)} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\hat{\sigma}|_A - \varphi\|_{B(A)} < 2^{-3} \|\varphi\|_{B(A)}.$$

A standard iteration using (18) shows that  $M(K) \hat{\ }|_A = B(A)$ .

The construction is complete.

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