

Haar measure (Folland §11.1)

a locally compact group G is

- group law $(g, h, g^{-1}, e_G = g g^{-1})$ on G

- locally compact Hausdorff top. on G

s.t. $G \times G \rightarrow G, (g, h) \rightarrow g^{-1}h$ is cont.

(then $(g, h) \mapsto gh, g \mapsto g^{-1}$ also)

Ex. matrix groups $GL_n(\mathbb{R}), O(n), U(n), \dots$

$\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \{0, 1\}$ either as $\lim_{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}/2^n \mathbb{Z}$
or $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$

A left Haar measure is a Radon measure

μ on G s.t. $\mu(gA) = \mu(A) \quad (g \in G, A \in \mathcal{B}_G)$

(same as positive func. $I_{\mu}: C_c(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,
 $I_{\mu}(f) = I_{\mu}(L_g f)$ for $(L_g f)(h) = f(g^{-1}h)$)

Ex. R
Thm

Morally: look at the "covering number"

$(E: V) = \inf \{k : \exists g_1, \dots, g_k \in G \quad E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^k g_i V\}$
for $E, V \subset G$

Fix $E_0 \in \mathcal{B}_G$, take neighborhoods V_1, V_2, \dots of e_G

\leadsto normalized cov. num $M_k(E) = \frac{(E: V_k)}{(E_0: V_k)}$

limit $\mu(E) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M_k(E)$

Ex. $G = \mathbb{R}, E_0 = [0, 1], V_k = (-\frac{1}{2k}, \frac{1}{2k})$

$\Rightarrow (E, V_k) \sim k(b-a)$ for $E = (a, b) \quad a < b$.

So $M_k(E) \sim b-a = m(E)$.

Thm. \exists (nonzero) left Haar meas. on G

Analogue for funcs.

$$f, F \in C_c(G) \quad \text{pos}$$

$$(f : F) = \inf \sum_{i=1}^n c_i : \exists g_1, \dots, g_n \text{ s.t. } f \leq \sum c_i L g_i F$$

fix $f_0 \in C_c(G)$ pos, put $I_F(f) = \frac{(f : F)}{(f_0 : F)}$

then $\frac{1}{(f_0 : f)} \leq I_F(f) \leq (f : f_0)$, $I_F(Lg f) = I_F(f)$
 from $(f_1 : f_3) \leq (f_1 : f_2)(f_2 : f_3)$ $I_F(a f) = a I_F(f)$ ($a \gg 0$)

Want to make sense of $I(f) = \lim_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{supp}(F_i) \rightarrow \{e\}}} I_{F_i}(f)$.

Use compactness to justify this.

$$f \in C_c(G) \quad \text{pos} \rightarrow X_f = \left[\frac{1}{(f_0 : f)}, (f : f_0) \right].$$

$$X = \prod_{\text{all } f \text{ as above}} X_f \quad \text{cpt. sp. } F \text{ def's a point}$$

$$p_F = (I_F(f))_f \in X.$$

$$V \in G \text{ neigh. of } e_G \Rightarrow K(V) = \text{closure of } \{p_F : \text{supp}(F) \subset V\}$$

- Claim. $\bigcap_{V: \text{as above}} K(V)$ is non-empty.

- finite intersection is non-empty. $\bigcap_{i=1}^n K(V_i) \supset K(\bigcap_{i=1}^n V_i)$

- nonempty intersection from cpt-ness of X .

- Claim $f_1, f_2 \in C_c(G)$ pos. $\Rightarrow \exists V$ (small) s.t.

$$(L.I.I.) \quad I_F(f_1) + I_F(f_2) \sim I_F(f_1 + f_2) \quad (\text{supp}(F) \subset V)$$

$\rightsquigarrow I \in \bigcap_{V: \text{as above}} K(V)$ represents a (invariant) lin. func.