

ON SOME TOPOLOGIES WHICH COINCIDE ON THE UNIT SPHERE OF THE FOURIER-STIELTJES ALGEBRA $B(G)$ AND OF THE MEASURE ALGEBRA $M(G)$

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Introduction. Let G be an arbitrary locally compact group [$A(G)$], $B(G)$ the [Fourier] Fourier-Stieltjes algebra of G and $M(G)$ the Banach algebra of bounded Radon measures on G (see definitions in what follows).

We prove in §1 of this paper that the w^* -topology τ_{w^*} and the multiplier topology τ_M coincide on the unit sphere $S = \{u \in B(G); \|u\| = 1\}$ of $B(G)$, where $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in τ_M if and only if $\|(u_\alpha - u)v\| \rightarrow 0$ for each $v \in A(G)$. This result proves a conjecture of McKennon [10, p. 49]. It improves a result of Derighetti [1] and McKennon [10] (that $\tau_{w^*} = \tau_{uc}$ on S , where τ_{uc} is the topology of uniform convergence on compacta) which in turn improves a theorem of Raikov [13] and Yoshizawa [17] (that $\tau_{w^*} = \tau_{uc}$ on the positive definite face of S). Applying this result we show in theorem B_1 that for any compact $K \subset G$ the Banach space $A_K(G) = \{u \in A(G); \text{supp } u \subset K\}$ has the Radon-Nikodym property and consequently a strong Krein-Milman theorem, for closed bounded convex subsets of $A_K(G)$, follows. Theorem B_2 of this section consists of a long list of topologies which coincide on S .

§3 consists of a measure theoretical selfcontained proof of a result of McKennon [10] which states that the w^* and the L^p -multiplier topology on $S = \{\mu \in M(G); \|\mu\| = 1\}$ coincide ($\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in the latter if and only if $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_p \rightarrow 0$ for each $f \in L^p$). The reader familiar with [10, pp. 21–25 and 32–33] will find, we think, that our proof is simpler, more natural and self-contained. Finally we investigate in §2, subsets of $B_p^M(G)$ (the space of multipliers of $A_p(G)$) on which the topologies τ_M and $\sigma(B_p^M, L^1)$ coincide. As a consequence a necessary and sufficient condition for a subset of $A_p(G)$ to be norm compact is given (in case G is amenable). In view of [8] the results seem to be of interest even for the nonamenable case.

Definitions and notations. Let G be a locally compact group with unit e . $C(G)$ ($C_{00}(G)$) [$C_0(G)$] will denote the space of complex bounded continuous functions (with compact support) [which vanish at infinity]. λ or dx will denote a left Haar measure on G . $\|f\|_p = (\int |f|^p dx)^{1/p}$ will denote the

$L^p(G)$ norm of f . $\Delta(x)$ will denote the modular function on G and if h is a complex function on G , then we define as usual ([4]) $\bar{h}(x) = \overline{h(x)}$, $h^\vee(x) = h(x^{-1})$, $h^-(x) = \overline{h(x^{-1})}$, and $h^*(x) = (1/\Delta(x)) h^-(x)$.

We follow Eymard [4] in the definitions and notations for the spaces $A(G)$, $B(G)$, $C^*(G)$, etc., and for the norms $\|\cdot\|_\rho$, $\|\cdot\|_\Sigma$, etc. Different norms will sometimes occur and we write $\|u\|_{B(G)} = \|u\|_B$, $\|u\|_{A(G)} = \|u\|_A$, etc., to emphasize which norm we consider.

If X, Y are normed spaces in duality then $\sigma(X, Y)$ will denote as usual the weakest topology on X which makes all linear functionals in Y continuous. If X^* is the conjugate Banach space of X then $\sigma(X, X^*)$ is denoted by w , the weak topology of X and $\sigma(X^*, X)$ is the w^* (weak star) topology of X^* .

If X, Y are normed spaces in duality and if for each $x \in X$ $\|x\| = \sup\{|\langle x, y \rangle|, y \in Y, \|y\| \leq 1\}$, then $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$ in $\sigma(x, y)$ implies $\liminf \|x_\alpha\| \geq \|x\|$. If in addition $\sup \|x_\alpha\| < \infty$, then $|\langle x_\alpha - x, y \rangle| \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on norm compact subsets of Y . These properties are known and easily proved.

If τ is a topology on X and $K \subset X$, then $\tau \text{cl} K$ will denote the τ closure of K in X . 1_K will denote the function which is one on K and zero outside K .

The rest of the definitions are given in the following sections.

1. Various topologies on the unit sphere of $B(G)$. The basic notations in this section are as in Eymard [4]. If h is a continuous linear functional on a C^* -algebra, we denote by $|h|$ the positive linear functional determined by the conditions $\| |h| \| = \|h\|$ and $|h(a)|^2 \leq \|h\| |h|(aa^*)$. The extension of $|h|$ to the algebra with adjoined unit is again denoted by $|h|$. $B(G)$ is the dual of the C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$ as defined in [4]. We define the topologies τ_{uc} , τ_{w^*} , τ_{bw^*} , τ_{nw^*} , τ_M on $B(G)$ by the statement that a net u_α converges to u in τ_{uc} if $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ uniformly on compacta; τ_{w^*} if $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in w^* , i.e., $\sigma(B(G), C^*(G))$; τ_{bw^*} if u_α is norm bounded and $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ weakly*; τ_{nw^*} if $\|u_\alpha\| \rightarrow \|u\|$ and $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in w^* ; and τ_M if $\|(u_\alpha - u)v\| \rightarrow 0$ for all $v \in A(G)$. (M stands for multiplier).

Note that, on norm bounded sets of $B(G)$, τ_{w^*} coincides with $\sigma(B(G), L^1(G))$ since $L^1(G)$ is dense in $C^*(G)$.

The main result of this section is theorem A which shows that τ_{w^*} coincides with τ_M on $S = \{u \in B(G), \|u\| = 1\}$. It proves a conjecture of McKennon [10, p. 49] (it improves theorem 5.5, [10, p. 47]) which in turn improves a theorem of Derighetti [1] (that $\tau_{w^*} = \tau_{uc}$ on S) which in turn improves a theorem of Raikov [13] and Yoshizawa [17] (that $\tau_{w^*} = \tau_{uc}$ on the positive definite face of S).

The next result is theorem B_1 which states that, for any compact $K \subset G$, the Banach space $A_K(G) = \{u \in A(G); \text{supp } u \subset K\}$ is a dual Banach space with the Radon-Nikodym property (definitions are given later) and consequently a strong Krein Milman theorem for closed bounded convex sub-

sets of $A_K(G)$ follows. If G is compact abelian, $A_G(G) = A(G) \cong \mathcal{L}_1(\hat{G})$ and this result is known (Phelps [12, p. 87]). If G is abelian and noncompact then $A(G)$ does not have the Radon-Nikodym property. We use theorem A in the proof of theorem B_1 .

The last result in this section is theorem B_2 which consists of a long list of topologies which coincide on S .

The reader familiar with [10] will note the simplicity of the proofs that follow.

The following is a particular case of lemma (3.2) of McKennon [10, p. 23] with a much simpler proof.

LEMMA 1. *Let u_β be a net in $B(G)$ such that $u_\beta \rightarrow u_0 \in B(G)$ in τ_{nw} . Let $e_\alpha \in L^1(G)$ be a positive (in the $C^*(G)$ sense) approximate identity for $L^1(G)$ consisting of real valued functions such that $\|e_\alpha\|_1 \leq 1$. Then, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist α_0 and β_0 such that $\|e_{\alpha_0} * u_\beta - u_\beta\|_B < \varepsilon$ for all $\beta \geq \beta_0$ and $\|e_{\alpha_0} * u_0 - u_0\|_B < \varepsilon$.*

REMARK. Our assumption implies that $e_\alpha = f_\alpha * f_\alpha^*$ for $f_\alpha \in L^1$. Since $\|e_\alpha\|_{C^*(G)} \leq \|e_\alpha\|_1 \leq 1$, it follows that $0 \leq e_\alpha \leq 1$ (in the C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$ sense) and therefore $0 \leq (1 - e_\alpha) * (1 - e_\alpha) \leq 1 - e_\alpha$ in $C^*(G)$ with adjoined identity.

PROOF. We can assume that $u_0 \neq 0$. If G is nondiscrete, we may adjoin a unit 1 to $L^1(G)$. If $f \in L^1(G)$, then since $\bar{e}_\alpha = e_\alpha$, we have for any $u \in B(G)$

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle e_\alpha * u - u, f \rangle|^2 &= |\langle u, (\bar{e}_\alpha - 1) * f \rangle|^2 \\ &\leq \|u\| |\langle |u|, (e_\alpha - 1) * f * f^* * (e_\alpha - 1) \rangle| \\ &\leq \|u\| \|f * f^*\|_{C^*(G)} |\langle |u|, (1 - e_\alpha) * (1 - e_\alpha) \rangle| \\ &\leq \|u\| \|f\|_{C^*(G)}^2 (\langle |u|, 1 - e_\alpha \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

We have used the fact that if p is a positive linear functional on a C^* -algebra A then $p(a^*ba) \leq \|b\| p(a^*a)$ which follows readily from representing $p(c) = (\pi(c)\xi, \xi)$ where π is a representation of A on some Hilbert space H and $\xi \in H$. The last inequality is true by the remark above and since $|u|$ is a positive functional on $C^*(G)$.

Now $|u|(e_\alpha) \rightarrow |u|(1) = \|u\|$. Let α_0 be such that $\|u_0\| (\langle |u_0|, 1 - e_{\alpha_0} \rangle) < \varepsilon$. Then

$$\|e_{\alpha_0} * u_\beta - u_\beta\|_B \leq \|u_\beta\| (\langle |u_\beta|, 1 - e_{\alpha_0} \rangle) \rightarrow \|u_0\| (\langle |u_0|, 1 - e_{\alpha_0} \rangle) < \varepsilon$$

since by Effors [3, lemma 3.5], $|u_\beta| \rightarrow |u_0|$. Choose β_0 such that $\|u_\beta\| (\langle |u_\beta|, 1 - e_{\alpha_0} \rangle) < \varepsilon$ if $\beta \geq \beta_0$.

The following is lemma 13.5.1 in [2, p. 260].

LEMMA 2. *Let $A \subset L^\infty(G)$ be norm bounded and $f \in L^1(G)$. If ϕ_α is a net in A such that $w^*\text{-lim } \phi_\alpha = \phi$, then $f * \phi_\alpha \rightarrow f * \phi$ uniformly on compacta.*

For proof just note as in [2] that $f*\phi_\alpha(s) = \langle \phi_{\alpha's}, f \rangle \rightarrow \langle \phi_s, f \rangle$ uniformly for s in a compact K since $\{s, f; s \in K\}$ is a compact subset of $L^1(G)$.

We note here that τ_{w^*} coincides with $\sigma(B(G), L^1(G))$ on bounded subsets of $B(G)$.

LEMMA 3. *Let $F = f*g$ for $g, f \in C_{00}(G)$. Then $u \rightarrow F*u$ is continuous from $(B(G), \tau_{bw^*})$ to $(B(G), \tau_M)$.*

PROOF: Let $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in the w^* topology of $B(G)$ be such that $\sup_\alpha \|u_\alpha\|_B = \gamma < \infty$ and $u \in B(G)$. Let $v \in A \cap C_{00}(G)$ and let $K \subset G$ be compact such that $S_f^{-1}S_v \subset K$ where S_w is the support of w . Then for any $w \in L^\infty$ and $h \in L^1$ one has

$$\langle (f*w)v, h \rangle = \langle w, \bar{f}*(vh) \rangle = \langle w|_K, \bar{f}*(vh) \rangle = \langle [f*(w|_K)]v, h \rangle.$$

Also, f and $(w|_K)^\sim$ are in $L^2(G)$; hence $f*(w|_K) \in L^2(G)*L^2(G)^\sim = A(G)$, [4, p. 218] and

$$\|(f*w)v\|_{A(G)} = \|(f*w|_K)v\|_{A(G)} \leq \|f\|_2 \|(w|_K)^\sim\|_2 \|v\|_{A(G)}.$$

Let $w = g*(u_\alpha - u)$. Then

$$\|(f*g*(u_\alpha - u))v\| \leq \|f\|_2 \|(g*(u_\alpha - u))|_K\|^\sim \|v\|_{A(G)} \rightarrow 0,$$

since by lemma 2, $g*(u_\alpha - u) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on K . We have shown that $\|[F*(u_\alpha - u)]v\|_{A(G)} \rightarrow 0$ for any $v \in A \cap C_{00}(G)$. To finish the proof it is enough to show that $F*u_\alpha \in B(G)$ and $\sup_\alpha \|F*u_\alpha\| < \infty$, both of which follow from Eymard [4, p. 198 (2.18)] by which

$$\|F*u_\alpha\|_{B(G)} \leq \|F\|_\Sigma \|u_\alpha\|_{B(G)} \leq \|F\|_1 \gamma.$$

REMARK. We have only used in the proof that $g \in L^1(G)$ and that $f \in L^\infty$ is 0 a.e. except on some compact set. It is not hard to show, using corollary 1 to theorem A (which follows), that F can be chosen to be any element of $L^1(G)$ and still lemma 3 remains true.

THEOREM A. $\tau_{nw^*} \supset \tau_M$. *In particular τ_{w^*} and τ_M coincide on $S = \{u \in B(G); \|u\| = 1\}$.*

PROOF. Let $u_\alpha, u \in B(G)$ satisfy $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in w^* and $\|u_\beta\| \rightarrow \|u\|$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Let U_α be a relatively compact neighborhood base at $e, e \in V_\alpha = V_\alpha^{-1}$ be open and such that $V_\alpha^2 \subset U_\alpha$ and $e_\alpha = f_\alpha * f_\alpha^*$ where $f_\alpha = \lambda(V_\alpha)^{-1}1_{V_\alpha}$. Then e_α satisfies the conditions of lemma 1. Hence there exists α_0 and β_0 such that $\|e_{\alpha_0} * u_\beta - u_\beta\|_{B(G)} < \varepsilon/3$ if $\beta \geq \beta_0$ and $\|e_{\alpha_0} * u - u\|_{B(G)} < \varepsilon/3$. Thus, if $v \in A(G)$ and $\beta \geq \beta_0$ we have

$$\|(u_\beta - u)v\|_{A(G)} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \|[e_{\alpha_0} * (u_\beta - u)]v\|_{A(G)} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Take now $e_{\alpha_0} = F$ in lemma 3. Then, there is some $\beta_1 \geq \beta_0$ such that $\|[e_{\alpha_0} * (u_\beta - u)]v\|_{A(G)} < \varepsilon/3$ if $\beta \geq \beta_1$.

The rest of the proof is immediate since $\tau_M \supset \tau_{uc} \supset \tau_{w^*}$ on bounded sets. In fact if $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in τ_M and we let $v \in A(G)$ be 1 on the compact K , then $\|(u_\alpha - u)1_K\|_\infty \leq \|(u_\alpha - u)v\|_A \rightarrow 0$.

REMARK. McKennon has proved in [10, theorem 5.5] that if $u, u_\beta \in B(G)$ and u is positive definite, then $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in τ_{w^*} implies that $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in τ_M . He conjectured that the assumption that u is positive definite might not be needed [10, p. 49]. Theorem A proves this conjecture.

COROLLARY 1. (Raikov [13], McKennon [10], Derighetti [1]). $\tau_{w^*} \supset \tau_{uc}$. In particular τ_{w^*} coincides with τ_{uc} on the unit sphere of $B(G)$.

One only has to note that $\tau_M \supset \tau_{uc}$ since for any compact K there is some $v \in A(G)$ such that $v = 1$ on K .

DEFINITION. Let $K \subset G$ be closed. Then $A_K(G) = \{f \in A(G), \text{supp } f \subset K\}$ where $\text{supp } f = \text{cl}\{x \in G; f(x) \neq 0\}$. It is readily seen that $A_K(G) = \{f \in A(G); f = 0 \text{ on } \text{cl}(G \sim K)\}$.

COROLLARY 2. Consider $A_K(G)$ as a subset of $B(G)$. If K is compact, then τ_{w^*} coincides with the norm topology on the unit sphere of $A_K(G)$.

PROOF. Let $v_\alpha, v \in A_K$ be such that $\|v_\alpha\| = 1 = \|v\|$ and $v_\alpha \rightarrow v$ in τ_{w^*} . Let $w \in A(G)$ be such that $w = 1$ on K (See [4, p. 208]). Then $(v_\alpha - v)w = v_\alpha - v$ and by theorem A, $\|(v_\alpha - v)w\| \rightarrow 0$.

REMARK. If G is metric nondiscrete, it is easy to find a positive definite $u \in A \cap C_0$ such that $0 \leq u \leq 1$ and $\{x; u(x) = 1\} = \{e\}$. Then $v_n = u^n$ will satisfy $v_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ a.e., thus $v_n \rightarrow 0$ in the w^* topology of $B(G)$. Yet $\|v_n\|_A = u^n(e) = 1 \not\rightarrow 0$.

REMARK. Let G be compact abelian. Then $A(G) \approx \mathcal{L}_1(\Gamma)$ (isometric isomorphism) where $\Gamma = \hat{G}$ is the discrete dual of G . In this case $A(G) = B(G)$. Corollary 2 reduces to the known fact that the norm and w^* topologies on the unit sphere of $\mathcal{L}_1(\Gamma)$ coincide. If G is compact nonabelian, then $A(G)$ is just the dual of the noncommutative C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$. Then Corollary 2 applied to $A(G)$ yields another family of Banach spaces with this same property (which is just property (**)) of I. Namioka [11, p. 530]).

DEFINITION. A Banach space X has the Radon-Nikodym property (RNP) if every bounded subset C of X is dentable, i.e., for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is some $x \in C$ such that (*) $x \notin \text{norm cl Co}[C \sim (x + \varepsilon U)]$ where $U = \{x \in X; \|x\| \leq 1\}$. A point $x \in C$ for which (*) holds for each $\varepsilon > 0$ is said to be a denting point of C .

It has been proved by M.A. Rieffel that vector valued measures with range in a Banach space with the RNP satisfy a Radon Nikodym theorem implemented by Bochner integrable functions [41]. (see also [12] [16]).

THEOREM B₁. *Let $K \subset G$ be compact. Then $A_K(G)$ is a dual Banach space with the Radon Nykodym property. Consequently every bounded closed convex subset C of $A_K(G)$ has strongly exposed points and moreover C is the norm closed convex-hull of its strongly exposed points.*

REMARK. Let G be abelian and noncompact. Then $A(G)$ does not have the RNP. In fact $A(G) \approx L^1(H)$ where $H = \hat{G}$ is not discrete. If $f \in L^1(H)$, $\int |f| dx = 1$, let $\mu(A) = \int_A |f| dx$. Then, as is well known, there is some Borel set A_0 such that $\mu(A_0) = 1/2 = \mu(G \sim A_0)$. It readily follows that if $g = f1_{A_0} - f1_{G \sim A_0}$, then $\int |f \pm g| dx \leq 1$, which shows that the closed unit ball of $L^1(H)$ (hence of $A(G)$) does not have extreme points and afortiori [12, p. 80] does not have the RNP. This seems to indicate, at least for abelian noncompact G , that if $K \subset G$ is closed with interior which is not relatively compact, then $A_K(G)$ does not have the RNP. It is possible that the proof of this fact is quite easy.

PROOF. R. Phelps has proved in [12, p. 85] that any Banach space with the RNP satisfies the above consequence. Hence it is enough to prove that any bounded subset $C \subset A_K(G)$ has a denting point (see [12, p. 79] in the definition and the remark thereafter). If K has empty interior, then $A_K(G) = \{0\}$. Hence we assume that $\text{int } K \neq \emptyset$.

We claim at first that $A_K(G) = A_K$ is w^* closed in $B(G)$.

In fact, if $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in w^* , $u_\alpha \in A_K$ and $v \in B(G)$ is such that $v = 0$ on K , then $0 = u_\alpha v \rightarrow uv$ in $\sigma(B(G), L^1(G))$. Hence $uv = 0$. Now for any $x \notin K$ there is some $v \in A(G)$ such that $v(K) = 0$ and $v(x) \neq 0$. Thus $u(x) = 0$ if $x \notin K$; hence $\{y \in G; u(y) \neq 0\} \subset K$. This readily shows that $u \in A_K$.

We show now that A_K is a dual Banach space. In fact, if $M = (A_K)_\perp = \{\phi \in C^*(G); \langle \phi, v \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } v \in A_K\}$ then, by [15, p. 92 thm 4.9(b)], the Banach space $(C^*(G)/M)^*$ is isometric to $M^\perp = \{u \in B(G); \langle u, \phi \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } \phi \in M\}$. But $((A_K)_\perp)^\perp = M^\perp = A_K$ since A_K is w^* closed in $B(G)$, which is the dual of $C^*(G)$. This show that A_K is the dual of a Banach space and has property (**) of I. Namioka [11, p. 530] by our Corollary 2. Prop 4.11 of [11, p. 530] implies that each bounded norm closed convex subset of A_K has a denting point and hence, by Phelps [12, p. 79], A_K has the RNP.

THEOREM B₂. *Let $S = \{u \in B(G); \|u\|_B = 1\}$. Let $u_\beta \in S$ and $u \in S$. The following properties are equivalent.*

- (a) $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in τ_{w^*} (i.e., $\sigma(B(G), C^*(G))$).
- (b) $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in τ_{uc} .
- (c) $u_\beta T \rightarrow uT$ in $\| \cdot \|_{C_\rho^*(G)}$ norm for all $T \in C_\rho^*(G)$.
- (c') $u_\beta T \rightarrow uT$ in $\sigma(VN(G), A(G))$ for all $T \in VN(G)$.
- (d) $T(u_\beta v) \rightarrow T(uv)$ in $\| \cdot \|_{A(G)}$ norm for all $T \in C_\rho^*(G)$, $v \in A(G)$.

(d') $T(u_\beta v) \rightarrow T(uv)$ weakly (i.e., $\sigma(A(G), VN(G))$ for all $T \in C_\rho^*(G)$, $v \in A(G)$).

(e) $u_\beta v \rightarrow uv$ in $A(G)$ norm for all $v \in A(G)$.

(e') $u_\beta v \rightarrow uv$ weakly (i.e., $\sigma(A(G), VN(G))$ for all $v \in A(G)$).

PROOF. (a) \Leftrightarrow (b) \Leftrightarrow (e) follows from theorem A. (e) \Rightarrow (e') is clear.

To show (e') \Rightarrow (a), let $f \in C_{00}$, $v \in A$ with $v = 1$ on $\text{supp } f$. Thus $vf = f$ and $\langle u_\beta, f \rangle = \langle u_\beta f, v \rangle \rightarrow \langle uf, v \rangle = \langle u, f \rangle$ where $uf \in VN(G)$. Hence $u_\beta \rightarrow u$ in $\sigma(B, C_{00})$ which by density implies (a).

(e) \Rightarrow (c) since any $T \in C_\rho^*(G)$ with compact support is expressible as vT where $v \in A(G)$ with $v = 1$ on $\text{supp } T$.

(c) \Rightarrow (a), (d') \Rightarrow (a) and (e') \Rightarrow (a) are all shown in the same way as (c') \Rightarrow (a). The implications (e) \Rightarrow (d), (d) \Rightarrow (d') and (e) \Rightarrow (e') are all evident.

Another application of the above methods which will be proved in greater generality in the next section is the following theorem.

THEOREM B₃. *Let G be a amenable group. A set $E \subset A(G)$ is relatively norm compact if and only if the following hold:*

(a) E is norm bounded;

(b) For each $v \in A(G)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a neighborhood V of e such that $\|\zeta_x u - u\| < \varepsilon$ for each $u \in E$ and $x \in V$ ($\zeta_x u(y) = u(xy)$); and

(c) For each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is some $v \in A(G)$ such that $\|u - uv\| < \varepsilon$ for each $u \in E$.

2. Subsets of $B_p(G)$ on which τ_M and $\sigma(B_p, L^1)$ coincide. Let $A_p(G)$ be (as in Herz [5, p. 96]) the Banach algebra of all functions f on G which can be represented as $f = \sum_{n=1}^\infty v_n * \tilde{u}_n$, an absolutely and uniformly convergent sum, such that $\sum_n \|v_n\|_p \|u_n\|_p < \infty$, $1/p + 1/p' = 1$. We define the norm $\|f\|_{A_p} = \inf \sum \|v_n\|_{p'} \|u_n\|_p$ over all such representations. The space $B_p(G)$ defined in Herz [6, p. 146] is denoted by us by $B_p^H(G)$ or B_p^H ($\|u\|_H$ will denote the norm in B_p^H).

We define by $B_p^M(G)$, or B_p^M , the space of all functions u such that $uv \in A_p$ for each $v \in A_p$. It then follows by the closed graph theorem that $\|u\|_M = \sup\{\|uv\|_{A_p}; \|v\|_{A_p} \leq 1\}$ is finite. We equip B_p^M with this multiplier norm. $B_p^M(G) \subset C(G)$ becomes in this way a translation invariant Banach algebra.

It has been proved by Herz in [6, p. 147] that for any G , $A_p \subset B_p^H \subset B_p^M$, and $\|u\|_M \leq \|u\|_H$ if $u \in B_p^H$, and $\|u\|_H \leq \|u\|_{A_p}$ if $u \in A_p$. If G is amenable, then $B_p^H = B_p^M$ and the norms coincide. In this case $B_2^M(G) = B(G)$ where $B(G)$ is defined in [4]. If G is the free group on two generators, then $B_2^H(G) \neq B(G)$ as shown by Leinert in [8]. For any G one has $B(G) \subset B_2^H(G)$. The τ_M topology on B_p^M is defined so that a net $u_\alpha \in B_p^M$ converges τ_M to $u \in B_p^M$ if $\|(u_\alpha - u)v\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0$ for each $v \in A_p$. Define $\zeta_x u(y) = u(xy)$ for all $x, y \in G$ and $u \in B_p^M$.

Our main result in this section is the following theorem.

THEOREM C. *Let $E \subset B_p^M(G)$ be norm bounded. If for each $\varepsilon < 0$ and $v \in A_p(G)$ there exists a neighborhood V of e such that $\|(\zeta_x u - u)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon$ for each $u \in E$ and $x \in B$, then τ_M and $\sigma(B_p^M, L^1)$ convergence coincide on E .*

B_p^M is not known to be a dual Banach space (even though B_p^H is one, as proved by Herz in [6]). Translation, i.e., the map $x \rightarrow \zeta_x u$ is not known to be norm continuous in B_p^M . In fact I. Khalil stated as an open question in his thesis whether translation is norm continuous in $B_p(R)$ for $p \neq 2$ (where R is the real line). M. Cowling informs us that for amenable G translation is norm continuous in B_p^M (this uses a deep theorem on tensor products due to John E. Gilbert). In spite of these difficulties, translation is continuous in $(A_p(G), \text{norm})$ and also in (B_p^M, τ_M) . In fact one has the following trivial lemma.

LEMMA 4. *For any $u \in B_p^M$, $a \in G$, $\|u\|_\infty \leq \|u\|_M = \|\zeta_a u\|_M$ and $x \rightarrow \zeta_x u$ is continuous from G to (B_p^M, τ_M) . Hence for any compact $K \subset G$, the set $\{\zeta_x u; x \in K\}$ is compact in (B_p^M, τ_M) .*

PROOF. $(B_p^M, \|\cdot\|_M)$ is a commutative Banach algebra of continuous bounded functions on G and G is included in the maximal ideal space of B_p^M , hence $\|u\|_\infty \leq \|u\|_M$. Furthermore

$$\|\zeta_a u\|_M = \sup\{\|(\zeta_a u)v\|_{A_p}; \|v\|_{A_p} \leq 1\}.$$

Now $\|\zeta_x v\|_{A_p} = \|v\|$ as easily checked. Thus

$$\|\zeta_a u\|_M = \sup\{\|u\zeta_{a^{-1}}v\|_{A_p}; \|\zeta_{a^{-1}}v\|_{A_p} \leq 1\} = \|u\|_M.$$

As to the continuity of $x \rightarrow \zeta_x u$ in τ_M , one has for $v \in A_p$ that

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\zeta_x u - u)v\|_{A_p} &\leq \|\zeta_x(uv) - uv\|_{A_p} + \|(\zeta_x u)v - \zeta_x(uv)\|_{A_p} \\ &\leq \|\zeta_x(uv) - uv\|_{A_p} + \|\zeta_x u\|_M \|\zeta_x v - v\|_{A_p} \\ &= \|\zeta_x(uv) - uv\|_{A_p} + \|u\|_M \|\zeta_x v - v\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

since translation is continuous in A_p .

Denote by δ_a the point mass at a , by $\text{Co } L$ the convex hull of the set L and by $\tau_M \text{cl } A$ the closure of $A \subset B_p^M$ in the τ_M topology.

LEMMA 5. *Let $K \subset G$ be compact and μ a probability measure on the Borel subsets of K . Let μ_α be a net in $\text{Co}\{\delta_x; x \in K\}$ such that $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in $\sigma(M(G), C(G))$. If $u \in B_p^M$, then $\mu * u \in B_p^M$ and $\mu_\alpha * u \rightarrow \mu * u$ in τ_M . Consequently $\|\mu * u\|_M \leq \|u\|_M$.*

PROOF. For each $x \in G$ we have

$$\mu_\alpha * u(x) = \int u(y^{-1}x) d\mu_\alpha(y) \rightarrow \int u(y^{-1}x) d\mu(y) = \mu * u(x)$$

since for fixed x the function $y \rightarrow u(y^{-1}x)$ is continuous and bounded. If $v \in A_p$ and $\nu = \sum_1^n \beta_j \delta_{a_j}$, then $(\nu * u)v(x) = \sum \beta_j u(a_j^{-1}x)v(x) \in A_p$ and

$$\|(\nu * u)v\|_{A_p} \leq \left(\sum_1^n |\beta_j|\right) \|u\|_M \|v\|_{A_p}.$$

Hence $\|(\mu_\alpha * u)v\|_{A_p} \leq \|u\|_M \|v\|_{A_p}$ and $\mu_\alpha * u \in \text{Co } L$ where $L = \{\zeta_x u; x \in K^{-1}\}$. We show now that (B_p^M, τ_M) is a complete locally convex space. In fact if u_α is a τ_M Cauchy net, then for each $v \in A_p$, $u_\alpha v \rightarrow w_\nu \in A_p$ in A_p norm and hence pointwise. Now for each x there is some $v \in A_p$ with $v(x) \neq 0$. Hence there is some function u on G such that $u_\alpha v \rightarrow uv = w_\nu \in A_p$ for each $v \in A_p$. Thus $uA_p \subset A_p$; hence $u \in B_p^M$. We apply now [7, p. 133 (13.4)] and get that $\tau_{M\text{cl}} \text{Co}L$ is τ_M compact.

In conclusion, there exists a subnet and some $w \in \tau_{M\text{cl}} \text{Co}L$ such that for each $v \in A_p$, $\|(\mu_{\alpha_\beta} * u - w)v\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0$. Since $\mu_\alpha * u \rightarrow \mu * u$ pointwise, it follows that $\mu * u = w \in B_p^M$. But every subnet μ_{α_β} has a further subnet ν_γ such that $\nu_\gamma * u \rightarrow \mu * u$ in τ_M . This immediately implies that $\mu_\alpha * u \rightarrow \mu * u$ in τ_M . Clearly $\|\mu_\alpha * u\|_M \leq \|u\|_M$ and since $\|w\|_M = \sup\{\|wv\|; \|v\|_{A_p} \leq 1\}$ we get $\|\mu * u\|_M \leq \|u\|_M$.

The proof of the next lemma is a slight modification of the proof of lemma 3.

LEMMA 6. *Let $u_\alpha, u \in B_p^M(G)$ be such that $\sup_\alpha \|u_\alpha\|_M = \gamma < \infty$ and $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in $\sigma(B_p^M, L_1)$. If $F = f * g$ where $g \in L^1, f \in L^\infty$ and f has compact support. Then $F * (u_\alpha - u) \rightarrow 0$ in τ_M .*

PROOF. $F * (u_\alpha - u)$ belongs to B_p^M by lemma 5. Let $v \in C_{00} \cap A_p$ and $K \subset G$ be compact such that $s_\tau^{-1}S_v \subset K$ where S_w is the support of w . Then as in the proof of lemma 3 one has for each $w \in L^\infty, h \in L^1$ that $(f * w)v = [f * (w1_K)]v$. Now $f \in L^{p'}$ and $(w1_K) \in L^p$ thus $(f * (w1_K))v \in A_p$ and

$$\|[f * (w1_K)]v\|_{A_p} \leq \|f\|_{p'} \|(w1_K)^\vee\|_p \|v\|$$

(see [5, p. 97]).

Choose now $w = g * (u_\alpha - u)$. Then

$$\|[f * g * (u_\alpha - u)]v\|_{A_p} \leq C \|((g * (u_\alpha - u))1_K)^\vee\|_p \rightarrow 0$$

since by lemma 2, $g * (u_\alpha - u) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on K . To finish the proof it is enough to show that $\sup_\alpha \|F * u_\alpha\|_M < \infty$. However by lemma 5,

$$\|F * u_\alpha\|_M \leq \|F\|_1 \|u_\alpha\|_M \leq \gamma \|F\|_1.$$

DEFINITION. $E \subset B_p^M$ is said to be τ_M left equicontinuous if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and $v \in A_p$, there is some neighborhood V of e such that $\|(\zeta_x u - u)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon$ for all $x \in V$ and $u \in E$.

THEOREM C. *Let $E \subset B_p^M$ be norm bounded and τ_M left equicontinuous. Then $\sigma(B_p^M, L^1)$ and τ_M coincide E .*

PROOF. Let $u_\alpha, u \in E$ be such that $\int u_\alpha h dx \rightarrow \int u h dx$ for each $h \in L^1$ and $v \in A_p$. Let $\sup\{\|w\|_M; w \in E\} = \gamma < \infty$. Let $V^{-1} = V$ be a compact neighborhood of e such that $\|(w - \zeta_x w)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon/3$ if $x \in V$ and $w \in E$. Let $U = U^{-1}$ be a compact neighborhood of e such that $U^2 \subset V$. Let $g = f = \lambda(U)^{-1}1_U$ and $F = f * g$. Then $\|F\|_1 = 1$ and $F \geq 0$. Let $\mu_\alpha \in \text{Co}\{\delta_x; x \in V\}$ be such that $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow F dx$ in $\sigma(M(G), C(G))$. Then by lemma 5 $\mu_\alpha * w \rightarrow F * w \in B_p^M, \tau_M$ convergence, for each $w \in B_p^M$. Now $\|(w - \zeta_x w)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon/3$ implies $\|(w - \mu_\alpha * w)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon/3$ for each α and each $w \in E$. By lemma 5 one has $\|(w - F * w)v\|_{A_p} \leq \varepsilon/3$ for each $w \in E$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|(u_\alpha - u)v\|_{A_p} &\leq \|(u_\alpha - F * u_\alpha)v\|_{A_p} + \|(u - F * u)v\|_{A_p} + \|(F * (u_\alpha - u))v\|_{A_p} \\ &\leq \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon + \|(F * (u_\alpha - u))v\|_{A_p} < \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon + \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

if $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ where α_0 is chosen using lemma 6. The converse consists in noting that τ_M implies uniform convergence on compacta hence $\sigma(B_p^M, L^1)$ convergence.

COROLLARY. *Let $E \subset A_p(G)$. If*

- (a) *E is τ_M left equicontinuous, A_p norm bounded and*
 - (b) *for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is some $v \in A_p$ such that $\|uv - u\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon$ for each $u \in E$,*
- then E is relatively norm compact (i.e., its norm closure is norm compact.)*

If G is amenable and $E \subset A_p(G)$ is relatively norm compact, then (a) and (b) hold.

PROOF. Assume (a) and (b). Then $\|u\|_H \leq \|u\|_{A_p}$ for all $u \in A_p \subset B_p^H$ (as defined in [6]). Thus E is a norm bounded subset of B_p^H which is the dual Banach space of the normed space $L^1(G)$, normed with the (complicated) norm QF_p , see Herz [6, p. 153]. We show now that the w^* closure of E in B_p^H (which is certainly w^* compact) is τ_M left equicontinuous. Let $\varepsilon > 0, v \in A_p$ and $w \in A_p \cap C_{00}$ be such that $\|v - w\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon(3\gamma)^{-1}$ where $\gamma = \sup\{\|u\|_{A_p}; u \in E\} < \infty$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\zeta_x u - u)v\|_{A_p} &\leq \|(\zeta_x u - u)(v - w)\|_{A_p} + \|(\zeta_x u - u)w\|_{A_p} \\ &< \varepsilon(3\gamma)^{-1}2\gamma + \|(\zeta_x u - u)w\|_{A_p}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence it is enough to prove that for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and $w \in A_p \cap C_{00}$ there is a neighborhood V of e such that $\|(\zeta_x u - u)w\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon$ for each $u \in w^*cl E$ and $x \in V$. Let $\varepsilon < 0$ and $w \in A_p \cap C_{00}$ be fixed. Then $w = v_1 v_2$ where $v_1, v_2 \in A_p$ (in fact take $v_1 = w$ and $v_2 \in A_p \cap C_{00}$ which is 1 on the support of w). There is a neighborhood V of e such that

$$\|(\zeta_x u - u)v_1\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon \|v_2\|_{A_p}^{-1}$$

for each $x \in V$, $u \in E$. Let now $u \in w^*\text{cl } E$, and u_α a net in E such that $u_\alpha \rightarrow u$ in w^* . Then $(\zeta_x u_\alpha - u_\alpha)v_1 \rightarrow (\zeta_x u - u)v_1$ in w^* (in B_p^H). Thus

$$\liminf \|(\zeta_x u_\alpha - u_\alpha)v_1\|_H \geq \|(\zeta_x u - u)v_1\|_H.$$

Hence

$$\|(\zeta_x u - u)w\|_{A_p} \leq \|(\zeta_x u - u)v_1\|_H \|v_2\|_{A_p} \leq (\varepsilon \|v_2\|_{A_p}^{-1}) \|v_2\|_{A_p} = \varepsilon$$

for each $x \in V$ and $u \in w^*\text{cl } E \subset B_p^H$. We have shown that $w^*\text{cl } E \subset B_p^H$ is $\| \cdot \|_H$ norm bounded (and afortiori $\| \cdot \|_M$ norm bounded) and τ_M left equicontinuous. Let now u_α be a net in E . A subnet $w_\beta = u_{\alpha_\beta}$ will converge w^* (and by theorem C even in τ_M), to some $u \in B_p^H$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and choose some $v \in A_p$ such that $\|w_\beta - w_\beta v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon/3$ for each β (by (b)). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|w_\beta - w_\gamma\|_{A_p} &\leq \|(w_\beta - w_\gamma)v\|_{A_p} + \|(w_\beta - w_\gamma)(1 - v)\|_{A_p} \\ &< \|(w_\beta - w_\gamma)v\|_{A_p} + \frac{2}{3}\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for any β, γ . However $\|(w_\beta - u)v\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0$. Hence

$$\|(w_\beta - w_\gamma)v\|_{A_p} \leq \|(w_\beta - u)v\|_{A_p} + \|(w_\gamma - u)v\|_{A_p} < \varepsilon/3$$

if $\beta, \gamma \geq \beta_0$. Thus w_β is a norm Cauchy net in the Banach algebra $A_p(G)$. Hence for some $u_1 \in A_p$, $\|w_\beta - u_1\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0$. Thus $u = u_1 \in A_p$ and $w^*\text{cl } E$ is in fact a subset of A_p , which is norm compact. The care involved in the above proof is warranted by [8].

We prove now the second part. Let G be amenable and $v_\alpha \in A_p$ be a bounded approximate identity for $A_p(G)$. If E is a norm compact subset of $A_p(G)$, then $\|v_\alpha u - u\| \rightarrow 0$ uniformly in $u \in E$ since $\sup \|v_\alpha\|_{A_p} < \infty$. Also $\|\zeta_x u - u\|_{A_p} \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow e$ uniformly in $u \in E$. Thus stronger conditions than (a) and (b) hold. (Only $\sup \|v_\alpha\|_M < \infty$ has been used. Haagerup has shown that if G is the free group on 2 generators, then $A(G)$ has an approximate identity v_n such that $\sup \|v_n\|_M < \infty$).

REMARK. This Corollary applied to $A(G)$ yields theorem B_3 of the previous section.

3. Various topologies on the unit sphere of $M(G)$. The main result of this section is a measure theoretical selfcontained proof of a result of McKennon [10, p. 32 theorem (4.2)]. McKennon relies heavily in his proof on theorem (3.3) [10, p. 25] which relies heavily on an intricate result on approximate identities in C^* algebras [10, lemma (3.2)] which in turn uses results of E. Effros on C^* algebras. The reader who will peruse through pp. 21–25 and 32–33 of [10] will find, we think, that our proof is much simpler and more natural.

LEMMA 3.9. Let $\mu_\alpha, \mu \in M(G)$ with $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ weakly* and $\|\mu_\alpha\| \rightarrow \|\mu\|$. Then for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a compact set C and an index α_0 such that $\int_{G/C} d(|\mu_\alpha| + |\mu|) < \varepsilon$ for $\alpha > \alpha_0$.

PROOF. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $h \in C_{00}(G)$ with $\|h\|_\infty \leq 1$ and $|\langle h, \mu \rangle - \|\mu\|| < \varepsilon$. For $C = \text{supp } h$ this implies $\int_{G/C} d|\mu| < \varepsilon$. Choose α_0 such that $|\langle h, \mu_\alpha \rangle - \langle h, \mu \rangle| < \varepsilon$ and $|\|\mu_\alpha\| - \|\mu\|| < \varepsilon$ for $\alpha > \alpha_0$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu\| &\leq |\langle h, \mu \rangle| + \varepsilon \\ &\leq |\langle h, \mu - \mu_\alpha \rangle| + |\langle h, \mu_\alpha \rangle| + \varepsilon \leq 2\varepsilon + \int_C d|\mu_\alpha| \end{aligned}$$

for $\alpha > \alpha_0$. Hence

$$\int_{G/C} d|\mu_\alpha| = \|\mu_\alpha\| - \int_C d|\mu_\alpha| \leq \|\mu\| + \varepsilon - \int_C d|\mu_\alpha| \leq 3\varepsilon$$

for $\alpha > \alpha_0$. We thus have $\int_{G/C} d(|\mu_\alpha| + |\mu|) < 4\varepsilon$ for $\alpha > \alpha_0$.

REMARK. Let $\mu_\alpha, \mu \in M(G)$ be such that $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in w^* and $|\mu_\alpha|(G) \rightarrow |\mu|(G)$. Then $|\mu_\alpha| \rightarrow |\mu|$ in w^* . Assume in fact that a subnet μ_{α_β} is such that $|\mu_{\alpha_\beta}| \rightarrow \nu \neq |\mu|$ in w^* (the unit ball of $M(G)$ is w^* compact). If $0 \leq f \in C_0(G)$ and $|g| \leq f$, then $|\mu_{\alpha_\beta}|(f) \geq |\mu_{\alpha_\beta}|(g) \rightarrow |\mu(g)|$. Thus $\nu(f) \geq \sup\{|\mu(g)|; |g| \leq f\} = |\mu|(f)$, i.e., $(\nu - |\mu|) \in M(G)^+$. But $(\nu - |\mu|)(G) = 0$. Thus $\nu = |\mu|$ which cannot be.

THEOREM D. (a) Let $\mu_\alpha, \mu \in M(G)$ be such that $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in $\sigma(M(G), C_0(G))$ and $\|\mu_\alpha\| \rightarrow \|\mu\|$. Then $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_p \rightarrow 0$ for each $f \in L^p(G)$ where $1 \leq p < \infty$. (If $f \in UCB_r(G)$, then $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$).

(b) If μ_α is a norm bounded net in $M(G)$, $\mu \in M(G)$ and if $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_p \rightarrow 0$ for each $f \in C_{00}(G)$ for fixed $1 \leq p < \infty$, then $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in w^* .

REMARK. $f \in UCB_r(G)$ if and only if $f \in C(G)$ and $x \rightarrow \zeta_x f$ from G to $(C(G), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is continuous.

PROOF. It is enough to prove that for any $f \in C_{00}(G)$ with $0 \leq f \leq 1$, $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_p \rightarrow 0$. Since then, it will be true for any $f \in C_{00}(G)$. Thus, by the density of $C_{00}(G)$ in $L^p(G)$ and since $\|\mu_\alpha*f\|_p \leq \|\mu_\alpha\| \|f\|_p$ where $\|\mu_\alpha\| = |\mu_\alpha|(G) \rightarrow |\mu|(G) = \|\mu\|$ is a bounded net (past some α), it will readily follow for all $f \in L^p(G)$. Hence fix $0 \leq f \leq 1$ in $C_{00}(G)$. For any compact set $K \subset G$ we have

$$(a) \quad \|(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f\|_p^p \leq \int_K |(\mu_\alpha - \mu)*f|^p + \int_{G/K} (|\mu_\alpha*f| + |\mu*f|)^p$$

Now let $g_\alpha = |\mu_\alpha*f|$, $g = |\mu*f|$. One has $g_\alpha, g \in L^1(G)$ and $\|g_\alpha\|_1 = \|\mu_\alpha\| \|f\|_1 \rightarrow \|\mu\| \|f\|_1 = \|g\|_1$. Also $g_\alpha \rightarrow g$ weakly* since (by the remark preceding theorem D) $|\mu_\alpha| \rightarrow |\mu|$ weakly*, hence by Lemma 3.9 for every

$\varepsilon > 0$ there is a compact set $K \subset G$ and an index α_0 such that $\int_{G/K} (|\mu_\alpha| * f + |\mu| * f) < \varepsilon$ for $\alpha > \alpha_0$. Since the integrand is dominated in sup-norm by $(\|\mu_\alpha\| + \|\mu\|)\|f\|_\infty \leq M < \infty$ for $\alpha > \alpha_1$, we obtain

$$\int_{G/K} (|\mu_\alpha| * f + |\mu| * f)^p \leq M^{p-1} \int_{G/K} (|\mu_\alpha| * f + |\mu| * f) < M^{p-1} \cdot \varepsilon$$

for $\alpha > \alpha_0, \alpha_1$. Since $\{\check{x}_1 f \mid x \in K\}$ is compact in $C_0(G)$, we have $\mu_\alpha * f \rightarrow \mu * f$ uniformly on K , hence $\int_K (|\mu_\alpha - \mu| * f)^p < \varepsilon$ for $\alpha > \alpha_2$. By (a) we obtain for $\alpha > \alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ the inequality

$$\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu) * f\|_p^p < \varepsilon(1 + M^{p-1})$$

which proves that $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu) * f\|_p \rightarrow 0$, for all $f \in L^p$ (for fixed $1 \leq p < \infty$). If $f \in UCB_r(G)$, then $f = g * h$ with $g \in L^1, h \in L^\infty$ as is well known. Thus $\|(\mu_\alpha - \mu) * f\|_\infty \leq \|(\mu_\alpha - \mu) * g\|_1 \|h\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$ since $g \in L^1$.

For the proof of (b) let $f, g \in C_{00}(G)$. Then

$$\langle \mu_\alpha - \mu, g * f \check{} \rangle = \langle (\mu_\alpha - \mu) * \check{f}, g \rangle \rightarrow 0$$

since $f, g \in L^2$. Thus $\langle \mu_\alpha, h \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mu, h \rangle$ for all h in a norm dense subspace of $A(G)$ [4, p. 208]. Since $A(G)$ is sup norm dense in $C_0(G)$ (Eymard [4, p. 210]), $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$ in w^* .

REMARK. Let G be nondiscrete and x_α a net in G such that $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$ in G with $x_\alpha \neq x$ for each α . Then the point masses $\delta_{x_\alpha} \rightarrow \delta_x$ in $\sigma(M(G), C_0(G))$ (e.i., in w^*) and $\|\delta_{x_\alpha}\| = \|\delta_x\| = 1$. Clearly $\|\delta_{x_\alpha} - \delta_x\| = 2$; hence the assumptions of theorem $D(a)$ do not imply norm convergence of μ_α to μ .

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