

§4 Duality

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Recall the following from linear algebra: let V be a vector space (over a field k). The dual space is $V^* = \text{Hom}(V, k)$. If $(b_i)_{i \in I}$

is a basis for V , then $V \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} k$ (direct sum)

which $V^* \cong \prod_{i \in I} k$ (direct product).

Hence $\dim(V) = \dim(V^*)$ if V has finite dimension,
while $\dim(V) < \dim(V^*)$ if V has infinite dimension. ①

There is a canonical injective map $V \rightarrow V^{**}$,

$$u \mapsto [\alpha \mapsto \alpha(u)] \quad u \in V, \alpha \in V^*$$

Hence $V \rightarrow V^{**}$ is a canonical isomorphism if $\dim(V) < \infty$.

We want to generalize this to (locally) compact abelian groups.

1. Def Let $(A, +)$, $(D, +)$ be abelian groups.

Then $\text{Hom}(A, D)$ is also an abelian group

if we put $(\alpha + \beta)(x) = \alpha(x) + \beta(x)$.

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Note also: a linear map $F: V \rightarrow W$

induces a linear map

via $F^*(p) = p \circ F$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & F^* \\ V^* & \xleftarrow{\quad} & W^* \\ & & \\ V & \xrightarrow{F} & W \\ F^*p \downarrow & & \downarrow p \\ k & = & k \end{array}$$

Indeed, we have for $x, y \in A$

$$(\alpha + \beta)(x + y) = \alpha(x + y) + \beta(x + y) = \alpha(x) + \alpha(y) + \beta(x) + \beta(y)$$

$$\stackrel{\uparrow}{=} \alpha(x) + \beta(x) + \alpha(y) + \beta(y) = (\alpha + \beta)(x) + (\alpha + \beta)(y) \quad \square$$

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If $A \xrightarrow{f} B$ is a homomorphism of abelian groups,

we obtain a homomorphism $\text{Hom}(A, D) \xleftarrow{f^*} \text{Hom}(B, D)$

via $f^*(\beta) = \beta \circ f$, for $\beta \in \text{Hom}(B, D)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ f^* \beta \downarrow & & \downarrow \beta \\ = \beta \circ f & D & = D \end{array}$$

$$f^*(\beta_1 + \beta_2) = (\beta_1 + \beta_2) \circ f = \beta_1 \circ f + \beta_2 \circ f = f^* \beta_1 + f^* \beta_2.$$

Example There is an isomorphism $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}, D) \xrightarrow[\cong]{h} D$

via $h(\xi) = \xi(1)$, $\xi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow D$.

$$\text{Indeed, } h(\xi + \eta) = (\xi + \eta)(1) = \xi(1) + \eta(1) = h(\xi) + h(\eta).$$

$$h \text{ is } \underline{\text{injective}}: h(\xi) = 0 \Rightarrow \xi(1) = 0 \Rightarrow \xi(m) = 0$$

$$\text{for all } m \Rightarrow \xi = 0 \Rightarrow \ker(h) = \{0\}$$

$$h \text{ is } \underline{\text{surjective}}: \text{let } d \in D, \text{ put } \xi(m) = m \cdot d$$

$$\Rightarrow h(\xi) = d. \quad \square$$

2. Def let $A \xrightarrow{F} B \xrightarrow{h} C$ be homomorphisms of abelian grps. We call this exact at B

if $F(A) = \ker(h)$, i.e. if

$$h(b) = 0 \Leftrightarrow b = F(a) \text{ for some } a \in A.$$

A sequence of homomorphisms of abelian grps

$$\cdots \rightarrow A_k \xrightarrow{f_k} A_{k+1} \xrightarrow{f_{k+1}} A_{k+2} \rightarrow \cdots$$

is called an exact sequence if it is exact at every A_k where there is an ingoing and an outgoing homomorphism at A_k .

Examples (a) $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} B$ is exact $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\ker(i) = 0 \Leftrightarrow i \text{ is injective} \rightarrow 0$$

(b) $B \xrightarrow{q} C \rightarrow 0$ is exact $\Leftrightarrow q(B) = C$

$$\Leftrightarrow q \text{ is surjective}$$

(c) $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{q} C \rightarrow 0$ is exact

$$\Leftrightarrow i \text{ is injective, } q \text{ is surjective, } i(A) = \ker(q)$$

This is called a short exact sequence.

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3. Lemma Let A, B, C, D be abelian groups.

If $A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{f} C \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence, then $\text{Hom}(A, D) \xleftarrow{i^*} \text{Hom}(B, D) \xleftarrow{f^*} \text{Hom}(C, D) \leftarrow 0$ is also an exact sequence.

Proof. Since $f \circ i = 0$, $(f \circ i)^* = i^* \circ f^* = 0$,

Claim f^* is injective

Suppose $f^*(r) = 0$, i.e. $r \circ f = 0$

Thus $r(f(B)) = r(C) = \{0\} \Rightarrow r = 0$.
 $\uparrow$
 f surjective

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ & \searrow & \downarrow r \\ & 0 & D \end{array}$$

We know already that $f^*(\text{Hom}(C, D)) \subseteq \ker(i^*)$ and we need to show " $=$ ".

Let $\beta \in \ker(i^*)$, i.e. $\beta \circ i = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i} & B \\ & \searrow & \downarrow p \\ & 0 & D \end{array}$$

By the homomorphism theorem, we have

an isomorphism $B / \bar{f}(A) \xrightarrow{\bar{g}} C$

and a homomorphism $\bar{p}: B / \bar{f}(A) \rightarrow D$, where

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \bar{g} & \downarrow r \\ B / \bar{f}(A) & & D \\ \downarrow \bar{p} & & \\ D & = & D \end{array} \quad \text{i.e. } \beta = \underbrace{p' \circ (\bar{g})^{-1}}_{= r} \circ f = f^* r$$

□

Corollary Let $m \geq 0$. Then

$$\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{D}) \cong \ker(d \mapsto md) \subseteq \mathbb{D} \\ = \{d \in \mathbb{D} \mid md = 0\}$$

proof Consider $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\cdot m} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/m \rightarrow 0$

and duality $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{D}) \xleftarrow{\cdot m} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{D}) \xleftarrow{\cdot m} \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{D}) \leftarrow 0$

$$\underbrace{\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{D})}_{\cong \mathbb{D}} \quad \underbrace{\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/m, \mathbb{D})}_{\cong \mathbb{D}} \quad \square$$

4. Let $(A_i)_{i \in I}$ be a family of abelian grps. The product $A = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ has a universal property: given an abelian grp B and homomorphisms $\beta_i: B \rightarrow A_i$, there is a unique homomorphism $\beta: B \rightarrow A$ such that $\beta_i = \text{pr}_i \circ \beta$, namely

$$\beta(b) = (\beta_i(b))_{i \in I} \in A.$$

There is a dual notion, the coproduct or direct sum

$$\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i = \{ (a_i)_{i \in I} \mid a_i \in A_i, \text{ almost all } a_i = 0 \}$$

One writes the elements of $\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i$ as formal

sums $\sum_{i \in I} a_i$ (where only finitely many $a_i \neq 0$).

For each i we have an inclusion map $h_j: A_j \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i$

$$(h_j(a))_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ a & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

The universal prop_y is as follows. Given an abelian gp G and homomorphism $\gamma_i: A_i \rightarrow G$, there is a unique homomorphism $\gamma: \bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i \rightarrow G$ with

$$\gamma_i = \gamma \circ k_i, \text{ namely } \gamma\left(\sum_{i \in I} a_i\right) = \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I} \gamma_i(a_i)}_{\text{finite sum!}}$$

Note: if I is finite, then $\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$.

Lemma We have $\text{Hom}\left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i, D\right) \cong \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}(A_i, D)$

and $\text{Hom}\left(D, \prod_{i \in I} A_i\right) \cong \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}(D, A_i)$

proof Given $F: \bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i \rightarrow D$, put $F_i = F \circ k_i$, where $k_i: A_i \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k \in I} A_k$ as before. The first isomorphism maps F to $(F_i)_{i \in I}$.

Given $\varphi: D \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} A_i$, put $\varphi_i = \text{pr}_i \circ \varphi$. The second isomorphism maps φ to $(\varphi_i)_{i \in I}$.

(the rest is easy/exercise).



5. Def Let A be a topological abelian group.

The character group is $X(A) = \text{Mor}(A, \mathbb{T})$,

where $\mathbb{T} = U(1) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ is the circle group.

Thus $X(A)$ is an abelian group, with

multiplication $(\alpha \cdot \beta)(a) = \alpha(a) \cdot \beta(a)$, $\alpha, \beta: A \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$

The neutral element is $1: a \mapsto 1 \in \mathbb{T}$, the inverse of

α is $\bar{\alpha}$, since $\alpha \bar{\alpha} = 1$.

Examples

(a) $A = \mathbb{Z}$ (discrete topology)

$$\leadsto X(A) = \text{Mor}(A, \mathbb{T}) \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{discrete}}}{=} \text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{T}) \cong \mathbb{T}$$

(b) $A = \mathbb{T}$, then $X(A) = \text{Mor}(\mathbb{T}, \mathbb{T}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

c.p. Bonus Problem 2.1: every morphism $\alpha: \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ is of the form $\alpha(z) = z^k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

(c) $A = \mathbb{Z}/m$, $X(A) = \text{Mor}(A, \mathbb{T}) = \text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{T})$
 $= \{z \in \mathbb{T} \mid z^m = 1\}$, c.p. §4.3
 $\cong \mathbb{Z}/m$

In these examples we have $X(X(A)) \cong A$ ∇ $\circledast$

This leads to Pontryagin Duality

[L. Pontryagin, Soviet Math, 1908-1988]

$\circledast$ This is cheating - we need a topology on $X(A)$.

6. The structure of finitely generated abelian groups (127)

(after J.S. Milne)

Let $(A, +)$ be an abelian group. We call a generating set $x_1, \dots, x_k$ a basis for A if

$$\sum_{i=1}^k m_i a_i = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 a_1 = m_2 a_2 = \dots = m_k a_k = 0$$

for all integers $m_1, \dots, m_k$.

If $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ is a basis, then $A \cong \langle x_1 \rangle \oplus \dots \oplus \langle x_k \rangle$
 $(\langle x \rangle = \{ mx \mid m \in \mathbb{Z} \})$

Lemma Suppose that $x_1, \dots, x_k$ generate A .

If $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\gcd(c_1, \dots, c_k) = 1$, then

there are generators $y_1, \dots, y_k$ with $y_1 = c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_k x_k$.

Proof By induction on $\Delta = c_1 + \dots + c_k > 0$.

Clear if $\Delta = 1$. (Why?)

Assume $\Delta \geq 2$. Wlog $c_1 \geq c_2 > 0$, and we have

the following: (a) $\{x_1, x_1 + x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k\}$ generate A

(b) $\gcd(c_1 - c_2, c_2, \dots, c_k) = 1$

(c) $(c_1 - c_2) + c_2 + \dots + c_k < \Delta$.

Hence there are generators $y_1, \dots, y_k$ with

$$y_1 = (c_1 - c_2)x_1 + c_2(x_1 + x_2) + \dots + c_k x_k$$

$$= c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_k x_k.$$



Theorem Every finitely generated abelian group

$(A, +)$ has a basis. Hence $A \cong \mathbb{Z}^l \oplus \mathbb{Z}/n_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/n_r$
for $l \geq 0, r \geq 0, n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 2$

proof let k denote the minimal number of generators and let $x_1, \dots, x_k$ be a generating set such that the order t of x_1 is as small as possible.

Claim: $A \cong \langle x_1 \rangle \oplus \underbrace{\langle x_2, \dots, x_k \rangle}_{\text{generated by } \{x_2, \dots, x_k\}}$

pf of claim If this is false, we have a relation

$$m_1 x_1 + \dots + m_k x_k = 0, \text{ with } m_1 x_1 \neq 0$$

wlog $m_i \geq 0$ (replace x_i by $-x_i$) and $0 < m_1 < t$.

Put $d = \gcd(m_1, \dots, m_k) > 0$ and $c_i = \frac{m_i}{d}$.

By the lemma, there is a generating set $y_1, \dots, y_k$

with $y_1 = c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_k x_k$. But $d \cdot y_1 = 0$

$d \leq m_1 < t \implies$ Hence the claim is true. $\square$

If $x'_2, \dots, x'_k$ is a basis for $\langle x_2, \dots, x_k \rangle$

(by induction), then $x_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_k$ is a basis for A . $\square$

7. Lemma Let $(A, +)$ be an abelian r.p. Then

$X(A) = \text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{T})$ is a compact abelian r.p. with respect to the subspace topology, $X(A) \subseteq \mathbb{T}^A$

For $A = \mathbb{Z}$, we have an isomorphism of compact r.p.s

$$X(\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{T} \quad \text{via } \alpha \mapsto \alpha(1)$$

Proof Let $\alpha: A \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a map. Then $\alpha \in X(A)$

holds if $\alpha(u+v) \bar{\alpha}(u) \bar{\alpha}(v) = 1$ for all $u, v \in A$,

$$\text{hence } X(A) = \bigcap_{u, v \in A} \{ \alpha \in \mathbb{T}^A \mid \alpha(u+v) \bar{\alpha}(u) \bar{\alpha}(v) = 1 \}$$

is a closed subgrp of the compact r.p. $\mathbb{T}^A$.

For $A = \mathbb{Z}$, the map $\alpha \mapsto \alpha(1)$ is continuous and

$$X(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$$

bijective, hence a homeomorphism.

8. Lemma Let $(A, +), (B, +)$ be abelian groups. Then

$h: X(A) \times X(B) \xrightarrow{\cong} X(A \times B)$ is an isomorphism of topological

groups, $h(\alpha, \beta)(u, v) = \alpha(u) \beta(v)$

proof The map h is continuous and injective.

The map $X(A \times B) \rightarrow X(A)$

$$\gamma \mapsto (u \mapsto \gamma(u, 0)) = \gamma_A$$

is also continuous, similarly $X(A \times B) \rightarrow X(B)$

$$\gamma \mapsto (v \mapsto \gamma(0, v)) = \gamma_B$$

$$\text{and } \gamma_A \cdot \gamma_B = \gamma$$

$\Rightarrow$ cts map $X(A \times B) \rightarrow X(A) \times X(B)$ inverse to h .

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Cor let F be a finite abelian group.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } X(\mathbb{Z}^l \times F) &\cong \mathbb{T}^l \times X(F) \cong \mathbb{T}^l \times F && (\text{as a compact grp}) \\ \text{and } X(\mathbb{T}^l \times F) &\cong \mathbb{Z}^l \times X(F) \cong \mathbb{Z}^l \times F && (\text{as an abelian group}) \end{aligned}$$

Proof Follows from § 4.8 and § 4.5. $\square$

9. Def let $(A, +)$ be an abelian grp / compact abelian grp.

We define $i_A: A \rightarrow XX(A)$ via $i_A(a)(\alpha) = \alpha(a)$,
for $\alpha \in X(A)$.

Note : (a) if A is discrete, then $i_A(a)$ is a morphism,
 $i_A(a) \in XX(A)$.

(b) If A is compact, then $a \mapsto i_A(a)(\alpha) = \alpha(a)$
is continuous for each α , hence i_A is a morphism.

(c) If $i_A(a) = 1$, then $\alpha(a) = 1$ for all $\alpha \in X(A)$

If A is compact, this implies that $a = 0$ by
§ 3.26. Hence i_A is injective.

If A is discrete, this implies also that $a = 0$ by
the following result.

10. Theorem (R. Baer)

[R. Baer, 1902-1979, German mathematician]

let $(A, +)$ be an abelian grp, let $H \leq A$ be a
subgrp, let $\alpha: H \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a homomorphism
Then there is a homomorphism $\tilde{\alpha}: A \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ with
 $\tilde{\alpha}|_H = \alpha$.

i.e., the map $X(H) \leftarrow X(A)$ (from $H \hookrightarrow A$)

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is surjective.

Proof Let P denote the set of all pairs $H' \subseteq A$,
 $\alpha': H' \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ homomorphism, H' subgp, $\alpha'|_H = \alpha$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathbb{T} \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \alpha' & \\ H' & & \end{array}$$
 Thus $P \neq \emptyset$, and $(P, \leq)$ is a poset if we put

$(\alpha', H') \leq (\alpha'', H'') \stackrel{\text{Def}}{\iff} H' \subseteq H'' \text{ and } \alpha''|_{H'} = \alpha'.$

Every linearly ordered subset $P_0 \subseteq P$ has an upper bound (the union), hence P contains maximal elements.

Let $(\alpha', H') \in P$ be maximal. If $H' \neq A$, choose $a \in A - H'$ and extend α' to α'' on $H' = \langle a \rangle + H'$ as follows: (a) if $\langle a \rangle \cap H' = \{0\}$, put $\alpha''(a) = 1$

(b) if $\langle a \rangle \cap H' \neq \{0\}$, choose $m > 1$ minimal with $ma \in H'$, choose $z \in \mathbb{T}$ with $z^m = \alpha'(ma)$ and put $\alpha''(a) = z$.

This extends α' to α'' .

But (α', H') was maximal, whence $H' = A$. $\square$

This implies that $X(H) \leftarrow X(A)$ is surjective.

Hence $i_A: A \rightarrow XX(A)$ is injective.

11. Lemma The map i_A is an isomorphism for $A = \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{T}$ or if A is finite abelian.

proof $A = \mathbb{Z}$: $i_{\mathbb{Z}}(1)(\alpha) = \alpha(1)$, hence

$$i_{\mathbb{Z}}(1) = h: X(\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{T} \text{ as in §4.7.}$$

Moreover, $X(\mathbb{T}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ via $(z \mapsto z^k) \mapsto k$,

cf. §4.5 Example (b). Thus $i_{\mathbb{Z}}(1) = 1$

under the isomorphism $XX(\mathbb{Z}) \cong X(\mathbb{T})$. $\square$

$A = \mathbb{T}$: $i_{\mathbb{T}}(a)(1) = a$ where $X(\mathbb{T}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$,

$$XX(\mathbb{T}) \cong X(\mathbb{Z}). \quad \square$$

A finite : i_A is injective and $X(A) \cong A$ by

Example §4.5 (c) and §4.6. $\square$

Corollary i_A is an isomorphism if $A \cong \mathbb{Z}^l \times F$ or if $A \cong \mathbb{T}^l \times F$, F finite abelian.

12. Proposition Let $(A, +)$ be an abelian group, let $B \subseteq X(A)$ be a closed subgroup. If B separates points (i.e. if $\bigcap_{\beta \in B} \ker(\beta) = \{0\}$,

then $B = X(A)$).

proof ① Suppose that A is finitely generated.

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Assume towards a contradiction that $B \neq X(A)$.

Hence there is a non-constant character $\alpha \in X(X(A)/B)$

by Peter-Weyl §3.21. Put $q: X(A) \rightarrow X(A)/B$.

Thus $q^*(\alpha)$ is constant on B , hence $XX(A) \xrightarrow{j^*} X(B)$

is not injective ($j: B \hookrightarrow X(A)$), hence $A \xrightarrow{i_A} XX(A) \xrightarrow{j^*} X(B)$

is not injective, hence there is $a \in A$ such that $a \neq 0$

but $\beta(a) = 1$ for all $\beta \in B$ ∇

② The general case let $\alpha \in X(A)$, let $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A$,

let $U_j \subseteq \mathbb{T}$ be open with $a_j \in U_j$, $j = 1, \dots, m$.

Then $W = \{ \xi \in X(A) \mid \xi(a_j) \in U_j, j = 1, \dots, m \}$

is a typical neighborhood of α in $X(A)$.

Put $A' = \langle a_1, \dots, a_m \rangle$ and

Put $B' = \{ \beta|_{A'} \mid \beta \in B \}$. Then B' separates

points in A' , hence $B' = X(A')$ by ①. Hence

there is $\beta \in B$ such that $\beta(a_j) = \alpha(a_j)$ for $j = 1, \dots, m$.

In particular, $W \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Thus B is dense in $X(A)$.

But B is also closed, hence $B = X(A)$. □

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13. Theorem (Pontryagin Duality for compact abelian groups)

- (i) If A is a compact abelian group, the
 $i_A: A \rightarrow XXX(A)$ is an isomorphism of compact groups
- (ii) If A is an abelian group, the $i_A: A \rightarrow XXX(A)$ is a group isomorphism.

proof (i): Let $(A, +)$ be compact abelian. The
 i_A is injective by §4.9. Since $B = i_A(A) \subseteq XX(A)$
 is compact and separates points in $X(A)$, i_A
 is surjective by §4.12. Since A is compact
 and i_A is continuous, i_A is an isomorphism.

(ii): Let $(A, +)$ be abelian. By Baer's
 Theorem §4.10, i_A is injective. Put $B = i_A(A)$.
 If $B \neq XXX(A)$, then there is a nontrivial character

$$\xi: XXX(A)/B \rightarrow \mathbb{T} \quad \text{by Baer's Theorem.}$$

Consider $\eta: XXX(A) \rightarrow XXX(A)/B$. Then $\eta^* \xi \neq 1$,

$$\eta^* \xi \in XXX(A), \quad \eta^* \xi|_B = 1. \quad \text{Thus } \eta^* \xi \text{ is}$$

not in the image of $i_{X(A)}: X(A) \rightarrow XXX(A)$,

contradicting (i). ∇

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Remark If $A \xrightarrow{f} B$ is a homomorphism of abelian groups (or a morphism of compact grps), then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & B \\ i_A \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow i_B \\ XX(A) & \xrightarrow{f^{**}} & XX(B) \end{array} \quad \text{commutes.}$$

Thus X gives us an equivalence of categories between the category $\underline{Ab} = \{ \text{homomorphisms between abelian groups} \}$

and $\underline{CAb} = \{ \text{morphisms between compact abelian grps} \}$

14. Def let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism in $\underline{Ab}$ or in $\underline{CAb}$. We call f

epic if the following holds:

if $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow[h_2]{h_1} C$ commutes, i.e. $h_2 \circ f = h_1 \circ f$,
then $h_1 = h_2$ (for h_1, h_2 in $\underline{Ab}$ resp. $\underline{CAb}$)

monic if the following holds:

if $D \xrightarrow[j_2]{j_1} A \xrightarrow{f} B$ commutes, i.e. $f \circ j_1 = f \circ j_2$,
then $j_1 = j_2$ (for j_1, j_2 in $\underline{Ab}$ resp. $\underline{CAb}$)

Lemma f is epic $\Leftrightarrow f$ is surjective (in $\underline{Ab}$ or $\underline{CAb}$)
 f is monic $\Leftrightarrow f$ is injective (in $\underline{Ab}$ or $\underline{CAb}$)

Proof f surjective $\Rightarrow f$ epic (v)

f injective $\Rightarrow f$ monic (v)

Assume that f is epic and consider

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow[\underset{0}{f}]{f} B/f(A) \Rightarrow q = 0 \Rightarrow f(A) = B.$$

Assume f is monic and consider

$$\ker(f) \xrightarrow[\underset{0}{i}]{i} A \xrightarrow{f} B \Rightarrow i = 0 \Rightarrow \ker(f) = \{0\}.$$

□

Corollary If f is a homomorphism in Ab resp. Ch,

then: f is monic $\Leftrightarrow f^*$ is epic

f is epic $\Leftrightarrow f^*$ is monic

In particular: if $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence, then $0 \leftarrow X(A) \leftarrow X(B) \leftarrow X(C) \leftarrow 0$ is a short exact sequence (in Ab resp Ch).

Proof Suppose $A \xrightarrow{f} B$ is monic. Consider

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D & \xleftarrow{h_1} X(A) & \xleftarrow{f^*} X(B) \\ & \downarrow h_2 & \\ X(D) & \xrightarrow[h_2^*]{h_1^*} XX(A) & \xrightarrow[\uparrow \text{monic}]{f^{**}} XX(B) \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} h_1^* = h_2^* \\ \Rightarrow h_1^{**} = h_2^{**} \\ \Rightarrow h_1 = h_2 \end{array}$$

The rest is similar.

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15. Def For an abelian group A put

$\text{Tor}(A) = \{a \in A \mid a \text{ has finite order}\}$. Since A is abelian, this is a subgroup of A , the torsion subgroup.

Lemma Let $(A, +)$ be an abelian group, let $H \subseteq X(A)$

be a connected subgroup. Then H annihilates

$\text{Tor}(A)$, i.e. $\eta(a) = 1$ for all $\eta \in H$, $a \in \text{Tor}(A)$.

Proof Consider the monic $\langle a \rangle \xrightarrow{i} A$ for $a \in \text{Tor}(A)$
 $\Rightarrow \underbrace{X(\langle a \rangle)}_{\text{finite}} \xleftarrow{i^*} X(A)$ epic $\Rightarrow i^*(H) = \{1\}$. $\square$

Prop Let A be a compact abelian group. Then

A is connected if and only if $\text{Tor}(X(A)) = \{1\}$.

Proof If A is connected and $F \subseteq X(A)$ is a finite subgroup, then $F = \{e\}$ by the Lemma above.

If A is not connected, then the profinite group

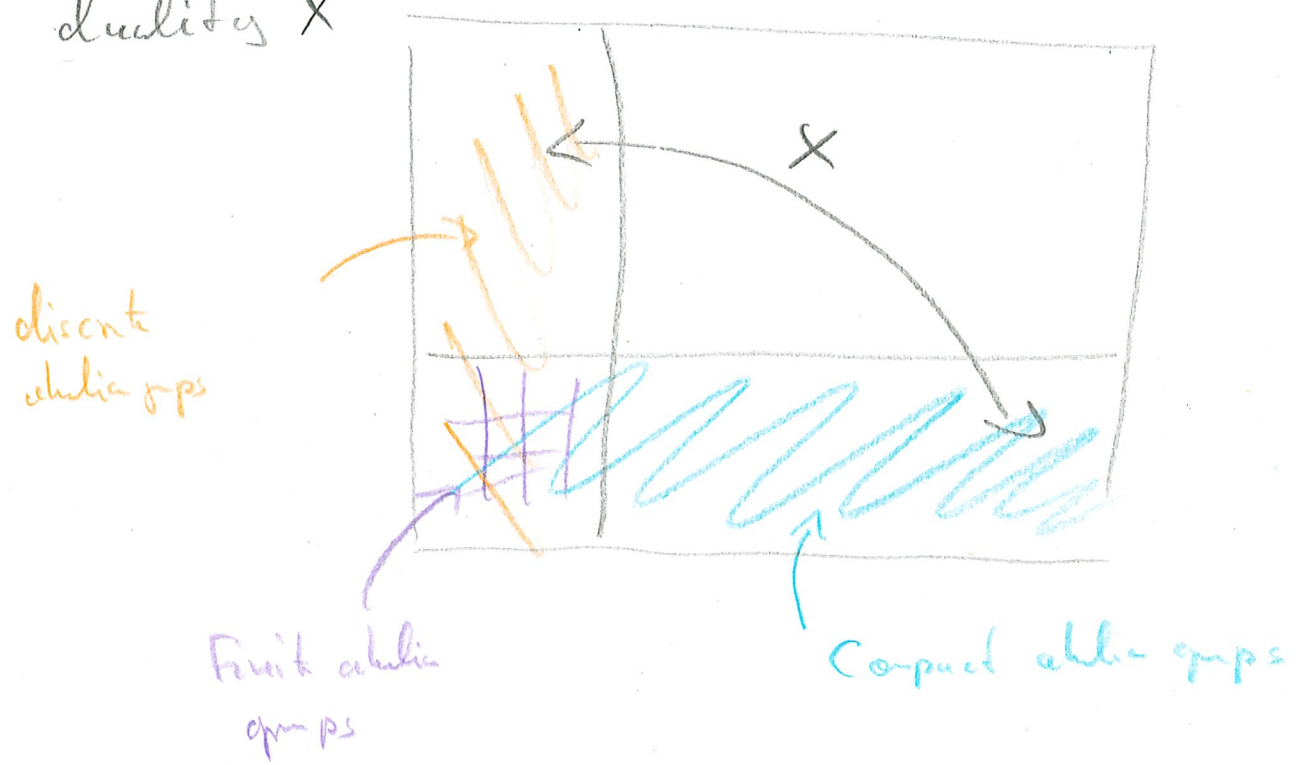
A/A_0 has a proper open subgroup (by van

Dantzig), hence it is an open subgroup

$H \subseteq A$ with $H \neq A \Rightarrow$ consider the epic $A \xrightarrow{q} \underbrace{A/H}_{\text{finite}}$

$X(A) \xleftarrow{\text{monic}} X(A/H) \Rightarrow \text{Tor}(X(A)) \neq \{e\}$ $\square$

Out look Pontryagin Duality gives as a duality X



Pontryagin - van Kampen Duality completes this to a duality

