

Rational discrete first degree cohomology for totally disconnected locally compact groups

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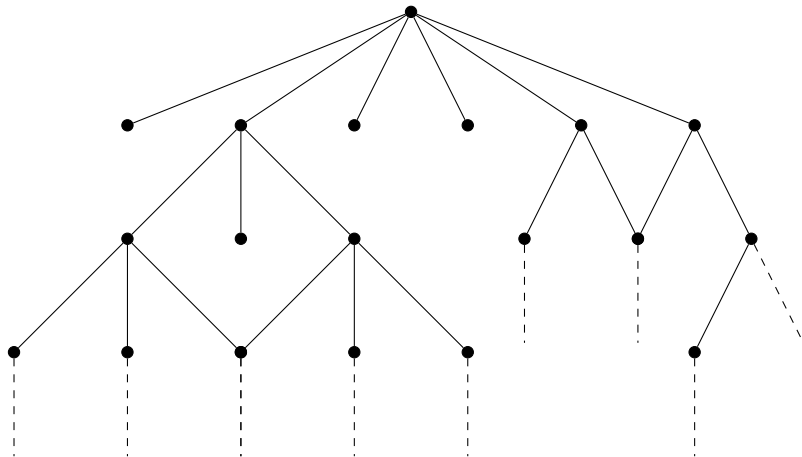
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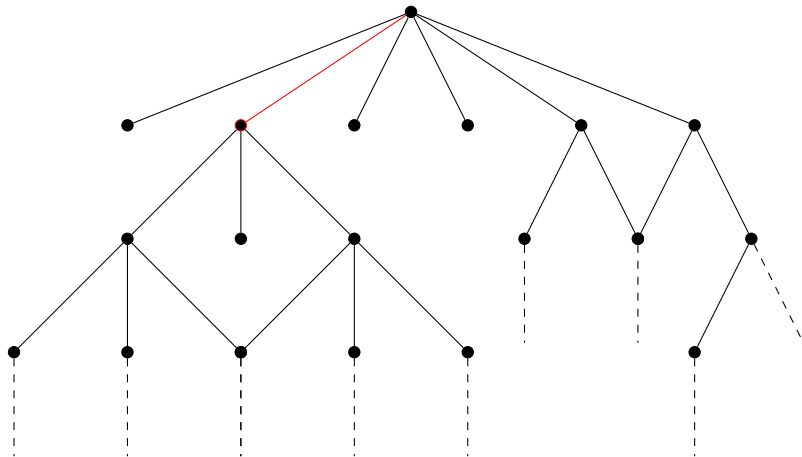
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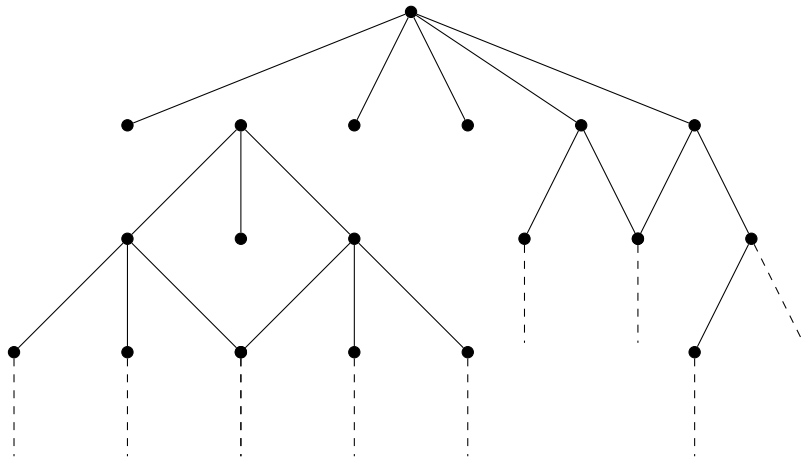
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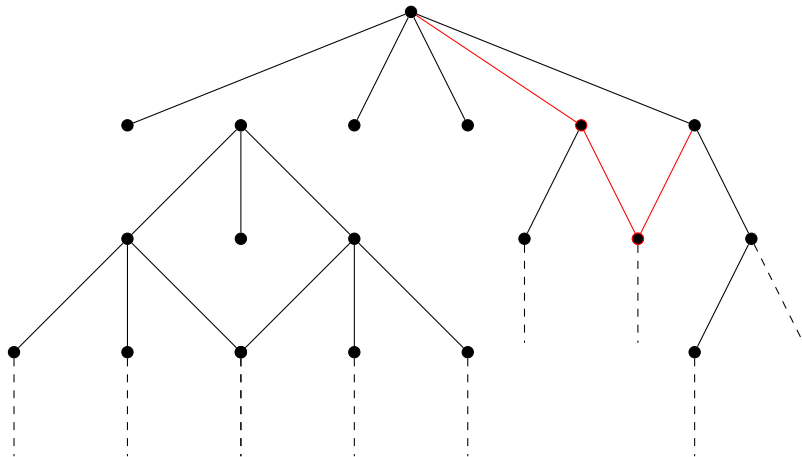
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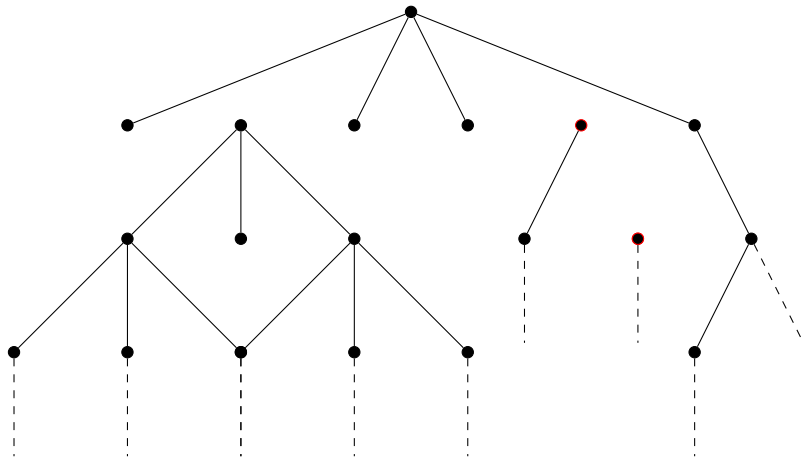
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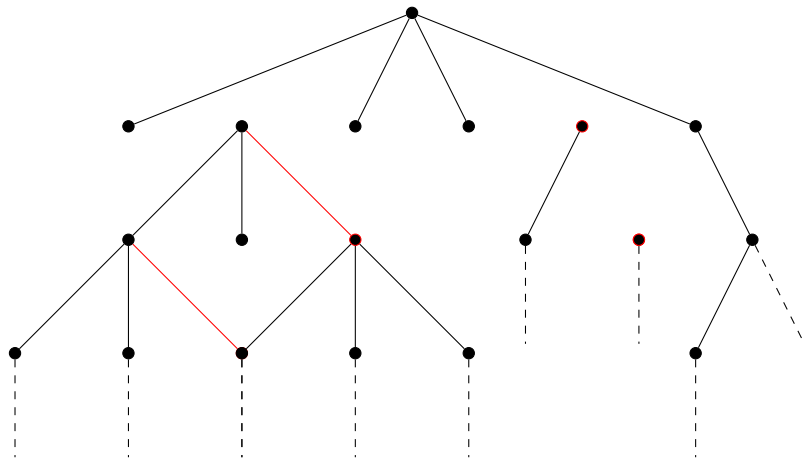
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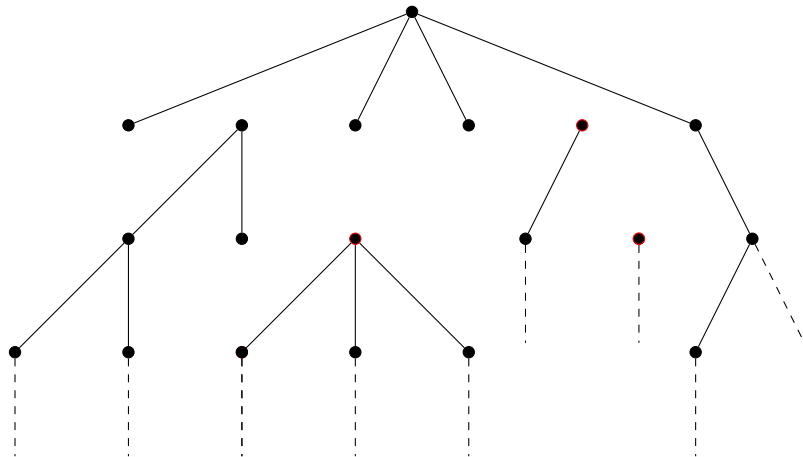
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where $\text{Bi}(G) = \varinjlim (\mathbb{Q}[G/U], \eta_{UV})$ ranging over all compact open subgroups.

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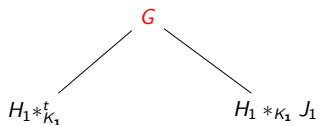
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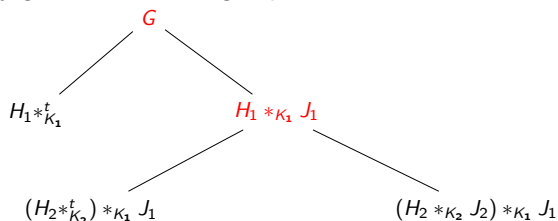
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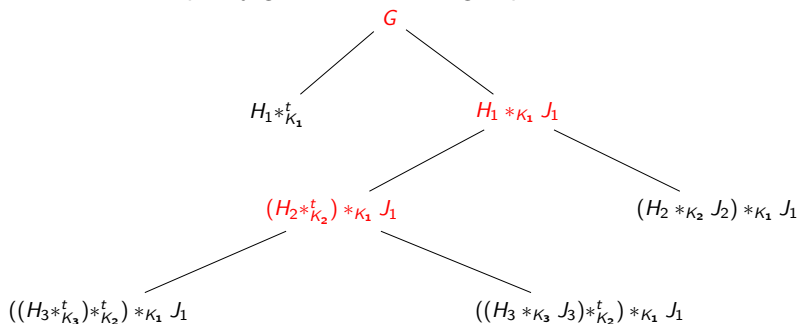
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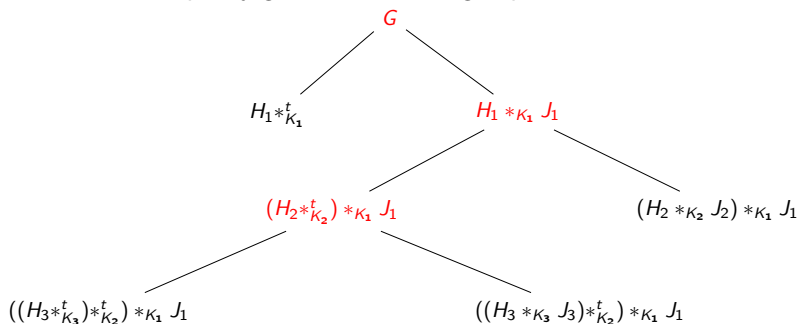
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Backup slides

The rational discrete standard bimodule $\text{Bi}(G)$

For a t.d.l.c. group G the set of compact open subgroups $\mathcal{CO}(G)$ of G with the inclusion relation " \subseteq " is a directed set.

For $V \subset U$ one has an injective mapping

$$\eta_{U,V}: \mathbb{Q}[G/U] \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}[G/V], \quad \eta_{U,V}(xU) = \frac{1}{|U:V|} \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}} x r V, \quad x \in G.$$

By construction, one has for $W \in \mathcal{CO}(G)$, $W \subseteq V \subseteq U$, that $\eta_{U,W} = \eta_{V,W} \circ \eta_{U,V}$. Let

$$\text{Bi}(G) = \varinjlim_{U \in \mathcal{CO}(G)} (\mathbb{Q}[G/U], \eta_{U,V}).$$

By definition, $\text{Bi}(G)$ is a discrete left $\mathbb{Q}[G]$ -module. Moreover $\text{Bi}(G)$ can be also endowed with a structure of discrete right $\mathbb{Q}[G]$ -module.

Properties of the bimodule $\text{Bi}(G)$ in analogy to the group algebra

Proposition (I.C., T. Weigel)

Let G be a t.d.l.c. group.

- 1 One has a natural isomorphism $\theta: \text{Bi}(G) \otimes_G _ \longrightarrow \text{id}_{\mathbb{Q}[G]\mathbf{dis}}$.
- 2 One has

$$\text{Hom}_G(\mathbb{Q}, \text{Bi}(G)) \simeq \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q} & \text{if } G \text{ is compact,} \\ 0 & \text{if } G \text{ is not compact.} \end{cases}$$

- 3 Let $M, P \in \text{ob}(\mathbb{Q}[G]\mathbf{dis})$, and assume further that P is finitely generated and projective. Then there is a natural iso $\text{Hom}_G(P, \text{Bi}(G)) \otimes_G M \cong \text{Hom}_G(P, M)$ is an isomorphism.
- 4 If G is of type FP, i.e. $\text{cd}_{\mathbb{Q}}(G) < \infty$ and G is of type FP_n for all n , then

$$\text{cd}_{\mathbb{Q}}(G) = \max\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \text{dH}^n(G, \text{Bi}(G)) \neq 0\}.$$

Graph of t.d.l.c. groups

Definition

Let Λ be a connected graph. A *graph of t.d.l.c. groups* (\mathcal{A}, Λ) consists of the following data:

- (i) a t.d.l.c. group \mathcal{A}_v for every vertex v of Λ ,
- (ii) a t.d.l.c. group \mathcal{A}_e for every edge e of Λ such that $\mathcal{A}_e = \mathcal{A}_{\bar{e}}$,
- (iii) an open group monomorphism $\alpha_e : \mathcal{A}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{t(e)}$ for every edge e of Λ .

Fundamental group of a graph of t.d.l.c. groups

Definition

Let F be the free product of the \mathcal{A}_v and the free group generated by the edges $E(\Lambda)$. Let $F(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda)$ be the quotient of F by the normal subgroup generated by the elements

$$e\bar{e}, e\alpha_e(c)e^{-1}\alpha_{\bar{e}}^{-1}(c), \quad \forall e \in E(\Lambda), c \in \mathcal{A}_e.$$

Given a maximal subtree \mathcal{T} of Λ , the *fundamental group of (\mathcal{A}, Λ) with respect to \mathcal{T}* is defined as follows

$$\pi_1(\mathcal{A}, \Lambda, \mathcal{T}) := F(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda) / \ll e | e \in E(\mathcal{T}) \gg_{F(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda)}, \quad (1)$$

where $\ll e | e \in E(\mathcal{T}) \gg_{F(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda)}$ is the smallest normal subgroup of $F(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda)$ containing $E(\mathcal{T})$. The fundamental group is independent of the choice of the maximal subtree up to isomorphism.

Compactly presented t.d.l.c. groups

Definition

A *generalized presentation* of a t.d.l.c. group G is a graph of profinite groups (\mathcal{A}, Λ) together with a continuous open surjective group homomorphism

$$\phi : \pi_1(\mathcal{A}, \Lambda, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow G,$$

such that $\phi|_{\mathcal{A}_v}$ is injective for all $v \in \mathcal{V}(\Lambda)$.

Definition

A t.d.l.c. group G is said to be *compactly presented* if there a generalized presentation $\phi : \pi(\mathcal{G}, \Lambda) \rightarrow G$ satisfying

- $\phi|_{G_v}$ is injective for all vertex groups G_v ,
- $\text{Ker}(\phi)$ is finitely generated as normal subgroup of $\pi(\mathcal{G}, \Lambda)$.

Almost invariant functions

Let G be a t.d.l.c. group and \mathcal{O} a compact open subgroup. The set of all functions from G/\mathcal{O} to \mathbb{Q} will be denoted by $(G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q})$; this is a G -set with

$$g\alpha(x) = \alpha(g^{-1}x) \quad \forall \alpha \in (G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q}), \quad \forall g \in G, \quad \forall x \in G/\mathcal{O}.$$

Definition

We say that two maps $\alpha, \beta \in (G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q})$ are *almost equal*, $\alpha =_a \beta$, if $\alpha(x) = \beta(x)$ for all but finitely many elements $x \in G/\mathcal{O}$.

Remark

Every element of $\mathbb{Q}[G/\mathcal{O}]$ can be expressed as formal sum $m = \sum_{x \in G/\mathcal{O}} q_x x$ with $q_x \in \mathbb{Q}$ being 0 for almost all $x \in G/\mathcal{O}$. Thus $\mathbb{Q}[G/\mathcal{O}]$ represents the set of all almost zero functions in $(G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q})$.

Definition

A function $\alpha \in (G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q})$ is called *almost (G, \mathcal{O}) -invariant* if $g\alpha =_a \alpha$ for all $g \in G$ and $k\alpha = \alpha$ for all $k \in \mathcal{O}$.

$dH^1(G, \text{Bi}(G))$ as almost invariant functions

Proposition (I. Castellano)

For every compact open subgroup \mathcal{O} of a t.d.l.c. group G one has

$$dH^1(G, \mathbb{Q}[G/\mathcal{O}]) \cong \frac{\mathcal{A}Inv_{\mathcal{O}}(G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q})}{C(G/\mathcal{O}) + \mathbb{Q}[G/\mathcal{O}]^{\mathcal{O}}},$$

where

$$C(G/\mathcal{O}) = \{\alpha \in (G/\mathcal{O}, \mathbb{Q}) \mid \alpha \text{ constant}\}.$$