

# The $V$ -trace of abelian topological groups; a generalization

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## Abstract

Let  $V$  be some fixed abelian topological group and a right module. In this paper we study the  $V$ -trace, in the category of topological groups, which is closely related to the continuous homomorphisms. Also we generalize the  $V$ -trace and the construction of  $V$ -trace will be continued transfinitely.

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## Introduction

This paper is a continuation of [6] and [8]. Let  $F$  and  $V$  be some fixed abelian topological groups and right modules. In [6], we defined two classes of groups,  $T(F)$ -group and  $E(V)$ -group by means of the tensor product and continuous homomorphisms of abelian topological groups, respectively. Also we proved some properties of these classes. In [8] we considered two other classes,  $F$ -neutralizer and  $V$ -trace, in the category of topological groups.

All rings are associative, unital and modules are unitary, and groups are abelian. We denote the categories of right and left  $S$ -modules, for the ring  $S$ , by  $\text{mod-}S$  and  $S\text{-mod}$ , respectively;  $F$  and  $V$  stand for some fixed abelian topological groups and right modules. A *Free topological group* is in Markov sense [3]. A

topological extension of  $G$  is a short exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow Q \xrightarrow{\pi} G \rightarrow 0$ . In section 1, we recall the  $F$ -neutralizer [6]. In section 2, the construction of  $V$ -trace will be continued transfinitely.

## 1 $F$ -neutralizer

For some fixed abelian topological groups and right modules,  $F$  and  $V$  in [6],  $T(F)$ -radical,  $E(V)$ -radical are defined by means of the tensor product and continuous homomorphisms, respectively. These are The dual notions of each other. For the tensor product of abelian topological groups [see, 7].

Let  $A$  be an abelian topological group.

**Definition 1.1.** An  $S$ -module  $A$  is a  $T(F)$ -group if  $A \otimes F = 0$ . We denote the class of  $T(F)$ -groups by  $\tau(F)$ . By [6, Proposition 1.2],  $\tau(F)$  is closed under homomorphic image, extension and direct sum.

Let  $V$  be an abelian topological group and a right  $S$ -module.

**Definition 1.2.** An  $S$ -module  $A$  is an  $E(V)$ -group if  $\text{Hom}(V, A) = 0$ . The class of all  $E(V)$ -groups is denoted by  $\mathcal{E}(V)$ .

The class  $\mathcal{E}(V)$  is closed under, subgroups, extensions and direct products [6].

**Definition 1.3.** The category  $\text{mod-}S$  is endowed with a preradical  $\lambda$ , if for each  $S$ -module  $A$ , some subgroup  $\lambda(A)$  is assigned so that for every continuous  $S$ -homomorphism  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $\phi(\lambda(A)) \subset \lambda(B)$ . A  $\lambda$ -radical means the class of all  $S$ -modules for which  $\lambda(A) = A$ . The class of all  $S$ -modules where  $\lambda(A) = 0$  is called  $\lambda$ -semisimple. A preradical  $\lambda$  is idempotent if  $\lambda(\lambda(A)) = A$ . For more information on the radical theory [see 4,1].

Let  $F$  be a left  $S$ -module. Denote by  $W_F(A)$  the sum of all subgroups  $B$  of an  $S$ -module  $A \in \text{mod} - S$  such that  $B$  is a  $T(F)$ -group.

By [1,chapter 1, Lemma 1.6 and proposition 2.2]  $W_F$  is an idempotent radical and  $\tau(F)$  is its radical class. This idempotent radical is called  $T(F)$ -radical. Let  $V$  be a right  $S$ -module and  $H_V(A)$  the intersection of all subgroups  $B$  of  $A \in \text{mod} - S$  such that  $A/B$  is an  $E(V)$ -group. The  $H_V$  is an idempotent radical and its semisimple class coincides with  $\mathcal{E}(V)$  [1]. This idempotent radical is called  $E(V)$ -radical.

Let  $R$  and  $S$  be two rings and  $e : S \rightarrow R$  a ring homomorphism. We regard

an  $R$ -module  $A$  as an  $S$ -module by putting  $as = ae(s)$  for every  $a \in A$  and  $s \in S$ . It is easy to show that  $R$  and  $e(S)$  are  $S$ - $S$ -bimodules. Let  $R_0 = R/\overline{e(S)}$ . Note that  $R_0$  is an  $S$ - $S$ -bimodule [9]. Let  $F = V = R_0$ . If  $A$  is an  $R$ -module, consider the canonical epimorphism  $h : A \otimes_S R \rightarrow A \otimes_R R$  where  $h(a \otimes_S r) = a \otimes_R r, a \in A, r \in R$ .

**Definition 1.4.** If  $h : A \otimes_S R \rightarrow A \otimes_R R$  is an isomorphism, then an  $R$ -module  $A$  is called a  $T$ -module with respect to the ring homomorphism  $e$ . Let  $\tau$  be the class of all such  $T$ -modules.

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $W(A)$  be the sum of all subgroups  $B$  of  $A$  such that  $B \in \tau$ .

As a result we have:

**Lemma 1.6.**  $W(A) \subset W_F(A)$

Proof. The class  $\tau$  contains an  $R$ -module  $A$  iff  $A \otimes_S F = 0$  where  $F = R_0$  [1]. Hence the elements of  $\tau$  are  $R$ -modules which regarded as attracting  $S$ -module, belong to  $\tau(F)$ . So

$$\tau = \tau(F) \cap \text{mod} - R$$

Therefore by this equality and definitions of  $W_F(A)$  and  $W(A)$  we have  $W(A) \subset W_F(A)$ .

We recall from [6] that for an  $S$ -module  $A$  the  $F$ -neutralizer of  $A$  is the set of all elements  $a$  such that  $a \otimes f = 0$  for every  $f \in F$ . We denote by  $n_F(A)$  the closure of the normal subgroup generated by the neutralizer elements. Clearly  $n_F(A)$  is a normal subgroup of  $A$  [5].

The construction of neutralizer can be continued transfinitely [8]. Fix an  $S$ -module  $A$ . Let  $n_F^1(A) = n_F(A)$ . If  $\beta$  is a limit ordinal then put  $n_F^\beta(A) = \bigcap_{\alpha < \beta} n_F^\alpha(A)$ . If  $\beta = \alpha + 1$  for some ordinal  $\alpha$  then put  $n_F^\beta(A) = n_F(n_F^\alpha(A))$ . Thus we obtain a decreasing chain of submodules  $n_F^1(A), n_F^2(A), \dots, n_F^\alpha(A), \dots$ . The chain stabilizes [9], and we have  $n_F^\sigma(A) = n_F^{\sigma+1}(A)$  for some ordinal  $\sigma$ . Notation:  $n_F^\infty(A) = n_F^\sigma(A)$ .

Now by [8, proposition 2.4], for every ordinal  $\alpha, n_F^\alpha(A)$  is a submodule of the  $R$ -module  $A$ .

Remark 1.6. Let  $A \in \text{mod} - R$ . By lemma 1.6,  $W(A) \subset W_F(A)$ . Also the definition of  $W(A)$  shows that  $W_F(A) \subset W(A)$ . Hence,  $W_F(A) = W(A)$ . If  $F = R_0$  we omit "F" in "W\_F", "T(F)-module" and "T(F)-radical" and simply

say "T-module", "T-radical", respectively.

Note that every R-homomorphism is automatically an S-homomorphism. So  $Hom_R(R, A) \subset Hom_S(R, A)$  for every R-module  $A$ .

**Definition 1.7.** An R-module  $A$  is an  $E$ -module with respect to the ring homomorphism  $e : S \rightarrow R$  if  $Hom_R(R, A) = Hom_S(R, A)$ .

We call such  $A$  an " $E$ -module" and denote the class of all  $E$ -module over  $R$  by  $\varepsilon$ .

We denote by  $H(A)$  the intersection of all subgroups  $B$  of  $A$  such that  $A/B \in \varepsilon$ . An R-module  $A$  is in  $\varepsilon$  iff  $Hom(V, A) = 0$  when  $V = R_0$  [2]. Thus  $\varepsilon$  consists of those R-modules which belongs to  $\varepsilon(V)$  as attracting S-modules i.e.  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(V) \cap \text{mod-R}$ . Comparing the definitions of  $H_V(A)$  and  $H(A)$ ,  $H_V(A) \subset H(A)$ .

## 2 V-trace

In this section, motivated by [9], the construction of  $V$ -trace will be continued transfinitely.

A preradical  $\lambda$  is *cotorsion* if

$$(1) \lambda(\lambda(A)) = \lambda(A) \text{ for every } A \in \text{mod} - S$$

$$(2) \lambda(A/B) = \lambda(A) + A/B \text{ for every } A \in \text{mod} - S \text{ and } B \subset A$$

Let  $V$  be a right module

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $A$  be an  $S$ -module. The  $V$ -trace of  $A$  is the closure of the normal subgroup generated by the sum of ranges of all continuous homomorphisms  $\phi \in Hom_S(V, A)$ . We denote it by  $trace_V(A)$

It is well known that  $trace_V$  is an idempotent preradical and the following holds [8]:

$$H_V(A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow A \in \varepsilon(V) \Leftrightarrow Hom_S(V, A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow trace_V(A) = 0$$

Remark 2.2. The definition of  $V$ -trace can be reformulated, as in the case of neutralizer [6]: consider the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow trace(A) \xrightarrow{\alpha} A \xrightarrow{\beta} A/trace_V(A) \rightarrow 0$$

and the induced sequence (not exact in general)

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V, \text{trace}(A)) \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} \text{Hom}_S(V, A) \xrightarrow{\beta_*} \text{Hom}_S(V, A/\text{trace}_V(A)) \rightarrow 0 \quad (**)$$

$\text{trace}_V(A)$  is the smallest submodule of  $A$  with  $\beta_* = 0$ .

If in  $(**)$   $\beta_* = 0$ , then  $\text{Hom}_S(V, A/\text{trace}_V(A)) = 0$ . Thus  $A/\text{trace}_V(A) \in \epsilon(V)$ . So  $H_V(A) \subseteq \text{trace}_V(A)$ . Recalling the definition of  $E(V)$ -radical, by [8],  $H_V$  is the smallest among the idempotent radicals and  $\text{trace}_V(A) \subseteq H_V(A)$ . Under the following condition the equality holds:

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $V$  be a projective topological module, Then*

(1)  $\text{trac}_V(A) = H_V(A)$ .

(2)  $H_V$  is a cotorsion

Proof.(1). It is enough to show that  $H_V(A) \subseteq \text{trace}_V(A)$ . Since  $V$  is projective every sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V, \text{trace}(A)) \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} \text{Hom}_S(V, A) \xrightarrow{\beta_*} \text{Hom}_S(V, A/\text{trace}_V(A)) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. Now  $\beta_* = 0$ , so  $\text{Hom}_S(V, A/\text{trace}_V(A)) = 0$ . Thus  $A/\text{trace}_V(A) \in \epsilon(V)$  and hence  $H_V(A) = \text{trace}_V(A)$ .

(2). Let  $\beta : A \rightarrow A/B$  be the natural onto continuous homomorphism. By the above,  $\beta_* : \text{Hom}_S(V, A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_S(V, A/B)$  is onto. So if  $\text{Hom}_S(V, A) = 0$ , then  $\text{Hom}_S(V, A/B) = 0$ . Therefore, for every submodule  $B$  of  $A$  the condition  $A \in \epsilon(A)$  implies  $A/B \in \epsilon(A)$ . Thus  $\epsilon(A)$  is closed under homomorphic images. So  $H_v$  is cotorsion.

The construction of  $V$ -trace can be continued transfinitely. Let  $A \in \text{mod} - S$ . To each ordinal  $\alpha$ , assign the subgroup  $\text{trace}_V^\alpha(A)$ . Put  $\text{trace}_V^1(A) = \text{trace}_V(A)$ . If  $\beta$  is a limit ordinal, then  $\text{trace}_V^\beta(A) = \cup_{\alpha < \beta} \text{trace}_V^\alpha(A)$ . If  $\beta = \alpha + 1$  for some ordinal  $\alpha$ , then choose  $\text{trace}_V^\beta(A)$  so that

$$\text{trace}_V(A/\text{trace}_V^\alpha(A)) = \text{trace}_V^\beta(A)/\text{trace}_V^\alpha(A)$$

Now obtain an increasing chain

$$\text{trace}_V^1(A), \text{trace}_V^2(A), \dots, \text{trace}_V^\alpha(A) \dots$$

which obviously must stabilize[9] and so

$$\text{trace}_V^\sigma(A) = \text{trace}_V^{\sigma+1}(A)$$

for some ordinal  $\sigma$ . Put  $trace_V^\infty(A) = trace_V^\sigma(A)$ . By [8,proposition 2.8 ],  $trace_V(A)$  is a submodule of the  $R$ -module  $A$ . The following generalizes the above result:

**Proposition 2.4** *For every ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $trace_V^\alpha(A)$  is a submodule of the  $R$ -module  $A$*

Proof. Let  $V = R/\overline{e(S)}$ , and  $\bar{r}, \bar{r}_1 \dots$  be elements of  $V$ . It is enough to show that  $(trace_V(A))R \subset trace_V(A)$ .

Let  $\phi \in Hom_S(V, A)$ ,  $\Phi(\bar{r}_1) \in Im\phi$  and  $r_2 \in R$ . We define  $\Psi : R \rightarrow A$  by

$$\Psi(r) = \Phi(\bar{r}) \quad \text{for any } r \in R$$

It is clear that  $\psi$  is a continuous homomorphism and  $\psi \in Hom_S(R, A)$ . Define a map  $\chi : R \rightarrow A$  by

$$\chi(r) = \Psi(r_1)r - \Psi(r_1r)$$

clearly  $\chi$  is additive and

$$\chi(rs) = \Psi(r_1)rs - \Psi(r_1rs) = ((\Psi(r_1))r - \Psi(r_1r))s = \chi(r)s$$

for any  $s \in S$ . Hence  $\chi \in Hom_S(R, A)$ .

For all  $s \in S$ ,  $\chi(e(s)) = \Psi(r_1)s - \Psi(r_1s) = 0$  so  $e(s) \in Ker\chi$ . Now  $\chi$  induces a continuous homomorphism  $\bar{\chi} \in Hom_S(V, A)$  by  $\bar{\chi}(\bar{r}) = \chi(r)$ . Since  $\chi(r_2) = \Psi(r_1)r_2 - \Psi(r_1r_2)$ , so  $\Psi(r_1)r_2 = \chi(r_2) + \Psi(r_1r_2)$ . Now if we consider the homomorphism  $\phi : V \rightarrow R$ , then  $\Phi(\bar{r}_1)r_2 = \bar{\chi}(\bar{r}_2) + \Phi(\bar{r}_1r_2)$ , that is  $\Phi(\bar{r}_1)r_2 \in trace_V(A)$ . So  $Im\Phi \subset trace_V(A)$  for all  $\phi$ . Hence

$$(trace_V(A))R \subset trace_V(A)$$

Thus  $trace_V(A)$  is a submodule of  $A$ .

If  $\beta$  is a limit ordinal and  $trace_V^\alpha(A)$  is a submodule in  $A$  for every  $\alpha < \beta$  then  $trace_V^\beta(A)$  is also, by definition, a submodule in  $A$ . If  $\beta = \alpha + 1$ , Then since  $trace_V^\alpha(A)$  is a submodule of the  $R$ -module  $A/trace_V^\alpha(A)$ , it follows that  $trace_V^\beta(A)$  is also a submodule of  $A$ .

Note that in general  $trace_V(A) \subseteq H_V(A)$  and by proposition 2.3, when  $V$  is a projective topological group, the equality holds. In the case of  $trace_V^\infty(A)$ , we have the following result:

**Proposition 2.5**  *$trace_V^\infty(A) = H_V(A)$  for some  $S$ -module  $A$*

Proof. By induction, We show that  $trace_V^\alpha(A) \subset H_V(A)$ . For  $\alpha = 1$ , this is the above result. Let  $\beta$  be a limit ordinal. Since the inclusion holds for all

$\alpha < \beta$ , we have  $trace_V^\beta(A) \subset H_V(A)$ . Now suppose that  $\beta = \alpha + 1$  for some  $\alpha$ . Since  $H_V$  is a radical and by assumption,

$$H_V(A) = H_V(H_V(A)) \supset H_V(trace_V^\alpha(A)) \supset trace_V(trace_V^\alpha(A)) = trace_V^{\alpha+1}(A)$$

This completes the induction steps. If  $\alpha = \sigma$ , then  $trace_V^\infty(A) = trace_V^\sigma(A) \subset H_V(A)$ . Furthermore,  $H_V$  is the intersection of all  $B$  submodule of  $A \in \text{mod-}S$  such that  $A/B \in \epsilon(V)$  and  $trace_V^{\sigma+1}(A) = trace_V^\sigma(A)$ . Hence  $trace_V^\sigma(A) \supset H_V(A)$ .

Remark . Like every left  $S$ -module  $F$  generates an idempotent radical  $W_F$  in  $\text{mod-}S$ , a right  $S$ -module  $V$  generates an idempotent radical  $W'_V$  in  $S\text{-mod}$ . Hence we can say that a homomorphism  $e : S \rightarrow R$  generates four radicals:  $W$  and  $H$  in the category  $\text{mod-}R$  of right modules and the radicals  $W'$  and  $H'$  in  $R\text{-mod}$ .

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