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## UNITIZATION OF DUAL BANACH ALGEBRAS AND THEIR CONNES AMENABILITY

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\varphi$  be a  $\omega^*$ -continuous homomorphism from a dual Banach algebra to  $\mathbb{C}$ . In this paper, first we investigate the Connes amenability of unitization of  $\varphi$ , then we define a type of diagonal for certain dual Banach algebras and prove that the existence of such a diagonal is equivalent to unitization of Connes amenability.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra and  $E$  be a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. A continuous Linear operator  $D : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow E$  is a derivation if it satisfies  $D(ab) = D(a).b + a.D(b)$  for all  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$ . Given  $x \in E$ , the derivation  $ad_x : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow E$  is defined by  $ad_x(a) = a.x - x.a$ , is called inner derivation. In [3], the amenability for Banach algebras is introduced by Johnson. A Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is amenable if for every Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $E$ , every derivation from  $\mathcal{A}$  into  $E^*$ , the dual of  $E$ , is inner. We know that the projective tensor product  $\mathcal{A}$  with itself is a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. So, the map  $\pi : \widehat{\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  defined by  $\pi(a \otimes b) = ab$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule homomorphism.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra. A Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $E$  is dual if there is a closed submodule  $E_*$  of  $E^*$  such that  $E = (E_*)^*$ . We say  $E_*$

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predual of  $E$ . A dual Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule  $E$  is normal if the module actions of  $\mathcal{A}$  on  $E$  are  $\omega^*$ -continuous. A Banach algebra is dual if it is dual as a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. If we want to stress that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a dual Banach algebra with predual  $\mathcal{A}_*$ , we write  $\mathcal{A} = (\mathcal{A}_*)^*$ . Connes amenability, which seems to be a natural variant of amenability for dual Banach algebras, was introduced by V. Runde [6]. A dual Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is Connes amenable if every  $\omega^*$ -continuous derivation from  $\mathcal{A}$  into a normal, dual Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule is inner. Let  $\mathcal{A} = (\mathcal{A}_*)^*$  be a dual Banach algebra and let  $E$  be a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule, then  $\sigma wc(E)$  stands for the set of all elements  $x \in E$  such that the maps

$$\mathcal{A} \rightarrow E, a \rightarrow \{_{a.x}^{x.a}$$

are  $\omega^*$ - $\omega$  continuous. It is a closed submodule of  $E$ .

A generalization of amenability which depends on homomorphisms was introduced by E. Kaniuth, A. T. Lau and J. Pym in [4]. This concept was also studied independently by M. S. Monfared in [5]. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi$  be a homomorphism from  $\mathcal{A}$  onto  $\mathbb{C}$ . We say  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\varphi$ -amenable if there exists a bounded linear functional  $m$  on  $\mathcal{A}^*$  satisfying  $m(\varphi) = 1$  and  $m(f.a) = \varphi(a)m(f)$ , for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}^*$ . We write  $\Delta(\mathcal{A})$  for the set of all homomorphism from  $\mathcal{A}$  onto  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dual Banach algebra. It is known that its unitization  $\mathcal{A}^\# = \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathbb{C}e$ , is a dual Banach algebra as well, where  $e$  is the identity of  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ . Let  $\varphi \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A})$  and let  $\varphi^\#$  be its unique extension to  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ , i.e.  $\varphi^\#(a + \lambda e) = \varphi(a) + \lambda$ ,  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . It is obvious that  $\varphi^\# \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\#)$ . In this note we study  $\varphi^\#$ -Connes amenability for dual Banach algebras. Thus, we study basic properties of  $\varphi^\#$ -Connes amenability. We characterize it through vanishing of  $\mathbf{H}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}^\#, E)$  for certain Banach  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ -bimodule  $E$ . A number of hereditary properties are also discussed. Also, we define a type of virtual diagonal for a dual Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ , showing that the existence of such a diagonal is equivalent to  $\varphi^\#$ -Connes amenability of  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a dual Banach algebra and  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism from  $\mathcal{A}$  onto  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then it is an easy observation that  $\varphi$  is  $\omega^*$ -continuous if and only if  $\varphi \in \sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^*)$ . For a dual Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A})$  will denote the set of all  $\omega^*$ -continuous homomorphisms from  $\mathcal{A}$  onto  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dual Banach algebra. It is known that its unitization  $\mathcal{A}^\# = \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathbb{C}e$ , is a dual Banach algebra as well, where  $e$  is the identity of  $\mathcal{A}^\#$ . We define  $f_0 : \mathcal{A}^\# \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $f_0(e) = 1$  and  $f_0|_{\mathcal{A}} = 0$  so that  $(\mathcal{A}^\#)^* = \mathcal{A}^* \oplus \mathbb{C}f_0$ .

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$\lambda e) = \varphi(a) + \lambda$ ,  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . It is obvious that  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ . For the right module action in  $f_0$ , we have  $f_0.(a + \lambda e) = \lambda f_0$ , since  $f_0.a = 0$ , for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . We may identify  $(\mathbb{C}f_0)^*$  with  $\mathbb{C}m_0$ , where  $m_0$  is a functional on  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*$  defined by  $m_0(f_0) = 1$  and  $m_0|_{\mathcal{A}^*} = 0$ . Therefore, if we consider  $\mathbb{C}f_0$  as a sub  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ -bimodule of  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*$ , then we see that  $f_0 \in \sigma wc(\mathbb{C}f_0)$  so that  $\sigma wc(\mathbb{C}f_0) = \mathbb{C}f_0$ . Therefore, we conclude that  $\sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*) = \sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^*) \oplus \mathbb{C}f_0$ , so that  $\sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^* = \sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^*)^* \oplus \mathbb{C}m_0$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a dual Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A})$ . We call  $\mathcal{A}$   $\varphi$ -Connes amenable if  $\mathcal{A}$  admits a  $\varphi$ -Connes mean  $m$ , i.e. there exists a bounded linear functional  $m$  on  $\sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^*)$  satisfying  $m(\varphi) = 1$  and  $m(f.a) = \varphi(a)m(f)$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $f \in \sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^*)$ .

We recall some terminology from [6] and [2]. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dual Banach algebra and  $E$  be a normal, dual Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. We write  $\mathbf{Z}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}, E)$  for the set of all  $\omega^*$ -continuous derivations from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $E$ . Clearly  $B^1(\mathcal{A}, E)$  the set of all inner derivations from  $\mathcal{A}$  to  $E$ , is a subspace of  $\mathbf{Z}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}, E)$ . Whence, we have the meaningful definition  $\mathbf{H}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}, E) = \frac{\mathbf{Z}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}, E)}{B^1(\mathcal{A}, E)}$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a dual Banach algebra, its unitization  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp = \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathbb{C}e$ , is a dual Banach algebra as well and  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  has  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes mean;
- (ii) if  $E = (E_*)^*$  is a normal, dual Banach  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ -bimodule such that  $x.(a + \lambda e) = \varphi^\sharp(a + \lambda e)x$  for all  $x \in E$  and  $a + \lambda e \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp$ , then  $\mathbf{H}_{\omega^*}^1(\mathcal{A}^\sharp, E) = \{0\}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dual Arens regular Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A})$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}^{**}$  is  $\varphi^{**}$ -Connes amenable if and only if  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes amenable.

**Theorem 2.4.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  and  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  are dual Banach algebras,  $\theta : \mathcal{A}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\sharp$  is a continuous and  $\omega^*$ -continuous homomorphism with  $\omega^*$ -dense range, and that  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{B}^\sharp)$ . If  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is  $\varphi^\sharp \circ \theta$ -Connes amenable, then  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  has  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes mean.

*Proof.* Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbb{C} & \\ \varphi^\sharp \circ \theta \nearrow & & \nwarrow \varphi^\sharp \\ \mathcal{A}^\sharp & \xrightarrow{\theta} & \mathcal{B}^\sharp \end{array}$$

Notice that  $\varphi^\sharp \circ \theta \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ . Suppose that  $m \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*$  satisfies  $m(\varphi^\sharp \circ \theta) = 1$  and  $m(f.a) = (\varphi^\sharp \circ \theta)(a)m(f)$  for all  $(a + \lambda e) \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp$  and

$f \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)$ . Define  $n \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{B}^\sharp)^*)^*$  by  $n(g) = m(go\theta)$  for  $g \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{B}^\sharp)^*)$ . Next, for  $(a + \lambda e) \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp$  and  $g \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{B}^\sharp)^*)$  we have  $(g.\theta(a + \lambda e))o\theta = (go\theta).(a + \lambda e)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} n(g.\theta(a + \lambda e)) &= m((g.\theta(a + \lambda e))o\theta) = m((go\theta).(a + \lambda e)) \\ &= (\varphi^\sharp o\theta)(a + \lambda e)m(go\theta) = (\varphi^\sharp o\theta)(a + \lambda e)n(g) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\theta(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$  is  $\omega^*$ -dense in  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$ , the above equation suffices to prove  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes amenability of  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$ .  $\square$

Analogously, we may obtain the following:

**Corollary 2.5.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is Banach algebra,  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  is a dual Banach algebra,  $\theta : \mathcal{A}^\sharp \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\sharp$  is a continuous homomorphism with  $\omega^*$ -dense range, and that  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{B}^\sharp)$ . If  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is  $\varphi^\sharp o\theta$ -amenable, then  $\mathcal{B}^\sharp$  has  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes mean.*

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  be a Arens regular Banach algebra which is an ideal in  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$ , and let  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ . Let  $\tilde{\varphi}^\sharp$ , the extension of  $\varphi^\sharp$  to  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$ , belongs to  $\Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is  $\varphi^\sharp$ -amenable;
- (ii)  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}^\sharp$ -Connes amenable.

*Proof.* (i)  $\implies$  (ii) Because  $\varphi^\sharp = \tilde{\varphi}^\sharp o\iota$ , where  $\iota : \mathcal{A}^\sharp \hookrightarrow (\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$  is the inclusion map, this is an immediate consequence of Corollary 2.5.

(ii)  $\implies$  (i) By the assumption, there is  $m \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{***})^*$  such that  $m(\tilde{\varphi}^\sharp) = 1$  and  $m(F.u) = \tilde{\varphi}^\sharp(u)m(F)$ , for  $u \in (\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$  and  $F \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{***})$ . Set  $\bar{m} = m|_{(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*}$ , the restriction of  $m$  to  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*$ . Since  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{**}$  is a dual Banach algebra,  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^* \subseteq \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^{***})$  and therefore  $\bar{m}$  is well-defined. Then, it is readily seen that  $\bar{m}(\varphi^\sharp) = m(\tilde{\varphi}^\sharp) = 1$  and  $\bar{m}(f.(a + \lambda e)) = \varphi^\sharp(a + \lambda e)\bar{m}(f)$ ,  $(a + \lambda e) \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp$ ,  $f \in (\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*$ .  $\square$

**Remark 2.7.** Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp = ((A^\sharp)_*)^*$  be a dual Banach algebra. We can see that  $\pi^*((A^\sharp)_*) \subseteq \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)$  and then taking adjoint, also we can extend  $\pi$  to an  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ -bimodule homomorphism  $\pi_{\sigma wc}$  from  $\sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*$  to  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ .

**Definition 2.8.** Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp = ((A^\sharp)_*)^*$  be a dual Banach algebra. A  $\sigma wc$ -virtual diagonal for  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is an element  $M \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \otimes \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*$  such that for all  $(a + \lambda e) \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp$  we have

- (i)  $(a + \lambda e).M = M.(a + \lambda e)$ ;
- (ii)  $(a + \lambda e)\pi_{\sigma wc}(M) = (a + \lambda e)$ .

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp = ((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)_*)^*$  be a dual Banach algebra. Then Connes amenability of  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  is equivalent to existence of a  $\sigma wc$ -virtual diagonal for  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ .*

By using of [8], we conclude that

$$\pi^*(\sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)) \subseteq \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*).$$

So if  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ , then

$$\varphi^\sharp \otimes \varphi^\sharp = \pi^*(\varphi^\sharp) \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*),$$

where

$$\varphi^\sharp \otimes \varphi^\sharp((a + \lambda e) \otimes (b + \lambda e)) = \varphi^\sharp(a + \lambda e) \varphi^\sharp(b + \lambda e), \quad a + \lambda e, b + \lambda e \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp.$$

Thus we obtain the following definition.

**Definition 2.10.** Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  be a dual Banach algebra, and let  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$ . An element  $M \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*$  is a  $\varphi^\sharp$ - $\sigma wc$  virtual diagonal for  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  if

- (i)  $\langle \varphi^\sharp \otimes \varphi^\sharp, M \rangle = 1$ ;
- (ii)  $(a + \lambda e).M = \varphi^\sharp(a + \lambda e).M, \quad (a + \lambda e) \in \mathcal{A}^\sharp.$

*Remark 2.11.* Let  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  be a dual Banach algebra. Taking adjoint of the restriction map  $\pi^*|_{\sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*}$ , we obtain an  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ -bimodule homomorphism;

$$\pi_{\sigma wc}^0 : \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^* \longrightarrow \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*.$$

Because we choose homomorphisms from  $\sigma wc(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*$ , which is larger than  $(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)_*$ , working with  $\pi_{\sigma wc}^0$  seems more natural than that of  $\pi_{\sigma wc}$ . As a consequence, we observe that

$$\langle \varphi^\sharp \otimes \varphi^\sharp, M \rangle = \langle \varphi^\sharp, \pi_{\sigma wc}^0(M) \rangle$$

whenever  $\varphi^\sharp \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A}^\sharp)$  and  $M \in \sigma wc((\mathcal{A}^\sharp \widehat{\otimes} \mathcal{A}^\sharp)^*)^*$ .

With these preparations, we can now characterize  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes amenable dual Banach algebras through the existence of  $\varphi^\sharp$ - $\sigma wc$  virtual diagonals.

From [1], we conclude the following result:

**Theorem 2.12.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a dual Banach algebra, and let  $\varphi \in \Delta_{\omega^*}(\mathcal{A})$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$  has  $\varphi^\sharp$ -Connes mean;
- (ii) There is a  $\varphi$ - $\sigma wc$  virtual diagonal for  $\mathcal{A}$ ;
- (iii) There is a  $\varphi^\sharp$ - $\sigma wc$  virtual diagonal for  $\mathcal{A}^\sharp$ .

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