

## $\varphi$ - BIPROJECTIVE AND $(\varphi, \psi)$ - AMENABLE BANACH ALGEBRAS

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**Summary.** In this paper we introduce and study the concept of a  $\varphi$ - biprojective and  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenable Banach algebra  $A$ , where  $\varphi$  is a continuous homomorphism on  $A$  and  $\psi \in \Phi_A$ . We show that  $A$  is  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenable if and only there exists a bounded net  $(m_\alpha) \subset A$  such that  $\|\varphi(a)m_\alpha - m_\alpha\varphi(a)\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) = 1$  for all  $\alpha$ .

### 1 INTRODUCTION

Amenable Banach algebra were introduced by Johnson in [10]. He showed that  $A$  is amenable Banach algebra if and only if  $A$  has a approximate diagonal, that is a bounded net  $(m_\alpha)$  in  $(A \hat{\otimes} A)$  such that  $m_\alpha a - a m_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  and  $\pi(m_\alpha) a \rightarrow a$  for every  $a \in A$ . The notion of a biflat and biprojective Banach algebra was introduced by Helemskii [8, 9]. Indeed,  $A$  is called biprojective, if here exists a bounded  $A$ -bimodule map  $\theta: A \rightarrow A \hat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\pi \circ \theta = id_A$ .

He considered a Banach algebra  $A$  is amenable if  $A$  biflat and has a bounded approximate identity [7, 9]. In fact,  $A$  is called biflat if there exists a bounded  $A$ -bimodule map  $\theta: (A \hat{\otimes} A)^* \rightarrow A^*$  such that  $\theta \circ \pi^* = id_{A^*}$ .

Given a continuous homomorphism  $\varphi$  from  $A$  into  $A$ , authers in [13, 14] defined and studied  $\varphi$ -derivations and  $\varphi$ -amenability.

Recall that a character on  $A$  is a non-zero homomorphism from  $A$  into the scalar field. The set of all characters on  $A$  the character space of  $A$ , is denoted by  $\Phi_A$ .

Motivated by these considerations, author with M. Lashkarizadeh bami introduced some generalizations of Helemskiis concepts like  $\varphi$ -biflatness and  $\varphi$ -biprojectivity, where  $\varphi$  is a continuous homomorphism from  $A$  into  $A$  [5, 6]. The auther states that Banach algebra  $A$  is  $\varphi$ - biflat ( $\varphi$ - biprojective) if there exists a bounded  $A$ -bimodule map  $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  ( $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)$ ) such that  $\pi^{**} \circ \theta \circ \varphi = \kappa$  is the canonical embedding of  $A$  into  $A^{**}$  ( $\pi \circ \theta \circ \varphi = id_A$ ).

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In this paper, we define  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenability Banach algebra  $A$ , where  $\varphi$  is a continuous homomorphism on  $A$  and  $\psi \in \Phi_A$ . We show that  $A$  is  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenable if and only if there exists a bounded net  $(m_\alpha) \subset A$  such that  $\|\varphi(a)m_\alpha - m_\alpha\varphi(a)\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) = 1$  for all  $\alpha$ .

## 2 THE RESULTS

Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $X, Y$  be a Banach  $A$ -bimodules, then  $A$ -bimodule morphism from  $X$  to  $Y$  is a morphism  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$  with

$$\varphi(a \cdot x) = a \cdot \varphi(x), \quad \varphi(x \cdot a) = \varphi(x) \cdot a \quad (a \in A, x \in X)$$

In the next result  $\varphi: A \rightarrow A$  is a homomorphism and  $I$  is a closed ideal of  $A$ . We define the map  $\tilde{\varphi}: A/I \rightarrow A/I$  by  $\tilde{\varphi}(a+I) = \varphi(a)+I$ .

**Theorem 2.1** *Suppose that  $A$  is a  $\varphi$ -biprojective Banach algebra. If  $I$  is a closed ideal of  $A$ , then  $A/I$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -biprojective.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)$  is a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map such that  $\pi \circ \theta \circ \varphi = id_A$ . Let  $q: A \rightarrow A/I$  be the quotient map. Define the map  $\tilde{\theta}: A/I \rightarrow (A/I \hat{\otimes} A/I)$  by  $a+I \mapsto (q \hat{\otimes} q) \circ \theta(a)$  ( $a \in A$ ). We prove that  $\tilde{\theta}$  is an  $A/I$ -bimodul map. To do, take  $a, b, c \in A$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}((a+I)(b+I)(c+I)) &= \tilde{\theta}(abc+I) \\ &= (\hat{q} \otimes q) \circ \theta(abc) \\ &= (\hat{q} \otimes q)(a \cdot \theta(b) \cdot c) \\ &= a \cdot (\hat{q} \otimes q)(\theta(b) \cdot c) \\ &= (a+I) \cdot \tilde{\theta}(b+I) \cdot (c+I). \end{aligned}$$

and also we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{A/I} \circ \tilde{\theta} \circ \tilde{\varphi}(a+I) &= \pi_{A/I} \circ \tilde{\theta}(\varphi(a)+I) \\ &= \pi_{A/I} \circ (\hat{q} \otimes q) \circ \theta(\varphi(a)) \\ &= q \circ \pi_A \circ \theta \circ \varphi(a) = q(a) = a+I. \end{aligned}$$

That is,  $A/I$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -biprojective.

**Theorem 2.2** *Suppose that  $A$  is a  $\varphi$ -biprojective Banach algebra. If  $I$  is a closed deal of  $A$  with one sided bounded approximate identity and  $\varphi(I) \subset I$ . Then  $I$  is  $\varphi|_I$ -biprojective.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)$  is a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map such that  $\pi \circ \theta \circ \varphi = id_A$ . Let  $\iota: I \rightarrow A$  be the inclusion map. Then  $\theta|_I = \theta \circ \iota: I \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)$  is  $I$ -bimodule homomorphisms. If  $I^3$  denotes  $\text{span} \{abc : a, b, c \in I\}^-$ , then  $I^3 = I$  because  $I$  has a one sided bounded approximate identity, and

$$\begin{aligned} \theta|_I &= \theta(I) \\ &= \theta(I^3) \\ &\subseteq \text{span}\{a \cdot \theta(b) \cdot c\}^- \\ &\subseteq \text{span}\{a \cdot m \cdot c : a, c \in I, m \in \hat{A} \otimes A\}^- \subseteq \hat{I} \otimes I. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore for every  $a \in I$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi \circ \theta|_I \circ \varphi(a) &= \pi(\theta(\varphi(a))) \\ &= \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 2.3** *Let  $A$  be a unital Banach algebra, and  $B$  be a Banach algebra containing a non-zero idempotent  $b_0$ . If  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is  $\varphi \otimes \psi$ -biprojective. Then  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biprojective.*

*Proof.* There exists an  $A \hat{\otimes} B$ -bimodule  $\theta: A \hat{\otimes} B \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} B) \hat{\otimes} (A \hat{\otimes} B)$  with  $\pi_{A \hat{\otimes} B} \circ \theta \circ (\varphi \otimes \psi) = id_{A \hat{\otimes} B}$ . We consider  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  as an  $A$ -bimodule with the actions given by

$$a_1 \cdot (a_2 \otimes b) = a_1 a_2 \otimes b, \text{ and } (a_2 \otimes b) \cdot a_1 = a_2 a_1 \otimes b \quad (a_1, a_2 \in A, b \in B)$$

Thus for every  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(a_1 a_2 \otimes b_0) &= \theta((a_1 \otimes b_0)(a_2 \otimes b_0)) \\ &= (a_1 \otimes b_0) \cdot \theta((a_2 \otimes b_0)) \\ &= a_1 \cdot (e_A \otimes b_0) \cdot \theta((a_2 \otimes b_0)) \\ &= a_1 \cdot \theta(a_2 \otimes b_0). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can show a right-module version of this equation. Hence we have

$$\theta(a_1 a_2 \otimes b_0) = a_1 \cdot \theta(a_2 \otimes b_0) = \theta(a_1 \otimes b_0) \cdot a_2 \quad (a_1, a_2 \in A)$$

Take  $f \in \Phi_A$  with  $f(b_0) = 1$  and define

$$\rho: (A \hat{\otimes} B) \hat{\otimes} (A \hat{\otimes} B) \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A), \quad (a_1 \otimes b_1) \otimes (a_2 \otimes b_2) \mapsto f(b_1 b_2) a_1 \otimes a_2$$

Then  $\rho$  is an  $A$ -bimodule morphism.

We now define  $\tilde{\theta}: A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)$  by

$$\tilde{\theta}(a) = \rho \circ \theta(a \otimes \psi(b_0)) \quad (a \in A).$$

Then  $\tilde{\theta}$  is an  $A$ -bimodule morphism and

$$\pi_A \circ \rho = (id_A \otimes f) \circ \pi_{A \hat{\otimes} B}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_A \circ \tilde{\theta} \circ \varphi(a) &= \pi_A \circ \rho \circ \theta(\varphi(a) \otimes \psi(b_0)) \\ &= (id_A \otimes f) \circ \pi_{A \hat{\otimes} B} \circ \theta(\varphi(a) \otimes \psi(b_0)) \\ &= a. \end{aligned}$$

That is,  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biprojective.

**Proposition 2.4** *Let  $A$  be a unital Banach algebra, and  $B$  be a Banach algebra containing a non-zero idempotent  $b_0$ . If  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is  $\varphi \otimes \psi$ -biflat. Then  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biflat.*

*Proof.* There exists an  $\hat{A} \hat{\otimes} B$ -bimodule  $\theta : A \hat{\otimes} B \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} B) \hat{\otimes} (A \hat{\otimes} B)^{**}$  with  $\pi_{A \hat{\otimes} B}^{**} \circ \theta \circ (\varphi \otimes \psi) = \kappa_{A \hat{\otimes} B}$ .

The following proof is similar to that of Proposition 2.3 We now define  $\tilde{\theta} : A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  by

$$\tilde{\theta}(a) = \rho^{**} \circ \theta(a \otimes \psi(b_0)) \quad (a \in A).$$

Then  $\tilde{\theta}$  is an  $A$ -bimodule morphism and

$$\pi_A^{**} \circ \tilde{\theta} \circ \varphi = \kappa_A.$$

That is,  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biflat.

Suppose that  $A$  is a Banach algebra, and let  $\Lambda$  is a non-empty set. We denote by  $M_\Lambda(A)$  the set of  $\Lambda \times \Lambda$  matrices  $(a_{ij})_{i,j \in \Lambda}$  with entries in  $A$  such that

$$\| (a_{ij}) \| = \sum_{i,j} \| a_{ij} \|_A < \infty.$$

$M_\Lambda(A)$  is a Banach algebra with matrix multiplication. The matrix units in  $M_\Lambda(\mathbb{C})$  are denoted by  $e_{i,j}$ , so that

$$e_{i,j} e_{k,l} = \delta_{j,k} e_{i,l} \quad (i, j, k, l \in \Lambda),$$

where  $\delta_{j,k} = 1$  if  $j = k$  and  $\delta_{j,k} = 0$  if  $j \neq k$ . The map

$$\theta : M_\Lambda(A) \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} M_\Lambda(\mathbb{C})) \text{ by } (a_{ij}) \mapsto \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \otimes e_{i,j},$$

is an isometric algebra isomorphism.

**Corollary 2.5** *Let  $A$  be a unital Banach algebra, and let  $\Lambda$  be a non-empty set and  $\varphi = \varphi_0 \otimes \varphi_1, \varphi_0 \in \text{Hom}(A)$  and  $\varphi_1 \in \text{Hom}(M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C}))$ . Then  $M_\Lambda(A)$   $\varphi$ -biprojective ( $\varphi$ -bflat) if and only if  $A$  is  $\varphi_0$ -biprojective ( $\varphi_0$ -bflat).*

*Proof.* Let  $M_\Lambda(A)$  is  $\varphi$ -biprojective ( $\varphi$ -bflat). Since  $M_\Lambda(A) = A \hat{\otimes} M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C})$ , the result follows from proposition 2.3(2.4).

Conversely, fix  $k_0 \in \Lambda$ , and define  $\theta : M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow (M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C}) \hat{\otimes} M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C}))$  by

$$\theta(a) = \sum_{i,j \in \Lambda} a_{ij} e_{i,k_0} \otimes e_{k_0,j} \quad (a = (a_{i,j}) \in M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C})).$$

The sum converges since  $\sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}| < \infty$ . So that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C})} \circ \theta \circ \varphi_1(a) &= \pi_{M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C})} \circ \sum_{i,j \in \Lambda} \varphi_1(a_{ij}) e_{i,k_0} \otimes e_{k_0,j} \\ &= \varphi_1(a_{ij}) = \varphi_1(a). \end{aligned}$$

That is  $M_\Lambda(\mathbf{C})$  is  $\varphi$ -biprojective. Therefore by [6, Proposition 2.12],  $M_\Lambda(A)$   $\varphi$ -biprojective ( $\varphi$ -bflat).

We quote the following result from [13].

**Lemma 2.6** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra. Then there exists an  $A$ -bimodule homomorphism  $\gamma : (A \hat{\otimes} A)^* \rightarrow (A^{**} \hat{\otimes} A^{**})^*$  such that for any functional  $f \in (A \hat{\otimes} A)^*$ , elements  $\varphi, \psi \in A^{**}$  and nets  $(a_\alpha), (b_\beta)$  in  $A$  with  $w^* - \lim_\alpha a_\alpha = \varphi$  and  $w^* - \lim_\beta b_\beta = \psi$  we have*

$$\gamma(f)(\varphi \otimes \psi) = \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta f(a_\alpha \otimes b_\beta).$$

**Theorem 2.7** *Suppose that  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$ . If  $A^{**}$  is  $\varphi^{**}$ -biprojective. Then  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biflat.*

*Proof.* Let  $\kappa : A \rightarrow A^{**}$ ,  $\kappa_1 : A^* \rightarrow A^{***}$  and  $\kappa_* : A^{**} \rightarrow A^{****}$  denote the natural inclusions,  $\pi$  ( $\pi^*$ , respectively) the product maps on  $A$  ( $A^{**}$ , respectively) and let  $\gamma$  be defined as in Lemma 2.6. Then for each  $a^* \in A^*$ , elements  $a_1^{**}, a_2^{**} \in A^{**}$  and nets  $(a_\alpha), (b_\beta) \subset A$  with  $w^* - \lim_\alpha a_\alpha = a_1^{**}, w^* - \lim_\beta b_\beta = a_2^{**}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma(\pi^*(a^*)))(a_1^{**} \otimes a_2^{**}) &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \pi^*(a^*)(a_\alpha \otimes b_\beta) \\ &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta a^*(a_\alpha b_\beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} w^* - \lim_{\beta} \kappa(a_{\alpha} b_{\beta})(a^*) \\
 &= \kappa_1(a^*)(a_1^{**} a_2^{**}) \\
 &= \kappa_1(a^*)(\pi(a_1^{**} \otimes a_2^{**})) \\
 &= (\pi^*(\kappa_1(a^*)))(a_1^{**} \otimes a_2^{**}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\gamma \circ \pi^* = \pi^{**} \circ \kappa_1$ . Hence  $\pi^{**} \circ \gamma^* = \kappa_1^* \circ \pi^{**}$ . Since  $A^{**}$  is  $\varphi^{**}$ -biprojective, there is an  $A$ -bimodule map  $\theta_0 : A^{**} \rightarrow (A^{**} \hat{\otimes} A^{**})$ , such that  $\pi \circ \theta_0 \circ \varphi^{**} = id_{A^{**}}$ . Putting  $\theta := \gamma^* \circ \theta_0 \circ \kappa$ , then for each  $a \in A$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi^{**} \circ \theta \circ \varphi(a) &= \pi^{**} \circ \gamma^* \circ \theta_0 \circ \kappa \circ \varphi(a) \\
 &= \kappa_1^* \circ \pi^{**} \circ \theta_0 \circ \kappa \circ \varphi(a) \\
 &= \kappa_1^* \circ \pi^{**} \circ \theta_0 \circ \varphi^{**}(a) \\
 &= \kappa_1^*(a) = \kappa(a).
 \end{aligned}$$

That is,  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biflat.

Recall that  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -approximate biflat if there is a net  $\theta_{\alpha} : A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  ( $\alpha \in I$ ) of bounded  $A$ -bimodule morphisms such that  $\pi^{**} \circ \theta_{\alpha} \circ \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$ .

**Theorem 2.8** *Suppose that  $A$  is a  $\varphi$ -approximate biflat Banach algebra with one sided bounded approximate identity. If  $I$  is a closed ideal of  $A$ . Then  $A/I$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -approximately biflat.*

*Proof.* Let  $\theta_{\alpha} : A \rightarrow (A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  be a bounded  $A$ -bimodule map such that  $\lim_{\alpha} \pi^{**} \circ \theta_{\alpha} \circ \varphi(a) = \varphi(a)$ . Let  $q : A \rightarrow A/I$  be the quotient map. Define the map  $\tilde{\theta}_{\alpha} : A/I \rightarrow (A/I \hat{\otimes} A/I)^{**}$  by  $a+I \mapsto (q \hat{\otimes} q)^{**} \circ \theta_{\alpha}(a)$  ( $a \in A$ ). If  $(e_{\beta})$  is a bounded left approximate identity for  $A$  (the right case is analogous), then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \| (q \hat{\otimes} q)^{**}(\theta_{\alpha}(a)) \| &= \lim_{\beta} \| (q \hat{\otimes} q)^{**}(\theta_{\alpha}(e_{\beta} a)) \| \\
 &= \lim_{\beta} \| q(a)(q \hat{\otimes} q)^{**}(\theta_{\alpha}(e_{\beta})) \| \\
 &\leq \| q \|^2 \| \theta_{\alpha} \| \sup_{\beta} \| e_{\beta} \| \| q(a) \|.
 \end{aligned}$$

And  $\tilde{\theta}_{\alpha}$  are well-defined. We prove that  $\tilde{\theta}_{\alpha}$  is an  $A/I$ -bimodul map. To do this, choose  $a, b, c \in A$ , then we have

$$\tilde{\theta}_{\alpha}((a+I)(b+I)(c+I)) = \tilde{\theta}_{\alpha}(abc+I)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\hat{q} \otimes q)^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(abc) \\
 &= (\hat{q} \otimes q)^{**} (a \cdot \theta_\alpha(b) \cdot c) \\
 &= a \cdot (\hat{q} \otimes q)^{**} (\theta_\alpha(b) \cdot c) \\
 &= (a + I) \cdot \tilde{\theta}_\alpha(b + I) \cdot (c + I).
 \end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{\alpha} \pi_{AI}^{**} \circ \tilde{\theta}_\alpha \circ \tilde{\varphi}(a + I) &= \lim_{\alpha} \pi_{AI}^{**} \circ \tilde{\theta}_\alpha(\varphi(a) + I) \\
 &= \lim_{\alpha} \pi_{AI}^{**} \circ (\hat{q} \otimes q)^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(\varphi(a)) \\
 &= \lim_{\alpha} q^{**} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha \circ \varphi(a) \rightarrow q(a) = a + I.
 \end{aligned}$$

That is,  $A/I$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -approximately biflat.

The proof of the following result is similar to that of Theorem 2.8 and we omit it.

**Theorem 2.9** *Suppose that  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$ . If  $A^{**}$  is  $\varphi^{**}$ -approximate biflat. Then  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -approximate biflat.*

**Example 2.10** *Let  $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbf{C} \right\}$  under the standard operator norm, we see that  $A$  has no identity and right approximate identity. Therefore  $A$  is not  $\varphi$ -approximate amenable Banach algebra. Put*

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

we define

$$\theta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = a(f \otimes f) + b(f \otimes g).$$

Then for  $a \in A$  and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$ ,  $\pi \circ \theta \circ \varphi(a) = \varphi(a)$ . Thus  $A$  is  $\varphi$ -biprojective Banach algebra, but  $A$  is not  $\varphi$ -approximate biflat.

### 3 $(\varphi, \psi)$ -AMENABLE BANACH ALGEBRAS

We start this section by introducing the following:

Let  $\psi \in \Phi_A$ . Then  $\psi$  has a unique extension on  $A^{**}$  and defined by  $\tilde{\psi}(F) = F(\psi)$  for every  $F \in A^{**}$ .

**Definition 3.1** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A), \psi \in \Phi_A$ . Then  $A$  is called  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenable if there exists  $M \in A^{**}$ , such that  $M(\psi \circ \varphi) = 1$  and  $M(\varphi(a) \cdot f) = M(f \cdot \varphi(a))$  for all  $a \in A, f \in A^*$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A), \psi \in \Phi_A$ . Then  $A$  is  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -amenable if and only there exists a bounded net  $(m_\alpha) \subset A$  such that  $\|\varphi(a)m_\alpha - m_\alpha\varphi(a)\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) = 1$  for all  $\alpha$ .

*Proof.* There exists  $M \in A^{**}$  such that  $M(\psi \circ \varphi) = 1, M(\varphi(a) \cdot f) = M(f \cdot \varphi(a))$  for  $a \in A, f \in A^*$ . Choose a net  $a_\alpha$  in  $A$  with  $a_\alpha \rightarrow M$  in the  $w^*$ -topology of  $A^{**}$  and  $\|a_\alpha\| \leq \|M\|$  for all  $\alpha$ . Since  $\langle \psi \circ \varphi, a_\alpha \rangle \rightarrow \langle \psi \circ \varphi, M \rangle = 1$ , passing to a subnet and replacing  $(a_\alpha)$  by  $(1/\psi \circ \varphi(a_\alpha))a_\alpha$ , we may assume that  $\psi \circ \varphi(a_\alpha) = 1$  and  $\|a_\alpha\| \leq \|M\| + 1$  for all  $\alpha$ . Consider the product space  $A^A$  endowed with the product of norm topological. Define a linear map  $T: A \rightarrow A^A$  by  $T(b) = \varphi(a)b - b\varphi(a)$ , for all  $b \in A$ . Let

$$B = \{b \in A : \|b\| \leq \|M\| + 1 \text{ and } \psi \circ \varphi(ba) = 1\}$$

Clearly,  $B$  is convex and so  $T(B)$  is a convex subset of  $A^A$ . For every  $f \in A^*$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, \varphi(a)a_\alpha - a_\alpha\varphi(a) \rangle &= \langle f, \varphi(a)a_\alpha \rangle - \langle f, a_\alpha\varphi(a) \rangle \\ &= \langle f \cdot \varphi(a), a_\alpha \rangle - \langle \varphi(a) \cdot f, a_\alpha \rangle \\ &\rightarrow \langle M, f \cdot \varphi(a) \rangle - \langle M, \varphi(a) \cdot f \rangle = 0. \end{aligned}$$

By Goldstein's Theorem we can replace weak\* convergence in equations by weak convergence. Applying Mazur's Theorem, then we have obtain a net  $m_\alpha$  in  $A$  such that  $\|\varphi(a)m_\alpha - m_\alpha\varphi(a)\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) = 1$ .

Conversely, assume that a net  $(m_\alpha)$  exists. Let  $M$  be a  $w^*$ -cluster point of the net  $(m_\alpha)$  in  $A^{**}$ . Then,  $\langle M, \psi \circ \varphi \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle \psi \circ \varphi, m_\alpha \rangle = 1$ . For every  $a \in A$  and  $f \in A^*$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle M, f \cdot \varphi(a) \rangle &= \lim_\alpha \langle f \cdot \varphi(a), a_\alpha \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle f, \varphi(a)a_\alpha \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle f, \varphi(a)a_\alpha - a_\alpha\varphi(a) \rangle + \lim_\alpha \langle f, a_\alpha\varphi(a) \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle \varphi(a) \cdot f, a_\alpha \rangle = \langle M, \varphi(a) \cdot f \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.3** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A), \psi \in \Phi_A$ . An element  $M$  of  $(A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  is a  $(\varphi, \psi)$ -virtual diagonal for  $A$  if

- i)  $\varphi(a) \cdot M = M \cdot \varphi(a)$  ( $a \in A$ )
- ii)  $\tilde{\psi} \circ \pi^{**}(M) \cdot \varphi(a) = \varphi(a)$  ( $a \in A$ ).

**Proposition 3.4** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A), \psi \in \Phi_A$ . The  $A$  Banach algebra  $A$  has a  $(\varphi, \psi)$ - virtual diagonal if and only if there exists a bounded net  $(m_\alpha)$  in  $(A \hat{\otimes} A)$  such that  $m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \pi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$  for every  $a \in A$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be a  $\varphi$ - virtual diagonal for  $A$ , and let  $(m_\alpha)$  be a net in  $(A \hat{\otimes} A)$  such that  $M = w^* - \lim_\alpha m_\alpha$ . Then, a routine verification shows that for the net  $(m_\alpha)$ ,  $m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \pi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$  for every  $a \in A$ , holds in the  $weak^*$ - topology. Following the argument given in the proof of [6, Lemma 2.9.64] we can show that there exists a net  $(m_\beta)$  of convex combinations of  $(m_\alpha)$ 's satisfying both conditions.

Conversely, let  $(m_\alpha) \subset (A \hat{\otimes} A)$  be a bounded net such that  $m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \pi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$  for every  $a \in A$ . After passing to a sunnet if necessary, let  $M \in (A \hat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  be a  $w^*$ -cluster point of the net  $(m_\alpha)$ . Since  $w^* - \lim m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha = 0$ , it can easily show that  $\varphi(a) \cdot M = M \cdot \varphi(a)$ , for every  $a \in A$ . Also the  $w^*$ -continuity of  $\pi^{**}$ , implies that  $\tilde{\psi} \circ \pi^{**}(M) \cdot \varphi(a) = \varphi(a)$  and the proof is complete.

We close the section with the following result.

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A), \psi \in \Phi_A$ . If  $A$  is  $(\varphi, \psi)$ - amenable then  $A$  has a  $(\varphi, \psi)$ - virtual diagonal.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is  $(\varphi, \psi)$ - amenable then by Theorem (3.2) there exists a bounded net  $(m_\alpha) \subset A$  such that  $\|\varphi(a)m_\alpha - m_\alpha\varphi(a)\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) = 1$  for all  $\alpha$ . Define  $a_\alpha = \varphi(m_\alpha) \otimes \varphi(m_\alpha)$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \circ \pi(a_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) &= \psi \circ \pi(\varphi(m_\alpha) \otimes \varphi(m_\alpha)) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= \psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) \psi \circ \varphi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

Then by proposition (3.4),  $A$  has a  $(\varphi, \psi)$ - virtual diagonal .

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