

φ -BIPROJECTIVE AND φ -APPROXIMATE HELEMSKII BIFLAT BANACH ALGEBRAS

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This study aim to introduce the concept of φ -approximate Helemskii biflat Banach algebra A , where φ is a continuous Banach algebra homomorphism. Then a relation between φ -biprojectivity and φ -Helemskii biflatness with φ -amenability is proved. At the end, it is show that $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is a φ -approximate Helemskii biflat Banach algebra.

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1. Introduction

Amenable Banach algebras were introduced by Johnson in [8]. He showed that A is an amenable Banach algebra if and only if A has a virtual diagonal, that is, for some M in $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ we have $M \cdot a = a \cdot M$ and $\pi^{**}(M) \cdot a = a$ for all $a \in A$. The notions of biflat and biprojective Banach algebra were introduced by Helemskii [6, 7]. In fact, a Banach algebra A is called biprojective if there exists a bounded A -bimodule map $\theta: A \rightarrow A \widehat{\otimes} A$ such that $\pi \circ \theta = id_A$, where π is the product morphism from $A \widehat{\otimes} A$ into A defined by $\pi(a \otimes b) = ab$ for all $a, b \in A$ and id_A denotes the identity map on A . He proved that a Banach algebra A is amenable if A is biflat and it has a bounded approximate identity [5, 7]. In fact, A is called biflat if there is a bounded A -bimodule map $\theta: (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^* \rightarrow A^*$ such that $\theta \circ \pi^* = id_{A^*}$.

Recently, some authors have added a kind of twist to the amenability definition. Given a continuous homomorphism φ from A into A . The authors in [10, 11, 4] defined and studied φ -derivations and φ -amenability.

Motivated by this consideration the authors in [13] introduced a generalization of Helemskii's concept like φ -biprojectivity, where φ is a continuous Banach algebra homomorphism. They stated a Banach algebra A is φ -biprojective if there exists a bounded φ - A -bimodule homomorphism $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ such that $\pi \circ \theta = \varphi$.

In this paper, we introduce a new concept of φ -approximate biflatness and then a relation between φ -biflatness and φ -amenability is proved. We show that $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat if we choose $\varphi \in Hom(l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge))$ such

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that φ has dense range, then $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is not φ -Helemskii biflat and so $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is not biflat Banach algebra. Finally, we give an examples of φ -biprojective Banach algebra which is not biprojective.

2. φ -biprojective Banach algebras

Let A be a Banach algebra and $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$, where $\text{Hom}(A)$ contains all continuous homomorphisms from A into itself. Let X and Y be Banach A -bimodules, a φ - A -bimodule morphism from X into Y is a morphism $T: X \rightarrow Y$ such that for every $a \in A$, $x \in X$ and $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$, we have

$$T(a \cdot x) = \varphi(a) \cdot T(x), \quad T(x \cdot a) = T(x) \cdot \varphi(a).$$

In the following result, $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$ and I is a closed ideal of A which is φ -invariant, that is, $\varphi(I) \subset I$, and also we consider the map $\tilde{\varphi}: A/I \rightarrow A/I$ defined by $\tilde{\varphi}(a + I) = \varphi(a) + I$.

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

Proof. Let $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ be a φ - A bimodule morphism such that $\pi \circ \theta = \varphi$ and $q: A \rightarrow A/I$ be the quotient map. We define the map $\tilde{\theta}: A/I \rightarrow (A/I \widehat{\otimes} A/I)$ by $a + I \mapsto (q \widehat{\otimes} q) \circ \theta(a)$ ($a \in A$) and prove that $\tilde{\theta}$ is an $\tilde{\varphi}$ - A/I -bimodule map. To do this, take $a, b, c \in A$, so we get

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

and also we have

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

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

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

Proof. Assume that $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ is a φ - A bimodule morphism such that $\pi \circ \theta = \varphi$. Let $\iota: I \hookrightarrow A$ be the inclusion map. Then $\theta|_I = \theta \circ \iota: I \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ is a $\varphi|_I$ - I -bimodule homomorphism. We put $I^3 = \overline{\text{span}\{abc: a, b, c \in I\}}$. Since I has a one sided bounded approximate identity, it follows that $I^3 = I$. Moreover, we have

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

Therefore, for every $a \in I$, we get

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

Recall that a character on A is a non-zero homomorphism from A into the scalar field. The set of all characters on A is called the character space of A and is denoted by Φ_A .

Proposition 2.1. Let A be a unital Banach algebra, B be a Banach algebra containing a non-zero idempotent b_0 , $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$, and $\psi \in \text{Hom}(B)$. If $A \widehat{\otimes} B$ is $\varphi \otimes \psi$ -biprojective, then A is φ -biprojective.

Proof. There is a $\varphi \otimes \psi - A \widehat{\otimes} B$ -bimodule $\theta: A \widehat{\otimes} B \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} B) \widehat{\otimes} (A \widehat{\otimes} B)$ with $\pi_{A \widehat{\otimes} B} \circ \theta = \varphi \otimes \psi$. We consider $A \widehat{\otimes} B$ as an A -bimodule with the actions defined by

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Then ρ is a φ - A -bimodule morphism.

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

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

Thus $\tilde{\theta}$ is a φ - A -bimodule morphism and also

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

Therefore,

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

That is, A is φ -biprojective.

Let A be a φ -biprojective Banach algebra and B be a ψ -biprojective Banach algebra, where $\varphi \in Hom(A)$ and $\psi \in Hom(B)$. Then $A \widehat{\otimes} B (A \oplus B)$ is a $\varphi \otimes \psi$ -biprojective Banach algebra.

Here, we now give an examples of φ -biprojective Banach algebra which is not biprojective.

Example 2.1. Let \mathcal{V} be a Banach space, and let $f \in \mathcal{V}^*$ be a non-zero element such that $\|f\| \leq 1$. Then \mathcal{V} equipped with the product defined by $ab := f(a)b$ for $a, b \in \mathcal{V}$ is a Banach algebra which is denoted by \mathcal{V}_f . In general, \mathcal{V}_f is a non-commutative and non-unital Banach algebra without right approximate identity, but it is not amenable. Hence, $(\mathcal{V}_f)^\#$ (unitization of \mathcal{V}_f) is not biprojective. If we define $\varphi: (\mathcal{V}_f)^\# \rightarrow (\mathcal{V}_f)^\#$ by $\varphi(a + \lambda e) = \lambda$ for $a \in \mathcal{V}_f$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, then Example 3.2 [10] shows that $(\mathcal{V}_f)^\#$ is a φ -contactible Banach algebra. Since φ is an idempotent homomorphism, thus by Theorem 4.3 [13] $(\mathcal{V}_f)^\#$ is φ -biprojective.

Example 2.2. The Banach algebra l^1 with respect to pointwise product is non-amenable and biprojective Banach algebra [3, Example 4.1.42]. Hence, $(l^1)^\#$ (unitization of l^1) is not biprojective. If we define $\varphi: (l^1)^\# \rightarrow (l^1)^\#$ by $\varphi(a + \lambda e) = \lambda$ for $a \in l^1$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, then Example 3.2 [10] shows that $(l^1)^\#$ is a φ -contactible Banach algebra, since φ is an idempotent homomorphism, hence by Theorem 4.3 [13], $(l^1)^\#$ is φ -biprojective.

Definition 2.1. Let A be a Banach algebra and φ be a continuous homomorphism from A into A . Then A is called φ -Helemskii biflat if there exists a φ - A -bimodule homomorphism $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ such that $\pi^{**} \circ \theta = \kappa_A \circ \varphi$, where κ_A is the canonical embedding map of A into A^{**} .

The notion of φ -biflat in [4] gave a slight generalization of biflat. The above definition is a new concept of φ -biflatness as a generalization of the notion of biflatness, because for every $\varphi \in Hom(A)$, any biflat Banach algebra is φ -Helemskii biflat.

Proposition 2.2. Let A be a unital Banach algebra and B be a Banach algebra containing a non-zero idempotent b_0 . If $A \widehat{\otimes} B$ is $\varphi \otimes \psi$ -Helemskii biflat for $\varphi \in Hom(A)$ and $\psi \in Hom(B)$, then A is φ -Helemskii biflat.

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

The following proof is similar to the proof of Proposition 2.1. We now define $\tilde{\theta}: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ by

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

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

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

That is, A is φ -Helemskii biflat.

Let A be a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra and B be a ψ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra, where $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$ and $\psi \in \text{Hom}(B)$. Then $A \widehat{\otimes} B(A \oplus B)$ is a $\varphi \otimes \psi(\varphi \oplus \psi)$ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra.

Proposition 2.3. Let A be a Banach algebra. If A is φ -Helemskii biflat, then A is $\varphi \circ \psi$ -Helemskii biflat for any $\psi \in \text{Hom}(A)$. In particular, A is φ^n -Helemskii biflat.

Proof. There exists a φ - A -bimodule homomorphism $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ such that $\pi^{**} \circ \theta = \kappa_A \circ \varphi$. We define $\tilde{\theta} = \theta \circ \psi$. For every $a, b \in A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}(ab) &= \theta \circ \psi(ab) \\ &= \theta(\psi(a)\psi(b)) \\ &= \varphi \circ \psi(a)\theta(\psi(b)) = \varphi \circ \psi(a)\tilde{\theta}(b). \end{aligned}$$

and also

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_A \circ \tilde{\theta}(a) &= \pi_A \circ \theta \circ \psi(a) \\ &= \varphi \circ \psi(a). \end{aligned}$$

That is, A is $\varphi \circ \psi$ -Helemskii biflat.

Let A be a Banach algebra. If A is a φ -biprojective, then A is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra. The next result can be found in [10].

Lemma 2.1. Let A be a Banach algebra. Then there is an A -bimodule homomorphism $\gamma: (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^* \rightarrow (A^{**} \otimes A^{**})^*$ such that for any functional $f \in (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^*$, 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 2.3. Suppose that A is a Banach algebra and $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$. If A^{**} is φ^{**} -biprojective, then A is φ -Helemskii biflat.

Proof. Let $\kappa: A \rightarrow A^{**}$, $\kappa_1: A^* \rightarrow A^{***}$ and $\kappa_*: A^{**} \rightarrow A^{****}$ denotes the natural inclusion π (${}^{**}\pi$, respectively) product map on A (A^{**} , respectively) and also γ be defined as in Lemma 2.1 Then for any $a^* \in A^*$, 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 obtain

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

Thus $\gamma \circ \pi^* = {}^{**}\pi^* \circ \kappa_1$ and then $\pi^{**} \circ \gamma^* = \kappa_1^* \circ {}^{**}\pi^{**}$. Since A^{**} is φ^{**} -biprojective, so there is a φ^{**} - A -bimodule map $\theta_0: A^{**} \rightarrow (A^{**} \widehat{\otimes} A^{**})$ such that $\pi \circ \theta_0 = \varphi^{**}$. By putting $\theta := \gamma^* \circ \theta_0 \circ \kappa$, then for every $a \in A$, we have

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

That is, A is φ -Helemskii biflat.

Theorem 2.4. Suppose that A is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra with bounded approximate identity. If φ is a dense range map, then A is an amenable Banach algebra.

Proof. Let $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ be a bounded φ - A -bimodule map such that $\pi^{**} \circ \theta = \kappa_A \circ \varphi$. Let (e_α) be a bounded approximate identity for A and we define $M = w^* - \lim_\alpha \theta(e_\alpha)$. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a) \cdot M &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \varphi(a) \cdot \theta(e_\alpha) \\ &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \theta(ae_\alpha) \\ &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \theta(e_\alpha a) \\ &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \theta(e_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= M \cdot \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{**}(M) \cdot \varphi(a) &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \pi^{**} \circ \theta(e_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= w^* - \lim_\alpha \kappa_A \circ \varphi(e_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) = \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

Let $a \in A$ and take a sequence $(a_n)_n \subseteq A$ such that $\lim_n \varphi(a_n) = a$. Hence

$$a \cdot M = \lim_n \varphi(a_n) \cdot M$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_n M \cdot \varphi(a_n) \\ &= M \cdot a. \end{aligned}$$

and so $\pi^{**}(M) \cdot a = a$.

Thus M is a virtual diagonal for A . Hence by Theorem 2.9.65 [3] A is amenable.

Corollary 2.1. Suppose that A is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra with bounded approximate identity. If φ is a dense range map, then A is a φ -amenable Banach algebra.

Let A be a Banach algebra. An element M in $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ is said to be a φ -virtual diagonal for A if $M \cdot \varphi(a) = \varphi(a) \cdot M$ and $\pi^{**}(M) \cdot \varphi(a) = \varphi(a)$ for every $a \in A$.

Theorem 2.5. Suppose that A is a φ -amenable Banach algebra with bounded approximate identity. Then A is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra

Proof. Let A be a φ -amenable Banach algebra with bounded approximate identity. By Theorem 2.2 [4] A has a φ -virtual diagonal M . We define $\theta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ by $a \mapsto \varphi(a) \cdot M$. For every $a \in A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{**} \circ \theta(a) &= \pi^{**} \circ (\varphi(a) \cdot M) \\ &= \pi^{**} \circ (M \cdot \varphi(a)) \\ &= \varphi(a) = \kappa_A \circ \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

That is, A is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra.

We now give an example of φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra which is not biflat.

Example 2.3. Note that the Banach algebra l^1 is a biflat Banach algebra because it is biprojective [3, see Example 4.1.42]. So $(l^1)^\#$ is a non-amenable [12]. By [5], $(l^1)^\#$ is not biflat and if we define $\varphi: (l^1)^\# \rightarrow (l^1)^\#$ by $\varphi(a + \lambda e) = \lambda$ for $a \in l^1$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, then Example 3.2 [10] shows that $(l^1)^\#$ is a φ -amenable Banach algebra. By Theorem 2.5, $(l^1)^\#$ is a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra.

The next example shows that a φ -Helemskii biflat Banach algebra need not to be a φ -amenable.

Example 2.4. The Banach algebra l^1 is non-amenable and a biflat Banach algebra [3, see Example 4.1.42]. Then for any $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(l^1)$, l^1 is φ -Helemskii biflat. If we choose $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(l^1)$ such that φ be an epimorphism, then l^1 is not φ -amenable, by Proposition 2.3 [11].

3. φ -approximate Helemskii biflat Banach algebras

We start this section by introducing the following:

Definition 3.1. Let A be a Banach algebra. Then A is called φ -approximate Helemskii biflat if there is a net $\theta_\alpha: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$, ($\alpha \in I$) of φ - A -bimodule morphisms such that $\pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$.

Theorem 3.1. Suppose that A is a φ -approximate Helemskii biflat Banach algebra with one sided bounded approximate identity. If I is a closed ideal of A , then A/I is $\tilde{\varphi}$ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Proof. Let $\theta_\alpha: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ be a bounded φ - A -bimodule map such that $\lim_\alpha \pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(a) = \varphi(a)$ and $q: A \rightarrow A/I$ be the quotient map. We define the map $\tilde{\theta}_\alpha: A/I \rightarrow (A/I \widehat{\otimes} A/I)^{**}$ by $a + I \mapsto (q \widehat{\otimes} q)^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(a)$ ($a \in A$). Hence $\tilde{\theta}_\alpha$ is well-defined. If (e_β) is a bounded left approximate identity for A (the right case is similar), then

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

We also obtain

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

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

Since the proof of the next result is similar to Theorem 2.3, so we omit it.

Theorem 3.2. Suppose that A is a Banach algebra. If A^{**} is φ^{**} -approximate Helemskii biflat, then A is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Definition 3.2. Let A be a Banach algebra and $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$. We say that A is φ -pseudo amenable if A admits a φ -approximate virtual diagonal, i.e., there is a net $(m_\alpha) \subset A \widehat{\otimes} A$ (not necessary bounded) such that $m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha \rightarrow 0$ and $\pi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$ ($a \in A$).

Theorem 3.3. Let A be a Banach algebra with an approximate identity and φ be an idempotent homomorphism on A . Then A is φ -pseudo amenable ($\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A)$) if and only if A is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Proof. Let $(e_\beta)_{\beta \in I}$ be an approximate identity for A and $\theta_\alpha: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ ($\alpha \in \Delta$) satisfies $\pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha \circ (a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$ ($a \in A$). Then for every $a \in A$ and $f \in (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^*$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \limlim_{\beta \quad \alpha} \langle f, \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta)) \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta)) \rangle = \\
\limlim_{\beta \quad \alpha} & \langle f, \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta))\varphi(a) \\
& - \varphi(a)\varphi(e_\beta) \rangle \\
& = \limlim_{\beta \quad \alpha} \langle f, \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta a - ae_\beta)) \rangle \\
& = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Also, for $a \in A$ and $\psi \in A^*$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \limlim_{\beta \quad \alpha} \langle \psi, \varphi(a) \cdot \pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta)) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \langle \psi, \varphi(a)\varphi^2(e_\beta) \rangle \\
& = \lim_{\beta} \langle \psi, \varphi(ae_\beta) \rangle \\
& = \langle \psi, \varphi(a) \rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

Let $E = I \times \Delta^I$ be directed by the product ordering and for any $\lambda = (\beta, \alpha) \in E$, define $m_\lambda = \theta_\alpha(\varphi(e_\beta))$. Using the iterated limit theorem [9, Theorem 2.4], the above calculation gives

$$w^* - \lim_{\lambda} (m_\lambda \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\lambda) = 0 \quad (a \in A),$$

and

$$w^* - \lim_{\lambda} \varphi(a) \cdot \pi^{**}(m_\lambda) = \varphi(a) \quad (a \in A).$$

By Goldestin's theorem we can assume that $(m_\lambda) \subset (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ and we can replace weak $*$ convergence in equations by weak convergence. Applying Mazur's theorem, we obtain a net $(m'_\lambda) \subset (A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ of convex combinations of (m_λ) such that

$$m'_\lambda \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m'_\lambda \rightarrow 0,$$

and also

$$\varphi(a) \cdot \pi^{**}(m'_\lambda) \rightarrow \varphi(a) \quad (a \in A).$$

That is, A is φ -pseudo amenable. Conversely, let (m_β) be a φ -approximate virtual diagonal for A and define $\theta_\beta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ by $a \mapsto \varphi(a) \cdot m_\beta$. Clearly, θ_β is linear and a φ - A -bimodule morphism. Also, for every $a \in A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \pi^{**} \circ \theta_\beta \circ (a) = \pi^{**} \circ (\varphi(a) \cdot m_\beta) \\
& = \varphi(a)\pi^{**}(m_\beta) \\
& \rightarrow \varphi(a).
\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.1. Let A be a φ -amenable Banach algebra and φ be an idempotent homomorphism on A . Then A is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Proof. By Proposition 4.1 [11] A has a bounded approximate identity $(e_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$. Let E be a w^* -cluster point of $(\varphi(e_\alpha) \otimes \varphi(e_\alpha))_\alpha$ in $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$. We define a φ -derivation $D: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ by $D(a) = \varphi(a) \cdot E - E \cdot \varphi(a)$ ($a \in A$). Then for every $a \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{**}(D(a)) &= \lim_{\alpha} \pi[(\varphi(a)(\varphi(e_\alpha) \otimes \varphi(e_\alpha)) - (\varphi(e_\alpha) \otimes \\ \varphi(e_\alpha))\varphi(a)] \\ &= \lim_{\alpha} \varphi(ae_\alpha)\varphi(e_\alpha) - \varphi(e_\alpha)\varphi(e_\alpha a) \\ &= \lim_{\alpha} \varphi(ae_\alpha^2) - \varphi(e_\alpha^2 a) \\ &= \lim_{\alpha} \varphi(ae_\alpha^2 - e_\alpha^2 a) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $D(A) \subseteq \ker(\pi^{**}) = (\ker \pi)^{**}$. Thus there exists $N \in (\ker \pi)^{**}$ such that $D = ad_{\varphi, N}$. Put $M = E - N$. Then for every $a \in A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{**}(M) \cdot \varphi(a) &= \pi^{**}(E - N) \cdot \varphi(a) = \pi^{**}(E) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \pi(\varphi(e_\alpha) \otimes \varphi(e_\alpha)) \cdot \varphi(a) \\ &= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \varphi(e_\alpha^2 a) = \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

Let $(m_\alpha)_\alpha$ be a net in $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ such that $M = w^* - \lim_{\alpha} m_\alpha$. Then $w - \lim_{\alpha} (m_\alpha \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha) = 0$ and $w - \lim_{\alpha} (\pi(m_\alpha) \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a)) = 0$ ($a \in A$). Following the argument given in the proof of Lemma 2.9.64 [3] we can show that there exists a net $(m_\beta)_\beta$ in $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)$ such that each m_β is a convex combination of m_α 's with $m_\beta \cdot \varphi(a) - \varphi(a) \cdot m_\beta \rightarrow 0$ and $\pi(m_\beta) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$ ($a \in A$). Thus A is φ -pseudo amenable and so by Theorem 3.3 A is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Using the proof of the above proposition we obtain the following results.

Corollary 3.1. Let $L^1(G)$ be a φ -amenable Banach algebra ($\varphi \in \text{Hom}(L^1(G))$) and φ be an idempotent homomorphism on $L^1(G)$. Then $L^1(G)$ is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Denition 3.3. Let A be a Banach algebra with the norm $\|\cdot\|_A$. Then a Banach algebra B with the norm $\|\cdot\|_B$ is said to be an abstract Segal algebra with respect to A if

- (i) B is a dense left ideal in A ;
- (ii) there exists $M > 0$ such that $\|b\|_A \leq M \|b\|_B$ for all $b \in B$;
- (iii) there exists $C > 0$ such that $\|ab\|_B \leq C \|a\|_A \|b\|_B$ for all $a, b \in B$.

Theorem 3.4. Let A be a Banach algebra and B be an abstract Segal algebra with respect to A . Suppose that $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(B)$ and B contains a net $(e_\alpha)_\alpha$ such that $(\varphi(e_\alpha^2))$ is an approximate identity for B and $a\varphi(e_\alpha) = \varphi(e_\alpha)a$ for all $a \in A$. If A is $\overline{\varphi}$ -approximate Helemskii biflat, then B is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Proof. Let $T_\alpha: A \widehat{\otimes} A \rightarrow B \widehat{\otimes} B$ defined by $a \otimes b \mapsto a\varphi(e_\alpha) \otimes b\varphi(e_\alpha)$. Since A is $\overline{\varphi}$ -approximate Helemskii biflat, so there is a net $(\theta_\beta)_\beta$ with $\theta_\beta: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ such that $\pi_A^{**} \circ \theta_\beta \circ (a) \rightarrow \overline{\varphi}(a)$ ($a \in A$). For $\lambda = (\alpha, \gamma)$ we define $\theta_\lambda: B \rightarrow (B \widehat{\otimes} B)^{**}$ by $\theta_\lambda := T_\alpha^{**} \circ \theta_\beta \circ j$, where $j: B \rightarrow A$ is the inclusion map. Then θ_λ is a bounded B – bimodul map. Note that because $\varphi(e_\alpha)$ lies in the center of A , $\pi_B^{**} \circ T_\alpha^{**} = R_\alpha^{**} \circ \pi_A^{**}$, where $R_\alpha: A \rightarrow B$ is defined by $a \mapsto a\varphi(e_\alpha^2)$ ($a \in A$). Let $b \in B$, $f \in B^*$. By the iterated limit theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_\lambda \langle f, \pi_B^{**} \circ \theta_\lambda(b) \rangle &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \langle f, \pi_B^{**} \circ T_\alpha^{**} \circ \theta_\beta \circ j(b) \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \langle f, R_\alpha^{**} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \theta_\beta(b) \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle f, R_\alpha^{**}(\varphi(b)) \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle f, \varphi(b)\varphi(e_\alpha^2) \rangle \\ &= \langle f, \varphi(b) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\pi_B^{**} \circ \theta_\lambda(b) \rightarrow \varphi(b)$ ($b \in B$).

Corollary 3.2. Let A be a Banach algebra and B be an abstract Segal algebra with respect to A . Suppose that $\varphi \in Hom(A)$ and B contains a net $(e_\alpha)_\alpha$ such that $(e_\alpha)^2$ is an approximate identity for B and $a\varphi(e_\alpha) = \varphi(e_\alpha)a$ for all $a \in A$. If $\varphi(B) \subseteq B$ and A is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat, then B is φ -approximate Helemskii biflat.

Definition 3.4. Let A be a Banach algebra and $\varphi \in Hom(A)$. We say that A is φ – pseudo contractible if it has a central φ -approximate diagonal, i.e., a φ -approximate diagonal (m_α) satisfying $\varphi(a)m_\alpha = m_\alpha\varphi(a)$ for all $a \in A$ and all α .

Proposition 3.2. For a Banach algebra A two the following statements are equivalent.

- i) A is φ – pseudo contractible.
- ii) A is φ – approximate Helemskii biflat and has a central approximate identity.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Suppose that $(m_\alpha) \subset A \widehat{\otimes} A$ is a central φ -approximate diagonal for A . We define $\theta_\alpha: A \rightarrow (\widehat{A} \otimes A)^{**}$ by $\theta_\alpha(a) := \varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha$. Then for every $a \in A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_\alpha \pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(a) &= \lim_\alpha \pi^{**}(\varphi(a) \cdot m_\alpha) \\ &= \varphi(a). \end{aligned}$$

So $\pi(m_\alpha)$ is a central approximate identity for A .

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Since A is φ – approximate Helemskii biflat, there is a net $\theta_\alpha: A \rightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$ ($\alpha \in \Delta$) such that $\lim_\alpha \pi^{**} \circ \theta_\alpha(a) = \varphi(a)$ ($a \in A$). Let $(e_\beta)_{\beta \in I}$ be a central approximate identity for A . Let $E = I \times \Delta^I$ be directed by the

product ordering and for each $\lambda = (\beta, \alpha) \in E$ define $m_\lambda = \theta_\alpha(e_\beta)$. Then (m_λ) is a central φ -approximate diagonal for A .

Here, we now give an examples of φ -approximate Helemskii biflat Banach algebra which is not φ -Helemskii biflat.

Example 3.1. Consider the semigroup \mathbb{N}_\wedge , with the operation semigroup $m \wedge n = \min\{m, n\}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. We know that $(\delta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a bounded approximate identity for $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$. If we define $m_n = \delta_n \otimes \delta_n$, then $\varphi(a) \cdot m_n - m_n \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow 0$ for all $a \in l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ and also $\pi(m_n) \cdot \varphi(a) \rightarrow \varphi(a)$. Therefore $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is a φ -pseudo amenable ($\varphi \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$) and so by Theorem 3.3, $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is a φ -approximate Helemskii biflat. If we choose $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge))$ such that φ has a dense range, then $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is not φ -Helemskii biflat and so $l^1(\mathbb{N}_\wedge)$ is not biflat Banach algebra.

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