

## FRAMES IN TOPOLOGICAL ALGEBRAS

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*We present necessary and sufficient conditions for frames in real or complex locally convex commutative separable topological algebras.*

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The theory of topological algebras itself has undergone considerable development since the appearance of Gelfand's paper [2] on normed algebras. The paper is motivated by Watson's work on bases in topological algebras [7]. First, we collect some basic definitions and notions required in the rest of the paper, which can be found in the book [3]. An interested reader for topological algebras may refer to [8]. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a linear space over the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$  (or the real field  $\mathbb{R}$ ).  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be complex (or real) algebra if for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ , the product  $xy$  is defined and  $xy \in \mathcal{A}$ , satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $x(yz) = (xy)z = xyz$ ,
- (2)  $x(y + z) = xy + xz$ ,
- (3)  $(y + z)x = yx + zx$ ,
- (4)  $(\lambda x)(\mu y) = (\lambda\mu)xy$ , for all  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}$ .

An algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  with a Hausdorff topology is called a semi-topological algebra if the maps:  $(x, y) \mapsto x + y$  from  $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $(\lambda, x) \mapsto \lambda x$  from  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ , are continuous and the map:  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$  is separately continuous. A semi-topological algebra is said to be a topological algebra if the map:  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$  is jointly continuous. Clearly, every topological algebra is a semi-topological algebra but the converse is not true (for instance, see [5]). Each topological vector space  $E$  contains a base  $\{U\}$  of neighborhoods of 0 such that each  $U$  is closed, circled, absorbing and for each  $U \in \{U\}$ , there is  $V \in \{U\}$  such that  $V + V \subset U$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  is a topological algebra, then there is a base of 0-neighborhoods satisfying these conditions and an additional condition: for each  $U \in \{U\}$ , there are  $V, W \in \{U\}$  such that  $VW \subset U$ . If each member  $U$  of a base  $\{U\}$  of 0-neighborhoods in a topological algebra is convex, then it is called a *locally*

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convex algebra (*LC-algebra*, for short). Since each convex, circled (together called absolutely convex) and absorbing set  $U$  gives rise to a semi-norm  $p_u$  defined by:  $p_u(x) = \inf\{\lambda > 0 : x \in \lambda U\}$ , we may alternatively describe an *LC-algebra*  $\mathcal{A}$  as a topological algebra whose topology is given by a family  $\{p_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$  of semi-norms satisfying:

- (1)  $p_\alpha(\lambda x) = |\lambda|p_\alpha(x), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, x \in \mathcal{A}$ ,
- (2)  $p_\alpha(x + y) \leq p_\alpha(x) + p_\alpha(y), x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ ,
- (3)  $p_\alpha(x) = 0$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  if  $x = 0$ ,
- (4) for each  $p_\alpha \in \{p_\alpha\}$ , there is a  $p_\beta \in \{p_\alpha\}$  such that

$$p_\beta(xy) \leq p_\alpha(x)p_\alpha(y), x, y \in \mathcal{A}.$$

An LC-algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be *locally  $m$ -convex* if each  $p_\alpha \in \{p_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$  satisfies:  $p_\alpha(xy) \leq p_\alpha(x)p_\alpha(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ . The last inequality for each  $p_\alpha$  is equivalent to that  $U_\alpha^2 \subset U_\alpha$  (such an  $U_\alpha$  is called idempotent) for each  $\alpha$ , where  $\{U_\alpha\}$  is a sub-base of absolutely convex 0-neighborhoods in which each  $U_\alpha$  determines corresponding  $p_\alpha$ . A locally convex topology for a topological algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  can always be generated by a directed family of semi-norms. The topology of a locally  $m$ -convex algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by a directed family  $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of *submultiplicative* (i.e.,  $p_\alpha(xy) \leq p_\alpha(x)p_\alpha(y)$ ,  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ ) semi-norms. A linear functional  $f$  on a locally convex topological algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  whose topology is generated by a directed family of semi-norms  $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ , is *continuous* if and only if there exists an  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and  $c \geq 0$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq c p_\alpha(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . A collection of linear functionals  $\Phi$  on a locally convex topological algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  (with a directed family of semi-norms  $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  generating its topology) is *equicontinuous* if and only if there exists  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and  $c \geq 0$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq c p_\alpha(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $f \in \Phi$ .

A topological algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is called *strongly semi-simple* if for every non zero  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$  with  $f(x) \neq 0$ , where  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$  is the maximal ideal space of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of all non-zero continuous scalar valued homomorphisms of  $\mathcal{A}$  with the relative  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}')$ -topology (the Gelfand topology). There is a bijective correspondence between  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$  and the closed maximal ideals of codimension one of  $\mathcal{A}$  given by  $f \mapsto M_f = \text{Ker } f$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** [4] Let  $\{R_\alpha\}$  be a family of linear maps from a topological algebra  $\mathcal{A}_1$  into a topological algebra  $(\mathcal{A}_2, \tau_2)$ , such that  $\{R_\alpha(x)\}$  is  $\tau_2$  bounded in  $\mathcal{A}_2$  for each  $x$  in  $\mathcal{A}_1$ . Then there exists a weakest linear topology  $\tau_1$  on  $\mathcal{A}_1$ , such that  $\{R_\alpha\}$  is  $\tau_1$ - $\tau_2$  equicontinuous. Also,  $\tau_1$  is generated by  $\overline{D} = \{\overline{p} : p \in D\}$ , where

$$\overline{p}(x) = \sup_\alpha p(R_\alpha(x)), x \in \mathcal{A}_1.$$

In this paper, we introduce frames in topological algebras. Necessary and sufficient conditions for frames in a topological algebra are given. Some equivalent conditions for the existence of a frame in topological algebra which satisfies certain conditions are obtained.

## 2. Main Results

In rest part of the paper,  $\mathcal{A}$  denotes a real (or complex) locally convex separable topological algebra, assumed to be commutative, and  $\mathcal{A}'$  an algebraic dual of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A countable sequence  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$  is called a  $\tau$ -frame for  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$  if there exists a sequence  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$ , such that for each  $x \in \mathcal{A}$

$$x = \tau \text{-} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) x_i$$

where the sequence  $\{\sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) x_i\}$  converges in the topology  $\tau$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Remark 2.1.** The sequence  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  is called an associated sequence of functionals, which need not be unique. The associated functionals  $f_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) need not be continuous.

**Definition 2.2.** A  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  for  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$  is said to be  $\tau$ -Schauder frame for  $\mathcal{A}$  if all associated functionals are  $\tau$ -continuous.

**Definition 2.3.** A  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  for  $\mathcal{A}$  is an orthogonal frame if

- (1)  $x_n \neq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
- (2) each  $x_n$  is idempotent, i.e.,  $x_n^2 = x_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and
- (3)  $x_n x_m = 0$  ( $n \neq m$ ) for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Or equivalently, a  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  for  $\mathcal{A}$  is an orthogonal frame if each  $x_n \neq 0$  and  $x_n x_m = \delta_{nm} x_n$  for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  (where  $\delta_{nm}$  is the Kronecker delta).

**Example 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{\{\xi_j\} \subset \mathbb{C} : \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\xi_j| < \infty\}$ , where  $\mathbb{C}$  is the set of all complex numbers. Let  $\tau$  be the topology induced by the standard metric (on  $\mathcal{A}$ ), that is,  $d(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\xi_j - \eta_j|$ ,  $x = \{\xi_i\}, y = \{\eta_i\} \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a locally convex separable topological algebra under pointwise multiplication.

Let  $\{\chi_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$  be sequence of canonical unit vectors, i.e.,  $\chi_n = \delta_{nm}$ , for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (1) Choose  $x_n = \chi_n$  for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  is an orthogonal frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

(2) Define  $\{y_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$  by  $y_1 = \chi_1$ ,  $y_2 = \chi_1$  and  $y_n = \chi_{n-1}$ ,  $n > 2$ . Then,  $\mathcal{G} \equiv \{y_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame (Schauder) for  $\mathcal{A}$  which is not orthogonal.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{\{\xi_j\} \subset \mathbb{C} : \xi_j = 0 \text{ for all except finitely many } j\}$  with the topology induced by the metric  $d(x, y) = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq \infty} |\xi_j - \eta_j|$ ,  $x = \{\xi_i\}$ ,  $y = \{\eta_i\} \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a locally convex separable topological algebra under pointwise multiplication.

Define  $\{x_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$  by  $x_1 = \chi_1$ ,  $x_2 = \chi_2$  and  $x_n = \chi_2 + \frac{\chi_n}{n}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , where  $\{\chi_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$  is sequence of canonical unit vectors. Choose  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  as follows:

$$f_1(x) = \chi_1, f_2(x) = \chi_2 - \sum_{j \geq 3} j \xi_j, f_n(x) = n \xi_n, \text{ where } x = \{\xi_j\} \subset \mathcal{A}.$$

Then,  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  is a frame for  $\mathcal{A}$  which is neither Schauder nor orthogonal.

**Remark 2.2.** Exact  $\tau$ -frames are studied in [1] and Paley-Wiener type Perturbation results for  $\tau$ -frames can be found in [6].

The following theorem provides a necessary condition for  $\tau$ -frames in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Assume that  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$ . For each  $p$  in the family  $D \equiv D_\tau$  of pseudonorms generating the topology  $\tau$ , let

$$\bar{p} = \sup \{p(S_n(x)) : n \geq 1\}$$

where  $S_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) x_i$ ,  $\{f_i\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$ .

Then,  $\bar{D} = \{\bar{p} : p \in D\}$  defines a linear Hausdorff topology  $\bar{\tau} \supset \tau$ , such that  $\{S_n\}$  is  $\bar{\tau}$ - $\tau$  equicontinuous and that  $\bar{\tau}$  is the coarsest linear topology on  $\mathcal{A}$  having these properties. Also, each  $f_n$  is continuous on  $(\mathcal{A}, \bar{\tau})$ .

Proof. Let  $p \in D$ . Then, there exists a  $q$  in  $D$ , such that  $p(x + y) \leq q(x) + q(y)$ , for each  $x, y$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $x = \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(x)$ , for each  $x$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Now by hypothesis,  $p(x) \leq q(x)$ , for each  $x$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Therefore,  $\tau \subset \bar{\tau}$ . By Lemma 1.1,  $\{S_n\}$  is  $\bar{\tau}$ - $\tau$  equicontinuous and  $\tau$  is the coarsest topology on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Now, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a  $p$  and hence  $q$  in  $D$ , such that  $p(x_n) \neq 0$ , and

$$|f_n(x)|p(x_n) \leq q(S_n(x)) + q(S_{n-1}(x)) \leq 2\bar{q}(x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Hence, each  $f_n$  is  $\bar{\tau}$ -continuous.

**Remark 2.3.** If  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$  is a metrizable topological algebra in the above theorem, then  $\tau$  is generated by a single norm  $p$  and the corresponding function  $\bar{p}$  is also a norm satisfying  $\bar{p}(S_n(x)) < \bar{p}(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

Next we give sufficient conditions for  $\tau$ -frames in  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $\{p_k\}$  be a countable family of seminorms generating the topology  $\tau$ . Suppose  $\{x_n\} \subset (\mathcal{A}, \tau)$  is a sequence of non-zero vectors such that for each  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset \mathbb{K}$  of scalars such that  $x = \tau\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n x_n$ . Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathbb{K} : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n x_n \text{ converges in the topology } \tau\}$  be a topological algebra with its topology given by the countable family

$$\left\{ q_k : q_k(\{\alpha_n\}) = \sup_m \left\{ p_k \left( \sum_{n=1}^m \alpha_n x_n \right) \right\} \right\}$$

of seminorms. If  $\mathcal{Z} = \{\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{X} : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n x_n = 0\}$  is a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Proof. Let us write  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y} \oplus \mathcal{Z}$ . Define  $\Theta : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  by

$$\Theta : \{\alpha_n\} \mapsto \tau \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k x_k, \quad \{\alpha_n\} \in \mathcal{X}.$$

Clearly,  $\Theta$  is a well-defined operator by the definition of  $\mathcal{X}$ . The restriction of  $\Theta$  on  $\mathcal{Y}$ ,  $\Theta|_{\mathcal{Y}}$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathcal{Y}$  onto  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Define  $\{f_k\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  by

$$\{f_k(x)\} = (\Theta|_{\mathcal{Y}})^{-1}(x), x \in \mathcal{A}$$

Then, each  $f_k$  is linear and  $x = \Theta\{f_k(x)\} = \tau - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x)x_k$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Hence  $\{f_k\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  is such that  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

The following theorem provides equivalent conditions for the existence of an orthogonal frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** In  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$ , the following are equivalent.

- (1)  $\mathcal{A}$  has a  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  with  $x_n x_m = 0$  for  $n \neq m$  ( $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ),  $x_n \neq 0$  and  $x_n^2 \neq 0$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (2)  $\mathcal{A}$  has a  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{G} \equiv \{y_n\}$  with  $y_n y_m = 0$  for  $n \neq m$  ( $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ),  $y_n \neq 0$ , and  $y_n^2 = c_n y_n$  ( $c_n \neq 0$ ), for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (3)  $\mathcal{A}$  has an orthogonal frame  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then,

$$x_n^2 = \tau - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^k f_i(x_n^2)x_i, \text{ for some } \{f_i\} \subset \mathcal{A}'.$$

Therefore, by (i), we have

$$0 = x_m x_n^2 = x_m (\tau - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^k f_i(x_n^2)x_i) = f_m(x_n^2)x_m^2, \text{ for } m \neq n.$$

By hypothesis,  $x_m^2 \neq 0$ . Therefore,  $f_m(x_n^2) = 0$ , for all  $m \neq n$  ( $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Hence  $x_n^2 = f_n(x_n^2)x_n$  with  $f_n(x_n^2) \neq 0$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Choose  $f_n(x_n^2) = c_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $x_n^2 = c_n x_n$  with  $c_n \neq 0$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $y_n = x_n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{G} \equiv \{y_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$  with desired properties.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Suppose that  $\mathcal{G} \equiv \{y_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame satisfying (2).

Choose  $z_n = \frac{y_n}{c_n}, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . First we claim that,  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$  is a frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  be arbitrary. Then,  $x = \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)y_i$  for some  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$ . Define  $\{g_i\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  by  $g_i(x) = c_i f_i(x)$ , for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$x = \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n c_i f_i(x) \frac{y_i}{c_i} = \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n g_i(x) z_i.$$

Hence  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Now for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$z_n^2 = \frac{y_n^2}{c_n^2} = \frac{c_n y_n}{c_n^2} = \frac{y_n}{c_n} = z_n.$$

Also, for  $n \neq m$  ( $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ),  $z_n z_m = \frac{y_n y_m}{c_n c_m} = 0$ . Therefore,  $z_n z_m = \delta_{nm} z_n$ , for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence (3) is proved.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Obvious. Indeed, let  $x_n = z_n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, by hypothesis  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$  with desired properties.

**Corollary 2.1.** If  $\mathcal{A}$  has an identity, then each of (1), (2), (3) in Theorem 2.3, is equivalent to the following condition.

(4)  $\mathcal{A}$  has a  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  with each  $x_n \neq 0$  and  $x_n x_m = 0$  ( $n \neq m$ ), for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Proof. It is sufficient to show that (4) is equivalent to (1).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) : Obvious.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose that  $e \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then,  $e = \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(e)x_i$  for some  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$ . For a fixed  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , by hypothesis we have

$$x_j = x_j e = x_j \left( \tau\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(e)x_i \right) = f_j(e)x_j^2. \quad (1)$$

Now  $x_j \neq 0$ , so by using equation (1),  $x_j^2 \neq 0$ . Hence  $x_n^2 \neq 0$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Remark 2.4.** The result given in Theorem 2.3 is a generalization of Theorem 1.10 in [7].

The following proposition gives a necessary condition for  $\mathcal{A}$  to be strongly semi-simple in terms of  $\tau$ -frames for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  be a  $\tau$ -frame for  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then, for all non-zero  $x_n, x_n^2 \neq 0$ , provided  $\mathcal{A}$  is strongly semi-simple.

Proof. Assume that  $x_n \neq 0$  and  $x_n^2 = 0$  for some  $n$ . Then, for each  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ , we have

$$(f(x_n))^2 = f(x_n^2) = f(0) = 0.$$

Therefore,  $f(x_n) = 0$ , for all  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{A}$  is not strongly semi-simple, a contradiction. The proposition is proved.

The following theorem shows that every element of the maximal ideal space  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$  is some coefficient functional associated with an orthogonal frame for  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let us denote the system of coefficient functional associated with  $\mathcal{F}$  by  $\mathcal{A}'|_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  be an orthogonal frame for  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau)$ . Then,  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{A}'|_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

Proof. Let  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$  be arbitrary. Then, by the definition of  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $f \neq 0$ . So, there exists an  $x_n \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $f(x_n) \neq 0$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is orthogonal,  $x_m x_n = 0$  ( $m \neq n$ ). Therefore,  $f(x_m x_n) = 0$  ( $m \neq n$ ). Also, since  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $f(x_m x_n) = f(x_m)f(x_n)$ . So,  $f(x_m)f(x_n) = 0$ . But  $f(x_n) \neq 0$ . Thus,  $f(x_m) = 0$  for all  $m \neq n$  ( $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Let  $x \in \mathcal{A}$  be arbitrary. Then, there exists  $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  such that

$$f(x) = f\left(\tau\text{-}\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^l f_i(x)x_i\right) = \tau\text{-}\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^l f_i(x)f(x_i) = f_n(x)f(x_n) \quad (2)$$

Now  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $f$  is multiplicative. Therefore,  $f(x_n) = f(x_n^2) = f(x_n)^2$ . Thus, by using the fact that  $f(x_n) \neq 0$ , we have

$$f(x_n) = 1. \quad (3)$$

By using (2) and (3), we have  $f(x) = f_n(x)$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{A}$ . Hence  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{A}'|_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

To conclude the paper, we show that the finite product of locally convex commutative separable topological algebras has a frame provided each component space has a frame.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \tau_1)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \tau_2)$  be locally convex commutative separable topological algebras with  $\tau$ -frames  $\mathcal{F} \equiv \{x_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{G} \equiv \{y_n\}$ , respectively. Then,  $(\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}, \tau_0)$ , where  $\tau_0$  is the product topology on  $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$ , has a  $\tau_0$ -frame. Furthermore, if  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are orthogonal, then the respective  $\tau_0$ -frame for  $(\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}, \tau_0)$  is also orthogonal.

Proof. Let  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$  be arbitrary. Then,  $x = \tau_1 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)x_i$  and  $y = \tau_2 \cdot \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^m g_j(y)y_j$ , for some  $\{f_i\} \subset \mathcal{A}'$  and  $\{g_j\} \subset \mathcal{B}'$ . Define a sequence  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\} \subset \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$  by

$$z_{2n-1} = (x_n, 0), n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } z_{2n} = (0, y_n), n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Choose  $\{h_n\} \subset (\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B})'$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} h_{2j-1}(x, y) &= f_j(x), j \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}, \\ h_{2j}(x, y) &= g_j(y), j \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(x, y) = \tau_0 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n h_j(x, y)z_j.$$

Hence  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$  is a  $\tau$ -frame for  $(\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}, \tau_0)$ .

To show  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$  is orthogonal whenever  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are orthogonal. Note that the  $\tau$ -frame  $\mathcal{H}$  has the property that  $z_n^2 = z_n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Indeed

$$z_{2n}^2 = (0, y_n)^2 = (0, y_n^2) = (0, y_n) = z_{2n}, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and

$$z_{2n-1}^2 = (x_n, 0)^2 = (x_n^2, 0) = (x_n, 0) = z_{2n-1}, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Now for  $m \neq n$  ( $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), the following cases arise.

- (1)  $m$  is even,  $n$  is odd. Then,  $z_m z_n = (0, y_m)(x_n, 0) = (0, 0)$ .
- (2)  $m$  is odd,  $n$  is even. Then,  $z_m z_n = (x_m, 0)(0, y_n) = (0, 0)$ .
- (3)  $m, n$  both are even. Then,  $z_m z_n = (0, y_m)(0, y_n) = (0, y_m y_n) = (0, 0)$ .
- (4)  $m, n$  both are odd. Then,  $z_m z_n = (x_m, 0)(x_n, 0) = (x_m x_n, 0) = (0, 0)$ .

Thus,  $z_m z_n = 0$ , for all  $n$  with  $m \neq n$  ( $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Hence  $\mathcal{H} \equiv \{z_n\}$  is an orthogonal frame for  $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$ .

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