

## GENERALIZED NOTIONS OF AMENABILITY AND CHARACTER AMENABILITY OF A CERTAIN CLASS OF BANACH ALGEBRAS

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*Suppose  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $\epsilon \in \overline{B_1^{(0)}}$  (the closed unit ball of  $A$ ). In this paper we generalize the notions of amenability,  $\phi$ -amenability,  $\phi$ -contractibility, biprojectivity and biflatness of a new Banach algebra  $A_\epsilon$ . Moreover we investigate  $\phi$ -pseudo amenability,  $\phi$ -Johnson amenability,  $\phi$ -inner amenability,  $\phi$ -biflatness and  $\phi$ -biprojectivity of  $A_\epsilon$ .*

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Suppose that  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $X$  is a Banach  $A$ -bimodule. A derivation from  $A$  into  $X$  is a linear operator  $D : A \rightarrow X$  satisfying

$$D(ab) = D(a) \cdot b + a \cdot D(b) \quad (a, b \in A).$$

For every  $x \in X$  we define  $ad_x$  by  $ad_x(a) = a \cdot x - x \cdot a$  ( $a \in A$ ). Note that  $ad_x$  is a derivation which is called an inner derivation. A derivation  $D$  is said to be inner if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $D(a) = ad_x(a)$  ( $a \in A$ ) and is approximately inner if there exists a net  $(x_i) \subseteq X$  such that  $D(a) = \lim_\alpha ad_{x_\alpha}(a)$  ( $a \in A$ ). A Banach algebra  $A$  is amenable if for any Banach  $A$ -bimodule  $X$ , every continuous derivation  $D : A \rightarrow X^*$  is inner and  $A$  is called approximately amenable if  $D$  is approximately inner.

The concepts of approximate amenability and approximate weak amenability of Banach algebras was introduced and extensively studied by Ghahramani and Loy in [3]. In [2] they also introduced and studied the notions of approximate semi-amenable and approximate semi-contractible Banach algebras.

Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$  (the character space of  $A$ ). Kaniuth et al. [8] have introduced and studied the interesting notion of  $\phi$ -amenability (see also [9]). A Banach algebra  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -amenable if for every Banach  $A$ -bimodule  $X$  with the left module action  $a \cdot x = \phi(a)x$  ( $a \in A, x \in X$ ), every continuous derivation from  $A$  into  $X^*$  is inner. Hu et al. [5] introduced and studied the notion of  $\phi$ -contractibility of  $A$ . In fact,  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -contractible if there exists a (right)  $\phi$ -diagonal for  $A$ ; that is, an element  $m$  in the projective tensor product  $A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi(\pi_A(m)) = 1$  and  $a \cdot m = \phi(a)m$  for all  $a \in A$ , where  $\pi_A$  denotes the product morphism from  $A \widehat{\otimes} A$  into  $A$  given by  $\pi_A(a \otimes b) = ab$  ( $a, b \in A$ ). Furthermore, several authors have investigated the concepts of essential  $\phi$ -amenability, essential left  $\phi$ -contractibility,  $\phi$ -pseudo amenability,  $\phi$ -Johnson amenability and  $\phi$ -inner amenability of Banach algebras; see for example [12], [14], [11], [15] and [6].

Moreover, H. Pourmahmood Aghababa et al. [13] was introduced and studied the concepts of approximate character amenability and approximate character contractibility of Banach algebras and investigated the relations between these concepts.

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Suppose  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $\varepsilon \in A$  with  $\|\varepsilon\| \leq 1$ . Recently, authors in [7], defined a new product on  $A$  by  $a \odot b = a\varepsilon b$  ( $a, b \in A$ ).  $A$  with this product is denoted by  $A_\varepsilon$ . They studied the algebraic properties, arens regularity and amenability of  $A_\varepsilon$ . Also A. R. Khoddami in [10], investigated the relation between biflatness, biprojectivity,  $\varphi$ -amenability and  $\varphi$ -contractibility of  $A$  and  $A_\varepsilon$ .

In this paper, we study the relation between approximate amenability, approximate semi-amenability (approximate semi-contractibility), approximate weak amenability, approximate  $\varphi$ -amenability, approximate  $\varphi$ -contractibility,  $\phi$ -pseudo amenability ( $\phi$ -Johnson amenability),  $\phi$ -inner amenability, approximate biflatness ( $\phi$ -biflatness) and approximate biprojectivity ( $\phi$ -biprojectivity) of  $A$  and  $A_\varepsilon$ .

### 1. Generalized notions of amenability and character amenability of $A_\varepsilon$

We commence this section with the following definition:

**Definition 1.1.** [7] Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\epsilon \in \overline{B_1^{(0)}}$  (the closed unit ball of  $A$ ) with  $\|\epsilon\| \leq 1$ . Then  $A$  with the product  $a \odot b = a\epsilon b$  ( $a, b \in A$ ) is an associative Banach algebra which is denoted by  $A_\epsilon$ .

Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra. The net  $\{e_\alpha\}$  in  $A$  is called a  $\phi$ -weak approximate identity if, for every  $a \in A$ ,  $|\phi(e_\alpha a) - \phi(a)| \rightarrow 0$ .

Note that if  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ , then  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi \in \Delta(A_\epsilon)$  (see Proposition 2.4 of [7]).

**Proposition 1.1.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra,  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ ,  $\phi(\epsilon) \neq 0$  and  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ . Then  $A$  has a  $\phi$ -weak approximate identity if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  has a  $\psi$ -weak approximate identity.

*Proof.* Let  $\{e_\alpha\}$  be a  $\phi$ -weak approximate identity for  $A$ . Then  $|\phi(e_\alpha a) - \phi(a)| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A$ . Suppose that  $e'_\alpha = \frac{e_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}$  for all  $\alpha$ . So for every  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(e'_\alpha \odot a) - \psi(a)| &= |\psi\left(\frac{e_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)} \odot a\right) - \psi(a)| \\ &= |\phi(\epsilon)\phi(e_\alpha a) - \phi(\epsilon)\phi(a)| \\ &= |\phi(\epsilon)| |\phi(e_\alpha a) - \phi(a)| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\{e'_\alpha\}$  is a  $\psi$ -weak approximate identity for  $A_\epsilon$ .

Conversely, let  $\{e'_\alpha\}$  be a  $\psi$ -weak approximate identity for  $A_\epsilon$ . Hence  $|\psi(e'_\alpha \odot a) - \psi(a)| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A$ . Choose  $e_\alpha = e'_\alpha \epsilon$  for all  $\alpha$ . For every  $a \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi(e_\alpha a) - \phi(a)| &= |\phi(e'_\alpha \epsilon a) - \phi(a)| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\phi(\epsilon)} \right| |\phi(\epsilon)\phi(e'_\alpha \epsilon a) - \phi(\epsilon)\phi(a)| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\phi(\epsilon)} \right| |\psi(e'_\alpha \odot a) - \psi(a)| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\{e_\alpha\}$  is a  $\phi$ -weak approximate identity for  $A$ . □

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\epsilon$  be an idempotent element of the algebraic center of  $A$ . Then the following statements are valid:

- (i) If  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately amenable, then so is  $A$ .
- (ii) If  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately semi-amenable, then so is  $A$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately amenable. Then  $A_\epsilon^\#$  (the unitalization of  $A_\epsilon$ ) is approximately amenable by Proposition 2.4 of [3]. So, Proposition 6.1 of [4] implies that  $A_\epsilon^\# \oplus_1 A_\epsilon^\#$  is approximately amenable. Define  $h : A_\epsilon^\# \oplus_1 A_\epsilon^\# \rightarrow A^\#$  by

$$h((a, \lambda), (b, \lambda')) = (a, \lambda) \quad ((a, \lambda), (b, \lambda') \in A_\epsilon^\#).$$

Clearly  $h$  is a surjection map. Since  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately amenable, by Lemma 2.2 of [3],  $A_\epsilon$  has left and right approximate identities. Let  $(e_\alpha)$  be a right approximate identities for  $A_\epsilon$ . So  $\{\epsilon e_\alpha\}$  is a right approximate identities for  $A$  and thus for every  $(a_1, \lambda_1), (a_2, \lambda_2), (b_1, \lambda'_1)$  and  $(b_2, \lambda'_2) \in A_\epsilon^\#$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& h((a_1, \lambda_1), (b_1, \lambda'_1)) h((a_2, \lambda_2), (b_2, \lambda'_2)) \\
&= (a_1, \lambda_1)(a_2, \lambda_2) \\
&= (a_1 a_2 + \lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_1, \lambda_1 \lambda_2) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} (a_1 a_2 \epsilon e_\alpha + \lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_1, \lambda_1 \lambda_2) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} (a_1 \epsilon a_2 \epsilon e_\alpha + \lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_1, \lambda_1 \lambda_2) \\
&= (a_1 \epsilon a_2 + \lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_1, \lambda_1 \lambda_2) \\
&= h((a_1 \odot a_2 + \lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_1, \lambda_1 \lambda_2), (b_1 \odot b_2 + \lambda'_1 b_2 + \lambda'_2 b_1, \lambda'_1 \lambda'_2)) \\
&= h((a_1, \lambda_1), (b_1, \lambda'_1)) ((a_2, \lambda_2), (b_2, \lambda'_2)).
\end{aligned}$$

That is  $h$  is a homomorphism. Moreover, for every  $(a, \lambda)$  and  $(b, \lambda') \in A_\epsilon^\#$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|h((a, \lambda), (b, \lambda'))\| &= \|(a\epsilon, \lambda)\| \leq \|(a, \lambda)\| \\
&\leq \|(a, \lambda)\| + \|(b, \lambda')\| \\
&= \|((a, \lambda), (b, \lambda'))\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $h$  is a continuous epimorphism. Therefore, from Proposition 2.2 of [3], it follows that  $A^\#$  is approximately amenable. Again Proposition 2.4 of [3] yields that  $A$  is approximately amenable.

(ii) Assume that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately semi-amenable. By Proposition 2.1 of [17],  $A_\epsilon^\#$  is approximately semi-amenable and so Theorem 5.1 of [2] yields that  $A_\epsilon^\# \oplus_1 A_\epsilon^\#$  is approximately semi-amenable. By Lemma 2.2 of [17],  $A_\epsilon$  has an approximate identity. Now if we define  $h$  as part (i). Then Proposition 3.11 of [2], implies that  $A^\#$  is approximately semi-amenable. Now from the Proposition 2.1 of [17], we conclude that  $A$  is approximately semi-amenable.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $A$  be an unital Banach algebra and  $\epsilon$  be an invertible element of  $A$ . Then the following statements are valid:*

- (i) *If  $A$  is approximately amenable, then so is  $A_\epsilon$ .*
- (ii) *If  $A$  is approximately semi-amenable, then so is  $A_\epsilon$ .*
- (iii) *If  $A$  is approximate semi-contractible, then so is  $A_\epsilon$ .*
- (iv) *Let  $A$  be a commutative Banach algebra. If  $A$  is approximately weakly amenable, then so is  $A_\epsilon$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is approximately amenable. Then by Proposition 6.1 of [4],  $A \oplus_1 A$  is approximately amenable. Define  $h : A \oplus_1 A \longrightarrow A_\epsilon$  by

$$h(a, b) = a\epsilon^{-1} \quad (a \in A).$$

For every  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  and  $b_1, b_2 \in B$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
h(a_1, b_1) \odot h(a_2, b_2) &= a_1 \epsilon^{-1} \odot a_2 \epsilon^{-1} = a_1 a_2 \epsilon^{-1} \\
&= h(a_1 a_2, b_1 b_2) = h((a_1, b_1)(a_2, b_2)),
\end{aligned}$$

and for every  $a \in A_\epsilon$ ,  $h(a\epsilon, b) = a\epsilon\epsilon^{-1} = a$ . So  $h$  is an epimorphism. Since  $A$  is unital and  $\epsilon$  is invertible, from Proposition 2.3 of [7], it follows that  $\epsilon^{-1}$  is the unit of  $A_\epsilon$ . Thus

$\|\epsilon^{-1}\| \leq 1$ . Hence for every  $a, b \in A$ ,

$$\|h(a, b)\| = \|a\epsilon^{-1}\| \leq \|a\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\| = \|(a, b)\|.$$

Consequently,  $h$  is continuous. Thus  $h$  is a continuous epimorphism. Therefore, by using Proposition 2.2 of [3], we deduce that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately amenable.

(ii) Suppose that  $A$  is approximately semi-amenable. By Theorem 5.1 of [2],  $A \oplus_1 A$  is approximately semi-amenable. Let  $h$  be defined as part (i). Then Proposition 3.11 of [2], implies that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately semi-amenable.

(iii) Suppose that  $A$  is approximate semi-contractible. By a similar argument as part (ii), if we apply Theorem 2.14 of [17] and Proposition 3.11 of [2], one can prove that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximate semi-contractible.

(iv) Suppose that  $A$  is approximately weakly amenable. Then  $A \oplus_1 A$  is approximately weakly amenable by Theorem 2.3 of [18]. Let  $h$  be defined as part (i). Therefore approximate weak amenability of  $A_\epsilon$  follows from Theorem 2.1 of [1].

□

**Definition 1.2.** [13] A Banach algebra  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -approximately amenable if there exists a net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A^{**}$  such that  $m_\alpha(\phi) = 1$  and  $\|a \cdot m_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A$ .

Also  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -approximately contractible if there exists a net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A$  such that  $\phi(m_\alpha) = 1$  and  $\|am_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ . Then the following statements are valid:

- (i) If  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -contractible and  $\phi(\epsilon) \neq 0$ , then  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately  $\psi$ -contractible, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .
- (ii) If  $A_\epsilon$  is unital and approximately  $\psi$ -contractible, then  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -contractible, where  $\phi(a) = \psi(\epsilon^{-1}a)$  ( $a \in A$ ).

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -contractible. Then there exists a net  $(m_\alpha) \subset A$  such that  $\phi(m_\alpha) = 1$  and  $\|am_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A$ . Let  $n_\alpha = \frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}$ . Hence for every  $a \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} \|a \odot n_\alpha - \psi(a)n_\alpha\| &= \|a\epsilon n_\alpha - \phi(\epsilon)\phi(a)n_\alpha\| \\ &= \|a\epsilon \frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)} - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \\ &= \left\| \frac{a\epsilon}{\phi(\epsilon)} m_\alpha - \phi\left(\frac{a\epsilon}{\phi(\epsilon)}\right) m_\alpha \right\| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\psi(n_\alpha) = \psi\left(\frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}\right) = \frac{1}{\phi(\epsilon)} \phi(\epsilon)\phi(m_\alpha) = 1,$$

for all  $\alpha$ . So  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately  $\psi$ -contractible.

(ii) Suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is unital and approximately  $\psi$ -contractible. Then there exists a net  $(n_\alpha) \subset A_\epsilon$  such that  $\psi(n_\alpha) = 1$  and  $\|a \odot n_\alpha - \psi(a)n_\alpha\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A_\epsilon$ . Since  $1 = \psi(n_\alpha) = \phi(\epsilon)\phi(n_\alpha)$  it follows that  $\phi(n_\alpha) \neq 0$ . Also since  $A_\epsilon$  is unital, by Proposition 2.3 of [7],  $\epsilon^{-1}$  is the unit of  $A_\epsilon$  and thus  $\psi(\epsilon^{-1}) \neq 0$ . Choose  $m_\alpha = \frac{n_\alpha}{\phi(n_\alpha)}$ . Then  $\phi(m_\alpha) = 1$

for every  $\alpha$  and for every  $a \in A$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|am_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| &= \|a \frac{n_\alpha}{\phi(n_\alpha)} - \phi(a) \frac{n_\alpha}{\phi(n_\alpha)}\| \\ &= \|a \frac{n_\alpha}{\psi(\epsilon^{-1}n_\alpha)} - \phi(a) \frac{n_\alpha}{\psi(\epsilon^{-1}n_\alpha)}\| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\psi(\epsilon^{-1})} \right| \|an_\alpha - \phi(a)n_\alpha\| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{\psi(\epsilon^{-1})} \right| \|ae^{-1} \odot n_\alpha - \psi(a\epsilon^{-1})n_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -contractible and the proof is now complete.  $\square$

The proof of the following proposition is omitted, since it can be proved in the same direction of Proposition 1.2.

**Proposition 1.3.** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ . Then the following statements are valid:*

- (i) *If  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -amenable and  $\phi(\epsilon) \neq 0$ , then  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately  $\psi$ -amenable, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .*
- (ii) *If  $A_\epsilon$  is unital and approximately  $\psi$ -amenable, then  $A$  is approximately  $\phi$ -amenable, where  $\phi(a) = \psi(\epsilon^{-1}a)$  ( $a \in A$ ).*

**Definition 1.3.** [15] *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ .  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -Johnson amenable if there exists a bounded net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi_A(m_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1$  and  $\|a \cdot m_\alpha - m_\alpha \cdot a\| \longrightarrow 0$ , for every  $a \in A$ .*

**Definition 1.4.** [11] *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ .  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -pseudo amenable if there exists a net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi_A(m_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1$  and  $\|a \cdot m_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$ , for every  $a \in A$ .*

Before turning the next theorem we note that if  $A$  is an unital Banach algebra and  $\epsilon \in \overline{B_1^{(0)}}$ , then  $A = (A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon^{-2}}$  (see Proposition 2.3 of [10]).

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra,  $A_\epsilon$  be unital and let  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$  be such that  $\phi(\epsilon) \neq 0$ . Then the following statements are valid:*

- (i)  *$A$  is  $\phi$ -Johnson amenable if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -Johnson amenable, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .*
- (ii)  *$A$  is  $\phi$ -pseudo amenable if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -pseudo amenable, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -Johnson amenable. Then there exists a bounded net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi_A(m_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1$  and  $\|a \cdot m_\alpha - m_\alpha \cdot a\| \longrightarrow 0$ , for every  $a \in A$ . Let  $k : A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon \longrightarrow A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon$  be the bounded linear map such that  $k(a \otimes c) = ae^{-1} \otimes c$  ( $a, c \in A_\epsilon$ ).  $k$  is an  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule map (see the proof of Theorem 2.3 of [10]). Consider  $n_\alpha = \frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)}$  and let  $m_\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \otimes b_i^\alpha$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}(n_\alpha) &= \psi \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}\left(\frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)}\right) = \psi \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \epsilon^{-1} \otimes b_i^\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}\right) \\ &= \frac{\psi}{\phi(\epsilon)} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \epsilon^{-1} \otimes b_i^\alpha = \frac{\psi}{\phi(\epsilon)} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha b_i^\alpha \\ &= \phi \circ \pi_A(m_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for every  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|a \odot n_\alpha - n_\alpha \odot a\| &= \|a \odot \frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)} - \frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)} \odot a\| \\
&= \frac{1}{|\phi(\epsilon)|} \|a \odot k(m_\alpha) - k(m_\alpha) \odot a\| \\
&= \frac{1}{|\phi(\epsilon)|} \|k(a \odot m_\alpha) - k(m_\alpha \odot a)\| \\
&\leq \frac{\|k\|}{|\phi(\epsilon)|} \|a \epsilon m_\alpha - m_\alpha \epsilon a\| \\
&= \frac{\|k\|}{|\phi(\epsilon)|} \|a \epsilon \cdot m_\alpha - m_\alpha \cdot \epsilon a\| \longrightarrow 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -Johnson amenable.

Conversely, suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -Johnson amenable. Since  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon^{-2}} = A$  and  $\phi = \psi(\epsilon^{-2})\psi$ , the proof is an immediate consequence of above argument.

(ii) Suppose that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -pseudo amenable. So there exists a net  $\{m_\alpha\} \subseteq A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi_A(m_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1$  and  $\|a \cdot m_\alpha - \phi(a)m_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$ , for every  $a \in A$ . Choose  $n_\alpha = \frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)}$ . Similar arguments to the proof of part (i), show that  $\psi \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}(n_\alpha) \longrightarrow 1$  and for every  $a \in A$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|a \odot n_\alpha - \psi(a)n_\alpha\| &= \|a \odot \frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)} - \psi(a)\frac{k(m_\alpha)}{\phi(\epsilon)}\| \\
&= \|k(a \odot \frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}) - k(\psi(a)\frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)})\| \\
&\leq \|k\| \|a \odot \frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)} - \psi(a)\frac{m_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}\| \\
&\leq \|k\| \|\frac{a\epsilon}{\phi(\epsilon)} \cdot m_\alpha - \phi(\frac{a\epsilon}{\phi(\epsilon)})m_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -pseudo amenable.

Conversely, suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -pseudo amenable. Since  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon^{-2}} = A$  and  $\phi = \psi(\epsilon^{-2})\psi$ , it follows that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -pseudo amenable.  $\square$

**Definition 1.5.** [6] Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra,  $\varphi \in \Delta(A)$  and  $A_\varphi = \{a \in A : \phi(a) = 1\}$ .  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -inner amenable if there exists a bounded linear functional  $m$  on  $A^*$  satisfying  $m(\phi) = 1$  and  $m(f \cdot a) = m(a \cdot f)$  for all  $f \in A^*$  and  $a \in A_\varphi$ .

Note that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -inner amenable if and only if there is a bounded net  $(v_\alpha)$  in  $A_\varphi$  such that  $\|v_\alpha a - a v_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A_\varphi$  (see Theorem 2.1 of [6]).

**Proposition 1.4.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and let  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$  be such that  $\phi(\epsilon) \neq 0$ . If  $A$  is  $\phi$ -inner amenable, then  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ -inner amenable. In the case that  $\epsilon$  is an element of the algebraic center of  $A$ , the converse is also valid.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -inner amenable. Then there is a bounded net  $(v_\alpha)$  in  $A_\varphi$  such that  $\|v_\alpha a - a v_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in A_\varphi$ . Choose  $w_\alpha = \frac{v_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}$ . Hence, for every  $\alpha$

$$\psi(w_\alpha) = \psi\left(\frac{v_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)}\right) = \phi(v_\alpha) = 1.$$

That is  $w_\alpha \in (A_\epsilon)_\psi$ . Now let  $a \in A$  be such that  $\psi(a) = 1$ . So

$$\phi(\epsilon a) = \phi(\epsilon)\phi(a) = \psi(a) = 1,$$

and it follows that

$$\|w_\alpha \odot a - a \odot w_\alpha\| = \left\| \frac{v_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)} a\epsilon - a\epsilon \frac{v_\alpha}{\phi(\epsilon)} \right\| = \left| \frac{1}{\phi(\epsilon)} \right| \|v_\alpha a\epsilon - a\epsilon v_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0.$$

This means that  $\|w_\alpha \odot a - a \odot w_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in (A_\epsilon)_\psi$ . Therefore  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -inner amenable.

Conversely, Suppose that  $\epsilon$  is an element of the algebraic center of  $A$  and  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -inner amenable. So there is a bounded net  $(w_\alpha)$  in  $(A_\epsilon)_\psi$  such that  $\|w_\alpha \odot a - a \odot w_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0$  for all  $a \in (A_\epsilon)_\psi$ . Define  $v_\alpha := \epsilon w_\alpha$ . Thus  $\phi(v_\alpha) = \phi(\epsilon)\phi(w_\alpha) = \psi(w_\alpha) = 1$ . Also since  $\psi(\frac{a}{\phi(\epsilon)}) = 1$  for every  $a \in A_\phi$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|v_\alpha a - av_\alpha\| &= \|\epsilon w_\alpha a - a\epsilon w_\alpha\| \\ &= \|w_\alpha \odot a - a \odot w_\alpha\| \\ &= |\phi(\epsilon)| \|w_\alpha \odot \frac{a}{\phi(\epsilon)} - \frac{a}{\phi(\epsilon)} \odot w_\alpha\| \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A$  is  $\phi$ -inner amenable.  $\square$

## 2. Generalized biprojectivity and biflatness of $A_\epsilon$

We start this section with the following definitions:

**Definition 2.1.** [16] A Banach algebra  $A$  is called approximately biprojective if there is a net  $\{\rho_\alpha\} \subseteq A$  of continuous  $A$ -bimodule maps from  $A$  into  $A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\pi_A \circ \rho_\alpha(a) \longrightarrow a$ .

$A$  is called approximately biflat if there is a net  $\{\theta_\alpha\}$  of continuous  $A$ -bimodule maps from  $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)^*$  into  $A^*$  such that  $w^* - \lim_\alpha \theta_\alpha \circ \pi_{A^*} = id_{A^*}$  where  $w^*$  is the weak\* operator topology on  $B(A^*)$ .

Let  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ . Then  $\phi$  has a unique extension on  $A^{**}$  denoted by  $\tilde{\phi}$  and defined by  $\tilde{\phi}(F) = F(\phi)$  for every  $F \in A^{**}$ . Clearly this extension remains to be a character on  $A^{**}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [15] Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $\phi \in \Delta(A)$ .  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -biprojective if there exists a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map  $\rho : A \longrightarrow A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi_A \circ \rho = \phi$ .

Also  $A$  is called  $\phi$ -biflat if there exists a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map  $\rho : A \longrightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  such that  $\tilde{\phi} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \rho = \phi$ .

Note that if  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $\epsilon \in \overline{B_1^{(0)}}$ , then  $f \odot a = f \cdot a\epsilon$  and  $a \odot f = \epsilon a \cdot f$ , for all  $a \in A_\epsilon$  and  $f \in A_\epsilon^*$ . Also  $a \odot u = a\epsilon \cdot u$  and  $u \odot a = u \cdot \epsilon a$  for every  $a \in A_\epsilon$  and  $u \in A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon$  (see Proposition 2.4 of [10]).

The proof idea of the following Theorem is taken from the proof of Theorem 2.3 and Theorem 2.4 of [10].

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $A_\epsilon$  be unital. Then the following statements are valid:

- (i)  $A$  is approximately biprojective if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biprojective.
- (ii)  $A$  is approximately biflat if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biflat.

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $A$  is a approximately biprojective Banach algebra. Then there exists a net  $\{\rho_\alpha\}$  of continuous  $A$ -bimodule maps from  $A$  into  $A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\pi_A \circ \rho_\alpha(a) \longrightarrow a$  for every  $a \in A$ . Set  $\rho_\alpha^\epsilon = k \circ \rho_\alpha$  such that  $k : A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon \longrightarrow A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon$  be the bounded linear map defined by  $k(a \otimes c) = a\epsilon^{-1} \otimes c$  ( $a, c \in A_\epsilon$ ). By the same argument as in the proof of the theorem 2.3 of [10], one can show that  $\rho_\alpha^\epsilon$  is an  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule map for every  $\alpha$ . Let

$\rho_\alpha(a) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \otimes b_i^\alpha$ . So, for every  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_{A_\epsilon} \circ \rho_\alpha^\epsilon(a) \right) &= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_{A_\epsilon} \circ k \circ \rho_\alpha(a) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_{A_\epsilon} \circ k \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \otimes b_i^\alpha \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_{A_\epsilon} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \epsilon^{-1} \otimes b_i^\alpha \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \epsilon^{-1} \odot b_i^\alpha \right) = \lim_{\alpha} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha b_i^\alpha \right) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_A \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\alpha \otimes b_i^\alpha \right) \right) = \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_A(\rho_\alpha(a)) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\alpha} \left( \pi_A \circ \rho_\alpha(a) \right) = a.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biprojective.

Conversely, suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biprojective. Since  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon-2} = A$ , from the above argument we conclude that  $A$  is approximately biprojective.

(ii) Suppose that  $A$  is approximately biflat. Then there is a net  $\{\theta_\alpha\}_\alpha$  of continuous  $A$ -bimodule maps from  $(A \widehat{\otimes} A)^*$  into  $A^*$  such that  $w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \theta_\alpha \circ \pi_{A^*} = id_{A^*}$ . Suppose that  $l : A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon \longrightarrow A_\epsilon$  and  $\sigma : A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon \longrightarrow A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon$  are the bounded linear maps such that  $l(a \otimes b) = a\epsilon \otimes b$  ( $a, b \in A_\epsilon$ ) and  $\sigma(a \otimes b) = a\epsilon^{-1} \otimes b$  ( $a, b \in A_\epsilon$ ). Define  $\theta_\alpha^\epsilon : (A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon)^* \longrightarrow A_\epsilon^*$  by  $\theta_\alpha^\epsilon(f) = \theta_\alpha \circ \sigma^*(f)$  ( $f \in (A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon)^*$ ). A similar argument as in the proof of theorem 2.4 of [10], shows that  $\theta_\alpha^\epsilon$  is an  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule map for every  $\alpha$ . Now from the fact that  $l^* \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}^*(f) = \pi_{A_\epsilon}^*(f)$  and  $l^*(\pi_A^*(f)) \circ \sigma = \pi_A^*(f)$  ( $f \in A^*$ ), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \left( \theta_\alpha^\epsilon \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}^*(f) \right) &= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \left( \theta_\alpha^\epsilon \circ l^* \circ \pi_A^*(f) \right) \\
&= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \left( \theta_\alpha \circ \sigma^* \circ l^* \circ \pi_A^*(f) \right) \\
&= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \left( \theta_\alpha \left( l^*(\pi_A^*(f)) \circ \sigma \right) \right) \\
&= w^* - \lim_{\alpha} \left( \theta_\alpha(\pi_A^*(f)) \right) \\
&= f,
\end{aligned}$$

for every  $f \in A^*$ . Therefore  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biflat.

Conversely, suppose that  $A_\epsilon$  is approximately biflat. From the facts that  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon-2} = A$ , we deduce that  $A$  is approximately biflat.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $A_\epsilon$  be unital. Then the following statements are valid:*

- (i)  $A$  is  $\phi$ -biprojective if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -biprojective, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .
- (ii)  $A$  is  $\phi$ -biflat if and only if  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -biflat, where  $\psi = \phi(\epsilon)\phi$ .

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -biprojective. So there exists a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map  $\rho : A \longrightarrow A \widehat{\otimes} A$  such that  $\phi \circ \pi \circ \rho = \phi$ . By a similar argument as in the proof of part(i) of Theorem 2.1, if we define  $\rho_{A_\epsilon} = k \circ \rho_A$ , one can show that  $\psi \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon} \circ \rho_{A_\epsilon} = \psi$ . So  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -biprojective.

Conversely,  $\phi$ -biprojectivity of  $A$  follows from the facts that  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon-2} = A$  and  $\phi = \psi(\epsilon^{-2})\psi$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $A$  is  $\phi$ -biflat. Hence there exists a continuous  $A$ -bimodule map  $\rho_A : A \longrightarrow (A \widehat{\otimes} A)^{**}$  such that  $\tilde{\phi} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \rho = \phi$ . Clearly,  $\rho_A$  is an  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule map. Indeed

$$\rho_A(a \odot b) = \rho_A(a\epsilon b) = \rho(a)\epsilon b = \rho(a) \odot b,$$

Similarly

$$\rho_A(b \odot a) = \rho_A(b\epsilon a) = b\epsilon \rho_A(a) = b \odot \rho_A(a).$$

Let  $l$  and  $\sigma$  be  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule maps defined as in the proof of Theorem 2.1. Obviously,  $\pi_{A_\epsilon} = \pi_A \circ l$ . Consequently,  $\pi_{A_\epsilon}^{**} = \pi_A^{**} \circ l^{**}$ . Now define  $\rho_{A_\epsilon} : A_\epsilon \longrightarrow (A_\epsilon \widehat{\otimes} A_\epsilon)^{**}$ , by

$$\rho_{A_\epsilon}(a) = \sigma^{**} \circ \rho_A(a) \quad (a \in A).$$

Since  $\rho_A$  and  $\sigma$  are two  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule maps, it follows that  $\rho_{A_\epsilon}$  is  $A_\epsilon$ -bimodule map. Moreover, for every  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi} \circ \pi_{A_\epsilon}^{**} \circ \rho_{A_\epsilon}(a) &= \tilde{\psi} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ l^{**} \circ \sigma^{**} \circ \rho_A(a) \\ &= (\widetilde{\phi(\epsilon)\phi}) \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \rho_A(a) \\ &= \phi(\epsilon)\tilde{\phi} \circ \pi_A^{**} \circ \rho_A(a) \\ &= \phi(\epsilon)\phi(a) \\ &= \psi(a). \end{aligned}$$

So  $A_\epsilon$  is  $\psi$ -biflat.

The converse follows from the facts that  $(A_\epsilon)_{\epsilon-2} = A$  and  $\phi = \psi(\epsilon^{-2})\psi$ .  $\square$

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