

# ARENS REGULARITY OF TENSOR PRODUCTS AND WEAK AMENABILITY OF BANACH ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this note, we study the Arens regularity of projective tensor product  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular. We establish some new conditions for showing that the Banach algebras  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular if and only if  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular. We also introduce some new concepts as left-weak\*-weak convergence property [ $Lw^*wc$ -property] and right-weak\*-weak convergence property [ $Rw^*wc$ -property] and for Banach algebra  $A$ , suppose that  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $Rw^*wc$ -property and  $Lw^*wc$ -property. Then if  $A^{**}$  is weakly amenable, it follows that  $A$  is weakly amenable. We also offer some results concerning the relation between these properties with some special derivation  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$ . We obtain some conclusions in the Arens regularity of Banach algebras.

## 1. Preliminaries and Introduction

Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are Banach algebras. Ülger in [22], has been studied that the Arens regularity of projective tensor product  $A \hat{\otimes} B$ . He showed that when  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular in general,  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is not Arens regular. He introduced a new concept as biregular mapping and showed that a bounded bilinear mapping  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is biregular if and only if  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular. In this paper, we establish some conditions for Banach algebras  $A$  and  $B$  which follows that  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular. Conversely, we investigated if  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular, then  $A$  or  $B$  are Arens regular. In section three, for Banach  $A$ -module  $B$ , we introduce new concepts as *left-weak\*-weak* convergence property [ $Lw^*wc$ -property] and *right-weak\*-weak* convergence property [ $Rw^*wc$ -property] with respect to  $A$  and we show that if  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $Rw^*wc$ -property and  $Lw^*wc$ -property and  $A^{**}$  is weakly amenable, then  $A$  is weakly amenable. We have also some conclusions regarding Arens regularity of Banach algebras. We introduce some notations and definitions that we used throughout this paper.

Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and let  $B$  be a Banach  $A$ -bimodule. A derivation from  $A$  into  $B$  is a bounded linear mapping  $D : A \rightarrow B$  such that

$$D(xy) = xD(y) + D(x)y \text{ for all } x, y \in A.$$

The space of all continuous derivations from  $A$  into  $B$  is denoted by  $Z^1(A, B)$ . Easy example of derivations are the inner derivations, which are given for each  $b \in B$  by

$$\delta_b(a) = ab - ba \text{ for all } a \in A.$$

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The space of inner derivations from  $A$  into  $B$  is denoted by  $N^1(A, B)$ . The Banach algebra  $A$  is amenable, when for every Banach  $A$ -bimodule  $B$ , the only inner derivation from  $A$  into  $B^*$  is zero derivation. It is clear that  $A$  is amenable if and only if  $H^1(A, B^*) = Z^1(A, B^*)/N^1(A, B^*) = \{0\}$ . The concept of amenability for a Banach algebra  $A$ , introduced by Johnson in 1972, has proved to be of enormous importance in Banach algebra theory, see [13]. A Banach algebra  $A$  is said to be weakly amenable, if every derivation from  $A$  into  $A^*$  is inner. Equivalently,  $A$  is weakly amenable if and only if  $H^1(A, A^*) = Z^1(A, A^*)/N^1(A, A^*) = \{0\}$ . The concept of weak amenability was first introduced by Bade, Curtis and Dales in [2] for commutative Banach algebras, and was extended to the noncommutative case by Johnson in [14].

Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $A^*$ ,  $A^{**}$ , respectively, be the first and second dual of  $A$ . For  $a \in A$  and  $a' \in A^*$ , we denote by  $a'a$  and  $aa'$  respectively, the functionals in  $A^*$  defined by  $\langle a'a, b \rangle = \langle a', ab \rangle = a'(ab)$  and  $\langle aa', b \rangle = \langle a', ba \rangle = a'(ba)$  for all  $b \in A$ . The Banach algebra  $A$  is embedded in its second dual via the identification  $\langle a, a' \rangle = \langle a', a \rangle$  for every  $a \in A$  and  $a' \in A^*$ . We say that a bounded net  $(e_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$  in  $A$  is a left bounded approximate identity (= *LBAI*) [resp. right bounded approximate identity (= *RBAI*)] if, for each  $a \in A$ ,  $e_\alpha a \rightarrow a$  [resp.  $ae_\alpha \rightarrow a$ ].

Let  $X, Y, Z$  be normed spaces and  $m : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$  be a bounded bilinear mapping. Arens in [1] offers two natural extensions  $m^{***}$  and  $m^{t***t}$  of  $m$  from  $X^{**} \times Y^{**}$  into  $Z^{**}$  as following

1.  $m^* : Z^* \times X \rightarrow Y^*$ , given by  $\langle m^*(z', x), y \rangle = \langle z', m(x, y) \rangle$  where  $x \in X, y \in Y, z' \in Z^*$ ,
2.  $m^{**} : Y^{**} \times Z^* \rightarrow X^*$ , given by  $\langle m^{**}(y'', z'), x \rangle = \langle y'', m^*(z', x) \rangle$  where  $x \in X, y'' \in Y^{**}, z' \in Z^*$ ,
3.  $m^{***} : X^{**} \times Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ , given by  $\langle m^{***}(x'', y''), z' \rangle = \langle x'', m^{**}(y'', z') \rangle$  where  $x'' \in X^{**}, y'' \in Y^{**}, z' \in Z^*$ .

The mapping  $m^{***}$  is the unique extension of  $m$  such that  $x'' \rightarrow m^{***}(x'', y'')$  from  $X^{**}$  into  $Z^{**}$  is *weak\* - to - weak\** continuous for every  $y'' \in Y^{**}$ , but the mapping  $y'' \rightarrow m^{***}(x'', y'')$  is not in general *weak\* - to - weak\** continuous from  $Y^{**}$  into  $Z^{**}$  unless  $x'' \in X$ . Hence the first topological center of  $m$  may be defined as following

$$Z_1(m) = \{x'' \in X^{**} : y'' \rightarrow m^{***}(x'', y'') \text{ is } \textit{weak}^* - \textit{to} - \textit{weak}^* - \textit{continuous}\}.$$

Let now  $m^t : Y \times X \rightarrow Z$  be the transpose of  $m$  defined by  $m^t(y, x) = m(x, y)$  for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . Then  $m^t$  is a continuous bilinear map from  $Y \times X$  to  $Z$ , and so it may be extended as above to  $m^{t***} : Y^{**} \times X^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ . The mapping  $m^{t***t} : X^{**} \times Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$  in general is not equal to  $m^{***}$ , see [1], if  $m^{***} = m^{t***t}$ , then  $m$  is called Arens regular. The mapping  $y'' \rightarrow m^{t***t}(x'', y'')$  is *weak\* - to - weak\** continuous for every  $y'' \in Y^{**}$ , but the mapping  $x'' \rightarrow m^{t***t}(x'', y'')$  from  $X^{**}$  into  $Z^{**}$  is not in general *weak\* - to - weak\** continuous for every  $y'' \in Y^{**}$ . So we define the second topological center of  $m$  as

$$Z_2(m) = \{y'' \in Y^{**} : x'' \rightarrow m^{t***t}(x'', y'') \text{ is } \textit{weak}^* - \textit{to} - \textit{weak}^* - \textit{continuous}\}.$$

It is clear that  $m$  is Arens regular if and only if  $Z_1(m) = X^{**}$  or  $Z_2(m) = Y^{**}$ . Arens regularity of  $m$  is equivalent to the following

$$\lim_i \lim_j \langle z', m(x_i, y_j) \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle z', m(x_i, y_j) \rangle,$$

whenever both limits exist for all bounded sequences  $(x_i)_i \subseteq X$ ,  $(y_i)_i \subseteq Y$  and  $z' \in Z^*$ , see [5, 20].

The regularity of a normed algebra  $A$  is defined to be the regularity of its algebra multiplication when considered as a bilinear mapping. Let  $a''$  and  $b''$  be elements of  $A^{**}$ , the second dual of  $A$ . By *Goldstine's* Theorem [4, P.424-425], there are nets  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha$  and  $(b_\beta)_\beta$  in  $A$  such that  $a'' = \text{weak}^* - \lim_\alpha a_\alpha$  and  $b'' = \text{weak}^* - \lim_\beta b_\beta$ . So it is easy to see that for all  $a' \in A^*$ ,

$$\lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \langle a', m(a_\alpha, b_\beta) \rangle = \langle a''b'', a' \rangle$$

and

$$\lim_\beta \lim_\alpha \langle a', m(a_\alpha, b_\beta) \rangle = \langle a''ob'', a' \rangle,$$

where  $a''b''$  and  $a''ob''$  are the first and second Arens products of  $A^{**}$ , respectively, see [5, 20].

The mapping  $m$  is left strongly Arens irregular if  $Z_1(m) = X$  and  $m$  is right strongly Arens irregular if  $Z_2(m) = Y$ .

Regarding  $A$  as a Banach  $A$ -*bimodule*, the operation  $\pi : A \times A \rightarrow A$  extends to  $\pi^{***}$  and  $\pi^{t***t}$  defined on  $A^{**} \times A^{**}$ . These extensions are known, respectively, as the first (left) and the second (right) Arens products, and with each of them, the second dual space  $A^{**}$  becomes a Banach algebra. In this situation, we shall also simplify our notations. So the first (left) Arens product of  $a'', b'' \in A^{**}$  shall be simply indicated by  $a''b''$  and defined by the three steps:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a'a, b \rangle &= \langle a', ab \rangle, \\ \langle a''a', a \rangle &= \langle a'', a'a \rangle, \\ \langle a''b'', a' \rangle &= \langle a'', b''a' \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a, b \in A$  and  $a' \in A^*$ . Similarly, the second (right) Arens product of  $a'', b'' \in A^{**}$  shall be indicated by  $a''ob''$  and defined by :

$$\begin{aligned} \langle aoa', b \rangle &= \langle a', ba \rangle, \\ \langle a'oa'', a \rangle &= \langle a'', aoa' \rangle, \\ \langle a''ob'', a' \rangle &= \langle b'', a'ob'' \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a, b \in A$  and  $a' \in A^*$ .

## 2. Arens regularity of projective tensor product algebras

The tensor product,  $X \otimes Y$ , of the vector space  $X, Y$  can be constructed as a space of linear functional on  $B(X \times Y)$ , in the following way:

Let  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . We denote by  $x \otimes y$  the functional given by evaluation at the point  $(x, y)$ . In other words,

$$\langle x \otimes y, A \rangle = A(x, y),$$

for each bilinear form  $A$  on  $X \times Y$ , so the tensor product  $X \otimes Y$  is the subspace of the dual of bounded bilinear forms on  $X \otimes Y$ ,  $B(X \times Y)^*$ .

We recall that each tensor  $u \in X \otimes Y$  acts as a linear functional on the space of bilinear

forms and so we may define a mapping  $\tilde{A} : X \otimes Y \rightarrow K$  by  $u \in X \otimes Y \rightarrow \langle A, u \rangle \in K$ . In summary, we have

$$B(X \times Y) = (X \otimes Y)^*.$$

Let  $X, Y, E$  and  $F$  be vector spaces and let  $S : X \rightarrow E$  and  $T : Y \rightarrow F$  be linear mappings. Then we may define a bilinear mapping by  $(x, y) \in X \times Y \rightarrow (Sx) \otimes (Ty) \in E \otimes F$ . Linearization gives a linear mapping  $(S \otimes T) : X \otimes Y \rightarrow E \otimes F$  such that  $(S \otimes T)(x \otimes y) = (Sx) \otimes (Ty)$  for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ .

By  $X \hat{\otimes} Y$  and  $X \check{\otimes} Y$  we shall denote, respectively, the projective and injective tensor products of  $X$  and  $Y$ . That is,  $X \hat{\otimes} Y$  is the completion of  $X \otimes Y$  for the norm

$$\|u\| = \inf \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\| \|y_i\|,$$

where the infimum is taken over all the representations of  $u$  as a finite sum of the form  $u = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \otimes y_i$ , and  $X \check{\otimes} Y$  is the completion of  $X \otimes Y$  for the norm

$$\|u\| = \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x', x_i \rangle \langle y', y_i \rangle \right| : \|x'\| \leq 1, \|y'\| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

The dual space of  $X \hat{\otimes} Y$  is  $B(X \times Y)$ , and that of  $X \check{\otimes} Y$  is a subspace of  $B(X \times Y)$ . Although the injective tensor product of two Banach algebra  $A$  and  $B$  is not always a Banach algebra, their projective tensor product is always a Banach algebra. The natural multiplication of  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is the linear extension of the following multiplication on decomposable tensors  $(a \otimes b)(\tilde{a} \otimes \tilde{b}) = a\tilde{a} \otimes b\tilde{b}$ . For more information about the tensor product of Banach algebra, see for example [4, 5].

A functional  $a'$  in  $A^*$  is said to be *wap* (weakly almost periodic) on  $A$  if the mapping  $a \rightarrow a'a$  from  $A$  into  $A^*$  is weakly compact. Pym in [20] showed that this definition to the equivalent following condition

For any two net  $(a_i)_i$  and  $(b_j)_j$  in  $\{a \in A : \|a\| \leq 1\}$ , we have

$$\lim_i \lim_j \langle a', a_i b_j \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle a', a_i b_j \rangle,$$

whenever both iterated limits exist. The collection of all *wap* functionals on  $A$  is denoted by  $wap(A)$ . Also we have  $a' \in wap(A)$  if and only if  $\langle a'' b'', a' \rangle = \langle a'' o b'', a' \rangle$  for every  $a'', b'' \in A^{**}$ . Thus, it is clear that  $A$  is Arens regular if and only if  $wap(A) = A^*$ . In the following, for Banach algebras  $A$  and  $B$ , for showing Arens regularity of projective tensor products  $A \hat{\otimes} B$ , we establish  $wap(A \hat{\otimes} B) = (A \hat{\otimes} B)^*$ . In all of this section, we regard  $A^* \hat{\otimes} B^*$  as a subset of  $(A \hat{\otimes} B)^*$ .

**Theorem 2-1.** Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are Banach algebra and for every sequence  $(x_i)_i, (y_j)_j \subseteq A_1, (z_i)_i, (w_j)_j \subseteq B_1$  and  $f \in \mathbf{B}(A \times B)$ , we have

$$\lim_j \lim_i f(x_i z_i, y_j w_j) = \lim_i \lim_j f(x_i z_i, y_j w_j).$$

Then  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular.

*Proof.* Assume that  $f \in \mathbf{B}(A \times B)$ . Since  $\mathbf{B}(A \times B) = (A \hat{\otimes} B)^*$ , it is enough to show that  $f \in \text{wap}(A \hat{\otimes} B)$ . Let  $(x_i)_i, (y_j)_j \subseteq A_1$  and  $(z_i)_i, (w_j)_j \subseteq B_1$ , then we have the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_j \lim_i \langle f, (x_i \otimes y_j)(z_i \otimes w_j) \rangle &= \lim_j \lim_i \langle f, x_i z_i \otimes y_j w_j \rangle \\ &= \lim_j \lim_i f(x_i z_i, y_j w_j) = \lim_i \lim_j f(x_i z_i, y_j w_j) \\ &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle f, (x_i \otimes y_j)(z_i \otimes w_j) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently by [20],  $f \in \text{wap}(A \hat{\otimes} B)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2-2.** Assume that  $B$  is a Banach  $A$  – *bimodule*. We say that  $B$  is non-trivial on  $A$ , if for every  $(a_i)_{i=1}^n \subseteq A_1$  and  $(b_j)_{j=1}^n \subseteq B_1$ , respectively, basis elements of  $A$  and  $B$ , we have  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i a_i b_i \neq 0$  where  $\alpha_i$  is scalar and every  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are distinct for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

For example, take  $B = \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$  and  $A = \mathbb{R}^2$  by the following multiplication

$$(a_1, a_2)(b_1, 0) = (a_1 b_1, 0) \text{ where } a_1, a_2, b_1 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**Theorem 2-3.** Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are Banach algebras and  $B$  is unital. Let  $B$  be a Banach  $A$  – *bimodule*. Then we have the following assertions:

- (1) If  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular, then  $A$  is Arens regular.
- (2) Let  $B$  be non-trivial on  $A$  and let  $B$  be an unital Banach  $A$  – *module*. Then  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular if and only if  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular.

*Proof.* (1) Assume that  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular and let  $u \in B$  be an unit element of  $B$ . We show that  $\text{wap}(A) = A^*$ . Assume that  $(a_i)_i \subseteq A$ ,  $(c_j)_j \subseteq A$  whenever both iterated limits exist and  $a' \in A^*$ . Then we define  $\phi = a' \otimes b'$  where  $b' \in B^*$  and  $b'(u) = 1$ . Since  $A^* \otimes B^* \subseteq (A \otimes B)^*$  and  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular, we have  $a' \otimes b' \in \text{wap}(A \otimes B)$ . Hence it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_i \lim_j \langle a', a_i c_j \rangle &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle a' \otimes b', a_i c_j \otimes u \rangle \\ &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle a' \otimes b', (a_i \otimes u)(c_j \otimes u) \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle a' \otimes b', (a_i \otimes u)(c_j \otimes u) \rangle \\ &= \lim_j \lim_i \langle a', a_i c_j \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $a' \in \text{wap}(A)$ , and so  $A$  is Arens regular.

- (2) Let  $u$  be an unit element of  $B$  and suppose that  $B$  is Arens regular. Then  $\text{wap}(B) = B^*$ . Suppose that  $(a_i)_i \subseteq A_1$  and  $(b_j)_j \subseteq B_1$  whenever both iterated limits exist. Then  $(a_i u)_i \subseteq B_1$ , and so for every  $b' \in B^*$ , we have the following equality

$$\lim_i \lim_j \langle b', (a_i u) b_j \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle b', (a_i u) b_j \rangle.$$

Now let  $\phi \in (A \hat{\otimes} B)^*$ . We define the mapping  $T : A \hat{\otimes} B \rightarrow B$  such that  $T(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i a_i \otimes b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i a_i b_i$  where  $a_i \in A$ ,  $b_i \in B$  and  $\alpha_i$  is a scalar. We show that  $\phi \circ T^{-1} \in B^*$ . Since  $B$  is not-trivial on  $A$ ,  $T^{-1}$  exist. Now let  $e \in A$  be an unit element for  $B$  as Banach  $A$ -module and let  $(b_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq B$  such that  $b_\alpha \rightarrow b$ . Then  $e \otimes b_\alpha \rightarrow e \otimes b$  in  $A \hat{\otimes} B$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi \circ T^{-1}, b_\alpha \rangle &= \langle \phi, T^{-1}(b_\alpha) \rangle = \langle \phi, T^{-1}(e b_\alpha) \rangle = \langle \phi, e \otimes b_\alpha \rangle \\ &\rightarrow \langle \phi, e \otimes b \rangle = \langle \phi, T^{-1}(ub) \rangle = \langle \phi \circ T^{-1}, b \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently  $\phi \circ T^{-1} \in B^*$ . Now we have the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_i \lim_j \langle \phi, a_i \otimes b_j \rangle &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle b' \circ T, a_i \otimes b_j \rangle \\ &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle b', T(a_i \otimes b_j) \rangle = \lim_i \lim_j \langle b', a_i b_j \rangle \\ &= \lim_i \lim_j \langle b', a_i (u b_j) \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle b', (a_i u) b_j \rangle \\ &= \lim_j \lim_i \langle b', T(a_i \otimes b_j) \rangle = \lim_j \lim_i \langle \phi, a_i \otimes b_j \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\phi \in \text{wap}(A \hat{\otimes} B)$ , and so  $A \hat{\otimes} B$  is Arens regular. The converse by using part (1) hold.  $\square$

**Corollary 2-4 .** Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are unital Banach algebras and  $B$  is an unital Banach as  $A$ -module. Assume that  $B$  is non-trivial on  $A$ . Then if  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular, then every bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is weakly compact.

*Proof.* By using Theorem 2-3 and [22, Theorem 3.4], proof hold.  $\square$

**Example 2-5.**  $(\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C}) \hat{\otimes} \ell^\infty$  is Arens regular.

*Proof.* We know that  $\ell^\infty$  is  $(\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C})$ -bimodule and  $\ell^\infty$  is unital.  $\ell^\infty$  is also non-trivial on  $(\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C})$ . By using [2, Corollary 8] and [5, Example 2.6.22(iii)], respectively, we know that  $\ell^\infty$  and  $(\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C})$  are Arens regular, and so by Theorem 2-3,  $(\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C}) \hat{\otimes} \ell^\infty$  is Arens regular.  $\square$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be Banach algebras. A bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is said to be biregular, if for any two pairs of sequence  $(a_i)_i$ ,  $(\tilde{a}_j)_j$  in  $A_1$  and  $(b_i)_i$ ,  $(\tilde{b}_j)_j$  in  $B_1$ , we have

$$\lim_i \lim_j m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j) = \lim_j \lim_i m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j)$$

provided that these limits exist.

There are some example of biregular non regular bilinear form that for more information see [22].

**Corollary 2-6.** Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are Banach algebras. Then we have the following assertions.

- (1) By conditions of Theorem 2-1, every bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is biregular.
- (2) By conditions of Theorem 2-3 (2), every bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is biregular.

**Example 2-7.** Every bilinear form  $m : (\ell^1 \oplus \mathbb{C}) \times \ell^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is Arens regular.

*Proof.* By notice to Example 2-5 and [22, Theorem 3.4], proof is hold.  $\square$

In the following we give simple proof for biregularity of bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $m(a, b) = \langle u(a), b \rangle$  where  $u : A \rightarrow B^*$  is continuous linear operator that is introduced in [22, Theorem 3.4].

**Theorem 2-8 [22].** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be Banach algebras and  $u : A \rightarrow B^*$  is continuous linear operator. Then the bilinear form  $m : A \times B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by  $m(a, b) = \langle u(a), b \rangle$  is biregular.

*Proof.* Let  $(a_i)_i, (\tilde{a}_j)_j$  in  $A_1$  and  $(b_i)_i, (\tilde{b}_j)_j$  in  $B_1$  be such that the following iterated limits exist

$$\lim_i \lim_j m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j) \text{ and } \lim_j \lim_i m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j).$$

By [8, p.424], from these sequences we can extract  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha, (\tilde{a}_\beta)_\beta$  in  $A$  and  $(b_\alpha)_\alpha, (\tilde{b}_\beta)_\beta$  in  $B$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$  and  $\tilde{a}_\beta \xrightarrow{w^*} \tilde{a}''$  in  $A^{**}$  and we have also  $b_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} b''$  and  $\tilde{b}_\beta \xrightarrow{w^*} \tilde{b}''$  in  $B^{**}$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are Arens regular, we have

$$\lim_\alpha \lim_\beta a_\alpha \tilde{a}_\beta = \lim_\beta \lim_\alpha a_\alpha \tilde{a}_\beta = a'' \tilde{a}''$$

and

$$\lim_\alpha \lim_\beta b_\alpha \tilde{b}_\beta = \lim_\beta \lim_\alpha b_\alpha \tilde{b}_\beta = b'' \tilde{b}''$$

Then, since  $u$  is continuous, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta m(a_\alpha \tilde{a}_\beta, b_\alpha \tilde{b}_\beta) &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \langle u(a_\alpha \tilde{a}_\beta), b_\alpha \tilde{b}_\beta \rangle \\ &= \langle u''(a'' \tilde{a}''), b'' \tilde{b}'' \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\lim_\beta \lim_\alpha m(a_\alpha \tilde{a}_\beta, b_\alpha \tilde{b}_\beta) = \langle u''(a'' \tilde{a}''), b'' \tilde{b}'' \rangle.$$

Consequently we have

$$\lim_i \lim_j m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j) = \lim_j \lim_i m(a_i \tilde{a}_j, b_i \tilde{b}_j).$$

It follows that  $m$  is biregular.  $\square$

**Example 2-9 [22].** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then

- (1)  $\ell^p \hat{\otimes} A$  is Arens regular if and only if  $A$  is Arens regular.

- (2) Let  $G$  be a locally compact group. Then,  $L^p(G) \hat{\otimes} A$  is Arens regular if and only if  $A$  is Arens regular.

*Proof.* By using [22, Theorem 3.4] and Theorem 2-8, proof hold.  $\square$

### 3. Weak amenability of Banach algebras

For Banach algebra  $A$ , Dales, Rodrigues-Palacios and Velasco in [7] have been studied the weak amenability of  $A$ , when its second dual is weakly amenable. Mohammadzadieh and Vishki in [19] have given simple solution to this problem with some other results, and Eshaghi Gordji and Filali in [10] have been studied this problem with some new results. In this section, We study this problem in the new way with some new results. Thus, for Banach  $A$  – module  $B$ , we introduce some new concepts as *left – weak\* – weak* convergence property [  $Lw^*wc$ –property] and *right – weak\* – weak* convergence property [  $Rw^*wc$ –property] with respect to  $A$  and we show that if  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $Rw^*wc$ –property and  $Lw^*wc$ –property and  $A^{**}$  is weakly amenable, then  $A$  is weakly amenable. We also show the relations between these properties and weak amenability of  $A$ . Now in the following, for left and right Banach  $A$  – module  $B$ , we define, respectively,  $Lw^*wc$ –property and  $Rw^*wc$ –property concepts with some examples.

**Definition 3-1.** Assume that  $B$  is a left Banach  $A$  – module. Let  $a'' \in A^{**}$  and  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subset A$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$  in  $A^{**}$ . We say that  $b' \in B^*$  has *left – weak\* – weak* convergence property  $Lw^*wc$ –property with respect to  $A$ , if  $b'a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} b'a''$  in  $B^*$ . When every  $b' \in B^*$  has  $Lw^*wc$ –property with respect to  $A$ , we say that  $B^*$  has  $Lw^*wc$ –property.

The definition of *right – weak\* – weak* convergence property [=  $Rw^*wc$ –property] with respect to  $A$  is similar and if  $b' \in B^*$  has *left – weak\* – weak* convergence property and *right – weak\* – weak* convergence property, then we say that  $b' \in B^*$  has *weak\* – weak* convergence property [=  $w^*wc$ –property].

By using Lemma 3.1 from [17], it is clear that if  $A^*$  has  $Lw^*wc$ –property, then  $A$  is Arens regular.

Assume that  $B$  is a left Banach  $A$  – module. We say that  $b' \in B^*$  has *left – weak\* – weak* convergence property to zero  $Lw^*wc$ –property to zero with respect to  $A$ , if for every  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subset A$ ,  $b'a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} 0$  in  $B^*$  implies that  $b'a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} 0$  in  $B^*$ .

#### Example 3-2 .

- (1) Every reflexive Banach  $A$  – module has  $w^*wc$ –property.
- (2) Let  $\Omega$  be a compact group and suppose that  $A = C(\Omega)$  and  $B = M(\Omega)$ . Let  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A$  and  $\mu \in B$ . Suppose that  $\mu a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} 0$ , then for each  $a \in A$ , we have

$$\langle \mu a_\alpha, a \rangle = \langle \mu, a_\alpha * a \rangle = \int_{\Omega} (a_\alpha * a) d\mu \rightarrow 0.$$



We set  $a = 1_\Omega$ . Then  $\mu(a_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ . Now let  $b' \in B^*$ . Then

$$\langle b', \mu a_\alpha \rangle = \langle a_\alpha b', \mu \rangle = \int_\Omega a_\alpha b' d\mu \leq \|b'\| \left| \int_\Omega a_\alpha d\mu \right| = \|b'\| |\mu(a_\alpha)| \rightarrow 0.$$

It follows that  $\mu a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} 0$ , and so that  $\mu$  has  $Rw^*wc$ -property to zero with respect to  $A$ .

Let now  $B$  be a Banach  $A$ -bimodule, and let

$$\pi_\ell : A \times B \rightarrow B \text{ and } \pi_r : B \times A \rightarrow B.$$

be the left and right module actions of  $A$  on  $B$ , respectively. Then  $B^{**}$  is a Banach  $A^{**}$ -bimodule with module actions

$$\pi_\ell^{***} : A^{**} \times B^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \text{ and } \pi_r^{***} : B^{**} \times A^{**} \rightarrow B^{**}.$$

Similarly,  $B^{**}$  is a Banach  $A^{**}$ -bimodule with module actions

$$\pi_\ell^{t***} : A^{**} \times B^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \text{ and } \pi_r^{t***} : B^{**} \times A^{**} \rightarrow B^{**}.$$

For a Banach  $A$ -bimodule  $B$ , we define the topological centers of the left and right module actions of  $A$  on  $B$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{A^{**}}^\ell(B^{**}) &= Z(\pi_r) = \{b'' \in B^{**} : \text{the map } a'' \rightarrow \pi_r^{***}(b'', a'') : A^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \\ &\quad \text{is weak}^* \text{-weak}^* \text{ continuous}\} \\ Z_{B^{**}}^\ell(A^{**}) &= Z(\pi_\ell) = \{a'' \in A^{**} : \text{the map } b'' \rightarrow \pi_\ell^{***}(a'', b'') : B^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \\ &\quad \text{is weak}^* \text{-weak}^* \text{ continuous}\} \\ Z_{A^{**}}^r(B^{**}) &= Z(\pi_\ell^t) = \{b'' \in B^{**} : \text{the map } a'' \rightarrow \pi_\ell^{t***}(b'', a'') : A^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \\ &\quad \text{is weak}^* \text{-weak}^* \text{ continuous}\} \\ Z_{B^{**}}^r(A^{**}) &= Z(\pi_r^t) = \{a'' \in A^{**} : \text{the map } b'' \rightarrow \pi_r^{t***}(a'', b'') : B^{**} \rightarrow B^{**} \\ &\quad \text{is weak}^* \text{-weak}^* \text{ continuous}\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3-3.** i) Assume that  $B$  is a left Banach  $A$ -module. If  $B^*A^{**} \subseteq B^*$ , then  $B^*$  has  $Lw^*wc$ -property.

ii) Assume that  $B$  is a right Banach  $A$ -module. If  $A^{**}B^* \subseteq B^*$  and  $Z_{A^{**}}^r(B^{**}) = B^{**}$ , then  $B^*$  has  $Rw^*wc$ -property.

*Proof.* i) Assume that  $a'' \in A^{**}$  and  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$ . Then for every  $b'' \in B^{**}$ , since  $b'a'' \in B^*$ , we have

$$\langle b'', b'a'' \rangle = \langle a''b'', b' \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle a_\alpha b'', b' \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle b'', b'a_\alpha \rangle.$$

It follows that  $b'a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} b'a''$ .

ii) Proof is similar to (i). □

**Theorem 3-4.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and suppose that  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $Rw^*wc$ -property and  $Lw^*wc$ -property. If  $A^{**}$  is weakly amenable, then  $A$  is weakly amenable.

*Proof.* Assume that  $a'' \in A^{**}$  and  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$ . Then for each  $a' \in A^*$ , we have  $a_\alpha a' \xrightarrow{w^*} a'' a'$  in  $A^*$ . Since  $A^*$  has  $Rw^*wc$ -property,  $a_\alpha a' \xrightarrow{w} a'' a'$  in  $A^*$ . Then for every  $x'' \in A^{**}$ , we have

$$\langle x'' a_\alpha, a' \rangle = \langle x'', a_\alpha a' \rangle \rightarrow \langle x'', a'' a' \rangle = \langle x'' a'', a' \rangle.$$

It follows that  $x'' a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} x'' a''$ . Since  $A^{**}$  has  $Lw^*wc$ -property with respect to  $A$ ,  $x'' a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} x'' a''$ . If  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is a bounded derivation, we extend it to a bounded linear mapping  $D''$  from  $A^{**}$  into  $A^{***}$ . Suppose that  $a'', b'' \in A^{**}$  and  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha, (b_\beta)_\beta \subseteq A$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$  and  $b_\beta \xrightarrow{w^*} b''$ . Since  $x'' a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} x'' a''$  for every  $x'' \in A^{**}$ , we have

$$\lim_\alpha \langle D''(b''), x'' a_\alpha \rangle = \langle D''(b''), x'' a'' \rangle.$$

In the following we take limit on the  $weak^*$  topologies. Thus we have

$$\lim_\alpha \lim_\beta D(a_\alpha) b_\beta = D''(a'') b''.$$

Consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned} D''(a'' b'') &= \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta D(a_\alpha b_\beta) = \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta D(a_\alpha) b_\beta + \lim_\alpha \lim_\beta a_\alpha D(b_\beta) \\ &= D''(a'') b'' + a'' D''(b''). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A^{**}$  is weakly amenable, there is  $a''' \in A^{***}$  such that  $D'' = \delta_{a'''}$ . We conclude that  $D = D''|_A = \delta_{a'''}|_A$ . Hence for each  $x' \in A^*$ , we have  $D = x' a'''|_A - a'''|_A x'$ . Take  $a' = a'''|_A$ . It follows that  $H^1(A, A^*) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3-5.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and suppose that  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is a surjective derivation. If  $D''$  is a derivation, then we have the following assertions.

- (1)  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $w^*wc$ -property and  $Lw^*wc$ -property with respect to  $A$ .
- (2) For every  $a'' \in A^{**}$ , the mapping  $x'' \rightarrow a'' x''$  from  $A^{**}$  into  $A^{**}$  is  $weak^*$ - $weak$  continuous.
- (3)  $A$  is Arens regular.
- (4) If  $A$  has  $LBAI$ , then  $A$  is reflexive.

*Proof.* (1) Since  $D$  is surjective,  $D''$  is surjective, and so by using [19, Theorem 2.2], we have  $A^{***} A^{**} \subseteq D''(A^{**}) A^{**} \subseteq A^*$ . Suppose that  $a'' \in A^{**}$  and  $(a_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A$  such that  $a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$ . Then for each  $x' \in A^*$ , we have  $x' a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} x' a''$ . Since  $A^{***} A^{**} \subseteq A^*$ ,  $x' a'' \in A^*$ . Then for every  $x'' \in A^{**}$ , we have

$$\langle x'', x' a_\alpha \rangle = \langle x'' x', a_\alpha \rangle \rightarrow \langle a'', x'' x' \rangle = \langle x' a'', x'' \rangle = \langle x'', x' a'' \rangle.$$

It follows that  $x' a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} x' a''$  in  $A^*$ . Thus  $x'$  has  $Lw^*wc$ -property with respect to  $A$ . The proof that  $x'$  has  $Rw^*wc$ -property with respect to  $A$  is similar, and so  $A^*$  has  $w^*wc$ -property.

Suppose that  $x''' \in A^{***}$ . Since  $A^{***}A^{**} \subseteq A^*$ ,  $x''a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} x''a''$  for each  $x'' \in A^{**}$ . Then

$$\langle x''', x''a_\alpha \rangle = \langle x''', x'' \rangle, a_\alpha \rightarrow \langle x''', x'' \rangle, a'' = \langle x''', x''a'' \rangle.$$

It follows that  $x''a_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} x''a''$ . Thus  $x''$  has  $Lw^*wc$ -property with respect to  $A$ .

- (2) Suppose that  $(a''_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A^{**}$  and  $a''_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$ . Let  $x'' \in A^{**}$ . Then for every  $x''' \in A^{***}$ , since  $A^{***}A^{**} \subseteq A^*$ , we have

$$\langle x''', x''a''_\alpha \rangle = \langle x''', x'' \rangle, a''_\alpha \rightarrow \langle x''', x'' \rangle, a'' = \langle x''', x''a'' \rangle.$$

- (3) It follows from (2).

- (4) Let  $(e_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A$  be a  $BLAI$  for  $A$ . Then without loss generality, let  $e''$  be a left unit for  $A^{**}$  such that  $e_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} e''$ . Suppose that  $(a''_\alpha)_\alpha \subseteq A^{**}$  and  $a''_\alpha \xrightarrow{w^*} a''$ . Then for every  $a''' \in A^{***}$ , since  $A^{***}A^{**} \subseteq A^*$ , we have

$$\langle a''', a''_\alpha \rangle = \langle a''', e''a''_\alpha \rangle = \langle a''', e'' \rangle, a''_\alpha \rightarrow \langle a''', e'' \rangle, a'' = \langle a''', a'' \rangle.$$

It follows that  $a''_\alpha \xrightarrow{w} a''$ . Consequently  $A$  is reflexive.  $\square$

**Corollary 3-6.** Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra and suppose that  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is a surjective derivation. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1)  $A^*$  and  $A^{**}$ , respectively, have  $Rw^*wc$ -property and  $Lw^*wc$ -property.
- (2) For every  $a'' \in A^{**}$ , the mapping  $x'' \rightarrow a''x''$  from  $A^{**}$  into  $A^{**}$  is  $weak^*$ - $weak$  continuous.

### Problems.

1. Let  $G$  be a locally compact group. What can say for the following sets?
  - (1)  $Z_{L^1(G)^{**}}^\ell((L^1(G) \hat{\otimes} L^1(G))^{**}) = ?$ ,  $Z_{L^1(G)^{**}}^r((L^1(G) \hat{\otimes} L^1(G))^{**}) = ?$
  - (2)  $Z_{(L^1(G) \hat{\otimes} L^1(G))^{**}}^\ell(L^1(G)^{**}) = ?$ ,  $Z_{(L^1(G) \hat{\otimes} L^1(G))^{**}}^r(L^1(G)^{**}) = ?$
  - (3)  $Z_{L^1(G)^{**}}^\ell(L^1(G)^{**} \hat{\otimes} L^1(G)^{**}) = ?$ ,  $Z_{L^1(G)^{**}}^r(L^1(G)^{**} \hat{\otimes} L^1(G)^{**}) = ?$
2. Suppose that  $S$  is a compact semigroup. Dose  $L^1(S)^*$  and  $M(S)^*$  have  $Lw^*wc$ -property or  $Rw^*wc$ -property?

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