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A REMARK ON STRICT UNIFORM ALGEBRAS

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We study some properties of algebras of bounded continuous functions on a completely regular space, these algebras being equipped with the strong topology defined by of family multiplication operators (strict uniform algebras). We prove an analog of a theorem due to M. Sheinberg for strict uniform algebras (see [1–3]).

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Let  $\Omega$  be a completely regular Hausdorff space, and  $C_*(\Omega)$  be the algebra of all bounded complex-valued continuous functions on  $\Omega$ . If we equip the space  $C_*(\Omega)$  with the topology induced by sup-norm  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in \Omega\}$ , then we obtain a commutative Banach algebra  $C_b(\Omega)$  with the property that the maximal ideals space of which is  $M_{C_b(\Omega)} = \beta\Omega$ , where  $\beta\Omega$  is the Stone-Chekh compactification for  $\Omega$ . Recall that we call *the remainder* of  $\Omega$  in the extension  $\beta\Omega$  the space  $\beta\Omega \setminus \Omega$  with the topology induced from  $\beta\Omega$  (see [4–5]). Let  $\mathcal{K}(\Omega)$  be the set of all compacts  $Q \subset \beta\Omega \setminus \Omega$  and for  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$  denote

$$C_Q = C_Q(\Omega) = \{f \in C_b(\Omega) : \hat{f}|_Q = 0\},$$

where  $\hat{f}$  is the Gelfand transform of  $f$ . Then  $C_Q(\Omega)$  is Banach algebra with bounded approximative identity, and  $C_b(\Omega)$  is  $C_Q$ -module. In the case when  $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$  and  $Q_1 \subset Q_2$ , we have  $C_{Q_1}(\Omega) \supset C_{Q_2}(\Omega)$ .

Note that the remainder  $\beta\Omega \setminus \Omega$  has a rather complicated structure, because, for instance, in every point of the remainder the first axiom of countability fails to hold. For  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$  denote  $\Omega_Q = \beta\Omega \setminus Q$ . All the Banach algebras  $C_Q(\Omega)$  are proper closed ideals in the algebra  $C_b(\Omega)$  for every  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$ .

Every ideal  $C_Q(\Omega)$  defines a family of seminorms  $\{P_g\}_{g \in C_Q(\Omega)}$  on  $C_b(\Omega)$ , with  $P_g(f) = \|T_g f\|_\infty$ , where  $T_g : C_b(\Omega) \rightarrow C_b(\Omega)$  is the multiplicative operator

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$T_g f = gf$ . The topology on  $C_b(\Omega)$ , defined by this family of seminorms, we will call the  $\beta_Q$ -topology, and we will denote by  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  the algebra  $C_b(\Omega)$  endowed with the  $\beta_Q$ -topology (cf. [6–9]). It is easy to see that  $\beta_Q$ -topology is Hausdorff topology.

We will say that a closed in the  $\beta_Q$ -topology subalgebra  $\mathcal{A}$  of algebra  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  is  $\beta_Q$ -uniform, if it contains constants and separates the points of  $\Omega_Q$  (i.e. for any  $x_1, x_2 \in \Omega_Q$  with  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , there exists  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$ ).

Note that in the case of completely regular space  $\Omega$ , the ideal  $C_0(\Omega)$  can turn out to be unusable, because of its triviality.

It should be noted here that  $\beta$ -topology of Buck on  $C_*(\Omega)$  is the inductive limit  $Lind(\beta_Q)$  of  $\beta_Q$ -topologies for  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$ .

If  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$ , then  $\Omega_Q = \beta\Omega \setminus Q$  is locally-compact Hausdorff space and in that case one can introduce a strong topology on  $C_*(\Omega_Q)$  using the ideal  $C_0(\Omega_Q)$ , which we will denote by  $C(\Omega_Q)_\beta$ .

Since  $\Omega \subset \Omega_Q \subset \beta\Omega$ , then the space of maximal ideals  $M_{C_b(\Omega_Q)} = \beta(\Omega_Q) = \beta(\Omega)$ .

It can be easily seen, that the algebra  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  is topologically isomorphic to the algebra  $C(\Omega_Q)_\beta$  and hence the following assertions hold (cf. [2, 3]):

**Theorem 1.**

- a) For any  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$  the algebra  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  is  $\beta_Q$ -complete locally convex algebra;
- b)  $C_0(\Omega_Q) = C_Q(\Omega)$  is everywhere dense in  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$ ;
- c) the space of all  $\beta_Q$ -continuous linear functionals on  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  is isomorphic to the space  $M(\Omega_Q)$  of all finite regular measures on  $\Omega_Q$ .

*Proposition 1.*

a) The uniform topology and  $\beta_Q$ -topology on  $C_0(U) = \{f \in C_b(\Omega) : f|_{\Omega_U} = 0\}$  coincide for every open set  $U$  in  $\Omega_Q$  such that  $\overline{U} \subset \Omega_Q$ .

b) The linear space generated by  $\{C_0(U_i)\}_{i \in I}$ , where  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  is the subset of the set of all open subsets in  $\Omega_Q$  such that  $U_i \subset \overline{U_i} \subset \Omega_Q$ , is  $\beta_Q$ -dense in  $C(\Omega_Q)_\beta = C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$ .

Let  $A$  be a  $\beta_Q$ -uniform algebra on  $\Omega$ . Since the algebra  $C_b(\Omega_Q)$  is complete in the  $\beta_Q$ -topology, then  $A$  is a closed subalgebra of the algebra  $C_b(\Omega_Q)$  in the sup-norm. Hence, we will denote the algebra  $A$  in the sup-norm of  $C_b(\Omega_Q)$  by  $A_{b,Q}$ .

Suppose that the Banach space  $X$  is  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule. Recall that  $X$  is  $\beta_Q$ -complete  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule, if from the fact that the net  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  in  $A$   $\beta_Q$ -converges to  $f_0$  it follows that for any  $x \in X$  the nets  $\{f_i x\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{x f_i\}_{i \in I}$  converge to  $f_0 x$  and  $x f_0$  respectively in the norm of the Banach space  $X$ .

The bimodular operation on  $X$  defines a bimodular operation on the dual space  $X^*$  of  $X$

$$(f\varphi)(x) = \varphi(xf), \quad (\varphi f)(x) = \varphi(fx)$$

for all  $f \in A$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $\varphi \in X^*$ .

Note also that linear functional  $\varphi \in X^*$  is called *weak\*  $\beta_Q$ -continuous*, if from the  $\beta_Q$ -convergence in  $A$  of the net  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  to  $f_0$  it follows that the net of functionals  $\{f_i \varphi\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{\varphi f_i\}_{i \in I}$  converge in the weak topology to  $f_0 \varphi$  and  $\varphi f_0$  respectively.

As in ([2, 3]) we define the abelian group  $Z_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*)$  of all  $\beta_Q$ -continuous in the weak\* topology differentiations  $D: A \rightarrow X^*$  (i.e. if the net  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  in  $A$   $\beta_Q$ -converges to  $f_0$ , then the net of functionals  $\{D(f_i)\}_{i \in I}$  converges to  $D(f_0)$  in the weak\* topology of  $X^*$ ). We denote by  $Z_*(A, X^*)$  the abelian group of all continuous in the weak\* topology differentiations  $D: A_{b,Q} \rightarrow X^*$ . For every  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$ ,  $Z_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*)$  is a subgroup of  $Z^1(A, X^*)$ .

Following B. Johnson [10] one calls a Banach algebra  $A_{b,Q}$  to be *amenable*, if the group  $H^1(A, X^*) = Z^1(A, X^*) / B^1(A, X^*)$  is trivial for every  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $X$ , where  $B^1(A, X^*)$  is the abelian group, consisting of all inner differentiations  $\delta_\varphi(a) = a\varphi - \varphi a$ . Analogously, the algebra  $A$  is called  *$\beta_Q$ -amenable*, if the group  $H_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*) = Z_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*) / B_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*)$  is trivial for any  $\beta_Q$ -complete  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $X$ .

Clearly, if  $A$  is an amenable algebra, then  $A$  is  $\beta_Q$ -amenable (i.e. from the condition  $H^1(A, X^*) = 0$  for any  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $X$  it follows that  $H_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*) = 0$  for any  $\beta_Q$ -complete  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $X$ ).

For the rest we need two  $\beta_Q$ -complete  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodules.

*Proposition 2.* Let  $\mu \in M(\Omega_Q)$ . Then there exists a measure  $\nu \in M(\Omega_Q)$  and a function  $g \in C_0(\Omega_Q)$  such that  $\mu = g^* \nu$ , i.e.  $\int f d\mu = \int f g d\nu$  for all  $f \in C_0(\Omega_Q)$  ( $\simeq C_0(\Omega)$ ).

**Theorem 2.** For any positive measure  $\mu \in M(\Omega_Q)$  the Hilbert space  $L^2(\Omega_Q, \mu)$  is  $\beta_Q$ -complete Banach  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule.

The proof can be done in the same manner as of the Lemma 4 in [3].

Let  $B_Q = BL(L^2(\Omega_Q, \mu))$  be the algebra of all bounded linear operators in  $L^2(\Omega_Q, \mu)$ , and  $J_{1,Q}$  be the ideal of nuclear operators, which is Banach space in the nuclear norm  $\|T\|_1 = \text{tr}|T|$  ([11]).  $J_{1,Q}$  becomes Banach  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule in the case  $f \cdot T \cdot g = T_f \cdot T \cdot T_g$  for all  $f, g \in A_{b,Q}$  and  $T \in J_{1,Q}$ .

It is easy to see (c.f. [11]), that for any  $T \in J_{1,Q}$  there exists a positive function  $g \in C_0(\Omega_Q)$  such that  $T_{g^{-1}} \cdot T \in J_{1,Q}$ .

**Theorem 3.** The Banach space  $J_{1,Q}$  is  $\beta_Q$ -complete  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule.

It is well known, that the algebra  $B_Q$  is isometrically isomorphic, as a Banach space, to the dual space  $J_{1,Q}^*$  (c.f. [9]). This leads to the following result.

**Theorem 4.** The Banach  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $B_Q$  is isometrically isomorphic as a  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule to the  $\beta_Q$ -complete in the weak\* topology Banach  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $J_{1,Q}^*$ .

Using Lemma 7 from [3], one can analogously prove the following

**Proposition 3.** Let  $A$  be  $\beta_Q$ -complete uniform algebra. If  $A \neq C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$ ,

then  $H_{\beta_Q}^1(A, X^*) \neq 0$  for some  $\beta_Q$ -complete Banach  $A_{b,Q}$ -bimodule  $X$ .

From this Proposition we get the following result, which is the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $A$  be  $\beta_Q$ -uniform algebra. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- a)  $A = C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$ ;
- b)  $A$  is amenable algebra;
- c)  $A$  is  $\beta_Q$ -amenable algebra.

Now consider the situation, when  $\Omega$  is completely regular Hausdorff space. In this case, as has been mentioned above, one can introduce  $\beta$ -topology in the algebra  $C_*(\Omega)$  as the inductive limit  $\text{Lind}_Q(\beta_Q)$  of  $\beta_Q$ -topologies, where  $Q \in \mathcal{K}(\Omega)$ , which we will denote again by  $C(\Omega)_\beta$ . Then by  $\beta$ -uniform algebra  $A$  over  $\Omega$  we will mean (as above) a closed in the  $\beta$ -topology subalgebra in the algebra  $C(\Omega)_\beta$ , which contains constants and separates the points of  $\Omega$ .

It is easy to see, that  $\beta$ -topology on  $A$  is the inductive limit  $\text{Lind}(\beta_Q)$  of  $\beta_Q$ -topologies of algebras  $A_{\beta_Q}$ , which are  $\beta_Q$ -uniform subalgebras of algebras  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Q}$  respectively.

In the light of the obtained results, we can formulate the following results for completely regular Hausdorff space  $\Omega$ .

**Theorem 6.**

- a) The algebra  $C(\Omega)_\beta$  is  $\beta$ -complete locally convex algebra;
- b) the space of all  $\beta$ -continuous linear functionals on  $C(\Omega)_\beta$  is isomorphic to the space  $M(\Omega)$  of all finite regular measures on  $\Omega$ .

**Theorem 7.** Let  $A$  be  $\beta$ -uniform subalgebra of  $C(\Omega)_\beta$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- a)  $A = C(\Omega)_\beta$ ;
- b)  $A$  is amenable algebra.

In the case, when  $\Omega$  is a compact, we get the Theorem of M. Sheinberg from [1].

*Remark.* Note that *null-set* is a set of the form  $f^{-1}(0)$  with  $f \in C_*(\Omega)$ . Let  $\mathcal{Z}(\Omega)$  is the set of all null-sets  $Z \in \beta\Omega \setminus \Omega$ . If  $Z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Omega)$ , then  $\beta\Omega \setminus Z$  is  $\sigma$ -compact and locally-compact space and, in the light of Theorem 2.6 from [12], in  $C_*(\beta\Omega \setminus Z)$  the strong topology coincides with the strong topology of Mackey (i.e. strong space of Mackey). It follows that  $C(\beta\Omega \setminus Z)_\beta$  is  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_Z}$ . Hence all the above idealogy works also for  $\beta_Z$ -uniform algebras.

Note that in the algebra  $C_*(\Omega)$  one can introduce also the  $\beta_1$ -topology as the inductive limit  $\text{Lind}_Z(\beta_Z)$  of  $\beta_Z$ -topologies, where  $Z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Omega)$ , which we will denote by  $C(\Omega)_{\beta_1}$ . This  $\beta_1$ -topology, as well as  $\beta$ -topology, is locally convex, Hausdorff and  $\beta \leq \beta_1 \leq \|\cdot\|$ . For  $\beta_1$ -uniform algebras over  $\Omega$  the analogues of Theorem 6 and Theorem 7 are true.

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Դիտողություն խիստ հավասարաչափ հանրահաշիվների վերաբերյալ

Աշխատանքում ուսումնասիրվում են որոշ հատկություններ լիովին ռեզուլյար (կանոնավոր) տարածության վրա որոշված սահմանափակ անընդհատ ֆունկցիաների մի հանրահաշիվի, որում մտցված է բազմապատկման օպերատորների ընտանիքով առաջացած խիստ հավասարաչափ տոպոլոգիա: Ապացուցվում է Մ. Շեյնբերգի թեորեմը խիստ հավասարաչափ հանրահաշիվների համար:

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