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### Generalized Approximate Amenability of Direct Sum of Banach Algebras

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper for two  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras A and B, we investigate relations between  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of A,  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of B, and  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of  $A \oplus B$  ( $l^1$ -direct sum of A and B), where  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ .

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The notion of approximate amenable Banach algebras was introduced and extensively studied by Ghahramani and Loy in [5]. They showed in [6] that if A and B are approximately amenable Banach algebras and one of A or B has a bounded approximate identity, then  $A \oplus B$  is approximately amenable, but in general the direct sum of two approximately amenable Banach algebras need not be approximately amenable (see [7]).

The concept of module amenable Banach algebras was introduced by Amini in [1], and the notion of module approximate amenable Banach algebras was studied by Pourmahmood and Bodaghi in [15]. Recently, some authors have

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studied  $\varphi$ -derivations, and  $\varphi$ -amenability of Banach algebra A, whenever  $\varphi$  is a continuous homomorphism on A (see [8, 9, 10, 11, 12]).

The aim of the present paper is to investigate generalized approximate amenability of  $A \oplus B$ .

The organization of this paper is as follows:

Section 2 is devoted to the notations and definitions which are needed throughout the paper.

In section 3 for  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras A and B where each has a bounded approximate identity we show that A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable if and only if  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable.

In section 4 we show that if  $\mathfrak{A}$  has a bounded approximately identity and  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  and  $\frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  are unital, then A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable if and only if  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

# 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  and A be Banach algebras such that A is a Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule with compatible actions given by

$$\alpha.(ab)=(\alpha.a)b, \ (ab).\alpha=a(b.\alpha) \qquad (a,b\in A,\alpha\in\mathfrak{A}).$$

Let X be a Banach A-bimodule and a Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule with compatible left actions defined by

$$\alpha.(a.x) = (\alpha.a).x, \ a.(\alpha.x) = (a.\alpha).x, \ (\alpha.x).a = \alpha.(x.a)$$
$$(a \in A, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, x \in X), \tag{2.1}$$

and similar for the right or two-sided actions. Then we say that X is a Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. A Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X is called commutative A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module, if  $\alpha . x = x. \alpha$  ( $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, x \in X$ ). Note that in general, A dose not satisfy the compatibility condition  $a.(\alpha.b) = (a.\alpha).b$  ( $a, b \in A, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ ).

If X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module , then so is  $X^*$ , where the actions of A and  $\mathfrak{A}$  on  $X^*$  are defined as follows

$$\langle \alpha.f, x \rangle = \langle f, x.\alpha \rangle, \ \langle a.f, x \rangle = \langle f, x.a \rangle \ (a \in A, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, x \in X, f \in X^*),$$

and similar for the right actions.

Let A and B be Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodules. Then a  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module morphism from A to B is a norm continuous map  $h: A \longrightarrow B$  with  $h(a \pm b) = h(a) \pm h(b)$  which is multiplicative, that is

$$h(\alpha.a) = \alpha.h(a), \ h(a.\alpha) = h(a).\alpha, \ h(ab) = h(a)h(b) \ (a \in A, b \in B, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}).$$

We denote by  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A, B)$ , the space of all such morphism and denote  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A, A)$  by  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ . In the case that  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathbb{C}$ , we denote  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(A, B)$  by  $\operatorname{Hom}(A, B)$  and denote  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(A, A)$  by  $\operatorname{Hom}(A)$ .

Let X be a Banach A-bimodule and let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ . A bounded map  $D: A \longrightarrow X$  is called a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation if

$$D(a \pm b) = D(a) \pm D(b), \ D(ab) = D(a).\varphi(b) + \varphi(a).D(b) \ (a, b \in A),$$
 (2.2)

and

$$D(\alpha.a) = \alpha.D(a), \ D(a.\alpha) = D(a).\alpha \ (a \in A, \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}).$$
(2.3)

Although D in general is not linear, but still its boundedness implies its norm continuity.

Let X be a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. For every  $x \in X$  define  $ad_x^{\varphi}$  by  $ad_x^{\varphi}(a) = \varphi(a).x - x.\varphi(a)$   $(a \in A)$ . It is easily seen that  $ad_x^{\varphi}$  is a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. A  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation D is called  $\varphi$ -inner if there is  $x \in X$  such that  $D(a) = ad_x^{\varphi}(a)$   $(a \in A)$  and is called approximately  $\varphi$ -inner if there exists a net  $(x_{\alpha})_{\alpha} \subseteq X$  such that  $D(a) = \lim_{\alpha} ad_{x_{\alpha}}^{\varphi}(a)$   $(a \in A)$ . A Banach algebra A is called  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable if for any commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X, each  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation  $D : A \longrightarrow X^*$  is  $\varphi$ -inner, and A is called  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately  $\varphi$ -inner (see [1, 15]).

In the case that  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivations (resp.  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable Banach algebras,  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable Banach algebras) are called  $\varphi$ -derivation (resp.  $\varphi$ -amenable,  $\varphi$ -approximately amenable) (see [9, 10]).

# 3. $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -Module Approximate Amenability of the Direct Sum of Banach Algebras

We commence this section with the following remark from [1]:

Remark 3.1. Assume that A has a bounded approximate identity  $(e_{\alpha})_{\alpha}$ , and let  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  denotes the algebra of  $\mathfrak{A}$ -multipliers of A, that is  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A) = \{(T_1, T_2) : T_1, T_2 \in L_{\mathfrak{A}}(A) : T_1(ab) = T_1(a)b, T_2(ab) = aT_2(b)(a, b \in A)\}$ , where  $L_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  is the space of all  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module morphisms on A. Then  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  is an A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module and A embeds in  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  via  $a \mapsto (L_a, R_a)$ , where  $L_a(b) = ab, R_a(b) = ba$   $(a, b \in A)$ . For any element  $T = (T_1, T_2)$  of  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  it is easy to see that  $|| T_1 || = || T_2 ||$  and if we put || T || equal to this common value, then  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  becomes a Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module, and A is dense in  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  in the strict topology.

Before proving our next proposition we note that if  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ , then by continuity of  $\varphi$  in the strict topology, it can be extended to an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -homomorphism  $\tilde{\varphi}: M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A) \longrightarrow M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  defined by  $\tilde{\varphi}(L_a, R_a) = (L_{\varphi(a)}, R_{\varphi(a)}).$ 

**Proposition 3.2.** Let A be an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebra with a bounded approximate identity  $(e_{\alpha})_{\alpha}$ , and let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ . Then A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable if and only if  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

*Proof.* Let  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  be  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and let  $D: A \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation for some commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X. Then by the following actions

$$T.x = \lim_{\alpha} T_1(e_{\alpha}).x, \ x.T = \lim_{\alpha} x.T_2(e_{\alpha}) \ (x \in X, T = (T_1, T_2) \in M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)),$$

X is a commutative Banach  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module and by continuity of D in the strict topology, it can be extended to a bounded  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -derivation  $\tilde{D}: M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A) \longrightarrow X^*$ , defined by  $\tilde{D}(L_a, R_a) = D(a)$ . From the  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ , it follows that there exists a net  $(x^*_{\beta})_{\beta} \subset X^*$  such that

$$\tilde{D}(T) = \lim_{\beta} \left( \tilde{\varphi}(T) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \tilde{\varphi}(T) \right)$$

Hence for every  $a \in A$  we have

$$D(a) = D(L_a, R_a) = \lim_{\beta} \left( \tilde{\varphi}(L_a, R_a) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \tilde{\varphi}(L_a, R_a) \right)$$
$$= \lim_{\beta} \left( (L_{\varphi(a)}, R_{\varphi(a)}) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . (L_{\varphi(a)}, R_{\varphi(a)}) \right)$$
$$= \lim_{\beta} \left( \lim_{\alpha} L_{\varphi(a)}(e_{\alpha}) . x_{\beta}^* - \lim_{\alpha} x_{\beta}^* . R_{\varphi(a)}(e_{\alpha}) \right)$$
$$= \lim_{\beta} \left( \varphi(a) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \varphi(a) \right).$$

This means that D is approximately  $\varphi$ -inner and so A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Conversely, Suppose that A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. Let X be a commutative Banach  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module and let  $D: M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A) \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. We consider the module actions of A on X by

$$a.x = (L_a, R_a).x, \ x.a = x.(L_a, R_a) \ (a \in A, x \in X).$$
 (3.1)

Thus X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Define  $\tilde{D} : A \longrightarrow X^*$  by  $\tilde{D}(a) = D(L_a, R_a)$   $(a \in A)$ . It is easy to see that  $\tilde{D}$  is a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation and from the  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of A, it follows that there exists a net  $(x^*_{\beta})_{\beta} \subset X^*$  such that

$$\tilde{D}(a) = \lim_{\beta} \left( \varphi(a) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \varphi(a) \right) \ (a \in A).$$

Then  $D(L_a, R_a) = \lim_{\beta} \left( \tilde{\varphi}(L_a, R_a) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \tilde{\varphi}(L_a, R_a) \right)$ . Now by the continuity of D and  $\tilde{\varphi}$ , and density of A in  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  in the strict topology, we conclude that

$$D(T) = \lim_{\beta} \left( \tilde{\varphi}(T) . x_{\beta}^* - x_{\beta}^* . \tilde{\varphi}(T) \right) \ (T \in M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)).$$

So D is a approximately  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -inner. Therefore  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  is  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Let I be a closed ideal of a Banach algebra A with a bounded approximate identity  $(e_{\alpha})_{\alpha}$ , and let X be a commutative Banach I- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Let  $\varphi \in$ Hom<sub> $\mathfrak{A}$ </sub>(A) be such that  $\varphi \mid_{I} \subset I$ , then X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module with the following actions

$$a.x = \lim_{\alpha} \varphi(e_{\alpha})a.x, \quad x.a = \lim_{\alpha} x.\varphi(e_{\alpha})a \quad (a \in A, x \in X).$$
(3.2)

**Proposition 3.3.** Let I be a closed ideal of an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebra A which has a bounded approximate identity  $\{e_{\alpha}\}$ , and let I be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -invariant, i.e.  $\mathfrak{A}.I \subseteq I$ . Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  be such that  $\varphi \mid_{I} \subset I$ . If A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable, then I is  $\varphi \mid_{I} - \mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Proof. Let X be a commutative Banach  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(I)$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module, and  $D: M_{\mathfrak{A}}(I) \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\tilde{\varphi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. By the same actions as (3.1), we can consider X as a commutative Banach I- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. So, by (3.2), X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. By definition of  $M_{\mathfrak{A}}(I)$ , there is an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module morphism  $h: A \longrightarrow M_{\mathfrak{A}}(I)$  and  $D \circ h$  is a module derivation on A, so it is approximately  $\varphi$ -inner. Hence D is approximately  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -inner. Since I has a bounded approximate identity, by Proposition 3.2, I is  $\varphi \mid_{I}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.  $\Box$ 

Let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras. It is well known that  $A \oplus B$ , the  $l^1$ -direct sum of A and B, is a Banach algebra with respect to the canonical multiplication defined by (a, b)(c, d) := (ac, bd), and is a Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule by the following actions

$$\alpha.(a,b) := (\alpha.a, \alpha.b), \ (a,b).\alpha := (a.\alpha, b.\alpha) \ (\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, a \in A, b \in B).$$

We note that if  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ , then  $\varphi \oplus \psi : A \oplus B \longrightarrow A \oplus B$  defined by  $\varphi \oplus \psi(a,b) = (\varphi(a), \psi(b))$  is an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -morphism on  $A \oplus B$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** Let A be a unital  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebra,  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ , and let  $D : A \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation for some commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X. If the left (resp. right, two-sided) action of  $\varphi(A)$  on  $X^*$  is zero, then D is  $\varphi$ -inner.

*Proof.* Let  $e_A$  be the identity of A and let the left (resp. right, two-sided) action of  $\varphi(A)$  on  $X^*$  is zero. We can easily show that  $D = ad_{-D(e)}^{\varphi}$  (resp.  $D = ad_{D(e)}^{\varphi}, D = 0$ ). So D is  $\varphi$ -inner.

The proof of the following proposition is adopted from that of Proposition 2.7 of [5].

**Proposition 3.5.** Let A and B be unital  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras with identities  $e_A$  and  $e_B$ , respectively, and let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$  such that  $\varphi(e_A).\alpha = \alpha.\varphi(e_A)$ , and  $\psi(e_B).\alpha = \alpha.\psi(e_B)$  ( $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ ). If A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable, then  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Proof. Let X be a commutative Banach  $A \oplus B$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module and let  $D : A \oplus B \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. Write  $Y_1 = \varphi(e_A).X^*.\varphi(e_A), Y_2 = \psi(e_B).X^*.\psi(e_B), Y_3 = \varphi(e_A).X^*.\psi(e_B), Y_4 = \psi(e_B).X^*.\varphi(e_A), Y_5 = (1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)).X^*.\varphi(e_A), Y_6 = (1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)).X^*.\psi(e_B), Y_7 = \varphi(e_A).X^*.(1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)), Y_8 = \psi(e_B).X^*.(1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)), Y_9 = (1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)).X^*.(1 - \varphi(e_A))(1 - \psi(e_B)), X^* = Y_1 \oplus Y_2 \oplus Y_3 \oplus Y_4 \oplus Y_5 \oplus Y_6 \oplus Y_7 \oplus Y_8 \oplus Y_9.$ Consider the derivations  $D_j = \pi_j \circ D$ , so  $D = D_1 + D_2 + D_3 + D_4 + D_5 + D_6 + D_7 + D_8 + D_9$ . From the fact that  $\varphi(e_A).\alpha = \alpha.\varphi(e_A)$  ( $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ ), and  $\psi(e_B).\alpha = \alpha.\psi(e_B)$  ( $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$ ), one can easily check that  $Y_j$  for j = 1, ..., 9 is a commutative Banach  $A \oplus B$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Since the action of  $\varphi(A) \oplus \psi(B)$  on (at least) one side on  $Y_5$  (resp.  $Y_6, Y_7, Y_8, Y_9$ ) is zero, by Lemma 3.4, we conclude that  $D_5$  (resp.  $D_6, D_7, D_8, D_9$ ) is approximately  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner.

From the  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of A, it follows that the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation  $A \oplus 0 \longrightarrow \varphi(e_A).X^*.\varphi(e_A)$  is approximately  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ inner and since the action of  $0 \oplus \psi(B)$  on  $\varphi(e_A).X^*.\varphi(e_A)$  is zero, we conclude
that  $D_1$  is approximately  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner. Similarly, the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation  $D_2: A \oplus B \longrightarrow \psi(e_B).X^*.\psi(e_B)$  is approximately  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner.

The right action of  $\varphi(A) \oplus 0$  on  $\varphi(e_A).X^*.\psi(e_B)$  is zero. Hence, by Lemma 3.4,  $D_3 \mid_{A \oplus 0}$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner. So there exists  $\xi \in \varphi(e_A).X^*.\psi(e_B)$  such that

$$D_3 \mid_{A \oplus 0} (a, 0) = \varphi(a).\xi - \xi.\varphi(a) = (\varphi(a), \psi(b))\varphi(e_A).\xi.\psi(e_B),$$

for every  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ . Similarly, there exists  $\eta \in \varphi(e_A).X^*.\psi(e_B)$  such that

$$D_3 \mid_{0 \oplus B} (0, b) = \psi(b) \cdot \eta - \eta \cdot \psi(b) = -\varphi(e_A) \cdot \eta \cdot \psi(e_B) \big(\varphi(a), \psi(b)\big),$$

for every  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ . Hence

$$D_3(a,b) = (\varphi(a), \psi(b))\varphi(e_A).\xi.\psi(e_B) - \varphi(e_A).\eta.\psi(e_B)(\varphi(a), \psi(b)).$$

Since  $D_3(e_A, e_B) = 0$ , it follows that

$$0 = D_3(e_A, e_B) = \varphi(e_A) \cdot \xi \cdot \psi(e_B) - \varphi(e_A) \cdot \eta \cdot \psi(e_B).$$

Then for every  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ , we have

 $D_3(a,b) = (\varphi(a), \psi(b))\varphi(e_A).\xi.\psi(e_B) - \varphi(e_A).\xi.\psi(e_B)(\varphi(a), \psi(b)).$ 

Thus  $D_3$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner. The same argument holds for the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation  $D_4 : A \oplus B \longrightarrow \psi(e_B) X^* . \varphi(e_A)$ . Therefore D is approximately  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner, and so  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.6.** Let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras,  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ . If there is a h in  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A, B)$  such that  $h \circ \varphi = \psi \circ h$  and the range of h is a dense subset of B, then  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of A implies  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of B.

*Proof.* Let  $D: B \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation for some commutative Banach B- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X. Then by the following actions

$$a \bullet x = h(a).x, \ x \bullet a = x.h(a)$$
  $(a \in A, x \in X),$ 

X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Let  $\tilde{D} = D \circ h : A \longrightarrow X^*$ . One can easily prove that D is a  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. From the  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of A, it follows that there exists a net  $(x_{\alpha}^*)_{\alpha}$  in  $X^*$ such that  $\tilde{D}(a) = \lim_{\alpha} (\varphi(a) \bullet x_{\alpha}^* - x_{\alpha}^* \bullet \varphi(a))$   $(a \in A)$ . Now continuity and density of h(A) in B, imply that D is approximately  $\psi$ -inner. Therefore B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

**Proposition 3.7.** Let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras,  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ . If A is not  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable or B is not  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable, then  $A \oplus B$  is not  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Proof. Suppose that A is not  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. The projection map  $\pi : A \oplus B \longrightarrow A$  determines an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module epimorphism of  $A \oplus B$  onto A such that  $\pi \circ (\varphi \oplus \psi) = \varphi \circ \pi$ . So, if  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable, then by Lemma 3.6, A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. This contradicts the fact that A is not  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. Therefore  $A \oplus B$  is not  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. Similarly, we can prove the result for B.

Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a non-unital Banach algebra. Then  $\mathfrak{A}^{\#} = \mathfrak{A} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ , the unitization of  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a unital Banach algebra which contains  $\mathfrak{A}$  as a closed ideal. Let A be a Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule. Then A is a Banach  $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module with the following module actions:

 $(\alpha,\lambda).a=\alpha.a+\lambda a,\ a.(\alpha,\lambda)=a.\alpha+\lambda a\ (\lambda\in\mathbb{C},\alpha\in\mathfrak{A},a\in A).$ 

Let  $A^{\sharp} = (A \oplus \mathfrak{A}^{\#}, \bullet)$ , where the multiplication  $\bullet$  is defined through

$$(a, u) \bullet (b, v) = (ab + a.v + u.b, uv) \ (a, b \in A, u, v \in \mathfrak{A}^{\#}).$$

Then with the actions defined by

 $u.(a,v) = (u.a, uv), \ (a,v).u = (a.u, vu) \ (a \in A, u, v \in \mathfrak{A}^{\#}),$ 

 $A^{\sharp}$  is a unital  $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module Banach algebra with the identity  $1_{A^{\sharp}} = (0, 1_{\mathfrak{A}^{\#}})$  (see [4]).

Before we turn to our next result we note that if for every  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}^{\#}}(A)$ , one defines  $\varphi^{\sharp} : A^{\sharp} \longrightarrow A^{\sharp}$  by  $\varphi^{\sharp}(a, u) = (\varphi(a), u) ((a, u) \in A^{\sharp})$ , then  $\varphi^{\sharp} \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}^{\#}}(A^{\sharp})$ .

The following proposition generalizes Proposition 2.7 of [5].

**Theorem 3.8.** Let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras and each has a bounded approximate identity. Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}^{\#}}(A)$  and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}^{\#}}(B)$ . Then A

is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable if and only if  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable.

*Proof.* Suppose that A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable. By Proposition 12 of [13],  $A^{\sharp}$  is  $\varphi^{\sharp}$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable and  $B^{\sharp}$  is  $\psi^{\sharp}$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable, so by Proposition 3.5,  $A^{\sharp} \oplus B^{\sharp}$  is  $\varphi^{\sharp} \oplus \psi^{\sharp}$ - $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable. Since  $A \oplus B$  is a closed  $\mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -invariant ideal in  $A^{\sharp} \oplus B^{\sharp}$ , the result follows from Proposition 3.3.

For the converse, suppose that  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi \cdot \mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable. Then by Proposition 3.7, A is  $\varphi \cdot \mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi \cdot \mathfrak{A}^{\#}$ -module approximately amenable.

4.  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -Module Approximate Amenability and  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -Amenability of Direct Sum of Banach Algebras

We start this section with the following definition:

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**Definition 4.1.** We say the Banach algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  acts trivially on A from the left (right) if for every  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $a \in A$ ,  $\alpha . a = f(\alpha)a$  (resp.  $a . \alpha = f(\alpha)a$ ), where f is a multiplicative linear functional on  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

We assume that  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}$  is the closed linear span of

$$\{(a.\alpha)b - a(\alpha.b) \mid \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, a, b \in A\},\$$

in A. It follows immediately that  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}$  is both A-submodule and  $\mathfrak{A}$ -submodule of A. So  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is both Banach A-module and  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module (see page 346 of [14]).

To prove our next result we need to quote the following lemma from [2].

**Lemma 4.2.** Let A be a Banach algebra and Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module with compatible actions, and  $J_0$  be a closed ideal of A such that  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \subseteq J_0$ . If  $\frac{A}{J_0}$  has a left or right identity  $e + J_0$ , then for each  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $a \in A$  we have  $a.\alpha - \alpha.a \in J_0$ , *i.e.*,  $\frac{A}{J_0}$  is commutative Banach  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module.

Before we turn to our next result we note that if for every  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ , one defines  $\overline{\varphi} : \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \longrightarrow \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  by  $\overline{\varphi}(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}) = \varphi(a) + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}$ , then  $\overline{\varphi} \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}})$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** Let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras and let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ and  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ . Then the following statements are valid:

- (i)  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable (resp.  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable) if and only if  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable (resp.  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable).
- (ii) Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  acts on A and B trivially from the left by  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathfrak{A})$ . Suppose that  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  and  $\frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  are unital, and  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi \cdot \mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable (resp.  $\varphi \oplus \psi \cdot \mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable), then  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -amenable (resp.  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -approximately amenable).

(iii) Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  have a bounded approximately identity and  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ amenable (resp.  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -approximately amenable). Then  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable (resp.  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable).

*Proof.* (i) Let  $A \oplus B$  be  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable, and let  $D : \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}} \longrightarrow X^*$  be  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation for some commutative Banach  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X. Then X becomes a  $A \oplus B$ -bimodule through the following actions

$$(a,b).x := (a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).x \ (a \in A, b \in B, x \in X),$$
(4.1)

and

$$x.(a,b) := x.(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) \ (a \in A, b \in B, x \in X).$$
(4.2)

Hence X is a commutative Banach  $A \oplus B$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Define  $\tilde{D} : A \oplus B \longrightarrow X^*$  by

$$\tilde{D}(a,b) = D(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) \ (a \in A, b \in B).$$

It is easy to check that,  $\tilde{D}$  is a  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation. From the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenability of  $A \oplus B$ , it follows that there exists  $x^* \in X^*$  such that

$$ilde{D}(a,b) = arphi \oplus \psi(a,b).x^* - x^*.arphi \oplus \psi(a,b) \ \ (a \in A, b \in B).$$

Thus

$$D(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) = \overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).x^*$$
$$- x^*.\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})$$

This means that D is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -inner. Therefore  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable.

Conversely, suppose that  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable. Let  $D : A \oplus B \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation for some commutative Banach  $A \oplus B$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module X. We consider the following module actions of  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  on X,

$$(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).x := (a, b).x, \ x.(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) := x.(a, b),$$

for all  $a \in A, b \in B$  and  $x \in X$ . Using (2.1) and the commutativity of X, we have  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}X = J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}X = XJ_{A,\mathfrak{A}} = XJ_{B,\mathfrak{A}} = 0$ . Thus  $(J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \oplus J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})X = X(J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \oplus J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) = 0$ . So X is a commutative Banach  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Define  $\tilde{D} : \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}} \longrightarrow X^*$  by

$$\tilde{D}(a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})=D(a,b) \quad (a\in A,b\in B).$$

Also using (2.2) and (2.3) we see that D vanishes on  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \oplus J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}$ . Hence  $\tilde{D}$  is well defined. One can easily check that  $\tilde{D}$  is a  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi} \oplus \mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation.

Now from the  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenability of  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ , it follows that there exists  $x^* \in X^*$  such that

$$\tilde{D}(a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) = \overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).x^* -x^*.\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) \ (a \in A, b \in B).$$

It follows that

$$D(a,b) = \varphi \oplus \psi(a,b).x^* - x^*.\varphi \oplus \psi(a,b) \ (a \in A, b \in B).$$

Thus D is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ -inner. So  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable.

Similarly, we can show that  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable

if and only if  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi} \cdot \mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. (ii) Let  $A \oplus B$  be  $\varphi \oplus \psi \cdot \mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable and let  $D : \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}} \longrightarrow X^*$ be a derivation for some Banach  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ -bimodule X. Then X becomes a  $A \oplus B$ -bimodule through the actions as (4.1) and (4.2). Also X is an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule with f-trivial actions, that is

$$\alpha.x=x.\alpha=f(\alpha)x\ (\alpha\in\mathfrak{A},\ x\in X\bigr).$$

Then X is a commutative Banach  $A \oplus B$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Define

$$\Gamma: \frac{A\oplus B}{I} \longrightarrow \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}, \ (a,b) + I \longmapsto (a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}),$$

where  $I = J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \oplus J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}$ . It is routinely checked that  $\Gamma$  defines an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule morphism. Let  $\Pi : A \oplus B \longrightarrow \frac{A \oplus B}{I}$  be the quotient map, and let  $\tilde{D} := D \circ \Gamma \circ \Pi :$  $A \oplus B \longrightarrow X^*$ . For every  $(a, b), (a', b') \in A \oplus B$ , we may easily prove that

$$\tilde{D}((a,b)(a',b')) = \tilde{D}(a,b).\varphi \oplus \psi(a',b') + \varphi \oplus \psi(a,b).\tilde{D}(a',b'),$$

and for every  $(a,b)\in A\oplus B,$  and  $\alpha\in\mathfrak{A}$  , we have

$$\tilde{D}(\alpha.(a,b)) = \tilde{D}((\alpha.a,\alpha.b)) = \tilde{D}((f(\alpha)a,f(\alpha)b))$$
$$= D((f(\alpha)a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},f(\alpha)b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}))$$
$$= D(f(\alpha)(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}))$$
$$= f(\alpha)D((a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}))$$
$$= \alpha.D((a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}))$$
$$= \alpha.\tilde{D}(a,b),$$

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and using Lemma 4.2, we have

$$\begin{split} \tilde{D}\Big((a,b).\alpha\Big) &= \tilde{D}\Big((a.\alpha,b.\alpha)\Big) = D\Big((a.\alpha+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b.\alpha+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})\Big) \\ &= D\Big((\alpha.a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},\alpha.b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})\Big) \\ &= D\Big(f(\alpha)(a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})\Big) \\ &= f(\alpha)D\Big((a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})\Big) \\ &= D\Big((a+J_{A,\mathfrak{A}},b+J_{B,\mathfrak{A}})\Big).\alpha \\ &= \tilde{D}(a,b).\alpha. \end{split}$$

Thus  $\tilde{D}$  is a  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module derivation and from the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenability of  $A \oplus B$ , it follows that there exists  $x^* \in X^*$  such that

$$\hat{D}(a,b) = \varphi \oplus \psi(a,b).x^* - x^*.\varphi \oplus \psi(a,b) \ (a \in A, b \in B).$$

It follows that

$$D(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}) = \overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).x^*$$
$$- x^*.\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}, b + J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}).$$

So D is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -inner. Therefore  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -amenable. (iii) Suppose that  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -amenable. Since  $\mathfrak{A}$  has a bounded approximate identity, by Proposition 2.1 of [1], we conclude that  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable. So by (i),  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module amenable.

Similar relations can be obtained between the  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximate amenability of  $A \oplus B$  and  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -approximate amenability of  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$ .  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 4.4.** Let A be an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebra, where  $\mathfrak{A}$  acts on A trivially from the left by  $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathfrak{A})$ . Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$  and  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  be unital. If A is  $\varphi$ -A-module approximately amenable, then  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi}$ -approximately amenable.

*Proof.* Let X be a Banach  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$ -bimodule and  $D: \frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \longrightarrow X^*$  be a  $\overline{\varphi}$ -derivation. Then X becomes a A-bimodule through the following actions

$$a.x = (a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}).x, \ x.a = x.(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}) \ (a \in A, x \in X),$$

and X is an  $\mathfrak{A}$ -bimodule with f-trivial actions, that is  $\alpha \cdot x = x \cdot \alpha = f(\alpha) x$  ( $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ )  $\mathfrak{A}, x \in X$ ). By Lemma 4.2,  $f(\alpha)a - a.\alpha \in J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}$  ( $\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, a \in A$ ). So,  $f(\alpha)a + a.\alpha$  $J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} = a.\alpha + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}} \ (\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}, a \in A), \text{ and the actions of } \mathfrak{A} \text{ and } A \text{ on } X \text{ are}$ compatible. Thus X is a commutative Banach A- $\mathfrak{A}$ -module. Let  $\tilde{D}: A \longrightarrow X^*$ be defined by  $D(a) = D(a + J_{A,\mathfrak{A}})$   $(a \in A)$ . A similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.2 of [2], shows that D is approximately  $\varphi$ -inner. So, D is approximately  $\overline{\varphi}$ -inner. Therefore  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi}$ -approximately amenable. 

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  have a bounded approximate identity, and let A and B be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -module Banach algebras, where  $\mathfrak{A}$  acts on A and B trivially from the left. Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(A)$ ,  $\psi \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{A}}(B)$ , and let  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  and  $\frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  be unital. Then A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable if and only if  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Proof. Suppose that A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. By Proposition 4.4,  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}}$  and  $\frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  are  $\overline{\varphi}$ -approximately amenable and  $\overline{\psi}$ -approximately amenable, respectively. Now by using Proposition 3.5 for  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathbb{C}$ , we conclude that  $\frac{A}{J_{A,\mathfrak{A}}} \oplus \frac{B}{J_{B,\mathfrak{A}}}$  is  $\overline{\varphi} \oplus \overline{\psi}$ -approximately amenable. So, Theorem 4.3, implies that  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

Conversely, suppose that  $A \oplus B$  is  $\varphi \oplus \psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable. Then by Proposition 3.7, A is  $\varphi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable and B is  $\psi$ - $\mathfrak{A}$ -module approximately amenable.

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