

On dual-valued operators on Banach algebras

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ABSTRACT. Let \mathcal{U} be a regular Banach algebra and let $D : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^*$ be a bounded linear operator, where \mathcal{U}^* is the topological dual space of \mathcal{U} . We seek conditions under which the transpose of D becomes a bounded derivation on \mathcal{U}^{**} . We focus our attention on the class $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ of bounded derivations $D : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^*$ so that $\langle a, D(a) \rangle = 0$ for all $a \in \mathcal{U}$. We consider this matter in the setting of Beurling algebras on the additive group of integers. We show that \mathcal{U} is a weakly amenable Banach algebra if and only if $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}) \neq \{0\}$.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this article \mathcal{U} will be a Banach algebra. By \square and \diamond we will denote the first and second Arens products on \mathcal{U}^{**} (cf. [1]). The Banach algebra \mathcal{U} is said to be *regular* when these products coincide, in which case we will simply write $\square = \diamond = \bullet$. If \mathcal{U} is regular it is readily seen that \mathcal{U}^* becomes a Banach \mathcal{U}^{**} -bimodule. As usual, $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ will denote the space of bounded operators between \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{U}^* and $\mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ will be the space of bounded derivations between \mathcal{U}^{**} and \mathcal{U}^* . As is well known, when endowed with the uniform norm $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ and $\mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ are Banach spaces. By $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ we will denote the class of \mathcal{D} -derivations consisting of bounded derivations $D : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^*$ such that $\langle a, D(a) \rangle = 0$ if $a \in \mathcal{U}$. Clearly any inner derivation from \mathcal{U} into \mathcal{U}^* is a \mathcal{D} -derivation. For problems related to these special classes of derivations, their characterization and examples in the context of Banach algebras of continuous functions or projective Banach algebras, we recommend [3]. In Proposition 1 we will characterize

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those operators $D \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ whose dual belongs to $\mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ under the hypothesis that \mathcal{U} is a regular Banach algebra. Further, the corresponding problem if $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ will be considered in Proposition 2. In Theorem 6 we will provide conditions under which $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ if $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$. In Proposition 7 it will be shown that any $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ is (w, w) continuous. This matter and examples in the setting of Beurling algebras on \mathbb{Z} will be considered in Theorem 8. For further information and background on the subject of this paper, we recommend [11], §1.4, p. 46. In addition, important articles concerning the regularity of Banach algebras are [8], [12] and [13]. Conditions under which the second transpose of a \mathcal{U}^* -valued bounded derivation on \mathcal{U} becomes a bounded derivation on \mathcal{U}^{**} endowed with the first Arens product were investigated in [7] and [2].

2. Transposes and bounded derivations between \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{U}^*

Proposition 1. If \mathcal{U} is a regular Banach algebra and if $D \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.
- (ii) If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and if $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, then

$$\langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi D(a) - D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle.$$

- (iii) If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and if $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, then

$$\langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle = \langle D(a)\Phi - aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle.$$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ and $a \in \mathcal{U}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Psi D(a), \Phi \rangle &= \langle D(a), \Phi \bullet \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle a, D^*(\Phi \bullet \Psi) \rangle \\ &= \langle a, D^*(\Phi)\Psi + \Phi D^*(\Psi) \rangle \\ &= \langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle + \langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Given $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, $a \in \mathcal{U}$, it will suffice to see that

$$(1) \quad \langle \Psi D(a), \Phi \rangle - \langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle = \langle D(a)\Phi - aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle.$$

But (1) is an immediate consequence of the regularity of \mathcal{U} .

(iii) \Rightarrow (i). If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, D^*(\Phi \bullet \Psi) \rangle &= \langle D(a), \Phi \bullet \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle D(a)\Phi, \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle + \langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle a, \Phi D^*(\Psi) + D^*(\Phi)\Psi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since a is arbitrary the claim holds. □

Proposition 2. Let \mathcal{U} be a regular Banach algebra and let $k_{\mathcal{U}^*} : \mathcal{U}^* \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}^{***}$ be the natural embedding of \mathcal{U}^* into \mathcal{U}^{***} . Given $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.
- (ii) If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and if $\Phi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, then $k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD^*(\Phi)) + aD^{**}(\Phi) = 0$.
- (iii) If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and if $\Phi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, then $D^{**}(a\Phi) + k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(D^*(a\Phi)) = 0$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, $a \in \mathcal{U}$. Given $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, consider bounded nets $\{b_i\}_{i \in I}$, $\{c_j\}_{j \in J}$ in \mathcal{U} such that $\Phi = w^*\text{-}\lim_{i \in I} k_{\mathcal{U}}(b_i)$ and $\Psi = w^*\text{-}\lim_{j \in J} k_{\mathcal{U}}(c_j)$, where $k_{\mathcal{U}} : \mathcal{U} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}^{**}$ denotes the usual isometric embedding of \mathcal{U} into its second dual space \mathcal{U}^{**} by means of evaluations. Hence

$$\langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle = \lim_{i \in I} \langle b_i, D^*(\Psi)a \rangle = \lim_{i \in I} \langle D(ab_i), \Psi \rangle = \lim_{i \in I} \lim_{j \in J} \langle c_j, D(ab_i) \rangle.$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad \langle \Psi D(a) - D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle &= \langle D(a), \Phi \bullet \Psi \rangle - \langle a, \Phi D^*(\Psi) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{i \in I} \lim_{j \in J} (\langle b_i c_j, D(a) \rangle - \langle c_j, D(ab_i) \rangle) \\ &= - \lim_{i \in I} \lim_{j \in J} \langle c_j, aD(b_i) \rangle \\ &= - \lim_{i \in I} \langle aD(b_i), \Psi \rangle \\ &= - \langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and the conclusion follows from Proposition 1 and (2).

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ we write

$$(3) \quad \langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle = \langle D^*(\Psi a) + \Psi D(a), \Phi \rangle = \langle \Psi D(a), \Phi \rangle - \langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle.$$

Moreover, $\langle \Psi D(a), \Phi \rangle = \langle D(a)\Phi, \Psi \rangle$ because \mathcal{U} is regular. Hence, by (3) we obtain

$$\langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle = \langle D(a)\Phi - aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle = - \langle D^*(a\Phi), \Psi \rangle.$$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i). If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ we write

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, D^*(\Phi \bullet \Psi) \rangle &= \langle D(a)\Phi, \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle aD^*(\Phi) - D^*(a\Phi), \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle aD^*(\Phi), \Psi \rangle + \langle D^*(\Psi)a, \Phi \rangle \\ &= \langle a, D^*(\Phi)\Psi + \Phi D^*(\Psi) \rangle. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3. Let \mathcal{U} be a regular Banach algebra. Given $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ such that $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, then

$$\mathcal{U}D^{**}(\mathcal{U}^{**}) \cup D^{**}(\mathcal{U}^{**})\mathcal{U} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}^*.$$

Theorem 4 (cf. [3, Theorem 2.1]). Let \mathcal{U} be a general Banach algebra such that \mathcal{U}^2 is dense in \mathcal{U} , where

$$\mathcal{U}^2 = \text{span}\{xy : x, y \in \mathcal{U}\}.$$

Then for $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$.

- (ii) $\langle x, D(y) \rangle + \langle y, D(x) \rangle = 0$ for all $x, y \in \mathcal{U}$.
- (iii) $D^* \circ k_{\mathcal{U}} \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.
- (iv) $D + D^* \circ k_{\mathcal{U}} = 0_{\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*}$.

Corollary 5. *Let \mathcal{U} be a general Banach algebra such that \mathcal{U}^2 is dense in \mathcal{U} . If $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, then $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ if and only if for all $a, b, c \in \mathcal{U}$ the following identity*

$$(4) \quad \langle ab, D(c) \rangle + \langle ca, D(b) \rangle + \langle bc, D(a) \rangle = 0$$

holds.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) For $a, b, c \in \mathcal{U}$ and $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle ab, D(c) \rangle + \langle ca, D(b) \rangle + \langle bc, D(a) \rangle &= \langle ab, D(c) \rangle + \langle ca, D(b) \rangle - \langle a, D(bc) \rangle \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(\Leftarrow) If $a, b \in \mathcal{U}$ let $\{b_n\}$ and $\{c_n\}$ be sequences in \mathcal{U} such that $b = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n c_n)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, D(b) \rangle + \langle b, D(a) \rangle &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \langle a, D(b_n c_n) \rangle + \langle b_n c_n, D(a) \rangle \} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \langle a, D(b_n) c_n + b_n D(c_n) \rangle + \langle b_n c_n, D(a) \rangle \} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \langle c_n a, D(b_n) \rangle + \langle a b_n, D(c_n) \rangle + \langle b_n c_n, D(a) \rangle \} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Theorem 6. *Let \mathcal{U} be a regular Banach algebra, and let $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.*

- (i) *If \mathcal{U}^2 is dense in \mathcal{U} and $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$ then $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$.*
- (ii) *Suppose $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ has the property that*

$$(5) \quad \lim_{i \in I} \lim_{j \in J} \langle c_j, aD(b_i) \rangle = \lim_{j \in J} \lim_{i \in I} \langle c_j, aD(b_i) \rangle$$

for every pair of bounded sequences in \mathcal{U} , $\{b_i\}_{i \in I}$, $\{c_j\}_{j \in J}$, and every $a \in \mathcal{U}$ for which both iterated limits exist. Then $D^ \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.*

Proof. (i) By Proposition 2 if $D^* \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}^{**}, \mathcal{U}^*)$, the equality (4) holds for all $a, b, c \in \mathcal{U}$. Thus the conclusion follows from Corollary 5.

(ii) If $a, b \in \mathcal{U}$, then $aD^{**}(k_{\mathcal{U}}(b)) = k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD(b))$. So, by Theorem 4 we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD(b)) - aD^{**}(k_{\mathcal{U}}(b)) \\ &= k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD^*(k_{\mathcal{U}}(-b))) + aD^{**}(k_{\mathcal{U}}(-b)). \end{aligned}$$

If $\Phi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ let $\{b_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a bounded net in \mathcal{U} such that $\Phi = w^*\text{-}\lim_{i \in I} k_{\mathcal{U}}(b_i)$. Define $\zeta \in \mathcal{U}^*$ by $\langle c, \zeta \rangle \triangleq \langle D^*(k_{\mathcal{U}}(c)a), \Phi \rangle$. Thus $\zeta = w^*\text{-}\lim_{i \in I} aD(b_i)$ and $k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(\zeta) = aD^{**}(\Phi)$. For, let $\Psi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ such that $\Psi = w^*\text{-}\lim_{j \in J} k_{\mathcal{U}}(c_j)$ in \mathcal{U}^{**} for some bounded net $\{c_j\}_{j \in J}$ in \mathcal{U} . So, by (5) we have

$$\langle \Psi, aD^{**}(\Phi) \rangle = \lim_{i \in I} \lim_{j \in J} \langle c_j, aD(b_i) \rangle = \lim_{j \in J} \lim_{i \in I} \langle c_j, aD(b_i) \rangle = \langle \zeta, \Psi \rangle.$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \Psi, k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD^*(\Phi)) + aD^{**}(\Phi) \rangle &= \langle \Psi, k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD^*(\Phi) + \zeta) \rangle \\
 &= \langle aD^*(\Phi) + \zeta, \Psi \rangle \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J} \langle c_j, aD^*(\Phi) + \zeta \rangle \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J} [\langle D(c_j a), \Phi \rangle + \langle \zeta, k_{\mathcal{U}}(c_j) \rangle] \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J} \lim_{i \in I} [\langle b_i, D(c_j a) \rangle + \langle aD(b_i), k_{\mathcal{U}}(c_j) \rangle] \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J} \lim_{i \in I} \langle c_j, a(D^*(k_{\mathcal{U}}(b_i)) + D(b_i)) \rangle \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since Ψ was arbitrary, $k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(aD^*(\Phi)) + aD^{**}(\Phi) = 0$ and the conclusion follows from Proposition 2. \square

Proposition 7. If $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ then D^* is (w, w) -continuous.

Proof. If $D \in \mathcal{D}$, let $\{\Phi_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a net in \mathcal{U}^{**} such that $w\text{-}\lim_{i \in I} D^*(\Phi_i) \neq 0_{\mathcal{U}^*}$. There exists $\Theta \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$ and a subnet $\{\Phi_i\}_{i \in I_1}$ of $\{\Phi_i\}_{i \in I}$ such that

$$|\langle D^*(\Phi_i), \Theta \rangle| \geq 1 \text{ if } i \in I_1.$$

Let $\{a_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a bounded net in \mathcal{U} such that

$$\Theta = w^* - \lim_{j \in J} k_{\mathcal{U}}(a_j).$$

Since $\{k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(D(a_j))\}_{j \in J}$ is a bounded net in \mathcal{U}^{***} by the Banach–Alaoglu theorem there is a subnet $\{a_j\}_{j \in J_1}$ such that the limit $w^*\text{-}\lim_{j \in J_1} k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(D(a_j))$ defines an element M in \mathcal{U}^{***} . As $D^{**} \in (w^*, w^*)$,

$$D^{**}(\Theta) = w^* - \lim_{j \in J_1} D^{**}(k_{\mathcal{U}}(a_j)).$$

In particular, by Theorem 4 we deduce that $D^{**} \circ k_{\mathcal{U}} = k_{\mathcal{U}^*} \circ D$. Hence, if $i \in I_1$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &\leq |\langle D^*(\Phi_i), \Theta \rangle| \\
 &= |\langle \Phi_i, D^{**}(\Theta) \rangle| \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J_1} |\langle \Phi_i, D^{**}(k_{\mathcal{U}}(a_j)) \rangle| \\
 &= \lim_{j \in J_1} |\langle \Phi_i, k_{\mathcal{U}^*}(D(a_j)) \rangle| \\
 &= |\langle \Phi_i, M \rangle|,
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., $w\text{-}\lim_{i \in I} \Phi_i \neq 0_{\mathcal{U}^{**}}$. \square

3. An application to Beurling algebras on the group $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$

Given a function $w : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ let $\mathcal{U} \triangleq \ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)$ be the space of complex sequences $\{a_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$ such that $\|a\|_{1,w} \triangleq \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} |a_m| w(m)$ is finite. With the natural vector space operations $(\mathcal{U}, \|\cdot\|_{1,w})$ is a Banach space. Further, let us suppose that w is a weight function, i.e., $w(m+n) \leq w(m)w(n)$ for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $w(0) = 1$. Then, for $a, b \in \mathcal{U}$ the convolution product

$$a * b \triangleq \left\{ \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} a_m b_{n-m} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

is well defined and \mathcal{U} becomes a Banach algebra. These algebras are called *Beurling algebras* on the additive group \mathbb{Z} (cf. [6], [9]). The topological dual \mathcal{U}^* consists of all functions $\lambda : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\|\lambda\|_{\infty, w^{-1}} \triangleq \sup \{ |\lambda(m)| w(m)^{-1} : m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

is finite. Indeed, \mathcal{U} is a dual Banach algebra whose predual can be identified with the closed subspace $c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$ consisting of those sequences $\lambda \in \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$ such that λw^{-1} vanishes at infinity. Since the additive group of integers is discrete and countable there are weights w on \mathbb{Z} such that $\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)$ is regular. Further, \mathcal{U} is regular if

$$\inf_{i \leq j} \frac{w(m_i + n_j)}{w(m_i)w(n_j)} = 0$$

for all sequences of distinct elements of \mathbb{Z} (see [5]). For instance, \mathcal{U} is not regular if $w(m) = 1$ or $w(m) = \exp(|m|)$, and it is regular if $w(m) = 1 + |m|$ for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Theorem 8. *Let $D \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}^*)$.*

(i) *There is a unique complex sequence $\{\lambda_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$ such that*

$$(6) \quad \|D\| = \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\{ \frac{|m|}{w(m)} \sup_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|\lambda_{m+p-1}|}{w(p)} \right\},$$

and if $a \in \mathcal{U}$ we have

$$(7) \quad D(a) = \left\{ \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} m \lambda_{m+p-1} a_m \right\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}.$$

(ii) *If we write $D_0(a) \triangleq \{-ma_{-m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$ for $a \in \mathcal{U}$ then $D_0 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ and any other element of $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ is a constant multiple of D_0 .*

(iii) *$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U}) \neq \{0\}$ if and only if \mathcal{U} is a non-weakly amenable Banach algebra.*

(iv) *If $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ then $D(\mathcal{U}) \subseteq c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$.*

(v) *If $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ then $D^* + D \circ k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* = 0_{\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})^*, \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}$.*

(vi) *If $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ then $D \circ k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* = k_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)}^* \circ D^{**}$.*

Proof. (i) If $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, let e_m be the characteristic function of $\{m\}$ considered as an element of \mathcal{U} and let $D(e_m) = \{\lambda_{m,p}\}_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}$ in $\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$. Since D satisfies the Leibnitz rule, the following identities $\lambda_{m+p,q} = \lambda_{m,p+q} + \lambda_{p,m+q}$ hold for all $m, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let us write $\lambda_m \triangleq \lambda_{1,m}$ for $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. It is readily seen that $\lambda_{m,p} = m\lambda_{m+p-1}$ if $m, p \in \mathbb{Z}$. Hence (7) holds since for each $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ the linear form $\mu \rightarrow \langle e_p, \mu \rangle$ belongs to $\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})^*$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\| D \left(\frac{e_m}{w(m)} \right) \right\|_{\infty, w^{-1}} &= \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{w(m)} \sup_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|\lambda_{m,p}|}{w(p)} \\ &= \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|m|}{w(m)} \sup_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|\lambda_{m+p-1}|}{w(p)} \leq \|D\|. \end{aligned}$$

We can assume that $D \neq 0$. If $0 < t < \|D\|$ there exist $m, p \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $|m\lambda_{m+p-1}|/w(m)w(p) > t$. Otherwise, we can choose $u, v \in [\mathcal{U}]_1$ such that

$$t < |\langle v, D(u) \rangle| \leq \sum_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} |v_p| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} |m\lambda_{m+p-1}u_m| \leq t \|u\|_{1,w} \|v\|_{1,w} \leq t,$$

which is absurd. Thus (6) follows.

(ii) It is straightforward to see that $D_0 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$. Moreover, with the above notation let $D \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{U})$ and $m, p \in \mathbb{Z}$. By Theorem 4(ii) we see that

$$0 = \langle e_m, D(e_p) \rangle + \langle e_p, D(e_m) \rangle = (m + p) \lambda_{m+p-1}.$$

Hence $\lambda_{m,p} = \lambda_{m+p-1} = 0$ if $m + p \neq 0$ while $\lambda_{m,-m} = m\lambda_{-1}$. Consequently $D(e_m) = \lambda_{-1}m e_{-m}$ and $D = \lambda_{-1}D_0$.

(iii) Observe that \mathcal{U} is not weakly amenable if and only if

$$(8) \quad \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|m|}{w(m)w(-m)} < +\infty$$

(cf. [10], Corollary 4.8). Further, by (6),

$$(9) \quad \|D_0\| = \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{|m|}{w(m)w(-m)}$$

and the conclusion now follows.

(iv) If $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ by (9) we have

$$\frac{|-ma_{-m}|}{w(m)} = \frac{|m|}{w(m)w(-m)} |a_{-m}| w(-m) \leq \|D_0\| |a_{-m}| w(-m),$$

i.e., $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (-ma_{-m})/w(m) = 0$.

(v) Let \mathfrak{K} be the subset of elements $F \in \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})^*$ whose induced finitely additive set function $\mu_F(E) \triangleq \langle \chi_E, F \rangle$ defined for all $E \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$ vanishes on finite subsets of \mathbb{Z} . Certainly

$$\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})^* = k_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z})} [\ell^1(\mathbb{Z})] \oplus \mathfrak{K}$$

(cf. [4, Theorem 3.2]). Further, since $\text{Id}_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)} = k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* \circ k_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)}$ then

$$(10) \quad \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})^* = k_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)} [\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)] \oplus \ker \left[k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* \right].$$

Let $A_w : \ell^1(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)$ be the isometric isomorphism such that

$$A_w(x) \triangleq \{x(m)/w(m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

if $x \in \ell^1(\mathbb{Z})$. Then

$$(11) \quad A_w^{**}(\mathfrak{K}) = \ker \left[k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* \right].$$

For, let be given $F \in \mathfrak{K}$ and $\lambda \in c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$. Then

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} \left\langle \lambda, k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(A_w^{**}(F)) \right\rangle &= \left\langle A_w^*(k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}(\lambda)), F \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \{\lambda(m)/w(m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}, F \right\rangle \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}} \frac{\lambda}{w} d\mu_F. \end{aligned}$$

But $\{e_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$ can be considered as a Schauder basis of $c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})$. Moreover, using (12) we can write

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} \left\langle \lambda, k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(A_w^{**}(F)) \right\rangle &= \left\langle \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \lambda(m) e_m, k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(A_w^{**}(F)) \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \lambda(m) \left\langle e_m, k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(A_w^{**}(F)) \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \lambda(m) \int_{\mathbb{Z}} \frac{e_m}{w} d\mu_F \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since λ was arbitrary then $k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(A_w^{**}(F)) = 0_{\ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)}$. On the other hand, given $\Phi \in \ker \left[k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^* \right]$ we set $F \triangleq (A_w^{-1})^{**}(\Phi)$. If $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, let $\chi_{\{m\}}^\infty$ be the characteristic function of $\{m\}$ considered as an element of $\ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})$. Given $a \in \ell^1(\mathbb{Z}, w)$ we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \chi_{\{m\}}^\infty, F \right\rangle &= \left\langle (A_w^{-1})^*(\chi_{\{m\}}^\infty), \Phi \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle w(m) k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}(e_m), \Phi \right\rangle \\ &= w(m) \left\langle e_m, k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(\Phi) \right\rangle \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $F \in \mathfrak{K}$ and (8) holds. If $\Phi \in \mathcal{U}^{**}$, then by (10) and (11), there are unique elements $a \in \mathcal{U}$ and $F \in \mathfrak{K}$ such that $\Phi = k_{\mathcal{U}}(a) + A_w^{**}(F)$. Finally, it is easy to verify that $a = k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*(\Phi)$ and given $b \in \mathcal{U}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle b, D_0^*(\Phi) \rangle &= \langle b, -D_0(a) \rangle + \langle A_w^{**}(F), k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}(D_0(b)) \rangle \\ &= \left\langle b, -\left(D_0 \circ k_{c_0(\mathbb{Z}, w^{-1})}^*\right)(\Phi) \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

(vi) It suffices to apply Theorem 4 and (v). □

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