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FIXED POINT PROPERTIES RELATED TO CHARACTER AMENABLE BANACH ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. For a Banach algebra \mathfrak{A} , we investigate several fixed point properties for \mathfrak{A} with respect to a non-zero character ϕ on \mathfrak{A} . As the main results, we obtain some fixed point characterizations for ϕ -amenability of \mathfrak{A} . We also describe ϕ -amenability of \mathfrak{A} in terms of the Hahn-Banach extension property. As a consequence, we offer some applications to the group algebra and the Fourier algebra of a locally compact group.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra. We denote by $\Delta(\mathfrak{A})$ the set of all non-zero multiplicative linear functionals on \mathfrak{A} . For $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, Kaniuth, Lau and Pym [7, 8] introduced and investigated a notion of amenability for Banach algebras called ϕ -amenability; see also Monfared [18]. In fact, \mathfrak{A} is said to be ϕ -amenable if there exists $m \in \mathfrak{A}^{**}$ such that

$$m(\phi) = 1$$
 and $m(f \cdot a) = \phi(a) m(f)$

for all $f \in \mathfrak{A}^*$ and $a \in \mathfrak{A}$, where $f \cdot a \in \mathfrak{A}^*$ is defined by

 $(f \cdot a)(b) = f(ab)$

for all $b \in \mathfrak{A}$. Any such m is called a ϕ -mean; see also [1, 3, 20, 21]

The notion of ϕ -amenability is a generalization of *left amenability of Lau algebras* \mathfrak{L} studied in Lau [11]; in fact, ϕ -amenability coincides with left amenability in the case where the character ϕ is taken to be the identity of the von Neumann algebra \mathfrak{L}^* . The class of left amenable Lau algebras includes the group algebra $L^1(G)$, and the measure algebra M(G) of an amenable locally compact group G, as well as the quantum group algebra $L^1(Q)$ when Q is amenable; see Lau [11]. It also includes

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the Fourier algebra of a locally compact group and the Fourier-Stieljes algebra of a topological group; see Lau and Ludwig [14].

Several authors have investigated some common fixed point properties related to various notions of amenability; see for example Argabright [2], Lau [12], Lau and Takahashi [15, 16], Saeidi [24] and Wong [25, 26, 27]. For more recent results concerning relationships between left amenability of Lau algebras and fixed point properties, see Desaulniers and the authors [4].

In this paper, we characterize the existence of a ϕ -mean on certain topological left invariant and left introverted subspaces of \mathfrak{A}^* in terms of some common fixed point properties. We also describe ϕ -amenability of \mathfrak{A} in terms of the Hahn-Banach extension property.

2. Preliminaries

Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. An element *a* of \mathfrak{A} is called ϕ -maximal if it satisfies

$$||a|| = \phi(a) = 1.$$

Let $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ denote the collection of all ϕ -maximal elements of \mathfrak{A} ; see in Kaniuth, Lau and Pym [8]. In general, $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ can be quite small; see Kaniuth, Lau and Pym [8], Examples 5.2 and 5.3. Let $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ denote the closed linear span of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Then $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ is a closed subalgebra of \mathfrak{A} . It is clear that $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ is a bounded subsemigroup of \mathfrak{A} .

When \mathfrak{L} is a Lau algebra and u is the identity of the von Neumann algebra \mathfrak{L}^* , *u*-maximal elements are precisely elements of norm 1 in \mathfrak{L} that induces a positive linear functional on \mathfrak{L}^* ; hence $P_1(\mathfrak{L}, u)$ spans \mathfrak{L} . Moreover, $P_1(\mathfrak{L}, u)$ is weak^{*} dense in $P_1(\mathfrak{L}^{**}, u^{**})$; this is because that the set of states in the predual of a von Neumann algebra is weak^{*} dense in the set of states in its dual space; see Lau [13].

A linear subspace \mathfrak{X} of \mathfrak{A}^* is called *topological left* (resp. *right*) *invariant* if

$$\mathfrak{X} \cdot a \subseteq \mathfrak{X} \text{ (resp. } a \cdot \mathfrak{X} \subseteq \mathfrak{X} \text{)}$$

for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ if, in addition, \mathfrak{X} contains ϕ , then $m \in \mathfrak{X}^*$ is called a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{X} if

$$m(f \cdot a) = \phi(a) \ m(f)$$

for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $f \in \mathfrak{X}$. The linear subspace \mathfrak{X} is called *topological left introverted* if for each $f \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $n \in \mathfrak{X}^*$ we have $n \cdot f \in \mathfrak{X}$, where $n \cdot f \in \mathfrak{A}^*$ is defined by

$$(n \cdot f)(a) = n(f \cdot a)$$

for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$. If \mathfrak{X} is a topological left introverted linear subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* , the Arens product on \mathfrak{X}^* is defined for each $m, n \in \mathfrak{X}^*$ and each $f \in \mathfrak{X}$ by

$$(mn)(f) = m(n \cdot f).$$

Now, let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left and right invariant linear subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . It is easy to check that $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ with the topology $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ is a semi-topological semigroup. In what follows, we shall always consider $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ in the topology $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$. We denote by $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{\sigma}$ the $\sigma(\mathfrak{X}^*, \mathfrak{X})$ -closure of the set $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ in \mathfrak{X}^* .

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Let $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ denote the space of bounded continuous complex-valued functions on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ with the supremum norm. For each $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$, and $h \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ define the two functions in $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ by

$$_{a}h(b) = h(ab)$$
 and $h_{a}(b) = h(ba)$

for all $b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. A linear subspace \mathfrak{Y} of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is called *left* (resp., *right*) *invariant* if ${}_a\mathfrak{Y} \subseteq \mathfrak{Y}$ (resp., $\mathfrak{Y}_a \subseteq \mathfrak{Y}$) for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Let \mathfrak{Y} be a left invariant subspace of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ containing constants. Then $M \in \mathfrak{Y}^*$ is called a *mean* on \mathfrak{Y} if

$$||M|| = M(1) = 1.$$

We denote by $\mathfrak{M}(\mathfrak{Y})$ the weak^{*} compact set of all means on \mathfrak{Y} . The functional $M \in \mathfrak{M}(\mathfrak{Y})$ is called *left invariant mean* on \mathfrak{Y} if

$$M(_{a}h) = M(h)$$

for all $h \in \mathfrak{Y}$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Also, \mathfrak{Y} is called *left introverted* if $M \cdot h \in \mathfrak{Y}$ for all $M \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$ and $h \in \mathfrak{Y}$, where

$$(M \cdot h)(a) = M(_ah)$$

for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. In this case, the Arens product \odot on \mathfrak{Y}^* is defined as

$$(M \odot N)(h) = M(N \cdot h)$$

for all $h \in \mathfrak{Y}$ and $M, N \in \mathfrak{Y}^*$. It is known that \mathfrak{Y}^* becomes a Banach algebra under the Arens product.

3. ϕ -Amenability and fixed point properties

Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}^*$ be a topological left invariant linear subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . A function $h \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$, is called weakly left additively uniformly continuous on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ if the map

 $a \mapsto {}_{a}h$

of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ into $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is uniformly continuous with respect to the uniformity induced on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ by $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ and the uniformity induced on $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ by $\sigma(CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)), CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*)$. More precisely, for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and $M \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$, there is a corresponding neighborhood V of the origin in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ such that if $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $a - b \in V$, then

$$|M(_ah) - M(_bh)| < \varepsilon.$$

We denote by $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ the space of all such functions; see Wong [26].

It is straightforward to show that $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is a norm closed left and right invariant linear subspace of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ containing the constants. It is also left introverted. Note that the space $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ depends on \mathfrak{X} and is always left introverted even if \mathfrak{X} is not topological left introverted.

We start with the following lemma whose proof is adapted from that of Theorem 2.1 of [26].

Lemma 3.1. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left invariant subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . Consider the following conditions.

(a) \mathfrak{X} has a ϕ -mean in $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)^\circ$.

(b) $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean.

Then (a) implies (b). Moreover, if \mathfrak{X} is topological left introverted and $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$, then they are equivalent.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Assume that m is a ϕ -mean in $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{\sigma}$. Then there is a net $(a_{\alpha}) \subseteq P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ such that $a_{\alpha} \to m$ in the topology $\sigma(\mathfrak{X}^*, \mathfrak{X})$ of \mathfrak{X}^* . It is easy to check that

$$aa_{\alpha} - a_{\alpha} \to 0$$

in the topology $\sigma(\mathfrak{A},\mathfrak{X})$ for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)$. It follows that

$$aa_{\alpha} - ba_{\alpha} \to 0$$

in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A},\mathfrak{X})$ for all $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. For each α , define the functional M_α on $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ by

$$M_{\alpha}(h) := h(a_{\alpha})$$

for all $h \in WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. Let M be a weak*-cluster point of (M_α) and set

$$N := M \odot M$$

We show that $N(_{a}h) = N(_{b}h)$ for all $h \in WLUC(P_{1}(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ and $a, b \in P_{1}(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. To see this, first note that without loss of generality, we may assume that M is the weak^{*} limit of the net (M_{α}) and hence

$$N(_{a}h) = (M \odot M)(_{a}h) = M(M \cdot _{a}h) = \lim_{\alpha} (M \cdot _{a}h)(a_{\alpha})$$
$$= \lim_{\alpha} M(_{a}h \cdot a_{\alpha}) = \lim_{\alpha} M(_{a}a_{\alpha}h).$$

Since $h \in WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$, it follows that for $\varepsilon > 0$, there is some neighborhood V in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ such that if $c, d \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $c - d \in V$, then

$$|M(_{c}h) - M(_{d}h)| < \varepsilon.$$

Also, there is some α_0 such that for each $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ we have $aa_\alpha - ba_\alpha \in V$. Thus

 $|M(_{aa_{\alpha}}h) - M(_{ba_{\alpha}}h)| < \varepsilon$

for all $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ and so

$$N(_{a}h) = N(_{b}h).$$

This shows that $N \cdot h$ is a constant function on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Consequently $N \odot N$ is a left invariant mean on $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose that \mathfrak{X} is also topological left introverted and $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$. Then the map $\tau : \mathfrak{X} \to CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ defined by

$$\tau(f)(a) = f(a)$$

for $f \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ is a linear isometry of \mathfrak{X} into $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ with

$$\tau(\phi) = 1$$
 and $_a\tau(f) = \tau(f \cdot a)$

for all $f \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Now, we show that

$$\tau(\mathfrak{X}) \subseteq WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)).$$

To see this, given $f \in \mathfrak{X}$, $\varepsilon > 0$ and $M \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$, we have $\tau^*(M) \in \mathfrak{X}^*$. Since \mathfrak{X} is topological left introverted, it follows that $\tau^*(M) \cdot f$ is in \mathfrak{X} and so is a $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -continuous linear functional on \mathfrak{A} . Therefore, there is a neighborhood V in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ such that

$$(\tau^*(M) \cdot f)(a)| < \varepsilon$$

for all $a \in V$. Thus, if $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $a - b \in V$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |M(_{a}\tau(f)) - M(_{b}\tau(f))| &= |M(\tau(f \cdot a)) - M(\tau(f \cdot b))| \\ &= |\tau^{*}(M)(f \cdot a) - \tau^{*}(M)(f \cdot b)| \\ &= |(\tau^{*}(M) \cdot f)(a) - (\tau^{*}(M) \cdot f)(b)| < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\tau(\mathfrak{X}) \subseteq WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ as claimed. Now, let M be a left invariant mean on $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ and set

$$\delta(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)) := \{\delta(a) : a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)\},\$$

where $\delta(a)$ denotes the point evaluation at a. Then the convex hull $co(\delta(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)))$ is weak*-dense in $\mathfrak{M}(WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)))$ and

$$co(\delta(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi))) = \delta(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi))$$

Let $(a_{\alpha}) \subseteq P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ be a net such that

$$\delta(a_{\alpha}) \to M$$

in the weak* topology of $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$. Since τ^* is weak*-weak* continuous, it follows that

$$a_{\alpha} = \tau^*(\delta(a_{\alpha})) \to \tau^*(M).$$

Thus $\tau^*(M) \in \overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{\sigma}$; it is easy to see that $\tau^*(M)$ is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{X} .

Let \mathfrak{E} be a separated locally convex vector space; that is, a complex vector space equipped with a compatible Hausdorff topology, which is generated by a family of semi-norms on \mathfrak{E} , and let K be a compact convex subset of \mathfrak{E} . An affine action of the semigroup $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ on K is a map $T : P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$ denoted by

$$(a,\xi) \to T_a \xi$$

for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $\xi \in K$ such that $T_a : K \to K$ is continuous affine and

$$T_a \circ T_b = T_{ab}$$

for all $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. The map T is called $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -uniformly continuous on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ at $\xi_0 \in K$ if the map

$$a \mapsto T_a \xi_0$$

of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ into K is uniformly continuous with respect to the uniformity induced on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ by $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ and the unique uniformity induced on K by the space \mathfrak{E} ; it is called $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -uniformly continuous on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ if it is so at each point of K.

We say that $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -uniformly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets if every such action of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has a common fixed point.

Here, we state the following result whose proof is omitted, since it can be proved in the same direction of Theorem 2.2 of [26]; see also [25]. **Theorem 3.2.** Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left invariant subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . Then the following statements are equivalent. (a) $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean.

(b) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -uniformly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

Let \mathfrak{E} be a separated locally convex vector space and let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra. An action of \mathfrak{A} on \mathfrak{E} is a bilinear map

$$T:\mathfrak{A}\times\mathfrak{E}\to\mathfrak{E}$$

denoted by $(a,\xi) \to T_a\xi$ for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $\xi \in \mathfrak{E}$ such that

$$T_a: \mathfrak{E} \to \mathfrak{E}$$

is continuous and $T_a \circ T_b = T_{ab}$ for all $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$. It is called $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -separately continuous if $a \mapsto T_a \xi$ is continuous for all $\xi \in \mathfrak{E}$ when \mathfrak{A} has the topology $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$. Let K be a compact convex subset of \mathfrak{E} , we say that K is $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ -invariant under T if

$$T_a(K) \subseteq K$$

for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$. In this case, T induces an affine action

$$T: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$$

of the semigroup $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ which is $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, X)$ -uniformly continuous on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. However, not every such affine action of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ comes from an action of the Banach algebra \mathfrak{A} .

We say that $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for the $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -separately continuous action of \mathfrak{A} if the induced action on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has a fixed point in K.

We now present the following result whose idea is inspired by Wong in [25] and Lau in [10].

Theorem 3.3. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left introverted and topological left invariant subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . Consider the following conditions.

(a) \mathfrak{X} has a ϕ -mean in $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{\sigma}$.

(b) $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean.

(c) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -uniformly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(d) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for the $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{X})$ -separately continuous action of \mathfrak{A} .

Then the implications (a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d) hold. Moreover, if $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$, then they are equivalent.

Proof. The equivalence of (a), (b), and (c) follows from Theorem 3.2 and Lemma 3.1. The proof of (a) \Leftrightarrow (d) is similar to that of [25], Theorem 3.1.

Definition 3.4. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. A function $h \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is called *additively uniformly continuous* if for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ such that for each $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$,

 $||a - b|| < \delta$ implies $|h(a) - h(b)| < \varepsilon$.

We will denote the set of all additively uniformly continuous functions on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ by $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$.

It is straightforward to show that $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is a norm closed translation invariant subspace of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ containing constants and restrictions of elements in \mathfrak{A}^* to $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$; see [17]. A very interesting property about the space $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is that it is independent of the multiplication of \mathfrak{A} , thus it only depends on the Banach space structure of \mathfrak{A} . However, it always lies inside the space of uniformly continuous functions on the semigroup $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$, which is normally denoted by $UCB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$.

Whenever Q is a family of seminorms which generates the topology of \mathfrak{E} , there is a natural notion of a Q-uniform action.

We will say that the action T of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ on a convex subset K of \mathfrak{E} is Q-uniform if for each $\xi \in K$ and $\rho \in Q$, the map from $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ into K, given by $a \mapsto T_a \xi$ is uniformly continuous with respect to ρ . More precisely, for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a corresponding $\delta > 0$ such that for each $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$,

$$||a-b|| < \delta$$
 implies $\rho(T_a\xi - T_b\xi) < \varepsilon$.

Theorem 3.5. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. Suppose that \mathfrak{E} is a separated locally convex space, and Q is a family of seminorms which generates the topology of \mathfrak{E} . Consider the following conditions.

(a) \mathfrak{A} has a ϕ -mean in $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)}^{w^*}$.

(b) $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean.

(c) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and separately continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(d) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and jointly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

Then the implications (a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d) hold. Moreover, if $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$, then they are equivalent.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Suppose that $m \in \overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{w^*}$ is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{A}^* . By Theorem 1.4 of [7] and its proof, there is a net $(a_\alpha) \subseteq P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ such that

$$\|aa_{\alpha} - \phi(a)a_{\alpha}\| \to 0$$

for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$. For each α , define

$$M_{\alpha}(h) := h(a_{\alpha})$$

for all $h \in AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. Let M be a weak*-cluster point of (M_α) . Then M is a left invariant mean on $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). The map $\tau : \mathfrak{A}^* \to CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ defined by

$$\tau(f)(a) = f(a)$$

for all $f \in \mathfrak{A}^*$, $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ is a linear isometry of \mathfrak{A}^* into $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ with

$$\tau(\phi) = 1$$
 and $_a\tau(f) = \tau(f \cdot a)$

for all $f \in \mathfrak{A}^*$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Moreover, $\tau(f) \in AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ and by the same argument used in the proof of Lemma 3.1, we can show that if M is a left invariant

mean on $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$, then

$$\tau^*(M) \in \overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)}^{w^*}$$

is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{A}^* .

(a) \Rightarrow (c). Suppose that (a_{α}) be as in the first part of the proof, and let

$$T: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$$

be a Q-uniform and separately continuous affine actions on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Fix $\xi \in K$ and consider the net $(T_{a_\alpha}\xi) \subseteq K$. Since K is compact, there is a subnet of $(T_{a_\alpha}\xi)$ which converges to an elements ξ_0 of K. So, without loss of generality we may assume that

$$T_{a_{\alpha}}\xi \to \xi_0.$$

Since the topology of \mathfrak{E} is generated by Q and the action is Q-uniform, it follows that

$$T_{aa_{\alpha}}\xi - T_{a_{\alpha}}\xi \to 0$$

in \mathfrak{E} for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Hence, for each $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ we have

$$T_a\xi_0 = T_a \lim_{\alpha} T_{a_\alpha}\xi = \lim_{\alpha} T_{aa_\alpha}\xi = \lim_{\alpha} T_{a_\alpha}\xi = \xi_0.$$

 $(c) \Rightarrow (d)$. This is trivial.

(d) \Rightarrow (b). Consider $\mathfrak{E} := AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$ with the weak* topology. Let Q be the set of seminorms induced by elements of $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$, and set

$$K := \mathfrak{M}(AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)))$$

Then K is compact and convex in \mathfrak{E} . Define the map $T: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$ by

$$T_a M(h) = M(_ah)$$

for all $h \in AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. It is easy to check that T is a Q-uniform and affine action on K. We show that the action is jointly continuous. To see this, suppose that $a_{\alpha} \to a$ in $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $M_{\beta} \to M$ in $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))^*$. Then for each $h \in AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ we have

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\alpha,\beta} |T_{a_{\alpha}}M_{\beta}(f) - T_{a}M(f)| &= \lim_{\alpha,\beta} |M_{\beta}(a_{\alpha}h) - M(ah)| \\ &= \lim_{\alpha,\beta} |M_{\beta}(a_{\alpha}h - ah) + (M_{\beta} - M)(ah)| \\ &\leq \lim_{\alpha} ||a_{\alpha}h - ah||_{\infty} + \lim_{\beta} |(M_{\beta} - M)(ah)| = 0, \end{split}$$

as required. By hypothesis, there exists $M \in K$ which is fixed under the affine action T of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$; that is,

$$T_a M = M$$

for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Hence, M is a left invariant mean on $AUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$.

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4. ϕ -Amenability and the Hahn-Banach extension property

We begin this section by introducing an important extension property.

Definition 4.1. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left invariant subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . We say that \mathfrak{X} has the Hahn-Banach ϕ -extension property if for every topological left invariant subspace \mathfrak{Y} of \mathfrak{X} containing ϕ , every ϕ -mean m on \mathfrak{Y} can be extended to a ϕ -mean \tilde{m} on \mathfrak{X} such that $\|\tilde{m}\| = \|m\|$.

The following result generalizes Theorem 1 of [10].

Theorem 4.2. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra, let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$, and let \mathfrak{X} be a topological left invariant and topological left introverted linear subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

(a) \mathfrak{X}^* has a ϕ -mean of norm 1.

(b) \mathfrak{X} has the Hahn-Banach ϕ -extension property.

Proof. Let \mathfrak{Y} and m be as in Definition 4.1. By the Hahn-Banach theorem, there exists a linear functional n on \mathfrak{X} such that ||n|| = ||m|| and $n|_{\mathfrak{Y}} = m$. Let \tilde{m} be defined on \mathfrak{X} by

$$\widetilde{m} := m_0 n$$

where $m_0 \in \mathfrak{X}^*$ is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{X} with $||m_0|| = 1$. Then it is easy to check that \widetilde{m} is a continuous linear functional on \mathfrak{X} . For every $f \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $b \in \mathfrak{A}$ we have

$$n \cdot (f \cdot b) = (n \cdot f) \cdot b$$

It follows that

$$\widetilde{m}(f \cdot b) = m_0((n \cdot f) \cdot b) = \phi(b)m_0(n \cdot f) = \phi(b)\widetilde{m}(f).$$

On the other hand, for each $f \in \mathfrak{Y}$ and $a \in \mathfrak{A}$,

$$(n \cdot f)(a) = n(f \cdot a) = m(f \cdot a) = \phi(a)m(f).$$

Therefore $n \cdot f = m(f)\phi$. Consequently

$$\widetilde{m}(f) = m_0(n \cdot f) = m(f)m_0(\phi) = m(f).$$

It is clear that $\|\widetilde{m}\| = \|m\|$ as required.

Conversely, consider the topological left invariant linear subspace $\mathfrak{Y} = \mathbb{C}\phi$ of \mathfrak{X} . Now, if we define $m \in \mathfrak{Y}^*$ by

$$m(\lambda\phi) = \lambda$$

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, then it is easy to check that m is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{Y} with ||m|| = 1. Consequently, it is clear that any invariant extension \widetilde{m} of m on \mathfrak{X} is a ϕ -mean on \mathfrak{X} with norm 1.

Corollary 4.3. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$ with $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$. Then \mathfrak{A} is ϕ -amenable if one of the following conditions holds.

(a) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{A}^*)$ -uniformly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(b) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for the $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{A}^*)$ -separately continuous action of \mathfrak{A} .

(c) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and separately continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(d) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and jointly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(e) \mathfrak{A}^* has the Hahn-Banach ϕ -extension property.

We close this section with some two applications of our results.

Example 1. For a locally compact group G with a left Haar measure λ_G , let $L^1(G)$ denote the usual Lebesgue space; see [6]. Suppose \widehat{G} denote the set of all continuous homomorphisms ρ from G into the circle group \mathbb{T} , and define $\phi_{\rho} \in \Delta(L^1(G))$ to be the character induced by ρ on $L^1(G)$; that is,

$$\phi_{\rho}(f) = \int_{G} \overline{\rho(x)} f(x) \ d\lambda_{G}(x) \quad (f \in L^{1}(G)).$$

It is known that there are no other characters on $L^1(G)$; that is,

$$\Delta(L^1(G)) = \left\{ \phi_\rho : \rho \in \widehat{G} \right\};$$

see for example Kaniuth [6], Theorem 2.7.2 and Rudin [23]. Let us recall that, G is called *amenable* if $L^1(G)^{**}$ has a ϕ_1 -mean of norm one; see [22] for details. It is clear that

$$P_1(L^1(G), \phi_\rho) = \left\{ f \in L^1(G) : \quad \overline{\rho}f \ge 0, \int_G \overline{\rho}f d\lambda = 1 \right\}.$$

For every $h \in L^1(G)$ and $\rho \in \widehat{G}$, the function $\overline{\rho}h$ can be written as a linear combination

$$\overline{\rho}h = \sum_{j=1}^{4} c_j h_j,$$

where $c_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $h_j \ge 0$ and $||h_j||_1 = 1, 1 \le j \le 4$. Hence

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^{4} c_j \rho h_j$$

and $\rho h_j \in P_1(L^1(G), \phi_\rho)$. So $P_1(L^1(G), \phi_\rho)$ spans $L^1(G)$; that is

$$X(L^1(G), \phi_\rho) = L^1(G).$$

It is known that $P_1(L^1(G), \phi_1)$ is dense in

$$P_1(L^1(G)^{**}, \phi_1^{**}) = \left\{ m \in L^1(G)^{**} : m(\phi_1) = ||m|| = 1 \right\}$$

in the weak^{*} topology of $L^1(G)^{**}$; see [13], Lemma 2.1. It follows easily that $P_1(L^1(G), \phi_\rho)$ is dense in $P_1(L^1(G)^{**}, \phi_\rho^{**})$ in the weak^{*} topology of $L^1(G)^{**}$.

Now, an application of Corollary 4.3 together with the fact that G is amenable if and only if $L^1(G)^{**}$ has a ϕ_{ρ} -mean of norm one, show that the following statements are equivalent.

(a) G is amenable.

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(b) There exists $\rho \in \widehat{G}$ such that the semigroup $\{f \in L^1(G) : \overline{\rho}f \ge 0, \int_G \overline{\rho}f d\lambda = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for the $\sigma(L^1(G), L^1(G)^*)$ -separately continuous action of $L^1(G)$.

(c) There exists $\rho \in \widehat{G}$ such that the semigroup $\{f \in L^1(G) : \overline{\rho}f \ge 0, \int_G \overline{\rho}f d\lambda = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and separately continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(d) There exists $\rho \in \widehat{G}$ such that the semigroup $\{f \in L^1(G) : \overline{\rho}f \ge 0, \int_G \overline{\rho}f d\lambda = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and jointly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(e) There exists $\rho \in \widehat{G}$ such that $L^1(G)^*$ has the Hahn-Banach ϕ_{ρ} -extension property.

Example 2. Let G be a locally compact group with identity e and let A(G) be the Fourier algebra of G which is spanned by functions with compact support in P(G), the set of all continuous positive definite functions on G; see [5] for details. Then the spectrum of A(G) can be canonically identified with G. More precisely, for each $x \in G$, the map $x \to \phi_x$, where $\phi_x(v) = v(x)$ for $v \in A(G)$, is a homeomorphism from G onto $\Delta(A(G))$. It is clear that

$$P_1(A(G), \phi_x) = \{ v \in A(G) : l_x v \in P(G), v(x) = 1 \},\$$

where $l_x v(y) = v(xy)$ for all $x, y \in G$. Moreover, in [19], Lemma 3.1, it is proved that A(G) has a ϕ_x -mean of norm one for all $x \in G$. Thus, the following statements hold.

(a) The semigroup $\{v \in A(G) : l_x v \in P(G), v(x) = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for the $\sigma(A(G), A(G)^*)$ -separately continuous action of $L^1(G)$.

(b) The semigroup $\{v \in A(G) : l_x v \in P(G), v(x) = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and separately continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(c) The semigroup $\{v \in A(G) : l_x v \in P(G), v(x) = 1\}$ has the fixed point property for Q-uniform and jointly continuous affine actions on compact convex sets.

(d) $A(G)^*$ has the Hahn-Banach ϕ_x -extension property.

5. ϕ -means on almost periodic functionals

Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. We denote by $AP(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ the Banach space of almost periodic functions on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$; that is, the subspace of the Banach space $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ consisting of those $h \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ such that the (left) translates of h form a relatively compact subset of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. Also, we define the space of almost periodic functionals on \mathfrak{A} , denoted by $AP(\mathfrak{A})$, to be the collection of all $f \in \mathfrak{A}^*$ such that the set

$$\{f \cdot a : ||a|| \le 1\}$$

form a relatively compact subset of the Banach space \mathfrak{A}^* ; this is equivalent to the set

$$\{a \cdot f : ||a|| \le 1\}$$

being relatively compact. It is easy to check that $AP(\mathfrak{A})$ is a closed, topological left introverted and topological left invariant subspace of \mathfrak{A}^* containing ϕ .

Definition 5.1. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. A function $h \in CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$, is called *left additively uniformly continuous* on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ if the map

 $a \mapsto {}_a f$

of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ into $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is uniformly continuous with respect to the uniformity induced on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ by $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ and the uniformity induced on $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ by the supremum norm. We will denote by $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ the space of all such functions on $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$; see Wong [27].

It is easy to check that $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ is a norm closed left and right invariant linear subspace of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ containing the constants. It is also left introverted and

$$LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)) \subseteq WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)).$$

Let \mathfrak{E} be a separated locally convex vector space and let K be a compact convex subset of \mathfrak{E} . An affine action T of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ on K is $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ -equiuniformly continuous if for each $W \in \mathfrak{U}$, there is some neighborhood U in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that

$$(T_a\xi, T_b\xi) \in W$$

for all $\xi \in K$ and $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ with $a - b \in U$, where \mathfrak{U} is the unique uniformity which determines the topology of K; see [9], page 197.

Moreover, T is called *equicontinuous* on K if for each $\xi \in K$ and $W \in \mathfrak{U}$, there is some $Z \in \mathfrak{U}$ such that $(T_a\eta, T_a\xi) \in W$ for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $\eta \in K$ with $(\eta, \xi) \in Z$. It is interesting to ask when $AP(\mathfrak{A})$ has a topological left invariant mean.

Theorem 5.2. Let \mathfrak{A} be a Banach algebra and let $\phi \in \Delta(\mathfrak{A})$. Consider the following statements.

(a) $AP(\mathfrak{A})$ has a ϕ -mean in $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^o$.

(b) $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean.

(c) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ -equiuniformly continuous affine actions of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ on compact convex sets.

(d) $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ has the fixed point property for $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ - equiuniformly continuous and equicontinuous affine actions of $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ on compact convex sets.

Then the implications (a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d) hold. Moreover, if $X(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) = \mathfrak{A}$, then they are equivalent.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). If $AP(\mathfrak{A})$ has a ϕ -mean in $\overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{\sigma}$, then $WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ has a left invariant mean by Theorem 3.3. Since

$$LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)) \subseteq WLUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A},\phi)),$$

it follows that $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ also has a left invariant mean.

(b)
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (c). For each $b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$, consider the map

$$R_b: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \to P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$$

defined by $R_b(a) = ab$ for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. By the same direction of Theorem 4.2 of [4], R_b is equiuniformly continuous for all $b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ This together with equi-uniform continuity of the affine action

$$T: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$$

implies that T is an A-representation for the pair $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ on K in the sense of Argabright [2]. Hence, T has a common fixed point by [2], Theorem 1. (c) \Rightarrow (d). This is trivial.

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Let $\mathfrak{Y} := AP(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)) \cap LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. Then \mathfrak{Y} is a left invariant and left introverted linear subspace of $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ containing the constants. Let

$$K := \mathfrak{M}(\mathfrak{Y}).$$

Then K is convex and compact with respect to the weak^{*} topology of \mathfrak{Y}^* . Define the map $T: P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \times K \to K$ by

$$T_a M(h) = M(_ah)$$

for all $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$, $h \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $M \in K$. It is easy to check that T is an affine action on K. Since

$$\mathfrak{Y} \subseteq LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)),$$

it follows from the definition of $LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ that this action is $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ equiuniformly continuous. Moreover, since

$$\mathfrak{Y} \subseteq AP(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)),$$

the arguments used in Lau [12], Theorem 3.2, applied to $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ show that this action is equicontinuous. Thus, this action has a fixed point, M which is left invariant on **2**). We know that the map

$$\tau : AP(\mathfrak{A}) \to CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$$

defined by

$$\tau(f)(a) = f(a)$$

for $f \in AP(\mathfrak{A})$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ is a linear isometry of $AP(\mathfrak{A})$ into $CB(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$ such that (A) - 1 and $\tau(f) = \tau(f \cdot a)$

$$au(\phi) = 1$$
 and $_a au(f) = au(f \cdot a)$
for all $f \in AP(\mathfrak{A})$ and $a \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$. Now, we show that
 $au(AP(\mathfrak{A})) \subseteq \mathfrak{Y}.$

To prove this, fix $f \in AP(\mathfrak{A})$ and set

$$h := \tau(f).$$

It is easy to see that $h \in AP(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi) \cdot f$ is totally bounded, there is some neighborhood U in $\sigma(\mathfrak{A}, AP(\mathfrak{A}))$ such that if $a, b \in P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)$ and $a - b \in U$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \|_{a}h - _{b}h\| &= \sup\{|h(ac) - h(bc)|: \ c \in P_{1}(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)\} \\ &= \sup\{|(c \cdot f)(a - b)|: \ c \in P_{1}(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)\} < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $h \in LUC(P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi))$. By the same argument used in the proof of Lemma 3.1, we can show that $\tau^*(M) \in \overline{P_1(\mathfrak{A}, \phi)}^{w^*}$ is a ϕ -mean on $AP(\mathfrak{A})^*$.

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