

ON NON-ZERO VALUES OF THE CENTRAL HOMOLOGICAL DIMENSION OF C*-ALGEBRAS

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The paper is related to the area which was recently called topological homology [3, 6, 12, 16, 4]. We consider questions associated with the central Hochschild cohomology of C*-algebras. The study of the latter was begun by J. Phillips and I. Raeburn in [9, 10], when they were investigating some problems of the theory of perturbations of C*-algebras. In [8] we obtained a description of the structure of C*-algebras with central bidimension zero: it was proved that these C*-algebras are unital and have continuous trace. In the special case of separable and a priori unital C*-algebras this statement was proved by J. Phillips and I. Raeburn in [11] with the help of a different approach. The question was raised. Which values can the central bidimension of C*-algebras take? In the present paper it is shown that, for any CCR-algebra A having at least one infinite-dimensional irreducible representation, the central bidimension and the global central homological dimension of A are greater than one. At the same time it is proved that there exist CCR-algebras which are centrally biprojective, but which have both dimensions equal to one. This situation contrasts with the state of affairs in the “traditional” theory of the Banach Hochschild cohomology. Recall [3, Ch. 5] that the bidimension and the global homological dimension of any infinite-dimensional biprojective C*-algebra are equal to two. Besides, there is no CCR-algebra of bidimension one (respectively, global homological dimension one). See [7].

One can see the main concepts of the relative homological theory over a commutative Banach algebra B in [8]. In Section 0, we recall some of them which will be used in the present paper. In Section 1, sufficient conditions are given which imply the relative homological dimensions of a Banach algebra over B are equal to one. In Section 2, we calculate the central bidimension and the global central homological dimension of biprojective C*-algebras and study some structural properties of central biprojective C*-algebras. In Section 3, a lower estimate of the global central homological dimension of CCR-algebras which have infinite-dimensional irreducible representations will be obtained.

0. Necessary information. Let B be a commutative Banach algebra with an identity e_B . A Banach algebra A is called a *Banach B-algebra* if A is a Banach B -module such that for any $a_1, a_2 \in A$, and $b \in B$ the condition $(a_1 a_2) \cdot b = a_1 (a_2 \cdot b) = (a_1 \cdot b) a_2$ holds. (For a purely algebraic approach to the theory of B -algebras, see [1, Ch. 9].) Here and everywhere afterwards “a Banach B -module” will mean a unital symmetrical Banach B -bimodule. Simultaneously with a Banach B -algebra A we consider a Banach B -algebra $A_B = A \oplus B$ with operations

$$(a_1, b_1)(a_2, b_2) = (a_1 a_2 + a_1 \cdot b_2 + b_1 \cdot a_2, b_1 b_2),$$

$$b \cdot (a_1, b_1) = (b \cdot a_1, b b_1) = (a_1, b_1) \cdot b, ((a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2)) \in A_B, b \in B,$$

and a norm which makes A_B into a Banach algebra such that $\|(a, 0)\| = \|a\|$ ($a \in A$), and $\|(0, b)\| = \|b\|$ ($b \in B$). In particular, we can take $\|(a, b)\| = \max\{\|a\|, \|b\|\}$. Recall (see,

for example, [8]), that a left (right, bi-) Banach A -module X is called the *left (right, bi-) Banach (A, B) -module* if, in addition, X is a Banach B -module and for any $a \in A, b \in B$ and $x \in X$ the following conditions $(a \cdot x) \cdot b = a \cdot (x \cdot b) = (a \cdot b) \cdot x$ (respectively, or (and) $(x \cdot a) \cdot b = x \cdot (a \cdot b) = (x \cdot b) \cdot a$) hold. A morphism of left (right, bi-) Banach A -modules is called a *morphism of left* (respectively, *right, bi-*) *Banach (A, B) -modules* if, in addition, it is a morphism of Banach B -modules. The category of left Banach (A, B) -modules and their morphisms is denoted by $(A, B)\text{-mod}$; $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$ denote the corresponding category of Banach (A, B) -bimodules. For $X, Y \in (A, B)\text{-mod}((A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B))$ the Banach space of morphisms from X to Y is denoted by ${}_{(A, B)}h(X, Y)$ (respectively, ${}_{(A, B)}h_{(A, B)}(X, Y)$). We denote by A_+ the Banach algebra obtained by adjoining an identity e_+ to A .

We note that any Banach (A, B) -module X is a Banach (A_B, B) -module with operations of external multiplications $(a, b) \cdot x = a \cdot x + b \cdot x$ or (and) $x \cdot (a, b) = x \cdot a + x \cdot b$ ($a, b \in A_B, x \in X$), and the same B -module structure.

In the homological theory of Banach B -algebras the Banach B -cohomology of Hochschild $H_B^n(A, X)$ of the Banach B -algebra A with coefficients in a (A, B) -bimodule X is of great interest.

DEFINITION 0.1. Let

$$0 \rightarrow C_B^0(A, X) \xrightarrow{\delta^0} \dots \xrightarrow{\delta^{n-1}} C_B^n(A, X) \xrightarrow{\delta^n} C_B^{n+1}(A, X) \xrightarrow{\delta^{n+1}} \dots, (\mathcal{C}_B(A, X))$$

be a complex, where $C_B^0(A, X)$ is the B -module X and, for $n > 0$, $C_B^n(A, X)$ is the B -module of all continuous n - B -linear maps $f: A \times A \times \dots \times A \rightarrow X$. The connecting maps δ^n ($n = 0, 1, \dots$) act by the formulae $(\delta^0 x)(a) = a \cdot x - x \cdot a$ and for, $n > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta^n f)(a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}) &= a_1 \cdot f(a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i f(a_1, \dots, a_i a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n+1}) + (-1)^{n+1} f(a_1, \dots, a_n) \cdot a_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

This complex is called the *standard B-cohomological complex*. The n -th cohomology of $\mathcal{C}_B(A, X)$ is called the *n-dimensional B-cohomology group of A with coefficients in X* and is denoted by $H_B^n(A, X)$.

The *B-bidimension* of the Banach B -algebra A is a number (or ∞)

$$db_B A = \inf\{n : H_B^{n+1}(A, X) = 0 \text{ for all } X \in (A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)\}.$$

Homological characteristics are closely connected with the concept of projectivity. A Banach (A, B) -module P is called *(A, B)-projective* if, for any Banach (A, B) -module Y , any epimorphism φ from Y onto P such that φ has a right inverse morphism of Banach B -modules must have also a right inverse morphism of Banach (A, B) -modules.

A Banach B -algebra A is called *B-biprojective* if it is projective as a Banach (A, B) -bimodule.

For $X \in (A, B)\text{-mod}((A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B))$ a complex over X

$$0 \longleftarrow X \xleftarrow{\epsilon} P_0 \xleftarrow{\varphi_0} P_1 \xleftarrow{\varphi_1} P_2 \xleftarrow{\varphi_2} \dots (0 \longleftarrow X \longleftarrow \mathcal{P})$$

is called a *projective resolution* if it is splittable regarded as a complex of Banach B -module and all P_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots$) are projective in $(A, B)\text{-mod}$ (respectively, in $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$). We shall denote the n -th cohomology of the complex $h_{(A, B)}(\mathcal{P}, Y)$ by $\text{Ext}_{(A, B)}^n(X, Y)$ ($X, Y \in (A, B)\text{-mod}$) and the n -th cohomology of the complex ${}_{(A, B)}h_{(A, B)}(\mathcal{P}, Y)$ by ${}_{(A, B)}\text{Ext}_{(A, B)}^n(X, Y)$ ($X, Y \in (A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$).

If $P_i \neq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $P_i = 0$ for $i > n$, we say that the (A, B) -projective resolution $0 \leftarrow X \leftarrow \mathcal{P}$ has a *length* n . The length of the shortest (A, B) -projective resolution is called the *B -homological dimension* of the (A, B) -module X , and it is denoted by $dh_{\mathcal{K}}X$, where \mathcal{K} is $(A, B)\text{-mod}$ or $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$, respectively. We note that

$$dh_{\mathcal{K}}X = \inf\{n : \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{K}}^{n+1}(X, Y) = 0 \text{ for all } Y \in \mathcal{K}\}.$$

The *global B -homological dimension* of a Banach B -algebra A is defined as a number (or ∞)

$$dg_B A = \sup\{dh_{(A, B)}X : X \in (A, B)\text{-mod}\}.$$

In [8] it was proved that $dg_B A \leq db_B A$.

In the case $B = \mathbb{C}$, where we come to the well-known definitions of the homology of Banach algebras [3], we omit “ B ”.

Recall that in [8] it was shown that, for any Banach B -algebra A , up to a topological isomorphism, $H_B^n(A, X) = \text{Ext}_{(A, B)-\langle A, B\rangle}^n(A_B, X)$, where A_B is an (A, B) -bimodule with the following structures of left and right A -modules and B -module:

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot (a_1, b_1) &= (a, 0)(a_1, b_1); (a_1, b_1) \cdot a = (a_1, b_1)(a, 0), \\ b \cdot (a_1, b_1) &= (b \cdot a_1, bb_1) = (a_1, b_1) \cdot b (a \in A, (a_1, b_1) \in A_B, b \in B). \end{aligned}$$

The symbol $\hat{\otimes}_B$ will denote the projective tensor product of Banach B -modules [13].

The identity operator is denoted by $1_X : X \rightarrow X : x \mapsto x$.

1. The B -homological dimensions of some B -biprojective algebras.

PROPOSITION 1.1. *Let A be a B -biprojective Banach algebra without a right identity. Suppose that the morphism of diagonal inclusion*

$$\Delta : A \hat{\otimes}_B A \rightarrow \left(A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A \right) \oplus \left(A \hat{\otimes}_B A_B \right) : a \otimes b \mapsto ((a, 0) \otimes b, a \otimes (b, 0))$$

has a left inverse morphism in $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$. Then $db_B A = dg_B A = 1$.

Proof. First we note that there exists an (A, B) -projective resolution of the trivial left (A, B) -module B of the form

$$0 \leftarrow B \leftarrow A_B \xleftarrow{i} A \leftarrow 0,$$

where i is the morphism of inclusion. If $dh_{(A, B)}B = 0$, then there exists a morphism of left Banach (A, B) -modules $j : A_B \rightarrow A$ such that $j \circ i = 1_A$, and, consequently, A has a right identity $e_1 = j((0, e_B))$. The contradiction shows that $dh_{(A, B)}B = 1$. Thus, the following inequalities hold:

$$1 = dh_{(A, B)}B \leq dg_B A \leq db_B A.$$

Now we consider an analogue of entwining resolution from [3, 5.2.1] where i is the morphism of inclusion and m is the product morphism. It is easy to prove the splittability of the given complex in the category of Banach B -modules. Besides, we note that all Banach (A, B) -bimodules participating in the resolution (1) are (A, B) -projective.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A_B & \xleftarrow{1 \otimes i} & A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A & \\
 & \swarrow m & \nwarrow -i \otimes 1 & \nearrow i \otimes 1 & \\
 O & \longleftarrow A_B & \oplus & \oplus & \longleftarrow A \hat{\otimes}_B A \longleftarrow O \\
 & \uparrow i & \downarrow -m & \downarrow 1 \otimes i & \\
 & A & \xleftarrow{m} & A \hat{\otimes}_B A_B &
 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

Furthermore, we consider the short splittable complex in the category of Banach B -modules complexes provided by (1):

$$0 \longleftarrow A_B \xleftarrow{\partial_{-1}} \left(A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A_B \right) \oplus A \longleftarrow W \longleftarrow 0 \tag{2}$$

and

$$0 \longleftarrow W \xleftarrow{\partial_0} \left(A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A \right) \oplus \left(A \hat{\otimes}_B A_B \right) \xleftarrow{\partial_1} A \hat{\otimes}_B A \longleftarrow 0, \tag{3}$$

where $W = \text{Ker } \partial_{-1} = \text{Im } \partial_0$, and the morphisms ∂_i ($i = -1, 0, 1$) are defined naturally by the morphisms indicated on the diagram (1).

Now, by the condition of the proposition, there exists a morphism of Banach (A, B) -bimodules $\rho : \left(A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A \right) \oplus \left(A \hat{\otimes}_B A_B \right) \rightarrow A \hat{\otimes}_B A$ such that $\rho \circ \partial_1 = 1_{A \hat{\otimes}_B A}$. Hence the resolution (3) is splittable in $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$, and, consequently, W is an (A, B) -projective Banach (A, B) -bimodule. Then the complex (2) is the (A, B) -projective resolution of length one in $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$. So, in virtue of Lemma 2.2 of [8],

$$db_B A = dh_{(A, B)-\text{(A, B)}} A_B \leqslant 1.$$

Thus, we have

$$1 = dh_{(A, B)} B \leqslant dg_B A \leqslant db_B A = dh_{(A, B)-\text{(A, B)}} A_B \leqslant 1. \quad \square$$

THEOREM 1.1. *Let A be a commutative Banach algebra with an identity, and let I be a proper closed ideal of A with a bounded approximate identity. Then, for $B = A$,*

$$dg_B I = db_B I = 1.$$

Proof. By analogy with Theroem 3.24 of [4, Ch. 6], up to an isomorphism of Banach (I, B) -bimodules,

$$I = I_B \hat{\otimes}_B I \hat{\otimes}_B I_B : a \mapsto \lim_v \lim_\mu [(a, 0) \otimes e_v \otimes (e_\mu, 0)],$$

where e_v ($v \in \Lambda$), is a bounded approximate identity in I . Hence I is a B -biprojective B -algebra.

Besides, the morphism of Banach (I, B) -bimodules $\rho = (\varphi \oplus 0)$ is a left inverse to the morphism of the diagonal inclusion

$$\Delta: I \hat{\otimes}_B I \rightarrow \left(I_B \hat{\otimes}_B I \right) \oplus \left(I \hat{\otimes}_B I_B \right): a \otimes b \mapsto ((a, 0) \otimes b, a \otimes (b, 0)),$$

where $\varphi: \left(I_B \hat{\otimes}_B I \right) \rightarrow I \hat{\otimes}_B I: (a_1, b_1) \otimes a_2 \mapsto \lim_v (a_1 a_2 + b_1 a_2) \otimes e_v$ is a morphism of Banach (I, B) -bimodules. Thus the conditions of Proposition 1.1 are satisfied and consequently, $dg_B I = db_B I = 1$. \square

2. On the central homological dimensions of biprojective C*-algebras. Let $Z(A_+)$ be the centre of A_+ . For $B = Z(A_+)$, a B -biprojective Banach B -algebra A will be called *centrally biprojective*.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let A be a centrally biprojective C*-algebra. Then all its irreducible representations are finite-dimensional.*

We begin the proof of this statement with the next lemma.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let A be a centrally biprojective Banach algebra with a bounded approximate identity e_v ($v \in \Lambda$), let M be a closed two-sided ideal of A , and let $\varphi: A \rightarrow A/M$ be the natural epimorphism. Then there exists a morphism of Banach $(A/M, Z((A/M)_+))$ -bimodules given by*

$$\tilde{\rho}: A/M \rightarrow (A/M)_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z((A/M)_+)} A/M$$

such that the equality $\tilde{\pi}_+ \circ \tilde{\rho} = 1_{A/M}$ holds, where

$$\tilde{\pi}_+: (A/M)_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z((A/M)_+)} A/M \rightarrow A/M: \bar{a} \otimes \bar{b} \mapsto \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}$$

is the canonical morphism.

Proof. Since A is projective in $(A, Z(A_+))\text{-mod-}(A, Z(A_+))$, there exists a morphism of Banach $(A, Z(A_+))$ -bimodules $\rho: A \rightarrow A_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} A$ such that $\pi_+ \circ \rho = 1_A$, where

$$\pi_+: A_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} A \rightarrow A: a \otimes b \mapsto a \cdot b.$$

We define a morphism of Banach $(A/M, Z((A/M)_+))$ -bimodules by

$$\tilde{\rho}: A/M \rightarrow (A/M)_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z((A/M)_+)} A/M$$

putting, for $\bar{a} = a + M$ in A/M , $\tilde{\rho}(\bar{a} + m) = (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi)\rho(a)$, where $\tilde{\varphi}: a_+ \rightarrow (A/M)_+ : a + \lambda e_+ \mapsto \varphi(a) + \lambda e_+$. The morphism $\tilde{\rho}$ is well-defined since, for $u \in M$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho}(u + M) &= (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi)\rho(u) = (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi)\rho\left(\lim_v ue_v\right) \\ &= \lim_v (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi)\rho(ue_v) = \lim_v \varphi(u) \cdot (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi)\rho(e_v) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Besides,

$$(\tilde{\pi}_+ \circ \tilde{\rho})(a + M) = (\tilde{\pi}_+ \circ (\tilde{\varphi} \otimes \varphi))\rho(a) = \varphi(\pi_+\rho(a)) = a + M. \quad \square$$

Conclusion of the proof of Proposition 2.1. Let T be an infinite-dimensional, irreducible representation of A on a Hilbert space H . $T:A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$, where $\mathcal{B}(H)$ is the C^* -algebra of continuous linear operators on H . By Lemma 2.4.4 of [14], the commutant of $T(A)$ in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} . Denote by I the primitive ideal $\text{Ker } T$. Then it is easy to see that the centre of A/I is isomorphic to \mathbb{C} or (0) . Recall ([2, 1.7.2]) that each C^* -algebra has a bounded approximate identity. Therefore, in virtue of Lemma 2.1, there exists a morphism of Banach A/I -bimodules $\tilde{\rho}:A/I \rightarrow (A/I)_+ \hat{\otimes} A/I$ such that $\tilde{\pi}_+ \circ \tilde{\rho} = 1_{A/I}$. Hence we can show that there exists a morphism of Banach A/I -bimodules $\tilde{\rho}:A/I \rightarrow A/I \hat{\otimes} A/I$ such that $\tilde{\pi} \circ \tilde{\rho} = 1_{A/I}$ (because A/I has a bounded approximate identity). Hence A/I is biprojective.

By the structural Theorem 5.5 of [15] (see also [3, 4.5.15]), a biprojective C^* -algebra is a c_0 -sum of some family of full matrix C^* -algebras ([12, 1.4.15]), and, consequently, A/I is a full matrix C^* -algebra and I is a maximal closed two-sided ideal.

Recall [3, Ch. 5] that the homological dimensions of an infinite-dimensional biprojective C^* -algebra A satisfy the equality $dbA = dgA = 2$. Note also that each biprojective C^* -algebra is $Z(A_+)$ -biprojective, but, as will be shown later, its central homological dimensions are equal to one.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let A be a c_0 -sum of some family of full matrix C^* -algebras. If A is finite-dimensional, then $db_{Z(A_+)}A = dg_{Z(A_+)}A = 0$. If A is infinite-dimensional, then $db_{Z(A_+)}A = dg_{Z(A_+)}A = 1$.*

Proof. Recall that A is biprojective ([15]), and, consequently, is $Z(A_+)$ -biprojective.

In view of the main theorem of [8], a C^* -algebra A with the zero central bidimension is a C^* -algebra with a continuous trace and an identity. Hence, for the case in which A is finite-dimensional, we obtain that

$$0 = dh_{(A, Z(A_+))}A \leq dg_{Z(A_+)}A \leq db_{Z(A_+)}A = 0.$$

When A is infinite-dimensional, we see that A does not have a right identity. Besides, now we shall prove that the morphism of the diagonal inclusion

$$\Delta:A \hat{\otimes}_B A \rightarrow \left(A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A \right) \oplus \left(A \hat{\otimes}_B A_B \right)$$

has a left inverse morphism in $(A, B)\text{-mod-}(A, B)$, where $B = Z(A_+)$.

The condition of the theorem implies that A is a c_0 -sum of some family of full matrix C^* -algebras $\{A_\nu : \nu \in \Lambda\}$. We shall denote by $N(\Lambda)$ the set of finite subsets of Λ , ordered by inclusion. Let $\lambda \in N(\Lambda)$. Before we define ρ , we put

$$\varphi:A_B \times A \rightarrow A \hat{\otimes}_B A : ((a_1, b_1), a_2) \mapsto \lim_{\lambda} \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda} (a_1 e_\alpha + b_1 \cdot e_\alpha) \otimes e_\alpha a_2,$$

where $e_\alpha(v) = \delta_\alpha^\nu e_{A_\nu}$, δ_α^ν is the Kronecker symbol, and e_{A_ν} is the identity matrix from A_ν . Note that, for $a_1, a_2 \in A$ and $b_1, b_2 \in B$, the equality $\varphi((a_1, b_1) \cdot b, a_2) = \varphi((a_1, b_1), b \cdot a_2)$

holds. Besides with the help of a known method for the estimate of the norm of elements in $A \hat{\otimes} A$ ([4, 0.3.30]), we can show that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m (a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}) \otimes e_{\alpha_i} a_2 \right\| \leq 1/m \sum_{k=1}^m \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \zeta^{k(i-1)} (a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}) \right\| \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \zeta^{k(i-1)} e_{\alpha_i} a_2 \right\|,$$

where ζ is a primitive m -th degree root of the identity from \mathbb{C} . Therefore, since the inequalities

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \zeta^{k(i-1)} (a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}) \right\| \leq \sup_{1 \leq i \leq m} \|a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}\|$$

and

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \zeta^{k(i-1)} e_{\alpha_i} a_2 \right\| \leq \sup_{1 \leq i \leq m} \|e_{\alpha_i} a_2\|$$

hold, we can see that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m (a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}) \otimes e_{\alpha_i} a_2 \right\| \leq \sup_{1 \leq i \leq m} \|a_1 e_{\alpha_i} + b_1 \cdot e_{\alpha_i}\| \sup_{1 \leq i \leq m} \|e_{\alpha_i} a_2\|.$$

Since $a_2 \in A$, for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\lambda_0 \in N(\Lambda)$ such that $\sup_{\mu \notin \lambda_0} \|e_\mu a_2\| < \varepsilon$, and, consequently, for all $\lambda' \geq \lambda_0$ and $\lambda'' \geq \lambda_0$ in $N(\Lambda)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda'} (a_1 e_\alpha + b_1 \cdot e_\alpha) \otimes e_\alpha a_2 - \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda''} (a_1 e_\alpha + b_1 \cdot e_\alpha) \otimes e_\alpha a_2 \right\| \\ \leq \sup_{\alpha \notin \lambda_0} \|a_1 e_\alpha + b_1 \cdot e_\alpha\| \sup_{\alpha \notin \lambda_0} \|e_\alpha a_2\| < 2\varepsilon \|(a_1, b_1)\|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $u_\lambda = \lim_{\lambda} \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda} (a_1 e_\alpha + b_1 \cdot e_\alpha) \otimes e_\alpha a_2$ converges in $A \hat{\otimes}_B A$ and $\|\varphi\| \leq 2$. Then, in virtue of the universal property of the projective tensor product ([13]), there exists a continuous linear operator $\tilde{\varphi}: A_B \hat{\otimes}_B A \rightarrow A \hat{\otimes}_B A$ such that $\|\tilde{\varphi}\| \leq 2$. We can verify that $\tilde{\varphi}$ is a morphism of (A, B) -bimodules.

We define $\rho = (\tilde{\varphi} \oplus 0)$. For $a_1 \otimes a_2$ from $A \hat{\otimes}_B A$, we obtain

$$\rho \circ \partial_1(a_1 \otimes a_2) = \tilde{\varphi}(a_1 \otimes a_2) = \lim_{\lambda} \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda} (a_1 e_\alpha \otimes e_\alpha a_2) = \lim_{\lambda} \sum_{\alpha \in \lambda} a_1 e_\alpha \otimes a_2 = a_1 \otimes a_2.$$

Consequently, $\rho \circ \partial_1 = 1_{A \hat{\otimes}_B A}$. Thus Proposition 1.1 implies that for an infinite-dimensional A we have $dg_B A = db_B A = 1$. \square

3. A lower estimate of $dg_{Z(A_+)} A$ for CCR-algebras with infinite-dimensional irreducible representations. We know ([8]) that there exist CCR-algebras with $db_{Z(A_+)} A = 0$. These are algebras having a continuous trace and an identity. In the

previous section we prove that infinite-dimensional CCR-algebras A which are a c_0 -sum of some family of full matrix C^* -algebras must have $db_{Z(A_+)}A = dg_{Z(A_+)}A = 1$. Note that all irreducible representations of these algebras are finite dimensional.

THEOREM 3.1. *Let A be a CCR-algebra. Suppose that there exists an infinite-dimensional, irreducible representation of this algebra. Then*

$$db_{Z(A_+)}A \geq dg_{Z(A_+)}A \geq 2.$$

Proof. Let T be an infinite-dimensional, irreducible representation of A on a Hilbert space H . Then the C^* -algebra $A/\text{Ker } T$ is isomorphic to the C^* -algebra of compact operators $\mathcal{K}(H)$ ([2, 4.2.5]). In [7], it was shown that $dg\mathcal{K}(H) \geq 2$. Thus, for the proof of the theorem, it is sufficient to prove the following statement.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let A be a Banach algebra, and let I be a primitive ideal with a bounded approximate identity. If $dgA/I \geq 2$, then $dg_{Z(A_+)}A \geq 2$.*

Proof. The proof of this lemma is similar to the proof of the lemma from [7]. Let X be a left A/I -module such that $dh_{A/I}X \geq 2$. It is easy to see that the multiplication $a \cdot x = \tau(a) \cdot x$ ($a \in A, x \in X$), where $\tau: A \rightarrow A/I$ is a natural epimorphism, provides a structure of a left A -module. The structure of the $Z(A_+)$ -module on X is defined by the following formula:

$$z \cdot x = x \cdot z = \tilde{\tau}(a) \cdot x, \quad \text{where } \tilde{\tau}: A_+ \rightarrow (A/I)_+: a + \lambda e_+ \mapsto \tilde{\tau}(a) + \lambda e_+.$$

Suppose that $dh_{(A, Z(A_+))}X \leq 1$. Then the left $(A, Z(A_+))$ -module $J = \text{Ker } \pi_+$ is projective, where $\pi_+: A_{Z(A_+)} \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \rightarrow X: a \otimes x \mapsto a \cdot x$ is the canonical morphism.

First we consider the case where the algebra A/I does not have an identity. By Theorem 1 of [5], the right $A_{Z(A_+)}$ -modules $A_{Z(A_+)}/I$ and A_+ are flat. Consequently, the right $A_{Z(A_+)}$ -module $A_+/I \simeq A_+ \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} A_{Z(A_+)}/I$ is also flat. Hence the sequence

$$0 \leftarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} X \xleftarrow{1 \otimes \pi_+} A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} A_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \leftarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J \leftarrow 0$$

is exact. Besides, in view of the Lemma of [5],

$$A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} A_+ \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X = A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \quad \text{and} \quad A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} X = X$$

up to an isomorphism of left Banach A/I -modules. Thus, for the A/I -module X , there exists an admissible short exact sequence

$$0 \leftarrow X \leftarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \leftarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J \leftarrow 0.$$

So, if we can prove that left A/I -modules $A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X$ and $A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J$ are projective, then we shall obtain a contradiction of the estimation $dh_{A/I}X \geq 2$.

The projectivity of the left Banach A/I -module $A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X$ follows from the existence of a morphism of left Banach A/I -modules

$$\kappa: A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \rightarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes} A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X: \bar{a} \otimes x \mapsto \bar{a} \otimes \bar{e} \otimes x,$$

such that $\pi_+ \circ \kappa = 1_{A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X}$, where

$$\pi_+: A_+/I \hat{\otimes} A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X \rightarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X: \bar{a} \otimes \bar{b} \otimes x \mapsto \bar{a}\bar{b} \otimes x.$$

The morphism κ is well-defined, because, by Lemma 2.4.4 of [14], for the primitive ideal I , we have $Z((A/I)_+) \simeq \mathbb{C}$, and hence

$$\kappa(\bar{a} \cdot z \otimes x) = \bar{a}\bar{z} \otimes \bar{e}_+ \otimes x = \bar{a} \otimes \bar{z}\bar{e}_+ \otimes x = \bar{a} \otimes \bar{e}_+ \otimes z \cdot x = \kappa(\bar{a} \otimes z \cdot x)$$

for any $z \in Z(A_+)$, $\bar{a} \in A_+/I$, $x \in X$, and $\bar{z} \in \tilde{\tau}(z)$.

Since the left $(A, Z(A_+))$ -module J is projective, there exists a morphism of left $(A, Z(A_+))$ -modules $\rho: J \rightarrow A_{Z(A_+)} \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} J$ such that $\pi_+ \circ \rho = 1_J$, where

$$\pi_+: A_{Z(A_+)} \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} J \rightarrow J$$

is a canonical morphism. Then the morphism of left A/I -modules

$$\tilde{\rho}: A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \rho} A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} A_{Z(A_+)} \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} J \simeq A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} J$$

satisfies the equality $\sigma \circ \tilde{\rho} = 1_{A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J}$, where $\sigma: A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} J \rightarrow A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J$ is a natural

epimorphism. This shows that the left A/I -modules $A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{Z(A_+)} X$ and $A_+/I \hat{\otimes}_{A_{Z(A_+)}} J$ are projective.

For the algebra A/I with an identity, we prove this statement by analogy with the previous case replacing the flat right $A_{Z(A_+)}$ -module A_+/I by the flat right $A_{Z(A_+)}$ -module A/I . \square

Thus, by the lemma just proved, we have $dg_{Z(A_+)} A \geq 2$, and, consequently, $db_{Z(A_+)} A \geq dg_{Z(A_+)} A \geq 2$. \square

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