

## VANISHING OF THE FIRST $(\sigma, \tau)$ -COHOMOLOGY GROUP OF TRIANGULAR BANACH ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we define the first topological  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -cohomology group and examine vanishing of the first  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -cohomology groups of certain triangular Banach algebras. We apply our results to study the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -weak amenability and  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of triangular Banach algebras.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are two unital algebras with units  $1_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $1_{\mathcal{B}}$ , respectively. Recall that a vector space  $\mathcal{M}$  is a unital  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule whenever it is both a left  $\mathcal{A}$ -module and a right  $\mathcal{B}$ -module satisfying

$$a(mb) = (am)b, \quad 1_{\mathcal{A}}m = m1_{\mathcal{B}} = m \quad (a, b \in \mathcal{A}, m \in \mathcal{M}).$$

Then  $\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}) = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{array} \right] = \left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{cc} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{array} \right]; a \in \mathcal{A}, m \in \mathcal{M}, b \in \mathcal{B} \right\}$  equipped with the usual  $2 \times 2$  matrix-like addition and matrix-like multiplication is an algebra.

An algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  is called a triangular algebra if there exist algebras  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  and nonzero  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule  $\mathcal{M}$  such that  $\mathcal{T}$  is (algebraically) isomorphic to  $\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$ . For example, the algebra  $\mathcal{T}_n$  of  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrices over the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$ , may be viewed as a triangular algebra when  $n > 1$ . In fact, if  $n > k$ , we have  $\mathcal{T}_n = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{T}_{n-k}, M_{n-k,k}(\mathbb{C}), \mathcal{T}_k)$  in which  $M_{n-k,k}(\mathbb{C})$  is the space of  $(n-k) \times k$  complex matrices, cf. [1].

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a triangular algebra. If  $1 = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} u & p \\ 0 & v \end{array} \right]$ , and  $\left[ \begin{array}{cc} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{array} \right]$  is denoted by  $a \oplus b$ , then it can be easily verified that  $e = u \oplus 0$  is an idempotent such that  $(1 - e)\mathcal{T}e = 0$  but  $e\mathcal{T}(1 - e) \neq 0$ . Conversely, if there exists an idempotent  $e \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $(1 - e)\mathcal{T}e = 0$  but  $e\mathcal{T}(1 - e) \neq 0$ . Then the mapping  $x \mapsto \left[ \begin{array}{cc} exe & ex(1 - e) \\ 0 & (1 - e)x(1 - e) \end{array} \right]$  is an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\text{Tri}(e\mathcal{T}e, e\mathcal{T}(1 - e), (1 - e)\mathcal{T}(1 - e))$ ; cf. [1].

By a triangular Banach algebra we mean a Banach algebra  $A$  which is also a triangular algebra. Many algebras such as upper triangular Banach algebras [4], nest algebras [2], semi-nest algebras [3], and joins [6] are triangular algebras.

Following [1], consider a triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  with an idempotent  $e$  satisfying  $e\mathcal{T}(1 - e) \neq 0$  and  $(1 - e)\mathcal{T}e = 0$ . Put  $\mathcal{A} = e\mathcal{T}e$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = (1 - e)\mathcal{T}(1 - e)$  and  $\mathcal{M} = e\mathcal{T}(1 - e)$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are closed subalgebras of  $\mathcal{T}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}$  is a Banach  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule, and  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$ . Conversely, given Banach algebras  $(\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{A}})$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}})$  and an  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule  $\mathcal{M}$ , then the triangular algebra  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$  is a Banach algebra with respect to the norm given by  $\left\| \left[ \begin{array}{cc} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{array} \right] \right\|_{\mathcal{T}} = \|a\|_{\mathcal{A}} + \|m\|_{\mathcal{M}} + \|b\|_{\mathcal{B}}$ . It is not hard

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to show that each norm  $\|\cdot\|$  making  $\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$  into a triangular Banach algebra is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{T}}$ , if the natural restrictions of  $\|\cdot\|$  to  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  are equivalent to the given norms on  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$ , respectively. See also [12, 16]

The concept of topological cohomology arose from the problems concerning extensions by H. Kamowitz [11], derivations by R. V. Kadison and J. R. Ringrose [9, 10] and amenability by B. E. Johnson [8] and has been extensively developed by A. Ya. Helemskii and his school [7]. The reader is referred to [7, 19] for undefined notation and terminology.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra and  $\sigma, \tau$  be continuous homomorphisms on  $\mathcal{A}$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{E}$  is a Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. A linear mapping  $d : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  is called a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation if

$$d(ab) = d(a)\sigma(b) + \tau(a)d(b) \quad (a, b \in \mathcal{A}).$$

We mean by a  $\sigma$ -derivation, a  $(\sigma, \sigma)$ -derivation. For example (i) Every ordinary derivation of an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  into an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule is an  $id_{\mathcal{A}}$ -derivation, where  $id_{\mathcal{A}}$  is the identity mapping on the algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . (ii) Every point derivation  $d : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  at the character  $\theta$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $\theta$ -derivation.

A linear mapping  $d : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  is called  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -inner derivation if there exists  $x \in \mathcal{E}$  such that  $d(a) = \tau(a)x - x\sigma(a)$  ( $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ). See also [13, 14, 17, 18] and references therein.

We denote the set of continuous  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations from  $\mathcal{A}$  into  $\mathcal{E}$  by  $Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$  and the set of inner  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations by  $B_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ . We define the space  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$  as the quotient space  $Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})/B_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$ . The space  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{E})$  is called the first  $(\sigma - \tau)$ -cohomology group of  $\mathcal{A}$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{E}$ .

From now on,  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  denote unital Banach algebras with units  $1_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $1_{\mathcal{B}}$ ,  $\mathcal{M}$  denotes a unital Banach  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule and  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$  is the triangular matrix algebra. In addition,  $\mathcal{X}$  is a unital Banach  $\mathcal{T}$ -bimodule,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{A}}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = 1_{\mathcal{B}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{B}}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = 1_{\mathcal{B}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{A}}$ . For instance, with  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{T}$  we have  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = 0$ .

In this paper, we examine vanishing of the first  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -cohomology groups of certain triangular Banach algebras. We apply our results to investigate the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -weak amenability and  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of triangular Banach algebras.

## 2. VANISHING OF THE FIRST $(\sigma, \tau)$ -COHOMOLOGY GROUP

In this section, using some ideas of [5], we investigate the relation between the first  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -cohomology of  $\mathcal{T}$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{X}$  and those of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}$ , respectively, whenever  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0$  in a direct method.

We start our work by investigating the structure of bounded  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations from a triangular Banach algebra into bimodules.

Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be two homomorphisms on  $\mathcal{T}$  with the following properties:

$$(2.1) \quad \tau(1 \oplus 0) = 1 \oplus 0, \quad \tau(0 \oplus 1) = 0 \oplus 1;$$

$$(2.2) \quad \sigma(1 \oplus 0) = 1 \oplus 0, \quad \sigma(0 \oplus 1) = 0 \oplus 1.$$

The above relation implies easily that  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  and  $\sigma(\mathcal{B}) \subseteq \mathcal{B}$  if we identify  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$ . So with no ambiguity, we can consider  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  as homomorphisms on  $\mathcal{A}$  or  $\mathcal{B}$ , when it is necessary.

Now let  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ . If  $\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix} &= \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m' \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \subseteq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus one can define  $\sigma_{\mathcal{M}} : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  by  $m \mapsto m'$ .

To simplify the notation we denote  $\sigma_{\mathcal{M}}$  by  $\sigma$ . Thus  $\sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right)$  can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma(a) & \sigma(m) \\ 0 & \sigma(b) \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $\sigma_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  are homomorphisms, then  $\sigma_{\mathcal{A}} \oplus \sigma_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$  defined by  $(\sigma_{\mathcal{A}} \oplus \sigma_{\mathcal{B}})(a, b) = (\sigma_{\mathcal{A}}(a), \sigma_{\mathcal{B}}(b))$  is a homomorphism. Conversely every homomorphism on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$  is of the form  $\sigma_{\mathcal{A}} \oplus \sigma_{\mathcal{B}}$  for some homomorphisms  $\sigma_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ , respectively.

Applying our notation, let  $\delta : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a bounded  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation. Then  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow 1_{\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{A}}$  defined by

$$\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a) = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{A}},$$

and  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow 1_{\mathcal{B}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{B}}$  defined by

$$\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}}$$

are bounded  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations.

Moreover, the mapping  $\theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow 1_{\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{B}}$  given by

$$\theta(m) = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}}$$

satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(am) &= 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & am \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}} = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}} \\ (2.3) \quad &= 1_{\mathcal{A}}\tau(a)\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}} + 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}} \\ &= \tau(a)1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{B}} + 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{A}}\sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \tau(a)\theta(m) + \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a)\sigma(m) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad \theta(mb) = \theta(m)\sigma(b) + \tau(m)\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b).$$

Conversely, if  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$  are bounded  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivations of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  into  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}$ , respectively, and  $\theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}}$  is any continuous linear mapping satisfies (2.3) and (2.4), then the mapping  $D \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right) = \delta_1(a) + \delta_2(b) + \theta(m)$  defines a bounded

$(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation of  $\mathcal{T}$  into  $X$ , since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) + D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
&= \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)(\delta_1(a') + \delta_2(b') + \theta(m')) \\
&+ (\delta_1(a) + \delta_2(b) + \theta(m))\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
&= \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)\tau(1_{\mathcal{A}})\delta_1(a') + \delta_1(a)\sigma(1_{\mathcal{A}})\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
&+ \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)\tau(1_{\mathcal{B}})\delta_2(b') + \delta_2(b)\sigma(1_{\mathcal{B}})\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
&+ \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)\tau(1_{\mathcal{A}})\theta(m') + \theta(m)\sigma(1_{\mathcal{B}})\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
&= \tau(a)\delta_1(a') + \delta_1(a)\sigma(a') + \delta_1(a)\sigma(m') + \tau(b)\delta_2(b') \\
&+ \delta_2(b)\sigma(b') + \tau(m)\delta_2(b') + \tau(a)\theta(m') + \theta(m)\sigma(b') \\
&= \delta_1(aa') + \delta_2(bb') + \theta(am') + \theta(mb') \\
&= D\left(\begin{bmatrix} aa' & am' + mb' \\ 0 & bb' \end{bmatrix}\right) = D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} a' & m' \\ 0 & b' \end{bmatrix}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

If  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0$ , then we may assume that the linear mapping  $\theta$  defined above is zero. Notice that, in this case,  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a)\sigma(m) = \tau(m)\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = 0$  for every  $a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}, m \in \mathcal{M}$ .

We are now ready to provide our main theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 1_{\mathcal{A}}\mathcal{X}1_{\mathcal{B}} = 0$ . Then*

$$H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}).$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0$  and consider the linear mapping

$$\rho : Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X}) \rightarrow H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})$$

defined by

$$\delta \mapsto (\delta_{\mathcal{A}} + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}), \delta_{\mathcal{B}} + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})).$$

If  $\delta_1 \in Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}})$  and  $\delta_2 \in Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})$ , then  $D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = \delta_1(a) + \delta_2(b)$  is a  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -derivation from  $\mathcal{T}$  into  $\mathcal{X}$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho(D) &= (D_{\mathcal{A}} + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}), D_{\mathcal{B}} + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})) \\
&= (\delta_1 + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}), \delta_2 + N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})).
\end{aligned}$$

The last equation is deduced from the fact that

$$D_{\mathcal{A}}(a) = 1_{\mathcal{A}}(\delta_1(a) + \delta_2(0))1_{\mathcal{A}} = \delta_1(a),$$

and

$$\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = 1_{\mathcal{B}}(\delta_1(0) + \delta_2(b))1_{\mathcal{B}} = \delta_2(b).$$

Thus  $\rho$  is surjective.

If  $\delta \in \ker \rho$ , then  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}} \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}})$  and  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}} \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}})$ . Then  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a) = \tau(a)x - x\sigma(a)$  for some  $x \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = \tau(b)y - y\sigma(b)$  for some  $y \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) &= \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a) + \delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) \\ &= (\tau(a)x - x\sigma(a)) + (\tau(b)y - y\sigma(b)) \\ &= (\tau(a) + \tau(m) + \tau(b))(x + y) - (x + y)(\sigma(a) + \sigma(m) + \sigma(b)) \\ &= \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)(x + y) - (x + y)\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $D \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})$ .

It is straightforward to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} + 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} + 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}} \\ &= 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} + 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}\sigma(a). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}} - \tau(b)1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}},$$

and also

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= \delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &\quad - \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}. \end{aligned}$$

These follow that

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta - D)\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) &= \delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) - 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} - 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}} \\ &= \left(\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) - 1_{\mathcal{A}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}\right) + \delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &\quad + \left(\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) - 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}}\right) \\ &= 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) + 1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}\sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &\quad - \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} - \tau\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}} \\ &= -\delta_{1_{\mathcal{B}}\delta\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1_{\mathcal{A}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)1_{\mathcal{A}}}\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right). \end{aligned}$$

We therefore have  $\delta - D \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})$ , and so  $\delta \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})$ .

Conversely, let  $\delta \in N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})$ . Then there exists  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  such that

$$\delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right) = \tau \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right) x - x \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(a) &= 1_{\mathcal{A}} \delta \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{A}} = 1_{\mathcal{A}} \left( \tau \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) x - x \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right) 1_{\mathcal{A}} \\ &= \tau \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) 1_{\mathcal{A}} x 1_{\mathcal{A}} - 1_{\mathcal{A}} x 1_{\mathcal{A}} \sigma \left( \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \delta_{1_{\mathcal{A}} x 1_{\mathcal{A}}}(a). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = \delta_{1_{\mathcal{B}} x 1_{\mathcal{B}}}(b)$ . Hence  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}$  are inner and so  $\delta \in \ker \rho$ .

Thus  $N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X}) = \ker \rho$ .

We conclude that

$$H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X}) = \frac{Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})}{N_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})} = \frac{Z_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{X})}{\ker \rho} = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}}) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}}).$$

□

**Corollary 2.2.**  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}), \mathcal{M}) = 0$ .

*Proof.* With  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{M}$  we have

$$H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}), \mathcal{M}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, 0) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, 0) = 0.$$

□

**Example 2.3.**  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}), \mathcal{A}) = 0$ .

**Example 2.4.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a left Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ -module. Then  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{L}, \mathbb{C}), \mathcal{L}) = 0$ .

**Corollary 2.5.**  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}), \mathcal{A}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$ .

*Proof.* With  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{A}$ , we have  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = 0$ . It then follows from Theorem 2.1,  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}), \mathcal{A}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, 0) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A})$ . □

**Example 2.6.** If  $\mathcal{A}$  is a hyperfinite von Neumann algebra and  $\mathcal{B}$  is an arbitrary unital Banach module, then  $H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}), \mathcal{A}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}) = 0$ , if  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are ultra-weak automorphisms (see Corollary 3.4.6 of [20]).

### 3. $(\sigma, \tau)$ -WEAK AMENABILITY OF TRIANGULAR BANACH ALGEBRAS

With simple calculation we can observe that if  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{T}^*$  considered as  $\mathcal{T}$ -bimodule, then  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A}^*$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}^*$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0$ . Therefore by Theorem 2.1 we can conclude the following

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be unital Banach algebras,  $\mathcal{M}$  be a unital Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ - $\mathcal{B}$ -bimodule and  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$ . Then*

$$H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}^*) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}^*).$$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be unital Banach algebras and  $\mathcal{M}$  be an unital Banach  $\mathcal{A}$ - $\mathcal{B}$ -bimodule. The triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -weak amenable if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are both  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -weak amenable.*

By induction one can easily prove the following proposition

**Lemma 3.3.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  are unital Banach algebras and  $\mathcal{M}$  is a unital Banach  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule. If  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{T}^{(2n)}$  then*

$$\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A}^{(2n)}, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}^{(2n)}, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{M}^{(2n)}, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = 0.$$

Also if  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{T}^{(2n-1)}$  then

$$\mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{A}^{(2n-1)}, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}^{(2n-1)}, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} = 0, \quad \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}} = \mathcal{M}^{(2n-1)}.$$

Now by Lemma 3.3 and Theorem 2.1, we immediately obtain the next result.

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be unital Banach algebras and  $\mathcal{M}$  be a unital Banach  $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ -bimodule. Then for all positive integers  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,*

$$H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}^{(2n-1)}) = H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^{(2n-1)}) \oplus H_{(\sigma, \tau)}^1(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}^{(2n-1)}).$$

#### 4. $(\sigma, \tau)$ -AMENABILITY OF TRIANGULAR BANACH ALGEBRAS

In this section, by using some ideas of [12] we investigate  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$ . We shall assume that the homomorphisms  $\sigma, \tau$  on  $\mathcal{T}$  have properties asserted in (2.1) and (2.2). We need some general observation concerning  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of Banach algebras. The first is an easy consequence of the definition of  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability.

**Proposition 4.1.** [15, Proposition 3.3] *Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be Banach algebras and  $\sigma, \sigma'$  be continuous endomorphisms of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\tau, \tau'$  be continuous homomorphisms of  $\mathcal{B}$ . If there is a continuous homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  such that  $\varphi(\mathcal{A})$  is a dense subalgebra of  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\tau\varphi = \varphi\sigma$  and  $\tau'\varphi = \varphi\sigma'$ , then  $(\sigma, \sigma')$ -amenability of  $\mathcal{A}$  implies  $(\tau, \tau')$ -amenability of  $\mathcal{B}$ .*

Now, suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Banach algebra,  $\sigma, \tau : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  are two continuous endomorphisms, and  $\mathcal{I}$  is a closed ideal of  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\sigma(\mathcal{I}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}, \tau(\mathcal{I}) \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ . Then the map  $\hat{\sigma}, \hat{\tau} : \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{I}} \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{I}}$  can be defined by  $\hat{\sigma}(a + \mathcal{I}) = \sigma(a) + \mathcal{I}, \hat{\tau}(a + \mathcal{I}) = \tau(a) + \mathcal{I}$ . It is not hard to show the following propositions.

**Proposition 4.2.** [15, Proposition 3.1] *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \sigma, \tau$  be as above. If  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable then  $\frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{I}}$  is  $(\hat{\sigma}, \hat{\tau})$ -amenable.*

**Proposition 4.3.** [15, Proposition 3.2] *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \sigma, \tau$  be as above and let  $\sigma, \tau$  be idempotent homomorphisms. If  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable and  $\frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{I}}$  is  $(\hat{\sigma}, \hat{\tau})$ -amenable, then  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable.*

We now extend Theorem 4.1 of [12] as follows

**Proposition 4.4.** *Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be two continuous idempotent homomorphisms on triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, 0, \mathcal{B})$ . The triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable.*

*Proof.* At first suppose that  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  are  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. It is easy to see that  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a closed ideal of  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable therefore  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable.

Let  $\varphi : \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  be the natural isomorphism. Then  $\varphi\tau = \hat{\tau}\varphi$  and  $\varphi\sigma = \hat{\sigma}\varphi$ . By Proposition 4.1  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  implies the  $(\hat{\sigma}, \hat{\tau})$ -amenability of  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus by utilizing Proposition 4.3, we deduce the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of the Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T}$ .

For the converse, suppose that  $\mathcal{T}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. It is obvious that  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a closed ideal of  $\mathcal{T}$ . By Proposition 4.2,  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $(\widehat{\sigma}, \widehat{\tau})$ -amenable. One can easily observe that there exists the natural isomorphism  $\varphi : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  and that  $\varphi\widehat{\sigma} = \sigma\varphi$  and  $\varphi\widehat{\tau} = \tau\varphi$ . Therefore, by Proposition 4.1,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$ , that is  $\mathcal{B}$ , is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. Similarly one can prove the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of  $\mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be two continuous idempotent homomorphisms on triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T} = \text{Tri}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B})$ . If the triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable then  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. In particular,  $\sigma$ -amenability of  $\mathcal{T}$  implies  $\sigma(\mathcal{M}) = \{0\}$*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mathcal{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. Clearly,  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a closed ideal of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Therefore, by Proposition 4.2,  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $(\widehat{\sigma}, \widehat{\tau})$ -amenable. Also there exists the natural isomorphism  $\varphi : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{M} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  such that  $\varphi\widehat{\sigma} = \sigma\varphi$  and  $\varphi\widehat{\tau} = \tau\varphi$ . Hence  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenable. Similarly one can prove the  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -amenability of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Now suppose that the triangular Banach algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  is  $\sigma$ -amenable.

Set  $\mathcal{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^* & \mathcal{M}^* \\ 0 & \mathcal{B}^* \end{bmatrix}$ . The vector space  $\mathcal{X}$  is a Banach space under the norm  $\| \begin{bmatrix} f & h \\ 0 & g \end{bmatrix} \| = \|f\|_{\mathcal{A}^*} + \|h\|_{\mathcal{M}^*} + \|g\|_{\mathcal{B}^*}$ . The space  $\mathcal{X}$  can be regarded as a Banach  $\mathcal{T}$ -bimodule under the following  $\mathcal{T}$ -module actions

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} f & h \\ 0 & g \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & bh \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \begin{bmatrix} f & h \\ 0 & g \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & ha \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} f & h \\ 0 & g \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{X}$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{X}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^{**} & \mathcal{M}^{**} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B}^{**} \end{bmatrix}$  is a dual Banach  $\mathcal{T}$ -bimodule.

Let  $D : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^{**} & \mathcal{M}^{**} \\ 0 & \mathcal{B}^{**} \end{bmatrix}$  be defined by  $D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(m)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & m_1 \\ 0 & b_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 & m_2 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 a_2 & a_1 m_2 + m_1 b_2 \\ 0 & b_1 b_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(a_1 m_2 + m_1 b_2)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(a_1) \sigma(m_2)} + \widehat{\sigma(m_1) \sigma(b_2)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(a_1) \sigma(m_2)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(m_1) \sigma(b_2)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(m_1)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(a_2) & \sigma(m_2) \\ 0 & \sigma(b_2) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(a_1) & \sigma(m_1) \\ 0 & \sigma(b_1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(m_2)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & m_1 \\ 0 & b_1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_2 & m_2 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\
 & + \sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & m_1 \\ 0 & b_1 \end{bmatrix}\right) D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_2 & m_2 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $D$  is a  $\sigma$ -derivation. Hence there exists  $\begin{bmatrix} F & H \\ 0 & G \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{X}^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \widehat{\sigma(m)} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & = D\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = \sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) \begin{bmatrix} F & H \\ 0 & G \end{bmatrix} \\
 & - \begin{bmatrix} F & H \\ 0 & G \end{bmatrix} \sigma\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & m \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sigma(a)H \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & H\sigma(b) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(4.1) \quad \widehat{\sigma(m)} = \sigma(a)H - H\sigma(b)$$

for all  $m \in \mathcal{M}, a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $b \in \mathcal{B}$ . Choosing  $a = 0, b = 0$  in (4.1) we conclude that  $\widehat{\sigma(m)} = 0$  for all  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ . Thus  $\sigma(\mathcal{M}) = \{0\}$ . □

**Corollary 4.6.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be two unital Banach algebra and  $\sigma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}, \tau : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be two continuous idempotent homomorphisms. The Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$  is  $\sigma \oplus \tau$ -amenable if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\sigma$ -amenable and  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $\tau$ -amenable.*

*Proof.* It is easy to see that  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} \simeq \mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B}$ . Define  $\varphi : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  via  $\varphi\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(a) & 0 \\ 0 & \tau(b) \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{B} \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\varphi$ -amenable if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are both  $\varphi$ -amenable, and this holds if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\sigma$ -amenable and  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $\tau$ -amenable. □

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