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Abstract. Let *E* be a complete uniform topological algebra with Arens-Michael normed factors $(E_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. Then $M(E) \cong \varprojlim M(E_{\alpha})$ within an algebra isomorphism φ . If each factor E_{α} is complete, then every multiplier of *E* is continuous and φ is a topological algebra isomorphism where M(E) is endowed with its seminorm topology.

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1. Preliminaries

A topological algebra is an algebra (over the complex field) which is also a Hausdorff topological vector space such that the multiplication is separately continuous. For a topological algebra E, we denote by $\Delta(E)$ the set of all nonzero continuous multiplicative linear functionals on E. An approximate identity in a topological algebra E is a net $(e_{\omega})_{\omega \in \Omega}$ such that for each $x \in E$ we have $xe_{\omega} \to_{\omega} x$ and $e_{\omega}x \to_{\omega} x$. Let E be an algebra, a function $p: E \to [0,\infty[$ is called a pseudo seminorm if there exists $0 \leq k \leq 1$ such that $p(x+y) \leq 1$ $p(x) + p(y), p(\lambda x) = |\lambda|^k p(x)$ and $p(xy) \le p(x)p(y)$ for all $x, y \in E$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. k is called the homogenity index of p. If k = 1, p is called a seminorm. A pseudo seminorm p is a pseudo norm if p(x) = 0 implies x = 0. A locally mpseudoconvex algebra is a topological algebra E whose topology is determined by a directed family $\{p_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of pseudo seminorms. For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$, let $ker(p_{\alpha}) = \{x \in E : p_{\alpha}(x) = 0\}, \text{ the quotient algebra } E_{\alpha} = E/ker(p_{\alpha}) \text{ is a}$ pseudo normed algebra in the pseudo norm $\overline{p}_{\alpha}(x_{\alpha}) = p(x), x_{\alpha} = x + ker(p_{\alpha}).$ Let $f_{\alpha}: E \to E_{\alpha}, f_{\alpha}(x) = x + ker(p_{\alpha}) = x_{\alpha}$, be the quotient map, f_{α} is a continuous homomorphism from E onto E_{α} . We endow the set Λ with the partial order: $\alpha \leq \beta$ if and only if $p_{\alpha}(x) \leq p_{\beta}(x)$ for all $x \in E$. Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ , since $ker(p_{\beta}) \subset ker(p_{\alpha})$, we define the surjective continuous homomorphism $f_{\alpha\beta}: E_{\beta} \to E_{\alpha}, x_{\beta} = x + ker(p_{\beta}) \to x_{\alpha} = x + ker(p_{\alpha})$. Thus $\{(E_{\alpha}, f_{\alpha\beta}), \alpha \leq \beta\}$ is a projective system of pseudo normed algebras which is perfect in the sense of [2, Definition 4.1]. If E is complete, then $E \cong \lim E_{\alpha}$ within a topological algebra isomorphism.

A locally m-convex algebra is a topological algebra E whose topology is defined by a directed family $\{p_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of seminorms. For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$, let $\Delta_{\alpha}(E) =$ $\{f \in \Delta(E) : |f(x)| \le p_{\alpha}(x), x \in E\}$. Let E be an algebra with involution *, a seminorm on E is called a C^* -seminorm if $p(x^*x) = p(x)^2$ for all $x \in E$. A complete locally m-convex *-algebra $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$, for which each p_{α} is a C^* seminorm, is called a locally C^* -algebra. A uniform seminorm on an algebra Eis a seminorm p satisfying $p(x^2) = p(x)^2$ for all $x \in E$. A uniform topological
algebra is a topological algebra whose topology is determined by a directed
family of uniform seminorms. A uniform normed algebra is a normed algebra $(E, \|.\|)$ such that $\|x^2\| = \|x\|^2$ for all $x \in E$.

An algebra E is called proper if for any $x \in E$, $xE = Ex = \{0\}$ implies x = 0. If E has identity, then E is proper. Moreover, a topological algebra with approximate identity is proper. Also, a uniform topological algebra is proper. Let E be an algebra, a map $T : E \to E$ is called a multiplier if T(x) y = xT(y) for all $x, y \in E$. We denote by M(E) the set of all multipliers of E. It is known that if E is a proper algebra, then any multiplier T of E is linear with the property T(xy) = T(x) y = xT(y) for all $x, y \in E$, and M(E) is a commutative algebra with the identity map I of E as its identity. Let $(E, \|.\|)$ be a uniform normed algebra, and let $M_c(E)$ be the algebra of all continuous multipliers of E with the operator norm $\|.\|_{op}$. It is known that $\|.\|_{op}$ has the square property and the map $l : (E, \|.\|) \to (M_c(E), \|.\|_{op})$, l(x)(y) = xy, is an isometric isomorphism (into).

2. Results

Proposition 2.1. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a locally m-pseudoconvex algebra with proper normed factors $(E_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. The following assertions are equivalent: (i) $T(ker(f_{\alpha})) \subset ker(f_{\alpha})$ for all $T \in M(E)$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$;

(ii) for each $T \in M(E)$, there exists a unique $(T_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \in \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} M(E_{\alpha})$ such that $f_{\alpha} \circ T = T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha}$ and $T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ T_{\beta}$ for all $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . Furthermore, T is continuous if and only if T_{α} is continuous for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$.

Proof. (*ii*) \Rightarrow (*i*) : Let $T \in M(E)$ and $x \in ker(f_{\alpha})$, then $f_{\alpha}(T(x)) = T_{\alpha}(f_{\alpha}(x)) = 0$ and so $T(x) \in ker(f_{\alpha})$.

 $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$: Let $T \in M(E)$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$, since $T(ker(f_{\alpha})) \subset ker(f_{\alpha})$ and by using a known theorem of algebra, there exists a unique linear map $T_{\alpha} : E_{\alpha} \to E_{\alpha}$ such that $f_{\alpha} \circ T = T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha}$. Let $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and $x, y \in E$, $T_{\alpha}(f_{\alpha}(x) f_{\alpha}(y)) = T_{\alpha}(f_{\alpha}(xy)) =$ $f_{\alpha}(T(xy)) = f_{\alpha}(xT(y)) = f_{\alpha}(x) f_{\alpha}(T(y)) = f_{\alpha}(x) T_{\alpha}(f_{\alpha}(y))$ and similary on the other side, so T_{α} is a multiplier of E_{α} . Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ , we have $T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} =$ $f_{\alpha} \circ T$, then $T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha\beta} \circ f_{\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ f_{\beta} \circ T = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ T_{\beta} \circ f_{\beta}$, hence $T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ T_{\beta}$ since f_{β} is surjective. Suppose that T is continuous. Let O_{α} be an open in E_{α} , we have $f_{\alpha}^{-1}(T_{\alpha}^{-1}(O_{\alpha})) = (T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha})^{-1}(O_{\alpha}) = (f_{\alpha} \circ T)^{-1}(O_{\alpha})$ which is open in E since $f_{\alpha} \circ T$ is continuous, then $T_{\alpha}^{-1}(O_{\alpha})$ is open in E_{α} . Conversely, suppose that T_{α} is continuous for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Since E is topologically isomorphic to a subalgebra of $\lim_{\alpha \in T} E_{\alpha} \circ T = T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha}$ and T_{α} is continuous for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, we deduce that T is continuous.

Proposition 2.2. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a locally m-pseudoconvex algebra with

proper normed factors $(E_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. The following assertions are equivalent: (j) $U(ker(f_{\alpha\beta})) \subset ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$ for all $U \in M(E_{\beta})$ and $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ ;

(jj) there exists a unique projective system $\{(M(E_{\alpha}), h_{\alpha\beta}), \alpha \leq \beta\}$ such that $h_{\alpha\beta}(U) \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ U$ for all $U \in M(E_{\beta})$ and $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . Furthermore, if E_{α} is complete for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then $h_{\alpha\beta}$ is continuous for all $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ .

Proof. $(jj) \Rightarrow (j)$: Let $U \in M(E_{\beta})$ and $x_{\beta} \in ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$, then $f_{\alpha\beta}(U(x_{\beta})) = h_{\alpha\beta}(U)(f_{\alpha\beta}(x_{\beta})) = 0$ and so $U(x_{\beta}) \in ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$.

 $(j) \Rightarrow (jj)$: Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ and $U \in M(E_{\beta})$, since $U(ker(f_{\alpha\beta})) \subset ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$ and by using a known theorem of algebra, there exists a unique linear map V: $E_{\alpha} \to E_{\alpha}$ such that $V \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ U$. Let $x_{\beta}, y_{\beta} \in E_{\beta}, V(f_{\alpha\beta}(x_{\beta}), f_{\alpha\beta}(y_{\beta})) =$ $V\left(f_{\alpha\beta}\left(x_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(x_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(x_{\beta}U\left(y_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(x_{\beta}\right)f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(y_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(x_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(y_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(y_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)f_{\alpha\beta}\left(y_{\beta}y_{\beta}\right)$ $f_{\alpha\beta}(x_{\beta}) V(f_{\alpha\beta}(y_{\beta}))$ and similarly on the other side, so V is a multiplier of E_{α} . This shows the existence of the map $h_{\alpha\beta}: M(E_{\beta}) \to M(E_{\alpha})$ such that $h_{\alpha\beta}(U) \circ$ $f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ U$ for all $U \in M(E_{\beta})$ and $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ , $U_1, U_2 \in$ $M(E_{\beta})$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $h_{\alpha\beta}(U_1 + \lambda U_2) \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ (U_1 + \lambda U_2) = (f_{\alpha\beta} \circ U_1) +$ $\lambda \left(f_{\alpha\beta} \circ U_2 \right) = h_{\alpha\beta} \left(U_1 \right) \circ f_{\alpha\beta} + \lambda h_{\alpha\beta} \left(U_2 \right) \circ f_{\alpha\beta} = \left(h_{\alpha\beta} \left(U_1 \right) + \lambda h_{\alpha\beta} \left(U_2 \right) \right) \circ f_{\alpha\beta},$ hence $h_{\alpha\beta}(U_1 + \lambda U_2) = h_{\alpha\beta}(U_1) + \lambda h_{\alpha\beta}(U_2)$ since $f_{\alpha\beta}$ is surjective. Also, $h_{\alpha\beta}\left(U_{1}\circ U_{2}\right)\circ f_{\alpha\beta} = f_{\alpha\beta}\circ U_{1}\circ U_{2} = h_{\alpha\beta}\left(U_{1}\right)\circ f_{\alpha\beta}\circ U_{2} = h_{\alpha\beta}\left(U_{1}\right)\circ h_{\alpha\beta}\left(U_{2}\right)\circ f_{\alpha\beta},$ then $h_{\alpha\beta}(U_1 \circ U_2) = h_{\alpha\beta}(U_1) \circ h_{\alpha\beta}(U_2)$ since $f_{\alpha\beta}$ is surjective. Let $\alpha \leq \beta \leq \gamma$ in Λ and $W \in M(E_{\gamma})$, $(h_{\alpha\beta} \circ h_{\beta\gamma})(W) \circ f_{\alpha\gamma} = h_{\alpha\beta}(h_{\beta\gamma}(W)) \circ f_{\alpha\beta} \circ f_{\beta\gamma} =$ $f_{\alpha\beta} \circ h_{\beta\gamma}(W) \circ f_{\beta\gamma} = f_{\alpha\beta} \circ f_{\beta\gamma} \circ W = f_{\alpha\gamma} \circ W = h_{\alpha\gamma}(W) \circ f_{\alpha\gamma}$, consequently $(h_{\alpha\beta} \circ h_{\beta\gamma})(W) = h_{\alpha\gamma}(W)$ since $f_{\alpha\gamma}$ is surjective. Thus $h_{\alpha\beta} \circ h_{\beta\gamma} = h_{\alpha\gamma}$. Let $\alpha \in \Lambda$, if E_{α} is complete, then every multiplier of E_{α} is continuous. Now by assuming that E_{α} is complete for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, we will show that $h_{\alpha\beta}$ is continuous for all $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . For $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and $r \geq 0$, let $B_{\alpha}(0, r) = \{x_{\alpha} \in E_{\alpha} : \overline{p}_{\alpha}(x_{\alpha}) \leq r\}$. We denote by $\|.\|_{\alpha}$ the operator pseudo norm on $M(E_{\alpha})$. Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ , $f_{\alpha\beta}$ is open by the open mapping theorem, so there is $\lambda \ge 0$ such that $\lambda B_{\alpha}(0,1) \subset$ $f_{\alpha\beta}\left(B_{\beta}\left(0,1\right)\right)$ i.e. $B_{\alpha}\left(0,1\right) \subset f_{\alpha\beta}\left(B_{\beta}\left(0,r\right)\right)$ where $r = \lambda^{-k_{\beta}}$ and k_{β} is the homogenity index of \overline{p}_{β} . Let $U \in M(E_{\beta})$, $\|h_{\alpha\beta}(U)\|_{\alpha} = \sup\left\{\overline{p}_{\alpha}\left(h_{\alpha\beta}(U)\left(f_{\alpha}(x)\right)\right) : f_{\alpha}(x) \in B_{\alpha}(0,1)\right\}$ $\leq \sup \left\{ \overline{p}_{\alpha} \left(h_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \right) \left(f_{\alpha\beta} \left(f_{\beta} \left(x \right) \right) \right) \right) : f_{\beta} \left(x \right) \in B_{\beta} \left(0, r \right) \right\}$ $= \sup \left\{ \overline{p}_{\alpha} \left(f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(f_{\beta} \left(x \right) \right) \right) \right) : f_{\beta} \left(x \right) \in B_{\beta} \left(0, r \right) \right\}$ $\leq \sup\left\{\overline{p}_{\beta}\left(U\left(f_{\beta}\left(x\right)\right)\right):f_{\beta}\left(x\right)\in B_{\beta}\left(0,r\right)\right\}$ $\leq \sup\left\{\|U\|_{\beta} \,\overline{p}_{\beta}\left(f_{\beta}\left(x\right)\right) : f_{\beta}\left(x\right) \in B_{\beta}\left(0,r\right)\right\}$ $= r \|U\|_{\beta}.$ Therefore $h_{\alpha\beta}$ is continuous.

Theorem 2.3. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a complete locally m-pseudoconvex algebra with proper normed factors $(E_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. Assume that E satisfies conditions (i) and (j). Then $M(E) \cong \lim_{\alpha \in \Lambda} M(E_{\alpha})$ within an algebra isomorphism φ . Furthermore, if each factor E_{α} is complete, then every multiplier of E is continuous and φ is a topological algebra isomorphism where M(E) is endowed with its pseudo seminorm topology. **Proof.** By Propositions 2.1 and 2.2, we define the map $\varphi : M(E) \to \varprojlim M(E_{\alpha})$, $T \to (T_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. We will show that φ is an algebra isomorphism. Let $T, S \in M(E)$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha} \circ T$ and $S_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha} \circ S$, then $(T_{\alpha} + \lambda S_{\alpha}) \circ f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha} \circ (T + \lambda S)$, so $(T + \lambda S)_{\alpha} = T_{\alpha} + \lambda S_{\alpha}$ by Proposition 2.1. Also, $T_{\alpha} \circ S_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} = T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} \circ S = f_{\alpha} \circ T \circ S$, hence $(T \circ S)_{\alpha} = T_{\alpha} \circ S_{\alpha}$ by Proposition 2.1. Let $T \in M(E)$, if $T_{\alpha} = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then $f_{\alpha} \circ T = T_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and consequently T = 0. Let $(U_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \in \varprojlim M(E_{\alpha})$ and define the map $T = \Phi^{-1} \circ \varprojlim U_{\alpha} \circ \Phi : E \to E$ where $\varprojlim U_{\alpha}$ is the multiplier of $\varprojlim a$ defined by $(\varprojlim U_{\alpha})(x_{\alpha})_{\alpha} = (U_{\alpha}(x_{\alpha}))_{\alpha}$ and $\Phi : E \to \varprojlim E_{\alpha}$ is the topological algebra isomorphism given by $\Phi(x) = (f_{\alpha}(x))_{\alpha}$. Clearly T is a multiplier of E, also $f_{\alpha} \circ T = f_{\alpha} \circ \Phi^{-1} \circ \varprojlim U_{\alpha} \circ \Phi = U_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha}$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, so $\varphi(T) = (U_{\alpha})_{\alpha}$. If E_{α} is complete for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then every multiplier of E_{α} is continuous, hence every multiplier of E is continuous by Proposition 2.1. The pseudo seminorms $q_{\alpha}(T) = \|T_{\alpha}\|_{\alpha}, \alpha \in \Lambda$, so φ is a topological algebra isomorphism.

Proposition 2.4. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a locally m-pseudoconvex algebra with approximate identity $(e_{\alpha})_{\omega \in \Omega}$. Then *E* satisfies conditions (i) and (j).

Proof. Let $T \in M(E)$, $x \in ker(f_{\alpha})$ and $\omega \in \Omega$, $f_{\alpha}(T(x)) = f_{\alpha}(T(x - xe_{\omega} + xe_{\omega}))$ $= f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(x \right) - T \left(x e_{\omega} \right) \right) + f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(x e_{\omega} \right) \right) = f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(x \right) - T \left(x \right) e_{\omega} \right) + f_{\alpha} \left(x T \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right)$ $= f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(x \right) - T \left(x \right) e_{\omega} \right) + f_{\alpha} \left(x \right) f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) = f_{\alpha} \left(T \left(x \right) - T \left(x \right) e_{\omega} \right).$ Since $T(x) e_{\omega} \to_{\omega} T(x)$ and f_{α} is continuous, we deduce that $f_{\alpha}(T(x)) =$ 0. Now we will show that $U(ker(f_{\alpha\beta})) \subset ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$ for all $U \in M(E_{\beta})$ and $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . Since $(e_{\omega})_{\omega \in \Omega}$ is an approximate identity in E and $f_{\beta} : E \to E_{\beta}$ is a surjective continuous homomorphism, it follows that $(f_{\beta}(e_{\omega}))_{\omega \in \Omega}$ is an approximate identity in E_{β} . Let $U \in M(E_{\beta})$, $x_{\beta} \in ker(f_{\alpha\beta})$ and $\omega \in \Omega$, $f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(x_{\beta}\right)\right) = f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(x_{\beta} - x_{\beta}f_{\beta}\left(e_{\omega}\right) + x_{\beta}f_{\beta}\left(e_{\omega}\right)\right)\right)$ $= f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(x_{\beta} \right) - U \left(x_{\beta} f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) \right) + f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(x_{\beta} f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) \right)$ $= f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(x_{\beta} \right) - U \left(x_{\beta} \right) f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) + f_{\alpha\beta} \left(x_{\beta} U \left(f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) \right)$ $= f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(x_{\beta} \right) - U \left(x_{\beta} \right) f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) + f_{\alpha\beta} \left(x_{\beta} \right) f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right) \right)$ $= f_{\alpha\beta} \left(U \left(x_{\beta} \right) - U \left(x_{\beta} \right) f_{\beta} \left(e_{\omega} \right) \right).$ Since $U(x_{\beta}) f_{\beta}(e_{\omega}) \rightarrow_{\omega} U(x_{\beta})$ and $f_{\alpha\beta}$ is continuous, we deduce that $f_{\alpha\beta}\left(U\left(x_{\beta}\right)\right) = 0.$

Corollary 2.5. [4, Theorems 2.6 and 2.12] Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a complete locally m-pseudoconvex algebra with approximate identity. Suppose that each factor $E_{\alpha} = E/\ker(p_{\alpha})$ in the generalized Arens-Michael decomposition of E is complete. Then every multiplier of E is continuous and $M(E) \cong \varprojlim M(E_{\alpha})$ within a topological algebra isomorphism where M(E) is endowed with its pseudo seminorm topology.

Proof. It follows from Theorem 2.3 and Proposition 2.4.

Corollary 2.6. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a locally C^* -algebra. Then every multiplier of E is continuous and $M(E) \cong \varprojlim M(E_{\alpha})$ within a topological algebra isomorphism where M(E) is endowed with its seminorm topology.

Proof. By [6, Theorem 2.6] and [8, Corollary 1.12], E has an approximate identity and each factor E_{α} is complete.

Now we will describe multipliers algebras of complete uniform topological algebras.

Proposition 2.7. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a uniform topological algebra. Then $ker(f_{\alpha}) = \cap \{ker(\chi) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\}$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and $ker(f_{\alpha\beta}) = \cap \{ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta}) : \mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})\}$ for all $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ .

Proof. By [1, Theorem 6], $p_{\alpha}(x) = \sup \{|\chi(x)| : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\}$ for all $x \in E$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then $ker(f_{\alpha}) = ker(p_{\alpha}) = \cap \{ker(\chi) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\}$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Let $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ and $x_{\beta} \in E_{\beta}$, $x_{\beta} \in ker(f_{\alpha\beta}) \Leftrightarrow f_{\alpha\beta}(x_{\beta}) = 0$ $\Leftrightarrow \mu(f_{\alpha\beta}(x_{\beta})) = 0$ for all $\mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})$ $\Leftrightarrow x_{\beta} \in \cap \{ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta}) : \mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})\}.$

Proposition 2.8. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a uniform topological algebra. Then *E* satisfies conditions (i) and (j).

Proof. By Proposition 2.7, $\ker(f_{\alpha}) = \cap \{\ker(\chi) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\}$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. If *T* is a multiplier of *E*, then $T(\ker(\chi)) \subset \ker(\chi)$ for all $\chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)$ by [5, Theorem 2.9], so $T(\ker(f_{\alpha})) = T(\cap \{\ker(\chi) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\})$ $\subset \cap \{T(\ker(\chi)) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\}$ $\subset \cap \{\ker(\chi) : \chi \in \Delta_{\alpha}(E)\} = \ker(f_{\alpha}).$ By Proposition 2.7, $\ker(f_{\alpha\beta}) = \cap \{\ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta}) : \mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})\}$ for all $\alpha \leq \beta$ in Λ . If *U* is a multiplier of E_{β} , then $U(\ker(\delta)) \subset \ker(\delta)$ for all $\delta \in \Delta(E_{\beta})$ by [5, Theorem 2.9], so $U(\ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta})) \subset \ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta})$ for all $\mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})$, and consequently $U(\ker(f_{\alpha\beta})) = U(\cap \{\ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta}) : \mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})\})$ $\subset \cap \{U(\ker(\mu \circ f_{\alpha\beta})) : \mu \in \Delta(E_{\alpha})\} = \ker(f_{\alpha\beta}).$

Theorem 2.9. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a complete uniform topological algebra. Then $M(E) \cong \lim_{\alpha \to \infty} M(E_{\alpha})$ within an algebra isomorphism φ . Furthermore, if each factor E_{α} is complete, then every multiplier of E is continuous and φ is a topological algebra isomorphism where M(E) is endowed with its seminorm topology.

Proof. It follows from Theorem 2.3 and Proposition 2.8.

Remark. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a complete uniform topological algebra which is also a symmetric *-algebra, then $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ is a locally C*-algebra, and so each factor E_{α} is complete.

As an application of previous results, we deduce the Arhippainen unitization theorem [1, Theorem 4] on uniform topological algebras.

Proposition 2.10. Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a uniform topological algebra, and let $M_c(E)$ be the algebra of all continuous multipliers of E. Then there is a family of seminorms $(q_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ on $M_c(E)$ such that

1. $(M_{c}(E), (q_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ is a uniform topological algebra;

2. the map $L: E \to M_c(E)$, L(x)(y) = xy, is an algebra isomorphism (into) and $q_\alpha(L(x)) = p_\alpha(x)$ for all $x \in E$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$.

Proof. 1. By Propositions 2.1, 2.2 and 2.8, we define the map $\psi : M_c(E) \rightarrow \lim_{\alpha \to \infty} M_c(E_{\alpha}), T \to (T_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. As in the proof of Theorem 2.3, ψ is an injective homomorphism. We endow $M_c(E)$ with the topology defined by the family of seminorms $q_{\alpha}(T) = ||T_{\alpha}||_{\alpha}, \alpha \in \Lambda$, where $||.||_{\alpha}$ is the operator norm on $M_c(E_{\alpha})$. Let $T \in M_c(E), q_{\alpha}(T^2) = ||(T^2)_{\alpha}||_{\alpha} = ||(T_{\alpha})^2||_{\alpha} = ||T_{\alpha}||_{\alpha}^2 = q_{\alpha}(T)^2$ since $||.||_{\alpha}$ has the square property. Let $T \in M_c(E)$ with $q_{\alpha}(T) = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then $T_{\alpha} = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, so T = 0 since ψ is injective.

2. Since *E* is proper, *L* is an algebra isomorphism (into). Let $x \in E$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$, $(L(x))_{\alpha} \circ f_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha} \circ L(x)$, then $(L(x))_{\alpha} (f_{\alpha}(y)) = (f_{\alpha} \circ L(x))(y) = f_{\alpha}(xy) = f_{\alpha}(x) f_{\alpha}(y)$ for all $y \in E$. Since the map $l : (E_{\alpha}, \overline{p}_{\alpha}) \to (M_c(E_{\alpha}), \|.\|_{\alpha})$, $l(x_{\alpha})(y_{\alpha}) = x_{\alpha}y_{\alpha}$, is an isometric isomorphism (into), it follows that $\|(L(x))_{\alpha}\|_{\alpha} = \overline{p}_{\alpha}(f_{\alpha}(x)) = p_{\alpha}(x)$, so $q_{\alpha}(L(x)) = p_{\alpha}(x)$.

Proposition 2.11. Let *E* be a uniform topological algebra without unit, and let E_e be the algebra obtained from *E* by adjoining the unit. Then the map $g: E_e \to M_c(E)$, $g((x, \lambda)) = L(x) + \lambda I$ is an algebra isomorphism (into).

Proof. It is easy to show that g is an algebra homomorphism. Let $(x, \lambda) \in E_e$ with $g((x, \lambda)) = 0$, then $L(x) = -\lambda I$. Suppose $\lambda \neq 0$, $I = -\lambda^{-1}L(x) = L(-\lambda^{-1}x)$, so $-\lambda^{-1}x$ is a left unit in E. Since E is commutative, $-\lambda^{-1}x$ is a unit in E, a contradiction. Thus L(x) = 0 and consequently x = 0 since E is proper.

Corollary 2.12. [1, Theorem 4] Let $(E, (p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ be a uniform topological algebra without unit. Then there is a family of seminorms $(s_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ on E_e such that $(E_e, (s_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ is a uniform topological algebra and $s_{\alpha}((x, 0)) = p_{\alpha}(x)$ for all $x \in E$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$.

Proof. For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$, we define a seminorm on E_e by $s_{\alpha}((x,\lambda)) = q_{\alpha}(L(x) + \lambda I)$ for all $x \in E$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. By Propositions 2.10 and 2.11, $(E_e, (s_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda})$ is a uniform topological algebra and $s_{\alpha}((x,0)) = q_{\alpha}(L(x)) = p_{\alpha}(x)$ for all $x \in E$.

Remark. We have $s_{\alpha}((x,\lambda)) = q_{\alpha}(L(x) + \lambda I) \leq q_{\alpha}(L(x)) + |\lambda|q_{\alpha}(I) = p_{\alpha}(x) + |\lambda|$ for all $x \in E$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. This shows that the topology on E_e defined by the family of seminorms $(s_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is weaker than the usual topology on E_e defined by the family of seminorms $(\tilde{p}_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ where $\tilde{p}_{\alpha}((x,\lambda)) = p_{\alpha}(x) + |\lambda|$.

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