

## FIRST ORDER COHOMOLOGY OF $\ell^1$ -MUNN ALGEBRAS AND CERTAIN SEMIGROUP ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. We characterize cyclic and weakly amenable  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras. In the special case of Rees matrix semigroups, we obtain a new proof of the following result due to Blackmore: The semigroup algebra of every Rees matrix semigroup is weakly amenable. Characterizations of Connes-amenable  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras with square sandwich matrix and semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups are also provided.

### 1. Introduction

Cohomology of Banach algebras has received extensive study since the major exposition of Hochschild cohomology theory for Banach algebras by B. E. Johnson[15], with emphasis on the first order cohomology groups. Let  $A$  be a Banach algebra. Vanishing of the first cohomology groups  $H^1(A, X)$  for certain classes of Banach  $A$ -modules  $X$  has been given different names, depending on the class of Banach  $A$ -modules under investigation among which are cyclic, weak and Connes-amenability. The reader may see [1,2,4,14,15,16,18] for more information. Here, we consider these notions for  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras and semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups.

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Blackmore showed that the semigroup algebra of every Rees matrix semigroup is weakly amenable [3]. Bowling and Duncan [4] considered weak and cyclic amenability of the convolution algebras of Rees matrix semigroups and gave another proof of Blackmore's result. As shown in [9], these convolution algebras are certain types of  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras, whose introduction in [9], was motivated by two open problems in [8]. Some of the properties and the structure of these algebras have been studied in [9-11]. In Sections 2 and 3 we study weak and cyclic amenable  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras and semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups. Our results involve Bowling and Duncan's result. Connes-amenability has been proved an appropriate version of amenability for dual Banach algebras. For more information on this subject, see [18]. In the last section we consider Connes amenability of  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras and semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups.

Before proceeding further we set up our notations.

Let  $G$  be a group,  $I$  and  $J$  be arbitrary nonempty sets, and  $G^0 = G \cup \{0\}$ . An  $I \times J$  matrix  $A$  over  $G^0$  that has at most one nonzero entry  $a = A(i, j)$  is called a Rees  $I \times J$  matrix over  $G^0$  and is denoted by  $(a)_{ij}$ . Let  $P$  be a  $J \times I$  matrix over  $G$ . The set  $S = G \times I \times J$  with the composition  $(a, i, j) \circ (b, l, k) = (aP_{jl}b, i, k)$ ,  $(a, i, j), (b, l, k) \in S$ , is a semigroup that we denote by  $M(G, P)$ . Similarly, if  $P$  is a  $J \times I$  matrix over  $G^0$ , then  $S = G \times I \times J \cup \{0\}$  is a semigroup under the following composition operation which is denoted by  $M^0(G, P)$ :

$$(a, i, j) \circ (b, l, k) = \begin{cases} (aP_{jl}b, i, k), & \text{if } p_{jl} \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } p_{jl} = 0, \end{cases}$$

$$(a, i, j) \circ 0 = 0 \circ (a, i, j) = 0 \circ 0 = 0.$$

$M^0(G, P)$  is isomorphic to the semigroup of all Rees  $I \times J$  matrices over  $G^0$  with binary operation  $A \circ B = APB$ .  $M^0(G, P)$  [resp.  $M(G, P)$ ] is called the Rees  $I \times J$  matrix semigroup over  $G^0$  [resp.  $G$ ] with sandwich matrix  $P$ .

Throughout,  $A$  is a Banach algebra and  $A$  module means Banach  $A$ -bimodule. An  $A$ -bimodule  $X$  is called dual if there is a closed submodule  $X_*$  of  $X^*$  such that  $X = (X_*)^*$ .  $A$  is called dual if it is dual as a Banach  $A$ -bimodule. Let  $A$  be a dual Banach algebra and  $X$  be a dual  $A$ -bimodule. If for each  $x \in X$  the maps  $a \mapsto a.x$  and  $a \mapsto x.a$  from  $A$  into  $X$  are  $\omega^* - \omega^*$  continuous, then  $X$  is called a normal  $A$ -bimodule.

Let  $X$  be an  $A$  module. We will denote the set of all bounded [resp. inner] derivations from  $A$  into  $X$  by  $Z^1(A, X)$  [resp.  $B^1(A, X)$ ]. Also, set  $H^1(A, X) = Z^1(A, X)/B^1(A, X)$ . A bounded derivation  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is called cyclic if  $\langle Da, b \rangle + \langle Db, a \rangle = 0$ , for all  $a, b \in A$ . The set of all cyclic derivations is denoted by  $Z_\lambda^1(A, A^*)$  and  $Z_\lambda^1(A, A^*)/B^1(A, A^*)$  by  $H_\lambda^1(A, A^*)$ .  $A$  is called weakly amenable [resp. cyclic amenable] if  $H^1(A, A^*) = 0$  [resp.  $H_\lambda^1(A, A^*) = 0$ ]. A dual Banach algebra  $A$  is called Connes-amenable if for every normal dual Banach  $A$ -bimodule  $X$ , every bounded  $\omega^* - \omega^*$  continuous derivation from  $A$  into  $X$  is inner.

Suppose  $A$  is unital,  $I$  and  $J$  are arbitrary index sets and  $P$  is a  $J \times I$  matrix over  $A$  such that all of its nonzero entries are invertible and  $\|P\|_\infty \leq 1$ . The space  $\ell^1(I \times J, A)$  with product  $X \circ Y = XPY$  is a Banach algebra which we call the  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebra over  $A$  with sandwich matrix  $P$  and we denote it with  $LM(A, P)$ . As shown in [9], Proposition 5.6, semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups are concrete examples of  $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras.

## 2. Weak and cyclic amenability of $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras

Throughout this section, we assume  $A$  is unital.

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $A$  is cyclic amenable, then so is  $LM(A, P)$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose  $\alpha \in J, \beta \in I$  are such that  $P_{\alpha\beta} \neq 0$  and  $q = P_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}$ . Let  $D : LM(A, P) \rightarrow LM(A, P)^*$  be a bounded cyclic derivation and define  $\widehat{D}$  by:

$$\widehat{D} : A \rightarrow A^*, \quad \langle \widehat{D}a, b \rangle = \langle D(qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle, \quad a, b \in A.$$

Clearly  $\widehat{D}$  is a bounded linear map. Let  $a, b, c \in A$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \widehat{D}(ab), c \rangle &= \langle D(qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \circ qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qc\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle \\ &= \langle D(qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \circ qc\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle + \langle D(qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qc\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \circ qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle \\ &= \langle D(qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qbc\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle + \langle D(qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qca\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle \\ &= \langle \widehat{D}a, bc \rangle + \langle \widehat{D}b, ca \rangle \\ &= \langle \widehat{D}a \cdot b + a \cdot \widehat{D}b, c \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by assumption we have,

$$\langle \widehat{D}a, b \rangle + \langle \widehat{D}b, a \rangle = \langle D(qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle + \langle D(qb\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qa\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle = 0.$$

So,  $\widehat{D}$  is a bounded cyclic derivation. Let  $\widehat{\psi} \in A^*$  be such that  $\widehat{D}(a) = a.\widehat{\psi} - \widehat{\psi}.a$ , ( $a \in A$ ). Define,

$$\psi(a\varepsilon_{ij}) = \widehat{\psi}(p_{ji}a) + \langle D(q\varepsilon_{\beta j}), a\varepsilon_{i\alpha} \rangle, \quad i \in I, j \in J, a \in A.$$

It is easy to see that  $\psi \in LM(A, P)^*$ . Let  $S = a\varepsilon_{ij}$ ,  $T = b\varepsilon_{kl}$  be nonzero elements in  $LM(A, P)$ ,  $U = q\varepsilon_{\beta j}$ ,  $V = q\varepsilon_{\beta l}$ ,  $X = a\varepsilon_{i\alpha}$  and  $Y = qp_{jk}b\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}$ . Then,  $S = X \circ U$  and  $U \circ T = Y \circ V$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D(X), U \circ T \rangle &= -\langle D(Y \circ V), X \rangle \\ &= -\langle D(Y), V \circ X \rangle - \langle D(V), X \circ Y \rangle \\ (2.1) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \langle D(V \circ X), Y \rangle - \langle D(V), X \circ Y \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

But,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D(V \circ X), Y \rangle &= \langle D(qp_{li}a\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}), qp_{jk}b\varepsilon_{\beta\alpha} \rangle = \langle \widehat{D}(p_{li}a), p_{jk}b \rangle \\ &= \langle (p_{li}a).\widehat{\psi} - \widehat{\psi}.(p_{li}a), p_{jk}b \rangle \\ (2.2) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \langle \widehat{\psi}, p_{jk}bp_{li}a \rangle - \langle \widehat{\psi}, p_{li}ap_{jk}b \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

So by (2.1) and (2.2), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle DS, T \rangle &= \langle DU, T \circ X \rangle + \langle DX, U \circ T \rangle \\ &= \langle DU, T \circ X \rangle + \langle D(V \circ X), Y \rangle - \langle DV, X \circ Y \rangle \\ &= \langle D(q\varepsilon_{\beta j}), bp_{li}a\varepsilon_{k\alpha} \rangle + \langle \widehat{\psi}, p_{jk}bp_{li}a \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle \widehat{\psi}, p_{li}ap_{jk}b \rangle - \langle D(q\varepsilon_{\beta l}), ap_{jk}b\varepsilon_{i\alpha} \rangle \\ &= \langle \psi, bp_{li}a\varepsilon_{kj} \rangle - \langle \psi, ap_{jk}b\varepsilon_{il} \rangle = \langle \delta_{-\psi}(S), T \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, D is inner. □

**Lemma 2.2.** *If A is weakly amenable, then every bounded derivation  $D : LM(A, P) \rightarrow LM(A, P)^*$  is cyclic.*

**Proof.** It is enough to show the cyclic identity for Rees matrices. Let  $S = a\varepsilon_{ij}$  and  $T = b\varepsilon_{kl}$ , where  $a, b \neq 0$ .

Step I:  $p_{jk} = 0$ . Then,  $0 = D0 = D(S \circ T) = DS.T + S.DT$ . So, for every  $X \in LM(M, P)$ ,

$$0 = \langle DS.T, X \rangle + \langle S.DT, X \rangle$$

$$(2.3) \quad = \langle DS, T \circ X \rangle + \langle DT, X \circ S \rangle.$$

If  $p_{li} \neq 0$ , then take  $X = E = p_{li}^{-1}\varepsilon_{il}$ . Clearly,  $E$  is an idempotent,  $T \circ E = T$ ,  $E \circ S = S$  and hence if we substitute  $X$  with  $E$  in (2.3), then we get,

$$\langle DS, T \rangle + \langle DT, S \rangle = 0.$$

So, the cyclic condition holds. If  $p_{li} = 0$ , then choose  $\alpha \in J$  and  $\beta \in I$  such that  $p_{\alpha\beta} \neq 0$ . Let  $Y = a\varepsilon_{i\alpha}$  and  $Z = p_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}\varepsilon_{\beta j}$ . Then,  $Y \circ Z = S$  and  $Z \circ T = T \circ Y = 0$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle DS, T \rangle &= \langle D(Y \circ Z), T \rangle = \langle DY.Z, T \rangle + \langle Y.DZ, T \rangle \\ &= \langle DY, Z \circ T \rangle + \langle DZ, T \circ Y \rangle = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\langle DT, S \rangle = 0$  and hence the cyclic condition holds.

Step II:  $p_{jk} \neq 0$ . By the symmetry of the cyclic condition, we may assume  $p_{li} \neq 0$  as well. As above, let  $E = p_{li}^{-1}\varepsilon_{il}$ . Then, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D(S \circ T), E \rangle &= \langle DS.T, E \rangle + \langle S.DT, E \rangle \\ &= \langle DS, T \circ E \rangle + \langle DT, E \circ S \rangle \\ (2.4) \quad &= \langle DS, T \rangle + \langle DT, S \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Now, define the map  $\phi : A \rightarrow LM(A, P)$  by  $\phi(c) = p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il}$ . Clearly,  $\phi$  is an injective bounded linear map. Let  $c, d \in A$ . Then,

$$\phi(cd) = p_{li}^{-1}cd\varepsilon_{il} = (p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il}) \circ (p_{li}^{-1}d\varepsilon_{il}) = \phi(c) \circ \phi(d).$$

Therefore,  $\phi$  is a bounded algebra monomorphism. Now, define the map,

$$\widehat{D} : A \rightarrow A^*, \quad \langle \widehat{D}a, b \rangle = \langle (D\phi)(a), p_{li}^{-1}b\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \quad a, b \in A.$$

Then,  $\widehat{D}$  is a bounded linear map. If  $a, b, c \in A$ , then,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \widehat{D}(ab), c \rangle &= \langle D(\phi(ab)), p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \\ &= \langle (D\phi(a)).\phi(b), p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \rangle + \langle \phi(a).(D\phi(b)), p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \\ &= \langle D(\phi(a)), \phi(b) \circ p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \rangle + \langle D(\phi(b)), p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \circ \phi(a) \rangle \\ &= \langle D(\phi(a)), p_{li}^{-1}b\varepsilon_{il} \circ p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \rangle + \langle D(\phi(b)), p_{li}^{-1}c\varepsilon_{il} \circ p_{li}^{-1}a\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \\ &= \langle D(\phi(a)), p_{li}^{-1}bc\varepsilon_{il} \rangle + \langle D(\phi(b)), p_{li}^{-1}ca\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \\ &= \langle \widehat{D}a, bc \rangle + \langle \widehat{D}b, ca \rangle \\ &= \langle \widehat{D}a.b + a.\widehat{D}b, c \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\widehat{D}$  is a bonded derivation and, by assumption, it is inner. So, for every  $a \in A$ ,  $\langle \widehat{D}a, 1 \rangle = 0$ , and hence,

$$\langle D(S \circ T), E \rangle = \langle D(ap_{jk}b\varepsilon_{il}), p_{li}^{-1}\varepsilon_{il} \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \langle D\phi(p_{li}ap_{jk}b), p_{li}^{-1}\varepsilon_{il} \rangle \\
(2.5) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \langle \widehat{D}(p_{li}ap_{jk}b), 1 \rangle = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by (2.4) and (2.5),

$$\langle DS, T \rangle + \langle DT, S \rangle = \langle D(S \circ T), E \rangle = 0.$$

Therefore, in either case, the cyclic condition holds.  $\square$

The following theorem is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.1 and Lemma 2.2.

**Theorem 2.3.** *If  $A$  is weakly amenable, then so is  $LM(A, P)$ .*

**Remark 2.4.** In the proof of the following theorem we use Lemma 3.7 in [9] which is true only for the case that the sandwich matrix  $P$  is square; i.e., the index sets  $I$  and  $J$  are equal. If  $P$  is a regular square matrix and  $LM(A, P)$  has a bounded approximate identity, then the converse of theorems 2.1 and 2.3 are also true.

**Theorem 2.5.** *Suppose  $P$  is a regular square matrix and  $LM(A, P)$  has a bounded approximate identity. Then,  $LM(A, P)$  is cyclic [resp. weakly] amenable if and only if  $A$  is cyclic [resp. weakly] amenable.*

**Proof.** we need only to prove the converse. By Lemma 3.7 in [9], the index set  $I$  is finite and  $LM(A, P)$  is topologically isomorphic to  $A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$ , for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is a bounded derivation, then  $D \otimes 1$  is a bounded derivation from  $LM(A, P)$  to  $LM(A, P)^*$ . Moreover, if  $D$  is cyclic, then so is  $D \otimes 1$ , since the action of  $M_n$  on itself as its dual, is componentwise. Now, suppose  $LM(A, P)$  is weakly amenable and  $D : A \rightarrow A^*$  is a bounded derivation. There is a  $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n f^i \otimes B^i \in A^* \otimes M_n = LM(A, P)^*$  such that  $D \otimes 1 = \delta_\phi$ . It is easy to see that  $D = \delta_f$ , where  $f = \sum_{i=1}^n B_{11}^i f^i$ . The argument for cyclic derivations is the same.  $\square$

Now, we apply the preceding results to the semigroup algebras of Rees matrix semigroups. The following theorem is (Corollary 5.3 in [3]) comes with a different proof. Another proof can also be found (see Theorem 2.4 in [4]).

**Theorem 2.6.** *If  $S$  is a Rees matrix semigroup, then  $\ell^1(S)$  is weakly amenable.*

**Proof.** Suppose  $S = M^\circ(G, P)$ . Then, by Proposition 5.6 in [9],  $\ell^1(S)/\ell^1(0)$  is isomorphic to  $LM(\ell^1(G), P)$ . By Johnson' Theorem,  $\ell^1(G)$  is weakly amenable. So, by Theorem 2.3,  $LM(\ell^1(G), P)$  is weakly amenable, and hence so is  $\ell^1(S)$ .  $\square$

### 3. Connes-amenability of $\ell^1$ -Munn algebras and Rees matrix semigroup algebras

Throughout this section, we assume  $A$  ia a dual Banach algebra,  $I = J, P$  and  $LM(A, P)$  are as in Section 1. It is well known that  $c_\circ(I \times J, A_*)^* = \ell^1(I \times J, A) = LM(A, P)$ . Moreover,  $c_\circ(I \times J, A_*)$  is an  $LM(A, P)$  submodule of  $LM(A, P)^* = \ell^\infty(I \times J, A^*)$ . Therefore,  $LM(A, P)$  is a dual Banach algebra. In the proof of the following theorem, we use Lemma 3.7 in [9], which is true only for the case that the index sets  $I$  and  $J$  are equal.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Suppose  $A$  is a unital dual Banach algebra and the index sets  $I$  and  $J$  are equal. Then,  $LM(A, P)$  is Connes-amenable if and only if it has a bounded approximate identity and  $A$  is Connes-amenable.*

**Proof.** Suppose  $LM(A, P)$  has a bounded approximate identity and  $A$  is Connes-amenable. By Lemma 3.7 in [9],  $LM(A, P) \simeq A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$ . Since  $A \widehat{\otimes} M_n = (A_* \check{\otimes} M_n)^*$  and both of  $A$  and  $M_n$  are Connes-amenable, then by using the argument of Theorem 5.4 in [15] with appropriate modifications, we can see that  $LM(A, P)$  is Connes-amenable.

Conversely, suppose  $LM(A, P)$  is Connes-amenable and  $X$  is a normal  $A$ -bimodule. Then,  $LM(A, P)$  is unital and hence by Lemma 3.7 in [9],  $LM(A, P) \simeq A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$ . Since  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n = (X_* \check{\otimes} M_n)^*$ , then  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  is a dual  $A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$ -bimodule. Moreover, by the above remark, elements of  $A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  and  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  have finite representations in terms of elementary tensors and action of  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  on  $X_* \check{\otimes} M_n$  is componentwise. Thus, normality of  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  follows from normality of  $X$ . Now, suppose  $D : A \rightarrow X$  is a bounded  $\omega^* - \omega^*$  continuous derivation. Then,  $D \otimes 1 : A \widehat{\otimes} M_n \rightarrow X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  is a bounded derivation, and  $\omega^* - \omega^*$  continuity of  $D \otimes 1$  follows from the fact that elements of  $A \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  and  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  are finite sums of elementary tensors and action of  $X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$  on  $X_* \check{\otimes} M_n$  is componentwise. Therefore, by assumption,  $D \otimes 1 = \delta_\phi$ , for some  $\phi \in X \widehat{\otimes} M_n$ . By the above remark,  $\phi$  has a unique representation of the form  $\phi = \sum_{i,j=1}^n x_{ij} \otimes$

$\varepsilon_{ij}$ . Let  $a \in A$  and  $r \leq n$  be a natural number. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} Da \otimes \varepsilon_{rr} &= (D \otimes 1)(a \otimes \varepsilon_{rr}) = (a \otimes \varepsilon_{rr}).\phi - \phi.(a \otimes \varepsilon_{rr}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n ax_{rj} \otimes \varepsilon_{rj} - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ir}a \otimes \varepsilon_{ir}. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $a = 1$ , we conclude that for all  $i, j \neq r$ ,  $x_{rj} = 0 = x_{ir}$ . Thus,  $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ii} \otimes \varepsilon_{ii}$ . Now, the identities,

$$Da \otimes \varepsilon_{11} = (a \otimes \varepsilon_{11}).\phi - \phi.(a \otimes \varepsilon_{11}) = (ax_{11} - x_{11}a) \otimes \varepsilon_{11}$$

imply that  $D = \delta_{x_{11}}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose  $P$  is a square matrix over  $G^\circ$  and  $S = M^\circ(G, P)$ . Then, the following conditions are equivalent.*

- i)  $G$  is amenable and  $\ell^1(S)$  has a bounded approximate identity.
- ii)  $\ell^1(S)$  is Connes-amenable.

**Proof.** Proposition 5.6 and Lemma 5.1(ii) of [9] imply that existence of a bounded approximate identity in  $\ell^1(S)$  is equivalent to the existence of a bounded approximate identity in  $LM(\ell^1(G), P)$ . Also, Theorem 4.4.13 in [18],  $\ell^1(G)$  is Connes-amenable if and only if  $G$  is amenable. On the other hand, by Lemma 5.1(ii) and Proposition 5.6 in [9], Connes-amenable of  $\ell^1(S)$  is equivalent to Connes-amenable of  $LM(\ell^1(G), P)$ . Therefore, equivalence of (i) and (ii) follows from Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

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