

Topologically Q -algebras

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Abstract

It is shown that topologically Q -algebras inherit most properties of Q -algebras. In particular, we give characterizations of topologically Q -algebras in terms of equicontinuity of the set of nonzero continuous multiplicative linear functionals of the algebra and / or quasi-inverse closedness of the algebra (Theorem 2.29 and Corollary 2.33). Furthermore, we give a characterization of almost commutative topological algebras (Proposition 2.35, Corollary 2.36).

1. Introduction and preliminaries

In all what follows by a locally convex algebra, *l.c.a.* in brief, we mean a complex algebra with a *locally convex topology* for which the product is separately continuous. A *l.c.a.* is said to be *m-convex, l.m.c.a.* in brief, if the origin 0 admits a fundamental system of idempotent neighborhoods see [7], [8]. By a *topological algebra* A we mean a topological \mathcal{C} -vector space being also an algebra, with separately continuous ring multiplication, having non-empty *spectrum* $\mathcal{X}(A)$ (: set of nonzero continuous multiplicative linear functionals of A) endowed with the *Gel'fand topology*. The respective *Gel'fand map* of A is given by

$$\begin{aligned} g &: A \longrightarrow C(\mathcal{X}(A)) : x \longmapsto g(x) := \hat{x} : \mathcal{X}(A) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C} \\ &: f \longmapsto \hat{x}(f) := f(x) \end{aligned}$$

The range of g , denoted \hat{A} , is called the *Gel'fand transform algebra* of A , topologized as a *locally m-convex algebra* by the inclusion

$$\hat{A} \subset C_c(\mathcal{X}(A))$$

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where the algebra $C(\mathcal{X}(A))$ (: of continuous functions on $\mathcal{X}(A)$) carries the topology “ c ” of compact convergence in $\mathcal{X}(A)$. A topological algebra A is called *semi-simple* if the respective Gel’fand map g is one-to-one, while A is called *bounded*, if the Gel’fand transform algebra \hat{A} consists of complex-valued continuous bounded functions on $\mathcal{X}(A)$, equivalently, if the spectrum $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is a bounded subset of A'_s (: weak dual of A). Whenever every bounded subset of $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is *equicontinuous* then, A is said to be *spectrally barrelled* [7]. In such an algebra *equicontinuous, weakly relatively compact and weakly bounded subsets of $\mathcal{X}(A)$ are identical*. A topological algebra is said to be *simplicial* [2] or *normal* [8], if any proper closed right or left and regular ideal is contained in a *maximal closed* ideal of the same type. A topological algebra is said to be *topologically simplicial*, if any proper closed right or left and regular ideal is contained in a *closed maximal* ideal of the same type. We quote here that *every simplicial algebra is also a topologically simplicial one and the converse is not in general true*. A topological algebra A is said to be *t -acceptable* if any regular maximal and closed unilateral ideal of A is two-sided. Like it is done by Y. Tsertos [10], let W_0 be the set of neighborhoods of 0 in A . We will note by g_V the function from A into \mathbb{R}_+^* , set of positive nonzero real numbers, such that for every $x \in A : g_V(x) = \inf A_x(V)$, where $A_x(V) = \{r > 0 : x \in rV\}$. Let $i(A)$ be the set of all one-sided regular and closed ideals of A . Let B be a subset of A , then \overline{B}^A will denote the closure of B in A , yet, simply \overline{B} . An element $x \in A$, is *right (resp. left) quasi-invertible* if there exists an $y \in A$ such that $x \circ y := xy - x - y = 0$ (resp. $y \circ x = 0$); it is *quasi-invertible* if it is both right and left quasi-invertible. The set of all quasi-invertible (resp. left quasi-invertible, right quasi-invertible) elements of A will be denoted by $QinvA$ (resp. $LqinvA$, $RqinvA$). An algebra A is said to be a *Q -algebra* if $QinvA$ is open. An element $x \in A$, is *topologically right (resp. left) quasi-invertible* if there exists a net $(y_\alpha)_\alpha \subset A$ such that $\lim_\alpha (x \circ y_\alpha) = 0$ (resp. $\lim_\alpha (y_\alpha \circ x) = 0$); it is *topologically quasi-invertible* if it is both topologically right and left quasi-invertible. The set of all topologically quasi-invertible (resp. topologically left quasi-invertible, topologically right quasi-invertible) elements of A will be denoted by $TqinvA$ (resp. $TlqinvA$, $TrqinvA$). In particular, when A has a unit element e then $x \in A$ is *topologically right (resp. left) invertible* if there exists a net $(x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ such that $(x_\lambda x)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ (resp. $(xx_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$) converges to e . It is *topologically invertible* if it is both topologically right and left invertible. In this context the terminology “*advertibly null net*” (A. Mallios), appropriately specialized, each time, is also of use. So, given a topological algebra A , a net $(x_\delta)_\delta$ in A is called *advertibly null* (resp. *invertibly unital* when A is unital), if there exists an element $x \in A$ such that both of the nets $(x \circ x_\delta)_\delta$ and $(x_\delta \circ x)_\delta$ are null (resp. $(xx_\delta)_\delta$ and $(x_\delta x)_\delta$ are unital) i.e., they converge to the zero (resp. unit) element of A . Now, a topological algebra A is said to be *advertibly complete* (resp. *invertibly complete* when A is unital), if every Cauchy net in A , which is also advertibly null (resp. invertibly unital), converges. When A is unital we note the set of all invertible (resp. left invertible, right invertible, topologically invertible, topologically left invertible, topologically right invertible) elements of A by $InvA$ (resp. $LinvA$, $RinvA$, $TinvA$, $TlinvA$, $TrinvA$). We will say that a closed two-sided (resp. left-sided, right-sided) ideal I is *topologically quasi-regular* (resp. *topologically left quasi-regular, topologically right quasi-regular*) if $I \subset TqinvA$ (resp. $I \subset TlqinvA$, $I \subset TrqinvA$). Similarly when A is unital will say that a closed two-sided (resp. left-sided, right-sided) ideal I is *topologically regular* (resp. *topologically left regular, topologically right regular*) if $I \subset TinvA$ (resp. $I \subset TlinvA$, $I \subset TrinvA$). Given an algebra A , we mean by its unitization the algebra $A_1 := A \oplus \mathcal{C}e$, obtained by adjunction of a unit element e to A . The element e which appears in the next formulas (1.2) and (1.4) is that of A_1 . We can remark that for every $x \in A$ we have: $x \in QinvA$ (resp. $LqinvA$, $RqinvA$, $TlqinvA$, $TrqinvA$, $TqinvA$) if, and only if

$e - x \in InvA_1$ (resp. $LinvA_1, RinvA_1, TlinvA_1, TrinvA_1, TinvA_1$); so we have the next equalities:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in LinvA \Leftrightarrow Ax = A \\ x \in RinvA \Leftrightarrow xA = A \\ x \in InvA \Leftrightarrow Ax = xA = A \end{array} \right\} \text{ if } A \text{ has a unit.} \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in LqinvA \Leftrightarrow A(e - x) = A \\ x \in RqinvA \Leftrightarrow (e - x)A = A \\ x \in QinvA \Leftrightarrow A(e - x) = (e - x)A = A \end{array} \right\} \text{ if } A \text{ hasn't a unit.} \quad (2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in TlinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{Ax} = A \\ x \in TrinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{xA} = A \\ x \in TinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{Ax} = \overline{xA} = A \end{array} \right\} \text{ if } A \text{ has a unit.} \quad (3)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in TlqinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{A(e - x)} = A \\ x \in TrqinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{(e - x)A} = A \\ x \in TqinvA \Leftrightarrow \overline{A(e - x)} = \overline{(e - x)A} = A \end{array} \right\} \text{ if } A \text{ hasn't a unit.} \quad (4)$$

We will say that A is an *advertive algebra* [2] (the notion is essentially due to A. Beddaa ([5, Definition 1.2, p. 57]) if, $TqinvA = QinvA$ and more precisely if A is unital: A is an *invertive algebra* if $TinvA = InvA$. A topological algebra A is said to be *quasi-inverse* (resp. *topologically quasi-inverse*) *closed* [6], if for every $x \in A$: $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$ implies that $x \in QinvA$ (resp. $x \in TqinvA$). If A is unital, we have the following precision: A is said to be *inverse* (resp. *topologically inverse*) *closed* if for every $x \in A$: $0 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$ implies that $x \in InvA$ (resp. $x \in TinvA$). We note that a *quasi-inverse* (resp. *inverse*) *closed algebra is necessarily topologically quasi-inverse* (resp. *inverse*) *closed*. We can remark here that *the converse is not true* (cf. Example 2.32). The *spectrum* (resp. *topological spectrum*) of an element $x \in A$ will be denoted by $Sp_A(x)$ (resp. $Sp_A^t(x)$). If we put

$$\Phi_x = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } A \text{ is unital and } x \in InvA \\ \{0\} & \text{in the other cases} \end{cases}$$

$$\Phi_x^t = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } A \text{ is unital and } x \in TinvA \\ \{0\} & \text{in the other cases} \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$Sp_A(x) = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathcal{C} \setminus \{0\} : \frac{x}{\lambda} \notin QinvA \right\} \cup \Phi_x \quad (5)$$

The *spectral radius* is defined by

$$\rho_A(x) = \sup \{ |\lambda| : \lambda \in Sp_A(x) \} \quad (6)$$

Similarly we define

$$Sp_A^t(x) = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathcal{C} \setminus \{0\} : \frac{x}{\lambda} \notin TqinvA \right\} \cup \Phi_x^t \quad (7)$$

The *topological spectral radius* is defined by

$$\rho_A^t(x) = \sup \{ |\lambda| : \lambda \in Sp_A^t(x) \} \quad (8)$$

The *topological radical* $radA$ of A is by definition the intersection of the kernels of all continuous irreducible representations of A on separated vector space [1]. It is a closed subset of A . If A has no continuous irreducible representations at all then, we say that A is *topologically radical* ($A = radA$). We note by $RadA$ the *Jacobson's radical* of A . Recall that if A is a topological algebra and A' its topological dual, the *polar* B° of a subset B of A is, by definition,

$$B^\circ = \{ x' \in A' : \sup \{ | \langle x, x' \rangle | : x \in B \} \leq 1 \} \quad (9)$$

Several authors, among others, R. Hadjigeorgiou [6], A. Mallios [7], E. A. Michael [8], Tsertos, Y. [10], S. Warner [11] and W. Zelazko [12], worked on Q -algebras. They considered characterizations of this sort of algebras, in certain particular classes of topological algebras. One follows here a similar advance for studying tQ -algebras (cf. Definition 2.1). Here it is shown that *the class of tQ -algebras contains strictly that of Q -algebras* (cf. Example 2.3). For *advertive* algebras *these two classes coincide*. So, for advertive algebras, one thus deduces the most part of the results found by the aforementioned authors. Besides, we have $QinvA \subset TqinvA$, if, and only if, for every $x \in A$, $Sp_A^t(x) \subset Sp_A(x)$. We can remark that a normed algebra is Q if, and only if, for every $x \in A$ we have $Sp_A^t(x) = Sp_A(x)$. The main results on tQ -algebras are summarized in Lemmas 2.8, 2.9, 2.10, 2.39; Corollaries 2.11, 2.15, Proposition 2.16 and Proposition 2.26. Furthermore, we give a characterization of (topologically) almost commutative algebras (cf. Proposition 2.35 and Corollary 2.36).

2. Topologically Q -algebras

Definition 2.1 Let A be a topological algebra. The algebra A is said to be a *topologically Q -algebra*, *tQ -algebra*, in brief, if $TqinvA$ is open.

Firstly we give some examples of topologically Q -algebras.

Example 2.1 Every Q -algebra is a tQ -algebra.

Below, we give an example of a tQ -algebra, which is not a Q -algebra.

Example 2.2 Let $A = \mathcal{C}[t]$ be the unital algebra of polynomial functions of one indeterminate definite on $[0, 1]$ with complex coefficients and equipped with the following algebra norm: $P \longrightarrow \|P\| = \sum_{i=0}^n |a_i|$; with $P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i t^i$ for every $t \in [0, 1]$. All non-zero continuous multiplicative linear functionals of A are of the form δ_z with $|z| \leq 1$ and $\delta_z(P) = P(z)$. Then we have $\mathcal{X}(A) = \{ \delta_z : |z| \leq 1 \}$. The set of all invertible elements of A is not other than $InvA = \mathcal{C} \setminus \{0\}$. Hence $InvA$ is not open, of course, in the normed topology of A , as before. Let P be a polynomial of degree ≥ 1 and not having any root in $[0, 1]$. By Stone-Weierstrass theorem, there is a sequence $(P_n)_n$ in A which converges towards the inverse of P in the algebra of continuous functions on $[0, 1]$. The sequence $(PP_n)_n$ converges towards 1 in A . So $TinvA \supset InvA$ and $TinvA \neq InvA$. As we have $TinvA = Inv(\tilde{A}) \cap A$, then $TinvA$ is open. So A is a topologically Q -algebra.

Example 2.3 Let A be a tQ -algebra which is not a Q -algebra and B any Q -algebra. Then $A \times B$ is a tQ -algebra which is not a Q -algebra.

Proposition 2.1 *Every normed algebra A is a tQ -algebra.*

Proof. Since in a unital normed algebra A , with \tilde{A} its completion, we have $TinvA \supseteq Inv(\tilde{A}) \cap A$, then $TinvA$ is always open. Consequently in a non unital normed algebra we have also $TqinvA \supseteq Qinv(\tilde{A}) \cap A$, so $TqinvA$ is also always open. The equality holds true in the case we deal with Cauchy nets (cf. [6, p. 52, Lemma 2.4]). \square

Because $Qinv(\tilde{A}) \cap A \subset TqinvA$, the preceding result can be generalized as follows.

Remark 2.1 (A. Mallios) *A topological algebra, with completion (whenever exists) a Q -algebra, is a tQ -algebra.*

Lemma 2.1 *If A is a complex algebra and P a polynomial, then $Sp_A^t(P(x)) = P(Sp_A^t(x))$.*

Proof.

- 1 *Unital case.* Let e be the unit of A and $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$. Then $P(x) - P(\lambda)e = (x - \lambda e)Q(x)$ with $Q(x)$ a polynomial in x . As $x - \lambda e \notin TinvA$, it is also so for $P(x) - P(\lambda)e = (x - \lambda e)Q(x)$. Hence $P(Sp_A^t(x)) \subset Sp_A^t(P(x))$. Conversely, let $\mu \in Sp_A^t(P(x))$. If P is a constant, the result is obvious. Suppose that P is not constant and let n be the degree of P . Since the field of complex numbers is algebraically closed, they exist $\alpha_0, (\lambda_i)_{i=1, \dots, n} \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $P(x) - \mu e = \alpha_0 \prod_{i=1}^n (x - \lambda_i e)$. As $P(x) - \mu e \notin TinvA$, there exists $i_0 \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ such that $(x - \lambda_{i_0} e) \notin TinvA$. Hence $\lambda_{i_0} \in Sp_A^t(x)$ and we have $P(\lambda_{i_0}) = \mu$. So $\mu \in P(Sp_A^t(x))$.
- 2 *Non unital case.* In this case, the result is still true for P without constant term. The proof remains the same one. \square

The following result has an intersection with a recent result of H. Arizmendi et al. [4].

Lemma 2.2 *Let A be a topological algebra and $TqinvA$ the set of its topologically quasi-invertible elements. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 *$TqinvA$ is an open set of A ; i.e. A is tQ -algebra.*

- 2 $TqinvA$ has a non-empty interior.
- 3 $TqinvA$ is a neighborhood of zero in A .
- 4 There exists $V \in W_0$ such that $\rho_A^t \leq g_V$ (Y. Tsertos).
In particular,
- 5 Let $(A, (p)_{p \in \Gamma})$ be a locally convex algebra. Then A is a tQ -algebra if, and only if, there exist $p \in \Gamma$ and $M > 0$ such that $\rho_A^t \leq M.p$
- 6 Let $(A, (p)_{p \in \Gamma})$ be a locally m -convex algebra. Then A is a tQ -algebra if, and only if, there exists $p \in \Gamma$ such that $\rho_A^t \leq p$.

Proof. (1) \implies (2) It is obvious.

(1) \implies (3). Since $0 \in A$ is a (topologically) quasi-invertible element, we have the implication as well.

(3) \implies (2). It is still obvious.

(2) \implies (1). Thus, for every $x \in A$, consider the continuous functions $\phi_x : A \longrightarrow A$ and $\psi_x : A \longrightarrow A$ such that $\phi_x(y) := x \circ y$ and $\psi_x(y) := y \circ x$. If $x \in A$ then, $\phi_x^{-1}(TqinvA) \subset TrqinvA$ (resp. $\psi_x^{-1}(TqinvA) \subset TlqinvA$); hence, for any elements x and y in A , we have $\phi_x^{-1}(TqinvA) \cap \psi_y^{-1}(TqinvA) \subset TqinvA$. Suppose now that x is an interior point of $TqinvA$ and let z be any point of $TqinvA$ thereby, there exist two nets $(t_\lambda)_\lambda$ and $(s_\lambda)_\lambda$ such that $\lim_\lambda \phi_z(t_\lambda) = \lim_\lambda \psi_z(s_\lambda) = 0$. Then, $\lim_\lambda \phi_{x \circ t_\lambda}(z) = \lim_\lambda (x \circ t_\lambda) \circ z = \lim_\lambda x \circ (t_\lambda \circ z) = x \circ 0 = x$ and $\lim_\lambda \psi_{s_\lambda \circ x}(z) = \lim_\lambda z \circ (s_\lambda \circ x) = \lim_\lambda (z \circ s_\lambda) \circ x = x$. So, for every $V \in O(x)$ (: set of open neighborhoods of x), there exists λ such that for every $\beta \geq \lambda$, $\phi_{x \circ t_\beta}(z) \in V$ and $\psi_{s_\beta \circ x}(z) \in V$. Hence z is an interior point of $\phi_{x \circ t_\beta}^{-1}(TqinvA) \cap \psi_{s_\beta \circ x}^{-1}(TqinvA) \subset TqinvA$. Whence, the conclusion.

By the preceding lemma, in the case of a polynomial, the ‘‘Spectral mapping theorem’’ remains true for topologically quasi-invertible elements. Hence for any $x \in A$ if we replace $Sp_A(x)$, $\rho_A(x)$ and $Qinv(A)$ respectively by $Sp_A^t(x)$, $\rho_A^t(x)$ and $Tqinv(A)$, then the proofs of (1) \iff (4), (5) and (6) are practically and respectively the same ones as those ((I), (II) and (III)) given by Tsertos ([10]). \square

Lemma 2.3 *Let A be a topological algebra and consider the following subset of A :*

$$T(A) = \{x \in A : \rho_A^t(x) \leq 1\} \quad (10)$$

where $\rho_A^t(x)$ is given by (1.8). Then, the following two assertions are equivalent:

- 1 A is a tQ -algebra
- 2 $T(A)$ is a neighborhood of zero in A .

Proof. (1) \implies (2). If A is a tQ -algebra, by the preceding lemma, $TqinvA$ is a neighborhood of zero in A , so that there exists a balanced absorbing neighborhood U of $0 \in A$ contained in $TqinvA$. We shall show that $U \subset T(A)$: Indeed, if $x \in U$ and $\rho_A^t(x) > 1$, then by equation (1.8) there would exist $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$ with $|\lambda| > 1$. But, $\frac{x}{\lambda} \notin TqinvA$; that is a contradiction, since $\frac{x}{\lambda} \in U \subset TqinvA$, because $|\frac{1}{\lambda}| < 1$ and U is balanced. Thus, $U \subset T(A)$. Hence, the implication.

(2) \implies (1). On the other hand, if (2) is valid, then $0 \in A$ is an interior point of $T(A)$; hence, the set $\frac{1}{2}T(A)$ has a non-empty interior too; and however is contained in $TqinvA$. Since otherwise, if an element $\frac{x}{2} \in \frac{1}{2}T(A) \cap (A \setminus TqinvA)$ then, $2 \in Sp_A^t(x)$; so that $\rho_A^t(x) \geq 2$, that is, a contradiction to equation (2.1). Hence, the conclusion. \square

Lemma 2.4 *Every element x of a tQ-algebra has a compact topological spectrum $Sp_A^t(x)$.*

Proof. By Lemma 2.8, the set $TqinvA$ is a neighborhood of $0 \in A$. So, there exists a balanced, absorbing neighborhood U of $0 \in A$ with $U \subset TqinvA$. Moreover, if $x \in A$, there exists an $\alpha > 0$ with $\alpha x \in U$. Thus, we show that

$$\rho_A^t(x) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad (11)$$

Indeed, if $\rho_A^t(x) > \frac{1}{\alpha}$, there would exist $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$ with $|\lambda| > \frac{1}{\alpha}$. So that $|\frac{1}{\lambda\alpha}| < 1$ and U is balanced. One concludes that $\frac{1}{\lambda\alpha} \cdot \alpha x = \frac{x}{\lambda} \in U \subset TqinvA$, that is, a contradiction to $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$; and this proves (2.2). \square

Corollary 2.1 *Let A be a tQ-algebra. Moreover consider the following subset of A*

$$TB(A) = \{x \in A : \rho_A^t(x) < +\infty\} \quad (12)$$

Then, $A = TB(A)$. In other words, a tQ-algebra is topologically spectrally bounded.

Proposition 2.2 *Let A be a topological algebra and $x \in A$. Moreover, consider the following assertions:*

- 1 $x \in TqinvA$.
- 2 x is not a unit element of A modulo any regular proper and closed one-sided ideal of A .
- 3 x is not a unit element of A modulo any regular maximal and closed one-sided ideal of A .

Then, (1) \iff (2) \implies (3). Furthermore, if A is a simplicial algebra, then all the above assertions are equivalent.

Proof. (1) \implies (2). If x is a unit element of A modulo, for example, a closed proper right ideal I of A , one has $\{y - xy : y \in A\} := (e - x)A \subset I$. Since x is, for example, right topologically quasi-invertible, then by equations (1.4) we have $\overline{(e - x)A} = A$. Hence $I = A$; contradiction.

(2) \implies (1). If $x \notin TqinvA$, suppose, for example, that x is not left topologically quasi-invertible. Then $A(e - x) \neq A$. Hence $\overline{A(e - x)}$ is a closed regular left ideal of A with right unit element x of A modulo $\overline{A(e - x)}$.

(2) \implies (3) is obvious.

(3) \implies (2). Suppose that x is a unit element of A modulo a regular proper closed one-sided ideal of A . Suppose that the algebra A is simplicial, then, the element x is a unit element of A modulo a regular maximal and closed one-sided ideal of A . \square

If A is unital, the last proposition gives rise to the following corollary.

Corollary 2.2 *Let A be a unital topological algebra and $x \in A$. Moreover, consider the following assertions:*

1 $x \in TinvA$.

2 x does not belong to any proper and closed one-sided ideal of A .

3 x does not belong to any maximal and closed one-sided ideal of A .

Then, (1) \iff (2) \implies (3). Furthermore, if A is a simplicial algebra, then all the above assertions are equivalent.

Remark 2.2 Contrary to a topological Q -algebra where every regular maximal ideal is closed, in a tQ -algebra, we may have regular maximal ideals which are not closed. Indeed, let A be the algebra of Example 2.3. All nonzero multiplicative linear functionals of A are of the form δ_z , $z \in \mathcal{C}$ with $\delta_z(P) = P(z)$. All nonzero continuous multiplicative linear functionals of A are of the form δ_z with $|z| \leq 1$. Finally all regular maximal ideals of A are of the form $Ker\delta_z$ with $z \in \mathcal{C}$. But only the sets $Ker\delta_z$ with $|z| \leq 1$, are closed.

Corollary 2.3 *Let A be a topological algebra. Then, A is a tQ -algebra if, and only if, the set $\bigcup_{I \in i(A)} I$ is closed.*

Proof. The equivalence (1) \iff (2) of Proposition 2.12 means that $TqinvA = A \setminus \bigcup_{I \in i(A)} I$, hence, the conclusion. \square

We know that any topological Q -algebra is simplicial. We have a parallel result for tQ -algebras.

Proposition 2.3 *Every topological tQ -algebra A is topologically simplicial.*

Proof. If A is topologically radical, then $TqinvA = radA$. So A is trivially topologically simplicial. Now if A is not topologically radical, it admits proper regular closed one sided ideals. By definition, put $i(A) = i_l(A) \cup i_r(A)$ where $i_l(A)$ (resp. $i_r(A)$) is the set of all regular proper and closed left (resp. right) ideal of A . Let, for example, $J \in i_l(A)$ and u a right unit element of A modulo J . Let $\mathcal{F} = \{I \in i_l(A) : J \subset I\}$. So $\mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$. Let $(I_k)_{k \in K}$ be a totally ordered subfamily of \mathcal{F} . Consider $I_0 = \bigcup_{k \in K} I_k$. If

$\overline{I_0}^A = A$, then $\overline{\bigcup_{I \in i(A)} I} = A$; which contradicts the fact that $\bigcup_{I \in i(A)} I$ is closed in A . So

$\overline{I_0}^A$ is a regular closed, and maximal left ideal of A which contains J . Consequently, A is topologically simplicial. \square

Using Proposition 2.5 one has the following corollary.

Corollary 2.4 *Every normed algebra is topologically simplicial.*

Remark 2.3 Every topological algebra whose completion is a Q -algebra is topologically simplicial (Proposition 2.16 and Remark 2.6). It also has an equicontinuous spectrum (Proposition 2.26) and a continuous Gel'fand map.

The following statement is fulfilled by a tQ -algebra (cf. Proposition 2.16).

Corollary 2.5 *Let A be a topologically simplicial algebra and $x \in A$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 $x \in TqinvA$.
- 2 x is not a unit element of A modulo any regular proper and closed one-sided ideal of A .
- 3 x is not a unit element of A modulo any regular closed and maximal one-sided ideal of A .

Lemma 2.5 *Let A be a topological algebra and $x \in A$. Then, $x \in TqinvA$ (resp. $x \in TinvA$ if A is unital) implies that $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$ (resp. $0 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$).*

Proof. If x is topologically quasi-invertible, then there exists a net $(x_\lambda)_\lambda$ such that $x_\lambda \circ x \rightarrow 0 \leftarrow x \circ x_\lambda$. Let $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$, then for example, $f(x \circ x_\lambda) = f(x)f(x_\lambda) - f(x) - f(x_\lambda) \rightarrow 0$. So, obviously $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. The other case is treated in the same way. \square

Proposition 2.4 *Let A be a topological algebra. Then, for every $x \in A$ one has $\widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x^t) \subset Sp_A^t(x)$. Furthermore, if A is a Gel'fand-Mazur simplicial t -acceptable algebra, then for every $x \in A$ one has the relation*

$$\widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x^t) = Sp_A^t(x), \quad (13)$$

Hence, for every $x \in A$ one has the relation

$$\rho_A^t(x) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{X}(A)} |f(x)|. \quad (14)$$

Proof. If, for some $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$, $f(x) = 0$, then x can not be topologically invertible. So that $0 \in Sp_A^t(x)$. On the other hand, if $\widehat{x}(f) = f(x) = \lambda \neq 0$ in \mathcal{C} , where $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$, then $f(\frac{x}{\lambda}) = 1$. Hence, by the preceding lemma, $\frac{x}{\lambda} \notin TqinvA$; so, $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$. Furthermore, if $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$ with $\lambda \neq 0$, then $\frac{x}{\lambda} \notin TqinvA$. So, by Proposition 2.12 and the fact that A is a Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable algebra, there exists an $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ such that $f(\frac{x}{\lambda}) = 1$. Hence, $\lambda \in \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. Consequently, we have the relation (2.4). Now, (2.5) is straightforward from (2.4). \square

Remark 2.4 By equation (2.5), a simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable topological algebra is bounded if, and only if, $A = TB(A)$ (cf. Corollary 2.11). Furthermore: *Any topological algebra satisfying (2.5) is bounded if, and only if, it is topologically spectrally bounded.*

Corollary 2.6 *Let A be a topological Gel'fand-Mazur simplicial t -acceptable topological algebra with continuous Gel'fand map (hence also if it is, respectively, Frechet, barreled, m -barreled, spectrally barreled). Then, the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 A is a tQ -algebra
- 2 $A = TB(A)$

Proof. By Corollary 2.11, it is enough to prove that (2) \implies (1). Indeed, by the preceding proposition, for every $x \in A$ we have $\rho_A^t(x) = \sup\{|\widehat{x}(f)| : f \in \mathcal{X}(A)\}$. Since $A = TB(A)$, ρ_A^t is a semi-norm on A which is continuous at 0, due to the continuity of the Gel'fand map. Hence, $T(A)$ is already a neighborhood of 0. \square

Proposition 2.5 *In a topological algebra A the two following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 A is topologically quasi-inverse closed.
- 2 For every $x \in A$, we have $\widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x^t) = Sp_A^t(x)$.

Proof. By Proposition 2.21, for every $x \in A$ we have $\widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x^t) \subset Sp_A^t(x)$. Suppose that the assertion (1) is satisfied. If $\lambda \in Sp_A^t(x)$ with $\lambda \neq 0$, then $\frac{x}{\lambda} \notin TqinvA$. By hypothesis, $1 \in \widehat{\frac{x}{\lambda}}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. Hence, there is an $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ such that $f(x) = \lambda$. So, $\lambda \in \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x^t)$. Conversely, if $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$, then $1 \notin Sp_A^t(x)$. Hence, $x \in TqinvA$. So, A is topologically quasi-inverse closed. \square

Corollary 2.7 *In a topological algebra A the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 A is quasi-inverse closed.
- 2 For every $x \in A$, we have $\widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x) = Sp_A(x)$.

Proposition 2.6 *Let A be a topological tQ -algebra. Then $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is an equicontinuous subset of A' and hence, relatively compact in A'_s (: the weak topological dual of A).*

Proof. If U is balanced neighborhood of $0 \in A$ consisting of topologically quasi-invertible elements of A , then one has the relation

$$U \subset (\mathcal{X}(A))^\circ = \{x \in A : \sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}(A)\} \leq 1\} \quad (15)$$

where $(\mathcal{X}(A))^\circ$ denotes the polar set of $\mathcal{X}(A) (\subset A')$ in A . Indeed, if $x \in U$ and $|f(x)| > 1$ for some $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$, then $f(x) := \lambda \neq 0$ and $|\frac{1}{\lambda}| < 1$. Thus, $\frac{x}{\lambda} \in U$ and $f(\frac{x}{\lambda}) = 1$, a contradiction since $\frac{x}{\lambda} \in TqinvA$ (Lemma 2.20). Therefore, one has $|f(x)| \leq 1$ for every $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ and $x \in U$, which proves (2.6). Hence, $(\mathcal{X}(A))^\circ$ is a neighborhood of zero in A . Therefore, $\mathcal{X}(A) \subset (\mathcal{X}(A))^{\circ\circ}$ is an equicontinuous subset of A' . \square

Proposition 2.7 *Let A be a simplicial t -acceptable Gel'fand-Mazur topological algebra. Then, the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 $x \in TqinvA$.

2 $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$.

Proof. By Proposition 2.12 A is not topologically radical. If $A = TqinvA$, then A must be an ideal of topologically quasi-invertible elements. So, A must be topologically radical; which is not the case. Then, there exists $x \in A$ such that $x \notin TqinvA$. As A is simplicial, by Proposition 2.12, for example, x is a right unit element of A modulo a maximal and closed ideal M . But A is a Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable topological algebra, then M give rise to a nonzero continuous character of A . Whence, $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is not empty. So, the assertion (3) of Proposition 2.12 is equivalent to $1 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. Indeed, if $x \in TqinvA$, then there exists a net $(y_\alpha)_\alpha \subset A$ such that $\lim_\alpha (xy_\alpha - x - y_\alpha) = 0$. If $1 \in \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$, by applying an $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ to the preceding limit, one leads to a contradiction. Conversely, if $x \notin TqinvA$, by Proposition 2.12, there exists a regular maximal and closed one sided J of A such that x is a unit of A modulo J . But, by assumption, J is two-sided. So, there exists a nonzero continuous character $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ such that $f(x) = 1$. Whence, $1 \in \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. \square

Corollary 2.8 *Let A be a simplicial and unital t -acceptable Gel'fand-Mazur topological algebra. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 $x \in TinvA$.
- 2 $0 \notin \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A))$.

Theorem 2.1 *Let A be a topological algebra. Moreover, consider the following statements:*

- 1 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is an equicontinuous subset of A' and A is topologically quasi-inverse closed.
- 2 A is a tQ -algebra.

Then (1) \implies (2). Furthermore, if A is a simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable topological algebra, then (2) \implies (1) as well. So the two assertions are equivalent.

Proof. (1) \implies (2). As $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous, then $U = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{X}(A))^\circ$ is by hypothesis a neighborhood of zero in A such that: if $x \in U$, then $|f(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2}$; that is $f(x) \neq 1$, for every $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$. So, by the fact that A is topologically quasi-inverse closed, $x \in TqinvA$. Whence, by Lemma 2.8, A is a tQ -algebra.

(2) \implies (1). By Proposition 2.26, $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous, hence, by Propositions 2.21 and 2.24, A is topologically quasi-inverse closed. \square

Example 2.4 Let $(A, \tau) = (H(\mathcal{C}), (p_k)_k)$, with $p_k(f) = \sup_{|z| \leq k} |f(z)|$, be the algebra of holomorphic functions on \mathcal{C} . Hence A is a Frechet *l.m.c.a.*. As A is complete, then it is invertibly complete. Besides, A is not a Q -algebra, because it contains elements with unbounded spectrum. Even if A is topologically inverse closed, which it can be deduced by Proposition 2.24, appropriately specialized to this case, and the fact that A is a commutative (hence, t -acceptable) and simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur algebra, A is not a tQ -algebra. Because $InvA = TinvA$. Consequently, $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is not equicontinuous.

Corollary 2.9 *One has the following results.*

- 1 *In every simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable topologically non radical algebra the set $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is not empty.*
- 2 *Every simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable topological algebra is topologically quasi-inverse closed.*
- 3 *Let A be a simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur t -acceptable tQ -algebra. Then A is Q -algebra if, and only if, for every $x \in A : Sp_A(x) = \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x)$.*

Proof. The assertion (1) is deduced from Proposition 2.12. Now, the assertion (2) is deduced from (2) \implies (1) of Proposition 2.24 and Proposition 2.21. Now we prove the assertion (3). Necessary condition. If A is a Q -algebra, by Proposition 2 ([2]), one has $QinvA = TqinvA$ and hence for every $x \in A$, $Sp_A(x) = Sp_A^t(x)$. So, the assertion derives from Proposition 2.21, being a Q -algebra simplicial. Sufficient condition. Suppose that $Sp_A(x) = \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_x)$ for every $x \in A$. By Proposition 2.21, we have $Sp_A^t(x) = \widehat{x}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \{0\})$ for every $x \in A$. Consequently, $Sp_A^t(x) = Sp_A(x)$ for every $x \in A$. So A is Q -algebra. \square

Example 2.5 Let A be the commutative algebra of Example 2.3. By Proposition 2.21, for every $P \in A$ we have $\widehat{P}(\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \Phi_P^t) = Sp_A^t(P)$. Hence, by an analogue of Proposition 2.24 specialized to unital case, it is topologically inverse closed. But A is not inverse closed. Indeed, let $P : t \longrightarrow t - 2$. Then, we have $\widehat{P}(\mathcal{X}(A)) = \mathcal{D}((-2, 0), 1)$ ($\mathcal{D}((-2, 0), 1)$: closed disk of center $(-2, 0)$ and radius 1). Hence, $0 \notin \widehat{P}(\mathcal{X}(A))$ and $P \notin InvA = \mathcal{O} \setminus \{0\}$. We can remark here that $Sp_A^t(P) \subset Sp_A(P)$ and $Sp_A^t(P) \neq Sp_A(P)$.

Based on Theorem 2.29, the following corollary is obvious:

Corollary 2.10 *Let A be a Gel'fand-Mazur simplicial t -acceptable topological algebra. Then, the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 *A is a tQ -algebra.*
- 2 *$\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous.*

Proposition 2.8 *If the completion \widetilde{A} of a topological algebra A is t -acceptable and simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur topological algebra then,*

- 1 *A is simplicial.*
- 2 *If in addition $\mathcal{X}(A) = \mathcal{X}(\widetilde{A})$ within a continuous bijection and A is a tQ -algebra, then it is also so for \widetilde{A} .*

Proof. Let A be a topological algebra and suppose that \widetilde{A} is t -acceptable simplicial Gel'fand-Mazur topological algebra.

- 1 For example, let I be a regular, proper and closed right ideal of A . Then $\bar{I}^{\tilde{A}}$ is of the same type in \tilde{A} . Otherwise, $I = \bar{I}^A := \bar{I}^{\tilde{A}} \cap A = \tilde{A} \cap A = A$. Which is absurd. Besides, since \tilde{A} is simplicial there exists a regular maximal right ideal J which is closed and such that it contains $\bar{I}^{\tilde{A}}$. Now, since \tilde{A} is t-acceptable J is two-sided. By the fact that \tilde{A} is a Gel'fand-Mazur algebra, there exists a character g of \tilde{A} such that $J = \ker g$. Let f be the restriction of g to A . Then f is a character of A such that $\ker f$ contains I . Hence A is simplicial.
- 2 Assuming that A is a tQ -algebra, by Proposition 2.26, $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous. Hence, by hypothesis and A. Mallios [7, p. 146, Lemma 2.2], $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ is equicontinuous too, providing that \tilde{A} is a tQ -algebra in view of Corollary 2.33.
- 3 Let $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ and $M = \text{Ker}(f)$. Then the closed ideal $\bar{M}^{\tilde{A}}$ of \tilde{A} is maximal (as right and as left ideal), otherwise $M := \bar{M}^{\tilde{A}} \cap A = A$; which is impossible. By assumption \tilde{A} is a Gel'fand-Mazur algebra. So there exists a continuous character \tilde{f} of \tilde{A} such that $\bar{M}^{\tilde{A}} = \text{Ker}(\tilde{f})$. Conversely, every continuous character \tilde{f} of \tilde{A} define a continuous character f of A such that $f = \tilde{f}|_A$. Now if in addition A is a tQ -algebra. To show that \tilde{A} is a tQ -algebra, it is enough, by the previous corollary, to show that the set of continuous characters of \tilde{A} is equicontinuous. But by assumption we have $\mathcal{X}(A) = \mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ within a continuous bijection. So the equicontinuity of $\mathcal{X}(A)$ implies that one of $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ (cf. [7, p. 146, Lemma 2.2]).

□

Now we turn our attention to advertibly complete Gel'fand-Mazur topological algebras which are closely related with (topologically) almost commutativity.

Proposition 2.9 *Let A be a Gel'fand Mazur topological algebra. Then, the following statements are equivalent:*

- 1 A is t-acceptable algebra.
- 2 A is topologically almost commutative (i.e. $B := A/\text{rad}A$ is commutative).

Proof. By Corollary 1 of [1], the topological radical of A is closed. Hence B is a topological algebra. Suppose that A is t-acceptable algebra. Then, $\text{rad}A = \bigcap_{f \in \mathcal{X}(A)} \text{Ker}(f)$

, which is an improvement of a result of Abel [3, Theorem 5, p. 19] obtained in the commutative case. So one has $xy - yx \in \text{rad}A$ for every $x, y \in A$, hence, the commutativity of B . Conversely, suppose that B is commutative. Hence B is t-acceptable algebra. Let M be a closed regular one sided ideal of A which is maximal as a unilateral ideal. Then, $\pi(M)$ is a regular and maximal ideal in B , where π is the canonical map from A onto B . Indeed, if there is an ideal M' of B such that $B \neq M' \supset \pi(M)$, then $\pi^{-1}(M')$ is a maximal ideal of A such that $\pi^{-1}(M') \supset \pi^{-1}(\pi(M)) \supset M$. By the

fact that M is maximal, we have $\pi^{-1}(M') = \pi^{-1}(\pi(M)) = M$. Since $\pi(M)$ is two-sided, it is also so for M . One deduces that the algebra A is also t -acceptable algebra. \square

Furthermore, in the above proposition, if A is advertive and simplicial (hence, it is advertibly complete), i.e. $QinvA = TqinvA$ (so we have $radA = RadA$ [9, Proposition 14, p. 324]), then one has the following corollary:

Corollary 2.11 *Let A be an advertive and simplicial Gelfand Mazur topological algebra. Then, the following statements are equivalent:*

- 1 A is t -acceptable.
- 2 A is almost commutative.

Proposition 2.10 *Let A be a topological algebra. Moreover consider the following statements:*

- 1 $A/RadA$ is advertibly complete and $RadA$ is closed.
- 2 A is advertibly complete.

Then (1) \implies (2). Furthermore, if A is simplicial and advertive algebra, then (2) \implies (1) as well. So, the two assertions are equivalent.

Proof. (1) \implies (2). Let $(x_\lambda) \subset A$ be a Cauchy net and $x \in A$ such that $x \circ x_\lambda \rightarrow 0$ and $x_\lambda \circ x \rightarrow 0$. Then, $\widetilde{x} \circ \widetilde{x}_\lambda \rightarrow \widetilde{0}$ and $\widetilde{x}_\lambda \circ \widetilde{x} \rightarrow \widetilde{0}$. Furthermore, (\widetilde{x}_λ) is a Cauchy net. Hence, there exists $\widetilde{y} \in A/RadA$ such that $\widetilde{x}_\lambda \rightarrow \widetilde{y}$. Then $x_\lambda \rightarrow y$, that is A is advertibly complete with y the quasi-inverse of x .

(2) \implies (1). As A is advertive and simplicial, then $RadA = radA$ [9, Proposition 14, p. 324]. Hence, $RadA$ is closed. So $A/RadA$ is a topological algebra. Let $\widetilde{x}_\lambda \subset A/RadA$ a Cauchy net with $\widetilde{x}_\lambda \circ \widetilde{x} \rightarrow 0 \leftarrow \widetilde{x} \circ \widetilde{x}_\lambda$ for some $x \in A$. Then, $x_\lambda \circ x \rightarrow 0 \leftarrow x \circ x_\lambda$, with (x_λ) a Cauchy net of the advertibly complete algebra A , hence $x_\lambda \rightarrow y \in A$, such that $x \circ y = y \circ x = 0$. Thus, $\widetilde{x}_\lambda \rightarrow \widetilde{y}$ with $\widetilde{x} \circ \widetilde{y} = \widetilde{y} \circ \widetilde{x} = 0$, which proves the assertion. \square

Corollary 2.12 *Let A be an advertive topological algebra. Moreover consider the following statements:*

- 1 A is advertibly complete.
- 2 $A/RadA$ is advertibly complete.

Then, (2) \implies (1). Furthermore, if A is simplicial, then (1) \implies (2) as well. So, the two assertions are equivalent.

Lemma 2.6 *Let A be a non unital topological algebra and A_1 its unitization. Then A is tQ -algebra if, and only if, A_1 is tQ -algebra.*

Proof. $TinvA_1 = \bigcup_{\lambda \in C^*} \lambda(e - TqinvA)$. Hence if $TqinvA$ is open, it is also so for

$TinvA_1$. Conversely, one has $TqinvA = A \cap (e - TinvA_1)$. Hence if $TinvA_1$ is open, it is also so for $TqinvA$. \square

Proposition 2.11 *Let A be a topological algebra and consider the following assertions:*

- 1 A is quasi-inverse closed.
- 2 A is advertibly complete.

Then, (1) \implies (2). Furthermore, if A is an advertive Gel'fand-Mazur and simplicial t -acceptable algebra, then (2) \implies (1) as well. So the two preceding assertions are equivalent.

Proof. We know that A is advertibly complete if, and only if, its unitization $A_1 = A \oplus \mathcal{C}e$ is invertibly complete. Besides, let $x_1 = x + \beta e \in A_1$ with $x \in A$ and $\beta \neq 0$. By Lemma 2.39, we can remark that x_1 is topologically invertible if, and only if, $-\frac{x}{\beta}$ is topologically quasi-invertible. Furthermore, we remark that A is quasi-inverse closed if, and only if, A_1 is inverse closed. We will use these preliminaries in the direct implication.

(1) \implies (2). Let $(x_\lambda) \subset A_1$ be a Cauchy net and $x \in A_1$ such that $xx_\lambda \longrightarrow e$ and $x_\lambda x \longrightarrow e$. Then, $0 \notin \widehat{\mathcal{X}}(\mathcal{X}(A_1))$. So, by hypothesis, $x \in \text{Inv}A_1$. Let x^{-1} be its inverse. Then, for example, $(x^{-1}x)x_\lambda = x_\lambda \longrightarrow x^{-1}e = x^{-1}$. Whence, A_1 is invertibly complete.

(2) \implies (1) Let $x \in A$ and suppose that $1 \notin \widehat{\mathcal{X}}(\mathcal{X}(A))$. If $x \notin \text{Tqinv}A$, then $x \notin \text{Qinv}A$. Hence, for example, $I = \{y - yx : y \in A\}$ is a regular left ideal with right unit element x of A modulo I and $J \neq A$, where J is the closure of I in A . Consequently, J is a regular and closed left ideal with right unit element x of A modulo J . Since A is simplicial, then there exists a regular, closed and maximal left ideal M , with right unit element x of A modulo M which contains J . But A is t -acceptable, so M is two-sided. Hence, by the fact that A is a Gel'fand-Mazur algebra, M defines an $f \in \mathcal{X}(A)$ such that $M = \text{Ker}f$. Consequently, $f(x) = 1$. Contradiction. Hence, $x \in \text{Tlqinv}A$. We proceed in a similar way to prove that $x \in \text{Trqinv}A$. Hence $x \in \text{Tqinv}A$. Since by hypothesis A is advertive, then $\text{Tqinv}A = \text{Qinv}A$, which proves the assertion. \square

Theorem 2.2 *Let A be a topological algebra. Moreover, consider the following assertions:*

- 1 The completion \tilde{A} of A is tQ -algebra.
- 2 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous.
- 3 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly relatively compact subset of A'_s .
- 4 $\mathcal{X}(A) \cup \{0\}$ is weakly compact subset of A'_s .
- 5 A is a bounded algebra.

Then, one has the following implications:

- a) (1) \implies (2) if $\mathcal{X}(A) = \mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ up to a continuous bijection.
- b) (2) \implies (3) \iff (4).
- c) (3) \implies (2) if the Gel'fand map is continuous. So under this condition we have: (2) \iff (3) \iff (4).
- d) (5) \implies (2) if A is spectrally barrelled. So, in this case, one has

$$(2) \iff (3) \iff (4) \iff (5) \implies (2)$$

e) (2) \implies (1) if \tilde{A} is topologically quasi-inverse closed and $\mathcal{X}(A) = \mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ up to a continuous bijection.

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$$(1) \iff (2) \iff (3) \iff (4) \iff (5)$$

if A is spectrally barrelled such that \tilde{A} is topologically quasi-inverse closed and $\mathcal{X}(A) = \mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ up to a continuous bijection.

Proof. By Proposition 2.26, the set $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A})$ is equicontinuous. By assumption $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A}) = \mathcal{X}(A)$ up to a continuous bijection [7: p. 146, Lemma 2.2]. So $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is also equicontinuous. One always has (2) \implies (3) \iff (4), while (3) \implies (2) under the continuity of the Gel'fand map [7: p. 182, Theorem 1.1], so in this case (2) \iff (3) \iff (4). If A is spectrally barrelled, then by the very definitions (5) \implies (2), hence in a spectrally barrelled algebra one gets (2) \iff (3) \iff (4) \iff (5) \implies (2). Now, if \tilde{A} is topologically quasi-inverse closed and $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A}) = \mathcal{X}(A)$ up to a continuous bijection, then (2) \implies (1) by applying (1) \implies (2) of Theorem 2.29 for \tilde{A} . In conclusion, all the above assertions are equivalent in a spectrally barrelled algebra A whose completion \tilde{A} is topologically quasi-inverse closed and $\mathcal{X}(\tilde{A}) = \mathcal{X}(A)$ up to a continuous bijection. \square

Based on Corollary 2.11, Proposition 2.26 and Remark 2.22, one can immediately state the following result.

Corollary 2.13 *Let A be a topological algebra and consider the following assertions:*

- 1 A is tQ -algebra.
- 2 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous.
- 3 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly relatively compact.
- 4 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly bounded.
- 5 $A = TB(A)$.

Then, one has

$$(1) \implies (2) \implies (3) \implies (4) \text{ and } (1) \implies (5).$$

If, A satisfies (2.5), then (4) \iff (5), while (5) \implies (1) if, in addition, the Gel'fand map of A is continuous. So, all the preceding are equivalent in a topological algebra A having continuous Gel'fand map and satisfying (2.5).

Since relation (2.5) is fulfilled in a simplicial t -acceptable Gel'fand-Mazur algebra (cf. Proposition 2.21), one obtains as a byproduct the next.

Corollary 2.14 *In a simplicial t -acceptable Gel'fand-Mazur algebra A with continuous Gel'fand map the following assertions are equivalent:*

- 1 A is tQ -algebra.
- 2 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous.
- 3 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly relatively compact.

4 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly bounded.

5 $A = TB(A)$.

As a commutative locally m -convex algebra is always Gel'fand-Mazur (cf. [7, p. 308, Definition 9.5 along with p. 71, Theorem 7.1]), one immediately gets at the following.

Corollary 2.15 *In any simplicial t -acceptable locally m -convex algebra A with continuous Gel'fand map the five following assertions are equivalent:*

1 A is tQ -algebra.

2 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is equicontinuous.

3 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly relatively compact.

4 $\mathcal{X}(A)$ is weakly bounded.

5 $A = TB(A)$.

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