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# G-Injective Envelope of Separable G-C\*-algebras

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ABSTRACT. Argerami and Farenick have found conditions for the injective envelope of a separable  $C^*$ -algebra to be a von Neumann algebra. In this paper, we introduce an equivalent version of this result by finding conditions for the G-injective envelope of a separable G- $C^*$ -algebra A to be a von Neumann algebra, when G is a discrete group acting on A.

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## 1. Introduction

1.1. **Notice.** In 1979, Hamana [7, theorem 4.1] used the Arveson extension theorem to prove that any  $C^*$ -algebra has an injective envelope which is unique up to \*-isomorphism. Indeed, he showed that if A is a  $C^*$ -algebra, then the image of a unit-preserving idempotent contractive linear map  $\varphi$  of an Arveson injective extension B into itself, is the injective envelope of A. Later, in 1985, Hamana found an equivariant version of his result [9] by showing that there exists a unique G-injective envelope  $(I_G(A), \kappa)$ , for any G-operator system A, such that if  $(B, \hat{\kappa})$  is any G-injective envelope of A, there exists a complete

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order isomorphism  $\varphi: I_G(A) \longrightarrow B$ , satisfying  $\varphi \circ \kappa = \kappa$ , where G is a discrete group acting on A and B.

On the other hand, an injective operator system is unitally and completely order isomorphic to a unital, monotone complete  $AW^*$ -algebra [5, 12]. In the above cited result of Hamana, if  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow B$  is a minimal A-projection, then the multiplication on  $I_G(A) = \varphi(B)$  is given by the Choi-Effros product, that is, by

$$x \circ y = \varphi(xy), \quad x, y \in I_G(A)$$

and the involution and norm on  $I_G(A)$  are inherited from B. Furthermore, if A is a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra, then A embeds into its G-injective envelope as a G-invariant unital  $C^*$ -subalgebra. In the case when  $G = \{1\}$ , the above product yields a  $C^*$ -algebra injective structure on the injective envelope I(A) of A.

In this paper, we extend a result of M. Argerami and D. R. Farenick [2, Theorem 1.2] to the setting of discrete  $C^*$ -dynamics. In the next section, we set up the terminology and notations for G- $C^*$ -algebras and G- $W^*$ -algebras. In the main result of the paper in section 3, we show that parts (i), (ii) and (v) of Theorem 1.2 in [2] remain equivalent in separable G- $C^*$ -algebras for discrete  $C^*$ -dynamics.

### 2. G-C\*-ALGEBRAS

Let B(H) and K(H) be the set of bounded and compact operators on a complex Hilbert space H, respectively. A  $C^*$ -algebra A is a  $W^*$ -algebra if A, as a Banach space, is the dual space  $X^*$  of some (in fact, unique) Banach space X. It is a classical fact that a  $C^*$ -algebra A is a  $W^*$ -algebra iff A has a representation as a von Neumann algebra of operators acting on some complex Hilbert space. A  $C^*$ -algebra A is an  $AW^*$ -algebra if the left annihilator of each right ideal in A is of the form Ap, for some projection  $p \in A$ , or equivalently, if every maximal abelian  $C^*$ -subalgebra  $D \subseteq A$  is monotone complete [3]. Any  $W^*$ -algebra is an  $AW^*$ -algebra, but the converse is not true, i.e., there exists  $AW^*$ -algebras that fail to have any faithful representation as a von Neumann algebra.

In the category of  $C^*$ -algebras and completely positive (c.p.) linear maps, the pair  $(B, \kappa)$  is an extension of a  $C^*$ -algebra A, if B is a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $\kappa: A \longrightarrow B$  is a c.p. map. A  $C^*$ -algebra A is injective if we can extend any A-valued completely positive linear map of subspace S of a  $C^*$ -algebra C to an A-valued completely positive linear map of the  $C^*$ -algebra C. An extension  $(B, \kappa)$  of a  $C^*$ -algebra A is called the injective envelope of A if B is injective and the only completely positive linear map of B into itself that fixes each element of  $\kappa(A)$ , is the identity map  $id_B$ . In [7], Hamana proved that any  $C^*$ -algebra has a unique injective envelope. Following Choi and Effros [4], he considered a completely positive linear map  $\phi$  of the  $C^*$ -algebra B into itself, and observed

that  $Im(\phi)$  with multiplication " $\circ$ ",  $x \circ y = \phi(xy)$  for all  $x, y \in Im(\phi)$ , and involution and norm induced by those of B, is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra. The  $C^*$ -algebra  $Im(\phi)$  is denoted by  $C^*(\phi)$ . Hamana proved that  $C^*(\phi)$  is injective if B is injective in this category. Finally, if A is a  $C^*$ -algebra, there exists an injective  $C^*$ -algebra C containing A as a  $C^*$ -subalgebra, by the Arveson extension theorem (which asserts that the algebra of bounded operators on a complex Hilbert space is injective). By [7, Theorem 3.4], there exists a minimal A-projection  $\phi$  on C. If  $B = C^*(\phi)$  and  $\kappa$  is the canonical inclusion of A into B, then  $(B, \kappa)$  is an injective envelope of A.

In this section we generalize some of the results obtained in the category of  $C^*$ -algebras and completely positive linear maps to the category of G- $C^*$ -algebras and completely positive G-linear maps. We assume throughout this paper that G is a discrete group.

A  $G\text{-}C^*$ -algebra is a  $C^*$ -algebra which equipped with an action of G by automorphisms. In other words, a  $G\text{-}C^*$ -algebra A is a  $C^*$ -algebra and a left G-module. Given two  $G\text{-}C^*$ -algebras A and B, the unital completely positive linear map  $\varphi:A\longrightarrow B$  is G-equivariant, if  $\varphi(g\cdot a)=g\cdot \varphi(a)$ , for any  $g\in G$  and  $a\in A$ . A  $G\text{-}C^*$ -algebra B can be viewed as a  $C^*$ -algebra over the discrete group algebra  $L^1(G)$  with the module operation defined by

$$f \cdot x = \int f(g)\theta_g(x)dg$$
 ,  $f \in L^1(G), x \in B$ 

One could define the category of  $G\text{-}W^*$ -algebras and G-injective objects in this category in an analogous manner. A  $G\text{-}C^*$ -algebra B is a  $G\text{-}W^*$ -algebra if B is a  $W^*$ -algebra with the  $L^1(G)$ -module structure such that the map  $x\mapsto f\cdot x$  in B is positive and normal, for each  $f\in L^1(G)^+$ .

A G- $C^*$ -algebra A is said to be G-injective if for any G- $C^*$ -algebras B and C, any G-equivariant complete isometry  $\kappa: B \longrightarrow C$  and any G-equivariant u.c.p map  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow A$ , there exists a G-equivariant u.c.p map  $\tilde{\varphi}: C \longrightarrow A$  satisfying  $\tilde{\varphi} \circ \kappa = \varphi$ , i.e., the following diagram commutes,



This simply means that G-equivariant u.c.p maps into A have G-equivariant u.c.p extensions.

Suppose that A and B are G-C\*-algebras. We say that;

- (i)  $(B, \kappa)$  is a *G-extension* of A, if  $\kappa : A \longrightarrow B$  be a *G*-equivariant and u.c.p \*-monomorphism.
- (ii) The G-extension  $(B, \kappa)$  is G-essential if for any G-C\*-algebra C and any G-equivariant u.c.p map  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow C$ ,  $\varphi$  is completely isometric whenever  $\varphi \circ \kappa$  is

(iii) The G-extension  $(B, \kappa)$  is G-rigid if the only G-equivariant u.c.p map  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow B$  satisfying  $\varphi \circ \kappa = \kappa$  is the identity map  $id_B$ .

The pair  $(B, \kappa)$  is a G-injective envelope of A, if  $(B, \kappa)$  is G-essential, G-rigid and B is G-injective.

Throughout this paper, we denote the G-injective envelope of a G- $C^*$ -algebra A by  $I_G(A)$ . When G is trivial we are back to the notations of injectivity for  $C^*$ -algebras, as well as plain essentiality and rigidity of extensions.

Let A be a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra and let  $\theta: G \longrightarrow Aut(A)$  be a G-action. Writing  $\theta_g = \theta(g)$ , for all  $g \in G$ , by injectivity each  $\theta_g: A \longrightarrow A$   $(a \longrightarrow g \cdot a)$  extends to a \*-isomorphism  $I_G(A) \longrightarrow I_G(A)$ , still denoted by  $\theta_g$ . Due to rigidity, one can show that  $\theta_g \circ \theta_h = \theta_{gh}$  on  $I_G(A)$ , for all  $g, h \in G$ , so that  $I_G(A)$  becomes a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra containing A as a G-invariant  $C^*$ -subalgebra. Further, the inclusion  $A \hookrightarrow I_G(A)$  is a G-essential extension of A.

In [9], Hamana proved that there exist a unique G-injective envelope  $(I_G(A), \kappa)$ , for any G-operator system A, such that if  $(B, \kappa)$  is any other G-injective envelope of A, there exists a complete order isomorphism  $\varphi: I_G(A) \longrightarrow B$  satisfying  $\varphi \circ \kappa = \kappa$ .

Let H be a complex Hilbert space and A be an operator system in B(H), then  $\ell^{\infty}(G,A)$  becomes a G-operator subsystem of  $B(H \otimes \ell^{2}(G))$  with the action of G given by the left translation, i.e.,

$$(gf)(h) = f(g^{-1}h), \quad g, h \in G, \quad f \in \ell^{\infty}(G, A)$$

and each  $f \in \ell^{\infty}(G, A)$  is acting on  $H \otimes \ell^{2}(G)$  by  $f(\xi \otimes \delta_{g}) = f(g)\xi \otimes \delta_{g}$ , for  $\xi \in H$  and  $g \in G$ .

Hamana showed that if A is an injective operator system, then  $\ell^{\infty}(G, A)$  is G-injective, and that any G-injective G-operator system is injective.

If  $A \subseteq B$  and B is a G-injective G-operator system, then an A-projection on B is a G-equivariant u.c.p map  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow B$  satisfying  $\varphi|_A = id_A$ . A partial ordering on the set of A-projections on B can be defined by  $\varphi \prec \psi$ , for A-projections  $\varphi, \psi: B \longrightarrow B$  if  $\varphi \circ \psi = \psi \circ \varphi = \varphi$ .

By the Zorn's lemma, there exists a minimal A-projection  $\varphi: B \longrightarrow B$  on the set of seminorms induced by A-projection on B. In this argument, letting  $\kappa: A \longrightarrow B$  be the inclusion map, then  $(\varphi(B), \kappa)$  is a G-rigid and G-C\*-injective extension of A. Therefore,  $(\varphi(B), \kappa)$  is the G-injective envelope of A

A canonical G-injective G-operator system is  $\ell^{\infty}(G, B)$ , where B is an injective  $C^*$ -algebra. Let A be a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra and B be a unital injective  $C^*$ -algebra containing A Let  $\kappa: A \longrightarrow \mathcal{M} = \ell^{\infty}(G, B)$  be the G-equivariant injective \*-homomorphism given by

$$\kappa(x)(g)=g^{-1}x, \quad \ x\in A, \quad g\in G.$$

Then there is a  $\kappa(A)$ -projection  $\varphi: \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}$  such that  $(\varphi(\mathcal{M}), \kappa)$  is the G-injective envelope of A. Thus, for any injective extension B of a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra A, the map  $\kappa: A \longrightarrow \ell^{\infty}(G, B)$  is the canonical inclusion map.

Any injective operator system is unitally and completely order isomorphic to a unital, monotone complete  $AW^*$ -algebra [5, 12]. In our setting, if  $A \subseteq B$  are as above and  $\varphi : B \longrightarrow B$  is a minimal A-projection, then the multiplication on  $I_G(A) = \varphi(B)$  is given by the Choi-Effros product, i.e., by

$$x \circ y = \varphi(xy), \quad x, y \in I_G(A)$$

and the involution and norm on  $I_G(A)$  are inherited from B [7]. Further, if A is a unital G- $C^*$ -algebra, then A embeds into its G-injective envelope as a G-invariant unital  $C^*$ -subalgebra. In the case when  $G = \{1\}$ , the above product yields a  $C^*$ -algebra injective structure on the injective envelope I(A) of A.

A G- $C^*$ -algebra A is a G-monotone complete if underlying  $C^*$ -algebra A is a monotone complete. A G- $W^*$ -algebra is G-monotone complete if the underlying  $W^*$ -algebra is so as a  $C^*$ -algebra. A linear subspace A of a G- $C^*$ -algebra B is called G- $C^*$ -subalgebra of B, written  $A \leq B$ , if A is a G- $C^*$ -algebra in the restricted action of G.

Given two G- $C^*$ -algebra  $A \leq B$ , A is said to be G-closed in B if  $y \in B$  and  $g \cdot y \in A$ , for all  $g \in L^1(G)$ , imply  $y \in A$ . For any G- $C^*$ -algebras  $A \leq B$  the smallest G-closed G- $C^*$ -subalgebra of B containing A is called the G-closure of A in B, written G-cl<sub>B</sub>A, i.e., G-cl<sub>B</sub> $A = \{y \in B : f \cdot y \in A \text{ for all } f \in L^1(G)\}$ . A G- $C^*$ -algebra A is G-complete if for any G- $C^*$ -algebra B with  $A \leq B$ , A is a G-closed in B.

A G-regular completion of a G-C\*-algebra A is a G-C\*-algebra, written  $\overline{A}_G$ , such that;

- (1)  $\overline{A}_G$  is G-complete,
- (2)  $A \preceq \overline{A}_G$ ,
- (3) If  $A \leq B$  and B is G- $C^*$ -complete, there are a G- $C^*$ -algebra B' with  $A \leq B' \leq B$  and a G-isomorphism  $\psi : \overline{A}_G \longrightarrow B'$  with  $\psi|_A = id_A$ .

In fact, the  $\overline{A}_G$  is the smallest G-complete containing A. Hence,  $\overline{A}_G$  exists and is unique. Now the Hamana's construction [9] of  $\overline{A}_G$  is via the G-injective envelope of A. Namely,  $\overline{A}_G$  is the G-closure of A in  $I_G(A)$ .

For each G-C\*-algebra A, there is a representation in which

$$A \preceq \overline{A}_G \preceq I_G(A),$$

where each containment is as a G-C\*-subalgebra. An important feature of this sequence of containments is that  $\overline{A}_G$  is G-monotone closed in  $I_G(A)$ 

An ideal I of A is essential if  $K \cap I \neq \{0\}$ , for any non-zero ideal  $K \subseteq A$ . Equivalently, if aI = 0, for all  $a \in A$ , then a = 0. Any essential ideal is necessarily non-zero. The multiplier algebra M(A) of a  $C^*$ -algebra A is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of the enveloping von Neumann algebra  $A^{**}$  that consists of all  $x \in A^{**}$  for which  $xa \in A$  and  $ax \in A$ , for all  $a \in A$ . An essential ideal I of a G- $C^*$ -algebra A is G-essential ideal if I is G-invariant. For a G-invariant ideal I of A, the G-multiplier algebra  $M_G(I)$  of I is the G-regular completion of the multiplier algebra M(I), endowed with the canonical strictly continuous action of G, that is,  $M_G(I) = \overline{M(I)}_G$ .

If  $J \subseteq A$  is a G-invariant ideal, then  $J^{**}$  is identified with the closure of J in  $A^{**}$  with respect to the strong operator topology. Thus, if J and K are G-invariant ideals of A, and if  $J \subseteq K$ , then  $M_G(J) \succeq M_G(K) \succeq M_G(A)$ .

Consider the G-multiplier algebra  $M_G(J)$  of any G-essential ideal J of A. If  $\varepsilon_G(A)$  is the set of G-essential ideals of A, partially ordered by reverse inclusion, then the set  $\xi(A)$  of G-multiplier algebras  $M_G(K)$  of  $K \in \varepsilon_G(A)$  is a directed system of G- $C^*$ -algebras. We define a G-local multiplier algebra, denoted by  $M_G^{loc}(A)$ , as follows

$$M_G^{loc}(A) = \varinjlim \{ M_G(K); K \in \varepsilon_G(A) \}.$$

In fact, the  $M_G^{loc}(A)$  is defined to be the  $C^*$ -direct limit over the downward directed system  $K \in \varepsilon_G(A)$ , and  $M_G^{loc}(A)$  is realized by idealizers in  $I_G(A)$  of G-essential ideals of A. By an argument similar to [6, Corollary 4.3]

$$M_G^{loc}(A) = cl\left(\bigcup_{K \in \varepsilon_G(A)} \{x \in I_G(A); xK + Kx \subseteq K\}\right)$$

where the closure is with respect to the norm topology of  $I_G(A)$ . Thus,

$$A \leq M_G^{loc}(A) \leq I_G(A)$$

is an inclusion of  $G\text{-}C^*$ -subalgebras.

**Lemma 2.1.** If A is a G-C\*-algebra for which  $I_G(A)$  is a G-W\*-algebra, then  $\overline{A}_G$  is a G-W\*-algebra.

Proof. Suppose that  $I_G(A)$  is a G- $W^*$ -algebra. Then  $I_G(A)$  is represented as a von Neumann algebra acting on a Hilbert space. We assume that  $\{h_\alpha\}_\alpha$  be any bounded increasing net in  $(\overline{A}_G)_{sa}$ . Because  $I_G(A)$  is G-monotone complete,  $\{h_\alpha\}_\alpha$  has a least upper h such that  $h=\lim_\alpha h_\alpha=\sup_\alpha h_\alpha$  in the strong operator topology. Since,  $\overline{A}_G$  is G-monotone closed in  $I_G(A)$ ,  $h\in \overline{A}_G$ . Thus  $\overline{A}_G$  is a G- $C^*$ -algebra of operators in which the limit of every bounded increasing net of hermitian elements again belongs to  $\overline{A}_G$ . Therefore,  $\overline{A}_G$  is a G- $W^*$ -algebra by [10, lemma 1].

**Proposition 2.2.** For any G- $C^*$ -algebra A the G-closure of A in its G-injective envelope  $I_G(A)$  is the G-regular completion  $\overline{A}_G$  of A.

Proof. Let  $A_1$  be the G-closure of A in  $I_G(A)$  and  $A \leq B$ , then  $A \leq B \leq B_1$  for some G-injective  $B_1$ , and there are an idempotent G-morphism  $\phi: B_1 \longrightarrow B_1$  and a G-isomorphism  $\psi: I_G(A) \longrightarrow \phi(B_1)$  such that  $\phi|_A = id_A = \psi|_A$ . We have G- $cl_{B_1}A \leq \phi(B_1)$ . Indeed, if  $b \in G$ - $cl_{B_1}A$ , then  $f \cdot b \in A$  for all  $f \in L^1(G)$  and  $f \cdot b = \phi(f \cdot b) = f \cdot \phi(b)$  in  $B_1$  for all  $f \in L^1(G)$ ; hence  $b = \phi(b) \in \phi(B_1)$ . Thus

$$G-cl_{\phi(B_1)}A = (G-cl_{B_1}A) \cap \phi(B_1) = G-cl_{B_1}A.$$

Further, since  $\psi$  is a G-isomorphism and  $\psi|_A = id_A$ , we have  $\psi(A_1) = G - cl_{\phi(B_1)}A$ , and so  $\psi(A_1) = G - cl_{B_1}A$ . First we assume that  $y \in \psi(A_1)$ , then there is a  $a_1 \in A_1$  such that  $y = \psi(a_1) \in \phi(B_1)$ . On the other hand, since  $A_1$  is a G-closure of  $A, f \cdot a_1 \in A$  for all  $f \in L^1(G)$ , and since  $\psi|_A = id_A$ , we have

$$f \cdot y = f \cdot \psi(a_1) = \psi(f \cdot a_1) = f \cdot a_1 \in A.$$

Hence,  $y \in G\text{-}cl_{\phi(B_1)}A$ .

Now, let  $y \in G - cl_{\phi(B_1)}A$ . By definition, we have  $f \cdot y \in A$  and  $y \in \phi(B_1)$ . Suppose that  $b_1 \in B_1$ , with  $y = \phi(b_1)$ . Since  $\psi$  is a G-isomorphism, there exists  $a_1 \in I_G(A)$  such that  $y = \phi(b_1) = \psi(a_1)$ . On the other hand, since  $A_1$  is a G-closure of A in  $I_G(A)$ ,

$$\psi(f \cdot a_1) = f \cdot \psi(a_1) = f \cdot y \in A \Rightarrow f \cdot a_1 \in A \Rightarrow a_1 \in A_1 \Rightarrow y = \psi(a_1) \in \psi(A_1).$$

If  $A_1 = A$ , namely, A is G-closed in  $I_G(A)$ . Then so is A in  $\phi(B_1)$ , and A = G- $cl_{B_1}A$ . Hence, A = G- $cl_BA$ , that is, A is G-closed in B. Since  $A \leq B \leq B_1$ , G- $cl_BA \leq G$ - $cl_{B_1}A$ . As B is arbitrary, this means that A is G-complete.

Next, suppose that A is arbitrary, but B is G-complete. Since  $I_G(A_1) = I_G(A)$  and  $A_1$  is G-closed in  $I_G(A)$ , it follows from the foregoing argument that  $A_1$  is G-complete. As B is G-complete,  $G \cdot cl_{B_1}A \preceq G \cdot cl_{B_1}B = B$ , and  $\psi(A_1) = G \cdot cl_{B_1}A \preceq B$  with  $\psi(A_1) \cong A_1$ . Therefore,  $A_1$  is the G-regular completion of A.

Finally, let only that  $A \leq B$ . By the above argument to  $A \leq B \leq \overline{B}_G$ , there is a G-isomorphism  $\psi$  of  $A_1$  onto G- $cl_{\overline{B}_G}A$  with  $\psi|_A = id_A$ . Hence, since  $A \leq G$ - $cl_BA \leq G$ - $cl_{\overline{B}_G}A$ , G- $cl_BA$  is isomorphic to the G- $C^*$ -subalgebra  $\psi^{-1}(G$ - $cl_BA)$  of  $A_1$ .

# 3. Separable $C^*$ -algebra of a discrete group

The main result of this paper is Theorem (3.4) on separable discrete  $C^*$ -dynamics. Before turning to the proof of Theorem (3.4), we prove some preliminary results. We need the notion of *covariant representation* and the relation between G-local multiplier algebra and G-regular completion of G- $C^*$ -algebras.

**Definition 3.1.** A  $C^*$ -algebra A is called *elementary* if  $A \cong K(H)$  for some Hilbert space H.

The separable elementary  $C^*$ -algebras are the finite-dimensional matrix algebras and the  $C^*$ -algebras of compact operators of separable infinite-dimensional Hilbert space. Every elementary  $C^*$ -algebra is simple and the converse is true when the  $C^*$ -algebra is of type I. If A is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of K(H) acting irreducibly on Hilbert space H, then A is elementary.

**Definition 3.2.** A covariant representation of a G- $C^*$ -algebra A is a pair  $(\pi, \sigma)$  where  $(\pi, H)$  is a representation of A,  $(\sigma, H)$  is a unitary representations of G,

such that

$$\sigma(g)\pi(a)\sigma(g)^{-1} = \pi(\theta_g(a)) = \pi(g \cdot a)$$

for every  $a \in A$ ,  $g \in G$ .

A covariant representation  $(\pi, \sigma)$  of a G- $C^*$ -algebra A on a Hilbert space H is normal if  $(\pi, H)$  is normal.

**Proposition 3.3.**  $\overline{M_G^{loc}(A)} = \overline{A}_G$  for every  $G - C^*$ -algebra A.

Proof. Since  $M_G^{loc}(A)$  is G-equivariant \*-isomorphically embedded into  $I_G(A)$ , extending the canonical G-equivariant \*-monomorphism of A into  $I_G(A)$ , the G-C\*-algebra  $I_G(A)$  serves as an injective G-extension of the G-C\*-algebra  $M_G^{loc}(A)$ . Therefore, the identity map on  $M_G^{loc}(A)$  admits a unique G-extension to a G-equivariant completely positive map of  $I_G(A)$  into itself with the same completely bounded norm one. Since  $A_G \leq M_G^{loc}(A) \leq I_G(A)$  by construction and  $I_G(A)$  is the G-injective envelope of A,  $I_G(A)$  has to be the G-injective envelope of  $M_G^{loc}(A)$ . Since the G-regular completion of a G-C\*-algebra G is the G-monotone closure of G in the G-injective envelope G

$$A_G \preceq M_G^{loc}(A) \preceq \overline{A}_G \preceq I_G(A) = I(M_G^{loc}(A))$$

implies that 
$$\overline{A}_G \preceq \overline{M_G^{loc}(A)} \preceq \overline{\overline{A}}_G$$
. Thus,  $\overline{M_G^{loc}(A)} = \overline{A}_G$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** The following statements are equivalent for a separable G-C\*-algebra A:

- (i)  $\overline{A}_G$  is a G-W\*-algebra.
- (ii)  $I_G(A)$  is a  $G-W^*$ -algebra.
- (iii) A contains a G-invariant minimal essential ideal that is G-isomorphic to a direct sum of elementary G-C\*-algebras.

*Proof.* By Lemma (2.1), the proof of (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) is clear.

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (iii): We have divided the proof into two stages. In the first stage, let us first show that there exists a faithful representation  $\pi:A_G\longrightarrow B(H)$  such that the von Neumann algebra  $\pi(A_G)''$  is generated by its minimal projections, each of which is contained in  $\pi(A_G)$ . For this, let  $I_G(A)$  be a G- $W^*$ -algebra. By [11, lemma 7.4.9], there is a faithful G-equivariant representation  $\widetilde{\pi}:I_G(A)\longrightarrow B(H)$  such that  $\pi(A_G)$  is a G- $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $\widetilde{\pi}(I_G(A))$ , with  $\pi=\widetilde{\pi}|_{(A_G)}$ . Without loss of generality, suppose that  $I_G(A)$  is a von Neumann algebra acting on a Hilbert space. Since the G-regular completion  $\overline{A}_G$  of  $A_G$  is G-monotone closed in  $I_G(A)$  and because  $I_G(A)$  is a von Neumann algebra,  $\overline{A}_G$  is a von Neumann algebra by Lemma (2.1). Thus,  $A''_G\subseteq \overline{A}''_G=\overline{A}_G$ ,  $A''_G$  being the double commutant of  $A_G$ .

Now, let  $\omega$  be a normal state on von Neumann algebra  $A_G''$  that is faithful on  $A_G$ . Assume that  $\omega(h)=0$ , where  $h\in A_G''^+$ . Because  $h=\sup\{k\in A^+; k\leq h\}$ , we have  $0\leq \omega(k)\leq \omega(h)=0$ , for each  $k\in A_G^+$  with  $k\leq h$ . Thus  $\omega(k)=0$ , which implies that k=0 because  $\omega$  is faithful on A. Hence, h=0 and so

 $\omega$  is faithful on  $A''_G$ . Namely, any normal state  $\omega \in A''_G$  is faithful precisely when its restriction  $\omega|_{A_G}$  to  $A_G$  is faithful. By [13, P. 139], because  $A_G$  is separable and order dense in  $A''_G$ ,  $A''_G$  is generated by its minimal projections, each of which is contained in  $A_G$ . Furthermore, since  $A''_G$  is a direct product of type I factors by [3, lemma 2.2],  $A''_G$  is injective by [3, corollory 2.3]. Because  $A_G \subseteq A''_G \subseteq I_G(A)$ , we conclude that  $A''_G = \overline{A}_G = I_G(A)$ , by minimality of the injective envelope.

The second stage, without loss of generality, assumes that  $A_G$  is already represented as a subalgebra of B(H) and that  $M=A_G''$  is generated by its minimal projections, each of with lie in  $A_G$ . Let  $K\subseteq A_G$  be the ideal of  $A_G$  generated by the minimal projections of M. We claim that K is an essential ideal, minimal among all essential ideals of  $A_G$ . Suppose that  $J\subseteq A_G$  is a nonzero ideal. Choose any nonzero  $h\in J^+$ . There is a strictly positive  $\lambda$  in the spectrum  $\sigma(h)$  of h. Let  $e\in M$  be the spectral projection  $e=e^h([\lambda,+\infty))$ , where  $e^h$  denotes the spectral resolution of h. Thus,  $0\neq \lambda e\leq he$ , and there is a minimal projection p of M such that ep=pe=p and  $0\neq \lambda p=\lambda p^2=p\lambda p\leq php\in J\cap K$ . Then  $J\cap K\neq\{0\}$ .

By [3, lemma 2.2], since  $M = A_G''$  is generated by its minimal projections, M is a discrete type I von Neumann algebra. Therefore, there is a faithful normal covariant \*-representation  $\gamma$  of M on a Hilbert space H of the form  $H = \bigoplus_n H_n$  by [11, lemma 7.4.9], such that

$$\gamma(K) \subseteq \gamma(A_G) \subseteq \gamma(M) = \prod_n B(H_n)$$

It fact, the minimal projections of any  $B(H_n)$  are minimal projection of  $\gamma(M)$ . Hence, elements of  $\gamma(K)$ . Moreover, if e is a minimal projection of  $\prod_n B(H_n)$ ,  $e \in B(H_n)$ , for some  $n \in N$ . Therefore,  $\bigoplus_n K(H_n) \subseteq \gamma(K)$ . Since  $\gamma(K)$  is the smallest G-C\*-algebra that contains the minimal projections of  $\gamma(M)$ , it follows that  $\gamma(K) = \bigoplus_n K(H_n)$ . Since,  $K \cong \bigoplus_n K(H_n)$ , K is G-invariant minimal essential ideal of  $A_G$ .

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Suppose that  $A_G$  has a G-invariant minimal essential ideal K such that  $K \cong \bigoplus_n K(H_n)$ . Thus, by [1, Lemma 1.2.21],

$$M(K) = M(\bigoplus_{n} K(H_n)) = \prod_{n} M(K(H_n)) = \prod_{n} B(H_n),$$

and this shows that M(K) is a type I  $W^*$ -algebra. Since K is a G-invariant minimal essential ideal of  $A_G$ , by [1, Remark 2.3.7]  $M(K) = M_G^{loc}(A)$ . Hence,  $M_G^{loc}(A)$  is an injective G- $W^*$ -algebra. We know that  $A_G \subseteq M_G^{loc}(A) \subseteq I_G(A)$  as G- $C^*$ -subalgebras, it must be that  $M_G^{loc}(A) = I_G(A)$  by definition of injective envelope, and this is precisely the proof of the G- $W^*$ -algebra of  $I_G(A)$ .

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): For the G-W\*-algebra  $\overline{A}_G$ ,  $\overline{A}_G = A''_G$  by the proof of (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (iii). Since  $A''_G$  is a direct product of type I factors, so  $A''_G$  is injective. Therefore,

 $\overline{A}_G$  is injective. Hence,  $\overline{A}_G = I_G(A)$ , which yields that  $I_G(A)$  is a G- $W^*$ -algebra.  $\Box$ 

EXAMPLE 3.5. by [8, lemma 2.2],  $A = \ell^{\infty}(G, B(H))$  is G-injective, where G acts trivially on B(H). Thus  $I_G(A) = A$  which is a G- $W^*$ -algebra. Now the minimal essential ideal of A is  $c_0(G) \otimes K(H)$  which is essential ideal and dense and is direct sum of |G|-copies of elementary  $C^*$ -algebras  $\mathbb{C} \otimes K(H)$  [This is an infinite direct sum if the cardinal |G| is not finite]. Also A is already G-complete, so the G-closure of A is A itself, which is a G- $W^*$ -algebra.

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