

## ON A CLASS OF UNBOUNDED OPERATOR ALGEBRAS II

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**In this paper we continue our study of unbounded operator algebras. On the basis of the space  $L^\infty[0, 1]$  introduced by R. Arens [1] we define and investigate unbounded Hilbert algebras. The primary purpose of this paper is to investigate the relation between unbounded Hilbert algebras and  $EW^*$ -algebras and the structure of some  $EW^*$ -algebras.**

**1. Introduction.** In a previous paper [10] we began our study of  $EW^*$ -algebras. For the definitions and the basic properties concerning  $EW^*$ -algebras is referred to [10]. It is well known that semifinite von Neumann algebras are related to Hilbert algebras. That is, if  $\mathcal{D}_0$  is a Hilbert algebra, then the left von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{U}_0(\mathcal{D}_0)$  is defined and  $\mathcal{U}_0(\mathcal{D}_0)$  is a semifinite von Neumann algebra and conversely if  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a semifinite von Neumann algebra, then there exists a Hilbert algebra  $\mathcal{D}_0$  such that  $\mathfrak{A}$  is isomorphic to the left von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{U}_0(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . In this paper we study the above facts about  $EW^*$ -algebras. So, our starting point will be the extension of Hilbert algebras.

**DEFINITION 1.1.** Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be a pre-Hilbert space with inner product  $(\mid)$  and a  $*$ -algebra. If  $\mathcal{D}$  satisfies the following conditions (1) ~ (3);

- (1)  $(\xi \mid \eta) = (\eta^* \mid \xi^*), \quad \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D};$
- (2)  $(\xi\eta \mid \zeta) = (\eta \mid \xi^*\zeta), \quad \xi, \eta, \zeta \in \mathcal{D};$

By (2) we define  $\pi(\xi)$  and  $\pi'(\eta)$  by;

$$\pi(\xi)\eta = \pi'(\eta)\xi = \xi\eta, \quad \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D}.$$

Then  $\pi(\xi)$  and  $\pi'(\eta)$  are closable operators on  $\mathcal{D}$  and we have  $\pi(\xi)^* \supset \pi(\xi^*)$  and  $\pi'(\eta)^* \supset \pi'(\eta^*)$ . We call  $\pi$  (resp.  $\pi'$ ) the left (resp. right) regular representation of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

(3) Putting

$$\mathcal{D}_0 = \{\xi \in \mathcal{D}; \pi(\xi) \text{ is continuous}\},$$

$\mathcal{D}_0^2$  is dense in  $\mathcal{D}$ , then  $\mathcal{D}$  is called an unbounded Hilbert algebra over  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . In particular, if  $\mathcal{D}_0 \neq \mathcal{D}$ , then  $\mathcal{D}$  is called a pure unbounded Hilbert algebra over  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

In §2 we investigate the properties of unbounded Hilbert algebras and we introduce examples of such unbounded Hilbert algebras ( $L^\infty[0, 1]$ ),