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*Amenability of the Fourier algebra in the cb-multiplier norm*

H. Leptin proved that a locally compact group  $G$  is amenable if and only if its Fourier algebra  $A(G)$  has a bounded approximate identity. On the other hand, there are non-amenable groups, such as  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , the free group in two generators, that have an approximate identity that is bounded with respect to the cb-multiplier norm on  $A(G)$ . Later, Z.-J. Ruan improved Leptin's theorem by showing that  $G$  is amenable if and only if  $A(G)$  is operator amenable. In this talk, which is based on joint work with B. E. Forrest and N. Spronk, we show that the completion of  $A(\mathbb{F}_2)$  in the cb-multiplier norm is operator amenable.