# Derivational points of Banach bimodules 

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## Various results in the literature

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## Zero-product preserving maps

## Various results in the literature

Under certain conditions, if $\phi$ is a zero-product preserving map from a unital algebra $\mathcal{A}$ to an algebra $\mathcal{B}$ then there exists a homomorphism $\Phi$ from $\mathcal{A}$ to $\mathcal{B}$ such that

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## Thank you for your attention!

