

LINEAR TOPOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATIONS OF CERTAIN FUNCTION SPACES II

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Abstract: Some linear classification results for the spaces $C_p(X)$ and $C_p^*(X)$ are proved.

0. Introduction

If X is a space then $C_p(X)$ denotes the set of all continuous real-valued functions on X with the topology of pointwise convergence. We write $C_p^*(X)$ for the subspace of $C_p(X)$ consisting of all bounded functions. \mathbb{R} stands for the usual space of real numbers, I for the unit segment $[0, 1]$, Q is the Hilbert cube $[-1, 1]^\omega$ and s is the pseudointerior $(-1, 1)^\omega$ of Q . We will consider also the spaces $\sigma = \{(t_1, t_2, \dots) \in Q : t_i = 0 \text{ for all but finitely many } i\}$ and $\Sigma = \{(t_1, t_2, \dots) \in Q^\omega : t_i = 0 \text{ for all but finitely many } i\}$.

In [11] some linear topological classification results of the spaces $C_p(X)$ and $C_p^*(X)$ are given. Using the ideas of [11] we prove in this paper that $C_p(X) \sim C_p(Y)$ provided Y is one of the spaces σ , Σ , $s \times \Sigma$ and X is a manifold modeled on Y . Here the symbol " \sim " stands for linear homeomorphism. A similar results are also proved for the spaces C_p^* .

1. Preliminaries

All spaces under discussion are Tychonoff and all mappings between topological spaces are continuous. By $L_p(X)$ is denoted the dual linear space of $C_p(X)$ with the weak (i.e., pointwise) topology. It is known that

$$L_p(X) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \delta_{x_i} : a_i \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\} \text{ and } x_i \in X \text{ for each } i \leq k \right\}.$$

Here δ_x is the Dirac measure at the point $x \in X$. We denote

$$P_\infty(X) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \delta_{x_i} : a_i \in (0, 1) \text{ for each } i \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^k a_i = 1 \right\}$$

and $\text{supp}(\ell) = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$, where $\ell = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \delta_{x_i} \in L_p(X)$.

Let A be a closed subset of a space X . Consider the following conditions:

- (i) there is a continuous linear extension operator $u : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ (recall that $u : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ is an extension operator if $u(f)|_A = f$ for every $f \in C_p(A)$);
- (ii) there is a continuous linear extension operator $u : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ and a positive constant c such that $\|u(f)\| \leq c \|f\|$ for every $f \in C_p^*(A)$ (here $\|f\|$ is the supremum norm of f);
- (iii) there is a regular extension operator $u : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ i.e. a continuous linear extension operator u with $u(1_A) = 1_X$ and $u(f) \geq 0$ provided $f \geq 0$.

A is said to be ℓ -embedded (resp., ℓ^* -embedded) in X if the condition (i) (resp., the condition (ii)) holds. If (iii) is satisfied then A is called *strongly ℓ -embedded* in X . Dugundji [5] proved that every closed subset of a metric space X is strongly ℓ -embedded in X (he did not state this explicitly in this form). It is known (see [1], [4]) that A is ℓ -embedded (resp., strongly-embedded) in X if and only if there is a mapping $r : X \rightarrow L_p(A)$ (resp., $r : X \rightarrow P_\infty(A)$) such that $r(x) = \delta_x$ for every $x \in A$. Such a mapping will be called an L_p -valued (resp., a P_∞ -valued) *retraction*. Every L_p -valued retraction $r : X \rightarrow L_p(A)$ defines a continuous linear extension operator $u_r : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ by setting $u_r(f)(x) = r(x)(f)$. If the operator u_r satisfies the condition (ii), r is said to be a *bounded L_p -valued retraction*.

Let $u : C_p(A) \rightarrow C_p(X)$ be a continuous linear extension operator. Then the mapping $v(f, g) = u(f) + g$ is a linear homeomorphism from $C_p(A) \times C_p(X; A)$ onto $C_p(X)$, where

$$C_p(X; A) = \{g \in C_p(X) : g|_A = 0\}.$$

Analogously, if A is ℓ^* -embedded in X then $C_p^*(A) \times C_p^*(X; A)$ is linearly homeomorphic to $C_p^*(X)$.

Let \mathcal{K} be a family of bounded subsets of a space X (i.e. $f|_K$ is bounded for every $K \in \mathcal{K}$ and $f \in C_p(X)$) and E be a linear topological subset of $C_p(X)$. Then we set:

$$(\Pi E)_{\mathcal{K}} = \{(f_1, \dots, f_n, \dots) \in E^\omega : \lim_n \|f_n\|_K = 0 \text{ for every } K \in \mathcal{K}\}$$

and

$$(\Pi E)_{\mathcal{K}}^* = \{(f_1, \dots, f_n, \dots) \in (\Pi E)_{\mathcal{K}} : \sup_n \|f_n\| < \infty\}.$$

$(\Pi E)_{\mathcal{K}}$ and $(\Pi E)_{\mathcal{K}}^*$ are considered as topological linear subspaces of $C_p(X)^\omega$. We write $(\Pi E)_b$ and $(\Pi E)_b^*$ (resp., $(\Pi E)_c$ and $(\Pi E)_c^*$) if \mathcal{K} is the family of all bounded (resp., of all compact) subsets of X . In the above notations $\|f\|_K$ stands for $\sup\{|f(x)| : x \in K\}$. Let us note that if X is pseudocompact and E is a linear subset of $C_p(X)$, the space

$$(\Pi E)_0 = \{(f_1, \dots, f_n, \dots) \in E^\omega : \lim_n \|f_n\| = 0\}$$

is considered in [6].

2. The spaces $C_p(X)$

Lemma 2.1. *Let X be one of the spaces σ , Σ , $s \times \Sigma$. Then $C_p(X) \sim \sim C_p(X)^\omega \sim C_p(\text{cl}_X(U))$ for every open subset U of X .*

Proof. First we prove that $C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\omega$. Consider $X \times N$, where N is a discrete infinite countable space. Then $X \times N$ can be embedded as a closed subset of X (see [3]). Since X is metrizable, $X \times N$ is ℓ -embedded in X . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} C_p(X) &\sim C_p(X \times N) \times C_p(X; X \times N) = C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X; X \times N) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X; X \times N) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X \times N) \times C_p(X; X \times N) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\omega. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let U be an open subset of X . Consider the open cover $\gamma = \{U, X - \{x_0\}\}$ of X , where $x_0 \in U$, and the constant map $f : X \rightarrow x_0$.

By ([3], Corollaries 6.1, 6.2, 6.3) there is a closed embedding $h : X \rightarrow X$ such that f and h are γ -close i.e. for every $x \in X$ there is $V \in \gamma$ with $h(x), f(x) \in V$. Since $f(x) = x_0 \bar{\in} X - \{x_0\}$ for any $x \in X$ we have $h(x) \subset U$. Hence, $h(X)$ is a copy of X which is closed in $\text{cl}_X(U)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) &\sim C_p(h(X)) \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U); h(X)) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X) \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U); h(X)). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand $\text{cl}_X(U)$ is closed in X , so

$$C_p(X) \sim C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) \times C_p(X; \text{cl}_X(U)).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) &\sim C_p(X) \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U); h(X)) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U); h(X)) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(X) \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U); h(X)) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(X)^\omega \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) \sim \\ &\sim (C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) \times C_p(X; \text{cl}_X(U)))^\omega \times C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(\text{cl}_X(U))^\omega \times C_p(X; \text{cl}_X(U))^\omega \sim \\ &\sim (C_p(\text{cl}_X(U)) \times C_p(X; \text{cl}_X(U)))^\omega \sim C_p(X)^\omega \sim C_p(X). \quad \diamond \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.2. By similar arguments one can prove that if $X = \ell_2(\tau)$ and U is open in $\ell_2(\tau)$ then $C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\tau \sim C_p(\text{cl}_X(U))$. Here $\ell_2(\tau)$ is the Hilbert space of weight $\tau \geq \omega$.

Let f be a mapping from a space X onto a space Y . Recall that a continuous linear operator $C_p(X) \rightarrow C_p(Y)$ is said to be an *averaging operator* for f if $u(h.f) = h$ for every $h \in C_p(Y)$. If f admits a regular averaging operator $u : C_p(X) \rightarrow C_p(Y)$ we can define a mapping $r : Y \rightarrow P_\infty(X)$ by the formula $r(y)(g) = u(g)(y)$. The mapping r has the following property [4]: $\text{supp}(r(y))$ is contained in $f^{-1}(y)$ for each $y \in Y$. Conversely, if there is a mapping $r : Y \rightarrow P_\infty(X)$ such that $\text{supp}(r(y)) \subset f^{-1}(y)$ for every $y \in Y$, the formula $u(g)(y) = r(y)(g)$ defines a regular averaging operator u for f . It is easily seen that if u is a regular averaging operator for f , the mapping $v(g) = (u(\dot{g}), g - u(g).f)$ is a linear homeomorphism from $C_p(X)$ onto $C_p(Y) \times E$, where

$$E = \{g - u(g).f : g \in C_p(X)\}.$$

Proposition 2.3. Let $\gamma = \{U_\alpha : \alpha < \tau\}$ be an infinite locally finite functionally open cover of a space X of cardinality τ . Suppose there is

a space Y with $C_p(\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)) \sim C_p(Y)$ for each $\alpha < \tau$. Then $C_p(X) \sim \sim C_p(Y)^\tau$ provided X contains an ℓ -embedded copy of a topological sum $\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha$ such that $C_p(F_\alpha) \sim C_p(Y)$ for every $\alpha < \tau$.

Proof. For every $\alpha < \tau$ take an $f_\alpha \in C_p(X)$ such that $f_\alpha^{-1}(0) = X - U_\alpha$ and $f_\alpha \geq 0$. Without loss of generality we can suppose that $\sum_{\alpha < \tau} f_\alpha = 1$

because γ is a locally finite cover of X . Define $f \in C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)$ such that $f|_{\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)} = f_\alpha|_{\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)}$ and consider the natural mapping $p : \sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha) \rightarrow X$ with all finite preimages. Let $r : X \rightarrow$

$P_\infty\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)$ be defined by $r(x) = \sum\{f(y)\delta_y : y \in p^{-1}(x)\}$. It is easily seen that r is continuous and $\text{supp}(r(x)) \subset p^{-1}(x)$ for every $x \in X$. Thus there is a regular averaging operator $u : C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \rightarrow$

$C_p(X)$ for p . Hence, $C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \sim C_p(X) \times E$ where E is a linear subspace of $C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)$. Since $\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha$ is ℓ -embedded

in X we have $C_p(X) \sim C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right)$. Observe that

$C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \sim \prod_{\alpha < \tau} C_p(\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)) \sim C_p(Y)^\tau \sim C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right)$.

Now, using the technique of Pelczynski [9] and Bessega [2] we have

$$C_p(X) \sim C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim$$

$$\sim C_p(Y)^\tau \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim$$

$$\sim (C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots) \times C_p(Y)^\tau \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim$$

$$\sim (C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots) \times C_p(X) \sim$$

$$\sim (C_p(X) \times E \times \dots C_p(X) \times E \dots) \times C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\omega \times E^\omega \sim$$

$$\sim (C_p(X) \times E)^\omega \sim C_p \left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha) \right)^\omega \sim C_p(Y)^{\omega \cdot \tau} = C_p(Y)^\tau \cdot \diamond$$

Theorem 2.4. *Let X be a metrizable space of weight $\tau \geq \omega$. Suppose X admits an open cover by sets homeomorphic to open subsets of Y , where Y is one of the spaces $\sigma, \Sigma, s \in \Sigma, \ell_2(\tau)$. Then $C_p(X) \sim C_p(Y)^\tau$.*

Proof. Since every point of Y does not contain a compact neighbourhood in Y the space X can not be compact. So there is a locally finite open cover $\{U_\alpha : \alpha < \tau\}$ of X of cardinality τ such that $\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)$ is a regularly closed subset of Y for every $\alpha < \tau$. On the other hand X contains as a closed subset a topological sum $\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha$ of regularly closed subsets F_α of Y . Then, by Lemma 2.1 and Remark 2.2, $C_p(\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)) \sim C_p(F_\alpha) \sim C_p(Y)$ for every $\alpha < \tau$. Hence, by Prop. 2.3 $C_p(X) \sim C_p(Y)^\tau$. \diamond

Remark 2.5. $C_p(\Sigma)$ is not homeomorphic to $C_p(s \times \Sigma)$ and $C_p(\sigma)$ is not linearly homeomorphic to $C_p(\Sigma)$.

The first assertion follows from the observation that Σ is σ -compact and $s \times \Sigma$ is not σ -compact and the following result of Okunev [7]: if $C_p(X)$ and $C_p(Y)$ are homeomorphic and X is σ -compact then Y is also σ -compact.

Assume $C_p(\Sigma) \sim C_p(\sigma)$. By a result of Pestov [10] we have $\Sigma = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$ such that:

- (i) each Y_i is closed in Σ ;
- (ii) for any i and any $y \in Y_i$ there is an open neighbourhood V of y in Y_i such that V is a union of finitely many its closed subspaces A_k which can be embedded in σ .

Since Σ contains a copy of Q , there is an m such that Y_m also contains a copy of Q i.e. $Q \subset Y_m$. It follows from (ii) that for every $y \in Q \subset Y_m$ there exists an open neighbourhood V of y in Q with $V = \bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k$, where each A_k is closed in V and can be embedded in σ . But V is a complete metric space, so $\text{Int}_V(A_{k'}) \neq \emptyset$ for some k' . Thus $A_{k'}$ contains a copy of Q . Consequently σ contains also a copy of Q . Hence Q is a union of countably many finite-dimensional compacta because σ is a such space. It is well known that this is not possible. Therefore $C_p(\Sigma)$ is not linearly homeomorphic to $C_p(\sigma)$. \diamond

3. The spaces $C_p^*(X)$

Lemma 3.1. [11]. *Suppose X is a metric space. Then $C_p^*(X; \times I) \sim \sim (\Pi C_p^*(X \times I))_c^*$.*

Corollary 3.2. *Let X be one of the spaces σ , Σ , $s \times \Sigma$, $\ell_2(\tau)$. If $Y = \sum_{\alpha < \lambda} X$ is a topological sum of λ many copies of X , where $\lambda \geq \omega$, then $C_p^*(Y) \sim (\Pi C_p^*(Y))_c^*$*

Proof. Since $X \times I$ is homeomorphic to X we have that $Y \times I$ is homeomorphic to Y . Thus, by Lemma 3.1,

$$C_p^*(Y) \sim C_p^*(Y \times I) \sim (\Pi C_p^*(Y \times I))_c^* \sim (\Pi C_p^*(Y))_c^*. \quad \diamond$$

Lemma 3.3. [11]. *Let $\{X_\alpha : \alpha < \tau\}$ be an infinite family of spaces such that each X_α is closed in a metric space Y and contains a closed copy Y_α of Y . Then $C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y_\alpha\right) \sim \left(\Pi C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} X_\alpha\right)\right)_c^* \sim C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} X_\alpha\right)$ if $C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right) \sim \left(\Pi C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right)\right)_c^*$.*

Proposition 3.4. [11]. *Let $\{U_\alpha : \alpha < \tau\}$ be an infinite locally finite functionally open cover of a space X . Suppose there is a space Y such that $C_p^*(Y) \sim C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \sim \left(\Pi C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)\right)_c^*$. Then $C_p^*(X) \sim C_p^*(Y)$ if X contains an ℓ^* -embedded copy of Y .*

Theorem 3.5. *Let X be a metrizable space of weight $\tau \geq \omega$. Suppose X admits an open cover by sets homeomorphic to open subsets of Y , where Y is one of the spaces σ , Σ , $s \times \Sigma$, $\ell_2(\tau)$. Then $C_p^*(X) \sim \sim C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right)$.*

Proof. Let $\{U_\alpha : \alpha < \tau\}$ be a locally finite open cover of X of cardinality τ such that $\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)$ is a regularly closed subset of Y for every $\alpha < \tau$. By Cor. 3.2 we have $C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right) \sim \left(\Pi C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right)\right)_c^*$. Since each set $\text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)$ is closed in Y and contains a closed copy of Y , it follows from Lemma 3.3 that

$$C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \sim \left(\Pi C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)\right)_c^* \sim C_p^*\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y\right).$$

Obviously X contains a closed copy of $\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y$. Thus, by Prop. 3.4,

$$C_p^*(X) \sim C_p^* \left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} Y \right). \diamond$$

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