

## 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  $\sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $s \times \Sigma$  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  $\delta_x$  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  $\ell$ -embedded (resp.,  $\ell^*$ -embedded) in  $X$  if the condition (i) (resp., the condition (ii)) holds. If (iii) is satisfied then  $A$  is called *strongly  $\ell$ -embedded* in  $X$ . Dugundji [5] proved that every closed subset of a metric space  $X$  is strongly  $\ell$ -embedded in  $X$  (he did not state this explicitly in this form). It is known (see [1], [4]) that  $A$  is  $\ell$ -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  $P_\infty$ -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  $\ell^*$ -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  $\sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $s \times \Sigma$ . Then  $C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\omega \sim C_p(\text{cl}_X(U))$  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  $\ell$ -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  $\gamma$ -close i.e. for every  $x \in X$  there is  $V \in \gamma$  with  $h(x), f(x) \in V$ . Since  $f(x) = x_0 \in X - \{x_0\}$  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,

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

**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  $v(g) = (u(g), g - u(g).f)$  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  $\tau$ . 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  $\ell$ -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  $\gamma$  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  $r : X \rightarrow \rightarrow P_\infty\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right)$  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  $x \in \in X$ . Thus there is a regular averaging operator  $u : C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} \text{cl}_X(U_\alpha)\right) \rightarrow \rightarrow C_p(X)$  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  $\ell$ -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 Pełczyński [9] and Bessega [2] we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_p(X) &\sim C_p\left(\sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim \\ &\sim C_p(Y)^\tau \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim \\ &\sim (C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots) \times C_p(Y)^\tau \times C_p\left(X; \sum_{\alpha < \tau} F_\alpha\right) \sim \\ &\sim (C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots C_p(Y)^\tau \times \dots) \times C_p(X) \sim \\ &\sim (C_p(X) \times E \times \dots C_p(X) \times E \dots) \times C_p(X) \sim C_p(X)^\omega \times E^\omega \sim \end{aligned}$$

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

**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  $\tau$  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  $F_\alpha$  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  $\Sigma$  is  $\sigma$ -compact and  $s \times \Sigma$  is not  $\sigma$ -compact and the following result of Okunev [7]: if  $C_p(X)$  and  $C_p(Y)$  are homeomorphic and  $X$  is  $\sigma$ -compact then  $Y$  is also  $\sigma$ -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  $\Sigma$ ;
- (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  $\sigma$ .

Since  $\Sigma$  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  $\sigma$ . 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  $\sigma$  contains also a copy of  $Q$ . Hence  $Q$  is a union of countably many finite-dimensional compacta because  $\sigma$  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  $\sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $s \times \Sigma$ ,  $\ell_2(\tau)$ . If  $Y = \sum_{\alpha < \lambda} X$  is a topological sum of  $\lambda$  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  $X_\alpha$  is closed in a metric space  $Y$  and contains a closed copy  $Y_\alpha$  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  $\ell^*$ -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  $\sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $s \times \Sigma$ ,  $\ell_2(\tau)$ . 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  $\tau$  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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