

On a class of complex function spaces.

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In [3] and [4] E. Effros proposed and investigated the complex analogue of the preduals of real L^1 -spaces, also termed Lindenstrauss spaces.

The aim of the present note is to characterize those complex function spaces which are complex Lindenstrauss spaces, in terms of orthogonal measures on the Choquet-boundary. The main result is the following:

Theorem. Let X be a compact Hausdorff space and $A \subseteq C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$ a closed linear subspace, separating the points of X and containing the constant functions. Let S denote the state space of A . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is a complex Lindenstrauss space.
- (ii) $\mu \in A^{\perp} \cap M(\partial_A X) \implies \mu = 0$.
- (iii) $Z = \text{conv}(S \cup -iS)$ is a Choquet-Simplex.
- (iv) A is self-adjoint and $\text{Re } A$ is a real Lindenstrauss space.

As a consequence we shall see that no uniform algebra is a complex Lindenstrauss space unless it is $C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$.

Preliminaries and notation.

Let X be a compact Hausdorff space and let $A \subseteq C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$ be a closed linear subspace, separating the points of X and containing the constant functions.

The state space of A i.e.

$$S = \{p \in A^* \mid p(\mathbb{1}) = \|p\| = 1\}$$

is a w^* -closed face of the closed unit ball K of A^* .

Define

$$Z = \text{conv}(S \cup -iS)$$

and let $\theta: A \rightarrow A(Z)$ be defined as

$$\theta a(z) = \text{Re } z(a) , \quad \forall z \in Z .$$

Then θ is a bicontinuous real-linear isomorphism of A onto the space $A(Z)$ of continuous affine functions on Z , cf. [2].

We note that S is a closed face of Z with complementary face $S' = -iS$. Moreover, the barycentric coefficient in the decomposition after S and S' is uniquely determined i.e. S is a parallel face of Z . For details we refer to [1].

Let φ denote the canonical embedding of X into S i.e.

$$\varphi(x)(a) = a(x) , \quad \forall a \in A .$$

Also let T denote the unit circle and define $\Phi: T \times X \rightarrow K$ by

$$\Phi(\lambda, x) = \lambda \varphi(x)$$

and $L: C_{\mathbb{C}}(X) \rightarrow C_{\mathbb{C}}(T \times X)$ by

$$Lf(\lambda, x) = \lambda f(x) \quad \forall (\lambda, x) \in T \times X$$

It follows from [5] and [6] that $L^* \circ \Phi^{-1}$ maps maximal probability measures on K into complex boundary measures on X ;

i.e. $\mu \in M_1^+(\partial_e K)$ implies $L^*(\mathfrak{g}^{-1}\mu) \in M(\partial_A X)$.

Following Effros [4] we define for $f \in C_{\mathbb{C}}(K)$ the function

$$\text{inv}_{\mathbb{T}}f(p) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(\alpha p) d\alpha, \quad \forall p \in K,$$

where $d\alpha$ is the normalized Haar measure on \mathbb{T} . It is easily verified that $\text{inv}_{\mathbb{T}}$ is a norm-decreasing projection in $C_{\mathbb{C}}(K)$.

Similarly, we write

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f(p) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \alpha^{-1} f(\alpha p) d\alpha, \quad \forall p \in K$$

and observe that $\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}$ is a norm-decreasing projection in $C_{\mathbb{C}}(K)$. Taking adjoints of these projections we obtain the following norm-decreasing w^* -continuous projections in $M(K)$:

$$\text{inv}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu = \mu \circ \text{inv}_{\mathbb{T}}$$

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu = \mu \circ \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}.$$

In [4] Effros proved that complex Banach spaces V with V^* isometrically isomorphic to $L^1(Y, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ for some measure space (Y, \mathcal{B}, μ) can be characterized by the following condition on the closed unit ball K in V^*

$$(*) \quad \mu, \nu \in M_1^+(\partial_e K) \quad \text{with} \quad r(\mu) = r(\nu) \implies \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\nu$$

Here $r: M_1^+(K) \rightarrow K$ denotes the barycentric map.

Such Banach spaces are called complex Lindenstrauss spaces.

Lemma 1. Let $\mu \in M_1^+(\partial_e K)$. Then the measures $\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu$ and $\text{inv}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu$ are boundary measures on K .

Proof: [4, Lemma 4.2].

If $\nu \in M(X)$, then we denote by $\varphi(\nu)$ the direct image of ν under φ .

Lemma 2. Let $\mu \in M_1^+(\partial_e K)$. Then the measure $\nu = L^*(\Phi^{-1}\mu)$ is a complex boundary measure on X such that

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}(\varphi\nu)$$

Proof: By [5] ν is a complex boundary measure on X .

Let $f \in C_{\mathbb{C}}(K)$. Then

$$L(\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \circ \varphi)(\lambda, x) = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f(\lambda\varphi(x))$$

and hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}(\varphi\nu)(f) &= \int_X \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \circ \varphi \, d\nu = \int_X \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \circ \varphi \, dL^*(\Phi^{-1}\mu) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{T} \times X} L(\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \circ \varphi) \, d\Phi^{-1}\mu = \int_{\Phi(\mathbb{T} \times X)} (L(\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \circ \varphi)) \circ \Phi^{-1} \, d\mu \\ &= \int_K \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}f \, d\mu = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}}\mu(f) \end{aligned}$$

and the lemma is proved.

We shall need the following fact on the embedding of S in Z .

Lemma 3. S is a split face of Z if and only if A is closed under complex conjugation.

Proof: Assume S is a split face of Z . Let $a \in A$ and decompose $a = a_1 + ia_2$.

Define $b_1 \in A(S)$ and $b_2 \in A(-iS)$ by

$$b_1(p) = \theta a(p), \quad b_2(-ip) = -\theta a(-ip), \quad \forall p \in S$$

Since S is a split face of Z and $S' = iS$ is closed, it follows from [1, Prop II.6.19] that there exists $h \in A$ such that

$$\theta h|_S = b_1, \quad \theta h|_{S'} = b_2$$

Thus for $x \in X$ we shall have

$$a_1(x) - ia_2(x) = \theta a(x) - i\theta a(-ix) = \theta h(x) + i\theta h(-ix) = h(x)$$

Hence $\bar{a} \in A$.

Conversely, we assume that A is closed under complex conjugation. Consider convex combinations

$$\lambda p_1 + (1-\lambda)(-iq_1) = \lambda p_2 + (1-\lambda)(-iq_2)$$

where $p_i, q_i \in S$ and $0 < \lambda < 1$ for $i = 1, 2$.

If $p_1 \neq p_2$, then it follows from the Hahn-Banach theorem and the assumption on A that we can find $a = \bar{a} \in A$ such that $\theta(a)(p_1) \neq \theta(a)(p_2)$. Moreover,

$$\lambda \theta a(p_1) + (1-\lambda)\theta a(-iq_1) = \lambda \theta a(p_2) + (1-\lambda)\theta a(-iq_2).$$

Since $\theta a|_S = 0$, we shall have

$$\lambda \theta a(p_1) = \lambda \theta a(p_2)$$

which is a contradiction, and the lemma is proved.

Proof of theorem.

i) \implies ii). Let $u \in A^\perp \cap M(\partial_A X)$ and decompose u as

$$u = \lambda_1 \mu_1 - \lambda_2 \mu_2 + i\lambda_3 \mu_3 - i\lambda_4 \mu_4,$$

where $\lambda_i \geq 0$ and $\mu_i \in M_1^+(\partial_A X)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$.

Let $p_i = r(\varphi(\mu_i))$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Then

$$0 = \lambda_1 p_1 - \lambda_2 p_2 + i\lambda_3 p_3 - i\lambda_4 p_4,$$

or equivalently

$$\lambda_1 p_1 + \lambda_4(-ip_4) = \lambda_2 p_2 + \lambda_3(-ip_3).$$

Let z be the common value of the left and right hand sides of this equation.

Since $1 \in A$ we conclude that $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ and $\lambda_3 = \lambda_4$. Hence we may assume that $\lambda_1 + \lambda_4 = \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 1$. Specifically, $z \in Z$.

If $\psi: K \rightarrow K$ is defined by $\psi(p) = -ip \quad \forall p \in K$, then the measures

$$\nu_1 = \lambda_1(\varphi(\mu_1)) + \lambda_4 \psi(\varphi(\mu_4)),$$

$$\nu_2 = \lambda_2(\varphi(\mu_2)) + \lambda_3 \psi(\varphi(\mu_3)),$$

are maximal probability measures representing z .

Since A is a complex Lindenstrauss space, it satisfies the condition (*). Hence:

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \nu_1 = \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \nu_2$$

Let $f \in C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$, define \bar{f} on $\mathfrak{S}(T \times X)$ by

$$\bar{f}(\lambda\varphi(x)) = \lambda f(x),$$

and extend \bar{f} to $\bar{f} \in C_{\mathbb{C}}(K)$ (Tietze). Then

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \bar{f}(\varphi(x)) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \nu_1(\bar{f}) &= \lambda_1 \int_X \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \bar{f} \circ \varphi \, d\mu_1 + \lambda_4 \int_X \text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \bar{f} \circ \psi \circ \varphi \, d\mu_4 \\ &= \lambda_1 \int_X f \, d\mu_1 - i \lambda_4 \int_X f \, d\mu_4 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{hom}_{\mathbb{T}} \nu_2(\bar{f}) = \lambda_2 \int_X f \, d\mu_2 - i \lambda_3 \int_X f \, d\mu_3,$$

and hence

$$0 = \lambda_1 \mu_1(f) - \lambda_2 \mu_2(f) + i \lambda_3 \mu_3(f) - i \lambda_4 \mu_4(f) = \mu(f)$$

i.e. $\mu = 0$ and (ii) follows.

ii) \implies i). The condition (*) is seen to be an immediate consequence of Lemma 2.

ii) \implies iii). First we observe that S is a Choquet-Simplex since (ii) asserts that there is no real annihilating boundary measures. Hence it suffices to prove that S is a split face of Z or equivalently that A is selfadjoint.

To see this we assume that $a \in A$ and $\bar{a} \notin A$. Then there exists a measure $\mu \in A^\perp$ such that $\mu(\bar{a}) \neq 0$. Decompose μ into real and imaginary parts i.e. $\mu = \mu_1 + i\mu_2$ and choose real boundary measures $\nu_i \in M(\partial_A X)$ such that

$$\mu_i - \nu_i \in A^\perp \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2 .$$

Define $\nu = \nu_1 + i\nu_2$, then $\nu \in A^\perp \cap M(\partial_A X)$ and from (ii) we conclude that $\nu = 0$ and hence $\nu_1 = 0 = \nu_2$. In particular $\mu_i \in A^\perp$ for $i = 1, 2$ and hence $\mu(\bar{a}) = 0$, and we have obtained a contradiction.

iii) \implies ii). Let $\mu \in A^\perp \cap M(\partial_A X)$ and decompose μ as $\mu = \mu_1 + i\mu_2$. Since A is selfadjoint, we shall have that $\mu_i \in A^\perp$ for $i = 1, 2$, and since S is a Choquet-Simplex, we conclude that $\mu_i = 0$ for $i = 1, 2$ and hence $\mu = 0$.

iii) \iff iv). Trivial.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

Remark. In order to prove that (ii) implies (i) we could have used the fact that the space of complex boundary measures $M(\partial_A X)$ is an L^1 -space [4], and since every $p \in A^*$ can be represented by a complex boundary measure $\mu_p \in M(\partial_A X)$ with $\|p\| = \|\mu_p\|$, condition (ii) asserts that A^* is isometrically isomorphic to

$M(\partial_A X)$, and (i) follows.

Specializing to uniform algebras, we obtain the following:

Corollary. Let A be a uniform algebra. Then A is a complex Lindenstrauss space if and only if $A = C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$.

Proof: If A is a complex Lindenstrauss space, then A is a selfadjoint, and now the Stone-Weirstrass theorem yields $A = C_{\mathbb{C}}(X)$.

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