

**AN ABSTRACT ALGEBRAIC-TOPOLOGICAL APPROACH
TO THE NOTIONS OF A FIRST AND
A SECOND DUAL SPACE II**

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Abstract: In our paper [2] we developed and studied a general duality system $(X, Y, X^d, X^{dd}, J : X \rightarrow X^{dd})$, where X^d is the first dual space of X with respect to Y , X^{dd} is the second dual space of X with respect to Y . J denotes the canonical map as is known from classical examples. In the present paper we continue the investigations, started in [2].

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1. Introduction

We start with the paper [2] and consider spaces X, Y for which some algebraic operations are defined and in some cases topologies are defined, too. In [2] was defined the dual space X^d of X with respect to a space Y , and a clear rule was given, how to construct the second dual space X^{dd} of X . We will use here the notations and results of [2] which we need.

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What is the aim of this paper? We subsume some further examples of representations under our general scheme developed in [2]: at first we consider dual spaces of topological spaces. Here we reproduce and extend some well-known results. Secondly, we embed the C^* -algebra $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ in a space of continuous mappings, where of course $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ is a noncommutative algebra. Finally we will define within the setting of our duality-approach [2] a new first and a second dual space of a Riesz-space (vector lattice).

2. The First and the Second Dual Space of a Topological Space

Let (X, τ) be a topological space. Now, in order to define a first dual space of X we chose another topological space (Y, σ) , which we will not specify at this moment. The only morphisms we have here are the continuous functions from X to Y . According to [2], definition 3.2, we get:

Definition 2.1. $X^d = \{h : X \rightarrow Y \mid h \text{ is continuous} \}$ is the first dual space of X w.r.t. Y and we provide X^d with the pointwise topology τ_p . Thus $X^d = (C(X, Y), \tau_p)$.

Because there are no algebraic operations on X^d , it has no defect D , and consequently by definitions 4.1, 4.2 of [2] we find:

Definition 2.2. $X^{dd} = (X^d, \tau_p)^d = \{\psi : (X^d, \tau_p) \rightarrow Y \mid \psi \text{ is continuous}\}$ is called the second dual space of X w.r.t. Y , and we provide X^{dd} again with pointwise topology τ_p : $X^{dd} = C_p(C_p(X, Y), Y)$.

The canonical map from X to X^{dd} we denote by J , given as $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd} : Jx = \omega(x, \cdot), \forall x \in X$, with ω being the evaluation map $\omega : X \times Y^X \rightarrow Y : \omega(x, h) := h(x)$.

By corollary 4.1 and theorem 4.1(2) of [2] we obtain

Proposition 2.3.

1. $J(X) \subseteq X^{dd}$
2. $J : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X^{dd}, \tau_p)$ is continuous.

Remark 2.4. If (X, τ) is a Tychonoff space and $Y = \mathbb{R}$, this result is well known, see for instance the book of Archangel'skii, [1]. But in this special case one shows more: the canonical map is an embedding of (X, τ) onto $J(X) \subseteq C_p(C_p(X, \mathbb{R}), \mathbb{R})$.

Generalizing the notion of complete regularity we can prove a somewhat more general result. We consider two generalizations of the complete regularity of a topological space (X, τ) w.r.t. another topological space (Y, σ) .

Of course, the usual notion of separation of points from closed sets easily can be generalized:

Definition 2.5. Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ be topological spaces. We say that $C(X, Y)$ separates in X the points from closed sets iff

$$\forall x \in X, A \subseteq X, A \text{ closed}, x \notin A : \exists f \in C(X, Y) : f(x) \notin \overline{f(A)}.$$

For every topological space (X, τ) holds, that $C(X, X)$ separates in X the points from closed sets, by the identity map.

Moreover, for every topological space (X, τ) holds, that $C(X, Y)$ separates the points in X from closed sets, if we chose the Sierpinski-space for (Y, σ) .

So, separation of points from closed sets in (X, τ) w.r.t. (Y, σ) generally not even implies R_0 for X ; but if (Y, σ) is T_3 , then it implies T_3 for (X, τ) immediately.

We still consider another possibility:

Definition 2.6. If (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are topological spaces, then X is called $(Y; a, b)$ -completely regular iff in Y there exists distinct points $a \neq b$ in Y such that

1. there exists an open neighbourhood W of a , that doesn't contain b , and
2. if $G \subseteq X$ is open and $x \in G$ then there exists $f \in C(X, Y)$ with $f(x) = a$ and $f(X \setminus G) \subseteq \{b\}$.

Note again, that every topological space (X, τ) is $(Y; 0, 1)$ -completely regular for the Sierpinski-space $Y = \{0, 1\}$ with open $\{0\}$.

The properties defined above are not independent.

Lemma 2.7. If (X, τ) and (Y, σ) are topological spaces and X is $(Y; a, b)$ -completely regular, then $C(X, Y)$ separates in X the points from the closed sets.

Proof. Let $A \subseteq X$ be closed and $x \in X, x \notin A$ be given. By assumption we find $f \in C(X, Y)$ with $f(x) = a$ and $f(A) \subseteq \{b\}$; there exists an open neighbourhood W of a with $b \notin W$. Hence $W \cap f(A) = \emptyset$ implying $f(x) \notin \overline{f(A)}$. \square

Theorem 2.8. Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ be topological spaces, we consider the canonical map $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd} = C_p(C_p(X, Y), Y)$. Then holds

1. J is continuous.

If in addition $C(X, Y)$ separates the points in X from the closed sets, then furthermore hold

2. If (X, τ) is T_1 , then J is injective.

3. J is an open map from (X, τ) onto the subspace $(J(X), \tau_p)$.

Proof. 1. comes from proposition 2.3.

2. Since (X, τ) is T_1 , the singletons are closed and hence by assumption follows that $C(X, Y)$ separates the points of X , too. But then J is injective by [2], 4.8.

3. Let $\emptyset \neq G \in \tau$ and $z \in J(G)$. So we have $\exists x \in G : z = J(x) = \omega(x, \cdot)$. By assumption we find $f \in C(X, Y)$ s.t. $f(x) \notin \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$; but then there exists an open set $W \subseteq Y$ with $f(x) \in W$ and $W \cap \overline{f(X \setminus G)} = \emptyset$. Since $f \in C(X, Y) = X^d$, $(\{f\}, W) := \{\nu \in Y^{(X^d)} \mid \nu(\{f\}) \subseteq W\}$ is a τ_p -open set in $Y^{(X^d)}$, but $J(X) \subseteq Y^{(X^d)}$, yielding that $(\{f\}, W) \cap J(X)$ is τ_p -open in $J(X)$ and obviously $J(x) \in (\{f\}, W) \cap J(X)$.

Finally we show $(\{f\}, W) \cap J(X) \subseteq J(G)$.

For all $h \in (\{f\}, W) \cap J(X)$ we have $h = \omega(y, \cdot)$ for some $y \in X$, and $h(\{f\}) = \{f(y)\} \subseteq W$, implying $f(y) \in W$. Now, assuming $y \notin G$ we would get $f(y) \in \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$, implying $f(y) \notin W$; hence we find $y \in G$, and so $h = \omega(y, \cdot) \in J(G)$. \square

Corollary 2.9. *Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ be topological spaces, (X, τ) a T_1 -space, and let $C(X, Y)$ separate the points in X from the closed sets. Then $J : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (J(X), \tau_p) \subseteq (X^{dd}, \tau_p)$ is an embedding.*

Proof. By theorem 2.8 we know that J is continuous, injective and open. \square

Now we can show the corresponding theorem using the complete $(Y; a, b)$ -regularity of X .

Theorem 2.10. *Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ be topological spaces. If (X, τ) is $(Y; a, b)$ -completely regular, then hold:*

1. If (X, τ) is a T_0 -space, $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd}$ is injective.

2. J is an open map from X onto $(J(X), \tau_p)$.

Proof. 1. Let $x, y \in X, x \neq y$. For instance we find an open set $G \in \tau$ with $x \in G$ and $y \notin G$. Since X is $(Y; a, b)$ -completely regular, there exists $g \in C(X, Y)$ such that $g(x) = a$ and $g(X \setminus G) \subseteq \{b\}$, showing that $g(x) = a \neq b = g(y)$; hence $\omega(x, g) \neq \omega(y, g)$, implying $J(x) = \omega(x, \cdot) \neq \omega(y, \cdot) = J(y)$.

2. follows from theorem 2.8 by lemma 2.7. □

Remark 2.11. The notion of $(Y; a, b)$ -complete regularity was defined in [7]. Generalizing a result of R. Arens, in [7] was shown (see theorem 2.35): Let $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ be topological spaces, X regular and $(Y; a, b)$ -completely regular. If for $C(X, Y)$ one of the following conditions

1. $(C(X, Y), c - \text{lim})$ is a pretopological convergence space, where $c - \text{lim}$ is the convergence structure of continuous convergence.
2. For $C(X, Y)$ there exists a smallest conjoining topology.

is fulfilled, then X is locally compact.

Before we prove some corollaries of theorems 2.8 and 2.10, we want to provide another useful result.

Proposition 2.12. *Let $D = \{0, 1\}$ denote the two-point set with discrete topology. If (X, τ) is a zero-dimensional topological space, then $C(X, D)$ separates in X the points from the closed sets.*

Proof. For subsets $M \subseteq X$ we denote by χ_M the characteristic function of M in X . We have $C(X, D) = \{\chi_M \mid M \subseteq X, M \text{ is open and closed}\}$.

Now, let $A \subseteq X$ be closed and $x \in X \setminus A$; $X \setminus A \in \underline{U}(x) \implies \exists B \in \underline{U}(x) : B \subseteq X \setminus A, B$ is open-closed; $X \setminus B$ is open-closed, too, and $A \subseteq X \setminus B$; hence $\chi_{X \setminus B}(A) = \{1\} = \overline{\{1\}}$ and $x \notin X \setminus B$ implying $\chi_{X \setminus B}(x) = 0$, thus $\chi_{X \setminus B}(x) \notin \overline{\chi_{X \setminus B}(A)}$ whereas $\chi_{X \setminus B} \in C(X, D)$. □

Let X be a T_0 -space and let $Y = \mathbb{R}$ with Euclidian topology, let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq b$, then X is $(\mathbb{R}; a, b)$ (or $(\mathbb{R}; 0, 1)$) -completely regular iff X is completely regular.

Hence we get by proposition 2.3 and theorem 2.10 the well-known result (see [1] or [6]):

Corollary 2.13. *Let (X, τ) be a Tychonoff-space; let as usual $C_p(X) := (C(X, \mathbb{R}), \tau_p)$. Then $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd} = C_p(C_p(X))$ is injective, continuous and an open map onto $J(X)$, thus it is an embedding into X^{dd} .*

Let \mathcal{C} denote the complex numbers with Euclidian topology. If (X, τ) is a Tychonoff-space, then (X, τ) is $(\mathcal{C}; 0, 1)$ -completely regular: $\forall G \in \tau : \forall x \in G : \exists f \in C(X, \mathbb{R}) : f(x) = 0 \wedge f(X \setminus G) \subseteq \{1\}$; but $f \in C(X, \mathcal{C})$, too, and of course we find an open set $W \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ such that $0 \in W$ and $1 \notin W$.

Corollary 2.14. *If (X, τ) is a Tychonoff-space, then*

$$J : X \rightarrow C_p(C_p(X, \mathcal{C}), \mathcal{C})$$

is injective, continuous and an open map onto $J(X)$.

Let $Y = \{0, 1\}$ with open sets $\emptyset, \{0\}, Y$ be the Sierpinski-space; let (X, τ) be a topological space, $G \in \tau$ and $x \in G$; then the characteristic funktion $\chi_{X \setminus G} : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and $\chi_{X \setminus G}(x) = 0, \chi_{X \setminus G}(X \setminus G) \subseteq \{1\}$, showing that (X, τ) is $(Y; 0, 1)$ -completely regular and we get by proposition 2.3 and theorem 2.10:

Corollary 2.15. *If (X, τ) is a T_0 -space, then $J : C \rightarrow C_p(C_p(X, Y), Y) = X^{dd}$ is injective, continuous and an open map onto $J(X)$.*

This result was proved in [4].

Corollary 2.16. *If (X, τ) is a zero-dimensional T_0 -space and D is the two-point discrete space, then*

$$J : X \rightarrow X^{dd} = C_p(C_p(X, D), D)$$

is injective, continuous and an open map onto $J(X) \subseteq X^{dd}$.

Proof. Each zero-dimensional space is T_3 , yielding by T_0 that (X, τ) is T_1 . Now proposition 2.12 and theorem 2.8 apply. \square

3. The C^* -algebra $M_n(\mathcal{C})$

Proposition 3.1. *Let X, Y be C^* -algebras with units; let $h : X \rightarrow Y$ be an algebra- $*$ -homomorphism. Then holds:*

- $\forall x \in X : \|h(x)\| \leq \|x\|.$

Hence h is continuous and $\|h\| := \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|h(x)\| \leq 1.$

- The range $h(X) := \{h(x) \mid x \in X\}$ of h is a C^* -subalgebra of Y ; that means especially that $h(X)$ is closed in Y w.r.t. the norm-topology $\tau_{\|\cdot\|}$ in Y . (See [3].)*

Corollary 3.2. *With the assumptions of proposition 3.1 we get the equivalence of the following:*

1. h is injective.
2. $\ker(h) = \{0\}$.
3. $\forall x \in X : \|h(x)\| = \|x\|$, hence h is an isometric isomorphism from X onto $h(X) \subseteq Y$.

Proof. (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) and (3) \Rightarrow (1) are obvious; we show (1) \Rightarrow (3): by 3.1(2) we know that $h(X)$ is a C^* -subalgebra of Y ; since h is injective, h^{-1} exists uniquely and $\forall x \in X : h^{-1}(h(x)) = x$, hence h^{-1} maps $h(X)$ onto X ; h^{-1} is an algebra homomorphism. (Linearity and multiplicativity are trivial by injectivity and the homomorphy of h , so we show only that $h^{-1}(h(x)^*) = (h^{-1}(h(x)))^*$ holds: $h^{-1}(h(x)^*) = h^{-1}(h(x^*)) = x^* = (h^{-1}(h(x)))^*$). Now by 3.1(1) we find $\forall x \in X : \|x\| = \|h^{-1}(h(x))\| \leq \|h(x)\| \leq \|x\| \implies \|x\| \leq \|h(x)\| \leq \|x\|$. \square

Proposition 3.3. *Let X, Y be \mathcal{C} -Banach algebras with units. Let $L(X, Y)$ be the set of all linear and continuous maps from X to Y ; then $X^d \subseteq L(X, Y)$ and for $L(X, Y)$ we consider the operator norm: $\|h\| := \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|h(x)\|$ and we restrict this norm to X^d . Let $A \subseteq X^d$ with $A \neq \emptyset$ and $A \neq \{0\}$ be given, where 0 here denotes the zero-homomorphism in X^d . Now let hold:*

1. $\forall h \in A : \|h\| \leq 1$
2. $J(X) \subseteq (C_b((A, \tau_p), Y), \|\cdot\|_{\sup})$.

Here are: τ_p the pointwise topology, $C_b((A, \tau_p), Y)$ the space of bounded functions from A to the metric space Y ; $\|\cdot\|_{\sup}$ is the supremum-norm (Tchebycheff-norm).

Then hold:

3. $\forall x \in X : \|Jx\|_{\sup} \leq \|x\|$,
4. J is uniformly continuous and hence continuous, and
5. $J(X)$ separates the points of A .

Proof. (3) $\|Jx\|_{\sup} = \sup_{h \in A} \|(Jx)(h)\| = \sup_{h \in A} \|\omega(x, h)\| = \sup_{h \in A} \|h(x)\| \leq \sup_{h \in A} (\|h\| \cdot \|x\|) \leq \sup_{h \in A} \|x\| = \|x\|$.

(4) From theorem 4.1. of [2] we know that J is linear; hence by (3) we get $\forall x, y \in X : \|Jx - Jy\| = \|J(x - y)\| \leq \|x - y\|$.

(5) Let $f, g \in A$ with $f \neq g$, i.e. $\exists x_0 \in X : f(x_0) \neq g(x_0)$. So, $Jx_0 = \omega(x_0, \cdot)$ separates f, g . \square

We want to test the possibility to represent $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ by a space of continuous mappings. By $M_n(\mathbb{C})$, we mean the family of all $n \times n$ -matrices with complex entries and with n strictly greater than 1. This becomes a \mathbb{C} -vector space by the usual addition of matrices and scalar multiplication with elements of \mathbb{C} . By the usual multiplication of matrices it becomes an algebra with unit.

Now, for \mathbb{C}^n we can define the Euclidian norm $\|(z_1, \dots, z_n)\| := \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |z_i|^2}$. Hence, we can consider $L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n)$. But we see at once, that the vector spaces $L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n)$ and $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ are isomorphic: For $h \in L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n)$ there exists a unique matrix $A_h \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) : \forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n : h(x) = A_h \cdot x^T$; but for each $B \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ the function $g_B : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n : g_B(x) := B \cdot x^T$ is clearly linear and - since \mathbb{C}^n with euclidian norm is a finite dimensional normed space - g_B is continuous, too; thus $g_B \in L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n)$.

For $L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n)$ we can define the operator norm: $\forall h \in L(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C}^n) : \|h\| := \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|h(x)\|$; but now we can carry over this norm to $M_n(\mathbb{C}) : \forall A \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) : \|A\| := \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|A \cdot x^T\|$, where $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$.

As is well known, to compute $\|A\|$ for $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$, we can use the fact, that this norm coincide with the spectral norm: let A^* the conjugate transpose of A (if $A = (a_{ij})$ then $A^* = (\overline{a_{ji}})$), then the spectral norm of A is defined as the square root of the largest eigenvalue of the positive semidefinit matrix A^*A .

Remark 3.4. With this norm, $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ is a Banach algebra, as we know. It is a C^* -algebra, too, where $A \rightarrow A^*$ is the involution.

First dual spaces of $M_n(\mathbb{C})$:

- (1) Using definition 1.3 from [2], we set $X = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ and $Y = \mathbb{C}$; hence $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d = \{h : M_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid h \text{ is linear, multiplicative and involutory}\} = \{h : M_n(\mathbb{C}) \mid h \text{ is an algebra (ring) homomorphism, } h(A^*) = \overline{h(A)}, \text{ and } h \text{ is continuous}\}$.

Lemma 3.5. Let $\underline{0} \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^d$ be the zero map. Then $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d = \{\underline{0}\}$.

Proof. For $n = 2$ we have $E := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Now assume $\exists h \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^d : h \neq \underline{0}$. Since h is a ring homomorphism with $h \neq \underline{0}$, we find $h(E) = 1$ and $1 = h(E) = h \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} h \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, thus

$$h \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

Otherwise,

$h \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$ because the multiplication is commutative in the range space \mathcal{C} . So, we get a contradiction, yielding $M_n(\mathcal{C}) = \{0\}$ here.

For $n = 3$ observe that the matrix $A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ yields an invertible

$B := AA^T - A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ leading to the same contradiction

as above, when used at the place of $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Now, by building block matrices, the assumption will follow for all $n > 1$. □

- (2) As we have seen, the problem in the foregoing case was the commutativity of the multiplication in \mathcal{C} . Now, the multiplication in $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ is non-commutative, hence we chose here $Y = X = M_n(\mathcal{C})$.

Thus, $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d = \{h : M_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) \mid h \text{ is linear, multiplicative and involutory}\} = \{h : M_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) \mid h \text{ is linear, multiplicative, involutory and continuous}\}$. (The continuity follows from the fact, that $X = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ is finite-dimensional as \mathcal{C} -algebra.)

Here we have the advantage, that the identity $\mathbf{1} : M_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) : \mathbf{1}(A) := A$ belongs to $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$. But we find still more elements of $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$.

Proposition 3.6. (a) Let $U \in M_n(\mathcal{C})$ be invertible; for the map $h_U : M_n(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) : h_U(A) := UAU^{-1}$ hold:

- i. h_U is linear,
- ii. h_U is multiplicative,
- iii. h_U is bijective,
- iv. $h_U(E_n) = E_n$ where E_n means the unit matrix in $X = Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$.
- v. h_U is continuous.

(b) If U is an unitary matrix, then additionally holds

- vi. $\forall A \in M_n(\mathcal{C}) : h_U(A^*) = (h_U(A))^*$.

Proof. (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (vi) are straightforward matrix calculations, (v) again follows from the fact, that $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ is a finite dimensional normed space. □

By definition of $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ we get

$$M_n(\mathcal{C})^d \subseteq L((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)) = L(M_n(\mathcal{C}), M_n(\mathcal{C})),$$

and for $L(M_n(\mathcal{C}), M_n(\mathcal{C}))$ we consider the operator norm

$$\|\cdot\| : \forall h \in L(M_n(\mathcal{C}), M_n(\mathcal{C})) : \|h\| = \sup_{\|A\| \leq 1} \|h(A)\| = \sup_{\|A\|=1} \|h(A)\|$$

and we restrict $\|\cdot\|$ to $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$. For instance, $\mathbf{1} \in M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$: $\|\mathbf{1}\| = \sup_{\|A\|=1} \|\mathbf{1}(A)\| = 1$.

Lemma 3.7. *The algebraic operations on $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ (addition and multiplication of matrices, scalar multiplication, involution) are continuous w.r.t. the operator norm.*

Proof. For the finite dimensional Banach space $(M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)$ the vector space operations are continuous, in arbitrary normed algebra, hence in $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ too, the multiplication is continuous. (And is easy to compute by the obvious submultiplicativity of the norm.) Now, we have $\forall A \in M_n(\mathcal{C}) : \|A\| = \|A^*\|$. Let a sequence (A_i) in $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ be given with $A_i \rightarrow 0$ w.r.t. the norm topology $\tau_{\|\cdot\|}$, just meaning $\|A_i\| \rightarrow 0$, hence $\|A_i^* - 0\| = \|A_i^*\| = \|A_i\| \xrightarrow{\tau_{\|\cdot\|}} 0$; thus the involution is continuous on $M_n(\mathcal{C})$, too. □

Proposition 3.8. (a) $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ has a zero-homomorphism $h_0 : \forall A \in X = M_n(\mathcal{C}) : h_0(A) = Z_n \in M_n(\mathcal{C}) = Y$, where Z_n means the zero-matrix.

(b) $\forall h \in M_n(\mathcal{C})^d : \|h\| \leq 1$.

(c) Since $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d \subseteq M_n(\mathcal{C})^{M_n(\mathcal{C})}$, using the algebraic operations in $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ by pointwise definition, we can carry over these operations to $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$. Endowed with these pointwise operations, $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ is not an algebra.

Proof. (a) is evident, since Z_n is a zero-element of $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$.

(b) follows from proposition 3.1(a).

(c) $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ is no vector space: $\mathbf{1} \in M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ and $\|\mathbf{1}\| = 1$; hence $\|2 \cdot \mathbf{1}\| = 2 > 1$, implying $2 \cdot \mathbf{1} \notin M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ by (b). □

By (c) and the definitions of an abstract second dual space in [2], definition 4.2., and by [2], corollary 4.1. we obtain:

Corollary 3.9. *The second dual space of $X = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ w.r.t. $Y = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ is*

$$M_n(\mathbb{C})^{dd} = C\left(\left(M_n(\mathbb{C})^d, \tau_p\right), (M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|)\right)$$

and for the canonical map J holds $J(M_n(\mathbb{C})) \subseteq M_n(\mathbb{C})^{dd}$.

Proposition 3.10. (a) $(M_n(\mathbb{C})^d, \tau_p)$ is a Hausdorff and compact topological space.

(b) The zero-homomorphism $\underline{0} \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^d$ is an isolated point of $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d$ in $(M_n(\mathbb{C})^{M_n(\mathbb{C})}, \tau_p)$.

(c) $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d \setminus \{\underline{0}\}$ is a Hausdorff compact space, too.

Proof. (a) $Y = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ is a finite-dimensional normed space and by lemma 3.7 the algebraic operations in Y are $\tau_{\|\cdot\|}$ -continuous; especially, Y is Hausdorff. Then by the generalized Alaoglu theorem in [8], corollary 3.3., $(M_n(\mathbb{C})^d, \tau_p) = \left(\{h \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^{M_n(\mathbb{C})} \mid h \text{ is a continuous algebra homomorphism and } \|h\| \leq 1\}, \tau_p\right)$ is a compact Hausdorff topological space.

(b) By proposition 3.10 there exists a $h \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^d$ with $h \neq \underline{0}$ and $h(E_n) = E_n$, where E_n is the unit-matrix in $M_n(\mathbb{C})$. Then [2], lemma 4.3., yields the assertion.

(c) follows from (a) and (b). □

Notation: Following the arguments of [2], lemma 4.2 and Section 4.3 ("Redefinition of X^{dn} ") we consider $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d \setminus \{\underline{0}\}$ as new dual space of $X = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ and denote this space again by the symbol $M_n(\mathbb{C})^d$, from now on.

Theorem 3.11. *Let*

$$C_b((M_n(\mathbb{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|))$$

be the space of all bounded continuous functions from

$(M_n(\mathbb{C}), \tau_p)$ into $(M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|)$ and let this space be endowed with the supremum-norm. Then hold:

- (a) The redefined $(M_n(\mathcal{C})^d, \tau_p)$ is a compact Hausdorff topological space.
 (b) $M_n(\mathcal{C})^{dd} = C_b((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|))$ and

$$(C_b((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)), \|\cdot\|_{\text{sup}})$$

is a C^* -algebra with unit $\underline{1}$: $\forall h \in M_n(\mathcal{C})^d : \underline{1}(h) := E_n \in Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$.

- (c) $J : (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C})^{dd}$ is an isomorphism, i.e. an injective algebra homomorphism from $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ onto the C^* -subalgebra $J(M_n(\mathcal{C})) \subseteq (C_b((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)), \|\cdot\|_{\text{sup}})$.
 (d) J is an isometric map, i.e. $\forall A \in M_n(\mathcal{C}) : \|J(A)\|_{\text{sup}} = \|A\|$.

Proof. (a) is just 3.10(c).

(b) Since $(M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p)$ is compact and Hausdorff, we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_n(\mathcal{C})^{dd} &= C((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)) \\ &= C_b((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)) \end{aligned}$$

and in [2], proposition 4.2., was proved that the space

$$C_b((M_n(\mathcal{C}), \tau_p), (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|))$$

is a C^* -algebra and a space of continuous functions, which has a natural unit.

(c) By the homomorphism theorem in [2], theorem 4.1., we get that $J : (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|) \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C})^{dd}$ is an algebra homomorphism; but then by 3.1(b) $J(M_n(\mathcal{C}))$ is a C^* -subalgebra of $(M_n(\mathcal{C})^{dd}, \|\cdot\|_{\text{sup}})$.

Now, $\mathbb{1} \in M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ implies, that $M_n(\mathcal{C})^d$ separates the points of $X = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ and hence by [2], proposition 4.5., J is injective, yielding by corollary 3.2, that hold: $\forall A \in M_n(\mathcal{C}) : \|J(A)\|_{\text{sup}} = \|A\|$. So, (d) is proved. \square

4. Representing Non-Commutative C^* -Algebras

Let X be a (nontrivial) non-commutative C^* -algebra with unit e ; we want to define the dual space X^d (in the sense of our approach), the second dual space X^{dd} and to prove a representation theorem.

To define X^d we set $Y = (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)$.

Definition 4.1. $X^d := \{h : X \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) \mid h \text{ is a continuous, linear ring-homomorphism with } h(x^*) = h(x)^*\}$ is called the first dual space of X w.r.t. $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$.

Remark 4.2. By 3.1(a) we know, that it is enough to say, that each h is an algebra homomorphism onto it's image. Now we can follow the procedure of the case $X = M_n(\mathcal{C})$ and $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$. Again we have here $X^d \subseteq L(X, Y) = L(X, M_n(\mathcal{C}))$; hence we can define the operator norm for X^d .

Then by 3.1(a) we get: $\forall h \in X^d : \|h\| \leq 1$; thus $X^d = \{h : X \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) \mid h \text{ is continuous algebra homomorphism with } \|h\| \leq 1\}$.

X^d has a zero-element $\underline{0}$ and we assume, that $X^d \neq \{\underline{0}\}$.

Proposition 4.3.

- (1) (X^d, τ_p) is a compact Hausdorff topological space.
- (2) The zero homomorphism $\underline{0} \in X^d$ is an isolated point of X^d in $(M_n(\mathcal{C})^X, \tau_p)$.
- (3) $X^d \setminus \{\underline{0}\}$ is a compact Hausdorff topological space, too.

Proof. (a) We know: $Y = (M_n(\mathcal{C}), \|\cdot\|)$ is Hausdorff, finite dimensional and all concerned algebraic operations on $M_n(\mathcal{C})$ are $\tau_{\|\cdot\|}$ -continuous. Thus using again the generalized Alaoglu theorem [8], corollary 3.3., we get (X^d, τ_p) being compact and Hausdorff.

(b) Since $X^d \neq \{\underline{0}\}$ by assumption we can prove (b) quite analogously to part (b) of proposition 3.10 - and (c) will follow immediately. \square

Hence again we define $X^d \setminus \{\underline{0}\}$ as the new dual space and **redefine** from this point on the symbol X^d to denote this new dual.

Thus $X^d = \{h : X \rightarrow M_n(\mathcal{C}) \mid h \text{ is a continuous algebra homomorphism and } h \neq \underline{0}\}$.

4.1. Definition of the Second Dual Space

Again we have $X^d \subseteq M_n(\mathcal{C})^X$ and by using the algebraic operations on $Y = M_n(\mathcal{C})$, we can pointwise define similar those operations on X^d , too. In general

X^d then will not be a vector space, as we know from the case $X = M_n(\mathbb{C})$. In fact, whenever there exists an $h \in X^d$ with $h \neq \underline{0}$, then follows $\exists x \in X : h(x) \neq 0$, implying $x \neq 0$, so $\|\frac{1}{\|x\|}h(x)\| > 0$, yielding $\exists n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} < \|\frac{1}{\|x\|}h(x)\|$. From the assumption, that X^d is a vector space, we get $nh \in X^d$, but we have $1 < \|\frac{n}{\|x\|}h(x)\| = \|(nh)(\frac{x}{\|x\|})\| \leq \|nh\| \leq 1$ - a contradiction. So, X^d is not an algebra if it is nontrivial.

By the definition of an abstract second dual space in [2], definition 4.2., and by [2], corollary 4.1., we obtain:

Proposition 4.4. *The second dual space of X w.r.t. $Y = M_n(\mathbb{C})$ is*

$$X^{dd} := C \left((X^d, \tau_p), (M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|) \right)$$

endowed with supremum-norm, and for the canonical map J holds $J(X) \subseteq X^{dd}$.

Theorem 4.5. *Let X be a non-commutative C^* -algebra with unit; we assume $\exists h \in X^d : h \neq \underline{0}$. Then hold:*

(1) *(The redefined) (X^d, τ_p) is a Hausdorff and compact topological space.*

(2)

$$\left(C_b \left((X^d, \tau_p), (M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|) \right), \|\cdot\|_{\text{sup}} \right)$$

is a (non-commutative) C^ -algebra with unit, the canonical map*

$$J : X \rightarrow C \left((X^d, \tau_p), (M_n(\mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|) \right)$$

is an algebra homomorphism and $J(X)$ is a C^ -subalgebra of X^{dd} .*

(3) $\forall x \in X : \|Jx\|_{\text{sup}} \leq \|x\|$.

(4) J is uniformly continuous and hence continuous.

(5) $J(X)$ separates the points of X^d .

Proof. (a) comes from 4.3(a), (c).

(b) Since (X^d, τ_p) is compact and Hausdorff, X^{dd} equals the space of bounded continuous mappings, and by [2], proposition 4.2., this space is a C^* -algebra. The homomorphism theorem [2], theorem 4.1., shows that $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd}$ is an algebra-homomorphism. By 3.1(b) we know, that $J(X)$ is a C^* -subalgebra of X^{dd} .

Assertions (c), (d) and (e) we obtain from proposition 3.3. □

5. A New Dual Space of a Vector Lattice

Let X, Y be vector lattices (Riesz spaces), let $L(X, Y) := \{f : X \rightarrow Y \mid f \text{ is linear}\}$ and $L_b(X, Y) := \{f \in L(X, Y) \mid f \text{ is order-bounded}\}$, where f is order-bounded means that images of order-bounded subsets of X under f are order-bounded in Y . For basic facts on ordered vector spaces, Riesz spaces, Banach lattices and mappings between such spaces see for instance [5], [9].

$X^\sim = L_b(X, \mathbb{R})$ is called the dual space of X . This notion has the advantage that $L_b(X, \mathbb{R})$ again is a vector lattice. Hence one can consider $X^{\sim\sim} = (X^\sim)^\sim$ as the second dual space of X . But a functional $f \in L_b(X, \mathbb{R})$ is not a homomorphism in the sense of [2], definition 2.2. The (algebraic) operations in a Riesz space X are the vector space (linear) operations and the lattice operations \wedge, \vee .

Indeed in Riesz space theory $f \in L(X, Y)$ such that $\forall x, y \in X : f(x \vee y) = f(x) \vee f(y), f(x \wedge y) = f(x) \wedge f(y)$ is called a lattice homomorphism. But here it is enough to use either $f(x \vee y) = f(x) \vee f(y) (= \max\{f(x), f(y)\})$ or $f(x \wedge y) = f(x) \wedge f(y)$.

Now, setting $Y = \mathbb{R}$, we will define the dual space X^d of a Riesz space X according to definition 3.2. of [2].

Definition 5.1. Let X be a Riesz space.

$$X^d = \{h : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid h \text{ is a linear lattice homomorphism}\}$$

is called the dual space of X .

Remark 5.2. In X^d we can define pointwise linear operations and a partial order $h_1 \leq h_2$. But as we show by an example, in general X^d with pointwise operations is not a vector space again, and thus cannot be a Riesz space.

Example 5.3. For a Tychonoff space X , let $C(X) = C(X, \mathbb{R})$. It is well-known that $C(X)$ with pointwise operations and order is an ordered vector space, even a Riesz space, where $\forall f, g \in C(X) : \forall x \in X : (f \vee g)(x) := \max\{f(x), g(x)\}, (f \wedge g)(x) := \min\{f(x), g(x)\}$.

\mathbb{R} with natural order and topology (norm) is a Banach lattice, and $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R} : a \vee b = \max\{a, b\}$.

Now by definition 5.1 $(C(X))^d = \{\phi : C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \phi \text{ linear and } \forall f, g \in C(X) : \phi(f \vee g) = \phi(f) \vee \phi(g)\}$.

$(C(X))^d$ has many elements: for all $x \in X$ we consider the x -point evaluation (Dirac functional) $\omega(x, \cdot) : C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \forall h \in C(X) : \omega(x, \cdot)(h) = \omega(x, h) = h(x)$.

We find $\forall x \in X : \omega(x, \cdot) \in (C(X))^d$, because each $\omega(x, \cdot)$ is linear by remark 1.1 of [2] and furthermore $\forall f, g \in C(X) : \omega(x, \cdot)(f \vee g) = (f \vee g)(x) = \max\{f(x), g(x)\} = f(x) \vee g(x) = \omega(x, \cdot)(f) \vee \omega(x, \cdot)(g)$.

Now the question arises: does $x, y \in X$ imply $\omega(x, \cdot) + \omega(y, \cdot) \in (C(X))^d$?

Let us assume $\forall x, y \in X : \omega(x, \cdot) + \omega(y, \cdot) \in (C(X))^d$. Then for all $f, g \in C(X)$ we get (in \mathbb{R}):

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{f}(x) \vee \mathbf{g}(x)) + (\mathbf{f}(y) \vee \mathbf{g}(y)) &= \omega(x, f \vee g) + \omega(y, f \vee g) = \\ (\omega(x, \cdot) + \omega(y, \cdot))(f \vee g) &= (\omega(x, \cdot) + \omega(y, \cdot))(f) \vee (\omega(x, \cdot) + \omega(y, \cdot))(g) = \\ (\mathbf{f}(x) + \mathbf{f}(y)) \vee (\mathbf{g}(x) + \mathbf{g}(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Let $X = [0, 1]$ with Euclidian topology, $x = 0, y = 1$. We assume that $\omega(0, \cdot) + \omega(1, \cdot) \in (C([0, 1]))^d$ and let $f, g \in C([0, 1])$ be given by $f(z) := 1 - 2z, g(z) := 0$ for all $z \in [0, 1]$. The result above yields $\mathbf{1} = (f(0) \vee g(0)) + (f(1) \vee g(1)) = (f(0) + f(1)) \vee (g(0) + g(1)) = \mathbf{0}$ - a contradiction. Hence $\omega(0, \cdot) + \omega(1, \cdot) \notin (C([0, 1]))^d$.

We want to define for a Riesz space X the second dual space with respect to our dual space X^d .

As we have seen by the example, in general X^d has the defect D according to [2], definition 4.1. Hence by definition 4.2. of [2] we get the second dual space X^{dd} of X as

$$X^{dd} = \left(C \left((X^d, \tau_p), (\mathbb{R}, \tau_{|\cdot|}) \right), \mu \right)$$

where τ_p, μ denote the applicable pointwise topologies and $\tau_{|\cdot|}$ the Euclidian topology on \mathbb{R} .

We know that with pointwise defined linear operations and pointwise order the space of continuous functions $C((X^d, \tau_p), \mathbb{R})$ is a Riesz space.

Now we consider the canonical map

$$J : X \rightarrow X^{dd} : J(x) = \omega(x, \cdot)$$

(By lemma 4.1 of [2] holds $J(X) \subseteq X^{dd}$.)

Applying the homomorphy theorem 4.1 of [2], we get:

Theorem 5.4. *Let X be a nontrivial Riesz space. Then hold*

- (1) $J : X \rightarrow X^{dd}$ is linear and a lattice homomorphism.
- (2) If X has a compatible topology τ , then $J : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X^{dd}, \tau_p)$ is continuous.

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