

## ISOMETRIES WITH SMALL BOUND ON $C^1(X)$ SPACES

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### 1. Introduction

For a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$ , we denote by  $C_0(X)$  the Banach space of all continuous complex valued functions defined on  $X$  which vanish at infinity, equipped with the usual sup norm. In case  $X$  is compact, we write  $C(X)$  instead of  $C_0(X)$ . A well-known Banach-Stone theorem states that the existence of an isometry between the function spaces  $C_0(X)$  and  $C_0(Y)$  implies  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic. D. Amir [1] and M. Cambern [2] independently generalized this theorem by proving that if  $C_0(X)$  and  $C_0(Y)$  are isomorphic under an isomorphism  $T$  satisfying  $\|T\| \|T^{-1}\| < 2$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  must also be homeomorphic.

We denote by  $C^1(X)$  the space of continuously differentiable functions on  $X$  with the  $\Sigma$ -norm given by  $\|f\| = \sup_{t \in X} |f(t)| + \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ . And we denote by  $C^1(X)_p$  the space of continuously differentiable functions on  $X$  with the norm given by  $\|f\|_p = \sup_{t \in X} |f(t)| + p \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ ,  $p > 0$ .

K. Jarosz [4] conjectured that; Is there a positive  $\epsilon$  such that for any compact subsets  $X, Y$  of the real line  $R$  and  $\|T\| \|T^{-1}\| < 1 + \epsilon$  implies that  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic? When the norms of  $C^1(X)$  and  $C^1(Y)$  are given by the C-norms, Cambern and Pathak [3] proved the existence of  $\epsilon$  in the additional assumption  $\|T\|_\infty \|T^{-1}\|_\infty < \infty$ . When the norms of  $C^1(X)$  and  $C^1(Y)$  are given by the M-norms, Pathak and Vasavada [6] proved the existence of  $\epsilon$  in the additional assumption  $\|T\|_\infty \|T^{-1}\|_\infty < \infty$ . In this note we investigate the Jarosz conjecture when the norms of  $C^1(X)$  and  $C^1(Y)$  are given by the  $\Sigma$ -norms.

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## 2. The results

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be compact subsets of  $R$  and  $X \subset [a, b]$  and  $Y \subset [c, d]$ . If  $T$  is a linear map from  $C^1(X)$  onto  $C^1(Y)$  which satisfies*

- (i) *if  $f'(t) \equiv 0$  then  $(Tf)'(t) \equiv 0$ ,*
  - (ii)  $\|fg\| \leq \|TfTg\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 \|fg\|$ ,
  - (iii)  $\|f\| \leq \|Tf\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)\|f\|$ , *and*
  - (iv)  $\epsilon < \min(\frac{1}{49}, \frac{1}{2(|b-a|+1)}, \frac{1}{2(|d-c|+1)})$ ,
- then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.*

Before proving the theorem let us prove three lemmas.

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be as in Theorem 1. Let  $T$  be a map from  $C^1(X)$  onto  $C^1(Y)$  which satisfies the condition (ii) in Theorem 1. If  $\sup_{t \in X} |f(t)| < k$  and  $\|f\| = 1$  then  $\sup_{s \in Y} |Tf(s)| \leq (1 + \epsilon)\sqrt{-k^2 + 2k}$ .*

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} (\sup_{s \in Y} |Tf(s)|)^2 &\leq \|TfTf\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 \|f^2\| \\ &= (1 + \epsilon)^2 (\sup_{t \in X} |f^2(t)| + \sup_{t \in X} |(f^2)'(t)|) \\ &= (1 + \epsilon)^2 (\sup_{t \in X} |f^2(t)| + 2 \sup_{t \in X} |f(t)f'(t)|) \\ &\leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 (-k^2 + 2k), \end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof.

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $X, Y, T$  be as in Theorem 1. If  $f \in C^1(X)$  then  $\frac{5}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)|$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C^1(X)$  and  $\sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \neq 0$ . Then  $f' \in C(X)$ . We can extend  $f'$  to  $g'$  on  $C([a, b])$  such that  $g'|_X = f'$  and  $\sup_{t' \in [a, b]} |g'(t')| = \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ . Let  $g(t') = \int_a^{t'} g'(x) dx$ . Then  $\sup_{t \in X} |g|_X(t) \leq |b - a| \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$  and  $\|g|_X\| \leq (|b - a| + 1) \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ . Take  $m \in X$  such that  $|f'(m)| = \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ . Fix  $k < \frac{1}{4}$  and choose  $h' \in C([a, b])$  such that  $h'(m) = 2$ ,  $h'(t') = 0$ , for  $t' \notin [m - \frac{k}{2} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|, m + \frac{k}{2} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|]$  and  $0 \leq h'(t') \leq 2$ . Let  $i'(t') = g'(t')h'(t')$

and  $i(t') = \int_a^{t'} i'(x)dx$ . Then  $i|_X \in C^1(X)$  and  $\sup_{t \in X} |i|_X(t)| \leq k \sup_{t \in X} |(i|_X)'(t)|$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| &= \sup_{t \in X} |(i|_X)'(t)| \leq \|i|_X\| \\ &= \sup_{t \in X} |i|_X(t) + \sup_{t \in X} |(i|_X)'(t)| \\ &\leq (1+k) \sup_{t \in X} |(i|_X)'(t)| \\ &= 2(1+k) \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 1,

$$(1) \quad 2 \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| (1 - (1+\epsilon)\sqrt{-k^2+2k}) \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(T(i|_X))'(s)|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\|T((g-i)|_X)\| \\ &\geq \sup_{s \in Y} |T(g|_X)(s)| - \sup_{s \in Y} |T(i|_X)(s)| - \sup_{s \in Y} |(T(g|_X))'(s)| \\ &\quad + \sup_{s \in Y} |(T(i|_X))'(s)| \\ &\geq \sup_{s \in Y} |T(g|_X)(s)| - 2(1+k)(1+\epsilon)\sqrt{-k^2+2k} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| \\ &\quad + 2(1-(1+\epsilon)\sqrt{-k^2+2k}) \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| - \sup_{s \in Y} |(T(g|_X))'(s)|. \end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad &\|T((g-i)|_X)\| \leq (1+\epsilon)\|g|_X - i|_X\| \\ &\leq (1+\epsilon)(\sup_{t \in X} |g|_X(t) + \sup_{t \in X} |i|_X(t) + \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|) \\ &\leq \|g|_X\| + \frac{1}{2} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| + (1+\epsilon)2k \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\sup_{s \in Y} |(T(g|_X))'(s)| < \frac{5}{7}(1 - \frac{28}{5}(1+\epsilon)\sqrt{-k^2+2k})$   
 $\sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ , then by (1)  $\|T(g|_X - i|_X)\| \geq \|T(g|_X)\| +$   
 $\frac{4}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ . From (2)  $\|g|_X\| + \frac{1}{2} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| + (1+\epsilon)2k$   
 $\sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| \geq \|T(g|_X)\| + \frac{4}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ . Since  $k$  is arbitrary, this contradicts the fact  $\|Tg\| \geq \|g\|$ . From  $f'(t) = (g|_X)'(t)$

we know that  $(Tf)'(s) = (T(g|_X))'(s)$ . Hence  $\sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)| \geq \frac{5}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ .

**LEMMA 3.** *Let  $X, Y, T$  be as in Theorem 1. If  $f \in C^1(X)$  then  $\frac{5}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)| \leq \frac{7}{5}(1 + \epsilon) \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 2,  $\frac{5}{7} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)|$ . Hence if  $(Tf)'(s) \equiv 0$  then  $f'(t) \equiv 0$ . Replacing  $T$  by  $(1 + \epsilon)T^{-1}$  and applying Lemma 1 and 2, we know that  $\frac{5}{7} \sup_{s \in Y} |f'(s)| \leq (1 + \epsilon) \sup_{t \in X} |(T^{-1}f)'(t)|$ . From this we have  $\frac{5}{7} \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)| \leq (1 + \epsilon) \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Let  $g(t') = \int_{a_i}^{t'} g'(x)dx$  for  $g' \in C([a, b])$ . Let  $S$  be a map from  $C([a, b])$  into  $C^1(X)$  defined by  $Sg' = g|_X$ . Choose a map  $U$  from  $C(X)$  into  $C([a, b])$  such that  $(Uf)|_X = f$  for all  $f \in C(X)$ . If  $f \in C^1(X)$  then  $f' \in C(X)$  and  $(SUf)' = f'$ . Let  $S'$  be a map from  $C^1(Y)$  onto  $C(Y)$  defined by  $S'g(s) = g'(s)$ . Since  $(SU(\alpha f + \beta g))' - \alpha(SUf)' - \beta(SUg)' \equiv 0$ ,  $(T(SU(\alpha f + \beta g) - \alpha(SUf) - \beta(SUg)))' \equiv 0$  i.e.,  $S'TSU(\alpha f + \beta g) - \alpha(S'TSUf) - \beta(S'TSUg)' \equiv 0$ . Hence  $S'TSU$  is a linear map from  $C(X)$  into  $C(Y)$ .

Let  $T' : C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  be defined by  $T'f'(s) = (Tf)'(s)$  for all  $f \in C^1(X)$ . Since  $f' = (SUf)'$ ,  $T'f' = (Tf)' = (TSUf)' = S'TSUf'$ . Therefore by Lemma 3,  $T'$  is a onto linear map such that  $\|T'\| \leq \frac{7}{5}(1 + \epsilon)$  and  $\|T'^{-1}\| \leq \frac{7}{5}$ . Therefore  $\|T'\| \|T'^{-1}\| \leq \frac{49}{25}(1 + \epsilon)$ . By Amir theorem [1]  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be compact subsets of  $R$ . Let  $T$  be a linear map from  $C^1(X)$  onto  $C^1(Y)$  which satisfies*

- (i) if  $f'(t) \equiv 0$  then  $(Tf)'(t) \equiv 0$
- (ii)  $\|fg\| \leq \|TfTg\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 \|fg\|$ .

*If  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small, then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.*

*Proof.* From (i) and (ii) we have  $1 \leq \|T1T1\| = (\sup_{s \in Y} |T1(s)|)^2 = \|T1\|^2 \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2$ , and so  $1 \leq \|T1\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)$ . By (ii)  $\|T^{-1}1 \cdot 1\| \leq \|T1 \cdot 1\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 \|T^{-1}1 \cdot 1\|$ . Hence  $\|T^{-1}1\| \leq \|T1\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)$  and  $\frac{1}{(1 + \epsilon)^2} \leq \frac{1}{(1 + \epsilon)^2} \|T1\| \leq \|T^{-1}1\|$ . For any  $g \in C^1(X)$ ,  $\|g\| \leq \|T1Tg\| \leq \|T1\| \|Tg\| \leq (1 + \epsilon) \|Tg\|$  and  $\|Tg\| \leq (1 + \epsilon)^2 \|T^{-1}1 \cdot g\| \leq$

$(1+\epsilon)^2\|T^{-1}1\|\|g\| \leq (1+\epsilon)^3\|g\|$ . Hence  $\frac{1}{(1+\epsilon)}\|g\| \leq \|Tg\| \leq (1+\epsilon)^3\|g\|$ .

If  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small, then  $(1+\epsilon)T$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 1.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be compact subsets of  $R$  and  $X \subset \cup_{i=1}^n[a_i, b_i]$  ( $a_i < b_i < a_{i+1}$ ) and  $\max_i\{|b_i - a_i|\} < k$ .  $Y \subset \cup_{j=1}^m[c_j, d_j]$  ( $c_j < d_j < c_{j+1}$ ) and  $\max_j\{|d_j - c_j|\} < k$ . If  $T$  is a linear map from  $C^1(X)$  onto  $C^1(Y)$  which satisfies*

- (i)  $(Tf)'(t) \equiv 0$  iff  $f'(t) \equiv 0$ ,
  - (ii)  $\|f\| \leq \|Tf\| \leq (1+\epsilon)\|f\|$ , and
  - (iii)  $k < \frac{(4-\sqrt{10})}{6}$  and  $\epsilon < 6k^2 - 8k + 1$ ,
- then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.

*Proof.* Let  $\sup_{t \in X} |f(t)| < k$  and  $\|f\| = 1$ . If  $\sup_{s \in Y} |Tf(s)| > 3k$ , choose  $G'(s') \in C(\cup_{j=1}^m[c_j, d_j])$  such that  $\sup_{s' \in \cup_{j=1}^m[c_j, d_j]} |G'(s')| = \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)|$  and  $G'(s) = (Tf)'(s)$  for all  $s \in Y$ . Let  $G(s') = \int_{c_j}^{s'} G'(y)dy$  for all  $s' \in [c_j, d_j]$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sup_{s' \in \cup_{j=1}^m[c_j, d_j]} |G(s')| &\leq \max_j \sup_{s' \in [c_j, d_j]} \int_{c_j}^{s'} |G'(y)|dy \\
 &\leq \max_j \sup_{s' \in [c_j, d_j]} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [c_j, d_j]} |G'(t)| |c_j - d_j| \right\} \\
 (3) \quad &\leq k \max_j \sup_{s' \in [c_j, d_j]} |G'(s')| \\
 &= k \sup_{s \in Y} |G'(s)|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have  $\sup_{s \in Y} |Tf(s)| - \sup_{s \in Y} |G(s)| > 2k - k\epsilon$  and  $\sup_{s \in Y} |Tf(s)| > \sup_{s \in Y} |G(s)|$ . Therefore  $\|G|_Y\| < (1+\epsilon) - 2k + k\epsilon$ , and hence,

$$(4) \quad \|T^{-1}(G|_Y)\| < (1+\epsilon) - 2k + k\epsilon.$$

By assumption  $\sup_{t \in X} |f'(t) - (T^{-1}(G|_Y))'(t)| = 0$ .

Therefore  $\|T^{-1}(G|_Y)\| \geq \sup_{t \in X} |(T^{-1}(G|_Y))'(t)| = \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \geq 1 - k$ . This contradicts (4). Hence  $(1 - 3k) \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)| \leq \frac{1+\epsilon}{1-k} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ .

Let  $f \in C^1(X)$  and  $\sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \neq 0$ .

Choose  $g'(t') \in C(\cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i])$  such that  $\sup_{t' \in \cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]} |g'(t')| = \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$  and  $g'(t) = f'(t)$  for all  $t \in X$ . Let  $g(t') = \int_{a_i}^{t'} g'(x) dx$  for all  $t' \in [a_i, b_i]$ . By the similar method in (3),  $\sup_{t \in X} |g|_X(t) \leq \sup_{t' \in \cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]} |g'(t')| \leq k \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ . Hence  $(1 - 3k) \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(T(g|_X))'(s)| < \frac{1+\epsilon}{1-k} \sup_{t \in X} |(g|_X)'(t)|$ , and so  $(1 - 3k) \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)| \leq \sup_{s \in Y} |(Tf)'(s)| \leq \frac{1+\epsilon}{1-k} \sup_{t \in X} |f'(t)|$ .

As in the proof of Theorem 1, if  $T' : C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  is defined by  $T'f'(t) = (Tf)'(t)$  for all  $f \in C^1(X)$ , then  $\|T'\| \|T'^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1+\epsilon}{(1-3k)(1-k)}$ . By Amir theorem [1]  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $X$  be a Cantor set and  $k, \epsilon, Y, T$  be as in Theorem 2. Then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.*

*Proof.* For any  $k > 0$  there exists  $\cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]$  such that  $X \subset \cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]$  ( $a_i < b_i < a_{i+1}$ ) and  $\max_i \{|b_i - a_i|\} < k$ . By Theorem 2,  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be compact subsets of  $R$  and  $X \subset \cup_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]$  ( $a_i < b_i < a_{i+1}$ ) and  $\max_i \{|b_i - a_i|\} < k$ .  $Y \subset \cup_{j=1}^m [c_j, d_j]$  ( $c_j < d_j < c_{j+1}$ ) and  $\max_j \{|d_j - c_j|\} < k$ . If  $T$  is a linear map from  $C^1(X)_p$  onto  $C^1(Y)_p$  which satisfies*

- (i)  $f'(t) \equiv 0$  iff  $(Tf)'(t) \equiv 0$ ,
  - (ii)  $\|f\|_p \leq \|Tf\|_p < (1 + \epsilon)\|f\|_p$ , and
  - (iii)  $pk < (4 - \sqrt{10})/6$  and  $\epsilon < 6(pk)^2 - 8pk + 1$ ,
- then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.

*Proof.* Let  $S$  be a map from  $C^1(X)_p$  onto  $C^1(pX)$  defined by  $Sf(px) = f(x)$  and  $S'$  be a map from  $C^1(Y)_p$  onto  $C^1(pY)$  defined by  $S'g(py) = g(y)$ . Since  $\|Sf\| = \sup_{px \in pX} |Sf(px)| + \sup_{px \in pX} |Sf'(px)| = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| + p \sup_{x \in X} |f'(x)| = \|f\|_p$ ,  $S$  is a linear isometric map. Similarly so is  $S'$ . Let  $T_1$  be a map from  $C^1(pX)$  onto  $C^1(pY)$  defined by  $T_1f(py) = S'TS^{-1}f(py)$ . Then  $T_1$  is a linear map and  $\|f\| \leq \|T_1f\| < (1 + \epsilon)\|f\|$ . Note that  $pX \subset \cup_{i=1}^n [pa_i, pb_i]$ ,  $\max_i \{|pb_i - pa_i|\} < pk$ ,  $pY \subset \cup_{j=1}^m [pc_j, pd_j]$  and  $\max_j \{|pc_j - pd_j|\} < pk$  and apply Theorem 2. Hence  $pX$  and  $pY$  are homeomorphic. This completes the proof.

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