Some Characterizations of C(K) as Ordered Normed Algebra

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Abstract

It is well known that if A is a normed algebra, and also a uniformly closed Φ -algebra, then A is a strictly real algebra and therefore its topological spectrum K is a nonempty and compact set [3],[2]. In this talk it is shown that if A is as above and satisfies the condition: "Every closed order interval is a bounded set", then A is isomorphic and homeomorphic to algebra C(K) with respect to the norm of the uniform convergence. In particular A is a Banach algebra. In addition, using some results due to F. Albiac and N. Kalton [1], a reciprocal of the previous result can be obtained: On a real and unitary Banach algebra A one defines the relationship $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow b - a \in cl\{a^2 : a \in A\}$. Then, if A is a strictly real algebra, and each interval closed under \leq is a bounded set, then \leq is a compatible order on A and A is isomorphic and homeomorphic to its spectral representation C(K).

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