



# On uniform spaces with a small base and $K$ -analytic $C_c(X)$ spaces <sup>☆</sup>



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## ABSTRACT

A base  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of a uniformity is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base if  $U_\beta \subseteq U_\alpha$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . If  $X$  is a completely regular space we show that there exists an admissible uniformity on  $X$  with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base that contains the Nachbin uniformity if and only if there exists a resolution of the space  $C_c(X)$  of real-valued continuous functions on  $X$  equipped with the compact-open topology consisting of equicontinuous sets. This result is applied to show, among other things, that if  $G$  is a  $k_R$ -space topological group such that  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic then  $G$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base. In the opposite direction, if  $G$  is a topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base and enjoys the so-called property  $U$ , then  $C_c(G)$  has a resolution consisting of equicontinuous sets.

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## 1. Preliminaries

In what follows, unless otherwise stated,  $X$  will be a Hausdorff completely regular space and  $C_p(X)$  and  $C_c(X)$  will denote the space  $C(X)$  of all real-valued continuous functions defined on  $X$  provided with the pointwise convergence topology and with the compact-open topology, respectively.

Let us recall that a family  $\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of subsets of a set  $X$  is called a *resolution* of  $X$  if  $\bigcup\{A_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\} = X$  and  $A_\alpha \subseteq A_\beta$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \beta$ , [10, Chapter 3]. A topological group  $G$  is said to have a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base if there is a base  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of neighborhoods of the identity  $1$  in  $G$  such that  $U_\beta \subseteq U_\alpha$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . Clearly, every metrizable topological group has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base. Conversely, every Fréchet–Urysohn topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base is metrizable, [9, Theorem 1.2]. A  $C_c(X)$  space has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of (absolutely convex)

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neighborhoods of the origin if and only if  $X$  has a compact resolution (a resolution made up of compact sets) that swallows the compact sets, [4, Theorem 2]. Since, by Christensen's theorem [2, Theorem 3.3] (see also [6, Theorem 6.4]), every Polish space has a compact resolution which swallows the compact sets whereas, according to the classic Arens theorem,  $C_c(X)$  is metrizable if and only if  $X$  is hemicompact, it turns out that if  $P$  is a non-hemicompact Polish space then  $(C_c(P), +)$  is a non-metrizable Abelian topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base. A topological group  $G$  has *property U* provided that each continuous function mapping  $G$  into the real line is uniformly continuous, [3].

A space  $X$  is called *K-analytic* if there is an upper semi-continuous compact-valued map  $T$  from the product space  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , where  $\mathbb{N}$  is equipped with the discrete topology, into  $X$  such that  $\bigcup\{T(\alpha) : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\} = X$ . A space  $X$  is *analytic* if  $X$  is the continuous image of a Polish space.

A family  $\mathcal{F}$  of functions from a uniform space  $(X, \mathcal{N})$  into a uniform space  $(Y, \mathcal{M})$  is called *uniformly equicontinuous* [11, Chapter 7, Problem G] if for each  $V \in \mathcal{M}$  there is  $U \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $(f(x), f(y)) \in V$  whenever  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $(x, y) \in U$ . If  $\{\mathcal{U}_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is the family of admissible uniformities for a completely regular space  $(X, \tau)$ , the smallest uniformity  $\mathcal{U}_{\lambda_0}$  that makes all  $\tau$ -continuous functions  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  uniformly continuous, is called the *Nachbin uniform structure* of  $X$ , [13]. Explicitly, the Nachbin uniformity is the admissible uniform structure for  $X$  generated by the pseudometrics  $\{d_f : f \in C(X)\}$  with

$$d_f(x, y) = |f(x) - f(y)|$$

for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ .

In this paper a general result concerning uniformities (see Theorem 1 below) is applied to topological groups with a small base. This generalizes some of the research of [9] to uniformities by showing the interplay between the existence of certain topological groups  $G$  with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base and the  $K$ -analyticity, or at least the existence of a resolution consisting of equicontinuous sets, of the locally convex space  $C_c(G)$ . We also show that under CH there exists a topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base and enjoying property  $U$  that has such a resolution but is not  $K$ -analytic.

## 2. Main theorem

Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be a uniformity on a (nonempty) set  $X$  and denote by  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  the uniform topology defined by  $\mathcal{N}$ . We shall say that a base  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of the uniformity  $\mathcal{N}$  is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base if  $U_\beta \subseteq U_\alpha$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . There is no loss of generality by assuming that each  $U_\alpha$  is a symmetric vicinity.

**Theorem 1.** *The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) *There exists an admissible uniformity for  $X$  larger or equal than the Nachbin uniformity with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base.*
- (2) *There exists a resolution on  $C_c(X)$  consisting of equicontinuous sets.*

**Proof.** Assume that (1) holds. Let  $\mathcal{N}$  denote a uniformity for  $X$  which contains the Nachbin uniform structure and let  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  be a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of  $\mathcal{N}$ . In order to construct the desired resolution of  $C_c(X)$  consisting of equicontinuous sets we need to encode in each index  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  a whole sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of elements of  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ . A way to do this is to consider a bidimensional array whose  $i$ -th file is formed by the components  $(\alpha_i(1), \alpha_i(2), \dots, \alpha_i(n), \dots)$  of  $\alpha_i$  and define the index  $\alpha$  through the short diagonals of the array by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(1) &= \alpha_1(1), \alpha(2) = \alpha_1(2), \alpha(3) = \alpha_2(1), \alpha(4) = \alpha_1(3), \\ \alpha(5) &= \alpha_2(2), \alpha(6) = \alpha_3(1), \alpha(7) = \alpha_1(4), \alpha(8) = \alpha_2(3), \dots \end{aligned}$$

and so on. Conversely, we shall also assume that given  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  we extract a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  from  $\alpha$  as indicated above. Of course, this defines a one-to-one correspondence between  $\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $(\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}})^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Now we define

$$P_{\alpha} = \left\{ f \in C(X) : \sup_{(x,y) \in U_{\alpha_n}} |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \frac{1}{n} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

Let us show that  $\{P_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a resolution of  $C_c(X)$  consisting of equicontinuous sets. In fact, if  $\beta \geq \alpha$  then clearly  $\beta_n \geq \alpha_n$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , so that if  $f \in P_{\alpha}$  then

$$\sup_{(x,y) \in U_{\beta_n}} |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \sup_{(x,y) \in U_{\alpha_n}} |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which means that  $f \in P_{\beta}$ . Hence  $P_{\alpha} \subseteq P_{\beta}$ . On the other hand, if  $f \in C(X)$ , since  $\mathcal{N}$  is larger than the Nachbin uniformity,  $f$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly continuous on  $X$ . Hence, bearing in mind that  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of  $\mathcal{N}$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists  $\alpha_n \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq 1/n$  whenever  $(x, y) \in U_{\alpha_n}$ , which shows that  $f \in P_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha$  defined as above. Finally, let us see that each set  $P_{\alpha}$  is equicontinuous. Indeed, given  $\epsilon > 0$  take  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $1/n < \epsilon$ . Then, according to the definition of  $P_{\alpha}$  there is  $\alpha_n \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , which we extract from  $\alpha$  according to the procedure explained above, such that  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $(x, y) \in U_{\alpha_n}$  and this happens for every  $f \in P_{\alpha}$ , which shows that  $P_{\alpha}$  is uniformly equicontinuous, hence equicontinuous. The proof of (2) is complete.

Let us assume conversely that statement (2) holds. Suppose that  $\{P_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a resolution of  $C_c(X)$  consisting of equicontinuous sets. Then for each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  define

$$V_{\alpha} = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : \sup_{f \in P_{\alpha}} |f(x) - f(y)| < \alpha(1)^{-1}\}.$$

If  $\beta \geq \alpha$  and  $(x, y) \in V_{\beta}$  then  $\sup_{f \in P_{\beta}} |f(x) - f(y)| < \beta^{-1}(1)$ . Since  $P_{\alpha} \subseteq P_{\beta}$  and  $\beta^{-1}(1) \leq \alpha^{-1}(1)$ , it follows that

$$\sup_{f \in P_{\alpha}} |f(x) - f(y)| < \alpha(1)^{-1},$$

so that  $(x, y) \in V_{\alpha}$ . Hence  $V_{\beta} \subseteq V_{\alpha}$ . Next, let us see that the family  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of subsets of  $X \times X$  is a base of some uniformity  $\mathcal{N}$  for the set  $X$ .

First observe that the diagonal  $\Delta(X) = \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$  is contained in every  $V_{\alpha}$ , so that no  $V_{\alpha}$  is empty. On the other hand, given  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  choose  $\gamma \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\gamma(i) = \max\{\alpha(i), \beta(i)\}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . In this case  $V_{\gamma} \subseteq V_{\alpha} \cap V_{\beta}$ , which shows that  $\{V_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a filter-base. In addition, it holds obviously that  $V_{\alpha}^{-1} = V_{\alpha}$ , and if  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  satisfies that  $\beta \geq \alpha$  with  $\beta(1) \geq 2\alpha(1)$  we claim that  $V_{\beta} \circ V_{\beta} \subseteq V_{\alpha}$ . Indeed, if  $(x, y) \in V_{\beta} \circ V_{\beta}$  there is  $z \in X$  with  $(x, z), (z, y) \in V_{\beta}$ . Hence  $|f(x) - f(z)| < \beta(1)^{-1}$  and  $|f(z) - f(y)| < \beta(1)^{-1}$  for every  $f \in P_{\beta}$ . So, it follows that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f(z)| + |f(z) - f(y)| < 2\beta(1)^{-1} \leq \alpha(1)^{-1}$$

for every  $f \in P_{\alpha} \subseteq P_{\beta}$ , which shows that  $(x, y) \in V_{\alpha}$ .

Let us check that  $\mathcal{N}$  is an admissible uniformity for the space  $X$ , i.e. that  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$  coincides with the original topology of  $X$ . In fact, since  $X$  is assumed to be completely regular it suffices to show that  $X$  and  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  have the same continuous functions, that is to say, that  $C(X) = C(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$ . To achieve this goal take  $f \in C(X)$ , pick an arbitrary point  $x_0 \in X$  and choose  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then select  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $f \in P_{\alpha}$  and  $\alpha(1)^{-1} < \epsilon$ . Clearly

$$V_\alpha(x_0) = \{y \in X : (x_0, y) \in V_\alpha\}$$

is a  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ -neighborhood of  $x_0$ , and since

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \alpha(1)^{-1} < \epsilon$$

for every  $(x, y) \in V_\alpha$ , we have in particular that  $|f(x_0) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  for all  $y \in V_\alpha(x_0)$ . This shows that  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  under the uniform topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ . Assume conversely that  $f \in C(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  and fix  $x_0 \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there is  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  with

$$|f(x_0) - f(y)| < \epsilon \tag{2.1}$$

for every  $y \in V_\alpha(x_0)$ . But, since  $P_\alpha$  is equicontinuous at  $x_0$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $x_0$  of the original topology of  $X$  such that

$$\sup_{h \in P_\alpha} |h(y) - h(x_0)| < \alpha(1)^{-1}$$

for every  $y \in V$ . Hence if  $x \in V$  then  $\sup_{h \in P_\alpha} |h(x) - h(x_0)| < \alpha(1)^{-1}$ , which according to the definition of  $V_\alpha$  means that  $x \in V_\alpha(x_0)$ . This shows that  $V \subseteq V_\alpha(x_0)$  and consequently (2.1) yields that  $|f(x_0) - f(y)| < \epsilon$  for all  $y \in V$ . Thus we have shown that  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  under the original topology of  $X$ , so that  $f \in C(X)$ .

Let us finally show that the uniformity  $\mathcal{N}$  generated by the base  $\{V_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is larger than the Nachbin uniformity. We have to prove that every real-valued continuous function on  $X$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly continuous. Now, given  $f \in C(X)$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , taking advantage of the fact that  $\{P_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a resolution of  $C(X)$ , we can choose  $\gamma \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\gamma(1)^{-1} < \epsilon$  and  $f \in P_\gamma$ . Consequently, for each  $(x, y) \in V_\gamma$  it happens that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \gamma(1)^{-1} < \epsilon$$

which shows that  $f$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly continuous, as stated. This proves the statement (1) and ends the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

### 3. Some consequences

A number of consequences of main theorem are in order.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $X$  be a  $k_R$ -space. If  $C_c(X)$  is  $K$ -analytic then there exists an admissible uniformity for  $X$ , larger or equal than the Nachbin uniformity, with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base.*

**Proof.** If the space  $C_c(X)$  is  $K$ -analytic, it has a resolution consisting of compact sets. Since  $X$  is a  $k_R$ -space, by Ascoli's theorem every compact set in  $C_c(X)$  is equicontinuous (see [12, Theorem 5.1]). Consequently, Theorem 1 ensures that there exists an admissible uniformity  $\mathcal{N}$  on  $X$ , larger or equal than Nachbin's, with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a  $k_R$ -space topological group. If  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic then  $G$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base.*

**Proof.** If  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic, Corollary 2 provides an admissible uniformity  $\mathcal{N}$  on  $G$  with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  of (symmetric) vicinities. Hence, the family  $\{V_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$ , where  $V_\alpha = \{x \in G : (x, \mathbf{1}) \in U_\alpha\}$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base (of neighborhoods of the unit element  $\mathbf{1}$ ) for the group topology of  $G$ , although clearly neither the left uniformity on  $G$  nor the right uniformity need to coincide with  $\mathcal{N}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.** *Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a Fréchet–Urysohn topological group. If  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic then  $G$  is metrizable.*

**Proof.** If  $(G, \cdot)$  is a Fréchet–Urysohn topological group,  $G$  is a  $k$ -space. Hence if  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic, it has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base. But as mentioned in the preliminaries section, each Fréchet–Urysohn topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base is metrizable.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.** *Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a topological group with property  $U$ . If  $G$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base, then  $C_c(G)$  has a resolution consisting of equicontinuous sets.*

**Proof.** If  $\{V_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a topological  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of  $G$ , then  $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  with

$$U_\alpha = \{(x, y) \in G \times G : x^{-1}y \in V_\alpha\} \tag{3.1}$$

is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of the admissible left uniformity  $\mathcal{U}_L$  of  $G$ . Since  $G$  has property  $U$  we may assume that every continuous real-valued function on  $G$  is  $\mathcal{U}_L$ -uniformly continuous, [3]. This shows that  $\mathcal{U}_L$  is larger than the Nachbin uniform structure for  $G$ , so the corollary is a straightforward consequence of Theorem 1.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{N})$  be a uniform space. If  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  is pseudocompact, then  $\mathcal{N}$  contains the Nachbin uniformity.*

**Proof.** Let  $f \in C(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$ . We have to show that  $f$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly equicontinuous. Since  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  is pseudocompact, then  $(X, \mathcal{N})$  is precompact, [8, Problem 15Q]. Consequently the completion  $(Y, \mathcal{M})$  of  $(X, \mathcal{N})$  is a compact uniform space, and hence the uniformity  $\mathcal{M}$  is unique. Since  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  with  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}} = \tau_{\mathcal{M}}|_X$  is pseudocompact and  $(Y, \tau_{\mathcal{M}})$  is realcompact, then  $\beta X = vX \subseteq Y$ . But since  $\beta X$  and  $Y$  have only a unique admissible uniformity, concerning  $\beta X$  this uniformity must be  $\mathcal{U} = (Y \times Y) \cap \mathcal{M}$ . But then  $(\beta X, \mathcal{U})$  is a complete uniform space such that  $\mathcal{N} = (X \times X) \cap \mathcal{U}$ , which implies that  $\beta X = Y$ . Finally, given that the Stone–Čech extension  $f^\beta$  of  $f$  to  $\beta X$  is  $\mathcal{U}$ -uniformly continuous by virtue of the compactness of  $\beta X$ , it follows that  $f$  is  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly continuous.  $\square$

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{N})$  be a uniform pseudocompact space. If  $\mathcal{N}$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base, then  $C_c(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  is  $K$ -analytic.*

**Proof.** By the previous lemma  $\mathcal{N}$  contains the Nachbin uniformity. For the proof we may proceed as in the proof of the implication (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) of Theorem 1 adding to the definition of the set  $P_\alpha$  the condition  $\sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| \leq \alpha(1)$ , that is

$$P_\alpha = \left\{ f \in C(X) : \sup_{(x,y) \in U_{\alpha_n}} |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \frac{1}{n} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| \leq \alpha(1) \right\}$$

As before  $P_\alpha \subseteq P_\beta$  whenever  $\alpha \leq \beta$  and  $\bigcup \{P_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\} = C(X)$ , so that  $\{P_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a resolution of  $C_c(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  consisting of  $\mathcal{N}$ -uniformly equicontinuous sets. But now the sets  $P_\alpha$  are pointwise bounded (in fact, uniformly bounded), so Ascoli’s theorem ensures that each  $P_\alpha$  is relatively  $\tau_{\mathcal{N}}$ -compact. Hence, if  $K_\alpha$  stands for the closure of  $P_\alpha$  in  $C_c(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$ , it turns out that the family  $\{K_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a compact resolution of  $C_c(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$ . According to [7, Corollary 5], this fact guarantees that the space  $C_c(X, \tau_{\mathcal{N}})$  is  $K$ -analytic.  $\square$

**Corollary 8.** *Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a pseudocompact topological group. If  $G$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base, then  $C_c(G)$  is  $K$ -analytic.*

**Proof.** If  $\mathcal{U}_L$  stands for the admissible left uniformity for  $G$  then  $(G, \mathcal{U}_L)$  fulfills the hypotheses of Theorem 7, so that  $C_c(G)$  must be  $K$ -analytic.  $\square$

**Remark 9.** The space  $C_c(G)$  of the previous corollary is even analytic. According to [3, Theorem 1.1] every pseudocompact topological group is totally bounded and, according to [3, Theorem 1.5], every pseudocompact group has property  $U$ . Consequently, every pseudocompact group  $G$  is totally bounded and has property  $U$ . Since, by [9, Corollary 3.11] every totally bounded topological group with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base is metrizable, it follows that every pseudocompact group  $G$  with a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base is metrizable and has property  $U$ . Consequently, by virtue of [3, Lemma 2.5],  $G$  must be compact or discrete. In the first case  $C_c(G)$  is clearly analytic. In the second case,  $G$  being pseudocompact and discrete, must be finite. So in this latter case  $C_c(G) = \mathbb{R}^G$  is also analytic. Hence in both cases  $C_p(G)$  is analytic. Note in passing that, according to the classic Calbrix theorem [10, Theorem 9.7], this fact forces  $G$  to be  $\sigma$ -compact.

**Example 10.** Under CH the equicontinuous resolution of Corollary 5 need not be formed by compact sets. Let  $I$  be an index set of cardinality  $\aleph_1$  and assume that  $G$  consists of all elements  $x$  of the direct product  $\{-1, 1\}^I$  of  $\aleph_1$  copies of the Abelian multiplicative group  $G_{\mathbf{n}} = \{-1, 1\}$  such that  $x(\mathbf{n}) = 1$  for all but finitely many coordinates  $\mathbf{n} \in I$ . Denoting by  $\omega_1$  the first uncountable ordinal, let us identify the index set  $I$  with the well ordered ordinal interval  $I = [0, \omega_1)$ . For each  $\mathbf{n} \in I$ , let  $H_{\mathbf{n}} = \{x \in G : x(\mathbf{m}) = 1 \ \forall \mathbf{m} < \mathbf{n}\}$  and observe that  $H_{\mathbf{m}} \subseteq H_{\mathbf{n}}$  whenever  $\mathbf{n} \leq \mathbf{m}$ . The system  $\{H_{\mathbf{n}} : \mathbf{n} \in I\}$  is a base of neighborhoods of the identity  $\mathbf{1} = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$  of a group topology  $\tau$  on  $G$ . In [3, Example 3.2] is shown that under this topology  $G$  is a nondiscrete  $P$ -space enjoying property  $U$ . Let us prove that under CH the group  $G$  has a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base. In fact, under this assumption, is known that the ordinal interval  $[0, \omega_1)$  has a resolution  $\{I_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  consisting of compact sets. If  $\kappa_{\alpha} = \max I_{\alpha}$  define  $U_{\alpha} = H_{\kappa_{\alpha}}$  and consider the family  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$ . Observe in first place that if  $\alpha \leq \beta$  then  $I_{\alpha} \subseteq I_{\beta}$  and consequently  $\kappa_{\alpha} \leq \kappa_{\beta}$ , which implies that

$$U_{\beta} = H_{\kappa_{\beta}} \subseteq H_{\kappa_{\alpha}} = U_{\alpha}.$$

On the other hand, given  $\mathbf{n} \in I$  choose  $\gamma \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\mathbf{n} \in I_{\gamma}$ . Consequently  $\mathbf{n} \leq \kappa_{\gamma} = \max I_{\gamma}$  and therefore

$$U_{\alpha} = H_{\kappa_{\alpha}} \subseteq H_{\mathbf{n}},$$

which means that  $\{U_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}\}$  is a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -base of the group topology of  $G$ . According to Corollary 5 the space  $C_c(G)$  has a resolution consisting of equicontinuous sets. Let us show next that  $C_c(G)$  is not  $K$ -analytic. Otherwise  $C_p(G)$  would be a Lindelöf space. But due to the fact that  $G$  is a  $P$ -space, [5, Theorem 1 (3)] assures that every bounded set in  $C_p(G)$  is relatively countable compact; particularly, every pointwise closed bounded set of  $C(X)$  is countably compact. So in case that  $C_c(G)$  were  $K$ -analytic, every closed bounded set in  $C_p(G)$  would be compact, hence complete. But this ensures that  $C_p(G)$  is quasicomplete, which forces  $G$  to be discrete (see [1]), a contradiction. So we must conclude that  $C_c(G)$  has a non-compact resolution  $\mathcal{M}$  consisting of pointwise closed equicontinuous sets. Furthermore, it can be shown that  $G$  is even a Lindelöf space [3], which is known to imply that  $C_p(G)$  is a Fréchet–Urysohn space. Since the pointwise topology coincides with the compact-open topology on the equicontinuous sets, it follows that the closed and equicontinuous sets of the resolution  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $C_c(G)$  are even Fréchet–Urysohn. Clearly  $G$  is not a  $k$ -space, since otherwise each set of  $\mathcal{M}$  would be compact. Of course, neither  $G$  is pseudocompact, since it is infinite.

**Remark 11.** In [9, Remark 2.2] the notion of (local)  $G$ -base is extended to that of (local)  $I$ -base, i.e. a (local) base of neighborhoods of a topological space indexed by a partially ordered set  $I$ . On the other hand, in [9, Remark 3.2] the notion of (compact) resolution is generalized to that of an  $I$ -increasing family of sets. This allows to extend the main theorem of [4] to those classes of families of sets (cf. [9, Theorem 4.8]). We mention here the possibility that Theorem 1 could be generalized in such a way.

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