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APPROXIMATION OF  $\overline{\mathbb{R}^X}$  WITH COUNTABLE SUBSETS  
OF  $C_p(X)$  AND CALIBERS OF THE SPACE  $C_p(X)$   
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**Abstract:** Suppose that  $X$  is a Tychonoff space and every  $f \in \mathbb{R}^X$  is an accumulation point for some countable  $A \subset C_p(X)$ . Then  $\psi(X) = \omega$  and  $\tau = cf(\tau) > \omega$  implies  $\tau$  is a caliber of  $C_p(X)$ . The main result of this paper : If a space  $X$  can be mapped continuously and injectively onto a metrizable space, then every regular uncountable cardinal is a caliber of  $C_p(X)$ . An example of a space  $X$  is constructed for which  $\overline{C_p(X)}_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$  but there exists no continuous injection  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  as soon as  $\chi(Y) = \omega$ .

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All spaces are assumed to be Tychonoff. If  $X$  is a space, then  $\mathcal{T}(X)$  is its topology,  $\mathcal{T}^*(X) = \mathcal{T}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}(x, X)$  is the family of all open neighbourhoods of the point  $x \in X$ . By  $Y^X(C_p(X, Y))$  is denoted the set of all (continuous) mappings from  $X$  to  $Y$  endowed with the topology of pointwise convergence. Let  $X$  be a space and  $A \subset X$ . The  $\omega$ -closure  $\overline{A}_\omega$  of  $A$  in  $X$  is the set  $\bigcup \{\overline{B} : B \subset A \text{ and } |B| = \omega\}$  where the bar denotes the closure in  $X$ .

Let  $C_p(X) = C_p(X, \mathbb{R}) \subset \mathbb{R}^X$ . It is well known that  $C_p(X)$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}^X$ . We are going to study the situation, when the  $\omega$ -closure of  $C_p(X)$  is equal to  $\mathbb{R}^X$ . It occurs, for example, when  $C_p(X)$  is separable (and hence so is  $\mathbb{R}^X$ ), or if  $X$  is discrete. In both cases the pseudocharacter of the space  $X$  is countable. Our

first observation is the following

1. Proposition. If  $(C_p(X))_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$  then  $\psi(X) = \omega$ .

Proof. Take any  $x \in X^d = \{y \in X : \{y\} \notin \mathcal{T}(X)\}$ . The function  $\chi_x \in \mathbb{R}^X$  with  $\chi_x(x) = 1$  and  $\chi_x(X \setminus \{x\}) = \{0\}$  can be approximated by a sequence  $s = \{f_n : n \in \omega\} \subset C_p(X)$  i.e.  $\chi_x \in \bar{s} \setminus s$ . Observe that  $F = \bigcap \{f_n^{-1}f_n(x) : n \in \omega\} = \{x\}$ . In fact, if  $y \in F \setminus \{x\}$  then there is an  $n \in \omega$  such that  $f_n(y) < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $f_n(x) > \frac{1}{2}$  and therefore  $f_n(y) \neq f_n(x)$  in contradiction with the definition of the set  $F$ . As  $F$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set in  $X$  we have  $\psi(x, X) = \omega$ . Of course, the pseudocharacter of any  $x \in X \setminus X^d$  is countable, so  $\psi(X) = \omega$ .

It is not difficult to see that the countable pseudocharacter of a space  $X$  in no way implies  $(C_p(X))_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$ . A.V. Arhangel'skii and D.B. Šahmatov proved that there are even metrizable spaces in which it is impossible to approximate all real-valued functions by countable subsets of continuous functions.

Recall that a cardinal  $\tau$  is a caliber of a space  $Z$  (notation  $\tau \in \text{Cal}(Z)$ ) if for every  $\gamma \subset \mathcal{T}^*(Z)$  with  $|\gamma| = \tau$  there is a subfamily  $\gamma_1 \subset \gamma$  such that  $\bigcap \gamma_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $|\gamma_1| = \tau$ . A space  $Z$  is called Šanin space, or the space in which the Šanin condition holds, iff every uncountable regular cardinal is a caliber of  $Z$ .

2. Proposition. Let  $X$  be a space and  $(\bar{Y})_\omega = X$ . If  $X$  is a Šanin space, then so is  $Y$ .

Proof. Take any  $\gamma \subset \mathcal{T}^*(Y)$  such that  $|\gamma| = \tau = \text{cf}(\tau) > \omega$ . Choose a family  $\mu \in \mathcal{T}^*(X)$ ,  $\mu = \{V_U : U \in \gamma\}$  and  $V_U \cap Y = U$  for every  $U \in \gamma$ . There is a subfamily  $\mu_1 \subset \mu$  of power  $\tau$  with nonempty intersection. Pick an  $x \in \bigcap \mu_1$  and a sequence

$s = \{y_n : n \in \omega\}$  approximating  $x$ . For every  $U \in \mathcal{A}_1$  there is a  $y(U) \in s \cap U$ . Therefore  $|\{U \in \mathcal{A}_1 : y(U) = y_n\}| = \tau$  for some  $n \in \omega$ . Hence the family  $\mathcal{A}$  has the order  $\tau$  at the point  $y_n$  i.e. there are  $\tau$  elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  containing  $y_n$ . This completes our proof.

3. Corollary. For every space  $X$  if  $\overline{(C_p(X))}^\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$  then  $C_p(X)$  is a Šanin space.

4. Theorem. If  $X$  is a metrizable space, then  $C_p(X)$  is a Šanin space.

Proof. Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}^*(C_p(X))$  and  $|\mathcal{A}| = \tau = \text{cf}(\tau) > \omega$ . The family  $\mathcal{E} = \{M(x_1, \dots, x_n; 0_1, \dots, 0_n) = \{f \in C_p(X) : f(x_i) \in 0_i, i = 1, \dots, n\} : x_i \in X, 0_i \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ are intervals with rational endpoints, } i = 1, \dots, n\}$  is a base of the space  $C_p(X)$ . The elements of  $\mathcal{E}$  will be called standard open sets of  $C_p(X)$ . It is evident that we can assume that  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{E}$ . It follows from  $\tau = \text{cf}(\tau) > \omega$  that there is an  $n \in \omega \setminus \{0\}$ , rational nonempty intervals  $0_1, \dots, 0_n$  such that  $|\{U \in \mathcal{A} : U = M(x_1^U, \dots, x_n^U; 0_1, \dots, 0_n)\}| = \tau$ . So it is sufficient to prove our theorem in case every element  $U \in \mathcal{A}$  is the set  $M(x_1^U, \dots, x_n^U; 0_1, \dots, 0_n)$  for some  $x_1^U, \dots, x_n^U \in X$ . Let  $K(U) = \{x_1^U, \dots, x_n^U\}$ . Fix a metric  $\rho$  on the space  $X$  generating  $\mathcal{T}(X)$ .

Using the  $\Delta$ -lemma (see, e.g. [1, p. 12]) choose a subfamily  $\mathcal{A}_1 \subset \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$(1) \quad |\mathcal{A}_1| = \tau;$$

(2) there is a finite  $K \subset X$  with  $K = K(U) \cap K(V)$  for every  $U, V \in \mathcal{A}_1, U \neq V$ ;

$$(3) \quad \rho(K, K(U) \setminus K) > \sigma \text{ for some } \sigma > 0 \text{ and all } U \in \mathcal{A}_1.$$

Let  $K = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  (it might happen that  $k = 0$  i.e.  $K = \emptyset$ ).

It is possible to guarantee after reenumerations of the sets  $K(U)$  and choosing  $\mathcal{A}_2 \subset \mathcal{A}_1$  with  $|\mathcal{A}_2| = \tau$  that every  $U \in \mathcal{A}_2$  will equal

a set

$$M(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_1^U, \dots, x_m^U: O_1^*, \dots, O_k^*, O_{k+1}^*, \dots, O_{k+m}^*)$$

for some  $x_1^U, \dots, x_m^U \in X$  and  $m = n-k$ . Put  $L(U) = \{x_1^U, \dots, x_m^U\} = K(U) \setminus K$ .

It follows from (2) that  $L(U) \cap L(V) = \emptyset$  for different  $U, V \in \mathcal{X}_2$ .

Let  $L_i^{\mathcal{X}_2} = \{x_i^U: U \in \mathcal{X}_2\}$ ,  $i \leq m$ . Consider the set  $H = \{i \in \{1, \dots, m\}: s(L_i^{\mathcal{X}_2}) < \tau\}$ .

Since in metric spaces  $X$  and for our  $\tau$  every discrete subset  $B$  of cardinality  $\tau$  contains a closed in  $X$  subset  $A \subset B$  of cardinality  $\tau$ , we can find  $\mathcal{X}_3 \subset \mathcal{X}_2$  of power  $\tau$  for which the following conditions are satisfied:

$$(4) \quad \varphi(\overline{\cup \{L_i^{\mathcal{X}_3}: i \in H\}}, \cup \{L_i^{\mathcal{X}_3}: i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus H\}) > 0;$$

$$(5) \quad w(\overline{\cup \{L_i^{\mathcal{X}_3}: i \in H\}}) < \tau;$$

$$(6) \quad L_i^{\mathcal{X}_3} \text{ is closed and discrete in } X \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus H.$$

Pick  $i_1, \dots, i_\ell \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  such that  $H = \{i_1, \dots, i_\ell\}$  and consider

the family of standard open sets  $\{W_U = M(x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{i_1}^U, \dots, x_{i_\ell}^U; O_1^*, \dots, O_k^*, O_{k+i_1}^*, \dots, O_{k+i_\ell}^*): U \in \mathcal{X}_3\}$  of the space  $C_p(Y)$  where  $Y =$

$$= K \cup \overline{L_{i_1}^{\mathcal{X}_3}} \cup \dots \cup \overline{L_{i_\ell}^{\mathcal{X}_3}}. \text{ We conclude from (5) that } nw(C_p(Y)) =$$

$= nw(Y) < \tau$ , [2]. Thus there is an  $f \in C_p(Y)$  and  $\mathcal{X}_4 \subset \mathcal{X}_3$  of power

$\tau$  for which  $f \in \overline{\cap \{W_U: U \in \mathcal{X}_4\}}$ . The set  $K \cup \overline{\cup \{L_{i_p}^{\mathcal{X}_3}: p \leq \ell\}}$  is  $C$ -em-

bedded in  $X$ , so there is a  $g \in C_p(X)$  such that  $g|_Y = f$  and  $g(x_{i_1}^U) \in$

$O_{i_1+k}^*$  for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus H$  and  $U \in \mathcal{X}_4$ . Therefore  $g \in \cap \{U:$

$U \in \mathcal{X}_4\}$  and we are done.

5. Corollary. If there is a one-to-one mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  of a space  $X$  onto a metrizable space  $Y$ , then  $C_p(X)$  is a Šanin space.

Proof. The dual mapping  $f^*: C_p(Y) \rightarrow C_p(X)$  which takes an  $h \in C_p(Y)$  to  $h \circ f \in C_p(X)$  is an embedding and  $f^*(C_p(Y))$  is dense in

$C_p(X)$ . Now 5 follows from well known facts about calibers [2].

6. Example. There exists a space  $X$  such that  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$  and there is no one-to-one continuous mapping of  $X$  onto a space of countable character.

Construction. Let  $\tau > 2^\omega$ . We are going to construct a space  $X$  with the following properties:

- (7)  $X = \cup \{X_i : i \in \omega\}$  where  $X_i$  is closed and discrete in  $X$ ;
- (8)  $c(X) = \omega$ ;
- (9)  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$ ;
- (10)  $|X| > \tau$ ;

We shall need the following

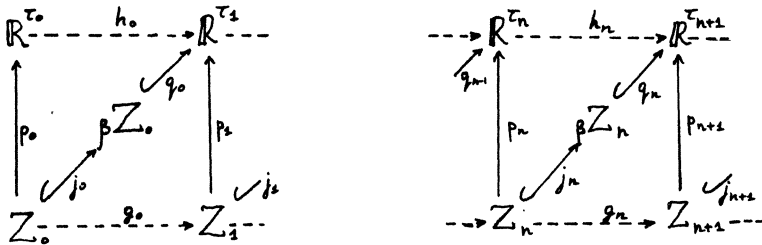
7. Lemma. For any space  $X$  we have  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$  iff  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega \supset \{0,1\}^X$ .

Proof. We must prove only the "if" part of the lemma. Establish first that the set  $\mathbb{Q}^X$  is  $\omega$ -dense in  $\mathbb{R}^X$  where  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is the set of all rational numbers. (For an arbitrary  $f \in \mathbb{R}^X$  and  $m \in \omega \setminus \{0\}$  let  $f_m(x) = \frac{h}{m}$  iff  $\frac{h}{m} \leq f(x) \leq \frac{n+1}{m}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \in X$ . It is clear that  $\{f_m : m \in \omega \setminus \{0\}\}$  converges to  $f$ .) Let us approximate  $\mathbb{Q}^X$  with countable subsets of  $C_p(X)$ . Let  $Z = \{z_1 f_1 + \dots + z_n f_n : z_i \in \mathbb{Q}, f_i \in \{0,1\}^X\}$ . It is evident that  $\overline{(Z)}_\omega \supset \mathbb{Q}^X$  and in view of  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega \supset Z$  we have  $\mathbb{R}^X \subset (\overline{\mathbb{Q}^X})_\omega \subset \overline{(Z)}_\omega \subset \overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega$  and the lemma is proved.

Let  $\tau_0 = \tau$  and  $\tau_{n+1} = 2^{2^{\tau_n}}$  for  $n \in \omega$ . Consider the spaces  $\mathbb{R}^{\tau_n}$ ,  $n \in \omega$ . Denote by  $Z_n$  the discrete space of cardinality  $2^{\tau_n}$  and fix a bijection  $p_n : Z_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\tau_n}$ ,  $n \in \omega$ . For every  $n \in \omega$  let  $j_n : Z_n \rightarrow \beta Z_n$  be the natural embedding of  $Z_n$  into its Čech-Stone compactification  $\beta Z_n$ .

It follows from  $w(\beta Z_n) = \tau_{n+1}$  that there is an embedding

$q_n: \beta Z_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\tau_{n+1}}$ . The diagram below might be of help in grasping the construction.



Here  $h_n = q_n \circ j_n \circ p_n^{-1}$  and  $g_n = p_{n+1}^{-1} \circ q_n \circ j_n$  so our diagram is commutative. For  $m < n$  let  $h_m^n = h_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ h_m: \mathbb{R}^{\tau_m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\tau_n}$ .

Let  $T_0 = Z_0$ ,  $X_{n+1} = Z_{n+1} \setminus p_{n+1}^{-1}(q_n(\beta Z_n))$  for all  $n \in \omega$  and  $X = \cup \{X_n : n \in \omega\}$ .

Fix a point  $x \in X_n$  and  $k \in \omega \setminus \{0\}$ . Say that a set  $U \subset X$  belongs to the family  $\mathcal{B}_x^k$  iff there exists a sequence  $S_x^U = \{ \langle A_i, V_i, f_i U_i \rangle : i \geq n+k \}$  with the following properties:

- (11)  $A_{n+k} = \{ h_n^{n+k}(p_n(x)) \}$ ;
- (12)  $A_i \subset \mathbb{R}^{\tau_i}$ ,  $f_i \in C_p(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_i}, [0, 1])$ ,  $f_i|_{A_i} \equiv 1$ ;
- (13)  $V_i = f_i^{-1}((0, 1])$ ,  $V_i \cap (q_{i-1} \circ j_{i-1}(Z_{i-1}) \setminus A_i) = \emptyset$ ;
- (14)  $A_{i+1} = h_i(V_i)$ ,  $i \geq n+k$ ;
- (15)  $U_i = p_i^{-1}(V_i) \cap X_i$ ;
- (16)  $U = \{x\} \cup \cup \{U_i : i \geq n+k\}$ .

The sequence  $S_x^U$  will be called corresponding to the set  $U$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}_x = \cup \{ \mathcal{B}_x^k : k \in \omega \setminus \{0\} \}$ . The families  $\mathcal{B}_x$  being constructed for all  $x \in X$  announce a set  $U \subset X$  open (i.e.  $U \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ ) iff for every  $x \in U$  there is a  $V \in \mathcal{B}_x$  with  $V \subset U$ .

We can treat the topology  $\mathcal{T}(X)$  as satisfactory in case we

check the following three properties:

I. For  $x, y \in X$ ,  $U^x \in \mathcal{B}_x$ ,  $U^y \in \mathcal{B}_y$  and  $z \in U^x \cap U^y$  there exists a  $U^z \in \mathcal{B}_z$  such that  $U^z \subset U^x \cap U^y$ .

II.  $(X, \mathcal{T}(X))$  is a  $T_0$ -space, which is trivial.

III. The small inductive dimension of  $(X, \mathcal{T}(X))$  equals zero.

I. Take  $n_x, n_y, n_z, k_x, k_y \in \omega$  with  $x \in X_{n_x}$ ,  $y \in X_{n_y}$ ,  $z \in X_{n_z}$ ,  $U^x \in \mathcal{B}_x^{k_x}$ ,  $U^y \in \mathcal{B}_y^{k_y}$  and the sequences

$$S_x = \{ \langle A_i^x, V_i^x, f_i^x, U_i^x \rangle : i \geq n_x + k_x \} \text{ and}$$

$$S_y = \{ \langle A_i^y, V_i^y, f_i^y, U_i^y \rangle : i \geq n_y + k_y \} \text{ corresponding to the sets}$$

$U^x, U^y$ . Choose an arbitrary  $U \in \mathcal{B}_z^1$  and let  $S_z^U = \{ \langle A_i, V_i, f_i, U_i \rangle : i \geq n_z + 1 \}$  be its corresponding sequence. Put  $A_i^z = A_i \cap A_i^x \cap A_i^y$ ,

$V_i^z = V_i \cap V_i^x \cap V_i^y$ ,  $f_i^z = f_i \cdot f_i^x \cdot f_i^y$  and  $U_i^z = U_i \cap U_i^x \cap U_i^y$ , for  $i \geq n_z + 1$ . It is sufficient to prove that  $U^z = \{ z \} \cup \cup \{ U_i^z : i \geq n_z + 1 \} \in \mathcal{B}_z^1$ .

Let us establish that  $S_z = \{ \langle A_i^z, V_i^z, f_i^z, U_i^z \rangle : i \geq n_z + 1 \}$  will correspond to  $U^z$ . It is obvious that (11) and (12) are fulfilled. Of course  $V_i^z = (f_i^z)^{-1}((0, 1))$ . Let  $x^* \in V_i^z \cap (q_{i-1} \circ j_{i-1}(Z_{i-1}))$ . Then  $x^* \in A_i^x \cap A_i^y \cap A_i$  so the second part of (13) holds, too. It follows from  $A_{i+1}^z = A_{i+1} \cap A_{i+1}^x \cap A_{i+1}^y = h_i(V_i) \cap h_i(V_i^x) \cap h_i(V_i^y) = h_i(V_i \cap V_i^x \cap V_i^y) = h_i(V_i^z)$  that (14) takes place as well. The property (15) is fulfilled. Thus, we finished with I.

III. Take a  $U^x \in \mathcal{B}_x$  and its corresponding sequence  $S_x = \{ \langle A_i^x, V_i^x, f_i^x, U_i^x \rangle : i \geq n_x + k_x \}$  where  $x \in X_{n_x}$  and  $k_x \geq 1$ . We may additionally assume (taking a smaller element of  $\mathcal{B}_x$  if necessary) that for our  $S_x$  the following condition is satisfied:

(17) for every  $i \geq n_x + k_x$  there is a  $g_i^x \in C_p(\mathbb{R}^i, [0, 1])$  with  $g_i^x|V_i^x \equiv 0$ ,  $g_i^x|q_{i-1} \circ j_{i-1}(Z_{i-1}) \setminus A_i^x \equiv 1$ . Suppose that  $y \in X_m \setminus U^x$ .

Pick an  $n \in \omega$  such that  $n > \max \{ m, n_x + k_x \}$ . Let  $A_{n+1}^y =$

$= \{ h_m^{n+1}(p_m(y)) \}$ . It is clear that  $A_{n+1}^x \cap A_{n+1}^y = \emptyset$ . If the sets  $A_i^y$



for  $n+1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $V_i^Y, f_i^Y$  for  $n+1 \leq i < k$  are chosen so that (12)-(14) and

$$(18) \quad A_i^X \cap A_i^Y = \emptyset \text{ for } n+1 \leq i \leq k,$$

$$(19) \quad V_i^X \cap V_i^Y = \emptyset \text{ for } n+1 \leq i < k$$

take place, let  $V_k^Y = (g_k^X)^{-1}((0,1])$ ,  $f_k^Y = g_k^X$  and  $A_{k+1}^Y = h_k(V_k^Y)$ .

Now it follows from (17) that (18)-(19) hold if we replace  $k$  by  $k+1$ .

Once the sets  $A_i^Y, V_i^Y, f_i^Y$  are constructed for all  $i \geq n+1$ , let  $U_i^Y = p_i^{-1}(V_i^Y) \cap X_i, i \geq n+1$ . The set  $U^Y = \{y\} \cup \cup \{U_i^Y : i \geq n+1\}$  is a member of  $\mathcal{B}_Y$ , having  $\{ \langle A_i^Y, V_i^Y, f_i^Y, U_i^Y \rangle : i \geq n+1 \}$  as its corresponding sequence. It follows from (19) that  $U^Y \cap U^X = \emptyset$ , so  $U^X$  is closed in  $X$  and  $\text{ind } X = 0$ .

We now turn to prove that  $c(X) = \omega$ . If on the contrary there is an uncountable disjoint family  $\gamma_1 \subset \mathcal{T}^*(X)$  then there exist different points  $x_\alpha, \alpha < \omega_1$  belonging to  $X_n$  for some  $n \in \omega$  and  $k \geq 1$  such that there are  $U_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}_{X_\alpha}^k$  with  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta = \emptyset$  for  $\beta \neq \alpha$ . But then the family  $\gamma = \{p_k(U_\alpha) : \alpha < \omega_1\} \subset \mathcal{T}^*(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_k})$  and  $\gamma$  is disjoint in contradiction with  $c(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_k}) = \omega$ . Hence  $c(X) = \omega$ .

Let us prove that  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega = \mathbb{R}^X$ . It is sufficient by Lemma 7 to show that  $\overline{(C_p(X))}_\omega \supset \{0,1\}^X$ . Take any  $A \subset X$ . We must approximate the function  $\chi_A$  ( $\chi_A(A) = \{1\}$ ,  $\chi_A(X \setminus A) = \{0\}$ ) with a countable subset  $S \subset C_p(X)$ . Let  $A_n = (X_0 \cup \dots \cup X_n) \cap A$ . Show that there is an  $f_n \in C_p(X)$  with  $f_n|_{(X_0 \cup \dots \cup X_n)} = \chi_{A_n}$ . Let  $A_n^i = A_n \cap X_i$  and  $A^{n+1} = \cup \{h_i^{n+1}(p_i(A_n^i)) : 0 \leq i \leq n\}$ ,  $B^{n+1} = \cup \{h_i^{n+1}(p_i(X_i \setminus A_n^i)) : 0 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Then  $A^{n+1} \cap B^{n+1} = \emptyset$  and there exists a  $g_{n+1} \in C_p(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_{n+1}}, [0,1])$  such that  $g_{n+1}|_{A^{n+1}} \equiv 1$ ,  $g_{n+1}|_{B^{n+1}} \equiv 0$ . Let  $V^{n+1} = g_{n+1}^{-1}((1/2,1])$ . If the sets  $A^i, B^i, V^i$  and functions  $g_i \in C_p(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_i}, [0,1])$  are constructed for  $n+1 \leq i \leq k$  so that  $V^i = g_i^{-1}((1/2,1])$ ,  $V^i \cap B^i = \emptyset$ . Let  $A^{k+1} = h_k(V^k)$ ,  $B^{k+1} = h_k(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_k} \setminus A^{k+1})$ . Take any  $g_{k+1} \in C_p(\mathbb{R}^{\tau_{k+1}}, [0,1])$

with  $g_{k+1}|A^{k+1} \equiv 1$ ,  $g_{k+1}|B^{k+1} \equiv 0$  and put  $v^{k+1} = g_{k+1}^{-1}((1/2, 1])$ .  
 Once the sequence  $\{ \langle A^i, V^i, g_i \rangle : i \geq n+1 \}$  is constructed let  $U^i =$   
 $= p_i^{-1}(V^i) \cap X_i$  and  $U = A_n \cup \cup \{ U^i : i \geq n+1 \}$ . By the same reasoning as  
 in III one can prove that  $U$  is clopen in  $X$  so  $\chi_U \in C_p(X)$  and  
 $\chi_U|(X_0 \cup \dots \cup X_n) = \chi_{A_n}$ . Let  $f_n = \chi_U$  and check that  $S = \{ f_n :$   
 $n \in \omega \}$  approximates  $\chi_A$ . In fact, if  $K \subset X$  is finite, there is an  
 $n \in \omega$  with  $K \subset X_0 \cup \dots \cup X_n$ . Then  $f_n|K = \chi_{A_n}|K = \chi_A|K$  and all pro-  
 perties of our space are established.

Take any space  $Y$  for which there exists a continuous mapping  
 $f: X \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} Y$ . If  $\chi(Y) = \omega$ , then  $|Y| \leq 2^{\chi(Y) \cdot c(Y)} = 2^\omega$ . So  $f$  is  
 not injective in view of  $\tau > 2^\omega$ .

8. Example. There is a space  $X$  with  $\psi(X) > \omega$  and  $\tau \in$   
 $\in \text{Cal}(C_p(X))$  for every  $\tau = \text{cf}(\tau) > \omega$ .

Proof. Take a set  $A$  of power  $\lambda = \omega_{\omega_1}$  and  $a_x \notin A$ . Let  $X =$   
 $= \{ a_x \} \cup A$ . As to  $\mathcal{T}(X)$  it will contain all points of  $A$  and  
 $\mathcal{T}(a_x, X) = \{ \{ a_x \} \cup U : U \subset A, |A \setminus U| < \lambda \}$ . For an arbitrary  $\tau =$   
 $= \text{cf}(\tau) > \lambda$  we have  $\tau > \lambda \geq \text{nw}(C_p(X))$  so  $\tau \in \text{Cal}(C_p(X))$ . If  
 $\tau < \lambda$  and  $\gamma = \{ U_\alpha : \alpha < \tau \}$  is a family of standard open sets of  
 $C_p(X)$  we may assume that there is an  $n \in \omega \setminus \{ 0 \}$  and rational in-  
 tervals  $0_1, \dots, 0_n$  such that  $U_\alpha = M(x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha; 0_1, \dots, 0_n)$  for all  
 $\alpha < \tau$ . Let  $K_\alpha = \{ x_1^\alpha, \dots, x_n^\alpha \}$  and  $H = \cup \{ K_\alpha : \alpha < \tau \}$ . It is clear  
 that  $H$  is closed, discrete and  $C$ -embedded in  $X$ . As  $\mathbb{R}^H$  is a Šanin  
 space, there exists an  $f \in \mathbb{R}^H$  such that  $f(x_1^\alpha) \in 0_1$  for  $\alpha < \tau$  and  
 $i \in \{ 1, \dots, n \}$ . Then  $\hat{f} \in \cap \{ U_\alpha : \alpha < \omega \}$  for any  $\hat{f} \in C_p(X)$  with  $\hat{f}|H =$   
 $= f$ , and this proves that  $\tau \in \text{Cal}(C_p(X))$ .

9. Remark. Reasoning as in 6 (when proving  $c(X) = \omega$ ) one  
 can prove that the space  $X$  from the example 8 is a Šanin space.  
 It follows from (7) that  $X$  has a  $G_\delta$ -diagonal. Thus we have another

answer to J. Ginsburg and R.G. Woods' question [4]. The space  $X$ , being Šanin space, yields a generalization of the result of D.B. Šahmatov [3],[5]. Šahmatov's example was originally the first answer to the question in [4].

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