

## BANACH SPACES OF FUNCTIONS TAKING VALUES IN A $C^*$ -ALGEBRA

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*Abstract.* Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with identity 1; and let  $s(\mathcal{A})$  denote the set of all states on  $\mathcal{A}$ . The state space  $s(\mathcal{A})$  (with the weak\* topology) is used to construct classes of Banach spaces of functions defined on a fixed set  $S$  taking values in  $\mathcal{A}$ . The inter-relationship between spaces are considered. Special classes of operators on these spaces are also considered. When  $\mathcal{A}$  is taken to be  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $S$  to be  $\mathbb{N}$ , all spaces are just the classical spaces.

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