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### COMPACT MULTIPLICATION OPERATORS ON NONLOCALLY CONVEX WEIGHTED SPACES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let V be a system of weights on a completely regular Hausdorff space and let B(E) be the topological vector space of all continuous linear operators on a Hausdorff topological vector space E. Let  $CV_0(X, E)$  and  $CV_b(X, E)$  be the nonlocally convex weighted spaces of continuous functions. In the present paper, we characterize compact multiplication operators  $M_{\psi}$  on  $CV_0(X, E)$  ( or  $CV_b(X, E)$ ) induced by the operator-valued mappings  $\psi : X \to B(E)$  (or the vector-valued mappings  $\psi : X \to E$ , where E is a topological algebra).

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The theory of multiplication operators has extensively been studied during the last three decades on different function spaces. Many authors like Abrahamse [1], Axler [6], Halmos [12], Singh and Kumar [35], Takagi and Yokouchi [45] have studied these operators on  $L^P$  – spaces, whereas Arazy [4], Axler [5], Bonet, Domanski and Lindström [9], Shields and Williams [34], Feldman [10], Ghatage and Sun [11], Stegenga [42], and Vukotic [46] have explored these operators on spaces of analytic functions. Also, a study of these operators on weighted spaces of continuous functions has been made by Singh and Manhas [36, 37, 38, 39, 40], Manhas and Singh [24], Manhas [21, 22, 23], Khan and Thaheem [17, 18], Alsulami and Khan [2, 3], and Oubbi [29], In this paper, we have made efforts to characterize compact multiplication operators on the nonlocally convex weighted spaces of continuous functions generalizing some of the results of the author [22, 23] and Alsulami and Khan [2].

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### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, we shall assume, unless stated otherwise, that X is a completely regular Hausdorff space and E is a non-trivial Hausdorff topological vector space with a base  $\mathcal{N}$  of closed balanced shrinkable neighbourhoods of zero. A neighbourhood G of zero in E is called shrinkable [19] if  $t\bar{G} \subseteq intG$ , for  $0 \leq t < 1$ . It is proved by Klee [19, Theorem 4 and Theorem 5] that every Hausdorff topological vector space has a base of shrinkable neighbourhoods of zero, and also the Minkowski functional  $\rho_G$  of any such neighbourhood G is continuous and satisfies

$$\bar{G} = \{y \in E : \rho_G(y) \le 1\}, \text{ int} G = \{y \in E : \rho_G(y) < 1\}.$$

Let C(X, E) be the vector space of all continuous E-valued functions on X. Let V be a set of non-negative upper semicontinuous functions on X. Then V is said to be directed upward if for given  $u, v \in V$  and  $\alpha \ge 0$ , there exists  $w \in V$  such that  $\alpha u, \alpha v \le w$  (pointwise). A directed upward set V is called a system of weights if for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $v \in V$  such that v(x) > 0. Let U and V be two systems of weights on X. Then we say that  $U \le V$  if for every  $u \in U$ , there exists  $v \in V$  such that  $u \le v$ . Now, for a given system of weights V, we define

$$CV_0(X, E) = \{ f \in C(X, E) : vf \text{ vanishes at infinity on } X \text{ for each } v \in V \},\$$
  
and

 $CV_b(X, E) = \{f \in C(X, E) : vf(X) \text{ is bounded in } E \text{ for each } v \in V\}.$ 

Clearly  $CV_0(X, E) \subseteq CV_b(X, E)$ . When  $E (= \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C})$ , the above spaces are denoted by  $CV_0(X)$  and  $CV_b(X)$ . The weighted topology on  $CV_b(X, E)$  (resp.  $CV_0(X, E)$ ) is defined as the linear topology which has a base of neighbourhoods of zero consisting of all sets of the form

$$N(v,G) = \left\{ f \in CV_b(X,E) : vf(X) \subseteq G \right\},\$$

where  $v \in V$  and  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ .

With this topology, the vector space  $CV_b(X, E)$   $(resp.CV_0(X, E))$  is called the weighted space of vector-valued continuous functions which is not necessarily locally convex. For more details on these weighted spaces, we refer to [13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 27]. In case E is a locally convex space, a detailed information can be found in [7, 8, 25, 26].

30, 31, 32, 33, 43, 44.]. Let B(E) be the vector space of all continuous linear operators on E. We denote by  $\mathcal{B}$ , the family of all bounded subsets of E. For each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ , we define the set

$$W(B,G) = \{T \in B(E) : T(B) \subseteq G\}$$

Then clearly B(E) is a topological vector space with a linear topology which has a base of neighbourhoods of zero consisting of all sets of the form W(B,G). This topology is known as the topology of uniform convergence on bounded subsets of E.

By a topological algebra E we mean a topological vector space which is also an algebra such that multiplication in E is separately continuous. Multiplication in E is said to be left (right) hypocontinuous if for each  $G \in \mathcal{N}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , there exists  $H \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $BH \subseteq (resp. HB \subseteq G)$ . In case E is equipped with both left and right hypocontinuous multiplication, we call E as a topological algebra with hypocontinuous multiplication. Clearly every topological algebra with joint continuous multiplication is always a topological algebra with hypocontinuous multiplication. For more details on these algebras, we refer to Mallios [20].

For the mapping  $\psi : X \to B(E)$  (or  $\psi : X \to E$ , E as a topological algebra), we define the linear map  $M_{\psi} : CV_0(X, E) \to F(X, E)$  by  $M_{\psi}(f) = \psi.f$ , for every  $f \in CV_0(X, E)$ , where F(X, E) denotes the vector space of all functions from Xinto E and the product  $\psi.f$  is defined pointwise on X as  $(\psi.f)(x) = \psi_x(f(x))$  (or  $(\psi.f)(x) = \psi(x)(f(x))$ , for every  $x \in X$ . In case  $M_{\psi}$  takes  $CV_0(X, E)$  into itself and is continuous, we call  $M_{\psi}$ , the multiplication operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$  induced by the mapping  $\psi$ .

# 3. Compact Multiplication Operators

Throughout this section, we shall assume that for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $f \in CV_0(X)$  such  $f(x) \neq 0$ . In case X is locally compact Hausdorff space this condition is automatically satisfied.

In order to present the desired results, we need to record some definitions and results as follows.

Let  $T \in B(E)$ . Then T is said to be compact if it maps bounded subsets of Einto relatively compact subsets of E. A completely regular Hausdorff space X is called a  $K_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space if a function  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$  is continuous if and only if  $f \mid K$ is continuous for each compact subset K of X. Clearly all locally compact or metrizable spaces are  $K_{\mathbb{R}}$  – spaces. A completely regular Hausdorff space X is said to be a  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space with respect to a given system of weights V on X if a function  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$  is necessarily continuous whenever, for each  $v \in V$ , the restriction of fto  $\{x \in X : v(x) \ge 1\}$  is continuous. Also, if  $V_1 \le V_2$  for two systems of weights on X, then of course any  $(V_1)_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space is again a  $(V_2)_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space. For more details on  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – spaces, we refer to Bierstedt [8].

A subset  $H \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  is called equicontinuous at  $x_0 \in X$  if for every neighbourhood G of zero in E, there exists a neighbourhood N of  $x_0$  in X such that  $f(x) - f(x_0) \in G$ , for every  $x \in N$  and  $f \in H$ . If H is equicontinuous at every point of X, then we say that H is equicontinuous on X. Moreover, using nets, we say that a subset  $H \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  is equicontinuous on X if and only if for every  $x \in X$  and for every net  $x_\alpha \to x$  in X,

$$\sup \left\{ \rho_G \left( f(x_\alpha) - f(x) \right) : f \in H \right\} \to 0, \text{ for every } G \in \mathcal{N}.$$

The following generalized Arzela-Ascoli type theorem and related results can be found in Khan and Oubbi [16].

**Theorem 3.1.** Let X be a completely regular Hausdorff  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space and let E be a quasi-complete Hausdorff topological vector space. Then a subset  $M \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  is relatively compact if and only if

- (i) *M* is equicontinuous;
- (ii)  $M(x) = \{f(x) : f \in M\}$  is relatively compact in E, for each  $x \in X$ ;

(iii) vM vanishes at infinity on X for each  $v \in V$  (i.e., for each  $v \in V$  and  $G \in N$ , there exists a compact set  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $v(x) f(x) \in G$ , for all  $f \in M$  and  $x \in X \setminus K$ ).

**Corollary 3.2.** Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space and let E be a quasicomplete Hausdorff topological vector space. Let V be a system of constant weights on X. Then a subset  $M \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  is relatively compact if and only if

(i) *M* is equicontinuous;

(ii)  $M(x) = \{f(x) : f \in M\}$  is relatively compact in E, for each  $x \in X$ ;

(iii) M uniformly vanishes at infinity on X (i.e., for every  $G \in N$ , there exists a compact set  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $f(x) \in G$ , for all  $f \in M$  and  $x \in X \setminus K$ ).

**Remark.** Theorem 3.2 and Corollary 3.7 of [24] are proved for a completely regular Hausdorff  $K_R$ -space X.But with slight modification in the proofs both the results are still valid if we take X as a completely regular Hausdorff  $V_R$ -space.

Now we are ready to present the characterization of compact multiplication operators on  $CV_0(X, E)$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let X be a completely regular Hausdorff  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space and let E be a non-zero quasi-complete Hausdorff topological vector space. Let  $\psi : X \to B(E)$ be an operator-valued mapping. Then  $M_{\psi} : CV_0(X, E) \to CV_0(X, E)$  is a compact multiplication operator if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  is continuous in the topology of uniform convergence on bounded subsets of E;

(ii) for every  $v \in V$  and  $G \in N$ , there exist  $u \in V$  and  $H \in N$ , such that  $u(x) y \in H$  implies that  $v(x) \psi_x(y) \in G$ , for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in E$ ;

(iii) for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\psi(x)$  is a compact operator on E;

(iv)  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  vanishes at infinity uniformly on X, i.e., for each  $G \in N$ and  $B \in B$ , there exists a compact set  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $\psi_x(B) \subseteq G$ , for every  $x \in X \setminus K$ ;

(v) for every bounded set  $F \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$ , the set  $\{\psi_x of : f \in F\}$  is equicontinuous for every  $x \in X$ .

Proof. According to [24, Corollary 3.7] and Remark 1, conditions (i) and (ii) imply that  $M_{\psi}$  is a multiplication operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$ . Let  $S \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  be a bounded set. To prove that  $M_{\psi}$  is a compact operator, it is enough to show that the set  $M_{\psi}(S)$  satisfies all the conditions of Theorem 1. Fix  $x_0 \in X$ . We shall verify that the set  $M_{\psi}(S)$  is equicontinuous at  $x_0$ . Let  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ . Then there exists  $H \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $H + H \subseteq G$ . Choose  $v \in V$  such that  $v(x_0) \geq 1$ . Let  $F_v = \{x \in X : v(x) > 1\}$ . Consider the set  $B = \{f(x) : x \in F_v, f \in S\}$ . Clearly the set B is bounded in E. By condition (i), there exists a neighbourhood  $K_1$  of  $x_0$  such that  $\psi_x - \psi_{x_0} \in W(B, H)$ , for every  $x \in K_1$ . Further, it implies that  $\psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x)) \in H$ , for every  $x \in K_1 \cap F_v$  and  $f \in S$ . Again, by condition (v), there exists a neighbourhood  $K_2$  of  $x_0$  such that  $\psi_{x_0}(f(x) - f(x_0)) \in H$ , for every  $x \in K_1 \cap F_v$ . Then for every  $x \in N$  and  $f \in S$ , we have

$$\psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x_0)) = \psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x)) + \psi_{x_0}(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x_0)) \\ \in H + H \subseteq G.$$

This proves the equicontinuity of the set  $M_{\psi}(S)$  at  $x_0$  and hence it is equicontinuous on X. This established the condition (i) of Theorem 1. To prove condition (ii) of Theorem 1, we shall show that the set  $M_{\psi}(S)(x_0)$  is relatively compact in E for each  $x_0 \in X$ . Since the set  $B = \{f(x_0) : f \in S\}$  is bounded in E and  $\psi_{x_0}$  is compact operator on E, by condition (iii), it follows that the set  $\psi_{x_0}(B) = M_{\psi}(S)(x_0)$  is relatively compact in E. Finally we shall establish condition (iii) of Theorem 1 by showing that the set  $vM_{\psi}(S)$  vanishes at infinity on X for each  $v \in V$ . Fix  $v \in V$  and  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ . Since the set  $B = \{v(x) f(x) : x \in X, f \in S\}$  is bounded in E, according to Condition (iv), there exists a compact set  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $\psi_x(B) \subseteq G$ , for every  $x \in X \setminus K$ . That is,  $v(x) \psi_x(f(x)) \in G$ , for every  $x \in X \setminus K$ and  $f \in S$ . This proves that the set  $vM_{\psi}(S)$  vanishes at infinity on X. With this the proof of the theorem is complete.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.4.** Let X be a completely regular Hausdorff  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space and let E be a non-zero quasi-complete Hausdorff topological vector space. Let U be a system of constant weights on X such that  $\cup \leq V$ . Let  $\psi : X \to B(E)$  be an operator-valued mapping. Then conditions (i) through (v) in Theorem 3 are necessary and sufficient for  $M_{\psi}$  to be a compact multiplication operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$ .

*Proof.* We suppose that  $M_{\psi}$  is a compact multiplication operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$ . To prove condition (i), we fix  $x_0 \in X$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ . Let  $v \in V$  and  $f \in CV_0(X)$ be such that  $v(x_0) \ge 1$  and  $f(x_0) = 1$ . Let  $K_1 = \{x \in X : v(x) | f(x) | \ge 1\}$ . Then  $K_1$  is a compact subset of X such that  $x_0 \in K_1$ . According to [26, Lemma 2, p. 69], there exists  $h \in CV_0(X)$  such that  $h(K_1) = 1$ . For each  $y \in B$ , we define the function  $g_y : X \to E$  as  $g_y(x) = h(x)y$ , for every  $x \in X$ . If we put F = $\{g_y: y \in B\}$ , then F is clearly bounded in  $CV_0(X, E)$  and hence the set  $M_{\psi}(F)$ is relatively compact in  $CV_0(X, E)$ . According to Theorem 1, the set  $M_{\psi}(F)$  is equicontinuous at  $x_0$ . This means that there exits a neighbourhood  $K_2$  of  $x_0$  such that  $\psi_x(g_y(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(g_y(x_0)) \in G$ , for every  $x \in K_2$  and  $y \in \mathcal{B}$ . Let  $K = K_1 \cap K_2$ . Then we have  $\psi_x(y) - \psi_{x_0}(y) \in G$ , for every  $x \in K$  and  $y \in \mathcal{B}$ . This shows that  $\psi_x - \psi_{x_0} \in W(B,G)$ , for every  $x \in K$ . This proves that  $\psi : X \to B(E)$ is continuous at  $x_0$  and hence on X. In view of Remark 1, the proof of condition (ii) follows from Corollary 3.7 of [24]. To establish condition (iii), let  $x_0 \in X$ . We select  $f \in CV_0(X)$  such that  $f(x_0) = 1$ . Let  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then for each  $y \in \mathcal{B}$ B, we define the function  $h_y : X \to E$  as  $h_y(x) = f(x)y$ , for every  $x \in X$ . Clearly the set  $S = \{h_y : y \in B\}$  is bounded in  $CV_0(X, E)$  and hence the set  $M_{\psi}(S)$  is relatively compact in  $CV_0(X, E)$ . Again, according to Theorem 1, it follows that the set  $M_{\psi}(S)(x_0) = \{\psi_{x_0}(y) : y \in B\}$  is relatively compact in E. This proves that  $\psi_{x_0}$  is a compact operator on E. Now, to prove condition (iv), we suppose that  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  does not vanishes at infinity on X. This implies that there exist  $G \in \mathcal{N}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that for every compact set  $K \subseteq X$ , there exists  $x_k \in X \setminus K$  for which  $\psi_{x_k}(B) \subsetneq G$ . Further, it implies that there exists  $y_k \in B$  such that  $\psi_{x_k}(y_k) \notin G$ . According to [41, Lemma 3.1], there exists an open neighbourhood  $N_k$  of  $x_k$  such that each  $v \in V$  is bounded on  $N_k$ . Let  $O_k = N_k \cap X \setminus K$ . Then  $O_k$  is an open neighbourhood of  $x_k$  for each compact set  $K \subseteq X$ . Further, according to [26, Lemma 2, p.69], there exists  $f_k \in CV_0(X)$  such that  $0 \leq f_k \leq 1$ ,  $f_k(x_k) = 1$  and  $f_k(X \setminus O_k) = 0$ . For each compact  $K \subseteq X$ , we define the function  $h_k: X \to E$  as  $h_k(x) = f_k(x) y_k$ , for every  $x \in X$ . Clearly the set  $M = \{h_k : K \subseteq X, K \text{ compact subset}\}$  is bounded in  $CV_0(X, E)$  and hence the set  $M_{\psi}(M)$  is relatively compact in  $CV_0(X, E)$ . Since  $U \leq V$ , we can select  $v \in V$  such that  $v(x) \ge 1$ , for every  $x \in X$ . Again, Theorem 1 implies that the set  $vM_{\psi}(M)$  vanishes at infinity on X. This implies that there exists a compact set  $K_0 \subseteq X$  such that  $v(x)\psi_x(h_k(x)) \in G$ , for all  $h_k \in M$  and for every  $x \in X \setminus K_0$ . Since  $v(x) \ge 1$ , for all x, it follows that  $\psi_x(f_{k_0}(x) y_{k_0}) \in G$ , for every  $x \in X \setminus K_0$ .

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For  $x = x_{k_0}$ , we have  $\psi_{x_{k_0}}(y_{k_0}) \in G$ , which is a contradiction. This proves that  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  vanishes at infinity on X. Finally, we shall prove condition (v). Let  $F \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$  be a bounded set. Fix  $x_0 \in X$  and  $G \in \mathcal{N}$ . Then there exists  $H \in \mathcal{N}$  such that  $H+H \subseteq G$ . Clearly the set  $B = \{f(x) : x \in X, f \in F\}$  is bounded in E. Since  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  is continuous at  $x_0$ , there exists a neighbourhood  $N_1$  of  $x_0$  in X such that  $\psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x)) \in H$ , for every  $x \in N_1$  and  $f \in F$ . Again, since the set  $M_{\psi}(F)$  is relatively compact in  $CV_0(X, E)$ , according to Theorem 1, the set  $M_{\psi}(F)$  is equicontinuous at  $x_0$ . This implies that there exists a neighbourhood  $N_2$  of  $x_0$  in X such that  $\psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x_0)) = \psi_{x_0}(f(x_0)) \in H$ , for every  $x \in N_2$  and  $f \in F$ . Let  $N = N_1 \cap N_2$ . Then for every  $x \in N$  and  $f \in F$ , we have

$$\psi_{x_0}(f(x) - f(x_0)) = \psi_{x_0}(f(x)) - \psi_x(f(x)) + \psi_x(f(x)) - \psi_{x_0}(f(x_0)) \in H + H \subseteq G.$$

This proves condition (v). This completes the proof of the theorem as the sufficient part is already proved in Theorem 3.  $\hfill \Box$ 

**Theorem 3.5.** Let X be a completely regular Hausdorff  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  – space and let E be a quasi-complete Hausdorff topological algebra with hypocontinuous multiplication containing the unit element e. Let U be a system of constant weights on X such that  $U \leq V$ . Then the vector-valued mapping  $\psi : X \to E$  induces a compact multiplication operator  $M_{\psi}$  on  $CV_0(X, E)$  if and only if

(i)  $\psi: X \to E$  is continuous;

(ii) for every  $v \in V$  and  $G \in N$ , there exist  $u \in V$  and  $H \in N$  such that  $u(x) y \in H$  implies that  $v(x) \psi(x) y \in G$ , for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in E$ ;

(iii) for every  $x \in X$ , the operator  $L_{\psi(x)} : E \to E$ , defined by  $L_{\psi(x)}(y) = \psi(x) y$ , for every  $y \in E$ , is compact;

(iv)  $\psi: X \to E$  vanishes at infinity on X;

(v) for every bounded set  $F \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$ , the set  $\{L_{\psi(x)}of : f \in F\}$  is equicontinuous for every  $x \in X$ .

Proof. In [24, Theorem 3.2], Manhas and Singh have characterized the weighted composition operators  $W_{\psi,\phi}$  on  $CV_0(X, E)$  induced by the mappings  $\phi: X \to X$  and  $\psi: X \to E$ . If we take  $\phi: X \to X$  as the identity map, then Theorem 3.2 of Manhas and Singh [24] and Remark 1 implies that  $M_{\psi}$  is a multiplication operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$  if and only if condition (i)-(ii) of Theorem 5 hold. Also, using similar arguments of Theorem 4, it can be shown that  $M_{\psi}$  is a compact operator on  $CV_0(X, E)$ .

**Corollary 3.6.** Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space and let E be a non-zero quasi-complete Hausdorff topological vector space. Let V be a system of constant weights on X.Let  $\psi : X \to B(E)$  be an operator-valued mapping. Then  $M_{\psi} : CV_0(X, E) \to CV_0(X, E)$  is a compact multiplication operator if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $\psi : X \to B(E)$  is continuous in the topology of uniform convergence on bounded subsets of E;

(ii) for every  $G \in N$ , there exists  $H \in N$ , such that  $y \in H$  implies that  $\psi_x(y) \in G$ , for every  $x \in X$  and  $y \in E$ ;

(iii) for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\psi(x)$  is a compact operator on E;

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(iv)  $\psi: X \to B(E)$  vanishes at infinity uniformly on X, i.e., for each  $G \in N$ and  $B \in B$ , there exists a compact set  $K \subseteq X$  such that  $\psi_x(B) \subseteq G$ , for every  $x \in X \setminus K$ ;

(v) for every bounded set  $F \subseteq CV_0(X, E)$ , the set  $\{\psi_x of : f \in F\}$  is equicontinuous for every  $x \in X$ .

*Proof.* The proof follows from Theorem 4 after using Corollary 2 instead of Theorem 1.  $\hfill \Box$ 

**Remark.** (i) In case E is a quasi-complete locally convex Hausdorff space and X is a locally compact Hausdorff space, Theorem 4 reduces to [23, Theorem 3.4].

(ii) In Corollary 6, if E is a quasi-complete locally convex Hausdorff space, it reduces to Theorem 2.4 of Manhas [22].

(iii) If X is as  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$ -space without isolated points, then it is proved in [2, Corollary 4] that there is no non-zero compact multiplication operator  $M_{\psi}$  on  $CV_0(X, E)$ . But if X is a  $V_{\mathbb{R}}$  - space with isolated points, then Theorem 4 provide (e.g. see Example 1 below) non-zero compact multiplication operators  $M_{\psi}$  on some weighted spaces  $CV_0(X, E)$  whereas it is not the case with some of the  $L^p$  - spaces and spaces of analytic functions. In [35], Singh and Kumar have shown that the zero operator is the only compact multiplication operator on  $L^p$  - spaces (with nonatomic measure). In [9], Bonet Domanski and Lindstrom have shown that there is no non-zero compact multiplication operator on Weighted Banach Spaces of analytic functions. Also, recently, Ohno and Zhao [28] have proved that the zero operator is the only compact multiplication operator on Bloch Spaces.

**Example 3.1.** Let  $X = \mathbb{Z}$ , the set of integers with the discrete topology and let  $V = K^+(\mathbb{Z})$ , the set of positive constant functions on  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $E = C_b(\mathbb{R})$  be the Banach space of bounded continuous complex valued functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ . For each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we define an operator  $A_t : C_b(\mathbb{R}) \to C_b(\mathbb{R})$  as  $A_t f(s) = f(t)$ , for every  $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R})$  and for every  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . Clearly, for each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $A_t$  is a compact operator. Let  $\psi : \mathbb{Z} \to B(E)$  be defined as  $\psi(t) = e^{-|t|}A_t$ , for  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then all the conditions of Corollary 6 are satisfied by the mapping  $\psi$  and hence  $M_{\psi}$  is a compact multiplication operator on  $C_0(\mathbb{Z}, E)$ . In case we take  $E = C(\mathbb{R})$  with compact-open topology, then the mapping  $\psi : \mathbb{Z} \to B(E)$  defined as above does not induces the compact multiplication operator  $M_{\psi}$  on  $C_0(\mathbb{Z}, E)$ . But, if  $E = C(\mathbb{R})$  with compact-open topology and we define  $\psi : \mathbb{Z} \to B(E)$  as  $\psi(t) = e^{-|t|}A_{t_0}$ , for every  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $A_{t_0}$  is a fixed compact operator on  $C(\mathbb{R})$  defined as  $A_{t_0}f(s) = f(t_0)$ , for every  $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$  and for every  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ , then it turns out that  $M_{\psi}$  is a compact multiplication operator on  $C_0(\mathbb{Z}, E)$ .

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