

Weighted Composition Operators of Topological Structure on Weighted Banach Spaces

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Abstract

We follow the validity that [24] dealt with considering the topological structure problem concerning the set of composition operators restricted and differ by a compact operator is known as path connected but alternatively not usually a component. So for weighted both of composition operators on Banach spaces endowed with sup-norm the set of weighted composition operators is really path connected but in the second is not a component.

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I. Introduction

For $H(\mathbb{D})$ be the space of all holomorphic functions on the unit disc \mathbb{D} and $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ the set of all holomorphic self-maps of \mathbb{D} . For two series of functions $\sum_m \psi^m \in H(\mathbb{D})$ and $\sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$, a weighted composition operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}$ is defined by $\sum_m W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}(\sum_m f_m) = \sum_m \psi^m \cdot (\sum_m f_m \circ \sum_m \varphi^m)$, $\sum_m f_m \in H(\mathbb{D})$. When the series of functions $\sum_m \psi^m$ is identically 1, the operator $W_{\cdot, \sum_m \varphi^m}$ reduces to the composition operator $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$. These operators $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ and $W_{\cdot, \sum_m \varphi^m}$ have been studied on various function spaces (see [9,21]). Among them, the study of topological structure problem for spaces of bounded (weighted) composition operators with operator norm topology. For Hardy, H^∞ , Bloch and Banach spaces see [10,16,22], [11,15,19], [13], and [6]. For the study of topological structure problem for both spaces of composition operators and weighted composition operators on weighted Banach spaces with sup-norm generated by a radial weight (see [24]). We show an over view of confirmative on [24].

For a radial weight on \mathbb{D} we mean a positive function v_m on \mathbb{D} with $v_m(z) = v_m(|z|)$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$, where $v_m(r)$ is continuous and increasing on $[0,1)$ and $v_m(r) \rightarrow \infty$ as $r \rightarrow 1^-$. For a weight v_m on \mathbb{D} , we define the following weighted Banach spaces of H^∞ :

$$H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ \sum_m f_m \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \left\| \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(z)|}{v_m(z)} < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}) = \left\{ \sum_m f_m \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(z)|}{v_m(z)} = 0 \right\},$$

endowed with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{v_m}$, so, for a series of functions $g_m: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m g_m(z) := \lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \sup_{|z| > r} \sum_m g_m(z)$. Likely known as weighted Bergman spaces of infinite order. We denote X_{v_m} to be either of the spaces $H_e(\mathbb{D})$ or $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$.

To characterize topological properties of spaces X_{v_m} or linear operators between them in term of weights, see [1, 2] we use the so-called associated weights. For a given weight v_m on \mathbb{D} , its associated weight is defined by (see [3, Definition 1.1])

$$\tilde{v}_m(z) = \sup \sum_m \left\{ \left| \sum_m f_m(z) \right| : \sum_m f_m \in H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}), \left\| \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} \leq 1 \right\}$$

Note that $\tilde{v}_m(z) = \tilde{v}_m(|z|)$ and $0 < \tilde{v}_m(z) \leq v_m(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, $\tilde{v}_m(r)$ is increasing and log-convex on $[0,1)$ (i.e. the function $\log \tilde{v}_m(e^x)$ is convex on $(-\infty, 0)$), and $H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}) = H_{\tilde{v}_m}(\mathbb{D})$ isometrically. Moreover, in [14,

Lemma 2.2] it was shown that for a log-convex weight v_m on \mathbb{D} , there is some constant M such that $\bar{v}_m(z) \leq v_m(z) \leq M\bar{v}_m(z)$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Thus, we use log-convex weights. Next, for a log-convex weight v_m , by [4, Theorem 2.3] the following condition from [17, p. 310] and [18, Definition 2. 1]

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_m \frac{v_m(1 - 2^{-k-1})}{v_m(1 - 2^{-k})} < \infty \quad (1.1)$$

is equivalent to the continuity of all compositions operators $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m} \in S(\mathbb{D})$, on X_{v_m} . Consequently, for log-convex weights satisfying (1.1) and only for them, the spaces $\mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}))$ and $\mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ of all bounded composition operators on $H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})$ and, respectively, $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$ coincide and equal to the space $\{C_{\sum_m \varphi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m} \in S(\mathbb{D})\}$ of all composition operators. For some conditions of various types that are equivalent to (1.1) see [1, Lemma 2.6]. In particular, (1.1) $\Leftrightarrow v_m(r) = O(v_m(r^2))$ as $r \rightarrow 1^-$.

We consider the topological structure problem for the spaces of (weighted) composition operators on spaces X_{v_m} given by log-convex weights v_m satisfying (1.1). Let \mathcal{V} denote the set of all such weights. The standard weights $(v_m)_\alpha(z) = (1 - |z|^2)^{-\alpha}$, $\alpha > 0$, belong to \mathcal{V} . We suppose that $v_m \in \mathcal{V}$.

We recall some auxiliary results on spaces X_{v_m} and (weighted) composition operators on them.

We study the topological structure of the space $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ of all composition operators on X_{v_m} . We prove that the set $[C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}]$ of all composition operators that differ from the given one $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ by a compact operator is path connected in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. A component in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ is not in general the set of such type [19] showed these results for the space H^∞ and we now extend them to the family of all Bergman spaces of infinite order given by weights from \mathcal{V} . We show that the condition that completely characterizes isolated composition operators $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ in the setting of the space H^∞ (see [19, Corollary 9] and [12, Theorem 4.1]) is necessary for $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ to be isolated in all spaces $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ with v_m in \mathcal{V} .

The space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ consists of all bounded nonzero weighted composition operators on X_{v_m} . And [6] investigated the topological structure problem for the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(X_{v_m})$ of all bounded weighted composition operators on X_{v_m} . Now every operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(X_{v_m})$ and the zero operator 0 are always connected by the path $W_{t \sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}$, $t \in [0, 1]$. This implies that $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(X_{v_m})$ is path connected. Some results be considered again in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. [6] and some arguments used cannot be applied to $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ (see [6]). We show some new ideas to prove that the set $\mathcal{C}_{w_m, 0}(X_{v_m})$ of all nonzero compact weighted composition operators is path connected in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$; but not a path component. We also give a simple sufficient condition to ensure that two operators in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ belong to the same path component of this space. These results clarify and improve the corresponding ones in [6, Theorems 3.2 and 4.2]. We describe two path connected sets of the same type in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$, one of which is a path component, while another is not.

We state some results concerning properties of functions in the spaces X_e and (weighted) composition operators and their differences on these spaces.

We defined the pseudo-hyperbolic distance by

$$\rho(z, \zeta) = \left| \frac{z - \zeta}{1 - \bar{z}\zeta} \right|, \quad z, \zeta \in \mathbb{D}$$

For a function $\sum_m \varphi^m \in H(\mathbb{D})$, put

$$\| \sum_m \varphi^m \|_\infty = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m | \sum_m \varphi^m(z) | \text{ and } M(\sum_m \varphi^m, r) = \sup_{|z| \leq r} \sum_m | \sum_m \varphi^m(z) |, r \in (0, 1)$$

We denote by $|E|$ the Lebesgue measure of E on the unit circle $\partial\mathbb{D}$.

Lemma 2.1 (see [24]). There is a constant $C > 0$, dependent only on v_m , such that for every $\sum_m f_m \in H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})$ and $z, \zeta \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$\left| \sum_m f'_m(z) \right| \leq C \sum_m \frac{v_m(z)}{1 - |z|} \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \quad (2.1)$$

and

$$\left| \sum_m f_m(z) - \sum_m f_m(\zeta) \right| \leq C \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \rho(z, \zeta) m \{v_m(z), v_m(\zeta)\} \quad (2.2)$$

Proof. In [1, Theorem 2.8] it was proved that for every weight $v_m \in \mathcal{V}$, the differentiation operator D is bounded from $H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})$ to $H_{(v_m)_1}(\mathbb{D})$ with $(v_m)_1(r) = v_m(r)/(1 - r)$, which implies (2.1).

The inequality (2.2) was obtained in [5, Lemma 1].

The next result follows from [4, Proposition 2.1 and Theorems 2.3 and 3.3].

Proposition 2.2. Let $\sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$.

(a) The operator $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ is bounded on X_{v_m} . Moreover,

$$\|C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}\| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} < \infty$$

(b) The operator $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} if and only if

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0$$

This proposition implies that

$$\mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})) = \mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})) = \left\{ C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} : \sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D}) \right\}$$

and the sets $\mathcal{C}_0(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}))$ and $\mathcal{C}_0(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ of all compact composition operators on $H_e(\mathbb{D})$ and $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$, respectively, coincide; more precisely

$$\mathcal{C}_0(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})) = \mathcal{C}_0(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})) = \left\{ C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} : \sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D}), v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)) = o(v_m(z)), |z| \rightarrow 1^- \right\}$$

Thus, all results and arguments will be stated simultaneously for both spaces $\mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}))$ and $\mathcal{C}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$.

Compactness of differences of two composition operators between weighted Banach spaces with sup-norm was characterized in [5, Corollary 7 and Theorem 9]. To state these results for composition operators from X_{v_m} into itself with $v_m \in \mathcal{V}$, we need the following (see [24]).

Remark 2.3. Let $\sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ and $g_m: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. As usual, we put

$$\lim_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m g_m(z) := \begin{cases} \lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \sup_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| > r} \sum_m g_m(z) & \text{if } \|\sum_m \varphi^m\|_\infty = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \|\sum_m \varphi^m\|_\infty < 1. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m g_m(z) = 0 \quad \text{implies that} \quad \lim_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m g_m(z) = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

Indeed, it is enough to check this statement for $\sum_m \varphi^m$ with $\|\sum_m \varphi^m\|_\infty = 1$. Given $r \in (0, 1)$, letting $\tilde{r} := M(\sum_m \varphi^m, r)$, we get that

$$\sup_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| > \tilde{r}} \sum_m g_m(z) \leq \sup_{|z| > r} \sum_m g_m(z) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{r} \rightarrow 1^- \text{ as } r \rightarrow 1^-.$$

Which implies (see [24]).

Proposition 2.4. Let $\sum_m \varphi^m, \sum_m \phi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$. Then the following statements are equivalent.

(i) The difference $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is compact on $H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})$.

(ii) The difference $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is compact on $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$.

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)) \\ = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) is obvious.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Suppose that $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is compact on $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$. If $\|\sum_m \varphi^m\|_\infty = \|\sum_m \phi^m\|_\infty = 1$, then the assertion follows from [5, Theorem 9]. If $\|\sum_m \varphi^m\|_\infty < 1$ (similarly to the case $\|\sum_m \phi^m\|_\infty < 1$), then $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ is compact on $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$. Hence, $C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is also compact on $H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$, which and Proposition 2.2(b) imply that

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0$$

Using this and the fact that $\rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)) \leq 1, z \in \mathbb{D}$, we get (iii).

(iii) \Rightarrow (i). By Remark 2.3, (iii) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)) \\ = \lim_{|\sum_m \phi^m(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to use [5, Corollary 7] to obtain (i).

Boundedness and compactness of the operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}$ between weighted Banach spaces with sup-norm were characterized in [8, Propositions 3.1 and 3.2, Corollaries 4.3 and 4.5], from which we get the following result.

Proposition 2.5. Let $\sum_m \varphi^m \in S(\mathbb{D})$ and $\sum_m \psi^m \in H(\mathbb{D})$. Then the next two assertions hold:

(a) The operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}: X_{v_m} \rightarrow X_{v_m}$ is bounded if and only if $\sum_m \psi^m \in X_{v_m}$ and

$$\sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} < \infty.$$

(b) The operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \varphi^m}: X_{v_m} \rightarrow X_{v_m}$ is compact if and only if $\sum_m \psi^m \in X_{v_m}$ and

$$\lim_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0 \text{ for } X_{v_m} = H_{v_m}(\mathbf{D})$$

or

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0 \text{ for } X_{v_m} = H_{v_m}^0(\mathbf{D})$$

From this proposition it follows that $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ and $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbf{D}))$ are proper subsets of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(H_{v_m}(\mathbf{D}))$ and, respectively, $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(H_{v_m}(\mathbf{D}))$. Some arguments will be presented separately for spaces $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D}))$ and $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbf{D}))$.

We also need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.6. Let $[z, \zeta]$ denote the closed interval connecting points z and ζ in D . Then $\rho(\xi, \eta) \leq \rho(z, \zeta)$ for all $\xi, \eta \in [z, \zeta]$. Proof. Without loss of generality we may assume that the points lie in the interval in the following order: $z \rightarrow \xi \rightarrow \eta \rightarrow \zeta$. We have the next obvious relations:

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi - \eta| &= |z - \zeta| - (|z - \xi| + |\zeta - \eta|) \\ |1 - \bar{\xi}\eta| &\geq |1 - \bar{z}\zeta| - |\bar{z}\zeta - \bar{\xi}\eta| \\ &\geq |1 - \bar{z}\zeta| - (|\bar{\zeta}||\bar{z} - \bar{\xi}| + |\bar{\xi}||\zeta - \eta|) \\ &\geq |1 - \bar{z}\zeta| - (|z - \xi| + |\zeta - \eta|), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|z - \zeta| < |1 - \bar{z}\zeta|$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\xi, \eta) &= \frac{|\xi - \eta|}{|1 - \bar{\xi}\eta|} \leq \frac{|z - \zeta| - (|z - \xi| + |\zeta - \eta|)}{|1 - \bar{z}\zeta| - (|z - \xi| + |\zeta - \eta|)} \\ &\leq \frac{|z - \zeta|}{|1 - \bar{z}\zeta|} = \rho(z, \zeta). \end{aligned}$$

We consider the topological structure problem for the space $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ of all composition operators on X_{v_m} under the operator norm topology. We will write $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m} \sim \mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ if these operators are in the same path component of $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. Two composition operators $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$ and $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ are said to be compactly equivalent in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ if their difference $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - \mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} . Obviously, this relation is an equivalence one. Denote by $[\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m}]$ the equivalence class of all composition operators that are equivalent to the given operator $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m}$. Note that the set $\mathcal{C}_0(X_{v_m})$ of all compact composition operators on X_{v_m} coincide with the class $[\mathcal{C}_0]$ of all operators from $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ that are equivalent to the operator $\mathcal{C}_0: \sum_m f_m \mapsto \sum_m f_m(0)$. We have the following (see [24])

Theorem 3.1. Each equivalence class $[\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m}]$ is path connected in the space $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$

Proof. Let $\sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ and $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ be an arbitrary operator from $[\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m}]$. Then $\mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - \mathcal{C}_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} and, by Proposition 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right) \\ = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

For each $t \in [0,1]$, put $\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) = (1-t) \sum_m \varphi^m(z) + t \sum_m \phi^m(z)$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Clearly, $\sum_m \varphi_t^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{D})$ for all $t \in [0,1]$ and, by Proposition 2.2(a), the corresponding operators $C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}$, $t \in [0,1]$, are bounded on X_{v_m} . Moreover, all differences $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}$ are compact on X_{v_m} . Indeed, $|\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)| \leq \max\{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)|, |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|\}$ and, hence, $v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)) \leq \max\{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))\}$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and $t \in [0,1]$.

Next, by Lemma 2.6, $\rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)) \leq \rho(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z))$. From the above inequalities and (3.1) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \\ \leq \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \\ \leq \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \max \sum_m \left\{ \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right), \right. \\ \left. \frac{v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right) \right\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using Proposition 2.4 once again, we conclude that $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} for every $t \in [0,1]$.

Thus, $C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} \in [C_{\sum_m \varphi^m}]$ for all $t \in [0,1]$ and, to finish the proof, it remains to show that the map

$$[0,1] \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X_{v_m}), t \mapsto C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m},$$

is continuous on $[0,1]$. That is, $\|C_{\sum_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}\| \rightarrow 0$ as $s \rightarrow t$ for all $t \in [0,1]$.

Fix a number $t \in [0,1]$. For every $r \in (0,1)$, $s \in [0,1]$, and $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$, by (2.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m \|C_{\sum_m \varphi^m} \sum_m f_m - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m} \sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \\ = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ \leq C \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \\ \leq C \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_l \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, for every $r \in (0,1)$ and $s \in [0,1]$,

$$\|C_{\sum_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}\| \leq C \max\{J(r,s), J(r,t)\},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} J(r,s) &:= \sup_{|z| \leq r} \sum_m \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq |s-t| \sum_m \frac{v_m(M_r)}{v_m(0)} \sup_{|z| \leq r} \frac{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z) - \sum_m \phi^m(z)|}{(1 - |\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)| |\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)|)} \\ &\leq \sum_m \frac{2v_m(M_r)}{v_m(0)(1 - M_r^2)} |s-t| \text{ with } M_r := \max \sum_m \{M(\sum_m \varphi^m, r), M(\sum_m \phi^m, r)\} \end{aligned}$$

and, by Lemma 2.6,

$$\begin{aligned} J(r,s) &:= \sup_{|z| > r} \sum_m \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)\right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq \sup_{|z| > r} \sum_m \rho\left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z), \sum_m \phi^m(z)\right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \phi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} =: J(r). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for every $r \in (0,1)$ and $s \in [0,1]$,

$$\|C_{\sum_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}\| \leq C \max \sum_m \left\{ \frac{2v_m(M_r)}{v_m(0)(1 - M_r^2)} |s-t|, J(r) \right\}.$$

By letting $s \rightarrow t$, this implies that

$$\limsup_{s \rightarrow t} \|C_{\sum_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}\| \leq CJ(r) \text{ for all } r \in (0,1)$$

Next, letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ and using that $J(r) \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow 1^-$ by (3.1), we then get

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow t} \|C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m}\| = 0,$$

which completes the proof.

Corollary 3.2. The set $\mathcal{C}_0(X_{v_m})$ of all compact composition operators on X_{v_m} is path connected in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

Remark 3.3 [24]. Corollary 3.2 follows also from [6, Theorem 3.2]. Indeed, putting $\sum_m \psi^{m(1)} \equiv 1$ and $\sum_m \psi^{m(2)} \equiv 1$ in the proof of this theorem we get that two compact composition operators $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^{m(1)}}$ and $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^{m(2)}}$ on X_{v_m} belong to the same path component of the space $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

Now we use the main idea from [19, Example 1] to show that in general $[C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}]$ might not be a whole path component of $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

Example 3.4 [24]. Let $\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z) = 1 + a(z - 1)$ with $0 < a < 1$. Then the class $[C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_0^m}]$ is not a path component in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

Proof. Let $\delta = \frac{a(1-a)}{4}$. For each $t \in [-\delta, \delta]$, we put

$$\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) = \sum_m \varphi_0^m(z) + t(z - 1)^2$$

and show that, for every $0 < |t| \leq \delta$, $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \sim C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_0^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ but $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \notin [C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_0^m}]$. Evidently, this gives the result. Since $1 - |\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z)|^2 \geq a(1-a)|z-1|^2$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) \right| &\leq \left| \sum_m \varphi_0^m(z) \right| + |t||z-1|^2 \leq \sqrt{1-a(1-a)}|z-1| + |t||z-1|^2 \\ &\leq 1 - \frac{a(1-a)}{2}|z-1|^2 + |t||z-1|^2 < 1 \end{aligned}$$

for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and $t \in [-\delta, \delta]$. Hence, $\sum_m \varphi_t^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$, and, by Proposition 2.2(a), $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \in \mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ for all $t \in [-\delta, \delta]$

Next, similarly to [19, Example 1], consider a sequence $(z_n) \subset \mathbb{D}$ such that $z_n \rightarrow 1$ along the arc $|1-z|^2 = 1-|z|^2$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$1 - \left| \sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n) \right|^2 = a(2-a)|z_n-1|^2 = a(2-a)(1-|z_n|^2)$$

Hence,

$$\left| \sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n) \right| = \sqrt{(1-a)^2 + a(2-a)|z_n|^2} \geq |z_n|$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z_n) \right) &\geq \frac{|t||z_n-1|^2}{1 - \sum_m |\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n)|^2 + \sum_m |\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n)||t||z_n-1|^2} \\ &\geq \frac{|t|}{a(2-a) + |t|} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for all $n \geq 1$ and $t \in [-\delta, \delta]$,

$$\sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n))}{v_m(z_n)} \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z_n) \right) \geq \frac{|t|}{a(2-a) + |t|}$$

From this and Proposition 2.4 it follows that $C_{\rho_u} - C_{\rho_0}$ is not compact on X_{v_m} and, consequently, $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \notin [C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_0^m}]$ for all $0 < |t| \leq \delta$.

To complete the proof, it is enough to check that the path $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m}, t \in [-\delta, \delta]$, is continuous in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. For every $t, s \in [-\delta, \delta]$ and $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$

using (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_m \|C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_s^m} \sum_m f_m - C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \\ &= \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq C \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) \right) \frac{\{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))\}}{v_m(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} - C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_s^m}\| \\ &\leq C \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) \right) \frac{\max\{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z))\}}{v_m(z)} \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Moreover, for every $t, s \in [-\delta, \delta]$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_m \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) \right) &= \frac{|t-s||z-1|^2}{\sum_m |1 - \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)|} |\varphi_t^m(z)| \\
 &\leq \frac{|t-s||z-1|^2}{1 - \sum_m |\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z)|^2 - (|t| + |s|) \sum_m |\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z)||z-1|^2 - |ts||z-1|^4} \\
 &\leq \frac{|t-s||z-1|^2}{a(1-a)|z-1|^2 - (|t| + |s|)|z-1|^2 - |ts||z-1|^4} \\
 &\leq \frac{|t-s|}{a(1-a) - 2\delta - 4\delta^2} \leq \frac{4|t-s|}{a(1-a)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Next, for each $s \in [-\delta, \delta]$, we put

$$a_s = \sum_m \varphi_s^m(0) = 1 - a + s, \beta_s(z) = \frac{z - a_s}{1 - a_s z}, \text{ and } \sum_m \phi_s^m = \beta_s \circ \sum_m \varphi_s^m.$$

Then $\sum_m \phi_s^m(0) = \beta_s \circ \sum_m \varphi_s^m(0) = 0$. Hence, by the Schwarz lemma, $|\sum_m \phi_s^m(z)| \leq |z|$ for every $z \in \mathbb{D}$. From this it follows that, for every $r \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sup_{|z| \leq r} \sum_m \left| \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right| &= \sup_{|z| \leq r} \sum_m \left| \left(\beta_s^{-1} \circ \sum_m \phi_s^m \right)(z) \right| \leq \sup_{|z| \leq r} |\beta_s^{-1}(z)| = \frac{r + |a_s|}{1 + r|a_s|} \\
 &\leq \frac{r + r_0}{1 + rr_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $r_0 = 1 - a + \delta \in (0, 1)$. This, (3.2), and (3.3) imply that

$$\|C_{\sum_m \varphi_s^m} - C_{\sum_m \varphi_t^m}\| \leq \frac{4C}{a(1-a)} |t-s| \sup_{r \in [0,1]} \sum_m \frac{v_m \left(\frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \right)}{v_m(r)}$$

and it remains to check that the last supremum is finite. By [1, Lemma 2.6], there is some constant $M > 0$, dependent only on v_m , such that

$$(\log v_m)'(r) = \frac{v_m'(r)}{v_m(r)} \leq \frac{M}{1-r} \text{ for all } r \in (0, 1)$$

Then, using the arguments in the proof of [1, Theorem 2.8, (i) \Rightarrow (vii)], we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log v_m \left(\frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \right) - \log v_m(r) &\leq (\log v_m)' \left(\frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \right) \frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \log \frac{r+r_0}{(1+rr_0)r} \\
 &\leq \frac{M(r+r_0)}{(1-r)(1-r_0)} \log \left(1 + \frac{r_0(1-r^2)}{(1+rr_0)r} \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{M(r+r_0)r_0(1+r)}{(1-r_0)(1+rr_0)r} \leq \frac{8M}{1-r_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. Thus, there is some number $M_0 > 1$, dependent only on v_m and r_0 , such that

$$v_m \left(\frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \right) \leq M_0 v_m(r) \text{ for all } r \in [0, 1).$$

Consequently,

$$\sup_{r \in [0,1]} \frac{v_m \left(\frac{r+r_0}{1+rr_0} \right)}{v_m(r)} \leq M_0$$

which completes the proof.

Remark 3.5. Note that to characterize components in the space of composition operators on Hardy space H^2 , [22] conjectured that the set of all composition operators that differ from the given one by a compact operator forms a component. Later, [7], and [20] independently showed that this conjecture is false. [19] also gave a negative answer to this conjecture for the setting of space H^∞ . In fact, in Theorem 3.1 we proved that the sets of such a type are path connected in the space $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. Example 3.4 shows that, in general, they are not components of $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. Therefore, the conjecture is also not true for all spaces X_{v_m} given by weights v_m from the class \mathcal{V} .

We end with a result concerning isolated points in the spaces $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. The result in [6, Theorem 5.7] can be reformulated as follows: If the set

$$E(v_m, \sum_m \varphi^m) = \{ \omega \in \partial \mathbb{D} \mid \exists (z_n) \subset \mathbb{D}: \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = \omega \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z_n))}{v_m(z_n)} > 0 \}$$

has Lebesgue measure strictly positive, then $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ is isolated in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. This is an analog of [19, Corollary 8]. On the other hand, in [19, Corollary 9] it was established that if

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sum_m \log \left(1 - \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(e^{i\theta}) \right| \right) d\theta > -\infty, \quad (3.4)$$

then $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ is not isolated in $\mathcal{C}(H^\infty)$. Equivalently, the condition

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sum_m \log \left(1 - \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(e^{i\theta}) \right| \right) d\theta = -\infty \quad (3.5)$$

is necessary for the operator $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ to be isolated in $\mathcal{C}(H^\infty)$. In the following proposition we extend this result to all weighted spaces X_{v_m} with $v_m \in \mathcal{V}$. Note that [12, Theorem 4.1] proved that (3.5) gives the complete description of isolated operators $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}(H^\infty)$ (see [24]).

Proposition 3.6. If $\sum_m \varphi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ satisfies (3.4), then the operator $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ is not isolated in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

Proof. Following [19, Corollary 9], consider the next bounded outer function in :

$$\sum_m \varphi^m(z) = \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_m \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \log \left(1 - \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(e^{i\theta}) \right| \right) d\theta \right), z \in \mathbb{D}$$

As is known, $|\sum_m \varphi^m| \leq 1 - |\sum_m \varphi^m|$ in \mathbb{D} and $|\sum_m \varphi^m| = 1 - |\sum_m \varphi^m|$ almost everywhere on $\partial\mathbb{D}$. This implies, in particular, that the functions $\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) = \sum_m \varphi^m(z) + t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)$ are in $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ for every $|t| < 1$. Hence, by Proposition 2.2(a), all operators $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m}$, $|t| < 1$, belong to $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. We will show that the path $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m}$, $|t| \leq \frac{1}{4}$, is continuous in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ and, consequently, $C_{\Sigma_m \varphi^m}$ is not isolated.

By the proof of (i) \Rightarrow (vii) in [1, Theorem 2.8], there exists a constant $M > 0$ such that

$$\sum_m v_m \left(\frac{1+r}{2} \right) \leq M \sum_m v_m(r) \text{ for all } r \in [0, 1]$$

From this it follows that, for each $|t| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and all $z \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m v_m \left(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) \right) &= \sum_m v_m \left(\left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) + t \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right| \right) \leq \sum_m v_m \left(\left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right| + |t| \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right| \right) \\ &\leq \sum_m v_m \left(\left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right| + |t| \left(1 - \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right| \right) \right) \leq \sum_m v_m \left(\frac{1 + \left| \sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right|}{2} \right) \leq M \sum_m v_m \left(\sum_m \varphi^m(z) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Using this and (2.2), we get that, for each $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$ and $s, t \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right]$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m \left\| C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} \sum_m f_m - C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_s^m} \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} &= \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq C \sum_m \left\| \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right) \frac{\max\{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z)), v_m(\sum_m \varphi_s^m(z))\}}{v_m(z)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq CM \sum_m \left\| \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right) \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)}$$

$$\leq M_0 \sum_m \left\| \sum_m f_m \right\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right)$$

where $M_0 = CM \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} < \infty$ by Proposition 2.2(a). Thus, for every $s, t \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right]$

$$\left\| C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_t^m} - C_{\Sigma_m \varphi_s^m} \right\| \leq M_0 \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \sum_m \rho \left(\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z), \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right).$$

Next, for each $s, t \in \left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right]$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$

$$\sum_m \rho \left(\varphi_t^m(z), \varphi_s^m(z) \right) = \left| \sum_m \frac{\sum_m \varphi_t^m(z) - \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z)}{1 - \overline{\varphi_t^m(z)} \varphi_s^m(z)} \sum_m \varphi_s^m(z) \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq |t-s| \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \phi^m(z)|}{1 - |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|^2 - (|t| + |s|)|\sum_m \phi^m(z)| |\sum_m \phi^m(z)| - |ts| |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|^2} \\
 &= |t-s| \sum_m \frac{1}{\frac{1 - |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|^2}{|\sum_m \phi^m(z)|} - (|t| + |s|)|\sum_m \phi^m(z)| - \sum_m |ts| |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|} \\
 &\leq |t-s| \sum_m \frac{1}{\frac{1 - |\sum_m \phi^m(z)|}{|\sum_m \phi^m(z)|} - (|t| + |s|) - |ts|} \\
 &\leq |t-s| \frac{1}{1 - (|t| + |s|) - |ts|} \leq \frac{16}{7} |t-s|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\|C_{\sum_m \phi_t^m} - C_{\sum_m \phi_s^m}\| \leq \frac{16}{7} M_0 |t-s| \text{ for all } s, t \in \left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right],$$

which implies that $C_{\sum_m \phi_t^m}, t \in \left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right]$, is a continuous path in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$.

We study the topological structure of the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ of all nonzero bounded weighted composition operators on X_{v_m} under the operator norm topology. We write $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m} \sim W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ if the operators $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m}$ and $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}$ are in the same path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$.

We know that the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(X_{v_m})$ of all bounded weighted composition operators is always path connected. Then Theorem 3.2 in [6] should be revised for the setting of nonzero weighted composition operators. To prove that two compact operators $W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(1)}, \sum_m \phi^{m(1)}}$ and $W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(2)}, \sum_m \phi^{m(2)}}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ are path connected, [6] showed that

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(1)}, \sum_m \phi^{m(1)}} &\sim W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(1)}(0), \sum_m \phi^{m(1)}(0)} \sim W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(2)}(0), \sum_m \phi^{m(1)}(0)} \\
 &\sim W_{\sum_m \psi^{m(2)}, \sum_m \phi^{m(2)}} \text{ in } \mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})),
 \end{aligned}$$

which cannot be applied to the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ when $\sum_m \psi^{m(1)}(0) = 0$ or $\sum_m \psi^{m(2)}(0) = 0$. Hence, we develop some new ideas to establish this result for the spaces $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. So, we prove a bit more by showing that the set of all nonzero compact weighted composition operators on X_{v_m} is not a path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ for all $v_m \in \mathcal{V}$.

We need the following, which is proved similarly to [23, Lemma 4.8].

Lemma 4.1. Every operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m} \in \mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ is path connected with the operator $C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$.

Theorem 4.2 (see [24]). The set $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$ of all nonzero compact weighted composition operators on X_{v_m} is path connected in the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$; but it is not a path component in this space.

Proof. (a) To prove that the set $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$ is path connected in the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$, it suffices to show that every operator $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$ and the operator C_0 belong to the same path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ via a path in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$.

If $\sum_m \psi^m(z) \equiv \text{const}$, then the assertion follows from Lemma 4.1 and Corollary 3.2. Now suppose that $\sum_m \psi^m \in X_{v_m}$ is non-constant. We put

$$\sum_m \psi_t^m(z) = 1 - t + t \sum_m \psi^m(z) \text{ and } \sum_m \phi_t^m(z) = t \sum_m \phi^m(z), z \in \mathbb{D}, t \in [0,1]$$

Then, for every $t \in [0,1]$, $\sum_m \psi_t^m$ is a nonzero function in X_{v_m} and $\overline{\sum_m \phi_t^m(\mathbb{D})} \subset t \overline{\sum_m \phi^m(\mathbb{D})} \subset \mathbb{D}$. From this and Proposition 2.5 (b) it follows that all operators $W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m}, t \in [0,1]$, are compact on X_{v_m} . Hence, $W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m} \in \mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$ for all $t \in [0,1]$; moreover, $W_{\sum_m \psi_b^m, \sum_m \phi_b^m} = C_0$ and $W_{\sum_m \psi_1^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} = W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m}$. We claim that the map

$$[0,1] \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m}), t \mapsto W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m}$$

is continuous on $[0,1]$. Then $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m} \sim C_0$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ via a path $W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$.

It remains to prove the claim. Obviously, $W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m} = (1-t)C_{t,\rho} + W_{t\psi, t\phi}$, and hence,

$$\|W_{\sum_m \psi_s^m, \sum_m \phi_s^m} - W_{\sum_m \psi_t^m, \sum_m \phi_t^m}\| \leq \|(1-s)C_{s,\rho} - (1-t)C_{t,\rho}\| + \|W_{s\psi, s\phi} - W_{t\psi, t\phi}\|,$$

for every $t, s \in [0,1]$. Consequently, to prove the claim, it is enough to show that for every $t \in [0,1]$

$$(i) \lim_{s \rightarrow t} \sum_m \|(1-s)C_{s \sum_m \varphi^m} - (1-t)C_{t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| = 0 \text{ and } (ii) \lim_{s \rightarrow t} \sum_m \|W_{s \sum_m \psi^m, s \sum_m \varphi^m} - W_{tp, t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| = 0.$$

In our further demonstration we will use the next obvious inequality for functions $\in H(\mathbb{D})$:

$$\left| \sum_m f_m(sz) - \sum_m f_m(tz) \right| \leq |t-s| |z| \max_{\tau \in [s,t]} \sum_m |f'_m(\tau z)|, z \in \mathbb{D}, t, s \in [0,1] \quad (4.1)$$

where we briefly write $[s, t]$ for the interval between s and t . First, we prove (i). If $t = 1$, then by Proposition 2.2(a),

$$\|(1-s)C_{s \sum_m \varphi^m}\| \leq (1-s) \sup_{x \in D} \sum_m \frac{v_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \leq (1-s) \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rightarrow 0, s \rightarrow 1$$

Let now $t \in [0,1]$ and $t_0 \in (t, 1)$. For every $s \in [0, t_0]$ and $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$, using (2.1) and (4.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_m \|(1-s)C_{s \sum_m \varphi^m} \sum_m f_m - (1-t)C_{t \sum_m \varphi^m} \sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \\ &= \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|(1-s) \sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - (1-t) \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq (1-s) \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} + |s| \\ &\quad - t \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq |s-t| \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)|}{v_m(z)} \max_{\tau \in [s,t]} |f'_m(\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z))| + |s| \\ &\quad - t \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{v_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \leq C|s-t| \sum_m \\ &\quad \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in D} \frac{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)|}{v_m(z)} \max_{\tau \in [s,t]} \frac{v_m(\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{1-|\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z)|} + |s| \\ &\quad - t \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{v_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \leq \sum_m \frac{C v_m(t_0)}{(1-t_0)v_m(0)} |s-t| \\ &\quad \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} + \sum_m \frac{v_m(t_0)}{v_m(0)} |s-t| \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} = \left(\frac{C}{1-t_0} + 1\right) \sum_m \frac{v_m(t_0)}{v_m(0)} |s-t| \\ &\quad \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\|(1-s)C_{s \sum_m \varphi^m} - (1-t)C_{t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| \leq \left(\frac{C}{1-t_0} + 1\right) \sum_m \frac{v_m(t_0)}{v_m(0)} |s-t| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow t$$

which completes the proof of (i). Next, we prove (ii). Fix a number $t \in [0,1]$. For every $s \in [0,1]$ and $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_m \|W_{s \sum_m \psi^m, s \sum_m \varphi^m} \sum_m f_m - W_{t \sum_m \psi^m, t \sum_m \varphi^m} \sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \\ &= \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|s \sum_m \psi^m(z) \sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - t \sum_m \psi^m(z) \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq |s| \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) (\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)))|}{v_m(z)} + |s| \\ &\quad - t \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

To continue, we need several auxiliary estimates.

Estimate 1: We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} &\leq \sum_m \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in D} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) v_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} \\ &\leq \sum_m \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m} \sup_{z \in D} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)} = M \sum_m \|\sum_m f_m\|_{v_m}. \end{aligned}$$

where $M := \sup_{z \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))|}{v_m(z)}$ is finite by Proposition 2.5(a).

Estimate 2: Obviously, for every $r \in (0,1)$ and $s \in [0,1]$,

$$\sup_{2 \in D} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)(\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)))|}{v_m(z)} \\ = \max \sum_m \{J(r, s, \sum_m f_m), J(r, s, \sum_m f_m)\}$$

where, by using (2.1) and (4.1),

$$J(r, s, \sum_m f_m) := \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| \leq r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)(\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)))|}{v_m(z)} \\ = |s - t| \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| \leq r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z) \sum_m \varphi^m(z)|}{v_m(z)} \max_{\tau \in [s, t]} |f'_m(\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z))| \\ \leq C |s - t| \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| \leq r} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)|}{v_m(z)} \max_{\tau \in [s, t]} \frac{v_m(\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{1 - |\tau \sum_m \varphi^m(z)|} \\ \leq \sum_m \frac{C v_m(r)}{1 - r} \| \sum_m \psi^m \|_{v_m} \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} |s - t|,$$

and

$$J(r, s, \sum_m f_m) \\ := \sup_{|o(z)| > r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)(\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) - \sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)))|}{v_m(z)} \\ \leq \sup_{|p(z)| > r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)(|\sum_m f_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z))| + |\sum_m f_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z))|)|}{v_m(z)} \\ \leq \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| > r} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)(v_m(s \sum_m \varphi^m(z)) + v_m(t \sum_m \varphi^m(z)))|}{v_m(z)} \\ \leq 2 \sum_m \| \sum_m f_m \|_{v_m} \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| > r} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)}.$$

Using the above estimates, we obtain

$$\|W_{s \sum_m \psi^m, s \sum_m \varphi^m} - W_{t \sum_m \psi^m, t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| \\ \leq \max \sum_m \left\{ \frac{C v_m(r)}{1 - r} \| \sum_m \psi^m \|_{v_m} |s - t|, 2 \sup_{|\sum_m f_m(z)| > r} \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \right\} + M |s - t|$$

for every $r \in (0, 1)$ and $s \in [0, 1]$. By letting $s \rightarrow t$, and then $r \rightarrow 1^-$ in the last inequality, we get

$$\limsup_{s \rightarrow t} \|W_{s \sum_m \psi^m, s \sum_m \varphi^m} - W_{t \sum_m \psi^m, t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| \leq 2 \lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \sup_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| > r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)}$$

Moreover, applying Proposition 2.5 (b) to the compact operator $W_{v_m \sum_m \varphi^m}$ on X_{v_m} , we obtain

$$\lim_{|\ell(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0 \text{ if } X_{v_m} = H_{v_m}(\mathbb{D})$$

or

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0 \text{ if } X_{v_m} = H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D})$$

which both imply, by Remark 2.3, that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \sup_{|\sum_m \varphi^m(z)| > r} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0$$

Consequently, $\lim_{s \rightarrow t} \|W_{s \sum_m \psi^m, s \sum_m \varphi^m} - W_{t \sum_m \psi^m, t \sum_m \varphi^m}\| = 0$. This establishes the result claimed.

(b) Now we consider the operators $W_{\iota_0, (f_m)_0}$ and $C_{\sum_m \varphi_0^m}$, where $\sum_m \psi_0^m(z) = 1 - z$ and $\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z) = 1 + a(z - 1)$ with $0 < a < 1$. Obviously, W_{ι_0, f_0} and $C_{\sum_m \varphi_0^m}$ belong to $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. However, it is easy to check that $W_{\sum_m \psi_0^m, \sum_m \varphi_0^m}$ is compact, while $C_{\sum_m \varphi_0^m}$ is not compact on X_{v_m} . Indeed, for all $r \in (0, 1)$

$$\sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(r))}{v_m(r)} = \sum_m \frac{v_m(1 + a(r - 1))}{v_m(r)} \geq 1$$

Hence, by Proposition 2.2 (b), $C_{\sum_m \varphi_0^m}$ is not compact on X_{v_m} . Next, for any sequence $(z_n)_n$ in \mathbb{D} with $|z_n| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, without loss of generality we suppose that $z_n \rightarrow \eta \in \partial D$. If $\eta \neq 1$, then $1 + a(\eta - 1) \in \mathbb{D}$, hence,

$$\sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi_0^m(z_n)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n))}{v_m(z_n)} \leq 2 \sum_m \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n))}{v_m(z_n)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

If $\eta = 1$, then $\sum_m \psi_0^m(z_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, hence,

$$\sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi_0^m(z_n)| v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z_n))}{v_m(z_n)} \leq \sum_m \left| \sum_m \psi_0^m(z_n) \right| \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{v_m(\sum_m \varphi_0^m(z))}{v_m(z)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

since the last supremum is finite by Proposition 2.2(a). Consequently,

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \sum_m \frac{|\sum_m \psi_0^m(z)| v_m(\sum_m \phi_0^m(z))}{v_m(z)} = 0$$

which implies, by Remark 2.3 and Proposition 2.5 (b), that $W_{\sum_m \phi_0^m, \sum_m \psi_0^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} .

It remains to note that, by Lemma 4.1, $W_{\sum_m \psi_0^m, \sum_m \phi_0^m} \sim C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. From this it follows that the set $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$ is not a path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$.

We restate some validity results for weighted composition operator (see [24]).

Proposition 4.3. Let $\sum_m \phi^m$ and $\sum_m \psi^m$ be two functions in $\mathcal{S}(D)$. If the difference $C_{\sum_m \phi^m} - C_{\sum_m \psi^m}$ is compact on X_{v_m} , then all the operators $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m}$ and $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}$ from the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ belong to the same path component of this space.

Proof. By Lemma 4.1, $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m} \sim C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ and $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m} \sim C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. On the other hand, by Theorem 3.1, $C_{\sum_m \phi^m} \sim C_{\sum_m \psi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$ and, hence, in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. Consequently, $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m} \sim W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$.

Remark 4.4. In [6, Theorem 4.2] a similar result to Proposition 4.3 was stated in the setting of the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}^0(H_{v_m}^0(\mathbb{D}))$ under some additional restrictions on functions $\sum_m \phi^m, \sum_m \psi^m, \chi$ that are strictly stronger than the ones in Proposition 4.3. In particular, in this theorem the authors required that $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1^-} \rho(\sum_m \phi^m(z), \sum_m \psi^m(z)) = 0$, which implies, by Proposition 2.4, that the difference $C_{\sum_m \phi^m} - C_{\sum_m \psi^m}$ is a compact operator on X_{v_m} .

For $\sum_m \phi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$, denote by $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}])$ the set of all weighted composition operators $W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi^m} \in \mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ with $C_{\sum_m \phi^m} \in [C_{\sum_m \phi^m}]$. The following result follows immediately from Proposition 4.3.

Corollary 4.5. Each set $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}])$, $\sum_m \phi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$, is path connected in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. Now we show that the sets $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}])$ may be path components of the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ and may be not. To see this, we consider the next examples (see [24]).

Example 4.6. For $\sum_m \phi_0^m(z) = 1 + a(z - 1)$ with $0 < a < 1$, the set $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m}])$ is not a path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. More precisely, $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m}])$ is a proper subset of the path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ containing $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$.

Proof. By part (b) in the proof of Theorem 4.2, the operator $W_{\sum_m \phi_0^m, \sum_m \phi_0^m}$ with $\sum_m \psi_0^m(z) = 1 - z$ and $\sum_m \phi_0^m(z) = 1 + a(z - 1)$ is compact, while $C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m}$ is not compact on X_{v_m} . Then, by Theorem 4.2, $W_{\psi_0, (\sum_m \phi_0)_0} \sim C_0$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. But $C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m} - C_0$ is not compact on X_{v_m} , which implies that the operator C_0 does not belong to $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_0^m}])$ and completes the proof.

Remark 4.7. The arguments in Example 4.6 work as well for those sets $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}])$ that generated by $\sum_m \phi^m \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{D})$ with the finite set $E(v_m, \sum_m \phi^m)$. Thus, all these sets being path connected in the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ are proper subsets of the corresponding path components of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ containing $\mathcal{C}_{w_m,0}(X_{v_m})$.

Example 4.8. For $\sum_m \phi_1^m(z) = z$, the set $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}])$ is a path component of $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$.

Proof. Obviously, $E(v_m, \sum_m \phi_1^m) = \partial D$. Hence, by [6, Theorem 5.7], $C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}$ is isolated in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$, which implies that $[C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}] = \{C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}\}$. From this and Proposition 2.5 (a) it follows that

$$\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}]) = \left\{ W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} : 0 < \left\| \sum_m \psi^m \right\|_\infty < \infty \right\}$$

We will prove that $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}])$ is open and, simultaneously, closed in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$, from which the assertion follows.

Let $(W_{\sum_m \psi_n^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m})$ be a sequence in $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}])$ converging to some operator $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. Then $W_{\sum_m \psi_n^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m}(\sum_m f_m) \rightarrow W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}(\sum_m f_m)$ in X_{v_m} for all $\sum_m f_m \in X_{v_m}$. Taking here $\sum_m f_m(z) \equiv 1$ and $\sum_m f_m(z) \equiv z$, we obtain that $\sum_m \psi_n^m \rightarrow \chi$ and $\sum_m \psi_n^m \sum_m \phi_1^m \rightarrow \chi \sum_m \phi^m$ in X_{v_m} as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m \chi \left(\sum_m \phi_1^m - \sum_m \phi^m \right) \\ = \sum_m \left(\chi - \sum_m \psi_n^m \right) \sum_m \phi_1^m + \sum_m \left(\sum_m \psi_n^m \sum_m \phi_1^m - \chi \sum_m \phi^m \right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } X \end{aligned}$$

Since $\chi \neq 0$, this implies that $\sum_m \phi^m = \sum_m \phi_1^m$. Thus, the set $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi_1^m}])$ is closed in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. The fact that it is open in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ follows immediately from

the following auxiliary lemma, in which we will use the next notation: $F(\sum_m \psi^m, \varepsilon) := \{\omega \in \partial D : |\sum_m \psi^m(\omega)| \geq \varepsilon\}$ and $\|\sum_m \psi^m\|_\varepsilon := \inf\{\varepsilon > 0 : |F(\sum_m \psi^m, \varepsilon)| = 0\}$

Lemma 4.9 (see [24]). Let $W_{\sum_m \phi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m}$ be an operator in $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}])$. Then, for every operator $W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$ with $\sum_m \phi^m \neq \sum_m \phi_1^m$,

$$\|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}\| \geq \sum_m \|\sum_m \psi^m\|_e$$

Proof. Since $\sum_m \psi^m$ is a nonzero function, $\|\sum_m \psi^m\|_e > 0$. Take an arbitrary number $r \in (0, \|\sum_m \psi^m\|_e)$. Then $|F(\sum_m \psi^m, r)| > 0$.

Since $\sum_m \phi^m \neq \sum_m \phi_1^m$, $|\{\omega \in \partial\mathbb{D} : \sum_m \phi^m(\omega) = \omega\}| = 0$. So there exist a point $\omega \in F(\sum_m \psi^m, r)$ and a sequence $(z_n) \subset \mathbb{D}$ such that $z_n \rightarrow \omega$, $|\sum_m \psi^m(z_n)| \rightarrow |\sum_m \psi^m(\omega)| \geq r$, and $\sum_m \phi^m(z_n) \rightarrow \eta \neq \omega$. Then $\sum_m \rho(z_n, \sum_m \phi^m(z_n)) \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Next, by [3, Subsection 1.2(iv), Theorem 1.13 and comments after it], for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there is a function $(f_m)_n$ in the unit ball of X_{v_m} such that $(f_m)_n(z_n) = \bar{v}_m(z_n)$ (recall that by \bar{v}_m it is denoted the weight associated with v_m). We put

$$h_n(z) = \sum_m (f_m)_n(z) \frac{z - \sum_m \phi^m(z_n)}{1 - z \sum_m \bar{\phi}^m(z_n)}, z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Then $h_n \in X_{v_m}$ with $\|h_n\|_e \leq 1$ for all n . Taking into account that $\sum_m W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} h_n(z_n) = \sum_m \psi^m(z_n) \rho(z_n, \sum_m \phi^m(z_n)) \bar{v}_m(z_n)$ and $\sum_m W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m} h_n(z_n) = 0$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_m \|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}\| &\geq \sum_m \|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} h_n - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m} h_n\|_j \\ &\geq \sum_m \frac{|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} h_n(z_n) - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m} h_n(z_n)|}{\bar{v}_m(z_n)} = \sum_m |\sum_m \psi^m(z_n)| \rho\left(z_n, \sum_m \phi^m(z_n)\right) \end{aligned}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus,

$$\sum_m \|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}\| \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_m |\sum_m \psi^m(z_n)| \rho\left(z_n, \sum_m \phi^m(z_n)\right) \geq r$$

and, consequently, $\sum_m \|W_{\sum_m \psi^m, \sum_m \phi_1^m} - W_{\chi, \sum_m \phi^m}\| \geq \sum_m \|\sum_m \psi^m\|_e$.

Some of the arguments used in the proof of Example 4.8 work as well for any isolated operator $C_{\sum_m \phi^m}$ in $\mathcal{C}(X_{v_m})$. More precisely, by the same reasons as in this example, one can easily check that the corresponding sets $\mathcal{W}([C_{\sum_m \phi^m}]) = \mathcal{W}(\{C_{\sum_m \phi^m}\})$ are all closed in the space $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_{v_m})$. Moreover, by Corollary 4.5 they are path connected in this space. They may be also open in $\mathcal{C}_{w_m}(X_\varepsilon)$.

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