Lifting homeomorphisms from separable quotients of ω^*

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In [1], the authors showed that every isomorphism of between two countable subalgebras of $\mathcal{P}(\omega)/fin$ extends to an automorphism of $\mathcal{P}(\omega)/fin$. Using Stone duality, this result can be viewed as a statement about homeomorphisms between zero-dimensional quotients of ω^* . We generalize this to higher dimensional quotients.

Theorem Let X and Y be compact metric spaces and let $f : \omega^* \to X$ and $g : \omega^* \to Y$ be continuous and onto. If $\varphi : X \to Y$ is a homeomorphism, then there is a homeomorphism $\overline{\varphi} : \omega^* \to \omega^*$ such that $\varphi \circ f = g \circ \overline{\varphi}$.

The proof of this theorem uses the fact that every continuous map from ω^* to a metric space extends to a continuous map from $\beta\omega$ to the same metric space.

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