998-54-140 Gerardo Acosta* (gacosta@matem.unam.mx), Instituto de Matematicas, Ciudad Universitaria, Circuito Exterior, 04510 Mexico, D.F., Mexico. Classes of circle-like continua which are C-determined.

A continuum is a compact metric connected space. A continuum is said to be circle-like if it can be written as the inverse limit of simple closed curves with surjective bonding mappings. The hyperspace of subcontinua of a given continuum Xis denoted by C(X) and is considered with the Hausdorff metric. A closes F of continua is said to be C-determined if whenever X and Y are continua such that hyperspaces C(X) and C(Y) are homeomorphic, it follows that X and Y are homeomorphic as well. In 1978 S. B. Nadler, Jr. asked if the class of circle-like continua is C-determined. In this talk we show some partial positive answers to this question. (Received February 23, 2004)