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A REMARK ON SCHWARTZ SPACES CONSISTENT WITH A DUALITY

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In [3] , a notion of (\mathcal{S}) -neighbourhood in a topological linear space E was introduced. We show that a more simple condition is sufficient for a neighbourhood to be (\mathcal{S}) -neighbourhood and use this result to obtain a simpler characterization of the finest Schwartz topology consistent with a duality.

Let U be a closed absolutely convex subset of E . Then E_U denotes the normed space obtained by taking U as closed unit ball in the vector space generated by U and passing to a factor space, if the topology is not separated. By $E(U, V)$ we mean the continuous map $E_U \rightarrow E_V$ induced from the identity transformation of E , if $U \subset V$. By a neighbourhood we always mean a closed absolutely convex neighbourhood of zero.

In this notation a neighbourhood U is called (\mathcal{S}) -neighbourhood in E , if there exists a sequence $\{U_n\}$ of neighbourhoods in E such that $U_0 = U$, $U_{n+1} \subset U_n$ and $E(U_{n+1}, U_n)$ is completely continuous map of $E_{U_{n+1}}$ into E_{U_n} for all n . The fol-

lowing proposition says that only the existence of one such neighbourhood $U_1 \subset U$ is sufficient.

1. Proposition. A neighbourhood U in the topological space E is (S) -neighbourhood if and only if there is a neighbourhood V in E , $V \subset U$, such that the operator $E(V, U): E_V \rightarrow E_U$ is completely continuous.

Proof. The restricted condition is obviously necessary for U to be a (S) -neighbourhood. To prove the converse we use the following proposition [4, Proposition 3]:

An operator $T: E \rightarrow F$ (E and F are normed spaces) is completely continuous and $|T| \leq \beta$ if and only if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a sequence

$\{a_m\}$, $a_m \in E'$, $|a_m| \leq \beta + \epsilon$, $|a_m| \rightarrow 0$ such that $|T(x)| \leq \sup |a_m(x)|$ for every $x \in E$.

Now if we have a neighbourhood V such that $E(V, U): E_V \rightarrow E_U$ is completely continuous, then, using this proposition we obtain the existence of $a_m \in E'_V$, $|a_m| \leq 1$ and $\alpha_m > 0$, $\alpha_m \rightarrow 0$ such that $r_U(x) = |E(V, U)| \leq \sup \alpha_m |a_m(x)|$. We prove first that there is a neighbourhood W in E such that $V \subset W \subset U$ and the operators $E(V, W)$ and $E(W, U)$ are completely continuous. It is sufficient to put $W = \{x \in E \mid \sqrt{\alpha_m} |a_m(x)| \leq 1\}$ i.e. the polar set of the bounded set $\{l_m\} \subset E'_V$, where $l_m = \sqrt{\alpha_m} a_m$. W is obviously a neighbourhood in E and $r_W(x) = \sup |\sqrt{\alpha_m} a_m(x)|$. Using again the above

mentioned proposition, we obtain that $E(V, W) : E_V \rightarrow E_W$ is completely continuous. To see that also $E(W, U) : E_W \rightarrow E_U$ is completely continuous, we observe that

$$r_U(x) \leq \sup \alpha_n |a_n(x)| = \sup \sqrt{\alpha_n} |l'_n(x)|$$

and $r_W(l'_n) \leq 1$.

Now we put $U_1 = W$. The operator $E(V, U_1)$ being completely continuous, we may, by the same reason, find a neighbourhood U_2 in E , $V \subset U_2 \subset U_1$ such that $E(V, U_2)$ and $E(U_2, U_1)$ are completely continuous. Proceeding by induction we obtain a sequence $\{U_n\}$ of neighbourhoods in E , $V \subset U_{n+1} \subset U_n \subset U_0 = U$, such that $E(U_{n+1}, U_n)$ and $E(V, U_{n+1})$ are completely continuous. This proves our proposition.

2. Proposition. Let E, F be paired linear spaces. Denote by \mathcal{A} the set of all absolutely convex $\sigma(F, E)$ compact subsets of F . Then the finest topology of a Schwartz space on E consistent with the duality $\langle E, F \rangle$ is the topology of uniform convergence on all those $A \in \mathcal{A}$ for which there is $B \in \mathcal{A}$ such that the topology of the normed space F_B and the topology $\sigma(F, E)$ coincide on A .

Proof. Let $\tau = \tau(E, F)$ be the Mackey topology on E consistent with the duality $\langle E, F \rangle$. In view of [3, prop. 3] it is sufficient to show that for every $A \in \mathcal{A}$, A° is τ - (S) -neighbourhood in E if and only if there is $B \in \mathcal{A}$ such that the topology $\sigma(F, E)$ and the topology of the normed space F_B

coincide on A . This is again easily seen by Proposition 1 and by the observation that for the neighbourhoods V , U , where $V \subset U$, in a topological linear space E , the following is equivalent:

a) The operator $E(V, U): E_V \rightarrow E_U$ is completely continuous.

b) The topology $\sigma(E', E)$ and the topology of the normed space E_{V^0} coincide on U^0 .

This completes the proof.

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