

# The Fréchet space of holomorphic functions on the unit disc

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## 1 Introduction

The goal of this note is to develop all the machinery necessary to understand what it means to say that the set  $H(D)$  of holomorphic functions on the unit disc is a separable and reflexive Fréchet space that has the Heine-Borel property and is not normable.

## 2 Topological vector spaces

If  $X$  is a topological space and  $p \in X$ , a *local basis at  $p$*  is a set  $\mathcal{B}$  of open neighborhoods of  $p$  such that if  $U$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  then there is some  $U_0 \in \mathcal{B}$  that is contained in  $U$ . We emphasize that to say that a topological vector space  $(X, \tau)$  is normable is to say not just that there is a norm on the vector space  $X$ , but moreover that the topology  $\tau$  is induced by the norm.

A *topological vector space* over  $\mathbb{C}$  is a vector space  $X$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  that is a topological space such that singletons are closed sets and such that vector addition  $X \times X \rightarrow X$  and scalar multiplication  $\mathbb{C} \times X \rightarrow X$  are continuous. It is not true that a topological space in which singletons are closed need be Hausdorff, but one can prove that every topological vector space is a Hausdorff space.<sup>1</sup> For any  $a \in X$ , we check that the map  $x \mapsto a + x$  is a homeomorphism. Therefore, a subset  $U$  of  $X$  is open if and only if  $a + U$  is open for all  $a \in X$ . It follows that if  $X$  is a vector space and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a set of subsets of  $X$  each of which contains 0, then there is at most one topology for  $X$  such that  $X$  is a topological vector space for which  $\mathcal{B}$  is a local basis at 0. In other words, the topology of a topological vector space is determined by specifying a local basis at 0. A topological vector space  $X$  is said to be *locally convex* if there is a local basis at 0 whose elements are convex sets.

If  $X$  is a vector space and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a set of seminorms on  $X$ , we say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a *separating family* if  $x \neq 0$  implies that there is some  $m \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $m(x) \neq 0$ . (Thus, if  $m$  is a seminorm on  $X$ , the singleton  $\{m\}$  is a separating family if and only if  $m$  is a norm.) The following theorem presents a local basis at 0

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<sup>1</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 11, Theorem 1.12.

for a topology and shows that there is a topology for which the vector space is a locally convex space and for which this is a local basis at 0.<sup>2</sup> We call this topology the *seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$* .

**Theorem 1** (Seminorm topology). *If  $X$  is a vector space and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a separating family of seminorms on  $X$ , then there is a topology  $\tau$  on  $X$  such that  $(X, \tau)$  is a locally convex space and the collection  $\mathcal{B}$  of finite intersections of sets of the form*

$$B_{m,\epsilon} = \{x \in X : m(x) < \epsilon\}, \quad m \in \mathcal{F}, \epsilon > 0$$

*is a local basis at 0.*

*Proof.* We define  $\tau$  to be those subsets  $U$  of  $X$  such that for all  $x \in U$  there is some  $N \in \mathcal{B}$  satisfying  $x + N \subseteq U$ . If  $\mathcal{U}$  is a subset of  $\tau$  and  $x \in \bigcup_{U \in \mathcal{U}} U$ , then there is some  $U_0 \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $x \in U_0$ , and there is some  $N_0 \in \mathcal{B}$  satisfying  $x + N_0 \subseteq U_0$ . We have

$$x + N_0 \subseteq U_0 \subseteq \bigcup_{U \in \mathcal{U}} U,$$

which tells us that  $\bigcup_{U \in \mathcal{U}} U \in \tau$ . If  $U_1, \dots, U_n \in \tau$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k$ , then there are  $N_1, \dots, N_n \in \mathcal{B}$  satisfying  $x + N_k \subseteq U_k$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . But the intersection of finitely many elements of  $\mathcal{B}$  is itself an element of  $\mathcal{B}$ , so  $N = \bigcap_{k=1}^n N_k \in \mathcal{B}$ , and

$$x + N \subseteq \bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k,$$

showing that  $\bigcap_{k=1}^n U_k \in \tau$ . Therefore,  $\tau$  is a topology.

Suppose that  $x \in X$ . For  $y \neq x$ , let  $m_y \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $\epsilon_y = m_y(x - y) \neq 0$ ; there is such a seminorm because  $\mathcal{F}$  is a separating family. Then  $U_y = y + B_{m_y, \epsilon_y}$  is an open set that contains  $y$  and does not contain  $x$ . Therefore  $X \setminus U_y$  is a closed set that contains  $x$  and does not contain  $y$ , and

$$\bigcap_{y \neq x} X \setminus U_y = \{x\}$$

is a closed set, showing that singletons are closed.

Let  $x, y \in X$  and  $N \in \mathcal{B}$ . There are  $m_k \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\epsilon_k > 0$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , such that  $N = \bigcap_{k=1}^n B_{m_k, \epsilon_k}$ . Let  $U = \bigcap_{k=1}^n B_{m_k, \epsilon_k/2}$ . If  $v \in (x + U) + (y + U)$  and  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , then there are  $x_k \in B_{m_k, \epsilon_k/2}$  and  $y_k \in B_{m_k, \epsilon_k/2}$  such that  $v = x + x_k + y + y_k$ , and

$$m_k(v - (x + y)) = m_k(x_k + y_k) \leq m_k(x_k) + m_k(y_k) < \frac{\epsilon_k}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_k}{2} = \epsilon_k,$$

so  $v \in x + y + B_{m_k, \epsilon_k}$ . This is true for each  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , so  $v \in x + y + N$ . Hence

$$(x + U) + (y + U) \subseteq x + y + N,$$

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<sup>2</sup>Paul Garrett, *Seminorms and locally convex spaces*, [http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes\\_2012-13/07b\\_seminorms.pdf](http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes_2012-13/07b_seminorms.pdf)

showing that vector addition is continuous at  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ : for every basic open neighborhood  $x + y + N$  of the image  $x + y$ , there is an open neighborhood  $(x + U) \times (y + U)$  of  $(x, y)$  whose image under vector addition is contained in  $x + y + N$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $x \in X$ , and  $N \in \mathcal{B}$ , say  $N = \bigcap_{k=1}^n B_{m_k, \epsilon_k}$ . Let  $\epsilon = \min\{\epsilon_k : 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ , let  $\delta > 0$  be small enough so that  $\delta(\delta + |\alpha| + m_k(x)) < \epsilon$  for each  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , let  $\Delta = \{\beta \in \mathbb{C} : |\beta - \alpha| < \delta\}$ , and let  $U = \bigcap_{k=1}^n B_{m_k, \delta}$ . If  $(\beta, v) \in \Delta \times (x + U)$  and  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} m_k(\beta v - \alpha x) &= m_k(\beta v - \beta x + \beta x - \alpha x) \\ &\leq m_k(\beta(v - x)) + m_k((\beta - \alpha)x) \\ &= |\beta| m_k(v - x) + |\beta - \alpha| m_k(x) \\ &< (\delta + |\alpha|) \delta + \delta m_k(x) \\ &= \delta(\delta + |\alpha| + m_k(x)) \\ &< \epsilon \\ &\leq \epsilon_k, \end{aligned}$$

showing that  $\beta v \in \alpha x + B_{m_k, \epsilon_k}$ . This is true for each  $k$ , so  $\beta v \in N$ , which shows that scalar multiplication is continuous at  $(\alpha, x)$ : for every basic open neighborhood  $\alpha x + N$  of the image  $\alpha x$ , there is an open neighborhood  $\Delta \times (x + U)$  of  $(\alpha, x)$  whose image under scalar multiplication is contained in  $\alpha x + N$ .

We have shown that  $X$  with the topology  $\tau$  is a topological vector space. To show that  $X$  is a locally convex space it suffices to prove that each element of the local basis  $\mathcal{B}$  is convex. An intersection of convex sets is a convex set, so to prove that each element of  $\mathcal{B}$  is convex it suffices to prove that each  $B_{m, \epsilon}$  is convex,  $m \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . If  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  and  $x, y \in B_{m, \epsilon}$ , then

$$m(tx + (1-t)y) \leq m(tx) + m((1-t)y) = tm(x) + (1-t)m(y) < t\epsilon + (1-t)\epsilon = \epsilon,$$

showing that  $tx + (1-t)y \in B_{m, \epsilon}$  and thus that  $B_{m, \epsilon}$  is a convex set. Therefore,  $(X, \tau)$  is a locally convex space.  $\square$

In the other direction, we will now explain how the topology of a locally convex space is induced by a separating family of seminorms. We say that a subset  $S$  of a vector space  $X$  is *absorbing* if  $x \in X$  implies that there is some  $t > 0$  such that  $x \in tS$ . The *Minkowski functional*  $\mu_S : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  of an absorbing set  $S$  is defined by

$$\mu_S(x) = \inf\{t \geq 0 : x \in tS\}, \quad x \in X.$$

If  $U$  is an open set containing 0 and  $x \in X$ , then  $0 \cdot x = 0 \in U$ , and because scalar multiplication is continuous there is some  $t > 0$  such that  $tx \in U$ . Thus an open set containing 0 is absorbing. We say that a subset  $S$  of a vector space  $X$  is *balanced* if  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  implies that  $\alpha S \subseteq S$ . One proves that in a topological vector space, every convex open neighborhood of 0 contains a balanced convex

open neighborhood of 0.<sup>3</sup> It follows that a locally convex space has a local basis at 0 whose elements are balanced convex open sets. The following lemma shows that the Minkowski functional of each member of this local basis is a seminorm.

**Lemma 2.** *If  $X$  is a topological vector space and  $U$  is a balanced convex open neighborhood of 0, then the Minkowski functional of  $U$  is a seminorm on  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x \in X$ . If  $\alpha = 0$ , then

$$\mu_U(\alpha x) = \mu_U(0) = 0 = |\alpha| \mu_U(x).$$

Otherwise, write  $\alpha = ru$  with  $r > 0$  and  $|u| = 1$ . Because  $U$  is balanced and  $|u^{-1}| = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_U(\alpha x) &= \inf\{t \geq 0 : \alpha x \in tU\} \\ &= \inf\{t \geq 0 : ru x \in tU\} \\ &= \inf\{t \geq 0 : x \in r^{-1}tu^{-1}U\} \\ &= \inf\{t \geq 0 : x \in r^{-1}tU\} \\ &= \inf\{rs \geq 0 : x \in sU\} \\ &= r \inf\{s \geq 0 : x \in sU\} \\ &= r\mu_U(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x \in X$ , then  $\mu_U(\alpha x) = |\alpha| \mu_U(x)$ .

Let  $x, y \in X$ .  $U$  is absorbing, so let  $s = \mu_U(x)$  and  $t = \mu_U(y)$ . If  $\epsilon > 0$  then  $x \in (s + \epsilon)U$  and  $y \in (t + \epsilon)U$ . We have

$$x + y \in (s + \epsilon)U + (t + \epsilon)U = \{(s + \epsilon)u + (t + \epsilon)v : u, v \in U\},$$

and for  $u, v \in U$ , because  $U$  is convex we have

$$s'u + t'v = (s' + t') \left( \frac{s'}{s' + t'}u + \frac{t'}{s' + t'}v \right) \in (s' + t')U,$$

where  $s' = s + \epsilon$  and  $t' = t + \epsilon$ , so

$$x + y \in (s + t + 2\epsilon)U.$$

This is true for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , which means that  $\mu_U(x + y) \leq s + t$ . Therefore

$$\mu_U(x + y) \leq s + t = \mu_U(x) + \mu_U(y),$$

showing that  $\mu_U$  satisfies the triangle inequality and hence that  $\mu_U$  is a seminorm on  $X$ .  $\square$

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<sup>3</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 12, Theorem 1.14.

We proved above that the Minkowski functional of a balanced convex open neighborhood of 0 is a seminorm. The following lemma shows that the collection of Minkowski functionals corresponding to a balanced convex local basis at 0 are a separating family.<sup>4</sup>

**Lemma 3.** *If  $X$  is a topological vector space and  $U$  is a balanced convex open neighborhood of 0, then*

$$U = \{x \in X : \mu_U(x) < 1\}.$$

*If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a local basis at 0 whose elements are balanced and convex, then*

$$\{\mu_U : U \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

*is a separating family of seminorms on  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $U \in \mathcal{B}$ . If  $x \in U$ , then because  $1 \cdot x \in U$  and scalar multiplication is continuous, there is some  $\delta > 0$  and some open neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  such that the image of  $[1 - \delta, 1 + \delta] \times N$  under scalar multiplication is contained in  $U$ . In particular, if  $(1 + \delta)x \in U$  and so  $x \in \frac{1}{1 + \delta}U$ . Thus we have

$$\mu_U(x) = \inf\{t \geq 0 : x \in tU\} \leq \frac{1}{1 + \delta} < 1.$$

Therefore, if  $x \in U$  then  $\mu_U(x) < 1$ . On the other hand, if  $x \in X$  and  $\mu_U(x) < 1$ , then there is some  $t < 1$  such that  $x \in tU$ . As  $U$  is balanced, we have  $x \in U$ . Therefore, if  $\mu_U(x) < 1$  then  $x \in U$ . This establishes that if  $U \in \mathcal{B}$  then

$$U = \{x \in X : \mu_U(x) < 1\}.$$

If  $x \neq 0$ , then because singletons are closed, the set  $X \setminus \{x\}$  is open and contains 0, and thus there is some  $U \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $U \subseteq X \setminus \{x\}$ . Hence  $x \notin U$ , which implies by the first claim that  $\mu_U(x) \geq 1$ . In particular,  $\mu_U(x) \neq 0$ , proving the second claim.  $\square$

If  $X$  is a locally convex space then there is a local basis at 0, call it  $\mathcal{B}$ , whose elements are balanced and convex, and we have established that  $\mathcal{F} = \{\mu_U : U \in \mathcal{B}\}$  is a separating family of seminorms on  $X$ . Therefore by Theorem 1,  $X$  with the seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$  is a locally convex space. The following theorem states that the seminorm topology is equal to the original topology of the space.<sup>5</sup>

**Theorem 4.** *If  $(X, \tau)$  is a locally convex space, then there is a separating family of seminorms on  $X$  such that  $\tau$  is equal to the seminorm topology.*

<sup>4</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 27, Theorem 1.36.

<sup>5</sup>Paul Garrett, *Seminorms and locally convex spaces*, [http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes-2012-13/07b\\_seminorms.pdf](http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes-2012-13/07b_seminorms.pdf)

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a local basis at 0 whose elements are balanced and convex and let  $\mathcal{F} = \{\mu_U : U \in \mathcal{B}\}$ . If  $U \in \mathcal{B}$ , then  $U = \{x \in X : \mu_U(x) < 1\}$ , which is an open neighborhood of 0 in the seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ , and this implies that the seminorm topology is at least as fine as  $\tau$ .

If  $U \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , then

$$\{x \in X : \mu_U(x) < \epsilon\} = \left\{x \in X : \mu_U\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) < 1\right\} = \{\epsilon x \in X : \mu_U(x) < 1\} = \epsilon U.$$

$\epsilon U \in \tau$  and  $0 \in \epsilon U$ , and it follows that  $\tau$  is at least as fine as the seminorm topology. Therefore  $\tau$  is equal to the seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

We have shown that if  $X$  is a vector space and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a separating family of seminorms on  $X$ , then  $X$  with the seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$  is a locally convex space. Furthermore, we have shown that if  $X$  is a locally convex space then there is a separating family  $\mathcal{F}$  of seminorms on  $X$  such that the topology of  $X$  is equal to the seminorm topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ . In other words, the topology of any locally convex space is the seminorm topology induced by some separating family of seminorms on the space.

A subset  $E$  of a topological vector space  $X$  is said to be *bounded* if for every open neighborhood  $N$  of 0 there is some  $s > 0$  such that  $t > s$  implies that  $E \subseteq tN$ .

**Lemma 5.** *If  $X$  is a locally convex space with the seminorm topology induced by a separating family  $\mathcal{F}$  of seminorms on  $X$ , then a subset  $E$  of  $X$  is bounded if and only if each  $m \in \mathcal{F}$  is a bounded function on  $E$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $E$  is bounded and  $m \in \mathcal{F}$ . The set  $U = \{x \in X : m(x) < 1\}$  is an open neighborhood of 0, so there is some  $t > 0$  such that  $E \subseteq tU$ . Hence if  $x \in E$  then  $m(x) < t$ , so  $m$  is a bounded function on  $E$ .

Suppose that for each  $m \in \mathcal{F}$  there is some  $M_m$  such that  $x \in E$  implies that  $m(x) \leq M_m$ . If  $U$  is an open neighborhood of 0, then there are  $m_1, \dots, m_n \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n > 0$  such that

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^n \{x \in X : m_k(x) < \epsilon_k\} \subseteq U.$$

Let  $M = \max \left\{ \frac{M_{m_k}}{\epsilon_k} : 1 \leq k \leq n \right\}$ . For  $t > M$ ,

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^n \{tx \in X : m_k(x) < \epsilon_k\} \subseteq tU,$$

i.e.,

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^n \{x \in X : m_k(x) < \epsilon_k t\} \subseteq tU.$$

But if  $x \in E$  and  $1 \leq k \leq n$  then

$$m_k(x) \leq M_{m_k} \leq \epsilon_k M < \epsilon_k t,$$

hence  $x$  is in the above intersection and thus is in  $tU$ . Therefore  $E \subseteq tU$ , showing that  $E$  is bounded.  $\square$

We now prove that if the topology of a locally convex space is induced by a countable separating family of seminorms then the topology is metrizable.

**Theorem 6.** *If  $(X, \tau)$  is a locally convex space with the seminorm topology induced by a countable separating family of seminorms  $\{m_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $c_n$  is a summable nonincreasing sequence of positive numbers, then*

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x - y)}{1 + m_n(x - y)}, \quad x, y \in X,$$

*is a translation invariant metric on  $X$ ,  $\tau$  is equal to the metric topology for  $d$ , and with this metric the open balls centered at 0 are balanced.*

*Proof.* For any  $x, y \in X$  we have

$$d(x, y) < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n < \infty,$$

because the sequence  $c_n$  is summable. It is apparent that  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ .

If  $m$  is any seminorm on  $X$ , then

$$\frac{m(x) + m(y)}{1 + m(x) + m(y)} - \frac{m(x + y)}{1 + m(x + y)} = \frac{m(x) + m(y) - m(x + y)}{(1 + m(x) + m(y))(1 + m(x + y))} \geq 0,$$

so

$$\frac{m(x + y)}{1 + m(x + y)} \leq \frac{m(x) + m(y)}{1 + m(x) + m(y)}.$$

Also, it is straightforward to check that the function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by  $f(a) = \frac{a}{1+a}$  satisfies  $f(a + b) \leq f(a) + f(b)$ . Define  $d_0(x) = d(x, 0)$ . If  $x, y \in X$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_0(x + y) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x + y)}{1 + m_n(x + y)} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x) + m_n(y)}{1 + m_n(x) + m_n(y)} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{1 + m_n(x)} + c_n \frac{m_n(y)}{1 + m_n(y)} \\ &= d_0(x) + d_0(y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(x, z) = d_0(x - y + y - z) \leq d_0(x - y) + d_0(y - z) = d(x, y) + d(y, z),$$

showing that  $d$  satisfies the triangle inequality.

If  $d(x, y) = 0$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x-y)}{1+m_n(x-y)} = 0.$$

As each term is nonnegative, each term must be equal to 0. As each  $c_n$  is positive, this implies that each  $m_n(x-y)$  is equal to 0. But  $\{m_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a separating family so if  $x-y \neq 0$  then there is some  $m_n$  with  $m_n(x-y) \neq 0$ , and this shows that  $x-y=0$ , i.e.  $x=y$ . Therefore  $d$  is a metric on  $X$ .

If  $x_0 \in X$ , then  $d(x+x_0, y+x_0) = d(x, y)$ : the metric  $d$  is translation invariant.

If  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  and  $x \in X$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d_0(\alpha x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(\alpha x)}{1+m_n(\alpha x)} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{|\alpha| m_n(x)}{1+|\alpha| m_n(x)} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{\frac{1}{|\alpha|} + m_n(x)} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{1+m_n(x)} \\ &= d_0(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if  $d(x, 0) < \epsilon$  and  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  then  $d(\alpha x, 0) < \epsilon$ , so the open ball

$$\{x \in X : d(x, 0) < \epsilon\}$$

is balanced.

$(X, \tau)$  has a local basis at 0 whose elements are finite intersections of sets of the form  $\{x \in X : m_n(x) < \epsilon\}$ . Suppose that  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $N$  be large enough so that  $\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} c_n < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ , and let  $M$  be large enough so that  $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{n=1}^N c_n < \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^N \{y \in X : m_n(y) < \frac{\epsilon}{M}\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, 0) &= \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{1+m_n(x)} + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{1+m_n(x)} \\ &< \sum_{n=1}^N c_n m_n(x) + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} c_n \\ &< \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \frac{\epsilon}{M} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &= \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$



This shows that

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^N \left\{ x \in X : m_n(x) < \frac{\epsilon}{M} \right\} \subseteq \{x \in X : d(x, 0) < \epsilon\},$$

and this entails that  $\tau$  is at least as fine as the metric topology induced by  $d$ .

Suppose that  $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $d(x, 0) < c_N \epsilon$ , then of course for each  $n$  we have

$$c_n \frac{m_n(x)}{1 + m_n(x)} < c_N \epsilon,$$

and hence if  $1 \leq n \leq N$  then

$$\frac{m_n(x)}{1 + m_n(x)} < \frac{c_N}{c_n} \epsilon \leq \epsilon,$$

and hence if  $1 \leq n \leq N$  then

$$m_n(x) < \frac{\epsilon}{1 - \epsilon} < 2\epsilon.$$

Therefore,

$$\{x \in X : d(x, 0) < c_N \epsilon\} \subseteq \bigcap_{n=1}^N \{x \in X : m_n(x) < 2\epsilon\}.$$

It follows from this that the metric topology induced by  $d$  is at least as fine as  $\tau$ .  $\square$

If a locally convex space is metrizable with a complete metric, then it is called a *Fréchet space*.

We now prove conditions under which a topological vector space is normable.

**Theorem 7.** *A topological vector space  $(X, \tau)$  is normable if and only if there is a convex bounded open neighborhood of the origin.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $V$  is a convex bounded open neighborhood of 0.  $V$  contains a balanced convex open neighborhood  $U$  of 0,<sup>6</sup> and because  $V$  is bounded so is  $U$ . We define  $\|x\| = \mu_U(x)$ , where  $\mu_U$  is the Minkowski functional of  $U$ . If  $x \neq 0$ , then because  $N = X \setminus \{x\}$  is an open neighborhood of 0 and  $U$  is bounded, there is some  $t > 0$  such that  $U \subseteq tN$ . Hence  $x \notin \frac{1}{t}U$ , i.e.,  $tx \notin U$ . As  $U$  is balanced, by Lemma 3 we get  $\mu_U(tx) \geq 1$ .  $\mu_U$  is a seminorm, so  $\mu_U(x) \geq \frac{1}{t} > 0$ , showing that if  $x \neq 0$  then  $\mu_U(x) > 0$ , and hence that  $\|\cdot\|$  is a norm on  $X$ . Also, we check that

$$\{x \in X : \|x\| < r\} = rU.$$

Because  $U$  is bounded, for any open neighborhood  $N$  of 0 there is some  $t > 0$  such that  $U \subseteq tN$ , hence

$$\left\{ x \in X : \|x\| < \frac{1}{t} \right\} \subseteq N.$$

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<sup>6</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 12, Theorem 1.14.

This implies that the norm topology for  $\|\cdot\|$  is at least as fine as  $\tau$ . And  $\{x \in X : \|x\| < r\} = rU$  is an open set because scalar multiplication is continuous, so  $\tau$  is at least as fine as the norm topology for  $\|\cdot\|$ . Therefore that  $(X, \tau)$  is normable with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ .

In the other direction, if  $\tau$  is the norm topology for some norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $X$ , then

$$U = \{x \in X : \|x\| < 1\}$$

is indeed a convex open neighborhood of the origin. Suppose that  $N$  is an open neighborhood of 0. There is some  $r > 0$  such that

$$\{x \in X : \|x\| < r\} \subseteq N,$$

and thus such that  $U \subseteq \frac{1}{r}N$ , and hence  $U$  is bounded, showing that there exists a convex bounded open neighborhood of the origin.  $\square$

A topological vector space is called *locally bounded* if there is a bounded open neighborhood of the origin. A topological vector space is said to have the *Heine-Borel property* if every closed and bounded subset of it is compact.

**Theorem 8.** *If  $X$  is a topological vector space that is locally bounded and has the Heine-Borel property, then  $X$  has finite dimension.*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be a bounded neighborhood of 0. It is a fact that the closure of a bounded set is itself bounded,<sup>7</sup> and therefore  $\overline{V}$  is compact. For any  $x \in X$ , the set  $x + \overline{V}$  is a compact neighborhood of  $x$ , hence  $X$  is locally compact. But a locally compact topological vector space is finite dimensional,<sup>8</sup> so  $X$  is finite dimensional.  $\square$

### 3 Continuous functions on the unit disc

Let  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , the open unit disc. Let  $C(D)$  be the set of continuous functions  $D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .  $C(D)$  is a complex vector space. If  $K$  is a compact subset of  $D$ , define

$$\nu_K(f) = \sup\{|f(z)| : z \in K\}, \quad f \in C(D).$$

It is straightforward to check that  $\nu_K$  is a seminorm on  $C(D)$ . If  $f \in C(D)$  is nonzero then there is some  $z \in D$  with  $f(z) \neq 0$ , and hence  $\nu_{\{z\}}(f) = |f(z)| > 0$ , so the set of all  $\nu_K$  is a separating family of seminorms on  $C(D)$ . Thus,  $C(D)$  with the seminorm topology induced by the set of all  $\nu_K$  is a locally convex space.

Define  $K_n = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1 - \frac{1}{n}\}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . If  $K$  is a compact subset of  $D$ , then there is some  $n$  with  $K \subseteq K_n$ , so  $\nu_K(f) \leq \nu_{K_n}(f)$ , and hence

$$\{f \in C(D) : \nu_{K_n}(f) < \epsilon\} \subseteq \{f \in C(D) : \nu_K(f) < \epsilon\}.$$

<sup>7</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 11, Theorem 1.13(f).

<sup>8</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 17, Theorem 1.22.

It follows that the seminorm topology induced by  $\{\nu_{K_n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is at least as fine as the seminorm topology induced by  $\{\nu_K : K \text{ is compact}\}$ , thus the topologies are equal. Because the topology of  $C(D)$  is induced by the countable family  $\{\nu_{K_n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , by Theorem 6 it is metrizable: for any summable nonincreasing sequence of positive real numbers  $c_n$ , the topology is induced by the metric

$$d(f, g) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \frac{\nu_{K_n}(f - g)}{1 + \nu_{K_n}(f - g)}, \quad f, g \in C(D). \quad (1)$$

Suppose that  $f_i \in C(D)$  is a Cauchy sequence. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the fact that  $f_i$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $C(D)$  implies that  $\nu_{K_n}(f_i - f_j) \rightarrow 0$  as  $i, j \rightarrow \infty$ .  $C(K_n)$  is a Banach space with the norm  $\nu_{K_n}$ , and hence there is some  $f_{K_n} \in C(K_n)$  satisfying  $\nu_{K_n}(f_i - f_{K_n}) \rightarrow 0$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ . We define  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  to be  $f_{K_n}(z)$ , for  $z \in K_n$ ; this makes sense because the restriction of  $f_{K_n}$  to  $K_m$  is  $f_{K_m}$  if  $n \geq m$ .  $f$  is continuous at each point in  $D$  because for each point in  $D$  there is some  $K_n$  containing an open neighborhood of the point, and  $f_{K_n}$  is continuous. Hence  $f \in C(D)$ . Therefore  $C(D)$  with the metric (1) is a complete metric space, which means that it is a Fréchet space.

**Theorem 9.** *The topology of  $C(D)$  is not induced by a norm.*

*Proof.* Because the topology of  $C(D)$  is the seminorm topology induced by the separating family of seminorms  $\{\nu_{K_n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , by Lemma 5 a subset  $E$  of  $C(D)$  is bounded if and only if each  $\nu_{K_n}$  is a bounded function on  $E$ , i.e., for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there is some  $M_n$  such that  $f \in E$  implies  $\nu_{K_n}(f) \leq M_n$ .

Suppose by contradiction that there is a bounded convex open neighborhood  $V$  of the origin. Because  $\nu_{K_n}(f) \leq \nu_{K_{n+1}}(f)$  for any  $f \in C(D)$ , there is some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$U = \{f \in C(D) : \nu_{K_N}(f) < \epsilon\} \subseteq V.$$

$V$  being bounded implies that  $U$  is bounded. Let

$$\Delta_1 = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1 - \frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{N(N+1)} \right\}, \quad \Delta_2 = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 - \frac{1}{N} < |z| < 1 \right\},$$

and let  $\phi_1, \phi_2$  be a partition of unity subordinate to this open cover of  $D$ . For any constant  $M > 0$ , the restriction of  $M\phi_2$  to  $K_N$  is 0 and hence belongs to  $U$ . But  $\nu_{K_{N+1}}(M\phi_2) = M$ , so  $\nu_{K_{N+1}}$  is not a bounded function on  $U$ , contradicting that  $U$  is bounded. Therefore, there is no bounded convex open neighborhood of 0. By Theorem 7, this tells us that  $C(D)$  is not normable.  $\square$

For each  $n$ , the set  $C(K_n)$  is a Banach space with norm  $\nu_{K_n}$ . If  $n \geq m$  and  $f \in C(K_n)$ , let  $r_{n,m}(f)$  be the restriction of  $f$  to  $K_m$ . For  $n \geq m$ , the function  $r_{n,m}$  is a continuous linear map  $C(K_n) \rightarrow C(K_m)$ , and if  $n \geq m \geq l$  then  $r_{n,l} = r_{m,l} \circ r_{n,m}$ . Thus the Banach spaces  $C(K_n)$  and the maps  $r_{n,m}$  are a *projective system* in the category of locally convex spaces, and it is a fact that any projective system in this category has a projective limit that is unique up to unique isomorphism.

**Theorem 10.**  $C(D) = \varprojlim C(K_n)$ .

*Proof.* Define  $r_n : C(D) \rightarrow C(K_n)$  by taking  $r_n(f)$  to be the restriction of  $f$  to  $K_n$ . Each  $r_n$  is continuous and linear. Certainly, if  $n \geq m$  then  $r_m = r_{n,m} \circ r_n$ . Suppose the  $Y$  is a locally convex space, that  $\phi_n : Y \rightarrow C(K_n)$  are continuous linear maps, and that if  $n \geq m$  then

$$\phi_m = r_{n,m} \circ \phi_n. \quad (2)$$

If  $z \in K_m$  and  $n \geq m$ , then by (2) we have  $\phi_n(y)(z) = \phi_m(y)(z)$ . For  $z \in D$ , eventually  $z \in K_n$ , and define  $\phi(y)(z)$  to be  $\phi_n(y)(z)$  for any  $n$  such that  $z \in K_n$ . For each  $z \in D$  there is some  $n$  such that  $z$  is in the interior of  $K_n$ , and the restriction of  $\phi(y)$  to  $K_n$  is equal to  $\phi_n(y)$ , hence  $\phi(y)$  is continuous at  $z$ . Therefore  $\phi(y) \in C(D)$ , so  $\phi : Y \rightarrow C(D)$ .

Suppose that  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . If  $z \in D$ , then there is some  $n$  with  $z \in K_n$ , and because  $\phi_n$  is linear,

$$\phi(\alpha y_1 + y_2)(z) = \phi_n(\alpha y_1 + y_2)(z) = \alpha \phi_n(y_1)(z) + \phi_n(y_2)(z) = \alpha \phi(y_1)(z) + \phi(y_2)(z).$$

Therefore  $\phi$  is linear.

Suppose that  $y_\alpha \in Y$  is a net with limit  $y \in Y$ . For  $\phi(y_\alpha)$  to converge to  $\phi(y)$  means that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\nu_{K_n}(\phi(y_\alpha) - \phi(y)) \rightarrow 0$ . But

$$\nu_{K_n}(\phi(y_\alpha) - \phi(y)) = \nu_{K_n}(\phi_n(y_\alpha) - \phi_n(y)),$$

and  $\phi_n(y_\alpha) \rightarrow \phi_n(y)$  because  $\phi_n$  is continuous. Therefore, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\nu_{K_n}(\phi(y_\alpha) - \phi(y)) \rightarrow 0$ , so  $\phi$  is continuous.  $\square$

We proved in the above theorem that the Fréchet space  $C(D)$  is the projective limit of the Banach spaces  $C(K_n)$ . It is a fact that the projective limit of any projective system of Banach spaces is a Fréchet space.<sup>9</sup>

A topological space is said to be *separable* if it has a countable subset that is dense.

**Theorem 11.**  $C(D)$  is separable.

*Proof.* One proves using the Stone-Weierstrass theorem that the Banach space  $C(K_n)$  is separable. The product of at most continuum many separable Hausdorff spaces each with at least two points is itself separable with the product topology.<sup>10</sup> Therefore,  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} C(K_n)$  is separable. Because each  $C(K_n)$  is a metric space, this countable product  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} C(K_n)$  is metrizable, and any subset of a separable metric space is itself separable with the subspace topology. The projective limit of a projective system of topological vector spaces is a closed subspace of the product of the spaces; thus, using merely that the projective limit is a subset of the product  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} C(K_n)$  and has the subspace topology inherited from the direct product, we get that  $C(D)$  is separable.  $\square$

<sup>9</sup>J. L. Taylor, *Notes on locally convex topological vector spaces*, <http://www.math.utah.edu/~taylor/LCS.pdf>, p. 8, Proposition 2.6, and cf. Paul Garret, *Functions on circles: Fourier series, I*, [http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes\\_2012-13/04\\_bleivi\\_sobolev.pdf](http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes_2012-13/04_bleivi_sobolev.pdf), p. 37, §13.

<sup>10</sup>Stephen Willard, *General Topology*, p. 109, Theorem 16.4.

## 4 Holomorphic functions on the unit disc

Let  $H(D)$  be the set of holomorphic functions  $D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .  $H(D)$  is a linear subspace of  $C(D)$ . Let  $H(D)$  have the subspace topology inherited from  $C(D)$ . One proves that this topology is equal to the seminorm topology induced by  $\{\nu_{K_n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Any subset of a separable metric space with the subspace topology is separable. By Theorem 11 the Fréchet space  $C(D)$  is separable, and thus  $H(D)$  is separable too.

We now prove that  $H(D)$  is a closed subspace of  $C(D)$ .<sup>11</sup> A closed linear subspace of a Fréchet space is itself a Fréchet space, hence this theorem shows that  $H(D)$  is a Fréchet space.

**Theorem 12.**  $H(D)$  is a closed subset of  $C(D)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f_j \in H(D)$  is a net and that  $f_j \rightarrow f \in C(D)$ . We shall show that  $f \in H(D)$ . (In fact it suffices to prove this for a sequence of elements in  $H(D)$  because we have shown that  $C(D)$  is metrizable, but that will not simplify this argument.) To show this we have to prove that if  $z \in D$  then  $\frac{f(z+h)-f(z)}{h}$  has a limit as  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $h \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\gamma$  be a counterclockwise oriented circle contained in  $D$  with center  $z$ , say of radius  $r = \frac{1-|z|}{2} > 0$ . For each  $j$  the function  $f_j$  is holomorphic on  $D$ , and so Cauchy's integral formula gives

$$f_j(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f_j(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta, \quad w \in B_r(z).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} f(w) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta &= f(w) - f_j(w) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f_j(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta \\ &= f(w) - f_j(w) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f_j(\zeta) - f(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\gamma$  is a compact subset of  $D$  this gives us

$$\left| f(w) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta \right| \leq |f(w) - f_j(w)| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot 2\pi r \cdot \frac{\nu_{\gamma}(f_j - f)}{r - |w - z|}.$$

The right-hand side tends to 0, while the left-hand side does not depend on  $j$ . Hence

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - w} d\zeta, \quad w \in B_r(z). \quad (3)$$

Applying (3), we have for  $0 \leq |h| < r$ ,

$$f(z+h) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - (z+h)} d\zeta,$$

<sup>11</sup>Paul Garrett, *Holomorphic vector-valued functions*, [http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes\\_2012-13/08b\\_vv\\_holo.pdf](http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes_2012-13/08b_vv_holo.pdf)

hence

$$\begin{aligned}
f(z+h) - f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - (z+h)} d\zeta - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(\zeta) \left( \frac{1}{\zeta - (z+h)} - \frac{1}{\zeta - z} \right) d\zeta \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(\zeta) \cdot \frac{h}{(\zeta - (z+h))(\zeta - z)} d\zeta,
\end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - (z+h))(\zeta - z)} d\zeta.$$

For  $\zeta \in \gamma$  we have  $\left| \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - (z+h))(\zeta - z)} \right| \leq \frac{\nu_{K_n}(f)}{(r-|h|)^2}$ , and so by the dominated convergence theorem we get

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^2} d\zeta.$$

Thus, for every  $z \in D$ , the function  $f$  is complex differentiable at  $z$ . Hence  $f \in H(D)$ , and therefore  $H(D)$  is a closed subset of  $C(D)$ .  $\square$

We remind ourselves that a topological vector space is said to have the *Heine-Borel property* if every closed and bounded subset of it is compact. Lemma 5 tells us that a subset  $E$  of  $H(D)$  is bounded if and only if each seminorm  $\nu_{K_n}$  is a bounded function on  $E$ . The following theorem states that  $H(D)$  has the Heine-Borel property.<sup>12</sup> An equivalent statement is called *Montel's theorem*.

**Theorem 13** (Heine-Borel property). *The Fréchet space  $H(D)$  has the Heine-Borel property.*

That  $H(D)$  has the Heine-Borel property is a useful tool, and lets us prove that the topology of  $H(D)$  is not induced by a norm.

**Theorem 14.**  *$H(D)$  is not normable.*

*Proof.* If  $H(D)$  were normable then by Theorem 7 there would be a convex bounded open neighborhood of the origin. This would imply that  $H(D)$  is locally bounded (has a bounded open neighborhood of the origin). But  $H(D)$  has the Heine-Borel property, and a topological vector space that is locally bounded and has the Heine-Borel property is finite dimensional by Theorem 8. It is straightforward to check that  $H(D)$  is not finite dimensional, and hence  $H(D)$  is not normable.  $\square$

For  $f \in H(D)$ , let  $(df)(z) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$ . First, if  $f \in H(D)$  then one proves that  $df \in H(D)$ . Then, the following theorem states that  $d : H(D) \rightarrow H(D)$  is a morphism in the category of locally convex spaces.<sup>13</sup>

<sup>12</sup>Henri Cartan, *Elementary Theory of Analytic Functions of One or Several Complex Variables*, pp. 162–167, chapter V, §4.

<sup>13</sup>Henri Cartan, *Elementary Theory of Analytic Functions of One or Several Complex Variables*, p. 143, chapter V, §1.

**Theorem 15.** *Differentiation  $H(D) \rightarrow H(D)$  is a continuous linear map.*

If  $K$  is a compact subset of  $D$  and  $f \in H(D)$ , let  $r_K(f)$  be the restriction of  $f$  to  $K$ , and let  $\overline{H}(K)$  be the closure in  $C(K)$  of the set  $\{r_K(f) : f \in H(D)\}$ . Each element of  $\overline{H}(K)$  is holomorphic on the interior of  $K$ .  $C(K)$  is a Banach space with the norm  $\nu_K$ , and hence  $\overline{H}(K)$  is a Banach space with the same norm, because it is indeed a linear subspace. If  $n \geq m$  and  $f \in \overline{H}(K_n)$ , let  $r_{n,m}(f) = r_{K_m}(f) \in \overline{H}(K_m)$ . The  $r_{n,m}$  are continuous and linear, and if  $n \geq m \geq l$  then  $r_{n,l} = r_{m,l} \circ r_{n,m}$ . Thus the Banach spaces  $\overline{H}(K_n)$  and the continuous linear maps  $r_{n,m}$  are a projective system in the category of locally convex spaces, and this projective system has a projective limit  $\varprojlim \overline{H}(K_n)$ . The following theorem states that this projective limit is equal to the Fréchet space  $H(D)$ .<sup>14</sup>

**Theorem 16.**  $H(D) = \varprojlim \overline{H}(K_n)$ .

## 5 Dual spaces

The *dual* of a topological vector space  $X$  is the set  $X^*$  of continuous linear maps  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . If  $E$  is a bounded subset of  $X$  and  $\lambda \in X^*$ , then  $\lambda(E)$  is a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  (the image of a bounded set under a continuous linear map is a bounded set). Hence

$$p_E(\lambda) = \sup\{|\lambda x| : x \in E\} < \infty.$$

The function  $p_E$  is a seminorm on  $X^*$ , and if  $\lambda \neq 0$  then there is some  $x \in X$  with  $\lambda x \neq 0$ , hence  $p_{\{x\}}(\lambda) > 0$ . The *strong dual topology* on  $X^*$  is the seminorm topology induced by the separating family

$$\{p_E : E \text{ is a bounded subset of } X\}.$$

(To add to our vocabulary: the set of all bounded subsets of a topological vector space is called the *bornology* of the space. Similar to how one can define a topology as a collection of sets satisfying certain properties, one can also define a bornology on a set without first having the structure of a topological vector space.) We denote by  $X_\beta^*$  the dual space  $X^*$  with the strong dual topology.  $X_\beta^*$  is a locally convex space. If  $X$  is a normed space, one can prove<sup>15</sup> that  $X_\beta^*$  is normable with the operator norm

$$\|\lambda\| = \sup\{|\lambda x| : \|x\| \leq 1\}.$$

We say that a topological vector space  $X$  is *reflexive* if  $(X_\beta^*)_\beta^* = X$ ; since the strong dual of a topological vector space is locally convex, for a topological vector space to be reflexive it is necessary that it be locally convex.

<sup>14</sup>J. L. Taylor, *Notes on locally convex topological vector spaces*, <http://www.math.utah.edu/~taylor/LCS.pdf>, p. 8

<sup>15</sup>K. Yosida, *Functional Analysis*, sixth ed., p. 111, Theorem 1.

Let  $X$  be a locally convex space. The Hahn-Banach separation theorem<sup>16</sup> yields that  $X^*$  separates  $X$ : if  $x \neq 0$  then there is some  $\lambda \in X^*$  with  $\lambda x \neq 0$ . If  $\lambda \in X^*$ , then  $|\lambda|$  is a seminorm on  $X$  and  $\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in X^*\}$  is therefore a separating family of seminorms on  $X$ . We call the seminorm topology induced by this separating family the *weak topology on  $X$* , and  $X$  with the weak topology is a locally convex space. The original topology on  $X$  is at least as fine as the weak topology on  $X$ : any set that is open using the weak topology is open using the original topology.

The following lemma shows that a Fréchet space with the Heine-Borel property is reflexive, and therefore that  $H(D)$  is reflexive.

**Lemma 17.** *If a Fréchet space has the Heine-Borel property, then it is reflexive.*

*Proof.* A subset of a locally convex space is called a *barrel* if it is closed, convex, balanced, and absorbing. A locally convex space is said to be *barreled* if each barrel is a neighborhood of 0. It is a fact that every Fréchet space is barreled.<sup>17</sup> A locally convex space is reflexive if and only if it is barreled and if every set that is closed, convex, balanced, and bounded is weakly compact.<sup>18</sup> Therefore, for a Fréchet space with the Heine-Borel property to be reflexive it is necessary and sufficient that every set that is compact, convex, and balanced be weakly compact. But if a subset of a locally convex space is compact then it is weakly compact, because the original topology is at least as fine as the weak topology and hence any cover of a set by elements of the weak topology is also a cover of the set by elements of the original topology. Therefore, any Fréchet space with the Heine-Borel property is reflexive.  $\square$

Morphisms in the category of locally convex spaces are continuous linear maps. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are locally convex spaces and  $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$  is a morphism, the *dual of  $\phi$*  is the morphism

$$\phi^* : Y_\beta^* \rightarrow X_\beta^*$$

defined by

$$\phi^*(\lambda) = \lambda \circ \phi, \quad \lambda \in Y_\beta^*.$$

One verifies that  $\phi^*$  is in fact a morphism. If the spaces  $X_j$  and the morphisms  $\phi_{i,j} : X_i \rightarrow X_j$ ,  $i \geq j$ , are a projective system in the category of locally convex spaces, then the dual spaces  $(X_j)_\beta^*$  and the morphisms  $\phi_{i,j}^* : (X_j)_\beta^* \rightarrow (X_i)_\beta^*$ ,  $i \geq j$ , are a *direct system* in this category. It is a fact that the dual of a projective limit of Banach spaces is isomorphic to the direct limit of the duals of the Banach spaces.<sup>19</sup> Thus, as  $H(D)$  is the projective limit of the Banach spaces  $\overline{H}(K_n)$ , its dual space  $H^*(D) = (H(D))_\beta^*$  is isomorphic to the direct limit of the duals of these Banach spaces:

$$H^*(D) = \varinjlim (\overline{H}(K_n))_\beta^*.$$

<sup>16</sup>Walter Rudin, *Functional Analysis*, second ed., p. 59, Theorem 3.4.

<sup>17</sup>K. Yosida, *Functional Analysis*, sixth ed., p. 138, Corollary 1.

<sup>18</sup>K. Yosida, *Functional Analysis*, sixth ed., p. 140, Theorem 2.

<sup>19</sup>Paul Garrett, *Functions on circles: Fourier series, I*, [http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes\\_2012-13/04\\_bleivi\\_sobolev.pdf](http://www.math.umn.edu/~garrett/m/fun/notes_2012-13/04_bleivi_sobolev.pdf), p. 15, Theorem 5.1.1.



Cooper<sup>20</sup> shows that  $H^*(D)$  is isomorphic to the space of germs of functions on the complement of  $D$  in the extended complex plane that vanish at infinity. Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be those sequences  $a \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  satisfying

$$\limsup |a_n|^{1/n} \leq 1.$$

By Hadamard's formula for the radius of convergence of a power series, these are precisely the sequences of coefficients of power series with radius of convergence  $\geq 1$ , and  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a complex vector space. The map

$$a \mapsto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

is linear and has the linear inverse

$$f \mapsto \left( \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} \right),$$

so  $H(D)$  and  $\mathfrak{A}$  are linearly isomorphic. For  $0 < r < 1$ , define

$$q_r(a) = \max\{|a_n| r^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

Each  $q_r$  is a norm, yet we do not give  $\mathfrak{A}$  the norm topology. Rather, we give  $\mathfrak{A}$  the seminorm topology induced by the family  $\{q_r : 0 < r < 1\}$ , and with this topology  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a locally convex space. One proves that the above two linear maps are continuous, and hence that  $H(D)$  is isomorphic as a locally convex space to  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then, one proves that the dual space of  $\mathfrak{A}$  are those sequences  $b \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$\limsup |b_n|^{1/n} < 1,$$

and  $b$  corresponds to

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \left( \frac{1}{z} \right)^{n+1}.$$

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<sup>20</sup>J. B. Cooper, *Functional analysis– spaces of holomorphic functions and their duality*, <http://www.dynamics-approx.jku.at/lena/Cooper/holloc.pdf>, p. 11, §5.