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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-

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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  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a sequence  $\{a_m\}$ ,  $a_m \in E'$ ,  $|a_m| \leq \beta + \varepsilon$ ,  $|a_m| \rightarrow 0$  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  $\{b_m\} \subset E_V'$ , where  $b_m = \sqrt{\alpha_m} a_m$ .  $W$  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

$$r_U(x) \leq \sup \alpha_m |a_m(x)| = \sup \sqrt{\alpha_m} |l_m(x)|$$

and  $r_W(l_m) \leq 1$ .

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  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $A^0$  is  $\tau$ - $(S)$ -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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