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# Weighted Spaces of Holomorphic Functions on Banach Spaces and the Approximation Property

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Abstract: In this paper, we study the linearization theorem for the weighted space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ of holomorphic functions defined on an open subset U of a Banach space E with values in a Banach space F. After having introduced a locally convex topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  on the space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , we show that  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U; F), \tau_{\mathcal{M}})$  is topologically isomorphic to  $(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F), \tau_c)$ where  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  is the predual of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  consisting of all linear functionals whose restrictions to the closed unit ball of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  are continuous for the compact open topology  $\tau_0$ . Finally, these results have been used in characterizing the approximation property for the space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  and its predual for a suitably restricted weight w.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Approximation properties for various classes of holomorphic functions have been studied earlier by using linearization techniques in [6], [7], [8], [18], etc. If E and F are Banach spaces and U is an open subset of E, then the linearization results help in identifying a given class of holomorphic functions defined on Uwith values in F, with the space of continuous linear mappings from a certain Banach space G to F; indeed, a holomorphic mapping is being identified with a linear operator through linearization results. This study for various classes of holomorphic mappings have been carried out by Beltran [2], Galindo, Garcia and Maestre [11], Mazet [17], Mujica [18, 19, 20] and several other mathematicians.

On the other hand, whereas the weighted spaces of holomorphic functions defined on an open subset of the finite dimensional space  $\mathbb{C}^N$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  (set of natural numbers) have been investigated in [3], [4], [5], [24], etc., the infinite dimensional case was considered by Garcia, Maestre and Rueda [12], Jorda [15], Rueda [25]. The present paper is an attempt to study approximation

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properties for weighted spaces of holomorphic mappings. Indeed, after having given preliminaries in Section 2, we prove in Section 3 a linearization theorem for the weighted space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  of holomorphic functions defined on U with values in F. As an application of this result, we show that E is topologically isomorphic to a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  for those weights w for which  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  contains all the polynomials. In case of a weight being given by an entire function with positive coefficients, we also obtain estimates for the norm of the topological isomorphism.

In Section 4 we define a locally convex topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  on the space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ and show the topological isomorphism between the spaces  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U; F), \tau_{\mathcal{M}})$  and  $(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F), \tau_c)$  for a weight w on an open set U.

Finally, in Section 5 we consider the applications of results proved in Sections 3 and 4 to obtain characterizations of the approximation property for the space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  and its predual  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ ; for instance, we prove that  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  has the approximation property if and only if it satisfies the holomorphic analogue of Theorem 2.4(iv), *i.e.*, for any Banach space F, each mapping in  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ with relatively compact range belongs to the  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -closure of the subspace of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  consisting of finite dimensional holomorphic mappings. Besides, it is proved that for a suitably restricted w and U,  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  has the approximation property if and only if E has the approximation property.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, the symbols  $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  respectively denote the set of natural numbers,  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and the complex plane. The letters E and F are used for complex Banach spaces. The symbols E' and  $E^*$  denote respectively the algebraic dual and topological dual of E. We denote by U a non-empty open subset of E; and by  $U_E$  and  $B_E$ , the open and closed unit ball of E. For a locally convex space X, we denote by  $X^*_\beta$  and  $X^*_c$ , the topological dual  $X^*$  of X equipped respectively with the strong topology, i.e., the topology of uniform convergence on all bounded subsets of X, and the compact open topology.

For each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(^{m}E; F)$  is the Banach space of all continuous m-linear mappings from E to F endowed with its natural sup norm. For m=1, we write  $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$  for  $\mathcal{L}(^{m}E; F)$ . A mapping  $P : E \to F$  is said to be a continuous m-homogeneous polynomial if there exists a continuous m-linear map  $A \in$  $\mathcal{L}(^{m}E; F)$  such that

$$P(x) = A(x, \dots, x), \quad x \in E.$$

In this case, we also write  $P = \hat{A}$ . The space of all continuous m-homogeneous polynomials from E to F is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$  which is a Banach space endowed with the sup norm. A continuous polynomial P is a mapping from Einto F which can be represented as a sum  $P = P_0 + P_1 + \cdots + P_k$  with  $P_m \in$  $\mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$  for  $m = 0, 1, \ldots, k$ . The vector space of all continuous polynomials from E into F is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}(E; F)$ .

A polynomial  $P \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$  is said to be of finite type if it is of the form

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \phi_j^m(x) y_j, \quad x \in E,$$

where  $\phi_j \in E^*$  and  $y_j \in F$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq k$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{P}_f(^mE;F)$  the space of finite type polynomials from E into F. A continuous polynomial Pfrom E into F is said to be of finite type if it has a representation as a sum  $P = P_0 + P_1 + \cdots + P_k$  with  $P_m \in \mathcal{P}_f(^mE;F)$  for  $m = 0, 1, \ldots, k$ . The vector space of continuous polynomials of finite type from E into F is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}_f(E;F)$ .

A mapping  $f: U \to F$  is said to be holomorphic, if for each  $\xi \in U$ , there exists a ball  $B(\xi, r)$  with center at  $\xi$  and radius r > 0, contained in U and a sequence  $\{P_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  of polynomials with  $P_m \in \mathcal{P}(^mE; F), m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} P_m(x-\xi),$$
 (2.1)

where the series converges uniformly for  $x \in B(\xi, r)$ . The series in (2.1) is called the Taylor series of f at  $\xi$  and in analogy with complex variable case, it is written as

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \hat{d}^m f(\xi)(x-\xi), \qquad (2.2)$$

where  $P_m = \frac{1}{m!} \hat{d}^m f(\xi)$ .

The space of all holomorphic mappings from U to F is denoted by  $\mathcal{H}(U; F)$ . It is usually endowed with the topology  $\tau_0$  of uniform convergence on compact subsets of U and  $(\mathcal{H}(U; F), \tau_0)$  is a Fréchet space when U is an open subset of a finite dimensional Banach space. In case U = E, the class  $\mathcal{H}(E; F)$  is the space of entire mappings from E into F. For  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , we write  $\mathcal{H}(U)$  for  $\mathcal{H}(U; \mathbb{C})$ . We refer to [1], [9], [19] and [22] for notations and various results on infinite dimensional holomorphy. If  $f \in \mathcal{H}(U; F)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , we write  $S_n f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{1}{m!} \hat{d}^m f(0)(x)$  and  $C_n f(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n S_k f(x)$ . It has been shown in [18] that

$$S_n(f)(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{it}x) D_n(t) dt \text{ and } C_n(f)(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{it}x) K_n(t) dt,$$

where  $D_n(t)$  and  $K_n(t)$  are respectively the Dirichlet and Fejer kernels given as follows:

$$D_n(t) = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \cos kt$$
 and  $K_n(t) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n D_k(t).$ 

A subset A of U is called U-bounded if A is bounded and dist $(A, \partial U) > 0$ , where  $\partial U$  denotes the boundary of U. A mapping f in  $\mathcal{H}(U; F)$  is of bounded type if it maps U-bounded sets to bounded sets. The space of holomorphic mappings of bounded type is denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_b(U; F)$ . The space  $\mathcal{H}_b(U; F)$ endowed with the topology  $\tau_b$ , the topology of uniform convergence on Ubounded sets, is a Fréchet space, cf. [1, p. 81]. For  $U = U_E$ , the following result is quoted from [27].

THEOREM 2.1. If  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence of distinct points in  $U_E$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{dist}(\{x_n\}, \partial U_E) = 0$$

and  $\{u_n\}$  is a sequence of vectors in F then there exists  $f \in \mathcal{H}_b(U_E; F)$  such that

$$f(x_n) = u_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

A weight w on U is a continuous and strictly positive function satisfying

$$0 < \inf_{A} w(x) \le \sup_{A} w(x) < \infty$$
(2.3)

for each U-bounded set A. A weight w defined on an open balanced subset U of E is said to be radial if w(tx) = w(x) for all  $x \in U$  and  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ , with |t| = 1; and on E it is said to be rapidly decreasing if  $\sup_{x \in E} w(x) ||x||^m < \infty$  for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Corresponding to a weight function w, the weighted space of holomorphic functions is defined as

$$\mathcal{H}_w(U;F) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{H}(U;F) : \|f\|_w = \sup_{x \in U} w(x) \|f(x)\| < \infty \right\}.$$

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The space  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U; F), \|\cdot\|_w)$  is a Banach space and  $B_w$  denotes its closed unit ball. For  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , we write  $\mathcal{H}_w(U) = \mathcal{H}_w(U; \mathbb{C})$ . It can be easily seen that the norm topology  $\tau_{\|\cdot\|_w}$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  is finer than the topology induced by  $\tau_0$ . In case,  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ , we have the following result from [12].

PROPOSITION 2.2. The topology  $\tau_{\|\cdot\|_w}$  restricted to  $\mathcal{P}(^m E)$  coincides with the norm topology.

Since the closed unit ball  $B_w$  of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  is  $\tau_0$ -compact by the Ascoli's theorem, the predual of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  is given by

$$\mathcal{G}_w(U) = \left\{ \phi \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)' : \phi | B_w \text{ is } \tau_0 - \text{continuous} \right\}$$

by the Ng Theorem; cf. [23].

Further, we consider the locally convex topology  $\tau_{bc}$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  for which a set  $A \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  is  $\tau_{bc}$  open if and only if  $A \cap B$  is open in  $(B, B|\tau_0)$  for each  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded subset B of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$ . Concerning this topology, we have the following result from [25].

PROPOSITION 2.3. Let U be an open subset of a Banach space E and w be a weight on U. Then

- (i)  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U), \|\cdot\|_w)$  and  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U), \tau_{bc})$  have the same bounded sets.
- (ii)  $\mathcal{G}_w(U) = (\mathcal{H}_w(U), \tau_{bc})^*_{\beta}$ .
- (iii)  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U), \tau_{bc}) = \mathcal{G}_w(U)_c^*$ .

An operator T in  $\mathcal{L}(E; F)$  is said to have a finite rank if the range of T is finite dimensional and, an operator T in  $\mathcal{L}(E; F)$  is called *compact* if  $T(B_E)$ is a relatively compact subset of F. We denote by  $\mathcal{F}(E; F)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(E; F)$ , respectively, the space of all finite rank operators and compact operators from E into F.

A Banach space E is said to have the approximation property if for every compact set K of E and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an operator  $T \in \mathcal{F}(E; E)$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in K} \|T(x) - x\| < \epsilon.$$

The following characterization of the approximation property due to Grothendieck, is given in [16].

THEOREM 2.4. For a Banach space E, the following are equivalent:

- (i) E has the approximation property.
- (ii) For every Banach space F,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(E;F)}^{\tau_c} = \mathcal{L}(E;F)$ .
- (iii) For every Banach space F,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(F;E)}^{\tau_c} = \mathcal{L}(F;E)$ .
- (iv) For every Banach space  $F, \overline{\mathcal{F}(F;E)}^{\|\cdot\|} = \mathcal{K}(F;E).$

PROPOSITION 2.5. Let *E* be a Banach space. Then  $E^*$  has the approximation property if and only if  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(E;F)}^{\parallel \cdot \parallel} = \mathcal{K}(E;F)$ , for every Banach space *F*.

PROPOSITION 2.6. Let E be a Banach space with the approximation property. Then each complemented subspace of E also has the approximation property.

3. Linearization theorem for  $\mathcal{H}_w(U;F)$  and its applications

In this section, we consider the linearization theorem for  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  and some of its applications. Let us begin with

THEOREM 3.1. (Linearization Theorem) For an open subset U of a Banach space E and a weight w on U, there exists a Banach space  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  and a mapping  $\Delta_w \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$  with the following property: for each Banach space F and each mapping  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , there is a unique operator  $T_f \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$  such that  $T_f \circ \Delta_w = f$ . The correspondence  $\Psi$  between  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$  given by

$$\Psi(f) = T_f$$

is an isometric isomorphism. The space  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  is uniquely determined up to an isometric isomorphism by these properties.

*Proof.* Though the proof of this result is similar to the one given in [2], we sketch the same for the sake of completeness.

Let  $B_w$  be the closed unit ball of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$ . Then it is  $\tau_0$ -compact by Ascoli's Theorem. Hence by the Ng's Theorem,  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  is a dual Banach space, its predual being given by

$$\mathcal{G}_w(U) = \{h \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)' : h | B_w \text{ is } \tau_0 \text{-continuous} \}.$$

Further the mapping  $J_U^w : \mathcal{H}_w(U) \to \mathcal{G}_w(U)^*$ ,  $J_U^w(f) = \hat{f}$  with  $\hat{f}(h) = h(f)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  and  $h \in \mathcal{G}_w(U)$ , is an isometric isomorphism.

Now define  $\Delta_w : U \to \mathcal{G}_w(U)$  as  $\Delta_w(x) = \delta_x$ , where  $\delta_x(f) = f(x), f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ .

Since for  $x \in U$  and  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ ,  $J_U^w(f) \circ \Delta_w(x) = J_U^w(f)(\delta_x) = f(x)$  and  $J_U^w(\mathcal{H}_w(U)) = \mathcal{G}_w(U)^*$ ,  $\Delta_w$  is weakly holomorphic and hence holomorphic, cf. [1, p.66]. In order to show that  $\Delta_w \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$ , fix  $x_0 \in U$ . Then for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ ,  $|\delta_{x_0}(f)| = |f(x_0)| \leq \frac{1}{w(x_0)} ||f||_w$  implies  $||\delta_{x_0}|| \leq \frac{1}{w(x_0)}$ . Hence  $||\Delta_w||_w = \sup_{x \in U} w(x)||\delta_x|| \leq 1$ . Consequently,  $\Delta_w \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$ .

Corresponding to f in  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , we now define  $T_f$ . For the case  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , define  $T_f = J_U^w(f)$ . Then  $T_f \circ \Delta_w(f) = f$  and  $||T_f|| = ||f||_w$ .

In case of an arbitrary Banach space F, we first define  $T_f : \mathcal{G}_w(U) \to F^{**}$ as

$$T_f(h)(\phi) = h(\phi \circ f), \quad h \in \mathcal{G}_w(U), \ \phi \in F^*$$

Note that  $T_f$  is, indeed, *F*-valued; for  $T_f(\delta_x) = f(x) \in F$  and  $\overline{span}\{\delta_x : x \in U\} = \mathcal{G}_w(U)$ . Further,

$$||f||_{w} = \sup_{x \in U} w(x) ||f(x)|| = \sup_{x \in U} w(x) ||T_{f}(\delta_{x})|| \le ||T_{f}||$$

and

$$||T_f(h)(\phi)|| \le ||h|| ||\phi|| ||f||_w, \quad h \in \mathcal{G}_w(U), \ \phi \in F^*.$$

Thus  $||T_f|| = ||f||_w$  and  $\Psi$  is an isometric isomorphism.

Remark 3.2. If  $(w\Delta_w)(x) = w(x)\Delta_w(x), x \in U$ , then

$$J_U^w(B_w) = \left\{ (w\Delta_w)(x) : x \in U \right\}^\circ.$$

Consequently,  $(J_U^w(B_w))^\circ = B_{\mathcal{G}_w(U)} = \overline{\Gamma}\{(w\Delta_w)(x) : x \in U\}$ , where  $\overline{\Gamma}(A)$  denotes the absolutely convex closed hull of A.

In case the weight w is given by an entire function  $\gamma$  with positive coefficients, i.e.,  $w(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma(||x||)}, x \in E$ , we write  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}$  for  $\mathcal{H}_{w}$ ; and the above linearization theorem takes the following form:

THEOREM 3.3. Let  $\gamma$  be an entire function with positive coefficients. Then for an open subset U of a Banach space E and weight  $w, w(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma(||x||)}, x \in$ U, there exists a Banach space  $G_{\gamma}(U)$  and a mapping  $\Delta_{\gamma} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(U; G_{\gamma}(U))$ ,  $\|\Delta_{\gamma}\| = 1$  with the following property: for each Banach space F and each mapping  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(U; F)$ , there is a unique operator  $T_f \in \mathcal{L}(G_{\gamma}(U); F)$  such that  $T_f \circ \Delta_{\gamma} = f$ . The correspondence  $\Psi$  between  $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(U; F)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(G_{\gamma}(U); F)$  given by

$$\Psi(f) = T_f$$

is an isometric isomorphism. The space  $G_{\gamma}(U)$  is uniquely determined up to an isometric isomorphism by these properties.

*Proof.* It suffices to prove here that  $\|\Delta_{\gamma}\| = 1$ . Let  $\gamma(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  with  $a_n > 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Fix  $x_0 \in E$ . Choose  $\phi \in E^*$  with  $\|\phi\| = 1$  and  $|\phi(x_0)| = \|x_0\|$ . Define  $f: E \to \mathbb{C}$  as

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \phi^n(x), \quad x \in E.$$

Clearly,  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(E)$  and  $||f||_{\gamma} \leq 1$ . Since  $|f(x_0)| = \gamma(||x_0||)$ , we have

$$\|\delta_{x_0}\| = \sup_{\|h\|_{\gamma} \le 1} |h(x_0)| = \gamma(\|x_0\|).$$

Thus  $\|\Delta_{\gamma}\| = 1$ .

Before we consider the applications of the above linearization theorem, let us prove results related to the inclusion of polynomials in the weighted space of holomorphic mappings.

PROPOSITION 3.4. Let w be a weight defined on an open subset U of a Banach space E. Then, for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $\mathcal{P}(^{m}E;F) \subset \mathcal{H}_{w}(U;F)$  for each Banach space F.
- (b)  $\mathcal{P}(^{m}E) \subset \mathcal{H}_{w}(U).$

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Immediate.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Consider  $Q \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$ . For  $x \in U$ , choose  $\phi_x \in F^*$  such that  $\|\phi_x\| = 1$  and  $\phi_x(Q(x)) = \|Q(x)\|$ . Write  $A = \{\phi_x \circ Q : x \in U\}$ . Then A is a  $\|\cdot\|$ -bounded subset of  $\mathcal{P}(^{m}E)$  since  $\|\phi_x \circ Q\| \leq \|Q\|$ . Hence by Proposition 2.2, A is  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded. Consequently,

$$||Q||_{w} = \sup_{x \in U} w(x) |\phi_{x}(Q(x))| \le \sup_{x \in U} \sup_{y \in U} w(y) |\phi_{x}(Q(y))| < \infty.$$

Thus  $Q \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  and (a) follows.

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let w be a weight on an open subset U of a Banach space E. Then

- (a) If U is bounded,  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  if and only if w is bounded.
- (b) For U = E,  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(E)$  if and only if w is rapidly decreasing.

*Proof.* (a) Since constant functions are in  $\mathcal{P}(E)$ , the proof follows. (b) This is a particular case of a result proved in [12, p. 6], by taking the family V consisting of a single weight.

In the remaining part of this section, we consider weights w defined on an open subset U of E so that the space  $\mathcal{P}(E, F)$  is contained in  $\mathcal{H}_w(U, F)$ , for which it suffices to consider the scalar case in view of Proposition 3.4.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let w be a weight defined on an open subset U of a Banach space E such that  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ . Then E is topologically isomorphic to a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ .

*Proof.* Since the inclusion map I from U to E is a member of  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; E)$ , by Theorem 3.1, there exists  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); E)$  and  $\Delta_w \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$  such that

$$T \circ \Delta_w(x) = I_w(x) = x, \ x \in U.$$

Fix  $a \in U$  and write  $S = d^1 \Delta_w(a)$ . Note that  $S \in \mathcal{L}(E; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$ . Further, by Cauchy's integral formula,

$$S(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=r} \frac{\Delta_w(a+\zeta t)}{\zeta^2} d\zeta, \quad t \in E,$$

where r > 0 is chosen so that  $\{a + \zeta t : |\zeta| \le r\} \subset U$ . Now

$$T \circ S(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=r} \frac{(a+\zeta t)}{\zeta^2} d\zeta = t, \quad t \in E.$$

This gives  $||S(t)|| \ge \frac{1}{||T||} ||t||$  and so, S is injective and  $S^{-1}$  is continuous.

Define  $P = S \circ T$ . Then P is a projection map from  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  into itself. Also  $S(E) = P(\mathcal{G}_w(U))$ . Hence S is a topological isomorphism between E and a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ .

For the weight w as considered in Theorem 3.3, we have

PROPOSITION 3.7. Let  $\gamma$  be an entire function with positive coefficients and  $t_0$  be a positive real satisfying the equation  $\gamma(t) = t\gamma'(t)$ . Assume that U is an open subset of a Banach space E for which  $\{x \in E : ||x|| \le t_0\} \subset U$ . Then there exists a topological isomorphism S between E and a complemented subspace of  $G_{\gamma}(U)$  with  $||S|| = \frac{\gamma(t_0)}{t_0}$ .

*Proof.* Since the weight given by  $\gamma$  is bounded,  $I \in H_{\gamma}(U; E)$ . By Theorem 3.3, there exists  $T \in \mathcal{L}(G_{\gamma}(U); E)$  and  $\Delta_{\gamma} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(U; G_{\gamma}(U))$  such that  $T \circ \Delta_{\gamma} = I$  and  $||T|| = ||I||_{\gamma}$ . But

$$||T|| = ||I||_{\gamma} = \sup_{x \in U} \frac{||x||}{\gamma(||x||)} = \frac{t_0}{\gamma(t_0)}.$$
(3.1)

Writing S for  $d^1 \Delta_{\gamma}(0)$ , by Cauchy's inequality, we get

$$||S|| = ||d^{1}\Delta_{\gamma}(0)|| \le \frac{1}{t_{0}} \sup_{||x||=t_{0}} ||\Delta_{\gamma}(x)|| = \frac{1}{t_{0}} \sup_{||x||=t_{0}} ||\delta_{x}|| = \frac{\gamma(t_{0})}{t_{0}}.$$
 (3.2)

Now proceeding as in the proof of Proposition 3.4, we have

$$T \circ S(t) = t, \quad \forall t \in E.$$

Consequently, by (3.1) and (3.2), we get

$$||t|| = ||T \circ S(t)|| \le \frac{t_0}{\gamma(t_0)} ||S(t)|| \le ||t||, \ t \in E.$$

Hence,

$$|S|| = \frac{\gamma(t_0)}{t_0}.$$

Illustrating the above result, we have

EXAMPLE 3.8. Let  $\gamma(z) = e^{\tau z}$ ,  $\tau > 0$ . One can easily find that  $t_0 = \frac{1}{\tau}$ . In this case  $||I||_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\tau e}$  and  $||S|| = \tau e$ . If  $\tau = \frac{1}{e}$ , S becomes an isometric isomorphism.

For our next result, we make use of the following linearization theorem quoted from [18] and proved by using tensor product techniques for locally convex spaces in [26].

THEOREM 3.9. Let E be a Banach space and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then there exists a Banach space  $Q(^{m}E)$  and a polynomial  $q_m \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E;Q(^{m}E))$  such that for any Banach space F and each polynomial  $P \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E;F)$ , there is a unique operator  $T_P \in \mathcal{L}(Q(^{m}E);F)$  satisfying  $T_P \circ q_m = P$ . The correspondence  $\Phi : \mathcal{P}(^{m}E;F) \to \mathcal{L}(Q(^{m}E);F), \Phi(P) = T_P$  is an isometric isomorphism and the space  $Q(^{m}E)$  is uniquely determined up to an isometric isomorphism.

In the statement of the above result, the space  $Q({}^{m}E)$  is defined as the predual of  $\mathcal{P}({}^{m}E)$ , i.e.,  $\{h \in \mathcal{P}({}^{m}E)' : h | B_{m} \text{ is } \tau_{0}\text{-continuous}\}$ , where  $B_{m}$  is the closed unit ball of  $\mathcal{P}({}^{m}E)$ . The map  $q_{m} : E \to Q({}^{m}E)$  is given by  $q_{m}(x) = \delta_{x}$ , where  $\delta_{x}(P) = P(x), P \in \mathcal{P}({}^{m}E)$  or equivalently  $q_{m}(x) = x \otimes \cdots \otimes x$ , cf. [10, p. 29]. For w and U as in Proposition 3.6, we prove

PROPOSITION 3.10. The space  $Q(^{m}E)$  is topologically isomorphic to a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{G}_{w}(U)$ .

Proof. Consider  $q_m \in \mathcal{P}(^mE; Q(^mE))$ . By Theorem 3.1, there exist  $T_m \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); Q(^mE))$  and  $\Delta_w \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; G_w(U))$  such that  $T_m \circ \Delta_w = q_m$ . Let  $S_m$  be the m-th Taylor series coefficient of  $\Delta_w$  around 'a', .i.e.,  $S_m = \frac{1}{m!} d^m \Delta_w(a)$ . As  $S_m \in \mathcal{P}(^mE; \mathcal{G}_w(U))$ , by Theorem 3.9 there exists  $R_m \in \mathcal{L}(Q(^mE); \mathcal{G}_w(U))$  such that  $R_m \circ q_m = S_m$ . Now,

$$T_m \circ R_m \circ q_m = T_m \circ S_m = \frac{1}{m!} \widehat{d}^m (T_m \circ \Delta_w)(a) = \frac{1}{m!} \widehat{d}^m q_m(a).$$

As  $\overline{span}\{q_m(x) : x \in E\} = Q(^mE)$ , it follows that  $T_m \circ R_m(u) = u, u \in Q(^mE)$ . Let  $P_m = R_m \circ T_m$ . Then  $P_m$  is a projection map from  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  into itself and  $R_m$  is the topological isomorphism between  $Q(^mE)$  and a complemented subspace of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ .

PROPOSITION 3.11. For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a topological isomorphism  $R_m$  between the space  $Q(^mE)$  and a complemented subspace of  $G_{\gamma}(U)$ , for any open subset U of E containing the set  $\{x \in E : ||x|| \leq r_0\}$ ,  $r_0$  being a positive real number satisfying the equation  $r\gamma'(r) - m\gamma(r) = 0$  and  $r_0 > m$ . Further  $||R_m|| = \frac{\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^m}$ .

*Proof.* As  $q_m \in H_{\gamma}(U; Q(^mE))$ , by Theorem 3.3, there exist  $T_m \in \mathcal{L}(G_{\gamma}(U); Q(^mE))$  and  $\Delta_{\gamma} \in \mathcal{H}_{\gamma}(U; G_{\gamma}(U))$  such that  $T_m \circ \Delta_{\gamma} = q_m$ . Since  $\sup_{x \in U} \frac{\|x\|^m}{\gamma(\|x\|)} = \frac{r_0^m}{\gamma(r_0)}$ , we have

$$||q_m||_{\gamma} = ||T_m|| = \frac{r_0^m}{\gamma(r_0)}.$$
(3.3)

Now by Cauchy's inequality, we get

$$\left\|\frac{1}{m!}\widehat{d}^m \Delta_{\gamma}(0)\right\| \le \frac{1}{r_0^m} \sup_{\|x\|=r_0} \|\Delta_{\gamma}(x)\| = \frac{\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^m}.$$

Continuing as in the proof of the above result, we have

$$T_m \circ R_m(u) = u, \quad u \in Q(^m E).$$
(3.4)

By using (3.3) and (3.4), we get

$$||u|| = ||T_m \circ R_m(u)|| \le \frac{r_0^m}{\gamma(r_0)} ||R_m(u)|| \le ||u||$$

for every  $u \in Q(^mE)$ . Thus  $||R_m|| = \frac{\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^m}$ .

Considering the function given in Example 3.8, we have the following, illustrating the above result

EXAMPLE 3.12. If  $\gamma(z) = e^{\tau z}$ ,  $\tau > 0$ , we find  $r_0 = \frac{m}{\tau}$  and, so  $||R_m|| = \frac{\tau^m e^m}{m^m}$ .

Also, by using the same argument as in Proposition 3.11, one can easily check

EXAMPLE 3.13. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $w : U_E \to (0, \infty)$  by  $w(x) = (1 - ||x||)^n$ ,  $x \in U_E$ . Then

$$||R_m|| = (\frac{n}{m+n})^n$$

for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## 4. The topology $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$

In this section we introduce a locally convex topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  of which the particular cases have been considered in [18] and [25]. For a finite set A and r > 0, let us define

$$N(A, r) = \{ f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F) : \inf_{x \in A} w(x) \sup_{y \in A} \| f(y) \| \le r \}.$$

Consider the class

$$\mathcal{U} = \left\{ \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} N(A_j, r_j) : (A_j) \text{ varies over all sequences of finite subsets of } U \text{ and} \\ (r_j) \text{ varies over all positive sequences diverging to infinity} \right\}$$

It can be easily checked that each member of  $\mathcal{U}$  is balanced, convex and absorbing. Thus it forms a fundamental neighborhood system at 0 for a locally convex topology, which we denote by  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ . Equivalently, this topology is generated by the family

$$\left\{p_{\overline{\alpha},\overline{A}}:\overline{\alpha}=(\alpha_j)\in c_0^+,\ \overline{A}=(A_j),\ A_j \text{ being finite subset of } U \text{ for each } j\right\}$$

of seminorms given by

$$p_{\overline{\alpha},\overline{A}}(f) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \Big( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \sup_{y \in A_j} \|f(y)\| \Big).$$

These are the Minkowski functionals of members in  $\mathcal{U}$ . For  $F = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} = \tau_{bc}$ , cf. [25, p. 350].

For our results in the sequel, we make use of the following

LEMMA 4.1. Let M be a compact subset of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ . Then there exist sequences  $\overline{\alpha} = (\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$  and  $\overline{A} = (A_j)$  of finite subsets of U such that

$$M \subset \overline{\Gamma}\Big(\bigcup_{j \ge 1} \Big\{ \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j \Big\} \Big).$$

Proof. Since  $M^{\circ}$  is a  $\tau_c$ -neighborhood of 0 in  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)^*$ , it is  $\tau_{bc}$ -neighborhood of 0 by Proposition 2.3(iii). Consequently, there exist sequences  $(\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$ and  $\overline{A} = (A_j)$  of finite subsets of U such that  $\{f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U) : p_{\overline{\alpha},\overline{A}}(f) \leq 1\}$  $\subset M^{\circ}$ , where  $M^{\circ} = \{f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U) : \sup_{u \in M} | \langle f, u \rangle | \leq 1\}$ . Writing  $B = \bigcup_{j \geq 1} \{\alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j\}$ , we get  $B^{\circ} \subset M^{\circ}$ . Therefore, by the bipolar theorem, we have

$$M \subset \overline{\Gamma}\Big(\bigcup_{j \ge 1} \Big\{ \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j \Big\} \Big).$$

Relating  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  with  $\tau_0$  and  $\tau_{\|.\|_w}$ , and bounded sets with respect to these topologies, we prove

PROPOSITION 4.2. For a weight w on an open subset U of a Banach space E, the following hold:

- (i)  $\tau_0 \leq \tau_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \tau_{\parallel,\parallel_w}$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ .
- (ii)  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded sets are the same.
- (iii)  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}|\mathcal{B} = \tau_0|\mathcal{B}$  for any  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded set  $\mathcal{B}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let K be a compact subset of U. Then by Lemma 4.1, there exist sequences  $(\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$  and  $\overline{A} = (A_j)$  of finite subsets of U such that

$$\Delta_w(K) \subset \overline{\Gamma}\Big(\bigcup_{j \ge 1} \Big\{ \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j \Big\} \Big).$$

Hence, for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , we have

$$\sup_{x \in K} \|f(x)\| = \sup_{x \in K} \|T_f \circ \Delta_w(x)\| \le p_{\overline{\alpha},\overline{A}}(f).$$

Thus  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} \geq \tau_0$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ . The inequality  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \tau_{\|\cdot\|_w}$  clearly holds.

(ii) As every  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded set is  $\tau_M$ -bounded, it suffices to prove the other implication. Assume that there exists a  $\tau_M$ -bounded set A which is not  $\|\cdot\|_w$ bounded. Then for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $f_k \in A$  such that

$$||f_k||_w > k^2.$$

Therefore,  $w(x_k)||f_k(x_k)|| > k^2$  for some sequence  $\{x_k\} \subset U$ . Consider the  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -continuous semi-norm p on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  defined by the sequences  $\{\frac{1}{j}\}$  and  $\{x_j\}$  obtained as above, namely

$$p(f) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{j} w(x_j) \|f(x_j)\|.$$

Then  $p(\frac{f_k}{k}) > 1$ , for each k. This contradicts the  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -boundedness of A as  $\frac{1}{k} \to 0$  and  $\{f_k\} \subset A$ , cf. [14, p. 161].

(iii) Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a bounded set in  $(\mathcal{H}_w(U; F), \|\cdot\|_w)$ . Then there exists a constant M > 0 such that  $\|f\|_w \leq M$ , for every  $f \in \mathcal{B}$ . In order to show that  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} | \mathcal{B} \leq \tau_0 | \mathcal{B}$ , consider a  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -continuous semi-norm p given by

$$p(f) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \sup_{y \in A_j} \|f(y)\| \right), \quad f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F),$$

where  $(\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$  and  $(A_j)$  is a sequence of finite subsets of U. Fix  $\epsilon > 0$  arbitrarily. Then there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\alpha_j < \frac{\epsilon}{2M}, \quad \forall j > k_0.$$

Write  $K = \bigcup_{j \le k_0} A_j$ . Then K is a compact subset of U. For  $f, g \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

$$p(f-g) < \epsilon$$
 whenever  $p_K(f-g) < \delta$ ,

where

$$\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{\|\overline{\alpha}\|_{\infty} \sup_{1 \le j \le k_0} \left(\inf_{x \in A_j} w(x)\right)};$$

indeed

$$\sup_{j \le k_0} \left( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \sup_{y \in A_j} \| (f - g)(y) \| \right) \le \|\overline{\alpha}\|_{\infty} \sup_{1 \le j \le k_0} \left( \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \right) p_K(f - g).$$

This completes the proof as the other implication is obviously true.

Proceeding on the lines similar to [25, Remark 3.32], it can be proved that the topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  may be strictly finer than  $\tau_0$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ . However, for the sake of convenience of the reader, we give

EXAMPLE 4.3. Let E be a Banach space and w be a bounded weight on  $U_E$ . Assume that  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} = \tau_0$  on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U_E; F)$ . Choose a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $U_E$  such that  $||x_n|| \to 1$  and  $\{u_n\}$  in F with  $||u_n|| = n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then by Theorem 2.1, there exists a function  $f \in \mathcal{H}_b(U; F)$  such that

$$f(x_n) = \frac{u_n}{w(x_n)}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Since  $||f||_w = \sup_{x \in U} w(x) ||f(x)|| > n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f \notin \mathcal{H}_w(U_E; F)$ . Consequently, the set

$$A = \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{N} \frac{1}{m!} \ \hat{d}^{m} f(0) : N = 0, 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

is not  $\|\cdot\|_w$  bounded. But the convergence of the series  $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \hat{d}^m f(0)$  to f in  $\tau_0$  topology yields that the set A is  $\tau_0$ -bounded. As  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded sets are the same by Proposition 4.2(ii), it follows that  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} \neq \tau_0$ , i.e.,  $\tau_0 < \tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ .

One can easily establish the following observation which we write as

PROPOSITION 4.4. Let  $(A_j)$  be a sequence of finite sets in E and  $A = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} A_j$ . Then A is bounded if and only if the set  $K = (\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_j A_j) \bigcup \{0\}$  is compact for each  $\overline{\alpha} = (\alpha_j) \in c_0$ .

*Proof.* Immediate.

PROPOSITION 4.5. Let E and F be Banach spaces. For a weight w on an open subset U of E with  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ ,  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  coincides with  $\tau_0$  on  $\mathcal{P}(^mE; F)$  for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Proof.* Let p be a  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -continuous semi-norm on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ . Then there exist sequences  $\overline{\alpha} = (\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$  and  $\overline{A} = (A_j)$  of finite subsets of U such that

$$p(f) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \sup_{y \in A_j} \|f(y)\| \right), \quad f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F).$$

Define  $K = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \left\{ (\alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x))^{\frac{1}{m}} y : y \in A_j \right\} \cup \{0\}$ . For each  $y \in U$ , choose  $\phi_y \in E^*$  with  $\|\phi_y\| = 1$  and  $\phi_y(y) = \|y\|$ . Then the set  $B = \{\phi_y^m : y \in U\}$  is a norm bounded subset of  $\mathcal{P}({}^m E)$  and hence  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded by Proposition 2.2. Therefore

$$\sup_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\sup_{y\in A_j}w(y)\|y\|^m\leq \sup_{y\in U}\sup_{x\in U}w(x)\|\phi_y^m(x)\|<\infty.$$

Then by Proposition 4.4, K is a compact subset of E. Since

$$p(P) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{y \in A_j} \left\| P\left( \left( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{m}} y \right) \right\| = p_K(P).$$

for any  $P \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$ , the proof follows.

Next, we prove

PROPOSITION 4.6. Let E and F be Banach spaces. For a radial weight won a balanced open subset U of E with  $\mathcal{P}(E) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$ , the space  $\mathcal{P}(E; F)$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ -dense in  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ .

*Proof.* Recalling the notations  $S_n(f)$  and  $C_n(f)$ , and their integral representations for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  from Section 2, we have

$$\|C_n(f)(x)\| = \left\|\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{it}x)K_n(t)dt\right\| \le \sup_{t \in [-\pi,\pi]} \|f(e^{it}x)\|$$

since  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(t) dt = 1$ , cf. [28, p. 45]. Consequently, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,

$$||C_n(f)(x)||_w \le \sup_{x \in U} w(x) \sup_{|t|=1} ||f(tx)|| = \sup_{x \in U} \sup_{|t|=1} w(tx) ||f(tx)|| \le ||f||_w < \infty.$$

Thus, for given  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , the set  $\{C_n(f) : n \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$  is  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -bounded in  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ . As  $C_n f \to f$  in  $(H(U; F), \tau_0)$ , the result follows by Proposition 4.2(iii). Finally in this section, we consider an analogue of Theorem 3.1 on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U;F)$ when it is equipped with the topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ . This result will be useful for our study of approximation properties in the next section. Indeed, we prove

THEOREM 4.7. Let E and F be Banach spaces, and w be a weight on an open subset U of E. Then the mapping

 $\Psi: \left(\mathcal{H}_w(U; F), \tau_{\mathcal{M}}\right) \to \left(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F), \tau_c\right)$ 

is a topological isomorphism.

*Proof.* Let M be a compact subset of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ . Then by Lemma 4.1, there exist sequences  $(\alpha_j) \in c_0^+$  and  $\overline{A} = (A_j)$  of finite subsets of U such that

$$M \subset \overline{\Gamma}\bigg(\bigcup_{j \ge 1} \Big\{ \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j \Big\} \bigg).$$

Hence for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ ,

$$p_M(\Psi(f)) = \sup_{u \in M} \|T_f(u)\| \le \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \sup_{y \in A_j} \|f(y)\| \right) = p_{\overline{\alpha}, \overline{A}}(f).$$

Thus  $\Psi$  is  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}} - \tau_c$  continuous.

In order to show the continuity of the inverse map  $\Psi^{-1}$ , let us note that

$$\sup_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\sup_{y\in A_j}\left(\inf_{x\in A_j}w(x)\|\Delta_w(y)\|\right)\leq 1.$$

Hence by Proposition 4.4, the set

$$K = \overline{\Gamma} \bigg( \bigcup_{j \ge 1} \left\{ \alpha_j \inf_{x \in A_j} w(x) \Delta_w(y) : y \in A_j \right\} \bigg) \cup \{0\}$$

is a compact subset of  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ , which immediately yields the  $\tau_c - \tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  continuity of the inverse mapping  $\Psi^{-1}$ .

## 5. The approximation properties

This section is devoted to the study of the approximation property for the space E, the weighted space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  of holomorphic mappings and its predual  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ . We write

$$\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F = \{ f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F) : f \text{ has finite dimensional range} \}$$

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$$\mathcal{H}_{w}^{c}(U;F) = \{ f \in \mathcal{H}_{w}(U;F) : wf \text{ has a relatively compact range} \}.$$

In the next proposition we establish the interplay between the properties of a mapping  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  and the corresponding operator  $T_f \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$ .

PROPOSITION 5.1. Let U be an open subset of a Banach space E and w be a weight on U. Then for any Banach space F,

- (a)  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$  if and only if  $T_f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$ ,
- (b)  $f \in \mathcal{H}^{c}_{w}(U; F)$  if and only if  $T_{f} \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_{w}(U); F)$ .

*Proof.* (a) Note that for  $(g_i)_{i=1}^n \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  and  $(y_i)_{i=1}^n \subset F$ ,

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} g_i(x)y_i \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad T_f(\delta_x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} < \delta_x, g_i > y_i$$

for each  $x \in U$ . As  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)^* = \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  and  $\overline{span}\{\delta_x : x \in U\} = \mathcal{G}_w(U)$ , the result follows.

(b) By Remark 3.2,  $B_{\mathcal{G}_w(U)} = \overline{\Gamma}(w\Delta_w)(U)$ , the result follows from

$$(wf)(U) = T_f((w\Delta_w)(U)) \subset T_f(\overline{\Gamma}(w\Delta_w)(U)) = \overline{\Gamma}((wf)(U)).$$

PROPOSITION 5.2. Let w be a weight on an open subset U of a Banach space E. Then  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)}^{\|\cdot\|} = \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$  if and only if  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F}^{\|\cdot\|_w} = \mathcal{H}^c_w(U;F)$  for each Banach space F.

Proof. Assume that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)}^{\|\cdot\|} = \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$ . Consider  $f \in \mathcal{H}^c_w(U;F)$ . Then  $T_f \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$  by Proposition 5.1(b). Hence there exists a net  $(T_\alpha) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$  such that  $T_\alpha \xrightarrow{\|\cdot\|} T_f$ . Now, corresponding to each  $\alpha$ , we have  $f_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$  such that  $T_{f_\alpha} = T_\alpha$  by Proposition 5.1(a). Apply Theorem 3.1 to get  $f_\alpha \xrightarrow{\|\cdot\|w} f$ , thereby proving  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F}^{\|\cdot\|w} = \mathcal{H}_w(U;F)$ . Conversely, for  $T \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$ , there exists  $f \in \mathcal{H}^c_w(U;F)$  such that  $T = T_f$  by Proposition 5.1(b). Then there exists a net  $\{f_\alpha\} \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$  such that  $f_\alpha \xrightarrow{\|\cdot\|w} f$ . Thus  $(T_{f_\alpha}) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);F)$  by Proposition 5.1(a) and  $T_\alpha \xrightarrow{\|\cdot\|} T_f = T$  by Proposition 3.1. ■

PROPOSITION 5.3. Let w be a weight on an open subset U of a Banach space E. Then  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)}^{\tau_c} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$  if and only if  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  for each Banach space F.

*Proof.* The proof follows analogously by using Theorem 4.7 and Proposition 5.1(b).

Characterizing the approximation property for the space E, we have

THEOREM 5.4. Let E be a Banach space. Then for each Banach space F, the following are equivalent:

- (i) E has the approximation property.
- (ii)  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(V) \otimes E}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(V; E)$ , for each open subset V of F and weight w on V.
- (iii)  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(V) \otimes E}^{\|\cdot\|_w} = \mathcal{H}_w^c(V; E)$ , for each open subset V of F and weight w on V.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Assume that *E* has the approximation property. Then by Theorem 2.4,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); E)}^{\tau_c} = L(\mathcal{G}_w(U); E)$ . Thus  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(V) \otimes E}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(V; E)$  by Proposition 5.3.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$ (i): We claim that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(F;E)}^{\tau_c} = L(F;E)$  for each Banach space F. Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(F;E)$ . Applying Proposition 3.4, there exist operators  $S \in \mathcal{L}(F;\mathcal{G}_w(U_F))$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{G}_w(U_F);F)$  such that  $T \circ S(y) = y, y \in F$ . Since  $\overline{\mathcal{G}_w(U_F)^* \otimes E}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(U_F;E)$  by (ii), in view of Proposition 5.3 there exists a net  $(A_\alpha) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U_F);E)$  such that  $A_\alpha \xrightarrow{\tau_c} A \circ T$ . Thus  $A_\alpha \circ S \xrightarrow{\tau_c} A \circ T \circ S = A$ . As  $A_\alpha \circ S \subset \mathcal{F}(F;E)$ , our claim holds and (i) follows by Theorem 2.4.

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Again using Theorem 2.4,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); E)}^{\|\cdot\|} = \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); E)$  by (i). Therefore  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F}^{\|\cdot\|_w} = \mathcal{H}^c_w(U; F)$  by Proposition 5.2.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$ (i): Let  $A \in \mathcal{K}(F; E)$  and T, S be the operators as above. Then  $A \circ T \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U_F); E)$ . By hypothesis and Proposition 5.2, there exists a sequence  $(A_n) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U_F); E)$  such that  $A_n \xrightarrow{\parallel \cdot \parallel} A \circ T$ . Thus  $A_n \circ S \xrightarrow{\parallel \cdot \parallel} A$  and we have,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(F; E)}^{\parallel \cdot \parallel} = \mathcal{K}(F; E)$ . This proves (i).

Next, we characterize the approximation property for the weighted space  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$ .

THEOREM 5.5. For an open subset U of a Banach space E,  $\mathcal{H}_w(U)$  has the approximation property if and only if  $\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$  is  $\|\cdot\|_w$ -dense in  $\mathcal{H}_w^c(U;F)$  for each Banach space F.

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.5,  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)^*$  has the approximation property if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$  is  $\|\cdot\|$ -dense in  $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{G}_w(U); F)$  for each Banach space F. As  $\mathcal{H}_w(U) = \mathcal{G}_w(U)^*$ , the result follows by Proposition 5.2.

We now cite the following known result, cf. [18]; along with the proof for convenience.

PROPOSITION 5.6. If a Banach space E has the approximation property, then for every Banach space F and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\overline{\mathcal{P}_f(^mE;F)}^{\tau_c} = \mathcal{P}(^mE;F)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $P \in \mathcal{P}(^{m}E; F)$ . Then for a compact subset K of E and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $||P(x) - P(y)|| < \epsilon$  whenever  $x \in K$  and  $y \in E$  with  $||y - x|| < \delta$ . Since E has the approximation property, there is a  $T \in \mathcal{F}(E; E)$  such that  $\sup_{x \in K} ||T(x) - x|| < \delta$ . Thus,  $\sup_{x \in K} ||P \circ T(x) - P(x)|| < \epsilon$ .

Making use of the above proposition, we finally prove

THEOREM 5.7. Let E be a Banach space and w be a radial weight on a balanced open subset U of E such that  $H_w(U)$  contains all the polynomials. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) E has the approximation property.
- (ii)  $\overline{\mathcal{P}_f(E;F)}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(U;F)$  for each Banach space F.
- (iii)  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F}^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}} = \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$  for each Banach space F.
- (iv)  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$  has the approximation property.

Proof. (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let p be a  $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$  continuous semi-norm on  $\mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ . Then for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_w(U; F)$ , there exists  $P \in \mathcal{P}(E; F)$  such that  $p(f - P) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  by Proposition 4.6. Let  $P = P_0 + P_1 + \cdots + P_k$ ,  $P_m \in \mathcal{P}(^mE; F)$ ,  $0 \le m \le k$ . Then by using Proposition 5.6 and Proposition 4.5, there exist  $Q_m$  in  $\mathcal{P}_f(^mE; F)$ ,  $0 \le m \le k$  such that

$$p(P_m - Q_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2(k+1)}.$$

Write  $Q = Q_0 + Q_1 + \dots + Q_k$ . Clearly  $Q \in \mathcal{P}_f(E; F)$  and  $p(f - Q) < \epsilon$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): It suffices to prove that  $\mathcal{P}_f(E; F) \subset \mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$ . Consider  $P \in \mathcal{P}_f(E; F)$ . Then there exist  $\phi_j \in E^*$  and  $y_j \in F$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq k$  such that

$$P = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \phi_j^m \otimes y_j \,.$$

Now,  $\phi_j^m \in \mathcal{H}_w(U)$  for each  $1 \leq j \leq k$  as w is bounded. Thus  $P \in \mathcal{H}_w(U) \otimes F$ . (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): Note that  $\Delta_w \in \overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U)} \otimes \mathcal{G}_w(U)^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}}$  by taking  $F = \mathcal{G}_w(U)$  in (iii). Now  $\overline{\mathcal{H}_w(U)} \otimes \mathcal{G}_w(U)^{\tau_{\mathcal{M}}}$  can be identified with  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);\mathcal{G}_w(U))}^{\tau_c}$  via the map  $\Psi$  by Proposition 5.1(a) and Theorem 4.7. Since  $T_{\Delta_w} \circ \Delta_w = \Delta_w$ , we get  $\Psi(\Delta_w) = I$ , the identity map on  $\mathcal{G}_w(U)$ . Thus  $I \in \overline{\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_w(U);\mathcal{G}_w(U))}^{\tau_c}$ . (iv)  $\Rightarrow$ (i) follows from Proposition 2.6 and Proposition 3.6.

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