

## Property $\tilde{\Omega}$ and holomorphic functions with values in a pseudoconvex space having Stein morphism into a complex Lie group

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**RIASSUNTO:** *Si dimostra una condizione necessaria e sufficiente affinché uno spazio nucleare di Frechet  $E$ , dotato di una base di Schauder, abbia la proprietà  $\tilde{\Omega}$ . La condizione è che esista in  $E$  un sottoinsieme  $B$  tale che, essendo  $E_B$  lo spazio di Banach generato da  $B$  e  $\tau_E$  la topologia indotta su  $E_B$  dalla topologia di  $E$ , ogni funzione ologomorfa definita in  $(E_B, \tau_E)$ , con valori in uno spazio pseudoconvesso che ammetta un morfismo di Stein su di un gruppo complesso di Lie, possa essere prolungata ologomorficamente su  $E$ . Si tratta di una generalizzazione del risultato dimostrato da MEISE e VOGT in [4] nel caso scalare.*

**ABSTRACT:** *It is shown that a nuclear Frechet space  $E$  with a Schauder basis has the property  $\tilde{\Omega}$  if and only if there exists a compact balanced convex set  $B$  in  $E$  such that every holomorphic function on  $(E_B, \tau_E)$ , where  $E_B$  is the Banach space spanned by  $B$  and  $\tau_E$  is the topology of  $E_B$  induced by the topology of  $E$ , with values in any pseudoconvex space having a Stein morphism into a complex Lie group, can be extended holomorphically to  $E$ . For the scalar case the proof was provided by MEISE and VOGT [4].*

Let  $E$  be a Frechet space with a fundamental system of semi-norms

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$\|\cdot\|_1 \leq \|\cdot\|_2 \leq \dots$  For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  define a norm

$$\|\cdot\|_k^*: E^* \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$$

where  $E^*$  denotes the dual space of  $E$ , by

$$\|x^*\|_k^* = \sup\{|x^*(x)|: \|x\|_k \leq 1\}.$$

We say that  $E$  has the property  $\tilde{\Omega}$  if

$$\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \exists q \in \mathbb{N}, \quad d > 0, \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \exists C > 0:$$

$$\|x^*\|_q^{*1+d} \leq \|x^*\|_k^* \|x^*\|_p^{*d}$$

for all  $x^* \in E^*$ .

The property  $\tilde{\Omega}$ , together with other properties, were introduced and investigated by VOGT in [11] and [12]. Recently MEISE and VOGT [4] gave an important characterization of a nuclear Fréchet space having the property  $\tilde{\Omega}$ . They proved that a nuclear Fréchet space  $E$  has the property  $\tilde{\Omega}$  if and only if one of the following conditions holds:

- $MV_1$ ) there exists a compact balanced convex subset  $B$  of  $E$  for which  $E_B$  is dense in  $E$ , where  $E_B$  is the Banach space spanned by  $B$ , such that every holomorphic function of  $E_B$  which has a holomorphic extension to a neighbourhood of zero in  $E$ , can be extended holomorphically to  $E$ .
- $MV_2$ ) If in addition  $E$  has the bounded approximation property, there exists a compact balanced convex subset  $B$  of  $E$  for which  $E_B$  is dense  $E$  such that every holomorphic function on  $(E_B, \tau_E)$ , where  $\tau_E$  is the topology of  $E_B$  induced by the topology of  $E$ , can be extended holomorphically to  $E$ .

In the present note we extend the result of MEISE and VOGT [4] to the case of holomorphic maps with values in pseudoconvex spaces having a Stein morphism [1] into a complex Lie group. To obtain the main result (Theorem 2), in Section 1 we investigate the approximation of continuous plurisubharmonic functions on Fréchet spaces namely the Bremermann–Noverraz Theorem in the Fréchet case with a Schauder basis. Using the result obtained and the method of MEISE and VOGT we shall prove the main result in Section 2.

## 1 – Approximation of continuous plurisubharmonic function in Frechet spaces

Let  $E$  be a topological vector space, and  $G$  be an open set in  $E$ . An upper-semicontinuous function  $\varphi: G \rightarrow [-\infty, +\infty)$  is called plurisubharmonic on  $G$  if it is subharmonic on the intersection of  $G$  with every complex line in  $E$ . In [6] NOVERRAZ proved that if  $G$  is a polynomially convex domain in a Banach space  $E$  with the approximation property then every continuous plurisubharmonic function  $\varphi$  on  $G$  can be written in the form

$$(BN) \quad \varphi(z) = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \max \{ c_j^n \log |f_j^n(z)| : 1 \leq j \leq m_n \}$$

where  $f_j^n$  are holomorphic functions on  $E$ .

Moreover, the convergence is uniform on compact sets in  $G$ , i.e. is the result of Bremermann in the finite dimensional case. In this section we extend the above approximation to the Frechet space.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $E$  be a Frechet space with a Schauder basis  $\{e_j\}$  and let  $E_0$  be a dense subspace of  $E$  containing  $\{e_j\}$ . Then  $E$  has a continuous norm if and only if every continuous plurisubharmonic function on a polynomially convex domain  $G$  in  $E_0$  can be written in the form (BN) where  $f_j^n$  are holomorphic functions on  $E_0$ .*

**PROOF.** First prove the necessity of the theorem. Assume that  $G$  is a polynomially convex domain in  $E_0$ . Write

$$G = \bigcup_{m \geq 1} F_m = \bigcup_{m \geq 1} \text{Int } F_m$$

where  $F_m$  are closed sets in  $E_0$ .

Put for each  $j \geq 1$

$$Q_j = \{z \in G : \|z\| < j\} \quad \text{and} \quad K_j = \text{cl}(F_j \cap Q_j \cap A_j(E))$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is a continuous norm on  $E$  and

$$A_j(z) = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq j} e_k^*(z) e_k \quad \text{for every } z \in E$$

where  $\{e_j^*\}$  is the dual system of  $\{e_j\}$ .

Then  $K_j \subseteq F_j \cap A_j(E) \subseteq G \cap A_j(E)$  for  $j \geq 1$ .

Since the topology of  $A_j(E)$  is defined by  $\|\cdot\|_{A_j(E)}$ , it follows that  $K_j$  is compact in  $A_j(E)$  for every  $j \geq 1$ . Thus, owing to the polynomial convexity of  $G \cap A_j(E)$ , according to the Bremermann Theorem there exist polynomials  $P_k^j$  on  $A_j(E)$  and  $c_k^j, 1 \leq k \leq m_j$  such that

$$\|\varphi - \psi_j\|_{K_j} < \frac{1}{j}$$

where  $\psi_j(z) = \max\{c_k^j \log |P_k^j(z)| : 1 \leq k \leq m_j\}$ .

Obviously  $\psi_j \circ A_j$  are plurisubharmonic functions on  $E$ . We prove that  $\{\psi_j \circ A_j\}_{j \geq 1}$  converges uniformly on every compact set in  $G$  to  $\varphi$ . Given  $K$  a compact set in  $G$ , take  $m_0$  such that

$$(1) \quad K + V \subset K + cl(V) \subset \text{Int } F_{m_0}$$

for some neighbourhood  $V$  of zero in  $E_0$ .

Since  $A_j(z) \rightarrow z$  uniformly on a compact set in  $E$ , we get

$$(2) \quad A_j(K) \subset K + V \quad \text{for } j > j_0.$$

From (1) and (2) we have

$$(3) \quad A_j(K) \subset F_{m_0} \subset F_j \quad \text{for } j > j_1 = \max(j_0, m_0).$$

On the other hand, since  $\bigcup_{j \geq 1} A_j(K)$  is relatively compact in  $E$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  is continuous on  $E$ , it follows that

$$(4) \quad \bigcup_{j \geq j_1} A_j(K) \subset Q_{j_2} \quad \text{for some } j_2 > j_1.$$

From (3) and (4) we have

$$A_j(K) \subset Q_{j_2} \cap F_j \cap A_j(E) \subset K_j \quad \text{for } j > j_2.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi_j A_j - \varphi\|_K &\leq \|\psi_j A_j - \varphi A_j\|_K + \|\varphi A_j - \varphi\|_K \leq \\ &\leq \|\psi_j - \varphi\|_{A_j(K)} + \|\varphi A_j - \varphi\|_K \leq \\ &\leq \|\psi_j - \varphi\|_{K_j} + \|\varphi A_j - \varphi\|_K \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{j} + \|\varphi A_j - \varphi\|_K \end{aligned}$$

for  $j > j_2$ . This implies that  $\|\psi_j A_j - \varphi\|_K \rightarrow 0$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

We now turn to the proof of sufficiency. Let us show that there exists a sequence  $\{\lambda_j\} \subset \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\lambda_{j_k} e_{j_k} \not\rightarrow 0$$

for every subsequence  $\{\lambda_{j_k}\} \subset \{\lambda_j\}$ .

Let  $D$  be a polynomially convex open set in  $\mathbb{C}$  consisting of infinitely many components,  $D = \bigcup_{j \geq 1} D_j$ . We may assume that  $0 \in D_1$ . Put

$$G = \left( \bigcup_{j \geq 1} D_j e_1 + M \right) \cap E_0$$

where  $M = cl(\text{span}\{e_j\}_{j \geq 2})$ .

Obviously  $G$  is polynomially convex in  $E_0$ . On  $G$  define a continuous plurisubharmonic function  $\varphi$  given by

$$\varphi(z) = |e_j^*(z)| \quad \text{for } z \in D_j e_1 + M$$

By hypothesis, there exist constants  $0 < c_k^n < 1$  and holomorphic functions  $f_k^n, 1 \leq k \leq m_n, n \geq 1$  on  $E_0$  such that the sequence of plurisubharmonic functions  $\{\psi_n\}$  is uniformly convergent on every compact set in  $G$  to  $\varphi$ , where

$$\psi_n(z) = \max\{c_k^n \log |f_k^n(z)| : 1 \leq k \leq m_n\}.$$

For each  $j \geq 1$  consider the functions  $\psi_n$  on  $D_j e_1 + \mathbb{C} e_j$ , which are convergent uniformly on every compact set in  $D_j e_1 + \mathbb{C} e_j$  to function

$$|e_j^*(z)| = |z_j|, z = z_1 e_1 + z_j e_j.$$

This implies that there exists  $n_j$  such that  $\psi_{n_j}$  depends on  $z_j$ . Thus there exists  $z_1^j \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|z_1^j| < \frac{1}{j}$  such that  $\psi_{n_j}(z_1^j, z_j)$  depends on  $z_j$ . Then there exists  $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$|\psi_{n_j}(z_1^j, \lambda_j)| > j \quad \text{for every } j \geq 1.$$

We claim that the sequence  $\{\lambda_j\}$  is the desired sequence. Indeed, we assume that there exists a subsequence  $\{\lambda_{j_p}\} \subset \{\lambda_j\}$  such that  $\lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p} \rightarrow 0$ . Consider the compact set in  $E_0$

$$K = \{z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p}, 0\}_{j \geq 1}.$$

Since  $0 \in D_1 e_1 + M$  for sufficiently large  $p$  we have

$$z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p} \in D_1 e_1 + M.$$

Hence

$$\varphi(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p}) = |e_1^*(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p})| = |z_1^{j_p}| \rightarrow 0$$

as  $p \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi - \psi_{n_{j_p}}\|_K &\geq |\varphi(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p}) - \psi_{n_{j_p}}(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p})| \\ &\geq |\psi_{n_{j_p}}(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p})| - |\varphi(z_1^{j_p} e_1 + \lambda_{j_p} e_{j_p})| \\ &> j_p - |z_1^{j_p}| \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ .

This is impossible.

Since  $\{e_j\}$  is a Schauder basis, we have

$$0 = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} e_j^*(z) e_j = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (e_j^*(z) / \lambda_j) \lambda_j e_j$$

for every  $z \in E$ . Put

$$\rho(z) = \sup\{|e_j^*(z) / \lambda_j| : j \geq 1\}.$$

Since  $E$  is a Frechet, by the Banach–Steinhaus theorem,  $\rho$  is a continuous norm on  $E$ . The theorem is proved.

## 2 – Holomorphic maps with values in a pseudoconvex space

First we recall [1] that a holomorphic map  $\theta$  from a complex space  $X$  to a complex space  $Y$  is called a Stein morphism if for every  $y \in Y$  there exists a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $y$  such that  $\theta^{-1}(V)$  is a Stein space.

In this section we shall prove the following

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $E$  be a nuclear Frechet space with a Schauder basis  $\{e_j\}$ . The following conditions are thus equivalent:*

- (i)  $E$  has the property  $(\tilde{\Omega})$ .

- (ii) *There exists a compact balanced convex set  $B$  in  $E$  containing all  $e_j$  such that every holomorphic function on  $(E_B, \tau_B)$  with values in any pseudoconvex space  $G$  having a Stein morphism into a complex Lie group can be extended holomorphically to  $E$ .*
- (iii) *There exists a compact balanced convex set  $B$  in  $E$  containing all  $e_j$  such that every holomorphic function on  $(E_B, \tau_B)$  with values in any pseudoconvex space  $G$  having a Stein morphism into a complex Lie group which has a holomorphic extension to some neighbourhood of zero in  $E$ , is of uniform type.*

PROOF. (iii) $\Rightarrow$ (ii). Given  $f: (E_B, \tau_E) \rightarrow G$  a holomorphic function with values in a pseudoconvex space  $G$  having a Stein morphism into a complex Lie group, where  $B$  is as in (iii).

Take a neighbourhood  $U$  of zero in  $E$  such that  $f(E_B \cap U)$  is contained in a coordinate neighbourhood of zero in  $E$ . Hence, using (iii)  $f$  is extended holomorphically to  $E$ .

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i). Applying the result of MEISE and VOGT [4] to the case of  $G = \mathbb{C}$  we get that  $E$  has the property  $(\tilde{\Omega})$ .

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (iii). Let us first assume that (iii) holds for complex Lie groups. Since  $E$  is a Frechet space, we may assume that  $E_B$  contains all  $e_j$ .

Given  $f: (E_B, \tau_E) \rightarrow G$  a holomorphic function which can be extended holomorphically to a neighbourhood of zero in  $E$  with values in  $G$  as in (iii) where  $B$  is a compact balanced convex set in  $E$  such that

$$\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, \exists q \in \mathbb{N}, d > 0, C > 0:$$

$$\|x^*\|_q^{*1+d} \leq C \|x^*\|_B^* \|x^*\|_p^{*d} \quad \text{for every } x^* \in E^*.$$

Such a set exists (see [4]).

Let  $\varphi$  be a continuous plurisubharmonic exhaustion function on  $G$  and let  $\theta: G \rightarrow S$  be a Stein morphism, where  $S$  is a complex Lie group. Assuming that (iii) holds for  $S$ , there exists a holomorphic map  $\tilde{f}: E \rightarrow S$  such that

$$\tilde{f} \circ \psi_B = \theta f,$$

and there exists  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and a holomorphic map  $g: E_p \rightarrow S$  such that

$$\tilde{f} = g \circ \omega_p$$

where  $\psi_B: E_B \rightarrow E$ ,  $\omega_p: E \rightarrow E_p$  are the canonical maps. Thus

$$\theta f = g \circ \omega_p \circ \psi_B.$$

1) First consider the case where  $E$  has a continuous norm.

a) Applying Theorem 1 to the continuous plurisubharmonic function  $\psi = \varphi f$  we can write

$$\psi = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max\{c_j^n \log |f_j^n| : 1 \leq j \leq m_n\}$$

and the convergence is uniform on compact sets in  $(E_B, \tau_E)$ , where  $f_j^n$  are holomorphic functions on  $E$  and we can assume that  $0 \leq c_j^n < 1$  for every  $1 \leq j \leq m_n$  and every  $n \geq 1$ . Using Hartogs Lemma, this implies that there exists  $q_1 \geq p$  such that

$$M = \sup\{c_j^n \log |f_j^n(z)| : \|z\|_{q_1} \leq 1; 1 \leq j \leq m_n; n \geq 1\} < \infty.$$

Thus

$$\sup\{|f_j^n(z)| : \|z\|_{q_1} \leq 1\} \leq \exp\left(\frac{M}{c_j^n}\right)$$

for all  $1 \leq j \leq m_n$  and all  $n \geq 1$ .

Since  $E$  has the property  $(\tilde{\Omega})$  using the same argument as MEISE and VOGT [4] we can find  $q \geq q_1$  independent of  $1 \leq j \leq m_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$  and holomorphic functions  $g_j^n$  on  $E_q$  such that

$$f_j^n = g_j^n \omega_q \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq m_n \text{ and } n \geq 1.$$

Moreover

$$\sup\{|g_j^n(\hat{z})| : \|\hat{z}\| \leq r, \hat{z} \in E_q\} = C_r \exp\left(\frac{M}{c_j^n}\right) < \infty$$

for every  $1 \leq j \leq m_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$  and every  $r > 0$ .

These inequalities imply that

$$\sup\{\psi(z) : \|z\|_q \leq r\} \leq C_r < \infty$$

for every  $r > 0$ .

Thus  $f(z + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q)$  is relatively compact in the Stein manifold  $\theta^{-1}(g\omega_q\psi_B(z))$  for every  $z \in E_B$ . Hence by the Liouville theorem

$$f(z + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q) = \text{const for every } z \in E_B$$

and the form

$$h(z + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q) = f(z) \quad \text{for } z \in E_B$$

defines a function  $h$  on  $E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$  with values in  $G$ , where  $E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$  is the image of  $E_B$  under canonical projection  $\omega_q: E \rightarrow E_q$ . Given  $z_0 + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q \in E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$ . By hypothesis, there exists a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $g(z_0 + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q)$  such that  $\theta^{-1}(V)$  is a Stein space. Take  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$g(z_0 + \delta\tilde{U}_q) \subset V \quad \text{with } \tilde{U}_q = \{z + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q, \|z\|_q \leq 1\}.$$

Since

$$\sup\{\psi(z_0 + \delta z): z \in E_B, \|z\| \leq 1\} < \infty$$

it follows that

$$h(z_0 + \delta\tilde{U}_q) = f(z_0 + \delta U_q)$$

is relatively compact in  $\theta^{-1}(V)$ . From the Steiness of  $\theta^{-1}(V)$  and since  $h$  is the Gateaux holomorphism, we infer that  $h$  is holomorphic on  $E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$ .

b) Extend  $h$  to a holomorphic function on a neighbourhood  $D$  of  $E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$  in  $E_q$ . This extension is also denoted by  $h$ . Consider the domain of existence  $D_h$  of  $h$  as a Riemann domain over  $E_q$ . Since  $E_B/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_q$  is dense in  $E_q$  it follows that  $D_h$  is contained in  $E_q$  as an open subset. We show that  $D_h$  is pseudoconvex. It suffices to show that  $D_h$  satisfies the weak disc condition. This means that if a sequence  $\{\sigma_n\} \subset H(\Delta, D_h)$ , the space of holomorphic maps from the open unit disc  $\Delta$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  into  $D_h$  equipped with the compact-open topology, which is convergent to  $\sigma \in H(\Delta^*, D_h)$  in  $H(\Delta^*, D_h)$  with  $\Delta^* = \Delta \setminus \{0\}$ , the  $\sigma$  can be extended holomorphically to  $\Delta$  and  $\{\sigma_n\}$  is convergent to  $\sigma$  in  $H(\Delta, D_h)$ .

First let us observe that the complex Lie group  $S$  satisfies the weak disc condition. This follows from the fact that  $S$  is a holomorphic bundle over a commutative Lie group whose fibers are Stein manifolds. From

the assumption that  $G$  has a Stein morphism into a complex Lie group, we conclude that  $G$  satisfies the weak disc condition. Hence  $\{h\sigma_n\}$  is convergent to  $h\sigma$  in  $H(\Delta, D_h)$ .

Take a Stein neighbourhood  $V$  which can be considered as a closed submanifold of  $\mathbb{C}^m$  for some  $m \geq 1$  of  $h\sigma(0)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $N > 0$  such that

$$h\sigma(\varepsilon\Delta) \subset V \quad \text{for every } n > N.$$

For each  $n > N$  define a holomorphic function

$$\hat{\sigma}: \varepsilon\Delta \rightarrow \limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$$

by

$$\hat{\sigma}(t)(x) = h(\sigma_n(t) + x)$$

and

$$\hat{\sigma}: \varepsilon\Delta^* \rightarrow \limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$$

by

$$\hat{\sigma}(t)(x) = h(\sigma(t) + x)$$

where  $\{W_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is the basis of neighbourhoods of  $0 \in E_q$ . It follows that the sequence  $\{\hat{\sigma}_n\}$  converges the  $\hat{\sigma}$  in  $H(\varepsilon\Delta^*, H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m))$ . Indeed, given  $K$  a compact set in  $\varepsilon\Delta^*$  and hence  $\sigma(K)$  is a compact set in  $D_h$ . Then there exists  $V \subset D$  such that  $h$  is uniform continuous on  $\sigma(K) + V$ , i.e. for every  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $V(\delta) \subset V$  such that for  $x, y \in \sigma(K) + V$ ;  $x - y \in V(\delta)$ , we have

$$\|h(x) - h(y)\| < \delta.$$

For each  $k \geq 1$  and  $r > 0$  put

$$U_{kr} = \left\{ f \in H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m) : \|f\|_{W_k} \leq \frac{1}{r} \right\}$$

and consider  $\{U_l\}$  with  $l: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ , defined by

$$U_l = \overline{\text{conv}} \left( \bigcup_{k \geq 1} j_k(U_{k, l(k)}) \right)$$

where  $j_k: H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m) \rightarrow \limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$  are canonical embeddings. It is easy to see that  $\{U_l\}$  is a basis of neighbourhood of 0 in  $\limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$ . Given a  $U_l$  in  $\limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$ . Take  $k_0$  such that  $W_{k_0} \subset V$  and  $N_0$  sufficiently large so that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n(t) - \sigma(t) &\subset W_{k_0} \\ \sigma_n(t) - \sigma(t) &\subset V\left(\frac{1}{l(k_0)}\right) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $n > N_0$  and all  $t \in K$ .

Thus for all  $n > N_0$  we get  $\sigma_n(t), \sigma(t) \in H^\infty(W_{k_0}, \mathbb{C}^m)$  for all  $t \in K$  and

$$\sup_{t \in K} \sup_{x \in W_{k_0}} \|h(\sigma_n(t) + x) - h(\sigma(t) + x)\| < \frac{1}{l(k_0)}.$$

i.e.

$$\sup_{t \in K} \sup_{x \in W_{k_0}} \|\hat{\sigma}_n(t)(x) - \hat{\sigma}(t)(x)\| < \frac{1}{(k_0)}.$$

Then  $\hat{\sigma}_n(t) - \hat{\sigma}(t) \subset U_{k_0, l(k_0)}$  for all  $t \in K$ .

Thus we infer that  $\{\hat{\sigma}_n\}$  converges to  $\hat{\sigma}$  in  $H(\varepsilon\Delta^*, \limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m))$  and hence  $\hat{\sigma}$  can be extended holomorphically to  $\varepsilon\Delta$  and  $\{\hat{\sigma}_n\}$  converges to  $\hat{\sigma}$  in  $H(\varepsilon\Delta, \limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m))$ .

Since  $\{\hat{\sigma}_n(\frac{\varepsilon\Delta}{2})\}$  is bounded in  $\limind_{k \geq 1} H^\infty(W_k, \mathbb{C}^m)$  and the inductive limit is regular [8] there exists  $k_1$  such that

$$\hat{\sigma}_n(t) \in H^\infty(W_{k_1}, \mathbb{C}^m) \quad \text{for every } |t| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

and every  $n > N$ .

Let us observe that  $\sigma$  can be extended holomorphically to  $\varepsilon\Delta$  and  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma$  in  $H(\Delta, E_q)$ . It remains to check whether  $\sigma(0) \in D_h$ . We have  $\hat{\sigma}_n(0)(x) = h(\sigma_n(0) + x)$  for every  $x \in W_{k_1}$  and  $n > 1$ . This yields  $\sigma(0) \in D_h$ .

c) Since the topology of  $E$  is defined by Hilbert semi-norms without loss of generality we may assume that  $E_q$  is a Hilbert space. Choose  $q > p$  such that the canonical map  $\omega_{qp}: E_q \rightarrow E_p$  is compact. Let  $\tau$  denote the linear metric topology on  $H(D_h)$  generated by the uniform convergence on sets

$$K_r = \{\omega_{qp}(z): \|z\| \leq r, \omega_{qp}(z) \in D_h, \text{dist}(\omega_{qp}(z), \partial D_h) \geq 1/r\}.$$

Since the canonical map  $[H(D_h), \tau] \rightarrow H(E)$  is continuous and since

$$H(E)_{bor} \cong \limind_k H_b(E_k)$$

(see [4]), where  $H(E)_{bor}$  denotes the bornological space associated with  $H(E)$  and for every  $k \geq 1$ , by  $H_b(E_k)$  we denote the Frechet space of holomorphic functions on  $E_k$  which are bounded on every bounded set in  $E_k$ , we can find  $k > q$  such that  $H(D_h) \subseteq H_b(E_k)$ . It remains to check whether  $\text{Im } \omega_{kp} \subset D_h$ . In the converse case there exists  $z \in E_k$  such that  $\omega_{kp} \in \partial D_h$ . Choose a sequence  $\{z_n\} \subset E/\text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_k$  which converges to  $z$ . Since  $E_p$  is a Hilbert space we can find  $f \in H(D_h)$  such that

$$\sup |f\omega_{kp}(z_n)| = \infty.$$

This is impossible because  $f\omega_p \in H(E_k)$ .

2) General case. Let  $p_1 > p$  such that  $f(U_{p_1} \cap E_B)$  is contained and relatively compact in a Stein open subset of  $G$ , where  $U_{p_1} = \{z \in E: \|z\|_{p_1} \leq 1\}$ . From the Liouville theorem, it follows that

$$f(z + \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_{p_1}) = f(z) \quad \text{for } z \in U_{p_1} \cap E_B.$$

Hence the unique principle implies that the relation holds for all  $z \in E_B$ . As in [7], define

$$J = \{j \in \mathbb{N}: \|e_j\|_{p_1} \neq 0\}$$

and write

$$E = E^1 \oplus E^2$$

where  $E^1$  is the subspace of  $E$  with a Schauder basis  $\{e_j, j \in J\}$  and a continuous norm  $\|\cdot\|_{p_1}|_{E^1}$ , and  $E^2 = \text{Ker } \|\cdot\|_{p_1}$ .

Using 1) to  $f|_{E^1_{B^1}}$  where  $B^1 = B \cap E^1$ , we can find  $k > p_1$  and a holomorphic function  $h^1$  on  $E^1_k$  with values in  $G$  such that  $f|_{E^1} = h^1\omega_k|_{E^1}$ . It is easy to see that

$$E_k = E^1_k \oplus E^2_k.$$

Consequently, by setting  $h(z) = h^1(z^1)$  for  $z = (z^1, z^2) \in E_k$  we get a holomorphic function  $h$  on  $E_k$  with values in  $G$  for which  $f = h\omega_k$ .

To complete the proof it remains to check that (iii) holds for every complex Lie group. We assume that  $G$  is a complex Lie group. By [10]

there exists a Stein morphism  $\theta$  from  $G$  onto a torus  $S$ . Since  $S$  has an universal cover which is a Euclidean space, from MEISE and VOGT (iii) holds for  $S$  and hence (iii) holds for  $G$ .

The theorem is proved.

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