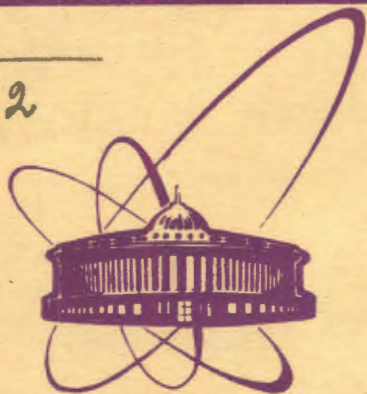


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Оснащенные гильбертовы пространства и топологии
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Любой Op^* -алгебре \mathcal{A} неограниченных операторов
соответствует оснащенное гильбертово пространство
 $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}] \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ такое, что все операторы $A \in \mathcal{A}$ явля-
ются непрерывными относительно топологий $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ и $t_{\mathcal{A}}'$. Это
приводит к различным топологиям равномерной сходимости на
каждом ограниченном множестве в операторной алгебре \mathcal{A} ,
которые исследованы в этой статье. В частности, полные
результаты получены, если $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ является рефлексивным
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Rigged Hilbert Spaces and Topologies
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To any Op^* -algebra \mathcal{A} of unbounded operators there
corresponds a rigged Hilbert space $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}] \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$
so that all operators $A \in \mathcal{A}$ are continuous with respect
to the topologies $t_{\mathcal{A}}$, $t_{\mathcal{A}}'$. This leads to different topo-
logies of uniformly bounded convergence on the operator
algebra \mathcal{A} , which are investigated in this paper. Particu-
larly consistent results are obtained if $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is a ref-
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1. INTRODUCTION

In a previous paper^{/2/} we have investigated rigged Hil-
bert spaces $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}] \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ associated with algebras \mathcal{A}
of operators on a dense domain \mathcal{D} of a Hilbert space \mathcal{K} . In
this paper we show that the so-called quasi-uniform topolo-
gies on algebras of unbounded operators^{/5,6/} are related to
this rigged Hilbert space structure. These quasi-uniform
topologies on operator algebras have found different appli-
cations in the algebraic approach to quantum field theory
and statistics (see, e.g.,^{/3,7,8,12/}). Particularly consist-
ent results are obtained if $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is a reflexive space. The
problem of reflexivity of $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is regarded in the last sec-
tion, where especially a counterexample is given and some
open questions are formulated.

Let us recall some basic definitions of ref.^{/2/}. For
a dense linear subspace \mathcal{D} of a Hilbert space \mathcal{K} over the
field \mathbb{C} of complex numbers with the scalar product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$
we denote by $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ the set of all linear operators $A \in \text{End } \mathcal{D}$,
for which an $A^+ \in \text{End } \mathcal{D}$ exists with $\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle = \langle A^+\phi, \psi \rangle$
for all $\phi, \psi \in \mathcal{D}$. $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ is a $*$ -algebra with respect to
the usual algebraic operations with operators and the in-
volution $A \rightarrow A^+$. A $*$ -subalgebra \mathcal{A} containing the identity
operator is called Op^* -algebra. An Op^* -algebra \mathcal{A} over \mathcal{D}
generates in a natural way a topology $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ on \mathcal{D} by all semi-

norms $\|\phi\|_{\mathcal{Q}} = \|A\phi\|$, $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$, where A runs over all operators of \mathcal{Q} . $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is continuously imbedded into \mathcal{K} . The strong dual space of $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is denoted by $\mathcal{D}'[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$. We write the linear functionals $F \in \mathcal{D}'$ on $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$ in the form $\langle F, \phi \rangle$ and equip \mathcal{D}' with the (anti-) linear structure defined by $\langle \lambda F + \mu G, \phi \rangle = \lambda \langle F, \phi \rangle + \mu \langle G, \phi \rangle$. Then $\psi \rightarrow F_{\psi}$, $\langle F_{\psi}, \phi \rangle = \langle \psi, \phi \rangle$ for $\psi \in \mathcal{K}$, defines a linear imbedding of \mathcal{K} into \mathcal{D}' . So we get in dependence on \mathcal{Q} the rigged Hilbert space

$$\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}] \subset \mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{D}'[t_{\mathcal{Q}}].$$

An Op^* -algebra \mathcal{Q} is called closed if $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is a complete space. \mathcal{D} is called a closed domain if $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ is closed on \mathcal{D} . Then we have the following Lemma ('12/ Lemma 7,8 '11/).

Lemma 1.1

Let \mathcal{D} be a closed domain and \mathcal{Q} a closed Op^* -algebra on \mathcal{D} .

i) $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is semi-reflexive.

ii) If \mathcal{Q}_1 is yet another closed Op^* -algebra on \mathcal{D} , then $t_{\mathcal{Q}}$ and $t_{\mathcal{Q}_1}$ have the same bounded sets. Therefore, the dual topologies $t_{\mathcal{Q}}, t_{\mathcal{Q}_1}$ coincide on $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}_1}]$, and we denote it by $t' = t = t_{\mathcal{Q}_1}$.

2. TOPOLOGIES OF UNIFORMLY BOUNDED CONVERGENCE ON \mathcal{Q}

For two locally convex spaces E, F the topology of uniformly bounded convergence ('10/ ch. III,3) on the space $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$ of continuous linear mappings of E into F is defined by all semi-norms

$$q_{\alpha, M}(A) = \sup_{\phi \in M} p_{\alpha}(A\phi).$$

where p_{α} runs over all semi-norms defining the topology of F and M runs over all bounded sets in E .

If \mathcal{Q} is an Op^* -algebra over the domain \mathcal{D} , then we have on \mathcal{D} three topologies $t_{\mathcal{Q}} \geq \|\cdot\| \geq t^{\mathcal{Q}}$ in correspondence with the rigged Hilbert space defined by \mathcal{Q} . The system of $t_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -bounded sets will be denoted by $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}$ and the system of $t^{\mathcal{Q}}$ -bounded sets by $\mathfrak{M}^{\mathcal{Q}}$.

Lemma 2.1

An Op^* -algebra \mathcal{Q} is a subspace of the following five linear spaces of continuous linear mappings with the corresponding topologies of uniformly bounded convergence, defined by the given seminorms:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}])[r^{\mathcal{D}}]: \quad \|A\|^{M, B} = \sup_{\phi \in M} \|BA\phi\|, \quad B \in \mathcal{Q}, \quad M \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[\|\cdot\|])[r^{(\mathcal{D})}]: \quad \|A\|_M = \sup_{\phi \in M} \|A\phi\|, \quad M \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}])[r^{\mathcal{D}}]: \quad \|A\|_M = \sup_{\phi, \psi \in M} |\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle|, \quad M \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[\|\cdot\|], \mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}])[r_+^{(\mathcal{D})}]: \quad \|A\|_+^M = \sup_{\phi \in M} \|A^+\phi\|, \quad M \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}])[r_0^{\mathcal{D}}]: \quad \|A\|_{\mathfrak{N}}^M = \sup_{\phi \in M, \psi \in \mathfrak{N}} |\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle|, \quad M \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}, \quad \mathfrak{N} \in \mathfrak{M}^{\mathcal{Q}}$$

It can be proven by simple calculations that \mathcal{Q} is a subset of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}])$ and of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}], \mathcal{D}[t^{\mathcal{Q}}])$.

For the other three spaces it is then a consequence of the relation between the topologies $t_{\mathcal{Q}} \geq \|\cdot\| \geq t^{\mathcal{Q}}$. If r

is a locally convex topology given by the semi-norms $\|A\|^a$, $\{a\}$ a set of indices, on an Op^* -algebra \mathcal{A} , then by r^+ we denote the topology on \mathcal{A} defined by the semi-norms $\|A^+\|^a = \|A\|_+^a$. The involution $A \rightarrow A^+$ is then a continuous mapping of $\mathcal{A}[r]$ onto $\mathcal{A}[r^+]$. With the help of this notation we get as a consequence of Lemma 2.1 the following relations between the topologies on \mathcal{A} :

Lemma 2.2

- $$r(\mathcal{D}) \leq r_+(\mathcal{D})$$
- i) $r_+(\mathcal{D}) \leq r_0(\mathcal{D})$
- ii) $r_0(\mathcal{D})^+ = r_+(\mathcal{D})$
- iii) $(r_+(\mathcal{D}))^+ = r_0(\mathcal{D})$

The second and the fourth topology $r_0(\mathcal{D})$ and $r_+(\mathcal{D})$ of Lemma 2.1 are connected by the continuity of the involution. For the case that $\mathcal{D}[\tau_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is a reflexive space we have also such a relation between the first and the fifth topology $r(\mathcal{D})$ and $r_0(\mathcal{D})$, as we shall see below. In general this symmetry is broken. In what follows we shall study this situation. First we state the following Lemma:

Lemma 2.3

Let $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{D})$ be an arbitrary Op^* -algebra and $K = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D}, \|\phi\| \leq 1\}$ the unit ball in \mathcal{D} . Then all subsets of the form $A(K), A \in \mathcal{A}$, are $\tau_{\mathcal{A}}$ -bounded in \mathcal{D} .

Proof: Every $\tau_{\mathcal{A}}$ -semi-norm on $A(K)$ is bounded. In fact:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\phi \in K} p_M(A\phi) &= \sup_{\phi \in K, \psi \in M} |\langle A\phi, \psi \rangle| = \sup_{\phi \in K, \psi \in M} |\langle \phi, A^+\psi \rangle| = \\ &= \sup_{\chi \in A^+M} \|\chi\| \leq C_{A^+M} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

since for $M \subset \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{A}}$ it is $A^+M \subset \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{A}}$ for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$. The inversion of this Lemma is not true even in the case of closed algebras. To it we refer to example 3 of ref. /2/.

Example:

Let $\mathcal{H}_0, \mathcal{H}_1, \dots$ be a sequence of Hilbert spaces, and let in every \mathcal{H}_n be given an unbounded selfadjoint operator $T_n \geq 1$. We define $\mathcal{D}_n = \mathcal{D}(T_n^{k_n})$ and form

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{n \geq 0}^{\oplus} \mathcal{H}_n \quad (\text{Hilbert direct sum}) \text{ and}$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{D}_n \quad (\text{algebraic direct sum}).$$

Then \mathcal{D} is dense in \mathcal{H} . Every vector $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$, $\phi = \sum_{n \geq 0} \phi_n, \phi_n \in \mathcal{D}_n$, has only a finite number of components which are different from zero. For an arbitrary sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=0,1,\dots}$ of complex numbers and an arbitrary sequence $\{k_n\}_{n=0,1,\dots}$ of non-negative integer numbers we define by

$$A\phi = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n T_n^{k_n} \phi_n$$

the operator

$$A = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n T_n^{k_n} \quad \text{on } \mathcal{D}.$$

The sum of this definition breaks off for every $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$.

Now we consider

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \{ A = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n T_n^{k_n}, \{a_n\}, \{k_n\} \text{ arbitrary} \}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_2 = \{ A = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n T_n^{k_n}, \{a_n\} \text{ arbitrary}, \{k_n\} \text{ with } k_n \leq N(A) \}$$

where $N(A)$ is a bound for the grads k_r , which depends on A .
 $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ are closed Op^* -algebras over \mathcal{D} . They generate
on \mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}' the same strong topology. But for an operator $A_1 \in$
 $\mathcal{A}_1 \setminus \mathcal{A}_2$ we can form the set $A_1(K)$ which cannot be absorbed
by any set $A_2(K), A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$.

Lemma 2.4

For an arbitrary Op^* -algebra \mathcal{A} the following is true:

- (i) $(r \mathcal{D})^+ \leq r_0^{\mathcal{D}}$
- (ii) $(r_0^{\mathcal{D}})^+ \geq r \mathcal{D}$

The equalities hold, if the sets $A(K), A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a basis of
the $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -bounded subsets in \mathcal{D} .

Proof: If every $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -bounded set \mathcal{N} is contained in a set $B(K)$
then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\|_{\mathcal{N}}^M &= \sup_{\phi \in M, \psi \in \mathcal{N}} |\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle| \leq \sup_{\phi \in M, \psi \in B(K)} |\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle| = \sup_{\phi \in M, \chi \in K} |\langle \phi, AB\chi \rangle| = \\ &= \sup_{\phi \in M, \chi \in K} |\langle B^+A^+\phi, \chi \rangle| = \sup_{\phi \in M} \|B^+A^+\phi\| = \|A^+\|_{M, B^+}^M = \|A\|_+^{M, B^+} \end{aligned}$$

for a suitable $B \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $M \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{A}}, \mathcal{N} \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{A}}$. So we can estimate
every $r_0^{\mathcal{D}}$ seminorm by a suitable $(r \mathcal{D})^+$ -seminorm. On the other
hand, $r_0^{\mathcal{D}}$ is not coarser than $(r \mathcal{D})^+$ in consequence of the
foregoing Lemma. (ii) can be proved analogously. Thus we can
complete the assertion (i) in Lemma 2.2 as follows:

$$(*) \quad r \mathcal{D} \leq \begin{matrix} r(\mathcal{D}) & \leq r \mathcal{D} & \leq (r_0^{\mathcal{D}})^+ \\ r_+^{\mathcal{D}} & \leq (r \mathcal{D})^+ & \leq r_0^{\mathcal{D}} \end{matrix}$$

Now we are going to show that for reflexive $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ the topo-
logies $(r \mathcal{D})^+$ and $r_0^{\mathcal{D}}$ coincide. First we prove the following
Lemma:

Lemma 2.5

Let \mathcal{A} be an Op^* -algebra and K the unit ball in \mathcal{D} . For
any $A \in \mathcal{A}$ we regard the set $A(K)$ as a subset of \mathcal{D}' and form
the bipolar $A(K)^{00}$ in \mathcal{D}' with respect to the dual pair $(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{D})$.
Then the sets $A(K)^{00}, A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a basis of the $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -equiconti-
nuous subsets in \mathcal{D}' .

Proof: In the dual pair $(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{D})$ we consider the sets $A(K),$
 $A \in \mathcal{A}$, as subsets of \mathcal{D}' and their polars in \mathcal{D} :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D} \supset A(K)^0 &= \{\phi \in \mathcal{D} : \sup_{\psi \in A(K)} |\langle \psi, \phi \rangle| \leq 1\} = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D} : \sup_{\chi \in K} |\langle A\chi, \phi \rangle| \leq 1\} = \\ &= \{\phi \in \mathcal{D} : \sup_{\chi \in K} |\langle \chi, A^+\phi \rangle| \leq 1\} = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D} : \|A^+\phi\| \leq 1\} = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D} : \|\phi\|_{A^+} \leq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the sets $A(K)^0, A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -neighbourhood
base of zero. The $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -equicontinuous subsets in \mathcal{D}' are those
subsets A' , for which exists a $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -neighbourhood of $0 \cup C \mathcal{D}$
with $A' \subset U^0$ in \mathcal{D}' (ref. /9/, ch. II, 4). Therefore, the sets $A(K)^{00},$
 $A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a basis of the $t_{\mathcal{A}}$ -equicontinuous subsets in \mathcal{D}' .

Lemma 2.6

Let \mathcal{A} be a closed Op^* -algebra and K the unit ball in \mathcal{D} .
Then the bipolars $A(K)^{00}, A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a basis of the bounded
subsets in \mathcal{D}' if and only if the domain $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is reflexive.

Proof: $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ is reflexive if and only if it is barrelled
(ref. /2/ Lemma 13). The barrels in \mathcal{D} are exactly the polars
of the $\sigma(\mathcal{D})$ -bounded subsets in \mathcal{D}' (ref. /9/ ch. IV, prep. 1).
On account of the semi-reflexivity of $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{A}}]$ the weakly and

the strongly bounded subsets in \mathcal{D}' coincide. Therefore, every barrel absorbs a $t_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -neighbourhood of 0 if and only if every bounded subset in \mathcal{D}' is absorbed from a $t_{\mathcal{Q}}$ -equicontinuous subset. By Lemma 2.5 this is exactly the case if the sets $A(K)^{00}$ form a basis of the bounded subsets in \mathcal{D}' .

Corollary 2.7

Let \mathcal{A} be a closed Op^* -algebra and suppose $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is reflexive. Then the t' -closures in \mathcal{D} of the sets $A(K)$, $A \in \mathcal{A}$, form a basis of the t' -bounded subsets in \mathcal{D} .

Proof: topology t' is consistent with the duality $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ since by Lemma 1.1 $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is semireflexive, and \mathcal{D} is dense in $\mathcal{D}'[t']$ (ref. ^{12/}, Folgerung 12). The sets $A(K)$, $A \in \mathcal{A}$, are convex, therefore, $A(K)^{00} \Big|_{\mathcal{D}} = \overline{A(K)^{\sigma(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D})}} = \overline{A(K)}^{t'}$.

Corollary 2.8

Let \mathcal{A} be a closed Op^* -algebra and suppose $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is reflexive. Then the topologies $r_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $r_{\mathcal{D}'}^0$ are dual to each other, consequently, the lines in (*) break off.

Proof: The sets $\overline{A(K)}^{t'}$ form a basis of the t' -bounded subsets in \mathcal{D} . Since every operator $A \in \mathcal{A}$ is (t', t') -continuous (Lemma 2.1), we have for every $r_0^{\mathcal{D}}$ semi-norm $\|A\|_{\mathcal{N}}^M = \sup_{\phi \in M, \psi \in \mathcal{N}} |\langle \phi, A\psi \rangle| = \|A\|_{\mathcal{N}}^M$ for all $M \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\mathcal{N} \in \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{A}}$, and the Corollary follows by analogous considerations as in the proof of Lemma 2.4.

Finally we consider the maximal Op^* -algebra $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$. We write $t = t_{\mathcal{L}^+}$. Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ be the linear space of all continuous linear mappings of $\mathcal{D}[t]$ into $\mathcal{D}'[t']$. Further we write $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D})$ and $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}') = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{D}')$. In the case that $\mathcal{D}[t]$ is reflexive we can give an interesting description of $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ by the following Lemma ^{18/}:

Lemma 2.9

- Let $\mathcal{D}[t]$ be a reflexive space. Then
- (i) if $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ then the adjoint operator $A^+ \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ is uniquely defined by $\langle A\phi, \psi \rangle = \langle A^+ \psi, \phi \rangle$ and $A \rightarrow A^+$ is an involution on $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$,
 - (ii) $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D})$, $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}') \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ and $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D})^+ = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}')$,
 - (iii) $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D})$ and it is $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}) \cap \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}')$.

3. THE PROBLEM OF REFLEXIVITY OF THE DOMAIN $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$

Till now we have stated that in the case of a closed Op^* -algebra \mathcal{A} the domain $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ is always complete and semireflexive, whereas the strong dual $\mathcal{D}'[t']$ is barrelled and bornological (ref. ^{12/}, Folg. 9, 11). The example 3 of ref. ^{12/} shows that for sufficient meagre closed algebras \mathcal{A} $\mathcal{D}[t_{\mathcal{Q}}]$ does not need to be barrelled and, therefore, reflexive, and $\mathcal{D}'[t']$ must not be semireflexive. There arises the question, whether at the very last for the maximum Op^* -algebra $\mathcal{L}^+(\mathcal{D})$ $\mathcal{D}[t]$ becomes a reflexive space. We show by a counterexample that even this in general is not true.

Example:

Let \mathcal{H} be the non-separable Hilbert space of all quadratic summable number-sequences which potency is more than countable, and \mathcal{D} the subspace of all finite number-sequences:

$$\mathcal{H} = \ell^2 = \{ \psi ; \psi = \sum_{\alpha \in I} x_\alpha \phi_\alpha, \sum_{\alpha \in I} |x_\alpha|^2 < \infty, \text{ card } I = \aleph > \aleph_0 ;$$

$(\phi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ is a complete orthonormal basis $\}$

$$\mathcal{D} = d = \{ \psi ; \psi = \sum_{\text{finite}} x_\alpha \phi_\alpha \} = \sum_{\alpha \in I} K_\alpha, \quad K_\alpha = \mathbb{C}.$$

Then the maximum Op^* -algebra $\mathcal{L}^+(d)$ is isomorphic with the set of all matrices whose rows and columns have the potency \aleph , but in each row and column only a finite number of elements different from zero. Obviously, d is a closed domain. $\mathcal{L}^+(d)$ generates on d the algebra-topology t which is given by the seminorms

$$\| \psi \|_A = \left(\sum_{\alpha \in I} \left| \sum_{\beta \in I} \mu_{\alpha\beta} x_\beta \right|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \psi \in d, \quad A = (\mu_{\alpha\beta})_{\alpha\beta \in I} \in \mathcal{L}^+(d).$$

It is easy to see that the topology t is given already by the diagonal-operators:

$$\| \psi \|_B = \left(\sum_{\alpha \in I} |b_\alpha|^2 |x_\alpha|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \psi \in d, \quad B = (b_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}.$$

Furthermore we consider on d the topologies of the locally convex direct sum r_\oplus and of the topological direct sum r .

Let $\{U_\beta^\alpha\}$ be a neighbourhood base of 0 in every K_α , then r_\oplus is defined by the base of neighbourhoods $\{ \sum_{\alpha \in I} U_\beta^\alpha \}$, r on the other hand by $\{ \sum_{\alpha \in I} \oplus U_\beta^\alpha \}$ (ref. ^{14/} §18, 5). We have $r_\oplus \geq r$, and in the countable case both topologies coincide. But in our example r_\oplus is different from r (ref. ^{14/} §18, 5(8)).

Since the sets $U_\beta^\alpha = \{ x_\beta \in \mathbb{C} : |x_\beta| \leq \epsilon_\beta, \epsilon_\beta > 0 \}$ form a neighbourhood base of zero in every one-dimensional space $K_\alpha = \mathbb{C}$, the topology r_\oplus is given by

$$P_{(\lambda_\alpha)}(\psi) = \sum_{\alpha \in I} |\lambda_\alpha| |x_\alpha|, \quad \psi \in d,$$

where the $(\lambda_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ are elements of the space of all number-sequences with the potency \aleph . It is easily to show that r_\oplus coincides with the strongest locally convex topology $\beta(d, d')$. The topology r of the topological direct sum has the seminorms

$$P_{(\rho_\alpha)}(\psi) = \sup_{\alpha \in I} |\rho_\alpha| |x_\alpha|, \quad \psi \in d, \quad (\rho_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \in d'.$$

Lemma 3.1

We have $r_\oplus > t > r$ on d .

Proof: By (ref. ^{1/} Lemma 3.3) in the countable case the t -seminorms

$$P_{(b_\alpha)}(\psi) = \left(\sum_{\alpha \in I} |b_\alpha|^2 |x_\alpha|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad (b_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \in d'$$

define the topology of the locally convex direct sum, otherwise not. Clearly, the topology t is stronger than r : $\{ \psi = (x_\alpha) \in d ; \sup_{\alpha \in I} |\rho_\alpha| |x_\alpha| \leq 1 \} \supset \{ \psi = (x_\alpha) \in d ; \left(\sum_{\alpha \in I} |\rho_\alpha|^2 |x_\alpha|^2 \right) \leq 1 \}$

On the other hand, the t -neighbourhood $U_1^t = \{ \psi = (x_\alpha) \in d ; \sum_{\alpha \in I} |x_\alpha|^2 \leq 1 \}$, does not contain any r -neighbourhood $U_{(\rho_\alpha)}^r = \{ \psi = (x_\alpha) \in d ; \sup_{\alpha \in I} |\rho_\alpha| |x_\alpha| \leq 1 \}$, $(\rho_\alpha) \in d'$. In fact, we have

$\rho_\alpha \neq 0$ for all $\alpha \in I$. Since $\text{card } I > \aleph$, we can find real numbers $\epsilon_1 > \epsilon_0 > 0$ such that $\epsilon_1 > |\rho_\alpha| > \epsilon_0$ holds for more than countable many indices $\alpha \in I$. Therefore, in $U_{(\rho_\alpha)}^r$ always elements $\psi = (x_\alpha)$ exists with an arbitrary great $\sum_{\alpha \in I} |x_\alpha|^2$, i.e., $\psi \notin U_1^t$.

Now we can formulate the main result of this section.

Lemma 3.2

The domain $d[t]$ is not reflexive.

Proof: It is sufficient to show that the topology t is different from $\beta(d, d[t]')$. We show that this strong topology coincides with r_{\otimes} . The dual space of $d[r_{\otimes}]$ is the space d' of all number-sequences of the potency φ , but the dual space of $d[r]$ is the subspace d'_0 of all number-sequences with only countable many components different from zero (ref. ^{14/}, §22,5 (5)). Furthermore, we can state that the dual space of $d[t]$ coincides with d' too. The bounded subsets in the dual spaces d' , resp. d'_0 are the sets of number-sequences which components are bounded. Therefore, the bounded subsets of d' are contained in the weak completions of bounded subsets of d'_0 . Consequently, we have

$$r_{\otimes} = \beta(d, d') = \beta(d, d'_0) = \beta(d, d[t]') > t,$$

i.e., $d[t]$ is not reflexive.

Moreover, the example shows that the strong dual of a semireflexive space must not be quasi-complete, since we have

$$d[t]' = d'_0 \neq \overline{d'_0} = \overline{d'_0}^{\sigma} = d'.$$

(We denote by $\overline{d'_0}$, resp., $\overline{d'_0}^{\sigma}$ the quasi-complete, resp., weakly quasi-complete hull of d'_0).

Corollary 3.3

In the non-separable case closed domains \mathcal{D} exist with

- (i) $\mathcal{D}[t]$ is not reflexive (and not barrelled, not bornological either),
- (ii) $\mathcal{D}'[t']$ is not semireflexive and even not quasi-complete.

The problem is unsolved, whether for separable Hilbert spaces any closed domain $\mathcal{D}[t]$ becomes reflexive.

Finally we investigate the situation which we had in our example 3 for arbitrary closed domains. We denote by $r(\mathcal{D}')$ the Mackey topology on \mathcal{D} with respect to the dual pair $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$. Then by (ref. ^{14/} §23,8 (1)) the following holds:

Let $\mathcal{D}[r]$ be semireflexive and $\overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma}$ the quasi-complete hull of the strong dual space $\mathcal{D}'[\beta(\mathcal{D})]$. Then $\mathcal{D}[r(\overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma})]$ is semireflexive too, and its strong dual space is the quasi-complete hull of the strong dual of $\mathcal{D}[r]$.

Therefore, we can always increase the topology of an arbitrary semi-reflexive space so much that the space remains semireflexive, but its strong dual space becomes quasi-complete (or even complete). If we demand besides that the quasi-complete hull of the strong dual space is weakly quasi-complete too:

$$(A) \quad \overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma} = \overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma\sigma}$$

then $\mathcal{D}[r(\overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma})]$ even is reflexive (ref. ^{12/} Lemma 1.13). Consequently, if $\mathcal{D}[r]$ is semireflexive, but not reflexive, r is the Mackey topology, and if (A) holds, then we obtain for the dual spaces the sequences

$$\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}'' = \mathcal{D}^{IV} = \dots = \mathcal{D}^{2N} = \dots$$

$$\mathcal{D}' \subseteq \mathcal{D}''' \subseteq \mathcal{D}^V \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{D}^{2N+1} \subseteq \dots \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma}$$

and an increasing sequence of topologies

$$\beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'), \beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'''), \dots, \beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{2N+1}), \dots, \beta(\mathcal{D}, \overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma}),$$

for which \mathcal{D} is semireflexive (ref. ^{14/} §23,8). Just now we have seen that the topology $\beta(\mathcal{D}, \overline{\mathcal{D}'}^{\sigma})$ even is reflexive. In our example we had

$$d[t]' = d'_0 \neq d''' = (d'_0)'' = d[r_{\otimes}]' = d' = \overline{d'_0}^{\sigma}.$$

i.e., $d[t'''] = d[\beta(d[t]')]$ is already reflexive, and the sequences break off. It is an open problem, whether these sequences break off always, and it is unknown, whether spaces

exist at all, for which only a higher dual space than the third coincides with the quasi-complete hull of the strong dual. Sufficient for $\mathcal{D}''' = \overline{\mathcal{D}'}$ is the following condition

(B) Every $\beta(\mathcal{D}'', \mathcal{D})$ -bounded subset $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{D}'''$ is contained in the completion of a $\beta(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{D})$ -bounded subset $\mathcal{B}_1 \subset \mathcal{D}'$: $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{B}_1[\beta(\mathcal{D})]$.

Then these sets have the same polars, and the topologies $\beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ and $\beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}''')$ coincide. Therefore, they are already reflexive. Finally we give some positive statements concerning the reflexivity in the case of a closed domain. If $\mathcal{D}[t]$ is not reflexive, i.e., $t < \beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}') =: t''$ holds, then we have $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{D}'''$.

Lemma 3.4

Let \mathcal{D} be a closed domain and t''' the strong topology $\beta(\mathcal{D}''', \mathcal{D})$. Then $t'''|_{\mathcal{D}} = t'$ holds

Proof: t''' , resp., t' are the topologies of uniform convergence on all t''' -, resp., t -bounded subsets in \mathcal{D} . $\mathcal{D}[t]$ is sequentially complete, therefore, the bounded and the strongly bounded subsets coincide (ref.^{/4/} §20, 11 (8)).

Lemma 3.5

Let \mathcal{D} be closed with the property (A). Then $\mathcal{D}[t'']$ is semireflexive.

Proof: The quasi-complete hull $\overline{\mathcal{D}'}$ contains $(\mathcal{D}')''$ (ref.^{/4/}, §23,2 (3)). The assertion follows by the mentioned statement

by ^{/4/}, since besides $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$ the dual pair $(\mathcal{D}, \overline{\mathcal{D}'})$ is semireflexive, too. Therefore, $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}''')$ is semireflexive.

Lemma 3.6

Let \mathcal{D} be closed with the properties (A) and (B). Then $\mathcal{D}[t'']$ is reflexive.

Proof: On account of Lemma 3.5 it is sufficient to show that the strong topology $t^{(4)} = \beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}''')$ coincides with $t'' = \beta(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}')$. But this follows by (B).

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