

HOLOMORPHY OF COMPOSITION

BY JAMES O. STEVENSON¹

Communicated by Shlomo Sternberg, July 30, 1973

1. **Introduction.** We wish to consider the following two problems for E, F, G Banach spaces over the complex field \mathbb{C} and $\mathcal{H}(E; F)$, $\mathcal{H}(F; G)$, $\mathcal{H}(E; G)$ the corresponding spaces of holomorphic functions between them (we follow the definitions and notation given in [3]): (1) For what vector subspaces $X \subset \mathcal{H}(E; F)$, $Y \subset \mathcal{H}(F; G)$, $Z \subset \mathcal{H}(E; G)$ and corresponding locally convex topologies τ_X, τ_Y, τ_Z will the composition $\phi: (f, g) \in (X, \tau_X) \times (Y, \tau_Y) \rightarrow g \circ f \in (Z, \tau_Z)$ be holomorphic? (2) Investigate the holomorphy of $\phi: \mathcal{H}(U; V) \times \mathcal{H}(V; W) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(U; W)$ for $U \subset E, V \subset F, W \subset G$ open. We are driven to consider general locally convex topologies on X, Y, Z since if ϕ holomorphic means it is separately continuous, then, in particular, the evaluation $f \in (\mathcal{H}(F; \mathbb{C}), \tau) \mapsto f(x) \in \mathbb{C}$ is continuous. But from [1] and [2], if F is, for example, a separable or reflexive infinite dimensional Banach space, then τ is not first countable.

2. **Definitions of holomorphy [4].** Let X and Y be complex locally convex spaces (LCS), and W an open, nonempty subset of X . Then $f: W \rightarrow Y$ is said to be *holomorphic* if for every $\xi \in W$ there is a sequence $P_m \in \mathcal{P}({}^m X; Y)$ (the space of continuous m -homogeneous polynomials from X to Y), $m=0, 1, \dots$, such that for each continuous seminorm β on Y , one can find a neighborhood V of ξ in W for which

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \beta \left[f(x) - \sum_{m=0}^M P_m(x - \xi) \right] = 0$$

uniformly for $x \in V$. f is said to be *G-holomorphic* (provided X is Hausdorff) if for each $\xi \in W, x \in X$, the map $\lambda \in V \mapsto f(\xi + \lambda x) \in Y$ is holomorphic, where $V = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: \xi + \lambda x \in W\}$. We denote the space of holomorphic (G -holomorphic) maps by $\mathcal{H}(W; Y)$ ($\mathcal{H}_G(W; Y)$). f is said to be *amply bounded* if for each continuous seminorm β on Y , $\beta \circ f$ is locally bounded.

AMS (MOS) subject classifications (1970). Primary 46E10, 58B10.

Key words and phrases. Infinite dimensional holomorphy, composition, G -holomorphy, ample boundedness, holomorphic convexity.

¹ This work is based on the author's doctoral dissertation, written under Professor Leopoldo Nachbin (University of Rochester, 1973). It was supported in part by an NSF Traineeship.

Copyright © American Mathematical Society 1974

If f is continuous, or locally bounded, then it is amply bounded. The space of amply bounded maps is denoted $\mathcal{AB}(W; Y)$. Then

$$\mathcal{H}_G(W; Y) \cap \mathcal{AB}(W; Y) = \mathcal{H}(W; Y).$$

3. Topologies. We shall consider the locally convex topologies on $\mathcal{H}(U; F)$ (E, F Banach spaces, $U \subset E$ open, nonempty) as given in [3]. In particular, τ_0 denotes the compact-open topology, τ_ω the topology of seminorms ported by compact subsets of U , τ_λ the topology of seminorms ported by all open covers of U , and τ_δ the bornological topology associated with τ_0 . We let $\mathcal{H}_b(U; F)$ be the space of holomorphic functions of bounded type with its natural topology τ_{0b} .

We have the following chain of inequalities $\tau_0 \leq \tau_\infty \leq \tau_\sigma \leq \tau_\pi \leq \tau_\omega \leq \tau_\delta$ and $\tau_\delta|_{\mathcal{H}_b} \leq \tau_{0b}$. $\tau_\delta|_{\mathcal{H}_b} = \tau_{0b}$, that is, τ_{0b} is the bornological topology associated with $\tau_0|_{\mathcal{H}_b}$ if and only if (for U ξ -balanced) $\mathcal{H}_b(U; F) = \mathcal{H}(U; F)$. Dineen [2] has shown, however, that if in the dual of E every bounded sequence has a weak* convergent subsequence, for example if E is separable or reflexive, then $\mathcal{H}_b(E; C) \neq \mathcal{H}(E; C)$, and so $\mathcal{H}_b(U; F) \neq \mathcal{H}(U; F)$.

4. Basic setting for the problem. We consider first Problem 2. Assume $U \subset E$, $V \subseteq F$ are open and nonempty. To avoid manifolds we need $\mathcal{H}(U; V)$ open in $\mathcal{H}(U; F)$ or a vector subspace, but the latter occurs exactly when $V = F$.

PROPOSITION 1. *If $U = E$, or if $\mathcal{H}_b(E; C) \neq \mathcal{H}(E; C)$ when $U \neq E$, then $\mathcal{H}(U; V)$ is not open in $(\mathcal{H}(U; F), \tau_\lambda)$.*

For $A \subset U$ and $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{H}(U) = \mathcal{H}(U; C)$, we define the \mathcal{F} -convex hull of A to be

$$\hat{A}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x \in U : |f(x)| \leq |f|_A \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{F}\},$$

where $|f|_A = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in A\}$. U is said to be $\mathcal{H}(U)$ -convex (resp. $\mathcal{H}_b(U)$ -convex) if for every compact (resp. U -bounded) subset K of U , $\hat{K}_{\mathcal{H}(U)}$ (resp. $\hat{K}_{\mathcal{H}_b(U)}$) is compact (resp. U -bounded), where A is a U -bounded subset of U if it is bounded (in E) and, if $U \neq E$, the distance from A to the boundary of U is not zero. If U is convex (in particular, all of E), then it is $\mathcal{H}_b(U)$ -convex and so $\mathcal{H}(U)$ -convex.

PROPOSITION 2. *If U is $\mathcal{H}_b(U)$ -convex, then $\mathcal{H}_b(U; V)$ is not open in $(\mathcal{H}_b(U; F), \tau_{0b})$.*

PROPOSITION 3. *If U is $\mathcal{H}(U)$ -convex, then $\mathcal{H}(U; V)$ is not open in $(\mathcal{H}(U; F), \tau_\omega)$.*

Hence, the setting for the problem we shall choose is to consider $X \subset \mathcal{H}(U; F)$, $Y \subset \mathcal{H}(F; G)$, and $Z \subset \mathcal{H}(U; G)$.

5. ***G*-holomorphy of ϕ .** We investigate the holomorphy of ϕ by examining separately when it is *G*-holomorphic and amply bounded. We may reduce the problem by using a theorem of Nachbin [4] which implies that if M is a LCS, W an open subset of M , and $\tau_1(N) \leq \tau_2(N)$ locally convex topologies on a vector space N such that the $\tau_1(N)$ -closure of every $\tau_2(N)$ -bounded set is $\tau_2(N)$ -bounded (designated condition (A)), then

$$\mathcal{H}_G(W; N_1) \cap \mathcal{AB}(W; N_2) = \mathcal{H}(W; N_2)$$

where $N_i = (N, \tau_i(N))$ for $i = 1, 2$. Condition (A) is implied by (B): every $\tau_1(N)$ -bounded subset of N is $\tau_2(N)$ -bounded, or (C): $\tau_2(N)$ is locally $\tau_1(N)$ -closed (that is, $\tau_2(N)$ has a base of neighborhoods of zero which are $\tau_1(N)$ -closed).

Set $W = (X, \tau_X) \times (Y, \tau_Y)$ where $X \subset \mathcal{H}(U; F)$, $Y \subset \mathcal{H}(F; G)$ are vector subspaces, and $N_1 = (\mathcal{H}(U; G), \tau_0)$. Since $\tau_{0b}(\mathcal{H}_b(U; G))$ is locally $\tau_0(\mathcal{H}_b(U; G))$ -closed, so (C) applies, and $\tau_\delta(\mathcal{H}(U; G))$ is the bornological topology associated with $\tau_0(\mathcal{H}(U; G))$, so (B) applies, and since all the topologies introduced above lie between τ_{0b} or τ_δ and τ_0 , then it suffices only to show ϕ is amply bounded for the given topologies, since it is *G*-holomorphic for all locally convex Hausdorff topologies τ_X, τ_Y when $\tau_1(N) = \tau_0$.

6. **Amply boundedness of ϕ .** Let \mathcal{M} be a collection of subsets of U . Let $X_{\mathcal{M}}$ be the space of holomorphic functions in $X \subset \mathcal{H}(U; F)$ which are bounded on each $W \in \mathcal{M}$, and give it the LCS topology defined by the family of seminorms $(|\cdot|_W)_{W \in \mathcal{M}}$. Let $Z_{\mathcal{M}}$ be defined similarly for $Z \subset \mathcal{H}(U; G)$, and let Y be a vector subspace of $\mathcal{H}(F; G)$. Let J_ε designate a collection of subsets of F of the form $J_\varepsilon(X_{\mathcal{M}}, \mathcal{M}) = \{B_{\varepsilon(f, W)}(f(W)) : f \in X_{\mathcal{M}}, W \in \mathcal{M}\}$ where $\varepsilon : X_{\mathcal{M}} \times \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$ and $B_r(A) = A + r\{x : \|x\| < 1\}$. Then the basic result is

PROPOSITION 4. *If X contains all the constant functions, then $\phi : X_{\mathcal{M}} \times (Y, \tau_Y) \rightarrow Z_{\mathcal{M}}$ is amply bounded if and only if there is an open cover J_ε of F such that $(Y, \tau_Y) \subset \mathcal{H}(F; G)_{J_\varepsilon}$ continuously. This last implies $\tau \geq \tau_\lambda(Y)$.*

PROPOSITION 5. (i) *If $\phi : \mathcal{H}(U; F)_{\mathcal{M}} \times (\mathcal{H}(F; G), \tau_Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(U; G)_{\mathcal{M}}$ is amply bounded, then $\mathcal{H}(F; G) = \mathcal{H}_b(F; G)$ (and $\tau_Y \geq \tau_\lambda$).*

(ii) *If $\tau_Y \geq \tau_{0b}$, then the converse of (i) is true.*

For example, taking \mathcal{M} in Proposition 4 to be the compact (resp. *U*-bounded) subsets of U yields τ_0 (resp. τ_{0b}). Arguing directly, we also get $\phi : (\mathcal{H}(U; F), \tau) \times (\mathcal{H}_b(F; G), \tau_{0b}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{H}(U; G), \tau)$ is amply bounded when $\tau = \tau_\omega, \tau_\sigma$, and (when U is ξ -balanced) τ_ω .

REMARKS. We may repeat the above investigation for E, F, G locally convex spaces instead of just Banach spaces. If F is Hausdorff and G seminormed, then the generalized form of Proposition 5 yields $\phi: (\mathcal{H}(U; F), \tau_0) \times (\mathcal{H}(F; G), \tau_Y) \rightarrow (\mathcal{H}(U; G), \tau_0)$ amply bounded implies F is normable and $\mathcal{H}(F; G) = \mathcal{H}_b(F; G)$.

REFERENCES

1. H. Alexander, *Analytic functions on Banach spaces*, Thesis, University of California, Berkeley, California, 1968.
2. S. Dineen, *Unbounded holomorphic functions on a Banach space*, J. London Math. Soc. (2) 4 (1971/72), 461–465. MR 45 #5753.
3. L. Nachbin, *Concerning spaces of holomorphic functions*, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., 1970.
4. ———, *Limites et perturbations des applications holomorphes*, Comptes Rendus du Colloque sur les Fonctions Analytiques de Plusieurs Variables Complexes, Paris, 1972, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (to appear).

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY 40506

Current address: Department of Mathematics, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701