

Ceci implique que  $\forall n \geq 1, \exists m \geq 1, \exists c_n > 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_c \frac{|g(z)|}{\exp h_n(z)} &\leq c_n \sup_{\|\mu\|_n^s \leq 1} |\langle g, R'\mu \rangle| = c_n \sup_{\|\mu\|_n^s \leq 1} \left| \int_S g(\lambda) d\mu(\lambda) \right| \\ &\leq c_n \sup_S \frac{|g(\lambda)|}{\exp h_m(\lambda)}, \end{aligned}$$

donc  $S$  est suffisant.

Le théorème est démontré.

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#### Absolute bases, tensor products and a theorem of Bohr

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**Abstract.** For  $E$  a locally convex Montel space with basis, we show that if the monomials form an absolute basis for the space of holomorphic functions on  $E$ , then  $E$  must be nuclear. Using related methods, we give an affirmative result for a special case of Grothendieck's conjecture on tensor products and nuclearity. We also relate our methods to a polydisc version of a theorem of Bohr on power series of bounded functions.

In [2] Boland and Dineen proved that the monomials on a fully nuclear space with basis form an absolute basis for the space of holomorphic functions (with the compact-open topology). We present here a result in the converse direction (solving a question posed by Meise and Vogt [14, p. 39]).

Using similar methods, we also obtain results on a conjecture of Grothendieck [5] concerning tensor products and on a generalisation of a theorem of H. Bohr [1] from one to several variables.

By monomials we mean finite products of coordinate evaluations (coordinates with respect to a specified basis). The class of fully nuclear spaces which was considered in [2] includes all Fréchet nuclear spaces and all *DFN*-spaces. Our converse (Theorem 1.7) is stated for Montel spaces (with basis).

The main problem, which we refer to as the *basis problem*, leads naturally to a particular case of a conjecture of Grothendieck [5] concerning equality of the projective ( $\pi$ ) and injective ( $\epsilon$ ) tensor products on locally convex spaces. Grothendieck's conjecture is known to be true for many classes of Banach spaces (see [15] for details) and for certain locally convex spaces [8], but Pisier [16, 15] has given a Banach space counterexample to the conjecture. The basis problem leads to a case where Grothendieck's conjecture is true (we give an elementary proof which works for some of the earlier results), but which is not covered by the results in [8, 15, 16].

Our proofs ultimately depend on a classical matrix inequality (Proposition 1.6). In the course of the reduction of the basis problem to enable us to apply this result, it became clear that a suitable generalisation of an equality of H. Bohr [1] from discs to polydiscs of large dimension would solve the basis problem. In the end, we found that such a generalisation is possible, but via a generalisation of Proposition 1.6 due to Mantero and Tonge [13].

This paper is organised as follows. In § 1, we give an overview of some of the background and show how to reduce the basis problem to the classical result (Proposition 1.6). In § 2, we explain the connection with Grothendieck's conjecture and show how the case of the conjecture which arises naturally can be proved using Proposition 1.6. In § 3, we explain how Bohr's inequality fits in to our context and obtain an asymptotic generalisation of Bohr's inequality to polydiscs in several variables.

Our references for locally convex spaces are [9, 7, 5, 18], for infinite-dimensional holomorphy [4] and for the geometry of Banach spaces [16, 10]. All locally convex spaces will be over the complex numbers ( $\mathbb{C}$ ) and will be assumed to be Hausdorff.

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**1. The basis problem.** We let  $cs(E)$  denote the set of all continuous seminorms on a locally convex space  $E$ . By a (Schauder) *basis* for  $E$  we mean a sequence  $(e_n)_n$  in  $E$  such that each  $x \in E$  can be uniquely represented as a convergent series  $x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n e_n$  and such that the coordinate evaluations  $x \mapsto x_n: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are each continuous (see [2]).

$N^{(N)}$  will denote the collection of all finitely non-zero sequences of non-negative integers. For  $(z_n)_n$  a sequence of complex numbers and  $m \in N^{(N)}$ ,  $|m| = \sum_j m_j$  and  $z^m$  denotes the (finite) product  $\prod_j z_j^{m_j}$  (where  $z_j^0 \equiv 1$ ).

**DEFINITION 1.1.** A basis  $(e_n)_n$  for a locally convex space  $E$  is said to be *absolute* if for each  $p \in cs(E)$  there exists  $q \in cs(E)$  satisfying

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_n |x_n| p(e_n) \leq q(\sum_n x_n e_n)$$

for all  $\sum_n x_n e_n \in E$ .

A *holomorphic function* on a locally convex space  $E$  is a continuous function  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which is holomorphic on all finite-dimensional subspaces of  $E$ . The collection of all such functions will be denoted by  $H(E)$  and we will consider it with the topology  $\tau_0$  of uniform convergence on compact subsets of  $E$ . For later reference we recall that Montel spaces  $E$  are reflexive *quasi-complete* (closed bounded subsets are complete) locally convex spaces in which all closed bounded sets are compact. Moreover,  $(E', \tau_0)$  coincides with the strong dual  $E'_\beta$  ( $E'$  with the topology of uniform convergence on bounded subsets of  $E$ ) and is also a Montel space.

If  $E$  has a basis  $(e_n)_n$ , then by monomials on  $E$  we mean the functions

$$\sum_n z_n e_n \mapsto z^m \quad (m \in N^{(N)}).$$

The problem we consider (the basis problem) is then whether  $E$  must be nuclear if the monomials form an absolute basis for  $(H(E), \tau_0)$ . Notice that for any

space  $E$  with a basis, finite-dimensional considerations show that every  $f \in H(E)$  can be represented pointwise as

$$(1.2) \quad f(\sum_n z_n e_n) = \sum_{m \in N^{(N)}} a_m z^m$$

for unique scalars  $a_m$ ,  $m \in N^{(N)}$ , and  $z$  in the algebraic span of the basis. Thus our problem concerns the situation where the series (1.2) converges in  $\tau_0$  and moreover has the following property: for each  $K \subset E$  compact there is a compact  $K' \subset E$  and a constant  $C > 0$  with

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{m \in N^{(N)}} |a_m| \|z^m\|_K \leq C \left\| \sum_{m \in N^{(N)}} a_m z^m \right\|_K$$

for each  $\sum a_m z^m \in H(E)$ . (Here  $\|f\|_K = \sup\{|f(z)|: z \in K\}$ .)

Using Taylor series expansions in several variables it follows that if the monomials form an absolute basis for  $H(E)$ , then the monomials of degree  $n$  form an absolute basis for  $(P^n(E), \tau_0)$ , where  $P^n(E)$  denotes the space of (continuous)  $n$ -homogeneous polynomials on  $E$ . (Recall that  $p \in P^n(E)$  if and only if  $p(z) = \tilde{p}(z, z, \dots, z)$  for a symmetric continuous  $n$ -linear mapping  $\tilde{p}$  on  $E$ .) In particular, taking  $n = 1$ , we find that  $E' = P^1(E)$  must have an absolute basis. In the case when  $E$  is a Montel space this will allow us to describe  $E'$  as a locally convex sequence space with seminorms given by a family of weights.

A *weight* is a sequence  $w$  of non-negative real numbers. We consider collections  $W$  of weights and, for convenience, we assume that if  $w = (w_n)_n$ ,  $w' = (w'_n)_n \in W$  then there exists  $w'' = (w''_n)_n \in W$  satisfying  $\max(w_n, w'_n) \leq w''_n$  (all  $n$ ). We consider sequence spaces

$$A(W) = \{(z_n)_n: \sum_n |z_n| w_n < \infty \text{ for all } w = (w_n)_n \in W\}$$

topologised by the family of seminorms  $\sum_n |z_n| w_n$ .

**LEMMA 1.2.** Let  $F$  be a locally convex space with an absolute basis  $(f_n)_n$ . Suppose  $F$  is quasi-complete and  $W$  consists of all the weights  $(|p(f_n)|)_n$  with  $p \in cs(F)$ . Then the map

$$\sum_n z_n f_n \mapsto (z_n)_n: F \rightarrow A(W)$$

is a linear topological isomorphism.

**Proof.** This is straightforward to verify. ■

**PROPOSITION 1.3.** Let  $E$  be a Montel space with basis  $(e_n)_n$  and suppose that the monomials form an absolute basis for  $(H(E), \tau_0)$ . Then

- (i)  $E'_\beta$  may be identified with  $A(W)$ , for some  $W$ .
- (ii)  $E$  has a fundamental system of compact sets consisting of the "polydiscs"

$$\left\{ \sum_n z_n e_n \in E: \sup_n |z_n| a_n \leq R \right\}$$

with  $(a_n^{-1})_n \in W$ ,  $R > 0$ . [Here we allow  $a_n = \infty$ ,  $a_n^{-1} = 0$ , and use  $0 \cdot \infty = 0$  in defining  $|z_n| a_n$ .]

Proof. (i) follows from Lemma 1.2 and our earlier remarks. For (ii) we use the fact that a subset  $K \subset E$  is bounded if and only if its polar is a barrel (i.e. closed, absolutely convex and absorbent). The Montel property of  $E$  and the fact that  $E'_\beta$  is barrelled (i.e. every barrel is a neighbourhood of the origin) allow us to deduce (ii). ■

LEMMA 1.4. *With the hypothesis and notation of Proposition 1.3, if  $(a_n^{-1})_n \in W$  then there exist  $(b_n^{-1}) \in W$  and a constant  $C > 0$  satisfying*

$$(1.4) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} \|a_m z^m\|_{\{|z_n| \leq r_n\}} = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} |a_m| r^m \leq C \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} a_m z^m \right| : \max_j |z_j| \leq 1 \right\}$$

for all  $k$  where  $(a_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k}$  is any set of scalars and  $r_n = (b_n/a_n)$  for all  $n$ .

Proof. This is immediate from Proposition 1.3 and (1.3). ■

Restricting (1.4) to coefficients  $(a_m)_m$  with  $a_m = 0$  for  $|m| \neq 2$  we obtain the following:

LEMMA 1.5. *With the hypotheses and notation of Proposition 1.3, if  $(a_n^{-1})_n \in W$  then there exist  $(b_n^{-1})_n \in W$  and a constant  $C > 0$  satisfying*

$$\sum_{j,k=1}^n \frac{b_j b_k}{a_j a_k} |\alpha_{jk}| \leq C \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{j,k} \alpha_{jk} z_j z_k \right| : \max_j |z_j| \leq 1 \right\}$$

for all symmetric  $n \times n$  matrices  $(\alpha_{jk})_{j,k}$  and all  $n$ .

As is customary, we use  $l_\infty^n$  for  $C^n$  with the  $l_\infty$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ . If  $A = (a_{jk})_{j,k=1}^n$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix then

$$\|A\|_{\infty, \infty} = \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{j,k=1}^n a_{jk} x_j y_k \right| : x, y \in l_\infty^n, \|x\|_\infty \leq 1, \|y\|_\infty \leq 1 \right\}$$

denotes the norm of  $A$  as a bilinear form on  $l_\infty^n$ . Let  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

PROPOSITION 1.6. *For  $a_{jk} = \exp(2\pi ijk/n)$ ,  $1 \leq j, k \leq n$ ,  $A = (a_{jk})_{j,k}$  we have*

$$\|A\|_{\infty, \infty} \leq n^{3/2}.$$

See Hardy and Littlewood [6, (5.1.5)] for a proof of this inequality. An earlier result of Toeplitz [17] would be sufficient for our purpose. For  $n$  a power of 4, he constructs a symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  with entries  $a_{jk} = \pm 1$  which satisfies  $\|A\|_{\infty, \infty} \sim n^{3/2}$ .

THEOREM 1.7. *Let  $E$  be a Montel space with basis  $(e_n)_n$  and suppose that the monomials form an absolute basis for  $(H(E), \tau_0)$ . Then  $E'_\beta$  is nuclear.*

Proof. Applying Lemma 1.5 together with Proposition 1.6, we find that given  $(a_n^{-1}) \in W$  there exist  $(b_n^{-1}) \in W$  and  $C > 0$  so that

$$\sum_{j,k=1}^n \frac{b_{m_j} b_{m_k}}{a_{m_j} a_{m_k}} \leq C n^{3/2}$$

holds for all sequences  $1 \leq m_1 < \dots < m_n$ , all  $n$ . Letting  $(\beta_j)_{j=1}^\infty$  denote the non-increasing rearrangement of  $b_j/a_j$ , it follows that

$$\left( \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \right)^2 \leq C n^{3/2}.$$

Consequently  $\beta_n \leq C/n^{1/4}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty (b_n/a_n)^8 < \infty$ .

Using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we see that there exists  $(c_n^{-1})_n \in W$  with  $\sum_n c_n/a_n < \infty$ . The Grothendieck-Pietsch criterion for nuclearity [5, 18, 7] now implies that  $E'_\beta$  is nuclear. ■

Remark 1.8. If  $E$  is assumed to be metrizable, then  $E$  is nuclear if and only if  $E'_\beta$  is. Thus nuclearity of  $E$  (as well as  $E'_\beta$ ) can be deduced from the hypotheses of Theorem 1.7 together with the assumption that one of  $E$  or  $E'_\beta$  is metrizable.

2. Tensor products. For a locally convex space  $F$ ,  $F \otimes F$  denotes the algebraic tensor product consisting of (finite) linear combinations of elements  $x \otimes y$ . Elements of  $F \otimes F$  may be viewed as bilinear forms on  $F' \otimes F'$  via

$$x \otimes y(x', y') = x'(x)y'(y).$$

If  $p \in cs(F)$  then the seminorms  $p \otimes_\pi p$  and  $p \otimes_\varepsilon p$  on  $F \otimes F$  are given by

$$p \otimes_\pi p(u) = \inf \left\{ \sum_i p(x_i)p(y_i) : u = \sum x_i \otimes y_i \right\},$$

$$p \otimes_\varepsilon p(u) = \sup \{u(x', y') : x', y' \in B_p^\circ\},$$

where  $B_p^\circ = \{x' \in F' : |x'(x)| \leq p(x) \text{ for all } x \in F\}$ .  $F \otimes_\pi F$  denotes  $F \otimes F$  with the topology generated by the seminorms  $p \otimes_\pi p$ ,  $p \in cs(F)$ .  $F \otimes_\varepsilon F$  is similarly defined.

We denote by  $F \otimes^s F$  the subspace of  $F \otimes F$  spanned by the elements  $x \otimes x$  and we use  $F \otimes_\pi^s F$  and  $F \otimes_\varepsilon^s F$  to indicate  $F \otimes^s F$  with the  $\pi$ - and  $\varepsilon$ -topologies.

We now consider the case where  $F = E'_\beta$  and  $E$  is (as in the previous section) a Montel space with basis and with the property that the monomials form an absolute basis for  $(H(E), \tau_0)$ . Then we can identify  $E'_\beta \otimes_\varepsilon^s E'_\beta$  with a subspace of  $(P^2(E), \tau_0)$  since, for  $u \in E' \otimes^s E'$ ,

$$\sup \{u(z; z) : z \in B_p^\circ\} \leq p \otimes_\varepsilon p(u) \leq 2 \sup \{|u(z, z)| : z \in B_p^\circ\}.$$

Using the fact that  $l_1^m \otimes_\pi l_1^m$  is isometric to  $l_1^{(m^2)}$ , (1.3) for  $|m| = 2$  and Proposition 1.3(ii) we can deduce that our hypotheses on  $E$  imply

$$E'_\beta \otimes_\pi^s E'_\beta = E'_\beta \otimes_\varepsilon^s E'_\beta.$$

Consequently, an alternative route to Theorem 1.7 would be via the following result.

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let  $F = A(W)$ .  $F$  must be nuclear if either one of the following conditions holds:

- (i)  $F \otimes_{\pi}^s F = F \otimes_{\varepsilon}^s F$ .  
 (ii)  $F \otimes_{\pi} F = F \otimes_{\varepsilon} F$ .

Proof. (i) follows essentially from Proposition 1.6, as in the proof of Theorem 1.7, and (ii) follows from (i). ■

Case (ii) of Proposition 2.1 is a special case of a conjecture of Grothendieck [5]. The conjecture (now known not to be true in general [16]) was that any locally convex space  $F$  for which  $F \otimes_{\pi} F = F \otimes_{\varepsilon} F$  must be nuclear. The result above seems not to be a consequence of previous positive results on the conjecture (see [8, 15] for these).

3. Bohr's theorem. Equation (1.4) led us to consider the following inequality of H. Bohr [1] (see also [3, p. 445]); if  $f \in H^{\infty}(\Delta)$ , the space of bounded holomorphic functions on the open unit disc  $\Delta$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , then

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| r^n \leq \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right| : |z| \leq 1 \right\}$$

holds for  $r \leq 1/3$ . Moreover, if  $r > 1/3$  then there exists an  $f \in H^{\infty}(\Delta)$  for which inequality (3.1) fails.

Thus inequality (3.1) places restrictions on  $r$  and we were led to try generalising (3.1) to multidimensional polydiscs. Specifically, we considered the following.

PROBLEM 3.1. For each  $k$  describe the set  $B_k$  of all  $k$ -tuples  $r = (r_1, \dots, r_k)$  of non-negative real numbers which satisfy the inequality

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} |a_m| r^m \leq \left\| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} a_m z^m \right\|_{\Delta^k}$$

for all  $f(z) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}^k} a_m z^m \in H^{\infty}(\Delta^k)$  where  $\Delta^k$  is the unit polydisc in  $\mathbb{C}^k$ .

Using Lemma 1.5 we could show that there exists a  $\sigma > 0$  (in fact any  $\sigma > 4$ ) and  $M > 0$  (both independent of  $k$ ) such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^k r_j^{\sigma} \leq M$$

for all  $(r_1, \dots, r_k) \in B_k$ , and then an application of the Grothendieck–Pietsch criterion would solve the basis problem.

While we are unable to give a complete solution to Problem 3.1, the following is the best result we could obtain.

THEOREM 3.2. For  $r \in B_n$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^n r_j \leq 2\sqrt{n}$ .

LEMMA 3.3 ([13]). For each  $n > 1$ , each  $J \leq 2$  and each  $\alpha > 0$  there exists a  $J$ -fold (symmetric) tensor

$$t = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_J=1}^n \varepsilon_k e_{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{k_J}$$

with  $\varepsilon_k = \pm 1$  (all  $k$ ) which has  $\varepsilon$ -norm  $\|t\|$  in  $l_1^n \otimes \dots \otimes l_1^n$  satisfying

$$\|t\| \leq 2^{J+1} [Jn^{J+1} \log(1+4J)]^{1/2} + \alpha.$$

Proof. This follows from the proof of Theorem 1.1 of [13] (noting that the constant  $K$  used there may be taken to be  $J$ ). ■

Proof of Theorem 3.2. The  $\varepsilon$ -norm of the symmetric tensor  $t$  dominates  $\|f\|_{\Delta^n}$  where  $f$  is the homogeneous polynomial on  $\mathbb{C}^n$

$$f(z) = \sum_k \varepsilon_k z^k.$$

From (1.6), it follows that each  $r \in B_n$  satisfies

$$\left( \sum_{k=1}^n r_k \right)^J \leq \|t\|.$$

Letting  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ , taking  $J$ th roots and letting  $J \rightarrow \infty$  gives the desired result. ■

We remark that it is possible to modify Theorem 3.2 slightly so as to give alternative proofs of Theorem 1.7.

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## On an extrapolation theorem of Carleson–Sjölin with applications to a.e. convergence of Fourier series

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**Abstract.** A weak type version of Yano's extrapolation theorem is presented which improves a result of Carleson and Sjölin about almost everywhere convergence of Fourier–Walsh series.

**§ 0. Introduction.** Let  $(\Omega, \mu)$  be an arbitrary measure space. A well-known result due to Yano [Y] (see also Zygmund [Z]) states that if  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ ,  $T$  is a continuous linear operator from  $L^p(\Omega)$  into  $L^p(\Omega)$ ,  $1 < p \leq p_0$ , and for some fixed  $m \geq 0$ ,  $T$  satisfies the estimate

$$(1) \quad \|T\chi_A\|_{L^p} \leq C(p-1)^{-m} \mu(A)^{1/p},$$

for every measurable subset  $A$  of  $\Omega$  and with  $C$  independent of  $A$  and  $p$ , then we can “extrapolate” and conclude that  $T$  acts continuously from  $L(1 + \log^+ L)(\Omega)$  into  $L^1(\Omega)$ .

It is not hard to see that the result remains true if  $T$  is assumed to be sublinear and estimate (1) is replaced by the weaker assumption

$$(2) \quad \|T\chi_A\|_{L^1} \leq C(p-1)^{-m} \mu(A)^{1/p}.$$

In this case, the condition “ $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ ” is not even needed. (See § 3 for a simple proof of this fact.)

In 1967, extending the fundamental work of Carleson [Ca], R. Hunt [H] found the following basic estimate for the maximal operator,  $S^*$ , associated to the partial sums of Fourier series:

$$(3) \quad t\mu\{x \in \Omega: S^*\chi_A > t\}^{1/p} \leq Cp^2(p-1)^{-1} \mu(A)^{1/p}, \quad 1 < p < \infty, t > 0,$$

where  $(\Omega, \mu)$  represents here the one-dimensional torus with the usual Lebesgue measure. This, combined with the inequality

$$(4) \quad \|f\|_{L^1} \leq p(p-1)^{-1} \sup_{t>0} [t\mu\{x: |f(x)| > t\}^{1/p}],$$

gives an estimate for  $S^*$  like (2) with  $m = 2$  and, therefore, Yano's extrapolation theorem ensures the a.e. convergence of Fourier series for functions in  $L(\log^+ L)^2$ .

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