In Example 18, it is mistakenly stated that for Hilbert spaces the topologies  $\mathcal{T}_c$  and  $\mathcal{T}_w$  both coincide with the weak topology; in an email, Miroslav Bačák pointed out to me that this cannot be the case. Here is a copy of my reply clarifying the situation (August 2011).

The topologies  $\mathcal{T}_c$  and  $\mathcal{T}_w$  both collapse to the ordinary topologies: respectively the weak and norm topology:

Let X be a Hilbert space. Then the weakest topology making all the functions

$$z \longmapsto d(z, x) - d(z, y) \qquad (x, y \in X)$$

continuous is the norm topology. Indeed, it suffices to provide neighbourhoods of  $0 \in X$  in that topology that are contained in balls of arbitrarily small radius around 0. Let x be any unit vector and  $0 < \epsilon < 1/2$ . Then  $V_+ \cap V_-$  is the requested set, where

$$V_{\pm} = \left\{ z : d(z,0) - d(z,\pm x) < 1 - 2\epsilon \right\}.$$

Indeed,  $V_{\pm}$  is bounded by a hyperboloid with point of maximal curvature at  $\pm \epsilon x$  and crossing  $x^{\perp}$  along a sphere of radius  $2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)/(1-2\epsilon) \to 0$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$ . Thus  $V_{+} \cap V_{-}$  is completely contained in the closed ball of that radius in X.

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