1. We have to check the norm axioms. Firstly, ||x|| = 0 is equivalent to  $||x||_1 = 0$  and  $||x||_2 = 0$ , which is true iff x = 0. Secondly,

$$||\lambda x|| = \alpha |\lambda| ||x||_1 + \beta |\lambda| ||x||_2$$
  
=  $|\lambda| (\alpha ||x||_1 + \beta ||x||_2) = |\lambda| ||x||.$ 

Finally,

$$||x + y|| \le \alpha(||x||_1 + ||y||_1) + \beta(||x||_2 + ||y||_2)$$
  
=  $(\alpha ||x||_1 + \beta ||x||_2) + (\alpha ||y||_1 + \beta ||y||_2) = ||x|| + ||y||.$ 

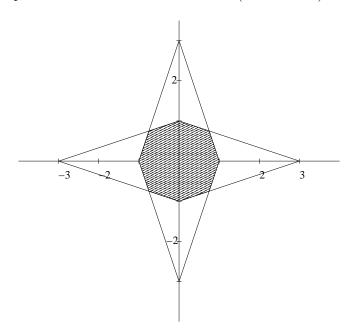
For the concrete norm we have the equivalences

$$||x|| \le 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{3}(|x_1| + |x_2|) + \frac{2}{3}|x_1| \le 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}(|x_1| + |x_2|) + \frac{2}{3}|x_2| \le 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3|x_1| + |x_2| \le 3 \text{ and } |x_1| + 3|x_2| \le 3,$$

so the shape of the unit ball looks as follows (shaded area):



2. Let  $A_n := \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ . If  $A_n$  is convergent, then it is a Cauchy. This means that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0$  such that for all  $n \ge m \ge n_0$ :

$$\nu_p(A_n - A_m) < \epsilon.$$

This shows that, in particular,  $\nu_p(a_{m+1}) = \nu_p(A_{m+1} - A_m) < \epsilon$ , for all  $m \ge n_0$ , which means  $a_k \to 0$ . Conversely, let us assume that  $a_k \to 0$ . We need to show that  $A_n$  is Cauchy. We conclude from the strong triangle inequality that

$$\nu_v(A_n - A_m) = \nu_v(\sum_{k=m+1}^n a_k) \le \max\{\nu_p(a_{m+1}), \nu_p(a_{m+1}), \dots \nu_p(a_n)\}.$$

For every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0$  such that  $\nu_p(a_n) < \epsilon$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ . This implies that, for all  $n > m \ge n_0$ :

$$\nu_v(A_n - A_m) < \epsilon,$$

i.e.,  $A_n$  is Cauchy.

3. It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{B}(V,W)$  is a vector space and that the operator norm is actually a norm on this vector space. We focus on proving that if  $T_n \in \mathcal{B}(V,W)$  is a Cauchy sequence, then there exists an operator  $T \in \mathcal{B}(V,W)$  such that  $T_n \to T$ , i.e.,  $||T_n - T|| \to 0$ . We first have to define the limit operator  $T: V \to W$ . Let  $v \in V$ . Then  $w_n := T_n v \in W$  is a Cauchy sequence because of

$$||w_n - w_m||_W = ||T_n v - T_m v||_W \le ||T_n - T_m|| \cdot ||v||_V$$

and the fact that  $T_n$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $(W, \|\cdot\|_W)$  is a Banach space,  $w_n \in W$  must be convergent and we define

$$Tv = \lim_{n \to \infty} w_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} T_n v.$$

This defined the operator T pointwise. Let us first check that T is linear:

$$T(v_1 + v_2) = \lim T_n(v_1 + v_2) = \lim T_n v_1 + T_n v_2$$
  
=  $\lim T_n v_1 + \lim T_n v_2 = Tv_1 + Tv_2$ ,  
 $T(\lambda v) = \lim T_n(\lambda v) = \lim \lambda T_n(v) = \lambda \lim T_n(v) = \lambda Tv$ .

Next, we need to show that T is bounded. Since  $T_n$  is a Cauchy sequence,  $T_n$  is bounded (see Exercise 3 on Sheet 1), i.e., there exists C > 0 such that  $||T_n|| \leq C$  for all n. Let  $v \in V$  with  $||v||_V \leq 1$ . Since  $T_n v \to T v$  there exists  $n_0$  such that  $||Tv - T_{n_0}v||_W < 1$ . This implies that

$$||Tv||_W \le ||Tv - T_{n_0}v||_W + ||T_{n_0}v||_W < 1 + ||T_{n_0}|| \cdot ||v||_V \le 1 + C,$$

i.e.,  $T \in \mathcal{B}(V, W)$ . It only remains to show that  $T_n \to T$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $T_n$  is a Cauchy sequence, there exists a  $n_0$  such that  $||T_n - T_m|| < \epsilon/2$  for all  $n, m \ge n_0$ . Let  $v \in V$  with  $||v||_V \le 1$ . Since  $T_n v \to T v$ , there exists  $n_0(v)$  such that  $||T_n v - T v||_W < \epsilon/2$  for all  $n \ge n_0(v)$ . We can assume, without loss of generality, that  $n_0(v) \ge n_0$ . Then we have for all  $n \ge n_0$ :

$$||Tv - T_n v||_W \le ||Tv - T_{n_0(v)}v||_W + ||T_{n_0(v)}v - T_n v||_W < \epsilon/2 + ||T_{n_0(v)} - T_n|| \cdot ||v||_V < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 \cdot 1 = \epsilon.$$

This shows that  $||T - T_n|| < \epsilon$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ , i.e.,  $T_n \to T$ .

4. (i) Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{e^{cb}}e^{Cx}$ . Then  $||f||_{\infty} = 1$  and f'(x) = Cf(x). Therefore, we have

$$||Df||_{\infty} = C.$$

Since C > 0 can be arbitrarily, D is unbounded.

(ii) The fastest way to show boundedness of the restricted operator D is to identify  $P_k[a,b]$  with the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^{k+1}$  via

$$a_k x^k + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \mapsto (a_k, \dots, a_1, a_0).$$

By this identification, D translates into the linear operator

$$D(a_k,\ldots,a_1,a_0)=(0,ka_k,\ldots,2a_2,a_1),$$

which can be written as a matrix, if required. Since all norms in  $\mathbb{R}^{k+1}$  are equivalent and every matrix is a bounded operator with respect to any norm, we conclude that D is bounded on  $P_k[a, b]$ .

- (iii) Let  $f \in C^1[a, b]$  be a non-vanishing constant function. Then  $||f||_* = 0$ , but  $f \neq 0$ , a contradiction to the norm axioms.
- (iv) This is not a norm on C[0,1] for similar reasons as in (iii). Choose a non-vanishing continuous function f on [0,1] which vanishes at the k+1 points  $\frac{j}{k}$  for  $j=0,1,\ldots,k$ . Then  $\|f\|_{\Delta}=0$  but  $f\neq 0$ . Such an example does not exist for polynomials of degree  $\leq k$ . If  $p\in P_k[0,1]$  and  $\|p\|_{\Delta}=0$ , we conclude that p has k+1 distinct zeroes on the real line. Since p is of degree k, it cannot have more than k zeros, unless it is identically zero. This shows  $\|p\|_{\Delta}=0 \Leftrightarrow p=0$  in  $P_k[0,1]$ . The other norm axioms are easily checked.
- (v) The norm axioms are easily checks, only  $||f||_{c^1} = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0$  needs to be considered. But this follows immediately from  $||f||_{\infty} = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0$ . The boundedness of D is shown as follows: Let  $f \in C^1[a, b]$  with  $||f||_{C^1} \leq 1$ . Then

$$||D(f)||_{\infty} = ||f'||_{\infty} \le ||f||_{C^1} \le 1,$$

i.e., D is bounded.

- (iv) The norm axioms are easily checked, only  $||f||_{\diamond} = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0$  needs consideration. If  $||f||_{\diamond} = 0$  we have f' = 0. Since [a, b] is a connected set, f must be a constant function. Since f(a) = 0, f must vanish everywhere. This shows f = 0. The converse direction is trivial.
- 5. (i) Look at g(x) = f(x) x. Then  $g(a) \ge 0$  and  $g(b) \le 0$ , so there must be  $x \in [a, b]$  with g(x) = 0. This implies f(x) = x.
  - (ii) Since |f'(x)| < 1 for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and ||f'(x)|| is continuous on [a, b], it attains a maximum M on [a, b] with M < 1. Using the Mean Value Theorem, we obtain

$$||f(x) - f(y)|| \le ||f'(\xi)|| \cdot |x - y| \le M \cdot |x - y|,$$

for some  $\xi$  between x and y. This means that  $f:[a,b]\to [a,b]$  is a contraction on the complete metric space

$$(M,d) = ([a,b], d(x,y) = |x-y|).$$

The statement of the exercise is then just an application of the Contraction Mapping Principle.

(iii) Choose f(x) = a + b - x. Then f'(x) = -1. Choose, e.g.,  $x_0 = a$ , then we have  $x_n = b$  for all odd n and  $x_n = a$  for all even n.