

# ON A CLASS OF DIFFERENCE SEQUENCES RELATED TO THE $\ell^p$ SPACE DEFINED BY ORLICZ FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this article we introduce the difference sequence space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  using the Orlicz function. We study its different properties like solidity, completeness etc. Also we obtain some inclusion relations involving the space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Throughout the article  $w$ ,  $\ell_\infty$ ,  $\ell^p$  denote the spaces of *all*, *bounded* and *p-absolutely summable* sequences respectively. The zero sequence is denoted by  $\theta$ . The sequence space  $m(\phi)$  was introduced by Sargent [12], who studied some of its properties and obtained its relationship with the space  $\ell^p$ . Later on it was investigated from sequence space point of view by Rath and Tripathy [10], Tripathy [13], Tripathy and Sen [14], Tripathy and Mahanta [15] and others.

The notion of difference sequence space was introduced by Kizmaz [4]. He studied the properties of the difference sequence spaces

$$X(\Delta) = \{x = (x_k) \in w : (\Delta x_k) \in X\},$$

where  $\Delta x_k = x_k - x_{k+1}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and for  $X = \ell_\infty$ ,  $c$  and  $c_0$ .

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An *Orlicz function* is a function  $M: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ , which is continuous, non-decreasing and convex, with  $M(0) = 0$ ,  $M(x) > 0$  for  $x > 0$  and  $M(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

An Orlicz function  $M$  is said to satisfy  $\Delta_2$ -condition for all values of  $x$ , if there exists a constant  $K > 0$ , such that  $M(2x) \leq KM(x)$ , for all values of  $x \geq 0$ .

If the convexity of Orlicz function is replaced by  $M(x+y) \leq M(x) + M(y)$ , then this function is called the *modulus function*, introduced by Nakano [7]. It was further investigated from sequence space point of view by Ruckle [11] and many others.

**Remark.** An Orlicz function satisfies the inequality  $M(\lambda x) \leq \lambda M(x)$  for all  $\lambda$  with  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

## 2. Definition and background

Let  $\wp_s$  denotes the class of all subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ , that do not contain more than  $s$  elements. Throughout  $(\phi_n)$  represents a non-decreasing sequence of strictly positive real numbers such that  $n\phi_{n+1} \leq (n+1)\phi_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By  $\Phi$  we denote the class of all these sequences  $(\phi_n)$ .

The sequence space  $m(\phi)$  introduced by Sargent [12] is defined as follows:

$$m(\phi) = \left\{ (x_k) \in w : \|(x_k)\|_{m(\phi)} = \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} |x_k| < \infty \right\}.$$

Lindenstrauss and Tzafriri [5] used the notion of Orlicz function and introduced the sequence space

$$\ell_M = \left\{ (x_k) \in w : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M\left(\frac{|x_k|}{\rho}\right) < \infty \text{ for some } \rho > 0 \right\}.$$

The space  $\ell_M$  with the norm

$$\|(x_k)\| = \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M\left(\frac{|x_k|}{\rho}\right) \leq 1 \right\}$$

becomes a Banach space, which is called an *Orlicz sequence space*. The space  $\ell_M$  is closely related to the space  $\ell^p$ , which is an Orlicz sequence space with  $M(x) = x^p$  for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

In the later stage different Orlicz sequence spaces were introduced and studied by Et [2], Esi and Et [1], Parashar and Choudhary [9], Nuray and Gülcü [8] and many others.

In this article we shall use the following known sequence spaces defined by Orlicz functions:

$$\ell_1(M, \Delta) = \left\{ x = (x_k) \in w : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho}\right) < \infty \text{ for some } \rho > 0 \right\},$$

$$\ell_{\infty}(M, \Delta) = \left\{ x = (x_k) \in w : \sup_{k \geq 1} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho}\right) < \infty \text{ for some } \rho > 0 \right\}$$

(see for instance Mursaleen et.al [6]).

In this article we introduce the following sequence spaces:

$$m(M, \Delta, \phi) = \left\{ (x_k) \in w : \sup_{\substack{s \geq 1, \\ \sigma \in \wp_s}} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho}\right) < \infty \text{ for some } \rho > 0 \right\}.$$

Taking  $X = \mathbb{C}$ , the set of complex numbers, from the section Particular Cases of Tripathy and Mahanta [15], we have that the space  $m(M, \phi)$  is a Banach space under the norm

$$\|(x_k)\| = \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|x_k|}{\rho}\right) \leq 1 \right\}.$$

A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *solid* (or *normal*) if  $(\alpha_k x_k) \in E$ , whenever  $(x_k) \in E$  and for all sequences  $(\alpha_k)$  of scalars such that  $|\alpha_k| \leq 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *symmetric* if  $(x_n) \in E$  implies  $(x_{\pi(n)}) \in E$ , where  $\pi(n)$  is a permutation of the elements of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

The following results will be used for establishing some results of this article.

**LEMMA 1.** (Sargent [12, Lemma 10]) *In order that  $m(\phi) \subseteq m(\psi)$ , it is necessary and sufficient that  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} < \infty$ .*

**LEMMA 2.** (Sargent [12, Lemma 11])

- (a)  $\ell_1 \subseteq m(\phi) \subseteq \ell_{\infty}$  for all  $\phi \in \Phi$ .
- (b)  $m(\phi) = \ell_1$  if and only if  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \phi_s < \infty$ .
- (c)  $m(\phi) = \ell_{\infty}$  if and only if  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi_s}{s} > 0$ .

Taking  $m = 1$ , i.e., considering only the first difference, we have the following results from Theorem 2.2 of Et and Nuryay [3].

**LEMMA 3.** *If  $X$  is a Banach space normed by  $\|\cdot\|$ , then  $X(\Delta)$  is also a Banach space normed by  $\|x\|_{\Delta} = |x_1| + \|\Delta x\|$ .*

### 3. Main results

In this section we prove some results involving the sequence space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is a linear space.*

**Proof.** Let  $(x_k), (y_k) \in m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then there exists positive numbers  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  such that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1}\right) < \infty$$

and

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta y_k|}{\rho_2}\right) < \infty.$$

Let  $\rho_3 = \max(2|\alpha|\rho_1, 2|\beta|\rho_2)$ . Since  $M$  is non-decreasing convex function,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta(\alpha x_k + \beta y_k)|}{\rho_3}\right) &\leq \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\alpha \Delta x_k|}{\rho_3} + \frac{|\beta \Delta y_k|}{\rho_3}\right) \\ &< \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1}\right) + \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta y_k|}{\rho_2}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \sup_{\substack{s \geq 1, \\ \sigma \in \wp_s}} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta(\alpha x_k + \beta y_k)|}{\rho_3}\right) \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{s \geq 1, \\ \sigma \in \wp_s}} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1}\right) + \sup_{\substack{s \geq 1, \\ \sigma \in \wp_s}} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta y_k|}{\rho_2}\right) < \infty. \\ \Rightarrow (\alpha x_k + \beta y_k) &\in m(M, \Delta, \phi). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is a linear space. □

**LEMMA 4.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is a normed linear space, normed by*  

$$h_\Delta((x_k)) = |x_1| + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho}\right) \leq 1 \right\}.$$

**Proof.** Clearly  $h_\Delta((-x_k)) = h_\Delta((x_k))$ . Next  $x = \theta$  implies  $\Delta x_k = 0$  and as such  $M(0) = 0$ , therefore  $h_\Delta(\theta) = 0$ . It can be easily shown that  $h_\Delta((x_k)) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \theta$ .

Next let  $\rho_1 > 0$ ,  $\rho_2 > 0$  be such that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1} \right) \leq 1$$

and

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta y_k|}{\rho_2} \right) \leq 1.$$

Let  $\rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta(x_k + y_k)|}{\rho} \right) \\ & \leq \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \cdot \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1} \right) + \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \cdot \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta y_k|}{\rho_2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\rho_1 > 0$ ,  $\rho_2 > 0$ , so by the definition of  $h_\Delta$ , we have

$$h_\Delta((x_k + y_k)) \leq h_\Delta((x_k)) + h_\Delta((y_k)).$$

Finally the continuity of the scalar multiplication follows from the following equality,

$$\begin{aligned} h_\Delta(\lambda(x_k)) &= |\lambda x_1| + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{|\Delta \lambda x_k|}{\rho} \right) \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= |\lambda| h_\Delta((x_k)). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.**  $m(M, \Delta, \phi) \subseteq m(M, \Delta, \psi)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} < \infty$ .

**Proof.** By taking  $y_k = M \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho} \right)$  in Lemma 1, it can be proved that  $m(M, \Delta, \phi) \subseteq m(M, \Delta, \psi)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} < \infty$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.**  $m(M, \Delta, \phi) = m(M, \Delta, \psi)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} < \infty$  and

$$\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{\psi_s}{\phi_s} < \infty.$$

**THEOREM 4.** Let  $M$ ,  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  be Orlicz functions satisfying  $\Delta_2$ -condition. Then

- (i)  $m(M_1, \Delta, \phi) \subseteq m(M \circ M_1, \Delta, \phi)$ .
- (ii)  $m(M_1, \Delta, \phi) \cap m(M_2, \Delta, \phi) \subseteq m(M_1 + M_2, \Delta, \phi)$ .

Proof.

(i) Let  $(x_k) \in m(M_1, \Delta, \phi)$ . Then there exists  $\rho > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M_1 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho} \right) < \infty.$$

Let  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$  and  $\delta$ , with  $0 < \delta < 1$ , such that  $M(t) < \delta$  for  $0 \leq t < \delta$ .

Let  $y_k = M_1 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho} \right)$  and for any  $\sigma \in \wp_s$  let

$$\sum_{k \in \sigma} M(y_k) = \sum_1 M(y_k) + \sum_2 M(y_k),$$

where the first summation is over  $y_k \leq \delta$  and the second is over  $y_k > \delta$ .

By the Remark

$$\sum_1 M(y_k) \leq M(1) \sum_1 y_k \leq M(2) \sum_1 y_k. \quad (1)$$

For  $y_k > \delta$  we have,

$$y_k < \frac{y_k}{\delta} \leq 1 + \frac{y_k}{\delta}.$$

Since  $M$  is non-decreasing and convex, so

$$M(y_k) < M \left( 1 + \frac{y_k}{\delta} \right) < \frac{1}{2} M(2) + \frac{1}{2} M \left( \frac{2y_k}{\delta} \right).$$

Since  $M$  satisfies  $\Delta_2$ -condition, so

$$M(y_k) < \frac{1}{2} K \frac{y_k}{\delta} M(2) + \frac{1}{2} K \frac{y_k}{\delta} M(2) < K \frac{y_k}{\delta} M(2).$$

Hence

$$\sum_2 M(y_k) \leq \max \left( 1, K \delta^{-1} M(2) \right) \sum_2 y_k. \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), it follows that  $(x_k) \in m(M \circ M_1, \Delta, \phi)$ .

(ii) Let  $(x_k) \in m(M_1, \Delta, \phi) \cap m(M_2, \Delta, \phi)$ . Then there exists  $\rho_1 > 0, \rho_2 > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M_1 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1} \right) < \infty$$

and

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M_2 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_2} \right) < \infty.$$

Let  $\rho_3 = \max(\rho_1, \rho_2)$ .

The remaining part of the proof follows from the inequality

$$\sum_{k \in \sigma} (M_1 + M_2) \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_3} \right) \leq \sum_{k \in \sigma} M_1 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_1} \right) + \sum_{k \in \sigma} M_2 \left( \frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho_2} \right) \quad \square$$

Taking  $M_1(x) = x$  in Theorem 5(i), we have the following result.

**COROLLARY 5.** *Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function satisfying  $\Delta_2$ -condition. Then  $m(\Delta, \phi) \subseteq m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ .*

**THEOREM 6.**

- (a)  $\ell_1(M, \Delta) \subseteq m(M, \Delta, \phi) \subseteq \ell_\infty(M, \Delta)$ .
- (b)  $m(M, \Delta, \phi) = \ell_1(M, \Delta)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \phi_s < \infty$ .
- (c)  $m(M, \Delta, \phi) = \ell_\infty(M, \Delta)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \frac{s}{\phi_s} < \infty$ .

**Proof.**

- (a) The result follows from Lemma 2, by taking  $y_k = M\left(\frac{|\Delta x_k|}{\rho}\right)$ .
- (b) The result follows from the point of view of Lemma 2.
- (c) The result follows from the point of view of Lemma 2. □

From Lemma 3 and the fact that  $m(M, \phi)$  is a Banach space, the following result follows.

**THEOREM 7.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is complete.*

The following result is a routine work.

**PROPOSITION 8.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is a BK-space.*

**PROPOSITION 9.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is not solid in general.*

**Proof.** To show that the space is not solid in general, consider the following example. □

*Example 1.* Let  $\phi_k = 1$  and  $x_k = 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider  $\lambda_k = (-1)^k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $M(x) = x$ . Then  $(x_k) \in m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  but  $(\lambda_k x_k) \notin m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ .

**PROPOSITION 10.** *The space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is not symmetric in general.*

**Proof.** To show that the space is not symmetric in general, consider the following example. □

*Example 2.* Let  $M(x) = x$  and  $\phi_k = k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the sequence  $(x_k)$  define by  $x_k = k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  is in  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ . Consider the sequence  $(y_k)$ , the rearrangement of  $(x_k)$  defined as follows

$$(y_k) = (x_1, x_2, x_4, x_3, x_9, x_5, x_{16}, x_6, x_{25}, x_7, x_{36}, x_8, x_{49}, x_{10}, x_{64}, x_{11}, -, -, -, -).$$

Then  $(y_k) \notin m(M, \Delta, \phi)$ . Hence the space  $m(M, \Delta, \phi)$  is not symmetric in general.

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