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## THE DUAL SPACES OF THE SETS OF DIFFERENCE SEQUENCES OF ORDER m

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ABSTRACT. The idea of difference sequence spaces was introduced by Kızmaz [5] and the concept was generalized by Et and Çolak [3]. Let  $p=(p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers and  $v=(v_k)$  be any fixed sequence of non-zero complex numbers. If  $x=(x_k)$  is any sequence of complex numbers we write  $\Delta_v^m x$  for the sequence of the m-th order differences of x and  $\Delta_v^m(X)=\{x=(x_k):\Delta_v^m x\in X\}$  for any set X of sequences. In this paper we determine the  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ - duals of the sets  $\Delta_v^m(X)$  which are defined by Et et al. [2] for  $X=\ell_\infty(p),c(p)$  and  $c_0(p)$ . This study generalizes results of Malkowsky [9] in special cases.

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## 1. Introduction, Notations and Known Results

Throughout this paper  $\omega$  denotes the space of all scalar sequences and any subspace of  $\omega$  is called a sequence space. Let  $\ell_{\infty}$ , c and  $c_0$  be the linear space of bounded, convergent and null sequences with complex terms, respectively, normed by

$$||x||_{\infty} = \sup_{k} |x_k|,$$

where  $k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ , the set of positive integers. Furthermore, let  $p = (p_k)$  be bounded sequences of positive real numbers and

$$\ell_{\infty}(p) = \left\{ x \in \omega : \sup_{k} |x_{k}|^{p_{k}} < \infty \right\},$$

$$c(p) = \left\{ x \in \omega : \lim_{k \to \infty} |x_{k} - l|^{p_{k}} = 0 \text{, for some } l \in \mathbb{C} \right\},$$

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$$c_0(p) = \left\{ x \in \omega : \lim_{k \to \infty} |x_k|^{p_k} = 0 \right\}$$

(for details see [6], [7], [11]).

Let x and y be complex sequences, and E and F be subsets of  $\omega$ . We write

$$M(E,F) = \bigcap_{x \in E} x^{-1} * F = \{ a \in \omega : ax \in F \text{ for all } x \in E \}$$
 [12].

In particular, the sets

$$E^{\alpha} = M(E, l_1), \qquad E^{\beta} = M(E, cs) \quad \text{and} \quad E^{\gamma} = M(E, bs)$$

are called the  $\alpha-$ ,  $\beta-$  and  $\gamma-$  duals of E, where  $l_1$ , cs and bs are the sets of all convergent, absolutely convergent and bounded series, respectively. If  $E \subset F$ , then  $F^{\eta} \subset E^{\eta}$  for  $\eta = \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . It is clear that  $E^{\alpha} \subset (E^{\alpha})^{\alpha} = E^{\alpha\alpha}$ . If  $E = E^{\alpha\alpha}$ , then E is an  $\alpha$ -space. In particular, an  $\alpha$ -space is called a Köthe space or a perfect sequence space.

Throughout this paper X will be used to denote any one of the sequence spaces  $\ell_{\infty}$ , c and  $c_0$ . Kızmaz [5] introduced the notion of difference sequence spaces as follows:

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

Later on the notion was generalized by Et and Çolak in [3], namely,

$$X(\Delta^m) = \{x = (x_k) : (\Delta^m x_k) \in X\}.$$

Subsequently difference sequence spaces have been studied by Malkowsky and Parashar [8], Mursaleen [10], Çolak [1] and many others.

Let  $v = (v_k)$  be any fixed sequence of non-zero complex numbers. Et and Esi [4] generalized the above sequence spaces to the following ones

$$\Delta_v^m(X) = \{ x = (x_k) : (\Delta_v^m x_k) \in X \},\$$

where  $\Delta_v^0 x = (v_k x_k)$ ,  $\Delta_v^m x = (\Delta_v^{m-1} x_k - \Delta_v^{m-1} x_{k+1})$  such that  $\Delta_v^m x_k = \sum_{i=0}^m (-1)^i \binom{m}{i} v_{k+i} x_{k+i}$ . Recently Et et al. [2] generalized the sequence spaces  $\Delta_v^m(X)$  to the sequence spaces

$$\Delta_v^m(X(p)) = \{ x = (x_k) : (\Delta_v^m x_k) \in X(p) \}$$

and showed that these spaces are complete paranormed spaces paranormed by

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} |x_i v_i| + \sup_{k} |\Delta_v^m x_k|^{p_k/M},$$

where  $H = \sup_k p_k$  and  $M = \max(1, H)$ .

Let us define the operator  $D: \Delta_v^m X(p) \to \Delta_v^m X(p)$  by  $Dx = (0, 0, \dots, x_{m+1}, x_{m+2}, \dots)$ , where  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$ . It is trivial that D is a bounded linear operator on  $\Delta_v^m X(p)$ . Furthermore the set

$$D[\Delta_v^m X(p)] = D\Delta_v^m X(p)$$
  
=  $\{x = (x_k) : x \in \Delta_v^m X(p), x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_m = 0\}$ 

is a subspace of  $\Delta_v^m X(p)$ .  $D\Delta_v^m X(p)$  and X(p) are equivalent as topological spaces, since

$$(1.1) \Delta_v^m : D\Delta_v^m X(p) \to X(p)$$

defined by  $\Delta_v^m x = y = (\Delta_v^m x_k)$  is a linear homeomorphism. Let [X(p)]' and  $[D\Delta_v^m X(p)]'$  denote the continuous duals of X(p) and  $D\Delta_v^m X(p)$ , respectively. It can be shown that

$$T: [D\Delta_v^m X(p)]' \to [X(p)]', \qquad f_\Delta \to f_\Delta \circ (\Delta_v^m)^{-1} = f,$$

is a linear isometry. So  $[D\Delta_n^m X(p)]'$  is equivalent to [X(p)]'.

**Lemma 1.1** ([5]). Let  $(t_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers increasing monotonically to infinity, then

i) If  $\sup_n \left| \sum_{i=1}^n t_i a_i \right| < \infty$ , then  $\sup_n \left| t_n \sum_{k=n+1}^\infty a_k \right| < \infty$ , ii) If  $\sum_k t_k a_k$  is convergent, then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} t_n \sum_{k=n+1}^\infty a_k = 0$ .

#### 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section we determine the  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ - duals of  $\Delta_v^m X(p)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** For every strictly positive sequence  $p = (p_k)$ , we have

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(i)} \ [\Delta^m_v l_\infty(p)]^\alpha = D^\alpha_1(p),\\ \text{(ii)} \ [\Delta^m_v l_\infty(p)]^{\alpha\alpha} = D^\alpha_1(p) \end{array}$$

where

$$D_1^{\alpha}(p) = \bigcap_{N=2}^{\infty} \left\{ a = (a_k) : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$D_1^{\alpha\alpha}(p) = \bigcup_{N=2}^{\infty} \left\{ a = (a_k) : \sup_{k \ge m+1} |a_k| |v_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right]^{-1} < \infty \right\}.$$

(i) Let  $a \in D_1^{\alpha}(p)$  and  $x \in \Delta_v^m l_{\infty}(p)$ . We choose  $N > \max(1, \sup_n |\Delta_v^m a_n|^{p_n})$ . Proof. Since

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} > \sum_{j=1}^{m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} N^{1/p_j} \ge 1$$

for arbitrary N>1  $(k=2m,2m+1,\dots)$  and  $|\Delta_v^{m-j}x_j|\leq M$   $(1\leq j\leq m)$  for some constant M,  $a \in D_1^{\alpha}(p)$  implies

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m} {k-j-1 \choose m-j} |\Delta_v^{m-j} x_j| < \infty.$$

Then

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \ |v_k|^{-1} \left( \left| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} (-1)^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} \Delta_v^m x_j + \sum_{j=1}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} \Delta_v^{m-j} x_j \right| \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \ |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \ |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} \left| \Delta_v^{m-j} x_j \right| \\ &< \infty. \end{split}$$

Conversely let  $a \notin D_1^{\alpha}(p)$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} = \infty$$

for some integer N > 1. We define the sequence x by

$$x_k = v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} \qquad (k=m+1, m+2, \dots).$$

Then it is easy to see that  $x \in \Delta_v^m l_\infty(p)$  and  $\sum_k |a_k x_k| = \infty$ . Hence  $a \notin [\Delta_v^m l_\infty(p)]^\alpha$ .

This completes the proof of (i).

(ii) Let  $a \in D_1^{\alpha\alpha}(p)$  and  $x \in [\Delta_v^m l_{\infty}(p)]^{\alpha} = D_1^{\alpha}(p)$ , by part (i). Then for some N > 1, we have

$$\sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k|$$

$$= \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right]^{-1} |x_k| |v_k|^{-1} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right]$$

$$\leq \sup_{k \geq m+1} \left( |a_k| |v_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right]^{-1} \right)$$

$$\times \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} |x_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j}$$

 $<\infty$ .

Conversely let  $a \notin D_1^{\alpha\alpha}(p)$ . Then for all integers N > 1, we have

$$\sup_{k \ge m+1} |a_k| |v_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right]^{-1} = \infty.$$

We recall that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} y_j = 0 \qquad (k < m+1)$$

for arbitrary  $y_i$ .

Hence there is a strictly increasing sequence (k(s)) of integers  $k(s) \geq m+1$  such that

$$|a_{k(s)}| |v_{k(s)}| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k(s)-m} {k(s)-j-1 \choose m-1} s^{1/p_j} \right]^{-1} > s^{m+1}$$
  $(s=m+1, m+2, \dots).$ 

We define the sequence x by

$$x_k = \begin{cases} |a_{k(s)}|^{-1}, & (k = k(s)) \\ 0, & (k \neq k(s)) & (k = m + 1, m + 2, \dots) \end{cases}$$

Then for all integers N > m + 1, we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} < \sum_{s=m+1}^{\infty} s^{-(m+1)} < \infty.$$

Hence  $x \in [\Delta_v^m l_\infty(p)]^\alpha$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k x_k| = \sum_{N=1}^\infty 1 = \infty$ . Hence  $a \notin [\Delta_v^m l_\infty(p)]^{\alpha\alpha}$ . The proof is completed.

**Theorem 2.2.** For every strictly positive sequence  $p = (p_k)$ , we have

(i)  $[\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha} = M_0^{\alpha}(p),$ (ii)  $[\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha\alpha} = M_0^{\alpha\alpha}(p),$ 

(ii) 
$$[\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha\alpha} = M_0^{\alpha\alpha}(p)$$

where

$$M_0^{\alpha}(p) = \bigcup_{N=2}^{\infty} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \ |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$M_0^{\alpha\alpha}(p) = \bigcap_{N=2}^{\infty} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_{k \ge m+1} |a_k| |v_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} \right]^{-1} < \infty \right\}.$$

Proof.

(i) Let  $a \in M_0^{\alpha}(p)$  and  $x \in \Delta_v^m c_0(p)$ . Then there is an integer  $k_0$  such that  $\sup_{k>k_0} |\Delta_v^m x_k|^{p_k} \le 1$ 

 $N^{-1}$ , where N is the number in  $M_0^{\alpha}(p)$ . We put

$$M = \max_{1 \le k \le k_0} |\Delta_v^m x_k|^{p_k}, \qquad n = \min_{1 \le k \le k_0} p_k, \quad L = (M+1)N$$

and define the sequence y by  $y_k = x_k \cdot L^{-1/n}$  (k = 1, 2, ...). Then it is easy to see that  $\sup_{k} |\Delta_{v}^{m} y_{k}|^{p_{k}} \leq N^{-1}.$ 

Since

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{-1/p_j} > \sum_{j=1}^{m} {k-j-1 \choose m-j} N^{-1/p_j}$$

for arbitrary N > 1  $(k = 2m, 2m + 1, ...), a \in M_0^{\alpha}(p)$  implies

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k| \sum_{j=1}^{m} {k-j-1 \choose m-j} |\Delta_v^{m-j} y_j| < \infty.$$

Then

$$\begin{split} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| &= L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k y_k| \\ &\leq L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \; |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} \\ &+ L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \; |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} |\Delta_v^{m-j} y_j| \\ &< \infty \end{split}$$

So we have  $a \in [\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha}$ . Therefore  $M_0^{\alpha}(p) \subset [\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha}$ .

Conversely, let  $a \notin M_0^{\alpha}(p)$ . Then we can determine a strictly increasing sequence (k(s)) of integers such that k(1) = 1 and

$$M(s) = \sum_{k=k(s)}^{k(s+1)-1} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} (s+1)^{-1/p_j} > 1 \quad (s=1,2,\dots).$$

We define the sequence x by

$$x_k = v_k^{-1} \left( \sum_{l=1}^{s-1} \sum_{j=k(l)}^{k(l+1)-1} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} (l+1)^{-1/p_j} + \sum_{j=k(s)}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} (s+1)^{-1/p_j} \right)$$

$$(k(s) \le k \le k(s+1) - 1; s = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Then it is easy to see that  $|\Delta_v^m x_k|^{p_k} = \frac{1}{s+1} (k(s) \le k \le k(s+1) - 1; s = 1, 2, ...)$  hence  $x \in \Delta_v^m c_0(p)$ , and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| \ge \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} = \infty$ , i.e.  $a \notin [\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha}$ .

(ii) Omitted.

**Theorem 2.3.** For every strictly positive sequence  $p = (p_k)$ , we have

$$[\Delta_v^m c(p)]^{\alpha} = M^{\alpha}(p) = M_0^{\alpha}(p) \cap \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} < \infty \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $a \in M^{\alpha}(p)$  and  $x \in \Delta_v^m c(p)$ . Then there is a complex number l such that  $|\Delta_v^m x_k - a|^2 = 1$  $l|^{p_k} \to 0 \ (k \to \infty)$ . We define  $y = (y_k)$  by

$$y_k = x_k + v_k^{-1} l(-1)^{m+1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1}$$
  $(k = 1, 2, ...).$ 

Then  $y \in \Delta_v^m c_0(p)$  and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| \le \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} |\Delta_v^m y_j|$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m} {k-j-1 \choose m-j} |\Delta_v^{m-j} y_j|$$

$$+ |l| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| |v_k|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} < \infty$$

by Theorem 2.2(i) and since  $a \in M^{\alpha}(p)$ .

Now let  $a \in [\Delta_v^m c(p)]^\alpha \subset [\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^\alpha = M_0^\alpha(p)$  by Theorem 2.2(i). Since the sequence xdefined by

$$x_k = (-1)^m v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1}$$
  $(k=1,2,\dots)$ 

is in  $\Delta_v^m c(p)$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} < \infty.$$

**Theorem 2.4.** For every strictly positive sequence  $p = (p_k)$ , we have

- $\begin{array}{ll} \text{(i)} \ [D\Delta_v^m\ell_\infty(p)]^\beta = M_\infty^\beta(p),\\ \text{(ii)} \ [D\Delta_v^m\ell_\infty(p)]^\gamma = M_\infty^\gamma(p) \end{array}$

where

$$M_{\infty}^{\beta}(p) = \bigcap_{N>1} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \text{ converges and } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty \right\},$$

$$M_{\infty}^{\gamma}(p) = \bigcap_{N>1} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_{n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{k} v_{k}^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_{j}} \right| < \infty, \right.$$

$$\left. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| b_{k} \right| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_{j}} < \infty \right\}$$

and 
$$b_k = \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} v_j^{-1} a_j \ (k = 1, 2, ...)$$
.

Proof.

(i) If  $x \in D\Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)$  then there exists a unique  $y = (y_k) \in \ell_\infty(p)$  such that

$$x_k = v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} (-1)^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} y_j$$

for sufficiently large k, for instance k>m by (1.1). Then there is an integer  $N>\max\{1,\sup_k|\Delta_v^mx_k|^{p_k}\}$ . Let  $a\in M_\infty^\beta(p)$ , and suppose that  $\binom{-1}{-1}=1$ . Then we may write

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k x_k = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \left( v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} (-1)^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} y_j \right)$$

$$= (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} b_{k+m-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2} y_j - b_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} (-1)^m \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} y_j.$$

Since

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_{k+m-1}| \sum_{j=1}^{k} {k+m-j-2 \choose m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty,$$

the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+m-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k} {\binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2}} y_j$$

is absolutely convergent. Moreover by Lemma 1.1(ii), the convergence of

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j}$$

implies

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} b_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} = 0.$$

Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k$  is convergent for all  $x \in D\Delta_v^m \ell_{\infty}(p)$ , so  $a \in [D\Delta_v^m \ell_{\infty}(p)]^{\beta}$ .

Conversely let  $a\in [D\Delta_v^m\ell_\infty(p)]^\beta$ . Then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_kx_k$  is convergent for each  $x\in D\Delta_v^m\ell_\infty(p)$ . If we take the sequence  $x=(x_k)$  defined by

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 0, & k \le m \\ v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j}, & k > m \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k < \infty.$$

Thus the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} {k-j-1 \choose m-1} N^{1/p_j}$  is convergent. This implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} b_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} = 0$$

by Lemma 1.1(ii).

Now let  $a \in [D\Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\beta - M_\infty^\beta(p)$ . Then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty |b_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} {k-j-1 \choose m-2} N^{1/p_j}$  is divergent, that is,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} {k-j-1 \choose m-2} N^{1/p_j} = \infty.$$

We define the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  by

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 0, & k \le m \\ v_k^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \operatorname{sgn} b_i \sum_{j=1}^{i-m+1} {i-j-1 \choose m-2} N^{1/p_j}, & k > m \end{cases}$$

where  $a_k > 0$  for all k or  $a_k < 0$  for all k. It is trivial that  $x = (x_k) \in D\Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)$ . Then we may write for n > m

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k x_k = -\sum_{k=1}^{m} b_{k-1} \Delta_v x_{k-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} b_{k+m-1} \Delta_v x_{k+m-1} - b_n x_n v_n.$$

Since  $(b_n x_n v_n) \in c_0$ , now letting  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{k+m-1} \Delta_v x_{k+m-1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_{k+m-1}| \sum_{j=1}^{k} {k+m-j-2 \choose m-2} N^{1/p_j} = \infty.$$

This is a contradiction to  $a \in [D\Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\beta$ . Hence  $a \in M_\infty^\beta(p)$ .

(ii) Can be proved by the same way as above, using Lemma 1.1(i).

Lemma 2.5.  $[D\Delta_v^m \ell_{\infty}(p)]^{\eta} = [D\Delta_v^m c(p)]^{\eta}$  for  $\eta = \beta$  or  $\gamma$ .

The proof is obvious and is thus omitted.

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $c_0^+$  denote the set of all positive null sequences.

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(a) We put

$$M_3^{\beta}(p) = \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} u_j \quad \text{converges and} \right.$$

$$\left. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} u_j < \infty, \forall u \in c_0^+ \right\}.$$

Then  $[D\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\beta} = M_3^{\beta}(p)$ .

(b) We put

$$\begin{split} M_4^{\gamma}(p) &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_n |\sum_{k=1}^n a_k v_k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \ u_j | < \infty, \\ &\sum_{k=1}^\infty |b_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} \ u_j < \infty, \forall u \in c_0^+ \right\}. \end{split}$$

Then  $[D\Delta_n^m c_0(p)]^{\gamma} = M_A^{\gamma}(p)$ .

*Proof.* (a) and (b) can be proved in the same manner as Theorem 2.4, using Lemma 1.1(i) and (ii). 

### Lemma 2.7.

- $\begin{array}{l} \text{i)} \ \ [\Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)]^{\eta} = [D \Delta_v^m \ell_\infty(p)]^{\eta}, \\ \text{ii)} \ \ [\Delta_v^m c(p)]^{\eta} = [D \Delta_v^m c(p)]^{\eta}, \\ \text{iii)} \ \ [\Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\eta} = [D \Delta_v^m c_0(p)]^{\eta} \end{array}$

for  $\eta = \beta$  or  $\gamma$ .

The proof is omitted.

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