

## Absolute and ordinary Köthe-Toeplitz duals of some generalized sets of difference sequences

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**Abstract.** In this paper we determine the ordinary Köthe-Toeplitz duals of the sets  $\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$  and  $\Delta^m c(p)$  and the absolute Köthe-Toeplitz duals of the sets  $\Delta^m c_0(p)$  and  $\Delta^m c(p)$  defined by Et and Başarır [8].

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\omega$  be the space of all complex sequences  $x = (x_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ . Throughout the paper  $p = (p_k)_{k=1}^\infty$  shall always be an arbitrary sequence of positive reals.

The sequence spaces  $\ell_\infty(p)$ ,  $c(p)$ ,  $c_0(p)$  and  $\ell(p)$  have been studied by various authors: (cf. [2], [3], [5], and [7]).

Ahmad and Mursaleen [1] defined the sequence spaces

$$\Delta \ell_\infty(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta x \in \ell_\infty(p)\},$$

$$\Delta c(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta x \in c(p)\},$$

$$\Delta c_0(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta x \in c_0(p)\}$$

where  $\Delta x = (x_k - x_{k+1})$ . Malkowsky [6] also studied the sequence spaces.

After then Et and Başarır [8] defined the sequence spaces

$$\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta^m x \in \ell_\infty(p)\},$$

$$\Delta^m c(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta^m x \in c(p)\},$$

$$\Delta^m c_0(p) = \{x \in \omega : \Delta^m x \in c_0(p)\}$$

where  $m$  is a positive integer,  $\Delta^0 x = (x_k)$ ,  $\Delta^m x = (\Delta^m x_k) = (\Delta^{m-1} x_k - \Delta^{m-1} x_{k+1})$ ,  $\Delta^m x_k = \sum_{v=0}^m (-1)^v \binom{m}{v} x_{k+v}$ . Furthermore Et and Başarır [8] determined the absolute Köthe-Toeplitz duals of the set  $\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$ .

The operator

$$D : \Delta^m \ell_\infty(p) \rightarrow \Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$$

defined by  $Dx = (0, 0, \dots, x_{m+1}, x_{m+2}, \dots)$ , where  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$  is a linear operator on  $\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$ . Furthermore the set

$$\begin{aligned} D[\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)] &= D\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p) \\ &= \{x = (x_k) : x \in \Delta^m \ell_\infty(p), x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_m = 0\} \end{aligned}$$

is a subspace of  $\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$ .

Now let us define

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^m : D\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p) &\rightarrow \ell_\infty(p) \\ \Delta^m(x) = y &= (\Delta^{m-1}x_k - \Delta^{m-1}x_{k+1}). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

It can be shown that  $\Delta_r^m$  is a linear bijection.

## 2. Köthe-Toeplitz duals

In this section we determine  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -duals of  $\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)$  and  $\Delta^m c(p)$ . Also we give  $\alpha$ -dual of  $\Delta^m c_0(p)$  and  $\Delta^m c(p)$ .

**Definition 2.1** Let  $X$  be a sequence space and define

$$\begin{aligned} X^\alpha &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| < \infty, \text{ for all } x \in X \right\}, \\ X^\beta &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k \text{ converges, for all } x \in X \right\} \\ X^\gamma &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_n \left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k x_k \right| < \infty, \text{ for all } x \in X \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $X^\alpha$ ,  $X^\beta$ ,  $X^\gamma$  are called  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -dual spaces of  $X$ , respectively. It is easy to show that  $\emptyset \subset X^\alpha \subset X^\beta \subset X^\gamma$ . If  $X \subset Y$ , then  $Y^\eta \subset X^\eta$  for  $\eta = \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . We shall write  $X^{\alpha\alpha} = (X^\alpha)^\alpha$ .

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

- (i)  $[\Delta^m c_0(p)]^\alpha = D_0^\alpha(p)$ ,
- (ii)  $[\Delta^m c_0(p)]^{\alpha\alpha} = D_0^{\alpha\alpha}(p)$

where

$$D_0^\alpha(p) = \bigcup_{N=2}^\infty \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$D_0^{\alpha\alpha}(p) = \bigcap_{N=2}^\infty \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_{k \geq m+1} |a_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} \right]^{-1} < \infty \right\}.$$

(We adopt the usual convention that  $\sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} y_j = 0$  ( $k - m < 1$ ) for arbitrary  $y_j$ .)

*Proof.* (i) Let  $a \in D_0^\alpha(p)$  and  $x \in \Delta^m c_0(p)$ . Then there is an integer  $k_0$  such that  $\sup_{k > k_0} |\Delta^m x_k|^{p_k} \leq N^{-1}$ , where  $N$  is the number in  $D_0^\alpha(p)$ . We put  $M = \max_{1 \leq k \leq k_0} |\Delta^m x_k|^{p_k}$ ,  $n = \min_{1 \leq k \leq k_0} p_k$ ,  $L = (M+1)N$  and define the sequence  $y$  by  $y_k = x_k \cdot L^{-1/n}$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Then it is easy to see that  $\sup_k |\Delta^m y_k|^{p_k} \leq N^{-1}$ .

Since  $\sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} > \sum_{j=1}^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} N^{-1/p_j}$  for arbitrary  $N > 1$  ( $k = 2m, 2m+1, \dots$ ),  $a \in D_0^\alpha(p)$  implies

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

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k x_k| &= L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k y_k| \\ &= L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k| \left( \left| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} (-1)^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} \Delta^m y_j \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{j=1}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} \Delta^{m-j} y_j \right| \right) \\ &\leq L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + L^{1/n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} |\Delta^{m-j} y_j| \\
& < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

So we have  $a \in [\Delta^m c_0(p)]^\alpha$ . Therefore  $D_0^\alpha(p) \subset [\Delta^m c_0(p)]^\alpha$ .

Conversely, let  $a \notin D_0^\alpha(p)$ . Then we can determine a strictly increasing sequence  $(k(s))$  of integers such that  $k(1) = 1$  and

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

We define the sequence  $x$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
x_k &= \sum_{l=1}^{s-1} \sum_{j=k(l)}^{k(l+1)-1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} (l+1)^{-1/p_j} \\
& \quad + \sum_{j=k(s)}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} (s+1)^{-1/p_j} \\
& \quad (k(s) \leq k \leq k(s+1) - 1; s = 1, 2, \dots).
\end{aligned}$$

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

(ii) For  $N = 2, 3, \dots$ , we put

$$\begin{aligned}
E_N^1 &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} < \infty \right\}, \\
F_N^1 &= \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_{k \geq m+1} |a_k| \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{-1/p_j} \right]^{-1} < \infty \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

By a well known result (cf. [3, Lemma 4 (iv)]), we have to show  $F_N^1 = (E_N^1)^\alpha$  ( $N = 2, 3, \dots$ ). The proof of this is standard and therefore omitted.  $\square$

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

$$[\Delta^m c(p)]^\alpha = D^\alpha(p) = D_0^\alpha(p) \cap \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} < \infty \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $a \in D^\alpha(p)$  and  $x \in \Delta^m c(p)$ . Then there is a complex number  $l$  such that  $|\Delta^m x_k - l|^{p_k} \rightarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow \infty$ ). We define  $y = (y_k)$  by  $y_k = x_k + l(-1)^{m+1} \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1}$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Then  $y \in \Delta^m c_0(p)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} |\Delta^m y_j| \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-j} |\Delta^{m-j} y_j| \\ &\quad + |l| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

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

Now let  $a \in [\Delta^m c(p)]^\alpha \subset [\Delta^m c_0(p)]^\alpha = D_0^\alpha(p)$  by Theorem 2.2 (i). Since the sequence  $x$  defined by  $x_k = (-1)^m \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1}$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ) is in  $\Delta^m c(p)$  we have

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

□

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

- (i)  $[D\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\beta = D_\infty^\beta(p)$ ,
- (ii)  $[D\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\gamma = D_\infty^\gamma(p)$

where

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

$$D_\infty^\gamma(p) = \bigcap_{N>1} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_n \left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right| < \infty, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |R_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$$

and  $R_k = \sum_{v=k+1}^{\infty} a_v$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

*Proof.* (i) If  $x \in D\Delta^m \ell_{\infty}(p)$  then there exists and only one  $y = (y_k) \in \ell_{\infty}(p)$  such that

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

for sufficiently large  $k$ , for instance  $k > m$  by (1). Then there is an integer  $N > \max\{1, \sup_k |\Delta^m x_k|^{p_k}\}$ . Let  $a \in D_{\infty}^{\beta}(p)$ , and suppose that  $\binom{-1}{-1} = 1$  (in some literature it is assumed that  $\binom{r}{k} = 0$  for  $k < 0$ ). Then we may write

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k x_k &= \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \left( \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} (-1)^m \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} y_j \right) \\ &= (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} R_{k+m-1} \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2} y_j - R_n x_n. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Since  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |R_{k+m-1}| \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty$ , the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R_{k+m-1} \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2} y_j$  is absolutely convergent. Moreover by Corollary 2 in [4], the convergence of  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j}$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} = 0$ . Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k$  is convergent for all  $x \in D\Delta^m \ell_{\infty}(p)$ , so  $a \in [D\Delta^m \ell_{\infty}(p)]^{\beta}$ .

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

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

then we have

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

Thus the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j}$  is convergent. This implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} = 0$  by Corollary 2 in [4].

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

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

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

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 0, & k \leq m \\ \sum_{v=1}^{k-1} \operatorname{sgn} R_v \sum_{j=1}^{v-m+1} \binom{v-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j}, & k > m \end{cases}$$

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

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k x_k = - \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} R_{k+m-1} \Delta x_{k+m-1} - R_n x_n.$$

Since

$$\left( \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \operatorname{sgn} R_v \sum_{j=1}^{v-m+1} \binom{v-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-m} \binom{n-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right)^{-1} \right) \in \ell_{\infty},$$

now letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |R_{k+m-1}| \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+m-j-2}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} = \infty.$$

This contradicts to  $a \in [D\Delta^m \ell_{\infty}(p)]^{\beta}$ . Hence  $a \in D_{\infty}^{\beta}(p)$ .

(ii) can be proved by the same way as above, using Corollary 1 in [4]. □

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

Proof is trivial.

- Lemma 2.6** (i)  $[\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\eta = [D\Delta^m \ell_\infty(p)]^\eta$ ,  
(ii)  $[\Delta^m c(p)]^\eta = [D\Delta^m c(p)]^\eta$  for  $\eta = \beta$  or  $\gamma$ .

Proof is omitted.

**Corollary 2.7** Let  $X$  stand for  $\ell_\infty$  or  $c$ . Then

- i)  $[\Delta^m X(p)]^\beta = \bigcap_{N>1} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \text{ converges} \right.$   
and  $\left. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |R_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$ ,
- ii)  $[\Delta^m X(p)]^\gamma = \bigcap_{N>1} \left\{ a \in \omega : \sup_n \left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \sum_{j=1}^{k-m} \binom{k-j-1}{m-1} N^{1/p_j} \right| < \infty, \right.$   
 $\left. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |R_k| \sum_{j=1}^{k-m+1} \binom{k-j-1}{m-2} N^{1/p_j} < \infty \right\}$

where  $R_k = \sum_{v=k+1}^{\infty} a_v$ .

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