

ON A NEW CLASS OF SEQUENCES RELATED TO THE SPACE  $\ell^p$ 

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**Abstract.** In this article we introduce a new class of sequences named as  $m(\phi, p)$ . This generalizes the earlier sequence space  $m(\phi)$  due to Sargent [2]. We study some of the properties of this space.

**1. Introduction**

The space  $m(\phi)$  was introduced by Sargent [2]. He studied some properties of the space  $m(\phi)$ . Later on it was studied from sequence space point of view and some matrix classes with one member as  $m(\phi)$  were characterized by Rath and Tripathy [1], Tripathy [3] and others. In this article we generalize this space by introducing the space  $m(\phi, p)$ .

Throughout the article  $w, \ell^p, \ell^l, \ell^\infty$  denote the spaces of all  $p$ -absolutely summable, absolutely summable and bounded sequences respectively. Also  $N$  and  $C$  denote the set of all natural numbers and complex numbers respectively.

**2. Definitions and Background**

Let  $x = (x_n)$  be a sequence, then  $S(x)$  denotes the set of all permutation of the elements of  $(x_n)$ , i.e.  $S(x) = \{(x_{\pi(n)}) : \pi(n) \text{ is a permutation on } N\}$ . A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *symmetric* if  $S(x) \subseteq E$  for all  $x \in E$ .

A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *solid* if  $(y_n) \in E$  whenever  $(x_n) \in E$  and  $|y_n| \leq |x_n|$  for all  $n \in N$ .

A *BK*-space is a Banach space in which the co-ordinate maps are continuous, i.e. if  $(x_k^{(n)})_k \in E$ , then

$$\|(x_k^{(n)}) - (x_k)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow |x_k^{(n)} - x_k| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ for each fixed } k.$$

$\wp_s$  denotes the set of all subsets of  $N$  those do not contain more than  $s$  elements. Throughout the paper  $\{\phi_n\}$  denotes a non-decreasing sequence of positive numbers such that  $n\phi_{n+1} \leq (n+1)\phi_n$  for all  $n \in N$ .

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The space  $m(\phi)$  is defined as

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

Generalizing the above sequence space, we now introduce the space  $m(\phi, p)$  as follows: For  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,

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

From the definition it is clear that  $m(\phi, 1) \equiv m(\phi)$ . It is a routine work to verify that  $m(\phi, p)$  is a normed linear space with respect to the above norm.

### 3. Main Results

**Theorem 1.** *The space  $m(\phi, p)$  is complete.*

**Proof.** Let  $\{x^{(n)}\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $m(\phi, p)$ . Hence

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{i \in \sigma} |x_i^{(n)}|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] < \infty, \quad \text{for all } n (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

Then for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $n_0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|x^{(m)} - x^{(n)}\|_{m(\phi, p)} < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } m, n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow & \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{i \in \sigma} |x_i^{(m)} - x_i^{(n)}|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } m, n \geq n_0 \quad (1) \\ \Rightarrow & |x_i^{(m)} - x_i^{(n)}| < \varepsilon \phi_1 \quad \text{for all } m, n \geq n_0, \text{ for all } i \in N. \end{aligned}$$

Hence for each fixed  $i (1 \leq i < \infty)$ , the sequence  $\{x_i^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $C$ . Since  $C$  is complete, it converges in  $C$ . Let  $x_i^{(n)} \rightarrow x_i$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We define  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$

We now show that (a)  $x \in m(\phi, p)$  and (b)  $x^{(n)} \rightarrow x$ .

From (1) we get, for each fixed  $s$

$$\sum_{i \in \sigma} |x_i^{(m)} - x_i^{(n)}|^p < \varepsilon^p \phi_s^p \quad \text{for all } m, n \geq n_0, \sigma \in \wp_s.$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \in \sigma} |x_i^{(m)} - x_i|^p < \varepsilon^p \phi_s^p \quad \text{for all } m \geq n_0, \sigma \in \wp_s \\ \Rightarrow & \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{i \in \sigma} |x_i^{(m)} - x_i|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } m \geq n_0 \quad (2) \\ \Rightarrow & x^{(n)} - x \in m(\phi, p) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x = x^{(n)} + (x - x^{(n)}) \in m(\phi, p)$ , as  $m(\phi, p)$  is a linear space.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also (2)} \Rightarrow \|x^{(n)} - x\|_{m(\phi, p)} &< \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0 \\ &\Rightarrow x^{(n)} - x \in m(\phi, p). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $m(\phi, p)$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) is a Banach space.

**Theorem 2.** *The space  $m(\phi, p)$  is a BK-space.*

**Proof.** Let  $\|x^{(n)} - x\|_{m(\phi, p)} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} &\|x^{(n)} - x\|_{m(\phi, p)} < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{k \in \sigma} |x_k^{(n)} - x_k|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] &< \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow |x_k^{(n)} - x_k| < \varepsilon \phi_1 &\quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0, \quad \text{for all } k. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $|x_k^{(n)} - x_k| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and the proof is complete.

Using the definitions we formulate the following result.

**Proposition 3.** (i) *The space  $m(\phi, p)$  is a symmetric space. If  $x \in m(\phi, p)$  and  $u \in S(x)$ , then  $\|u\|_{m(\phi, p)} = \|x\|_{m(\phi, p)}$ .*  
 (ii). *The space  $m(\phi, p)$  is a normal space.*

**Proposition 4.**  $m(\phi) \subseteq m(\phi, p)$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in m(\phi)$ . Then  $\|x\|_{m(\phi)} = \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left\{ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n| \right\} = K (< \infty)$ . Hence for each fixed  $s$ ,  $\sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n| \leq K \phi_s$ ,  $\sigma \in \wp_s$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} &\leq K \phi_s, \sigma \in \wp_s \\ \Rightarrow \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] &\leq K. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $x \in m(\phi, p)$  and this completes the proof.

**Proposition 5.**  $m(\phi, p) \subseteq m(\psi, p)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) < \infty$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) = K (< \infty)$ . Then  $\phi_s \leq K \psi_s$ . Now if  $(x_k) \in m(\phi, p)$ , then

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] < \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{K\psi_s} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] < \infty \\ &\Rightarrow \|x\|_{m(\psi, p)} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $m(\phi, p) \subseteq m(\psi, p)$ .

Conversely suppose that  $m(\phi, p) \subseteq m(\psi, p)$ . To show that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) = \sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) < \infty.$$

Suppose if possible  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) = \infty$ . Then there exists a subsequence  $(\eta_{s_i})$  of  $(\eta_s)$  such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (\eta_{s_i}) = \infty$ .

Then for  $(x_k) \in m(\phi, p)$  we have

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\psi_s} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] \geq \sup_{s_i \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_{s_i}} \left[ \eta_{s_i} \frac{1}{\phi_{s_i}} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow (x_k) \notin m(\psi, p)$ , a contradiction. This completes the proof.

We formulate the following result in view of the above result.

**Corollary 6.**  $m(\phi, p) = m(\psi, p)$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) < \infty$  and  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s^{-1}) < \infty$ , where  $\eta_s = \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s}$ .

**Theorem 7.**  $\ell^p \subseteq m(\phi, p) \subseteq \ell^\infty$ .

**Proof.** Since  $m(\phi, p) = \ell^p$  for  $\phi_n = 1$ , for all  $n \in N$ , so the first inclusion is clear.

Next we suppose that  $x \in m(\phi, p)$

Then  $\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left[ \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left\{ \sum_{n \in \sigma} |x_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \right] = K (< \infty) \Rightarrow |x_n| \leq K\phi_1$ , for all  $n \in N$ .

Thus  $x \in \ell^\infty$ , and the proof is complete.

Putting  $\psi_n = 1$ , for all  $n \in N$ , in Corollary 6, we have

**Proposition 8.**  $m(\phi, p) = \ell^p$  if and only if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\phi_s) < \infty$  and  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\phi_s^{-1}) < \infty$ .

Using the properties of  $\ell^p$  spaces we have the following result.

**Proposition 9.** If  $p < q$ , then  $m(\phi, p) \subset m(\phi, q)$ .

**Proposition 10.**  $m(\phi, p) \subset m(\psi, q)$  if  $p < q$  and  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) < \infty$ .

**Corollary 11.**  $m(\phi, p) = \ell^\infty$  if  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (\phi_s/s) > 0$ .

**Proof.**  $m(\phi, p) = \ell^\infty$  if  $p = 1$  and  $\phi_n = n (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$ .

Hence from proposition 10 it follows that  $\ell^\infty \subseteq m(\phi, p)$  if  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{s}{\phi_s} \right) < \infty$ . This completes the proof.

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