

## ON $\beta$ -DUAL OF VECTOR-VALUED SEQUENCE SPACES OF MADDOX

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The  $\beta$ -dual of a vector-valued sequence space is defined and studied. We show that if an  $X$ -valued sequence space  $E$  is a BK-space having AK property, then the dual space of  $E$  and its  $\beta$ -dual are isometrically isomorphic. We also give characterizations of  $\beta$ -dual of vector-valued sequence spaces of Maddox  $\ell(X, p)$ ,  $\ell_\infty(X, p)$ ,  $c_0(X, p)$ , and  $c(X, p)$ .

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space and  $p = (p_k)$  a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of all natural numbers, we write  $x = (x_k)$  with  $x_k$  in  $X$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . The  $X$ -valued sequence spaces of Maddox are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_0(X, p) &= \left\{ x = (x_k) : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k\|^{p_k} = 0 \right\}; \\
 c(X, p) &= \left\{ x = (x_k) : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - a\|^{p_k} = 0 \text{ for some } a \in X \right\}; \\
 \ell_\infty(X, p) &= \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sup_k \|x_k\|^{p_k} < \infty \right\}; \\
 \ell(X, p) &= \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|x_k\|^{p_k} < \infty \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

When  $X = \mathbb{K}$ , the scalar field of  $X$ , the corresponding spaces are written as  $c_0(p)$ ,  $c(p)$ ,  $\ell_\infty(p)$ , and  $\ell(p)$ , respectively. All of these spaces are known as the sequence spaces of Maddox. These spaces were introduced and studied by Simons [7] and Maddox [3, 4, 5]. The space  $\ell(p)$  was first defined by Nakano [6] and is known as the Nakano sequence space. Grosse-Erdmann [1] has investigated the structure of the spaces  $c_0(p)$ ,  $c(p)$ ,  $\ell(p)$ , and  $\ell_\infty(p)$  and has given characterizations of  $\beta$ -dual of scalar-valued sequence spaces of Maddox.

In [8], Wu and Bu gave characterizations of Köthe dual of the vector-valued sequence space  $\ell_p[X]$ , where  $\ell_p[X]$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , is defined by

$$\ell_p[X] = \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f(x_k)|^p < \infty \text{ for each } f \in X' \right\}. \tag{1.2}$$

In this paper, the  $\beta$ -dual of a vector-valued sequence space is defined and studied and we give characterizations of  $\beta$ -dual of vector-valued sequence spaces of Maddox

$\ell(X, p)$ ,  $\ell_\infty(X, p)$ ,  $c_0(X, p)$ , and  $c(X, p)$ . Some results, obtained in this paper, are generalizations of some in [1, 3].

**2. Notation and definitions.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. Let  $W(X)$  and  $\Phi(X)$  denote the space of all sequences in  $X$  and the space of all finite sequences in  $X$ , respectively. A sequence space in  $X$  is a linear subspace of  $W(X)$ . Let  $E$  be an  $X$ -valued sequence space. For  $x \in E$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we write that  $x_k$  stand for the  $k$ th term of  $x$ . For  $x \in X$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we let  $e^{(k)}(x)$  be the sequence  $(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, x, 0, \dots)$  with  $x$  in the  $k$ th position and let  $e(x)$  be the sequence  $(x, x, x, \dots)$ . For a fixed scalar sequence  $u = (u_k)$ , the sequence space  $E_u$  is defined as

$$E_u = \{x = (x_k) \in W(X) : (u_k x_k) \in E\}. \tag{2.1}$$

An  $X$ -valued sequence space  $E$  is said to be *normal* if  $(y_k) \in E$  whenever  $\|y_k\| \leq \|x_k\|$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(x_k) \in E$ . Suppose that the  $X$ -valued sequence space  $E$  is endowed with some linear topology  $\tau$ . Then  $E$  is called a *K-space* if, for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the  $k$ th coordinate mapping  $p_k : E \rightarrow X$ , defined by  $p_k(x) = x_k$ , is continuous on  $E$ . In addition, if  $(E, \tau)$  is a *Fréchet (Banach) space*, then  $E$  is called an *FK-(BK)-space*. Now, suppose that  $E$  contains  $\Phi(X)$ , then  $E$  is said to have *property AK* if  $\sum_{k=1}^n e^{(k)}(x_k) \rightarrow x$  in  $E$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $x = (x_k) \in E$ .

The spaces  $c_0(p)$  and  $c(p)$  are FK-spaces. In  $c_0(X, p)$ , we consider the function  $g(x) = \sup_k \|x_k\|^{p_k/M}$ , where  $M = \max\{1, \sup_k p_k\}$ , as a paranorm on  $c_0(X, p)$ , and it is known that  $c_0(X, p)$  is an FK-space having property AK under the paranorm  $g$  defined as above. In  $\ell(X, p)$ , we consider it as a paranormed sequence space with the paranorm given by  $\|(x_k)\| = (\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|x_k\|^{p_k})^{1/M}$ . It is known that  $\ell(X, p)$  is an FK-space under the paranorm defined as above.

For an  $X$ -valued sequence space  $E$ , define its Köthe dual with respect to the dual pair  $(X, X')$  (see [2]) as follows:

$$E^\times|_{(X, X')} = \left\{ (f_k) \subset X' : \sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| < \infty \ \forall x = (x_k) \in E \right\}. \tag{2.2}$$

In this paper, we denote  $E^\times|_{(X, X')}$  by  $E^\alpha$  and it is called the  $\alpha$ -dual of  $E$ .

For a sequence space  $E$ , the  $\beta$ -dual of  $E$  is defined by

$$E^\beta = \left\{ (f_k) \subset X' : \sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k) \text{ converges } \forall (x_k) \in E \right\}. \tag{2.3}$$

It is easy to see that  $E^\alpha \subseteq E^\beta$ .

For the sake of completeness we introduce some further sequence spaces that will be considered as  $\beta$ -dual of the vector-valued sequence spaces of Maddox:

$$M_0(X, p) = \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|x_k\| M^{-1/p_k} < \infty \text{ for some } M \in \mathbb{N} \right\};$$

$$M_\infty(X, p) = \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|x_k\| n^{1/p_k} < \infty \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \right\};$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_0(X, p) &= \left\{ x = (x_k) : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|x_k\|^{p_k} M^{-p_k} < \infty \text{ for some } M \in \mathbb{N} \right\}, \quad p_k > 1 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}; \\ cs[X'] &= \left\{ (f_k) \subset X' : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x) \text{ converges } \forall x \in X \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

When  $X = \mathbb{K}$ , the scalar field of  $X$ , the corresponding first two sequence spaces are written as  $M_0(p)$  and  $M_{\infty}(p)$ , respectively. These two spaces were first introduced by Grosse-Erdmann [1].

**3. Main results.** We begin by giving some general properties of  $\beta$ -dual of vector-valued sequence spaces.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space and let  $E, E_1,$  and  $E_2$  be  $X$ -valued sequence spaces. Then*

- (i)  $E^{\alpha} \subseteq E^{\beta}$ .
- (ii) If  $E_1 \subseteq E_2$ , then  $E_2^{\beta} \subseteq E_1^{\beta}$ .
- (iii) If  $E = E_1 + E_2$ , then  $E^{\beta} = E_1^{\beta} \cap E_2^{\beta}$ .
- (iv) If  $E$  is normal, then  $E^{\alpha} = E^{\beta}$ .

**PROOF.** Assertions (i), (ii), and (iii) are immediately obtained by the definitions. To prove (iv), by (i), it suffices to show only that  $E^{\beta} \subseteq E^{\alpha}$ . Let  $(f_k) \in E^{\beta}$  and  $x = (x_k) \in E$ . Then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k)$  converges. Choose a scalar sequence  $(t_k)$  with  $|t_k| = 1$  and  $f_k(t_k x_k) = |f_k(x_k)|$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $E$  is normal,  $(t_k x_k) \in E$ . It follows that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(x_k)|$  converges, hence  $(f_k) \in E^{\alpha}$ . □

If  $E$  is a BK-space, we define a norm on  $E^{\beta}$  by the formula

$$\|(f_k)\|_{E^{\beta}} = \sup_{\|(x_k)\| \leq 1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k) \right|. \tag{3.1}$$

It is easy to show that  $\|\cdot\|_{E^{\beta}}$  is a norm on  $E^{\beta}$ .

Next, we give a relationship between  $\beta$ -dual of a sequence space and its continuous dual. Indeed, we need a lemma.

**LEMMA 3.2.** *Let  $E$  be an  $X$ -valued sequence space which is an FK-space containing  $\Phi(X)$ . Then for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the mapping  $T_k : X \rightarrow E$ , defined by  $T_k x = e^k(x)$ , is continuous.*

**PROOF.** Let  $V = \{e^k(x) : x \in X\}$ . Then  $V$  is a closed subspace of  $E$ , so it is an FK-space because  $E$  is an FK-space. Since  $E$  is a  $K$ -space, the coordinate mapping  $p_k : V \rightarrow X$  is continuous and bijective. It follows from the open mapping theorem that  $p_k$  is open, which implies that  $p_k^{-1} : X \rightarrow V$  is continuous. But since  $T_k = p_k^{-1}$ , we thus obtain that  $T_k$  is continuous. □

**THEOREM 3.3.** *If  $E$  is a BK-space having property AK, then  $E^{\beta}$  and  $E'$  are isometrically isomorphic.*

**PROOF.** We first show that for  $x = (x_k) \in E$  and  $f \in E'$ ,

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(e^k(x_k)). \tag{3.2}$$

To show this, let  $x = (x_k) \in E$  and  $f \in E'$ . Since  $E$  has property AK,

$$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n e^{(k)}(x_k). \tag{3.3}$$

By the continuity of  $f$ , it follows that

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(e^{(k)}(x_k)) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(e^{(k)}(x_k)), \tag{3.4}$$

so (3.2) is obtained. For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $T_k : X \rightarrow E$  be defined as in Lemma 3.2. Since  $E$  is a BK-space, by Lemma 3.2,  $T_k$  is continuous. Hence  $f \circ T_k \in X'$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . It follows from (3.2) that

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (f \circ T_k)(x_k) \quad \forall x = (x_k) \in E. \tag{3.5}$$

It implies, by (3.5), that  $(f \circ T_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in E^\beta$ . Define  $\varphi : E' \rightarrow E^\beta$  by

$$\varphi(f) = (f \circ T_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \quad \forall f \in E'. \tag{3.6}$$

It is easy to see that  $\varphi$  is linear. Now, we show that  $\varphi$  is onto. Let  $(f_k) \in E^\beta$ . Define  $f : E \rightarrow K$ , where  $K$  is the scalar field of  $X$ , by

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k) \quad \forall x = (x_k) \in E. \tag{3.7}$$

For each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $p_k$  be the  $k$ th coordinate mapping on  $E$ . Then we have

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (f_k \circ p_k)(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (f_k \circ p_k)(x). \tag{3.8}$$

Since  $f_k$  and  $p_k$  are continuous linear, so is also continuous  $f \circ p_k$ . It follows by Banach-Steinhaus theorem that  $f \in E'$  and we have by (3.7) that; for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and each  $z \in X$ ,  $(f \circ T_k)(z) = f(e^{(k)}(z)) = f_k(z)$ . Thus  $f \circ T_k = f_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , which implies that  $\varphi(f) = (f_k)$ , hence  $\varphi$  is onto.

Finally, we show that  $\varphi$  is linear isometry. For  $f \in E'$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\| &= \sup_{\|(x_k)\| \leq 1} |f((x_k))| \\ &= \sup_{\|(x_k)\| \leq 1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(e^{(k)}(x_k)) \right| \quad (\text{by (3.2)}) \\ &= \sup_{\|(x_k)\| \leq 1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (f \circ T_k)(x_k) \right| \\ &= \|(f \circ T_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_{E^\beta} \\ &= \|\varphi(f)\|_{E^\beta}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Hence  $\varphi$  is isometry. Therefore,  $\varphi : E' \rightarrow E^\beta$  is an isometrically isomorphism from  $E'$  onto  $E^\beta$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

We next give characterizations of  $\beta$ -dual of the sequence space  $\ell(X, p)$  when  $p_k > 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers with  $p_k > 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\ell(X, p)^\beta = \ell_0(X', q)$ , where  $q = (q_k)$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $1/p_k + 1/q_k = 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**PROOF.** Suppose that  $(f_k) \in \ell_0(X', q)$ . Then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|^{q_k} M^{-q_k} < \infty$  for some  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then for each  $x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\| M^{-1/p_k} M^{1/p_k} |x_k| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^\infty (\|f_k\|^{q_k} M^{-q_k/p_k} + M |x_k|^{p_k}) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|^{q_k} M^{-(q_k-1)} + M \sum_{k=1}^\infty |x_k|^{p_k} \\ &= M \sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|^{q_k} M^{-q_k} + M \sum_{k=1}^\infty |x_k|^{p_k} \\ &< \infty, \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

which implies that  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k)$  converges, so  $(f_k) \in \ell(X, p)^\beta$ .

On the other hand, assume that  $(f_k) \in \ell(X, p)^\beta$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k)$  converges for all  $x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ . For each  $x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ , choose scalar sequence  $(t_k)$  with  $|t_k| = 1$  such that  $f_k(t_k x_k) = |f_k(x_k)|$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $(t_k x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ , by our assumption, we have  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(t_k x_k)$  converges, so that

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| < \infty \quad \forall x \in \ell(X, p). \tag{3.11}$$

We want to show that  $(f_k) \in \ell_0(X', q)$ , that is,  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|^{q_k} M^{-q_k} < \infty$  for some  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . If it is not true, then

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\|^{q_k} m^{-q_k} = \infty \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.12}$$

It implies by (3.12) that for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\sum_{i>k} \|f_i\|^{q_i} m^{-q_i} = \infty \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.13}$$

By (3.12), let  $m_1 = 1$ , then there is a  $k_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\sum_{k \leq k_1} \|f_k\|^{q_k} m_1^{-q_k} > 1. \tag{3.14}$$

By (3.13), we can choose  $m_2 > m_1$  and  $k_2 > k_1$  with  $m_2 > 2^2$  such that

$$\sum_{k_1 < k \leq k_2} \|f_k\|^{q_k} m_2^{-q_k} > 1. \tag{3.15}$$

Proceeding in this way, we can choose sequences of positive integers  $(k_i)$  and  $(m_i)$  with  $1 = k_0 < k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  and  $m_1 < m_2 < \dots$ , such that  $m_i > 2^i$  and

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \|f_k\|^{q_k} m_i^{-q_k} > 1. \tag{3.16}$$

For each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , choose  $x_k$  in  $X$  with  $\|x_k\| = 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i$  such that

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} m_i^{-q_k} > 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.17}$$

Let  $a_i = \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} m_i^{-q_k}$ . Put  $y = (y_k)$ ,  $y_k = a_i^{-1} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k - 1} x_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i$ . By using the fact that  $p_k q_k = p_k + q_k$  and  $p_k(q_k - 1) = q_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \|y_k\|^{p_k} &= \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \left\| a_i^{-1} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k - 1} x_k \right\|^{p_k} \\ &= \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} a_i^{-p_k} m_i^{-p_k q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} \\ &= \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} a_i^{-p_k} m_i^{-p_k} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} \\ &\leq a_i^{-1} m_i^{-1} \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} \\ &\leq a_i^{-1} m_i^{-1} a_i \\ &= m_i^{-1} \\ &< \frac{1}{2^i}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

so we have that  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|y_k\|^{p_k} \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty 1/2^i < \infty$ . Hence,  $y = (y_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ . For each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(y_k)| &= \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \left| f_k \left( a_i^{-1} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k - 1} x_k \right) \right| \\ &= \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} a_i^{-1} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} \\ &= a_i^{-1} \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} m_i^{-q_k} |f_k(x_k)|^{q_k} \\ &= 1, \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

so that  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(y_k)| = \infty$ , which contradicts (3.11). Hence  $(f_k) \in \ell_0(X', q)$ . The proof is now complete.  $\square$

The following theorem gives a characterization of  $\beta$ -dual of  $\ell(X, p)$  when  $p_k \leq 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . To do this, the following lemma is needed.

**LEMMA 3.5.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then  $\ell_\infty(X, p) = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty \ell_\infty(X)_{(n^{-1/p_k})}$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $x \in \ell_\infty(X, p)$ , then there is some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\|x_k\|^{p_k} \leq n$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $\|x_k\| n^{-1/p_k} \leq 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , so that  $x \in \ell_\infty(X)_{(n^{-1/p_k})}$ . On the other hand, if  $x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty \ell_\infty(X)_{(n^{-1/p_k})}$ , then there are some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $M > 1$  such that  $\|x_k\| n^{-1/p_k} \leq M$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we have  $\|x_k\|^{p_k} \leq nM^{p_k} \leq nM^\alpha$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\alpha = \sup_k p_k$ . Hence  $x \in \ell_\infty(X, p)$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.6.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers with  $p_k \leq 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\ell(X, p)^\beta = \ell_\infty(X', p)$ .*

**PROOF.** If  $(f_k) \in \ell(X, p)^\beta$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k)$  converges for every  $x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ , using the same proof as in [Theorem 3.4](#), we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| < \infty \quad \forall x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p). \tag{3.20}$$

If  $(f_k) \notin \ell_\infty(X', p)$ , it follows by [Lemma 3.5](#) that  $\sup_k \|f_k\| m^{-1/p_k} = \infty$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . For each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , choose sequences  $(m_i)$  and  $(k_i)$  of positive integers with  $m_1 < m_2 < \dots$  and  $k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  such that  $m_i > 2^i$  and  $\|f_{k_i}\| m_i^{-1/p_{k_i}} > 1$ . Choose  $x_{k_i} \in X$  with  $\|x_{k_i}\| = 1$  such that

$$|f_{k_i}(x_{k_i})| m_i^{-1/p_{k_i}} > 1. \tag{3.21}$$

Let  $y = (y_k)$ ,  $y_k = m_i^{-1/p_{k_i}} x_{k_i}$  if  $k = k_i$  for some  $i$ , and 0 otherwise. Then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|y_k\|^{p_k} = \sum_{i=1}^\infty 1/m_i < \sum_{i=1}^\infty 1/2^i = 1$ , so that  $(y_k) \in \ell(X, p)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(y_k)| &= \sum_{i=1}^\infty |f_{k_i}(m_i^{-1/p_{k_i}} x_{k_i})| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^\infty m_i^{-1/p_{k_i}} |f_{k_i}(x_{k_i})| \\ &= \infty \quad (\text{by (3.21)}), \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

and this is contradictory to [\(3.20\)](#), hence  $(f_k) \in \ell_\infty(X', p)$ .

Conversely, assume that  $(f_k) \in \ell_\infty(X', p)$ . By [Lemma 3.5](#), there exists  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sup_k \|f_k\| M^{-1/p_k} < \infty$ , so there is a  $K > 0$  such that

$$\|f_k\| \leq KM^{1/p_k} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.23}$$

Let  $x = (x_k) \in \ell(X, p)$ . Then there is a  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $M^{1/p_k} \|x_k\| \leq 1$  for all  $k \geq k_0$ . By  $p_k \leq 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that, for all  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$M^{1/p_k} \|x_k\| \leq (M^{1/p_k} \|x_k\|)^{p_k} = M \|x_k\|^{p_k}. \tag{3.24}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(x_k)| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{k_0} \|f_k\| \|x_k\| + \sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} \|f_k\| \|x_k\| \\
 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{k_0} \|f_k\| \|x_k\| + K \sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} M^{1/p_k} \|x_k\| \quad (\text{by (3.23)}) \\
 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{k_0} \|f_k\| \|x_k\| + KM \sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} \|x_k\|^{p_k} \quad (\text{by (3.24)}) \\
 &< \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

This implies that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k)$  converges, hence  $(f_k) \in \ell(X, p)^\beta$ .  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.7.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then  $\ell_\infty(X, p)^\beta = M_\infty(X', p)$ .*

**PROOF.** If  $(f_k) \in M_\infty(X', p)$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\| m^{1/p_k} < \infty$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that for each  $x = (x_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, p)$ , there is  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|x_k\| \leq m_0^{1/p_k}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , hence  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(x_k)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\| \|x_k\| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\| m_0^{1/p_k} < \infty$ , which implies that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k)$  converges, so that  $(f_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, p)^\beta$ .

Conversely, assume that  $(f_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, p)^\beta$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k(x_k)$  converges for all  $x = (x_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, p)$ , by using the same proof as in [Theorem 3.4](#), we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(x_k)| < \infty \quad \forall x = (x_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, p). \tag{3.26}$$

If  $(f_k) \notin M_\infty(X', p)$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\| M^{1/p_k} = \infty$  for some  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we can choose a sequence  $(k_i)$  of positive integers with  $0 = k_0 < k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  such that

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \|f_k\| M^{1/p_k} > i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.27}$$

And we choose  $x_k$  in  $X$  with  $\|x_k\| = 1$  such that for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)| M^{1/p_k} > i. \tag{3.28}$$

Put  $y = (y_k)$ ,  $y_k = M^{1/p_k} x_k$ . Clearly,  $y \in \ell_\infty(X, p)$  and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(y_k)| \geq \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)| M^{1/p_k} > i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.29}$$

Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f_k(y_k)| = \infty$ , which contradicts (3.26). Hence  $(f_k) \in M_\infty(X', p)$ . The proof is now complete.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.8.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then  $c_0(X, p)^\beta = M_0(X', p)$ .*



**PROOF.** Suppose  $(f_k) \in M_0(X', p)$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\| M^{-1/p_k} < \infty$  for some  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, p)$ . Then there is a positive integer  $K_0$  such that  $\|x_k\|^{p_k} < 1/M$  for all  $k \geq K_0$ , hence  $\|x_k\| < M^{-1/p_k}$  for all  $k \geq K_0$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{k=K_0}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| \leq \sum_{k=K_0}^\infty \|f_k\| \|x_k\| \leq \sum_{k=K_0}^\infty \|f_k\| M^{-1/p_k} < \infty. \tag{3.30}$$

It follows that  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k)$  converges, so that  $(f_k) \in c_0(X, p)^\beta$ .

On the other hand, assume that  $(f_k) \in c_0(X, p)^\beta$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x_k)$  converges for all  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, p)$ . For each  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, p)$ , choose scalar sequence  $(t_k)$  with  $|t_k| = 1$  such that  $f_k(t_k x_k) = |f_k(x_k)|$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $(t_k x_k) \in c_0(X, p)$ , by our assumption, we have  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(t_k x_k)$  converges, so that

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(x_k)| < \infty \quad \forall x \in c_0(X, p). \tag{3.31}$$

Now, suppose that  $(f_k) \notin M_0(X', p)$ . Then  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|f_k\| m^{-1/p_k} = \infty$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Choose  $m_1, k_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\sum_{k \leq k_1} \|f_k\| m_1^{-1/p_k} > 1 \tag{3.32}$$

and choose  $m_2 > m_1$  and  $k_2 > k_1$  such that

$$\sum_{k_1 < k \leq k_2} \|f_k\| m_2^{-1/p_k} > 2. \tag{3.33}$$

Proceeding in this way, we can choose  $m_1 < m_2 < \dots$ , and  $0 = k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  such that

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} \|f_k\| m_i^{-1/p_k} > i. \tag{3.34}$$

Take  $x_k$  in  $X$  with  $\|x_k\| = 1$  for all  $k, k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i$  such that

$$\sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)| m_i^{-1/p_k} > i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.35}$$

Put  $y = (y_k)$ ,  $y_k = m_i^{-1/p_k} x_k$  for  $k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i$ , then  $y \in c_0(X, p)$  and

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(y_k)| \geq \sum_{k_{i-1} < k \leq k_i} |f_k(x_k)| m_i^{-1/p_k} > i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.36}$$

Hence we have  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty |f_k(y_k)| = \infty$ , which contradicts (3.31), therefore  $(f_k) \in M_0(X', p)$ . This completes the proof. □

**THEOREM 3.9.** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then  $c(X, p)^\beta = M_0(X', p) \cap cs[X']$ .*

**PROOF.** Since  $c(X, p) = c_0(X, p) + E$ , where  $E = \{e(x) : x \in X\}$ , it follows by Proposition 3.1(iii) and Theorem 3.8 that  $c(X, p)^\beta = M_0(X', p) \cap E^\beta$ . It is obvious by definition that  $E^\beta = \{(f_k) \subset X' : \sum_{k=1}^\infty f_k(x)$  converges for all  $x \in X\} = cs[X']$ . Hence we have the theorem. □

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