



# On some lacunary difference sequence spaces defined by a sequence of Orlicz functions and $q$ -lacunary $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergence

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## Abstract

In this article, we introduce the lacunary difference sequence spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  using a sequence  $\mathbf{M} = (M_k)$  of Orlicz functions and investigate some relevant properties of these spaces. Then, we define and study the notion of  $q$ -lacunary  $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergent sequences. Further, we study the relationship between  $q$ -lacunary  $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergent sequences and the spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

## 1 Introduction

The notion of difference sequence space was introduced by Kizmaz [10], who studied the difference sequence spaces  $\ell_\infty(\Delta)$ ,  $c(\Delta)$  and  $c_0(\Delta)$ . The notion was further generalized by Et and Colak [4] by introducing the spaces  $\ell_\infty(\Delta^n)$ ,  $c(\Delta^n)$  and  $c_0(\Delta^n)$ . Another type of generalization of the difference sequence spaces is due to Tripathy and Esi [23], who studied the spaces  $\ell_\infty(\Delta_m)$ ,  $c(\Delta_m)$  and  $c_0(\Delta_m)$ .

Tripathy, Esi and Tripathy [24] generalized the above notions and unified these as follows:

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Let  $m, n$  be non-negative integers, then for  $Z$  a given sequence space we have

$$Z(\Delta_m^n) = \{x = (x_k) \in w : (\Delta_m^n x_k) \in Z\},$$

where  $\Delta_m^n x = (\Delta_m^n x_k) = (\Delta_m^{n-1} x_k - \Delta_m^{n-1} x_{k+m})$  and  $\Delta_m^0 x_k = x_k$ , for all  $k \in N$ , which is equivalent to the following binomial representation:

$$\Delta_m^n x_k = \sum_{v=0}^n (-1)^v \binom{n}{v} x_{k+mv}.$$

The notion of difference sequences was investigated from different aspects by Tripathy [16], Tripathy, Altin and Et [17], Tripathy and Baruah [18], Tripathy and Borgogain [20], Tripathy, Choudhary and Sarma [21], Tripathy and Dutta [22], Tripathy and Mahanta [27] are a few to be named.

The notion of statistical convergence was studied at the initial stage by Fast [5] and Schoenberg [13] independently. Later on, it was further investigated by Fridy [6], Rath and Tripathy [12], Šalát [14], Tripathy ([15], [16]), Tripathy and Baruah [19], Tripathy and Sarma [28], Tripathy and Sen [32] and many others.

A subset  $E$  of  $N$  is said to have density  $\delta(E)$  if  $\delta(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \chi_E(k)$  exists, where  $\chi_E$  is the characteristic function of  $E$ .

A sequence  $(x_k)$  is said to be statistically convergent to  $L$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta(\{k \in N : |x_k - L| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$ . For  $L = 0$ , we say  $(x_k)$  is statistically null.

By a lacunary sequence  $\theta = (k_r)$ ;  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , where  $k_0 = 0$ , we mean an increasing sequence of non-negative integers with  $h_r = (k_r - k_{r-1}) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . We denote  $I_r = (k_{r-1}, k_r]$  and  $\eta_r = \frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}}$ , for  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . The space of lacunary strongly convergent sequence  $N_\theta$  was defined by Freedman, Sember and Raphael [7] as follows:

$$N_\theta = \{x = (x_k) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} |x_k - L| = 0, \text{ for some } L\}.$$

The space  $N_\theta$  is a  $BK$ -space with the norm

$$\|x\|_\theta = \sup_r \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} |x_k|.$$

$N_\theta^0$  denotes the subset of those sequences in  $N_\theta$  for which  $L = 0$ .  $(N_\theta^0, \|\cdot\|_\theta)$  is also a  $BK$ -space. Freedman, Sember and Raphael [7] also defined the space  $|\sigma_1|$  of strongly Cesàro summable sequences as follows:

$$|\sigma_1| = \{x = (x_k) : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k - L| = 0, \text{ for some } L\}.$$

In the special case when  $\theta = (2^r)$ ,  $N_\theta = |\sigma_1|$ .

The notion of lacunary convergence has been investigated by Colak, Tripathy and Et [2], Tripathy and Baruah [19], Tripathy and Mahanta [27] and many others.

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  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

Lindenstrauss and Tzafriri [11] used the Orlicz function and introduced the sequence space  $\ell_M$  as follows:

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

They proved that  $\ell_M$  is a Banach space normed by

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

In the recent past the notion of Orlicz function was investigated from different aspects and sequence spaces have been studied by Altin, Et and Tripathy [1], Et, Altin, Choudhary and Tripathy [3], Hudzik, Kamińska and Mastyllo [8], Isik, Et and Tripathy [9], Tripathy, Altin and Et [17], Tripathy and Borgogain [20], Tripathy and Dutta [22], Tripathy and Hazarika [26], Tripathy and Mahanta [27], Tripathy and Sarma ([29], [30], [31]) and many others.

**Remark 1.1.** An Orlicz function  $M$  satisfies the inequality  $M(\lambda x) \leq \lambda M(x)$ , for all  $\lambda$  with  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

The following inequality will be used throughout the article. Let  $p = (p_k)$  be a positive sequence of real numbers with  $0 < p_k \leq \sup p_k = G$ ,  $D = \max(1, 2^{G-1})$ . Then for all  $a_k, b_k \in C$  for all  $k \in N$ , we have

$$|a_k + b_k|^{p_k} \leq D \{ |a_k|^{p_k} + |b_k|^{p_k} \}.$$

The notion of paranormed sequences has been investigated from sequence space point of view and linked with summability theory by Rath and Tripathy [12], Tripathy [16], Tripathy and Dutta [22], Tripathy and Hazarika [25], Tripathy and Sen ([32], [33]) and many others.

**Definition 1.1.** Two non-negative functions  $f, g$  are called equivalent, whenever  $C_1 f \leq g \leq C_2 f$ , for some  $C_j > 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2$  and in this case we write  $f \approx g$ .

## 2 Definition and Preliminaries

**Lemma 2.1.** (*Isik, Et and Tripathy [9], Lemma 1.1*) *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be seminorms on a linear space  $X$ . Then  $p$  is stronger than  $q$  if and only if there exists a constant  $M$  such that  $q(x) \leq Mp(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

Let  $\mathbf{M}=(M_k)$  be a sequence of Orlicz functions,  $p=(p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers and  $X$  be a seminormed space over the field  $C$  of complex numbers with the seminorm  $q$ .  $w(X)$  denotes the space of all sequences  $x=(x_k)$ , where  $x_k \in X$ , for all  $k \in N$ . We define the following sequence spaces:

$$w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = \{x \in w(X) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0, \\ \text{for some } \rho > 0\},$$

$$w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = \{x \in w(X) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ = 0, \text{ for some } \rho > 0 \text{ and } L \in X\},$$

$$w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = \{x \in w(X) : \sup_r \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} < \infty, \\ \text{for some } \rho > 0\}.$$

If  $M_k(x) = x$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ , for all  $k \in N$ ,  $p_k = 1$ , for all  $k \in N$ ,  $X = C$ ,  $q(x) = |x|$ , for all  $x \in X$  and  $n = 0$  so that  $\Delta_m^0 x_k = x_k$ , for all  $k \in N$ , then  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = N_\theta$  and  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = N_\theta^0$ . If in addition, we take  $\theta = (2^r)$ , then  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = |\sigma_1|$ .

## 3 Main Results

In this section, we investigate the results of this paper involving the spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{M}=(M_k)$  be a sequence of Orlicz functions. Then*

$$w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subset w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subset w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q).$$

*Proof.* It is obvious that  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subseteq w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ . We shall prove that  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subseteq w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

Let  $(x_k) \in w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ . Then there exist some  $\rho > 0$  and  $L \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0.$$

On taking  $\rho_1 = 2\rho$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho_1} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ & \leq \frac{D}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ \frac{1}{2} M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} + \frac{D}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ \frac{1}{2} M_k \left( q \left( \frac{L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ & \leq \frac{D}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ \frac{1}{2} M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} + D \max \left( 1, \sup \left[ \frac{1}{2} M_k \left( q \left( \frac{L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^H \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sup_k p_k = G$ ,  $H = \max(1, G)$  and  $D = \max(1, 2^{G-1})$ .

Thus we get  $(x_k) \in w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

The inclusions are strict follows from the following examples.

**Example 3.1.** Let  $m = n = 2$ ,  $\theta = (3^r)$ ,  $p_k = 1$ , for all  $k \in N$ ,  $X = C^2$ ,  $q(x) = \max(|x^1|, |x^2|)$ , for  $x = (x^1, x^2) \in C^2$  and  $M_k(x) = x^2$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$  and  $k \in N$ . Consider the sequence  $(x_k)$  defined by  $x_k = (k^2, k^2)$  for each fixed  $k \in N$ . Then  $(x_k) \in w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ , but  $(x_k) \notin w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $m = n = 2$ ,  $\theta = (2^r)$ ,  $p_k = 2$ , for all  $k$  odd and  $p_k = 3$ , for all  $k$  even,  $X = C^3$ ,  $q(x) = \max(|x^1|, |x^2|, |x^3|)$ , for  $x = (x^1, x^2, x^3) \in C^3$  and  $M_k(x) = x^4$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$  and  $k \in N$ . Consider the sequence  $(x_k)$  defined by  $x_k = (k, k, k)$  for each fixed  $k \in N$ . Then  $(x_k) \in w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ , but  $(x_k) \notin w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

**Corollary 3.2.**  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  are nowhere dense subsets of  $w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

*Proof.* Proof is a consequence of Theorem 3.1.

Proof of the following theorem is easy, so omitted.

**Theorem 3.3.** The spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  are linear.

**Theorem 3.4.** The spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and

$w_\infty(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  are paranormed spaces paranormed by

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{mn} q(x_i) + \inf \left\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho} \right) \right) \right] \leq 1, \rho > 0, r \in N \right\},$$

where  $H = \max(1, \sup_r p_r)$ .

*Proof.* Clearly  $g(x) = g(-x)$ . Since  $M_k(0) = 0$ , for all  $k \in N$ , we get  $\inf \{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} \} = 0$  for  $x = \theta$ . Now let  $x, y \in w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and choose  $\rho_1, \rho_2 > 0$  such that

$$\sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho_1} \right) \right) \right] \leq 1 \text{ and } \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n y_k}{\rho_2} \right) \right) \right] \leq 1$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n (x_k + y_k)}{\rho} \right) \right) \right] \\ & \leq \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right) \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k}{\rho_1} \right) \right) \right] + \left( \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right) \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n y_k}{\rho_2} \right) \right) \right] \\ & \leq \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right) + \left( \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $g(x + y) \leq g(x) + g(y)$ .

Finally let  $\lambda$  be a given non-zero scalar, then the continuity of the scalar multiplication follows from the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} g(\lambda x) &= \sum_{i=1}^{mn} q(\lambda x_i) + \inf \left\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n (\lambda x_k)}{\rho} \right) \right) \right] \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= |\lambda| \sum_{i=1}^{mn} q(x_i) + \inf \left\{ (|\lambda|s)^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \sup_k \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n (x_k)}{s} \right) \right) \right] \leq 1 \right\}, \text{ where } s = \frac{\rho}{|\lambda|}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Proof of the following result is easy, so omitted.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\mathbf{M} = (M_k)$  and  $\mathbf{T} = (T_k)$  be sequences of Orlicz functions and  $Z = w_0, w_1$  and  $w_\infty$ . Then for any two sequences  $p = (p_k)$  and  $t = (t_k)$  of bounded positive real numbers and for any two seminorms  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ , we have

- (i) If  $q_1$  is stronger than  $q_2$ , then  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_2)$ ,
- (ii)  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1) \cap Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_2) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1 + q_2)$ ,

- (iii)  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1) \cap Z(\mathbf{T}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1) \subset Z(\mathbf{M} + \mathbf{T}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1)$ ,  
 (iv)  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1) \cap Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, t, q_2) \neq \phi$ ,  
 (v) The inclusions  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^{n-1}, p, q_1) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1)$  are strict. In general  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^i, p, q_1) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q_1)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and the inclusion is strict.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $Z = w_0, w_1$  and  $w_\infty$ . Then we have the followings.

- (i) Let  $0 < \inf p_k \leq p_k \leq 1$ . Then  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, q)$ ,  
 (ii) Let  $1 \leq p_k \sup p_k < \infty$ . Then  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, q) \subset Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  
 (iii) Let  $0 < p_k \leq t_k$  and  $\left(\frac{p_k}{t_k}\right)$  be bounded. Then  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, t, q) \subseteq Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

*Proof.* Proof of the parts (i) and (ii) is easy and so omitted. We prove the part (iii) for  $Z = w_1$  and for  $Z = w_0, w_\infty$ , it will follow on applying similar technique.

We write  $S_k = \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]_k^t$  and  $\mu_k = \frac{p_k}{t_k}$  so that  $0 < \mu \leq \mu_k \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Define } S'_k &= S_k \text{ if } S_k \geq 1 & S''_k &= 0 \text{ if } S_k \geq 1 \\ &= 0 \text{ if } S_k < 1, & &= S_k \text{ if } S_k < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } S_k = S'_k + S''_k, S_k^{\mu_k} = S_k'^{\mu_k} + S_k''^{\mu_k}.$$

$$\text{Now it follows that } S_k'^{\mu_k} \leq S'_k \leq S_k, S_k''^{\mu_k} \leq S_k''^{\mu}.$$

We have the following inequality

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} S_k^{\mu_k} \leq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} S_k + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} S_k''^{\mu}.$$

Therefore if  $(x_k) \in w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, t, q)$ , then  $(x_k) \in w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

The following Theorem is a direct consequence of Definition 1.1.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\mathbf{M} = (M_k)$  and  $\mathbf{T} = (T_k)$  be two sequences of Orlicz functions such that  $M_k \approx T_k$ , for each  $k \in N$ . Then for  $Z = w_0, w_1$  and  $w_\infty$ , we have  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = Z(\mathbf{T}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $\mathbf{M} = (M_k)$  be a sequence of Orlicz functions and  $Z = w_0, w_1$  and  $w_\infty$ . Then  $Z(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) = Z(\theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ , if the following conditions hold

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{M_k(t)}{t} > 0 \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{M_k(t)}{t} < \infty, \text{ for each } k \in N.$$

*Proof.* If the given conditions are satisfied, we have  $M_k(t) = t$ , for each  $k \in N$ . Then the proof from using Theorem 3.7.

#### 4 $q$ -Lacunary $\Delta_m^n$ -Statistical Convergence

In this section, we define the notion of  $q$ -lacunary  $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergence and investigate some of its properties. Further, we establish some relations between  $q$ -lacunary  $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergence and the spaces  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$  and  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $\theta$  be a lacunary sequence, then the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be  $q$ -lacunary  $\Delta_m^n$ -statistical convergent to the number  $L$  provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \cdot \text{card} \{k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon\} = 0.$$

In this case, we write  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$  or  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)\text{-}\lim x_k = L$  and we define

$$S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) = \{x \in w(X) : S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) - \lim x_k = L, \text{ for some } L\}.$$

In the case  $\theta = (2^r)$ , we write  $S^q(\Delta_m^n)$  instead of  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

If  $X = C$ ,  $q(x) = |x|$ , we write  $S_\theta(\Delta_m^n)$  instead of  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$  and if  $\theta = (2^r)$  we write  $S(\Delta_m^n)$  instead of  $S_\theta(\Delta_m^n)$ .

In the special case  $L = 0$ , we denote it by  $S_{0\theta}^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\theta$  be a lacunary sequence and  $0 < p < \infty$ .

- (i) If  $x_k \rightarrow L(w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ , then  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ ,
  - (ii) If  $x \in \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n)$  and  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ , then  $x_k \rightarrow L(w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ ,
- where  $\ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) = \{x \in w(X) : \sup_k q(\Delta_m^n x_k) < \infty\}$  and

$$w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) = \left\{ x \in w(X) : \lim_r \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L))^p = 0, \text{ for some } L \right\}.$$

- (iii)  $\ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) = \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $x_k \rightarrow L(w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{k \in I_r} (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L))^p \geq \varepsilon^p \text{card} \{k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon\}.$$



Hence  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ .

(ii) Suppose  $x \in \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n)$  and  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and  $n_0(\varepsilon) \in N$  such that

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \text{card} \left\{ k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right\} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2K^p} \text{ for all } r > n_0(\varepsilon), \text{ where } K = \sup_k (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L)) \text{ and we set } L_r = \left\{ k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right\}.$$

Now for all  $r > n_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L))^p &= \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, k \in L_r} (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L))^p \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, k \notin L_r} (q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L))^p \\ &\leq \frac{1}{h_r} \left(\frac{h_r \varepsilon}{2K^p}\right) K^p + \frac{1}{h_r} h_r \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x_k \rightarrow L(w_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ .

(iii) The proof follows from (i) and (ii).

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $\theta$  be a lacunary sequence.

(i) If  $\liminf_r \eta_r > 1$ , then  $S^q(\Delta_m^n) \subseteq S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ ,

(ii) If  $\limsup_r \eta_r < \infty$ , then  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) \subseteq S^q(\Delta_m^n)$ ,

(iii) If  $1 < \liminf_r \eta_r \leq \limsup_r \eta_r < \infty$ , then  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) = S^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

*Proof.* (i) If  $\liminf_r \eta_r > 1$ , then there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $1 + \delta \leq \eta_r$  for sufficiently large  $r$ . Since  $h_r = k_r - k_{r-1}$ , we have  $\frac{k_r}{h_r} \leq \frac{1+\delta}{\delta}$ . Let  $(x_k) \in L(S^q(\Delta_m^n))$ . Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k_r} \text{card} \{ k \leq k_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon \} &\geq \frac{1}{k_r} \text{card} \{ k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon \} \\ &\geq \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta+1}\right) \frac{1}{h_r} \text{card} \{ k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ . Hence  $S^q(\Delta_m^n) \subseteq S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

(ii) Suppose  $\limsup_r \eta_r < \infty$ . Then there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $\eta_r < M$  for all  $r \geq 1$ .

Let  $x_k \rightarrow L(S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Suppose  $E_r = \text{card} \{ k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon \}$ , then there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $\frac{1}{h_r} E_r < \varepsilon$  for all  $r > n_0$ . Let  $K = \max_{1 \leq r \leq n_0} E_r$  and choose  $n$  such that  $k_{r-1} < n \leq K_r$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n} \text{card}\{k \leq n : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon\} &\leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \text{card}\{k \leq k_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon\} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \{E_1 + \cdots + E_{n_0} + \cdots + E_r\} \\
&\leq \frac{K}{k_{r-1}} n_0 + \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \left\{ \frac{E_{n_0+1}}{h_{n_0+1}} h_{n_0+1} + \cdots + \frac{E_r}{h_r} h_r \right\} \\
&\leq \frac{K}{k_{r-1}} n_0 + \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \left( \sup_{r > n_0} \frac{E_r}{h_r} \right) \{h_{n_0+1} + \cdots + h_r\} \\
&\leq \frac{K}{k_{r-1}} n_0 + \varepsilon \frac{k_r - k_{n_0}}{k_{r-1}} \\
&\leq \frac{K}{k_{r-1}} n_0 + \varepsilon \eta_r \\
&\leq \frac{K}{k_{r-1}} n_0 + \varepsilon M.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $k_{r-1} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that  $x_k \rightarrow L(S^q(\Delta_m^n))$ . Hence  $S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) \subseteq S^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

(iii) The proof follows from (i) and (ii).

**Theorem 4.3.** (i)  $w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subseteq S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ ,  
(ii)  $w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q) \subseteq S_{0\theta}^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $(x_k) \in w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ . Then there exist some  $\rho > 0$  and  $L \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0.$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and  $\sum_1$  denote the sum over  $k \in I_r$  such that  $q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon$  and  $\sum_2$  denote the sum over  $k \in I_r$  such that  $q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) < \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} &= \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_1 \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_2 \left[ M_k \left( q \left( \frac{\Delta_m^n x_k - L}{\rho} \right) \right) \right]^{p_k} \\
&\geq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_1 [M_k(\varepsilon_1)]^{p_k}, \text{ where } \frac{\varepsilon}{\rho} = \varepsilon_1 \\
&\geq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_1 \min \{ [M_k(\varepsilon_1)]^{\inf p_k}, [M_k(\varepsilon_1)]^G \} \\
&\geq \frac{1}{h_r} \text{card}\{k \in I_r : q(\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \geq \varepsilon\} \min \{ [M_k(\varepsilon_1)]^{\inf p_k}, [M_k(\varepsilon_1)]^G \}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(x_k) \in S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$ .

(ii) Proof is similar to that of part (i).

**Theorem 4.4.** (i)  $\ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) = \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ ,  
(ii)  $\ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap S_{0\theta}^q(\Delta_m^n) = \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap w_0(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Using Theorem 4.3, it is enough to show that  $\ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n) \subseteq \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ . Let  $(x_k) \in \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n)$  and  $t_k = (\Delta_m^n x_k - L) \rightarrow 0 (S_\theta^q(\Delta_m^n))$ . Let  $\sum_1$  and  $\sum_2$  be the same as in the proof of the previous Theorem. Since  $(x_k) \in \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n)$ , there exists  $K > 0$  such that  $M_k \left( q \left( \frac{t_k}{\rho} \right) \right) \leq K$  for all  $k \in N$ . Then given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} M_k \left( q \left( \frac{t_k}{\rho} \right) \right) &= \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_1 M_k \left( q \left( \frac{t_k}{\rho} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_2 M_k \left( q \left( \frac{t_k}{\rho} \right) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{K}{h_r} \text{card}\{k \in I_r : q(t_k) \geq \varepsilon \rho\} + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} M_k \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{\rho} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(x_k) \in \ell_\infty(q, \Delta_m^n) \cap w_1(\mathbf{M}, \theta, \Delta_m^n, p, q)$ .

(ii) Proof is similar to that of part (i).

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