

## DIFFERENCE SEQUENCE SPACE $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ OF FUZZY REAL NUMBERS\*

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**Abstract.** The difference sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  of fuzzy real numbers for both  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $0 < p < 1$ , is introduced. Some properties of this sequence space like solidness, symmetricity, convergence-free are studied. Some inclusion relations involving this sequence space are obtained.

**Key words:** Orlicz function; symmetric space; solid space; convergence-free; metric space; completeness.

### 1 Introduction

The concept of fuzzy set theory was introduced by Zadeh [18]. Later on sequences of fuzzy numbers have been discussed by Tripathy and Nanda [17], Nuray and Savas [7], Kwon [5], Esi [1], Tripathy and Dutta [12], Et, Altin and Altinok [2] and many others.

Kizmaz [4] studied the notion of difference sequence spaces at the initial stage. He investigated the difference sequence spaces  $\ell_\infty(\Delta)$ ,  $c(\Delta)$  and  $c_0(\Delta)$  of crisp sets. The notion is defined as follows,  $Z(\Delta) = \{x = (x_k) : (\Delta x_k) \in Z\}$ , for  $Z = \ell_\infty, c$  and  $c_0$ , where  $\Delta x = (\Delta x_k) = (x_k - x_{k+1})$ , for all  $k \in N$ .

The above spaces are Banach spaces, normed by,  $\|x\|_\Delta = |x_1| + \sup_k |\Delta_k|$ .

The idea of Kizmaz [4] was applied to introduce different type of difference sequence spaces and studied their different properties by Tripathy [11], Tripathy and Esi [13] and many others.

Tripathy and Esi [12] introduced the new type of difference sequence spaces, for fixed  $m \in N$ ,  $Z(\Delta_m) = \{x = (x_k) : (\Delta_m x_k) \in Z\}$ , for  $Z = \ell_\infty, c$  and  $c_0$  where  $\Delta_m x = (\Delta_m x_k) = (x_k - x_{k+m})$ , for all  $k \in N$ . This generalizes the notion of difference sequence spaces studied by Kizmaz [4].

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The above spaces are Banach spaces, normed by,

$$\|x\|_{\Delta} = \sum_{r=1}^m |x_r| + \sup_k |\Delta_m x_k|.$$

Tripathy, Esi and Tripathy [14] further generalized this notion and introduced the following notion. For  $m, n \geq 1$ ,  $Z(\Delta_m^n) = \{x = (x_k) : (\Delta_m^n x_k) \in Z\}$  for  $Z = \ell_{\infty}, c$  and  $c_0$ . This generalized difference has the following binomial representation,

$$\Delta_m^n x_k = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{n}{r} x_{k+rm}. \quad (1.1)$$

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  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . If the convexity of the Orlicz function is replaced by sub-additivity, then this function is called a modulus function.

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

Sargent [9] introduced the crisp set sequence space  $m(\phi)$  and studied some properties of this space. Later on it was studied from the sequence space point of view and some matrix classes were characterized with one member as  $m(\phi)$  by Rath and Tripathy [8], Tripathy [10], Tripathy and Sen [16] and others. In this article we introduce the space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  of sequences of fuzzy real numbers defined by Orlicz function.

Throughout the article  $w^F, \ell^F, \ell_{\infty}^F$  represent the classes of *all, absolutely summable and bounded* sequences of fuzzy real numbers, respectively.

## 2 Definitions and Background

A fuzzy real number  $X$  is a fuzzy set on  $R$ , i.e. a mapping  $X : R \rightarrow I (= [0, 1])$  associating each real number  $t$  with its grade of membership  $X(t)$ .

A fuzzy real number  $X$  is called *convex* if

$$X(t) \geq X(s) \wedge X(r) = \min(X(s), X(r)),$$

where  $s < t < r$ . If there exists  $t_0 \in R$  such that  $X(t_0) = 1$ , then the fuzzy real number  $X$  is called *normal*.

A fuzzy real number  $X$  is said to be *upper semi continuous* if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for all  $a \in I$  the mapping  $X^{-1}([0, a + \varepsilon])$  is open in the usual topology of  $R$ . The class of all upper semi continuous, normal, convex fuzzy real numbers is denoted by  $R(I)$ .

For  $X \in R(I)$ , the  $\alpha$ -level set  $X^{\alpha}$  for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  is defined by  $X^{\alpha} = \{t \in R : X(t) \geq \alpha\}$ . The 0-level, i.e. the set  $X^0$ , is the closure of strong 0-cut, thus we have that  $\overline{\{t \in R : X(t) > 0\}}$  is compact.

The absolute value of  $X \in R(I)$ , i.e.  $|X|$ , is defined as (see, Kaleva and Seikkala [3])

$$|X|(t) = \begin{cases} \max\{X(t), X(-t)\}, & \text{for } t \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $r \in R, \bar{r} \in R(I)$  is defined as,

$$\bar{r}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } t = r, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The additive identity and multiplicative identity of  $R(I)$  are denoted by  $\bar{0}$  and  $\bar{1}$  respectively. The zero sequence of fuzzy real numbers is denoted by  $\bar{\theta}$ .

Let  $D$  be the set of all closed bounded intervals  $X = [X^L, X^R]$ . Define  $d : D \times D \rightarrow R$  by  $d(X, Y) = \max\{|X^L - Y^L|, |X^R - Y^R|\}$ . Then  $(D, d)$  is a complete metric space.

Define  $\bar{d} : R(I) \times R(I) \rightarrow R$  by  $\bar{d}(X, Y) = \sup_{0 < \alpha \leq 1} d(X^\alpha, Y^\alpha)$ , for  $X, Y \in R(I)$ .

Then it is well known that  $(R(I), \bar{d})$  is a complete metric space.

A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy real numbers is said to be convergent to the fuzzy number  $X_0$ , if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $k_0 \in N$  such that  $\bar{d}(X_k, X_0) < \varepsilon$ , for all  $k \geq k_0$ . 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  $n \in N$ .

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

A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *convergence-free* if  $(Y_n) \in E$  whenever  $(X_n) \in E$  and  $X_n = \bar{0}$  implies  $Y_n = \bar{0}$ .

A sequence space  $E$  is said to be *monotone* if  $E$  contains the canonical pre-images of all its step spaces.

**Lemma 1.** *A sequence space  $E$  is monotone whenever it is solid.*

Let  $\wp_s$  be the class of all subsets of  $N$  those do not contain more than  $s$  number of elements. Throughout  $\{\phi_s\}$  is a non-decreasing sequence of positive real numbers such that  $n\phi_{n+1} \leq (n+1)\phi_n$  for all  $n \in N$ .

The space  $m(\phi)$  introduced by Sargent [9] is defined as,

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

Lindenstrauss and Tzafriri [6] used the notion of Orlicz function and introduced the sequence space:

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

The space  $\ell_M$  becomes a Banach space with the norm defined by

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

which is called an Orlicz sequence space. The space  $\ell_M$  is closely related to the space  $\ell_p$ , which is an Orlicz sequence space with  $M(x) = x^p$ , for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

In the later stage different classes of Orlicz sequence spaces were introduced and studied by Esi [1], Tripathy and Mahanta [15] and many others.

In this article we introduce the following difference sequence space:

$$m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F = \left\{ X = (X_k) : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^p < \infty, \right. \\ \left. \text{for some } \rho > 0 \right\}, \text{ for } 0 < p < \infty.$$

### 3 Main Results

In this section we prove some results involving all these sequence spaces.

**Theorem 1. (a)** *The sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is a complete metric space with the metric*

$$\eta(X, Y) = \sum_{r=1}^{mn} \bar{d}(X_r, Y_r) + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \Delta_m^n Y_k)}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1 \right\},$$

for  $X, Y \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ ,  $m \geq 1, n \geq 1$  and  $0 < p < 1$ .

**(b)** *The sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is a complete metric space with the metric*

$$\eta(X, Y) = \sum_{r=1}^{mn} \bar{d}(X_r, Y_r) + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \right. \\ \left. \times \left( \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \Delta_m^n Y_k)}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq 1 \right\},$$

for  $X, Y \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ ,  $m \geq 1, n \geq 1$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof. (a).* Clearly,  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is a metric space with the metric  $\eta$ , defined above. We have to prove that it is a complete metric space. Let  $(X^{(i)})$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  such that  $X^{(i)} = (X_n^{(i)})_{n=1}^\infty$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. For a fixed  $x_0 > 0$ , choose  $r > 0$  such that  $M(\frac{rx_0}{2}) \geq 1$ . Then there exists a positive integer  $n_0 = n_0(\varepsilon)$  such that  $\eta(X^{(i)}, X^{(j)}) < \varepsilon/(rx_0)$ , for all  $i, j \geq n_0$ . By the definition of  $\eta$ , we get:

$$\sum_{r=1}^{mn} \bar{d}(X_r^{(i)}, X_r^{(j)}) + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \right. \\ \left. \times \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)})}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1 \right\} < \varepsilon, \text{ for all } i, j \geq n_0, \quad (3.1)$$

which implies that,  $\sum_{r=1}^{mn} \bar{d}(X_r^{(i)}, X_r^{(j)}) < \varepsilon$ , for all  $i, j \geq n_0$  and finally we get

$$\bar{d}(X_r^{(i)}, X_r^{(j)}) < \varepsilon, \text{ for all } i, j \geq n_0, r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, mn.$$

Hence  $(X_r^{(i)})$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $R(I)$ , so it is convergent in  $R(I)$ , by the completeness property of  $R(I)$ , for  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, mn$ . Let,

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} X_r^{(i)} = X_r, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, mn. \tag{3.2}$$

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)})}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1, \quad \text{for all } i, j \geq n_0. \tag{3.3}$$

For  $s = 1$  and  $\sigma$  varying over  $\wp_s$ , we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)})}{\eta(X^{(i)}, X^{(j)})} \right) \right)^p &\leq \phi_1, & \text{for all } i, j \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)})}{\eta(X^{(i)}, X^{(j)})} \right)^p &\leq \phi_1^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq M \left( \frac{rx_0}{2} \right), & \text{for all } i, j \geq n_0. \end{aligned}$$

Using the continuity of  $M$ , we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)}) &\leq \frac{rx_0}{2} \eta(X^{(i)}, X^{(j)}), & \text{for all } i, j \geq n_0 \\ \Rightarrow \bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k^{(j)}) &< \frac{rx_0}{2} \frac{\varepsilon}{rx_0} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, & \text{for all } i, j \geq n_0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)})$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $R(I)$  and so it is convergent in  $R(I)$  by the completeness property of  $R(I)$ .

Let,  $\lim_i \Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)} = Y_k \in R(I)$ , for each  $k \in N$ . We have to prove that

$$\lim_i X^{(i)} = X \quad \text{and} \quad X \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F.$$

For  $k = 1$ , we get from (1.1) and (3.2) that

$$\lim_i X_{mn+1}^{(i)} = X_{mn+1}, \quad \text{for } m \geq 1, n \geq 1.$$

Hence we get that  $\lim_i X_k^{(i)} = X_k$ , for each  $k \in N$ . Also,  $\lim_i \Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)} = \Delta_m^n X_k$ , for each  $k \in N$ . Using the continuity of  $M$ , we get, from (3.3),

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k)}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1,$$

for some  $\rho > 0$  and  $i \geq n_0$ . Now on taking the infimum of such  $\rho$ 's and using (3.1), we get

$$\inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k)}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1 \right\} < \varepsilon,$$

for all  $i \geq n_0$ . Hence we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^{mn} \bar{d}(X_r^{(i)}, X_r) + \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \right. \\ \left. \times \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k^{(i)}, \Delta_m^n X_k)}{\rho} \right) \right)^p \leq 1 \right\} < \varepsilon + \varepsilon = 2\varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i \geq n_0$ , which implies that,

$$\eta(X^{(i)}, X) < 2\varepsilon, \quad \forall i \geq n_0, \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_i X^{(i)} = X.$$

Now, we shall prove that  $X \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ . We know that,

$$\eta(X, \bar{\theta}) \leq \eta(X^{(n)}, X) + \eta(X^{(n)}, \bar{\theta}) < \varepsilon + M, \text{ for all } n \geq n_0(\varepsilon),$$

i.e.  $\eta(X, \bar{\theta})$  is finite, which implies that,  $X \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ . Hence the space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is a complete metric space. This completes the proof of (a) part of the theorem. The (b) part can be proved by following similar techniques.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *The sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not solid in general, for  $0 < p < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* The result follows from the following example.

*Example 1.* Let  $m = 3$ ,  $n = 2$ ,  $p = 2$ . Let  $X_k = \bar{k}$ , for all  $k \in N$  and  $\phi_s = s$  for all  $s \in N$ . Let  $M(x) = |x|$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ . Then, we have,  $\bar{d}(\Delta_3^2 X_k, \bar{0}) = 0$ , for all  $k \in N$ . Hence, we have,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_3^2 X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^2 < \infty, \text{ for some } \rho > 0,$$

which implies that,  $(X_k) \in m(M, s, \Delta_3^2, 2)^F$ . Consider the sequence  $(\alpha_k)$  of scalars defined by,

$$\alpha_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } k \text{ is even,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_k X_k = \begin{cases} \bar{k}, & \text{for } k \text{ is even,} \\ \bar{0}, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

which implies that,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_3^2 \alpha_k X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^2 = \infty, \text{ for any fixed } \rho > 0,$$

which shows that,  $(\alpha_k X_k) \notin m(M, s, \Delta_3^2, 2)^F$ . Hence  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not solid in general, for  $0 < p < \infty$ .

$\square$

**Theorem 3.** *The sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not symmetric in general, for  $0 < p < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $m = 1$ ,  $n = 1$ ,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $M(x) = x^2$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ . Let  $\phi_s = s$ , for all  $s \in N$ . Let  $X_k = \bar{k}$ , for all  $k \in N$ . Then,  $\bar{d}(\Delta X_k, \bar{0}) = 1$ , for all  $k \in N$ . Hence  $(X_k) \in m(M, s, \Delta, \frac{1}{2})^F$ . Let  $(Y_k)$  be a rearrangement of  $(X_k)$  such that,

$$(Y_k) = (X_1, X_2, X_4, X_3, X_9, X_5, X_{16}, X_6, X_{25} \dots).$$

Then  $\bar{d}(\Delta Y_k, \bar{0}) \approx k - (k - 1)^2 \approx k^2$ , for all  $k \in N$ , which shows that,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta Y_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \infty,$$

for some  $\rho > 0$ . Hence,  $(Y_k) \notin m(M, s, \Delta, \frac{1}{2})^F$ . Thus,  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not symmetric in general, for  $0 < p < \infty$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 1.** *The sequence space  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not convergence-free in general.*

*Proof.* Let  $m = 4, n = 1, p = \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $M(x) = x^4$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ . Let  $\phi_s = s$ , for all  $s \in N$ . Consider the sequence  $(X_k)$  defined as follows:

$$X_k(t) = \begin{cases} 1 + kt & \text{for } t \in [-1/k, 0], \\ 1 - kt & \text{for } t \in [0, 1/k], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$\Delta_4 X_k(t) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{k(k+4)}{2k+4}t & \text{for } t \in [-\frac{2k+4}{k(k+4)}, 0], \\ 1 - \frac{k(k+4)}{2k+4}t & \text{for } t \in [0, \frac{2k+4}{k(k+4)}], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus we have that,  $\bar{d}(\Delta_4 X_k, \bar{0}) = \frac{2k+4}{k(k+4)} = \frac{2}{(k+1)} + \frac{4}{k(k+4)}$ . Then it follows that

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_4 X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty, \quad \forall \rho > 0.$$

Thus,  $(X_k) \in m(M, s, \Delta_4, \frac{1}{2})^F$ . Now, let us take another sequence  $(Y_k)$  such that,

$$Y_k(t) = \begin{cases} 1 + t/k^2 & \text{for } t \in [-k^2, 0], \\ 1 - t/k^2 & \text{for } t \in [0, k^2]. \end{cases}$$

So that,

$$\Delta_4 Y_k(t) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{t}{2k^2 + 8k + 16} & \text{for } t \in [-(2k^2 + 8k + 16), 0], \\ 1 - \frac{t}{2k^2 + 8k + 16} & \text{for } t \in [0, (2k^2 + 8k + 16)], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

But,  $\bar{d}(\Delta_4 Y_k, \bar{0}) = (2k^2 + 8k + 16)$ , for all  $k \in N$ , which implies that,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left( M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_4 Y_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right)^{1/2} = \infty,$$

for some  $\rho > 0$ . Thus,  $(Y_k) \notin m(M, s, \Delta_4, \frac{1}{2})^F$ . Hence  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$  is not convergence-free, in general.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.**  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n)^F \subseteq m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , for all  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n)^F$ , then we have,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) = K < \infty,$$

for any fixed  $\rho > 0$ . Hence, for each fixed  $s$  and  $\sigma \in \wp_s$ , we have, for  $\rho > 0$ :

$$\sum_{k \in \sigma} M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \leq K \phi_s \Rightarrow \left[ \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq K \phi_s,$$

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left[ \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq K < \infty,$$

which implies that,  $X \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.**  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F \subseteq m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , if and only if

$$\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) < \infty, \quad \text{for } 0 < p < \infty.$$

*Proof.* First, suppose that  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) = K < \infty$ , then we have,  $\phi_s \leq K \psi_s$ .

Now, if  $(X_k) \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p &< \infty, \\ \Rightarrow \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{K \psi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p &< \infty, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $(X_k) \in m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ . Hence,  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F \subseteq m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F \subseteq m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ . We should prove that  $\sup_{s \geq 1} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{\psi_s} \right) = \sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) < \infty$ . Suppose that  $\sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) = \infty$ . Then there exists a subsequence  $(\eta_{s_i})$  of  $(\eta_s)$  such that,  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (\eta_{s_i}) = \infty$ . Then for  $(X_k) \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \frac{1}{\psi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p \\ \geq \sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \wp_s} \left( \frac{\eta_{s_i}}{\phi_{s_i}} \right) \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p = \infty. \end{aligned}$$



i.e.

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \varphi_s} \frac{1}{\psi_s} \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p = \infty,$$

which implies that  $(X_k) \notin m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , a contradiction. This completes the proof.  $\square$

*Corollary 1.*  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F = m(M, \psi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ , if and only if

$$\sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{s \geq 1} (\eta_s^{-1}) < \infty,$$

where  $\eta_s = \phi_s / \psi_s$ , for  $0 < p < \infty$ .

**Theorem 4.**  $\ell_p(M, \Delta_m^n)^F \subseteq m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F \subseteq \ell_\infty(M, \Delta_m^n)^F$ , for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof.* By taking  $M(x) = x^p$ , for  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $\phi_n = 1$ , for all  $n \in N$ , we get that  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F = \ell_p(M, \Delta_m^n)^F$ . So, the first inclusion is proved. Next, suppose that,  $(X_k) \in m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F$ . This implies that,

$$\sup_{s \geq 1, \sigma \in \varphi_s} \frac{1}{\phi_s} \left[ \sum_{k \in \sigma} \left\{ M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \right\}^p \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} = K < \infty.$$

For  $s = 1$ ,  $M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) \leq K \phi_1, k \in \sigma$ , which implies that

$$\sup_{k \geq 1} M \left( \frac{\bar{d}(\Delta_m^n X_k, \bar{0})}{\rho} \right) < \infty.$$

Thus we have that  $X_k \in \ell_\infty(M, \Delta_m^n)^F$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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

**Proposition 4.**  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F = \ell_p(M, \Delta_m^n)^F$  if and only if

$$\sup_{s \geq 1} (\phi_s) < \infty, \quad \sup_{s \geq 1} (\phi_s^{-1}) < \infty.$$

*Corollary 2.*  $m(M, \phi, \Delta_m^n, p)^F = \ell_p(M, \Delta_m^n)^F$  if  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\phi_s}{s} \right) > 0$ , for  $0 < p < \infty$ .

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