# On generalized sequence spaces defined by modulus functions

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ABSTRACT. Let  $(X, |\cdot|)$  be a seminormed space,  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  a sequence of moduli, and  $\mathcal{B}$  a sequence of infinite scalar matrices  $B^i = (b_{kj}^i)$ . Let  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  and  $(\Lambda, g_{\Lambda})$  be solid F-seminormed (paranormed) spaces of single and double number sequences, respectively. V. Soomer and E. Kolk proved in 1996-1997 that the set of all scalar sequences  $\mathbf{u} = (u_k)$  with  $\Phi(\mathbf{u}) = (\phi_k(|u_k|)) \in \lambda$  is a linear space which may be topologized by the F-seminorm (paranorm)  $g_{\lambda,\Phi}(\mathbf{u}) = g_{\lambda}(\Phi(\mathbf{u}))$  under certain restrictions on  $\Phi$  or  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$ . We generalize this result to the space of all X-valued sequences  $\mathbf{x} = (x_k)$  with  $(\phi_k([\mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x}])) \in \Lambda$ , where  $\mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x} = \sum_j b_{kj}^i x_j$ . Applications are given in the case when  $\Lambda$  is the strong summability domain of a non-negative matrix method. Our corollaries and critical remarks outline results from more than thirty previous papers by many different authors.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, ...\}$  and let  $\mathbb{K}$  be the field of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  or complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ . In the following we specify the domains of indices for the symbols lim, sup, inf and  $\sum$  only if they are different from  $\mathbb{N}$ . By  $\iota$  we denote the identity mapping  $\iota(z) = z$ . In all definitions which contain infinite series we tacitly assume the convergence of these series.

An F-space is usually understood as a complete metrizable topological vector space over  $\mathbb{K}$ . The topology of an F-space E can be given by an F-norm, i.e., by the functional  $g: E \to \mathbb{R}$  with axioms (see [29], p. 13)

(N1) g(0) = 0,

(N2) 
$$g(x+y) \le g(x) + g(y)$$
  $(x, y \in E),$ 

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- (N3)  $|\alpha| \le 1 \ (\alpha \in \mathbb{K}), \ x \in E \implies g(\alpha x) \le g(x),$
- (N4)  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = 0 \ (\alpha_n \in \mathbb{K}), \ x \in E \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} g(\alpha_n x) = 0,$
- (N5)  $g(x) = 0 \implies x = 0.$

A functional g with axioms (N1)–(N4) is called an F-seminorm. A paranorm on E is defined as a functional  $g: E \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfying axioms (N1), (N2) and

- (N6)  $g(-x) = g(x) \quad (x \in E),$
- (N7)  $\lim_n \alpha_n = \alpha$   $(\alpha_n, \alpha \in \mathbb{K}), \ \lim_n g(x_n x) = 0$   $(x_n, x \in E) \implies$  $\lim_n g(\alpha_n x_n - \alpha x) = 0.$

A seminorm on E is a functional  $g: E \to \mathbb{R}$  with axioms (N1), (N2) and

(N8) 
$$g(\alpha x) = |\alpha|g(x) \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{K}, x \in E).$$

An F-seminorm (paranorm, seminorm) g is called *total* if (N5) holds. So, an F-norm (norm) is a total F-seminorm (seminorm).

It is known (see [33], Remark 1) that F-seminorms are precisely the paranorms satisfying axiom (N3).

To avoid confusion with the module  $|\cdot|$ , following [33], we will often denote the seminorm of an element  $x \in E$  by |x|.

Let  $(X, |\cdot|)$  be a seminormed linear space over  $\mathbb{K}$  and let  $\mathbf{X}$  be a sequence of seminormed linear spaces  $(X_k, |\cdot|_k)$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ . Then the set  $s^2(\mathbf{X})$  of all double sequences  $\mathbf{x}^2 = (x_{ki}), x_{ki} \in X_k$   $(k, i \in \mathbb{N})$ , and the set  $s(\mathbf{X})$  of all sequences  $\mathbf{x} = (x_k), x_k \in X_k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , equipped with coordinatewise addition and scalar multiplication, are linear spaces (over  $\mathbb{K}$ ). Any linear subspace of  $s^2(\mathbf{X})$  is called a *generalized double sequence space* (GDS *space*) and any linear subspace of  $s(\mathbf{X})$  is called a *generalized sequence space* (GS *space*). If  $(X_k, |\cdot|_k) = (X, |\cdot|)$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , then we write X instead of  $\mathbf{X}$ . In the case  $X = \mathbb{K}$  we omit the symbol X in our notation. So, for example,  $s^2$ and s denote the linear spaces of all  $\mathbb{K}$ -valued double sequences  $\mathbf{u}^2 = (u_{ki})$ and single sequences  $\mathbf{u} = (u_k)$ , respectively. As usual, linear subspaces of  $s^2$ are called *double sequence spaces* (DS *spaces*) and linear subspaces of s are called *sequence spaces*. Well-known sequence spaces include the sets  $\ell_{\infty}, c, c_0$ and  $\ell^p$  (p > 0) of all bounded, convergent, convergent to zero and absolutely p-summable number sequences, respectively. Examples of DS spaces are

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ \mathbf{u}^2 \in s^2 : \tilde{u}_k = \sup_i |u_{ki}| < \infty \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}) \},\$$
$$U\lambda = \{ \mathbf{u}^2 \in \mathcal{M} : \tilde{u} = (\tilde{u}_k) \in \lambda \} \quad (\lambda \in \{\ell_\infty, c_0, \ell^p\}).$$

Let  $\mathbb{R}^+ = [0, \infty)$ . The idea of a modulus function was shaped by Nakano [37]. Following Ruckle [44] and Maddox [35] we say that a function  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^+ \to \mathbb{R}^+$  is a modulus function (or, simply, a modulus), if

 $\begin{array}{ll} (\mathrm{M1}) \ \phi(t) = 0 \iff t = 0, \\ (\mathrm{M2}) \ \phi(t+u) \leq \phi(t) + \phi(u) \ (t, u \in \mathbb{R}^+), \end{array} \end{array}$ 

- (M3)  $\phi$  is non-decreasing,
- (M4)  $\phi$  is continuous from the right at 0.

For example, the function  $\iota^p(t) = t^p$  is an unbounded modulus for  $p \leq 1$ and the function  $\phi(t) = t/(1+t)$  is a bounded modulus.

Since  $|\phi(t) - \phi(u)| \leq \phi(|t-u|)$   $(t, u \in \mathbb{R}^+)$  by (M1)–(M3), the moduli are continuous everywhere on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ . We also remark that the modulus functions are essentially the same concept as the moduli of continuity (see [18], p. 866).

A GS space  $\lambda(\mathbf{X}) \subset s(\mathbf{X})$  is called *solid* if  $(y_k) \in \lambda(\mathbf{X})$  whenever  $(x_k) \in \lambda(\mathbf{X})$  and  $|y_k|_k \leq |x_k|_k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ . Analogously, a GDS space  $\Lambda(\mathbf{X}) \subset s^2(\mathbf{X})$  is called *solid* if  $(y_{ki}) \in \Lambda(\mathbf{X})$  whenever  $(x_{ki}) \in \Lambda(\mathbf{X})$  and  $|y_{ki}|_k \leq |x_{ki}|_k$   $(k, i \in \mathbb{N})$ . For example, it is easy to see that the sets

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) = \left\{ \mathbf{x}^2 \in s^2(\mathbf{X}) : \sup_i |x_{ki}|_k < \infty \ (k \in \mathbb{N}) \right\},$$
$$\Lambda(\Phi, \mathbf{X}) = \left\{ \mathbf{x}^2 \in s^2(\mathbf{X}) : \Phi(\mathbf{x}^2) = \left( \phi_k\left( |x_{ki}|_k \right) \right) \in \Lambda \right\}$$

and  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})) = \Lambda(\Phi, \mathbf{X}) \cap \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X})$  are solid GDS spaces if  $\Lambda \subset s^2$  is a solid DS space and  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  is a sequence of moduli.

Let  $B = (b_{kj})$  be an infinite scalar matrix and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a sequence of matrices  $B^i = (b_{kj}^i)$ . For an X-valued sequence  $\mathbf{x} = (x_j)$  put  $B\mathbf{x} = (B_k\mathbf{x})$ and  $\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} = (\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x})$ , where  $B_k\mathbf{x} = \sum_j b_{kj}x_j$  and  $\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x} = \sum_j b_{kj}^ix_j$ . Our aim is to determine F-seminorm topologies for the spaces of X-valued sequences  $\mathbf{x}$ with  $\Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})$  in  $\Lambda$ , or  $\Phi(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x})$  in  $\lambda$ , if  $\Lambda$  and  $\lambda$  are topologized by absolutely monotone F-seminorms. Main theorems are applicable in the case if  $\lambda$  and  $\Lambda$ are strong summability domains of a non-negative matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$ . Some special cases of such spaces are considered, for example, in [1]-[4], [6]-[16],[19]-[25], [27], [28], [30], [31], [36], [38]-[41], [43], [45] and [48]-[51]).

### 2. Main results

The most common summability method is the matrix method defined by an infinite scalar matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$ . If for a sequence  $\mathbf{x} \in s(X)$  the series  $A_n \mathbf{x} = \sum_k a_{nk} x_k \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$  converge and the limit  $\lim_n A_n \mathbf{x} = l$  exists in X, then we say that  $\mathbf{x}$  is summable to l by the method A (briefly, A-summable to l) and write A-lim  $x_k = l$ . A summability method (or a matrix) A is called regular in X if for all sequences  $\mathbf{x} = (x_k)$  convergent in X we have

$$\lim_{k} x_k = l \implies \lim_{n} A_n \mathbf{x} = l.$$

A well-known example of a regular matrix method is the Cesàro method  $C_1$ defined by the matrix  $C_1 = (c_{nk})$ , where, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $c_{nk} = n^{-1}$  if  $k \leq n$ and  $c_{nk} = 0$  otherwise. A (trivial) regular method is defined by the *unit* matrix  $I = (i_{nk})$ , where  $i_{nn} = 1$  and  $i_{nk} = 0$  for  $n \neq k$ . Recall also that a

matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  is called *normal* if, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_{nn} \neq 0$  and  $a_{nk} = 0$  if k > n. For example, the Cesàro matrix  $C_1$  is normal. Every scalar sequence  $(c_k)$  defines a *diagonal matrix*  $D(c_k) = (d_{ni})$  by the equalities  $d_{nn} = c_n$  and  $d_{ni} = 0$  if  $n \neq i$ . Clearly, a diagonal matrix  $D(c_k)$  is regular if and only if  $\lim_k c_k = 1$ , and it is normal if  $c_k \neq 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Another class of summability methods is determined by sequences  $\mathcal{B} = (B^i)$  of infinite scalar matrices  $B^i = (b_{nk}^i)$ . Recall (see, for example, [5] and [47]) that a sequence  $\mathbf{x} = (x_k) \in s(X)$  is called  $\mathcal{B}$ -summable to the point  $l \in X$  if  $B^i$ -lim  $x_k = l$  uniformly in i, i.e., if the series  $B_n^i \mathbf{x} = \sum_k b_{nk}^i x_k \quad (n, i \in \mathbb{N})$  converge in X and

$$\lim_{n} |B_{n}^{i} \mathbf{x} - l| = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i.$$

The summability methods  $\mathcal{B}$  are also known as the *sequential matrix methods* (SM *methods*) of summability (see [17], p. 19). In the special case

$$b_{nk}^{i} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n}, & \text{if } i \le k \le n+i-1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

the  $\mathcal{B}$ -summability reduces to the so-called *almost convergence* (see [34]). The almost convergence is a non-matrix method of summability. Any matrix method B can be considered as an SM method  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $B^i = B$   $(i \in \mathbb{N})$ . By the unit SM method  $\mathcal{I}$  we mean the SM method  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $B^i = I$   $(i \in \mathbb{N})$ .

Let  $\mathbf{e}^k = (e_j^k)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  be the sequences with the elements  $e_j^k = 1$  if j = k and  $e_j^k = 0$  otherwise. If we define, for an arbitrary sequence  $\mathbf{z} = (z_k)$ , the double sequence  $\mathbf{z}^{(2)} = (z_{ki}^{(2)})$  with  $z_{ki}^{(2)} = z_k$   $(k, i \in \mathbb{N})$ , then every sequence  $\mathbf{e}^k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  also determines a double sequence  $\mathbf{e}^{k(2)} = (e_{ji}^k)_{j,i\in\mathbb{N}}$  such that, for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $e_{ji}^k = 1$  if j = k and  $e_{ji}^k = 0$  if  $j \neq k$ . An F-seminormed sequence space  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is called an AK-space, if  $\lambda$  contains the sequences  $\mathbf{e}^k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  and for any  $\mathbf{u} = (u_k) \in \lambda$  we have  $\lim_n g_{\lambda} (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{[n]}) = 0$ , where  $\mathbf{u}^{[n]} = \sum_{k=1}^n u_k \mathbf{e}^k$ . Analogously, an F-seminormed DS space  $(\Lambda, g_{\Lambda})$  is called an AK-space (see [42]), if  $\Lambda$  contains the sequences  $\mathbf{e}^{k(2)}$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  and for any  $\mathbf{u}^2 = (u_{ki}) \in \Lambda$  we have  $\lim_n g_{\Lambda} (\mathbf{u}^2 - \mathbf{u}^{2[n]}) = 0$ , where  $\mathbf{u}^{2[n]} = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{e}^{k(2)}$  with  $\mathbf{u}_k = (u_{ki})_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{e}^{k(2)} = (u_{ki}e_{ji}^k)_{j,i\in\mathbb{N}}$ . Well-known AK-spaces are  $c_0$  and  $\ell^p$   $(p \geq 1)$  with respect to ordinary norms  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{\infty} = \sup_k |u_k|$  and  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_p = (\sum_k |u_k|^p)^{1/p}$ . It is not difficult to see that  $Uc_0$  and  $U\ell^p$   $(p \geq 1)$ , topologized by norms  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{\infty} = \|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\|_{\infty}$  and  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{\tilde{p}} = \|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\|_p$ , are examples of normed DS-AK-spaces.

Let  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  be a sequence of moduli. If  $\lambda$  is a solid sequence space, then

$$\lambda(\Phi) = \{ \mathbf{u} = (u_k) \in s : \Phi(\mathbf{u}) = (\phi_k(|u_k|)) \in \lambda \}$$

is also a solid sequence space. Soomer [46] and Kolk [32] proved that if  $\lambda$  is topologized by an absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ , i.e.,  $g_{\lambda}(\mathbf{v}) \leq g_{\lambda}(\mathbf{u})$ for all  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \lambda$  with  $|v_k| \leq |u_k|$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ), then  $\lambda(\Phi)$  may be topologized by the absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda,\Phi}(\mathbf{u}) = g_{\lambda}(\Phi(\mathbf{u}))$  whenever  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space or the sequence  $\Phi$  satisfies one of two (equivalent) conditions:

(M5) there exist a function  $\nu$  and a number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\phi_k(ut) \leq \nu(u)\phi_k(t)$   $(k \in \mathbb{N}, 0 < u < \delta, t > 0)$  and  $\lim_{u \to 0+} \nu(u) = 0$ ,

(M6) 
$$\lim_{u \to 0+} \sup_{t>0} \sup_{k} \frac{\phi_k(ut)}{\phi_k(t)} = 0.$$

In the following we prove the similar statements about the sets

$$\lambda(\Phi, B, X) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \Phi(B\mathbf{x}) = \left( \phi_k\left( \left| B_k \mathbf{x} \right| \right) \right) \in \Lambda \right\}, \\ \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) = \left( \phi_k\left( \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x} \right| \right) \right) \in \Lambda \right\}, \\ \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X)) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}(X) \right\} \cap \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X),$$

where the sequence spaces  $\lambda$ ,  $\Lambda$  are solid, B is a matrix method, and  $\mathcal{B}$  is an SM-method of summability.

**Theorem 1.** If  $\lambda$  and  $\Lambda$  are solid sequence space, then the sets  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$ ,  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  and  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  are GS spaces, i.e., linear subsets of s(X). Moreover,  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  and  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  are solid if

$$|y_k| \le |x_k| \implies |\mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{y}| \le |\mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x}| \ (k, i \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{1}$$

and  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$  is solid if

$$|y_k| \le |x_k| \implies |B_k \mathbf{y}| \le |B_k \mathbf{x}| \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$
 (2)

*Proof.* To prove the linearity of the set  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$ , fix  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$ . Using the linearity of the operators  $\mathcal{B}_k^i$ , by axioms (M2) and (M3) we have

$$\begin{split} \phi_k \left( \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \left( \alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y} \right) \right| \right) &\leq \phi_k \left( |\alpha| \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x} \right| \right) + \phi_k \left( |\beta| \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{y} \right| \right) \\ &\leq ([|\alpha|] + 1) \phi_k \left( \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x} \right| \right) + ([|\beta|] + 1) \phi_k \left( \left| \mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{y} \right| \right) \end{split}$$

for all  $k, i \in \mathbb{N}$ , where [c] denotes the integer part of a number  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . But this gives  $\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  because  $\Lambda$  is linear and solid. The linearity of the subset  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  of  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  clearly follows from

$$\sup_{i} \left| \mathcal{B}_{k}^{i} \left( \alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y} \right) \right| \leq \left| \alpha \right| \sup_{i} \left| \mathcal{B}_{k}^{i} \mathbf{x} \right| + \left| \beta \right| \sup_{i} \left| \mathcal{B}_{k}^{i} \mathbf{y} \right|.$$

Now let  $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in s(X)$  be such that  $|y_k| \leq |x_k|$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ . Since the moduli  $\phi_k$  are increasing, by (1) we get

$$\phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{y}\right|\right) \le \phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \ (k, i \in \mathbb{N}),\tag{3}$$

and in view of solidity of  $\Lambda$ , the sequence  $\Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{y})$  is in  $\Lambda$ . Thus  $\mathbf{y} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$ . Hence,  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  is solid if (1) holds. The solidity of  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  is obvious.

The statements about the set  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$  follow similarly, with  $B_k$  instead of  $\mathcal{B}_k^i$ .

An F-seminorm  $g_{\Lambda}$  on a DS space  $\Lambda$  is said to be *absolutely monotone* if  $g_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{v}^2) \leq g_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{u}^2)$  for all  $\mathbf{u}^2, \mathbf{v}^2 \in \Lambda$  with  $|v_{ki}| \leq |u_{ki}| \ (k, i \in \mathbb{N})$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\Lambda$  be a solid DS space which is topologized by an absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\Lambda}$ .

a) If a sequence of moduli  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  satisfies one of two (equivalent) conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}\left(\mathbf{x}\right) = g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}
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Moreover, if  $g_{\Lambda}$  is an F-norm on  $\Lambda$ , the space X is normed, and  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies the condition

$$\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} = 0 \implies \mathbf{x} = 0, \tag{4}$$

then  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$  is an F-norm on  $\Lambda(\Phi,\mathcal{B},X)$ . The F-seminorm (or F-norm)  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$  is absolutely monotone if (1) holds.

b) If  $(\Lambda, g_{\Lambda})$  is an AK-space, then the GS space  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm  $g_{\Lambda, \mathcal{B}}$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ . Moreover, if  $g_{\Lambda}$  is an F-norm in  $\Lambda$ , the space X is normed, and  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies (4), then  $g_{\Lambda, \mathcal{B}}$  is an F-norm on  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$ . The F-seminorm (or Fnorm)  $g_{\Lambda, \mathcal{B}}$  is absolutely monotone on GS space  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$  whenever  $\mathcal{B}$ satisfies (1).

*Proof.* a) First, we prove that  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$  is an F-seminorm. Since  $g_{\Lambda}$  is an F-seminorm, (N1) holds by (M1). Because the operator  $\mathcal{B}$  is linear, axiom (N2) follows immediately from the subadditivity of  $\phi_k$  and  $g_{\Lambda}$ . If  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ , then by (M3) we get

$$\phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\left(\alpha\mathbf{x}\right)\right|\right) = \phi_k\left(\left|\alpha\right|\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \le \phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \quad (k, i \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Since  $g_{\Lambda}$  is absolutely monotone,

$$g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}\left(\alpha\mathbf{x}\right) = g_{\Lambda}\left(\left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\left(\alpha\mathbf{x}\right)\right|\right)\right)\right) \leq g_{\Lambda}\left(\left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\mathbf{x}\right|\right)\right)\right) = g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}\left(\mathbf{x}\right)$$

i.e., (N3) is true.

To prove (N4), let  $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$ . Using the equivalence of (M5) and (M6) (see [32], Remark 1), we may assume that  $\Phi$  satisfies (M5). Therefore, if  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = 0$  ( $\alpha_n \in \mathbb{K}$ ), we can fix an index  $n_0$  such that  $|\alpha_n| < \delta$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ . Then by (M5) we obtain

$$\phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\left(\alpha_n\mathbf{x}\right)\right|\right) \leq \nu\left(\left|\alpha_n\right|\right)\phi_k\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_k^i\mathbf{x}\right|\right)$$

for all  $k, i \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, since  $g_{\Lambda}$  is absolutely monotone, we get

$$g_{\Lambda} \left( \Phi \left( \mathcal{B} \left( \alpha_n \mathbf{x} \right) \right) \right) \le g_{\Lambda} \left( \nu \left( |\alpha_n| \right) \Phi \left( \mathcal{B} \mathbf{x} \right) \right) \quad (n \ge n_0).$$

But this yields  $\lim_{n \to B} g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}(\alpha_n \mathbf{x}) = 0$  because  $\lim_{n \to B} \nu(|\alpha_n|) = 0$ . Thus (N4) holds and  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $\Lambda(\Phi,\mathcal{B},X)$ .

Let  $g_{\Lambda}$  be an F-norm and let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  be a normed space. If  $g_{\Lambda, \mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ , then, using also (M1), we have

$$\left\|\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\mathbf{x}\right\|_{X} = 0 \ (k, i \in \mathbb{N}),$$

which gives  $\mathbf{x} = 0$  by (4). So,  $g_{\Lambda, \mathcal{B}}$  is an F-norm on  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$  in this case.

Now, suppose that (1) is satisfied. Then (3) holds, and since  $g_{\Lambda}$  is absolutely monotone,

$$g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{y}) = g_{\Lambda}\left(\left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\mathbf{y}\right|\right)\right)\right) \leq g_{\Lambda}\left(\left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\mathbf{x}\right|\right)\right)\right) = g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}\left(\mathbf{x}\right).$$

Consequently, F-seminorm (or F-norm)  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$  is absolutely monotone if (1) holds.

b) By the proof of a) it suffices to show that the functional

$$g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}: \Lambda(\Phi,\mathcal{B},\mathcal{M}(X)) \to \mathbb{K}$$

satisfies axiom (N4). Let  $\lim_{n} \alpha_n = 0$  and let  $\mathbf{x}$  be an arbitrary element from  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X))$ . Then  $\Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) \in \Lambda$ , and since  $\Lambda$  is an AK-space,

$$\lim_{n} g_{\Lambda} \left( \Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) - \Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})^{[n]} \right) = 0.$$
(5)

Using the equality

$$\Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) - \Phi(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})^{[n]} = \Phi\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} - (\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})^{[n]}\right)$$

by (5) we can find, for fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , an index m such that

$$g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} - (\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})^{[m]}\right)\right) < \varepsilon/2.$$
(6)

The double sequence  $\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}(X)$  determines the single sequence  $(\tilde{z}_k)$  by  $\tilde{z}_k = \sup_i |\mathcal{B}_k^i \mathbf{x}| \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$  Since

$$\lim_{n} \phi_k(|\alpha_n \tilde{z}_k|) = 0 \quad (k \in \mathbb{N})$$

and  $g_{\Lambda}$  satisfies (N4), we have that

$$\lim_{n} g_{\Lambda} \left( \phi_k \left( |\alpha_n \tilde{z}_k| \right) \mathbf{e}^{k(2)} \right) = 0 \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$
<sup>(7)</sup>

Further, since  $g_{\Lambda}$  satisfies (N2) and is absolutely monotone, we may write

$$g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\mathcal{B}\left(\alpha_{n}\mathbf{x}\right)\right)^{[m]}\right) = g_{\Lambda}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{m}\left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\alpha_{n}\mathcal{B}_{k}^{i}\mathbf{x}\right|\right)\right)_{i}\mathbf{e}^{k(2)}\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{m} g_{\Lambda} \left( \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \alpha_{n} \mathcal{B}_{k}^{i} \mathbf{x} \right| \right) \right)_{i} \mathbf{e}^{k(2)} \right)$$
$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{m} g_{\Lambda} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \alpha_{n} \tilde{z}_{k} \right| \right) \mathbf{e}^{k(2)} \right).$$

This yields

$$\lim_{n} g_{\Lambda} \left( \Phi \left( \mathcal{B} \left( \alpha_{n} \mathbf{x} \right) \right)^{[m]} \right) = 0$$

because of (7). Thus there exists an index  $n_0$  such that, for all  $n \ge n_0$ ,

$$|\alpha_n| \le 1 \text{ and } g_{\Lambda} \left( \Phi \left( |\alpha_n| \left( \mathcal{B} \mathbf{x} \right)^{[m]} \right) \right) < \varepsilon/2.$$
 (8)

Now, by (6) and (8) we get

$$\begin{split} g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}\left(\alpha_{n}\mathbf{x}\right) &= g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\left|\beta\left(\alpha_{n}\mathbf{x}\right)\right)\right) \\ &\leq g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\left|\alpha_{n}\right|\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}-\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}\right)^{[m]}\right)\right)\right) + g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\left|\alpha_{n}\right|\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}\right)^{[m]}\right)\right) \\ &\leq g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\left|\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}-\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}\right)^{[m]}\right)\right) + g_{\Lambda}\left(\Phi\left(\left|\alpha_{n}\right|\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}\right)^{[m]}\right)\right) \\ &< \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon \end{split}$$

for  $n \ge n_0$ . Hence,  $\lim_n g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}(\alpha_n \mathbf{x}) = 0$ , i.e., (N4) is true for  $g_{\Lambda,\mathcal{B}}$ .

Let  $\lambda \subset s$  be a solid sequence space and let  $B = (b_{kj})$  be an infinite scalar matrix. Denoting by  $\lambda^{(2)}$  the set of all double sequences  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  with  $\mathbf{x} \in \lambda$ , and using the sequence  $\underline{B} = (\underline{B}^i)$  of matrices  $\underline{B}^i = (\underline{b}_{kj}^i)$  with the elements  $\underline{b}_{kj}^i = b_{kj}$   $(i \in \mathbb{N})$  it is easy to see that  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$  is isomorphic to the space  $\lambda^{(2)}(\Phi, \underline{B}, X)$  of type  $\Lambda(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, X)$ . In addition, if  $\lambda$  is topologized by an (absolutely monotone) F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ , then the equality

$$g_{\lambda,\underline{B}}\left(\mathbf{x}^{(2)}\right) = g_{\lambda}(\mathbf{x})$$

defines an (absolutely monotone) F-seminorm on  $\lambda^{(2)}(\Phi, \underline{B}, X)$ . Thus, since  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}(X)$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \lambda^{(2)}(\Phi, \underline{B}, X)$  and  $(\lambda^{(2)}(\Phi, \underline{B}, X), g_{\lambda,\underline{B}})$  is an AK-space if and only if  $(\lambda(\Phi, B, X), g_{\lambda})$  is, Theorem 2 gives the following topologization theorem for  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$ .

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\lambda$  be a solid sequence space topologized by an absolutely monotone *F*-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ .

a) If a sequence of moduli  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  satisfies one of two (equivalent) conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\lambda,B}\left(\mathbf{x}\right) = g\left(\lambda\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right).$$

Moreover, if  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda$ , the space X is normed, and B satisfies the condition

$$B\mathbf{x} = 0 \implies \mathbf{x} = 0, \tag{9}$$

then  $g_{\lambda,B}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$ . The F-seminorm (or F-norm)  $g_{\lambda,B}$  is absolutely monotone if (2) holds.

b) If  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space, then the GS space  $\lambda(\Phi, X)$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda,B}$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ . Moreover, if  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm, the space X is normed, and B satisfies (9), then  $g_{\lambda,B}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda(\Phi, B, X)$ . The F-seminorm (or F-norm)  $g_{\lambda,B}$  is absolutely monotone whenever B satisfies (2).

**Remark 1.** It is not difficult to see that in Theorems 1-3 we may write **X** instead of X whenever the matrices  $B^i$   $(i \in \mathbb{N})$  and B are diagonal or, more generally, whenever each row of these matrices contains not more than one non-zero element.

**Remark 2.** Ghosh and Srivastava [27] considered, for one modulus  $\phi$  and for a sequence **X** of Banach spaces  $(X_k, \|\cdot\|_k)$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , the GS space

$$\lambda(\phi, \mathbf{X}) = \{ \mathbf{x} : \phi(\mathbf{x}) = (\phi(\|x_k\|_k)) \in \lambda \},\$$

where  $\lambda$  is a solid sequence space. They assert (see [27], Theorem 3.1) that if  $\lambda$  is topologized by an absolutely monotone paranorm g, then

$$g_{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) = g(\phi(\mathbf{x}))$$

is a paranorm on  $\lambda(\phi, \mathbf{X})$ . But this is not true in general. Indeed, if  $\phi$  is a bounded modulus and the solid sequence space  $\ell_{\infty}$  is topologized by the absolutely monotone norm  $g(\mathbf{u}) = \sup_k |u_k|$ , then  $\ell_{\infty}(\phi, \mathbf{X}) = s(\mathbf{X})$ , and so,  $\ell_{\infty}(\phi, \mathbf{X})$  contains an unbounded sequence  $\mathbf{z} = (z_k)$ . If now  $(z_{k_i})$  is a subsequence of  $\mathbf{z}$  such that  $z_{k_i} \neq 0$  and  $\lim_i ||z_{k_i}||_{k_i} = \infty$ , then, defining

$$\alpha_n = \begin{cases} (\|z_{k_i}\|_{k_i})^{-1}, & \text{if } n = k_i \quad (i \in \mathbb{N}), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

we get the sequence  $(\alpha_n)$  with  $\lim_n \alpha_n = 0$ . Since

$$\phi\left(\|\alpha_{k_i} z_{k_i}\|_{k_i}\right) = \phi(1) > 0 \quad (i \in \mathbb{N}),$$

we have that

$$\lim_{n} g_{\phi}(\alpha_{n} \mathbf{z}) = \lim_{n} \sup_{k} \|\alpha_{n} z_{k}\|_{k} \neq 0.$$

Thus  $g_{\phi}$  does not satisfy axiom (N4) and, consequently, is not a paranorm on  $\ell_{\infty}(\phi, \mathbf{X})$  if the modulus  $\phi$  is bounded. Theorem 3 a) (for B = I) and Remark 1 show that if the solid sequence space  $\lambda$  is topologized by an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or a paranorm with (N3)) g, then  $g_{\phi}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (paranorm) on the GS space  $\lambda(\phi, \mathbf{X})$  whenever  $(\lambda, g)$ 

is an AK-space or the modulus  $\phi$  satisfies one of the following (equivalent) conditions:

(M5°) there exists a function  $\nu$  and a number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\phi(ut) \le \nu(u)\phi(t)$   $(0 \le u < \delta, t \ge 0)$  and  $\lim_{u\to 0+} \nu(u) = 0$ , (M6°)  $\lim_{u\to 0+} \sup_{t>0} \frac{\phi(ut)}{\phi(t)} = 0$ .

These conditions clearly fail if  $\phi$  is bounded, since by  $\sup_{t>0} \phi(t) = M < \infty$  we have

$$\sup_{t>0} \frac{\phi(ut)}{\phi(t)} \ge M^{-1} \sup_{t>0} \phi(ut) = 1$$

for any fixed u > 0.

## 3. Applications related to strong summability domains

Let  $A = (a_{nk})$  be a non-negative matrix, i.e.,  $a_{nk} \ge 0$   $(n, k \in \mathbb{N})$ . We say that A is column-positive if for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists an index  $n_k$ such that  $a_{n_k,k} > 0$ . Obviously, any normal non-negative matrix is columnpositive, and a diagonal matrix  $D(c_k)$  is column-positive if  $c_k > 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . A sequence  $\mathbf{u} = (u_k) \in s$  is called strongly A-summable with index  $p \ge 1$  to l if  $\lim_{n} \sum_{k} a_{nk} |u_k - l|^p = 0$ , and strongly A-bounded with index p if  $\sup_{n} \sum_{k} a_{nk} |u_k|^p < \infty$ . It is clear that the set  $c_0^p[A]$  of all strongly Asummable with index p to zero sequences and the set  $\ell_{\infty}^p[A]$  of all strongly A-bounded with index p sequences are solid linear spaces and  $c_0^p[A] \subset \ell_{\infty}^p[A]$ . Moreover, the functional

$$g^p_{[A]}(\mathbf{u}) = \sup_n \left(\sum_k a_{nk} |u_k|^p\right)^{1/p}$$

is a seminorm on  $\ell_{\infty}^{p}[A]$  and  $c_{0}^{p}[A]$ , and it is a norm if A is column-positive.

Natural generalizations of sequence spaces  $c_0^p[A]$  and  $\ell_{\infty}^p[A]$  are related to arbitrary solid F-seminormed sequence spaces  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  and  $(\Lambda, g_{\Lambda})$ . It is easy to see that the sets

$$\lambda^{p}[A] = \left\{ \mathbf{u} \in s : A^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}|^{p} \right) = \left( \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} |u_{k}|^{p} \right)^{1/p} \right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \lambda \right\},$$
$$\Lambda^{p}[A] = \left\{ \mathbf{u}^{2} \in s^{2} : A^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p} \right) = \left( \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} |u_{ki}|^{p} \right)^{1/p} \right)_{n,i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \Lambda \right\}$$

are solid linear subspaces of s and  $s^2$ , respectively. In addition, if F-seminorms  $g_{\lambda}$  and  $g_{\Lambda}$  are absolutely monotone, then the functionals

$$g_{\lambda,[A]}^{p}(\mathbf{u}) = g_{\lambda}\left(A^{1/p}\left(|\mathbf{u}|^{p}
ight)
ight) \quad ext{and} \quad g_{\Lambda,[A]}^{p}(\mathbf{u}^{2}) = g_{\Lambda}\left(A^{1/p}\left(|\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p}
ight)
ight)$$

define F-seminorms, respectively, on  $\lambda^p[A]$  and  $\Lambda^p[A]$ . Moreover, if A is column-positive, then  $g^p_{\lambda,[A]}$  (or  $g^p_{\Lambda,[A]}$ ) is an F-norm (a norm) whenever the space  $\lambda$  (or  $\Lambda$ ) is F-normed (normed).

As a special case of  $\Lambda^p[A]$  we will consider the DS space

$$U\lambda^{p}[A] = \left\{ \mathbf{u}^{2} \in s^{2} : A^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p} \right) \in U\lambda \right\},\$$

which may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\lambda,[\tilde{A}]}^{p}(\mathbf{u}) = g_{\lambda}\left(\tilde{A}^{1/p}\left(|\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p}\right)\right)$$

if a solid sequence space  $\lambda$  is topologized by an absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$  and

$$\tilde{A}^{1/p}\left(|\mathbf{u}^2|^p\right) = \left(\sup_i \left(\sum_k a_{nk}|u_{ki}|^p\right)^{1/p}\right)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$$

Let  $\mathbf{p} = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive numbers with  $r = \max\{1, \sup_k p_k\}$ , let  $B = (b_{nk})$  be an infinite scalar matrix, and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be an SM method. For a sequence of moduli  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  and solid sequence spaces  $\lambda \subset s$ ,  $\Lambda \subset s^2$ , we consider, as some generalizations of  $\lambda^p[A]$  and  $\Lambda^p[A]$ , the sets

$$\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A^{1/r} \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(B\mathbf{x}) \right) \in \lambda \right\},$$
$$\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A^{1/r} \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) \right) \in \Lambda \right\},$$

where,

$$A^{1/r}(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(B\mathbf{x})) = \left( \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj} x_{j} \right| \right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r} \right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \\ A^{1/r}(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})) = \left( \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj}^{i} x_{j} \right| \right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r} \right)_{n,i \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Using the equalities  $p_k = (p_k/r)r$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  and denoting by  $\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}$  the sequence of moduli  $\phi_k^{\mathbf{p}/r}(t) = (\phi_k(t))^{p_k/r}$   $(t \in \mathbb{R}^+, k \in \mathbb{N})$ , we may write

$$\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s_B(X) : \Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}(B\mathbf{x}) \in \lambda^r[A] \right\}$$
$$= \lambda^r[A] \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}, B, X \right), \qquad (10)$$
$$\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s_{\mathcal{B}}(X) : \Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}) \in \Lambda^r[A] \right\}$$
$$= \Lambda^r[A] \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}, \mathcal{B}, X \right). \qquad (11)$$

Thus, since the spaces  $\lambda^{r}[A]$  and  $\Lambda^{r}[A]$  are solid, Theorem 1 shows that  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  and  $\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  are GS spaces. Remark 1 shows that we get the GS spaces  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$  and  $\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$ , for example, in the special case, when B is a diagonal matrix and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sequence of diagonal matrices.

The representations (10) and (11) are also useful for the topologization of sequence spaces  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  and  $\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ . But first of all, we prove an auxiliary result about the property AK of the spaces  $\left(\lambda^p[A], g^p_{\lambda, [A]}\right)$  and  $\left(U\lambda^p[A], g^p_{\Lambda, [\tilde{A}]}\right)$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $p \ge 1$  and let  $A = (a_{nk})$  be a non-negative infinite matrix. Suppose that  $\lambda \subset s$  is a solid AK-space with respect to an absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ .

(i) *If* 

$$\mathbf{a}_{k} = ((a_{nk})^{1/p})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \lambda \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}),$$
(12)

then  $(\lambda^p[A], g^p_{\lambda, A})$  is an AK-space.

(ii) If the matrix A is row-finite (i.e., for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists an index  $k_n$  with  $a_{nk} = 0$   $(k > k_n)$ ), and (12) holds, then  $(U\lambda^p[A], g^p_{\lambda,\tilde{A}})$  is an AK-space.

*Proof.* The proof of statement (i) is quite similar to the proof of Lemma 1 from [33] and therefore it is omitted.

To prove (ii), let  $\mathbf{u}^2 \in U\lambda^p[A]$ . Thus  $\tilde{A}^{1/p}(|\mathbf{u}^2|^p) \in \lambda$ , and since  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space,

$$\lim_{m} g_{\lambda} \left( \tilde{A}^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p} \right) - \tilde{A}^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^{2}|^{p} \right)^{[m]} \right)$$
$$= \lim_{m} g_{\lambda} \left( \left( \underbrace{\widetilde{0, \dots, 0}}_{i}, \sup_{i} \left( \sum_{k} a_{m+1,k} |u_{ki}|^{p} \right)^{1/p}, \dots \right) \right) = 0.$$
(13)

By condition (12) and by

$$\tilde{A}^{1/p}\left(|\mathbf{e}^{j(2)}|^{p}\right) = \left(\sup_{i} (a_{nj})^{1/p}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = \mathbf{a}_{j} \quad (j \in \mathbb{N})$$

we conclude that  $U\lambda^p[A]$  contains the sequences  $\mathbf{e}^{j(2)}$ . To prove the equality  $\lim_m \mathbf{u}^{[m]} = \mathbf{u}$  in  $U\lambda^p[A]$ , we use the inequality

$$g_{\lambda,[\tilde{A}]}^{p}\left(\mathbf{u}^{2}-\mathbf{u}^{2[m]}\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{s} g_{\lambda}\left(\sup_{i}\left(\sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} a_{nk}|u_{ki}|^{p}\right)^{1/p} \mathbf{e}^{n}\right) + g_{\lambda}\left(\left(\overbrace{0,\ldots,0}^{s},\sup_{i}\left(\sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} a_{s+1,k}|u_{ki}|^{p}\right)^{1/p},\ldots\right)\right)\right)$$
$$= G_{sm}^{1} + G_{sm}^{2}.$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . As  $g_{\lambda}$  is absolutely monotone, we have

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$$G_{mm}^2 \le g_{\lambda} \left( \tilde{A}^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^2|^p \right) - \tilde{A}^{1/p} \left( |\mathbf{u}^2|^p \right)^{[m]} \right),$$

and by (13) we get  $\lim_{m} G_{mm}^2 = 0$ . Thus, there exists a number  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  with

$$G_{m_0,m_0}^2 < \varepsilon$$

Since the matrix A is row-finite, we can find  $m_1 \ge m_0$  such that for all  $n = 1, 2, ..., m_0$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  one has

$$\sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} a_{nk} |u_{ki}|^p = 0 \quad (m \ge m_1),$$

which yields

$$G^1_{m_0,m} = 0 \quad (m \ge m_1).$$

Hence, using the inequalities  $G_{m_0,m}^2 \leq G_{m_0,m_0}^2$   $(m \geq m_0)$ , we have that

$$g^{p}_{\lambda,[\tilde{A}]}\left(\mathbf{u}^{2}-\mathbf{u}^{2[m]}\right) \leq G^{1}_{m_{0},m}+G^{2}_{m_{0},m}<0+\varepsilon=\varepsilon$$

if  $m \ge m_1$ . Consequently,  $\lim_m \mathbf{u}^{[m]} = \mathbf{u}$  in  $U\lambda^p[A]$ . The proof is completed.

Now we can determine F-seminorms on GS spaces  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  and  $\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ .

**Proposition 1.** Let  $\Phi = (\phi_k)$  be a sequence of moduli and let  $\mathbf{p} = (p_k)$ be a bounded sequence of positive numbers and  $r = \max\{1, \sup_k p_k\}$ . Let  $A = (a_{nk})$  be a non-negative infinite matrix and let  $B = (b_{nk})$  be an infinite matrix of scalars. Suppose that  $(X, |\cdot|)$  is a seminormed space,  $\mathbf{X}$  is a sequence of seminormed spaces  $(X_k, |\cdot|_k)$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , and  $\lambda \subset s$  is a solid sequence space topologized by an absolutely monotone F-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ .

a) If the sequence of moduli  $\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\boldsymbol{\lambda},\boldsymbol{A},\boldsymbol{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x})=g_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\left(\boldsymbol{A}^{1/r}\left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}\left(\boldsymbol{B}\mathbf{x}\right)\right)\right).$$

b) If  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space and condition (12) holds with p = r, then  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ .

If, in a) and b),  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm, X is normed, A is column-positive, and (9) holds, then  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ . Moreover, for a diagonal matrix  $B = D(c_k)$ , we get the absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or F-norm)  $g_{\lambda,A,D(c_k)}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  on the GS space  $\lambda[A^{1/r}, D(c_k), \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$ .

*Proof.* Statement a) follows from (10) and Theorem 3 a) because

$$g_{\lambda[A]^{r},B}(\mathbf{x}) = g_{\lambda}\left(A^{1/r}\left(\left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right)^{r}\right)\right) = g_{\lambda}\left(A^{1/r}\left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right)\right)$$

for any  $\mathbf{x} \in \lambda^{r}[A] (\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}, B, X)$ . Analogously, we deduce statement b) from (11) and Theorem 3 b) in view of Lemma 1(i).

Let us investigate the topologization of spaces of type  $\Lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ in the case  $\Lambda = U\lambda$ .

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$ , A, X, and  $\mathbf{X}$  be the same as in Proposition 1 and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a sequence of infinite matrices  $B^i = (b^i_{nk})$ .

a) If  $\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space  $U\lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$\begin{split} g_{_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}) &= g_{\lambda} \left( \tilde{A}^{1/r} \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}} \left( \mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} \right) \right) \right) \\ &= g_{\lambda} \left( \left( \sup_{i} \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj}^{i} x_{j} \right| \right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r} \right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \right). \end{split}$$

b) Suppose that  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space and the moduli  $\phi_k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  are unbounded. If the matrix A is row-finite and column-positive, and (12) holds with p = r, then  $g_{U\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $U\lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ .

If, in a) and b),  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm, X is normed, and (4) is true, then  $g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-norm on  $U\lambda[A^{1/r},\mathcal{B},\Phi,\mathbf{p},X]$ . Moreover,  $g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or F-norm) on the GS space  $U\lambda[A^{1/r},\mathcal{B},\Phi,\mathbf{p},\mathbf{X}]$  if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sequence of diagonal matrices.

*Proof.* Statement a) follows from Theorem 2a) in view of (11).

b) Under our assumptions, the space  $(U\lambda^r[A], g^r_{\lambda, [\tilde{A}]})$  has the property AK by Lemma 1 (ii). In addition, since our non-negative matrix A is column-positive, for any fixed k there exists an index  $n_k$  such that  $a_{n_k,k} > 0$ . Thus, using the inequality

$$\left( \left( \phi_k \left( \left| \sum_j b_{kj}^i x_j \right| \right) \right)^{p_k} \right)^{1/r} \le (a_{n_k,k})^{-1/r} \sup_i \left( \sum_k a_{nk} \left( \phi_k \left( \left| \sum_j b_{kj}^i x_j \right| \right) \right)^{p_k} \right)^{1/r},$$

by  $\tilde{A}^{1/r}\left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}\left(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x}\right)\right) \in \mathcal{M}$  we get

$$\sup_{i} \left( \left( \phi_k \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj}^i x_j \right| \right) \right)^{p_k} \right)^{1/r} < \infty.$$

But this yields

$$\sup_{i} \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj}^{i} x_{j} \right| < \infty \quad (k \in \mathbb{N})$$

because the moduli  $\phi_k^{\mathbf{p}/r}(t) = (\phi_k(t))^{p_k/r}$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  are unbounded. Consequently, for any  $\mathbf{x} \in U\lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  we have  $\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ . Hence, by equality (11) we have

$$U\lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = U\lambda^{r}[A] \left( \Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{M}(X) \right),$$

and b) follows from Theorem 2 b).

# 4. Some special cases

In the following we apply Propositions 1 and 2 for the topologization of GS spaces

$$\lambda[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(B\mathbf{x})) \in \lambda \},\$$
$$U\lambda[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})) \in U\lambda \},\$$

where

$$A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(B\mathbf{x})) = \left(\sum_{k} a_{nk} \left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\sum_{j} b_{kj}x_{j}\right|\right)\right)^{p_{k}}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}},$$
$$A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})) = \left(\sum_{k} a_{nk} \left(\phi_{k}\left(\left|\sum_{j} b_{kj}^{i}x_{j}\right|\right)\right)^{p_{k}}\right)_{n,i \in \mathbb{N}},$$

In the special case  $p_k = 1$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , the following corollaries of Propositions 1 and 2 are obvious.

**Corollary 1.** Let  $A, \mathcal{B}, X, \mathbf{X}$ , and  $\lambda$  be the same as in Proposition 1.

a) If the sequence of moduli  $\Phi$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space

$$\lambda[A, B, \Phi, X] = \{\mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A\left(\Phi\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right) \in \lambda\}$$

may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi}(\mathbf{x}) = g_{\lambda} \left( A\left(\Phi\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right) \right)$$
$$= g_{\lambda} \left( \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj} x_{j} \right| \right) \right) \right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \right)$$

b) If  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space and condition (12) holds with p = 1, then  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi}$  is an F-seminorm on  $\lambda[A, B, \Phi, X]$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ .

If, in a) and b),  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm, X is normed, A is column-positive, and B satisfies (9), then  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda[A, B, \Phi, X]$ . Moreover,  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or F-norm) on the GS space  $\lambda[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{X}]$  if B is a diagonal matrix.

**Corollary 2.** Let  $\Phi$ , A, X, X, and  $\mathcal{B}$  be the same as in Proposition 2.

a) If  $\Phi$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then the sequence space  $U\lambda[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, X]$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi}(\mathbf{x}) = g_{\lambda} \left( \tilde{A} \left( \Phi \left( \mathcal{B} \mathbf{x} \right) \right) \right)$$
$$= g_{\lambda} \left( \left( \sup_{i} \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k} \left( \left| \sum_{j} b_{kj} x_{j} \right| \right) \right) \right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \right).$$

b) Suppose that  $(\lambda, g_{\lambda})$  is an AK-space and the moduli  $\phi_k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  are unbounded. If the matrix A is row-finite and column-positive, and (12) holds with p = 1, then  $g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi}$  is an F-seminorm on  $U\lambda[A^{1/r}, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, X]$ .

If, in a) and b),  $g_{\lambda}$  is an F-norm, X is normed, and  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies (4), then  $g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi}$  is an F-norm on  $U\lambda[A^{1/r},\mathcal{B},\Phi,X]$ . Moreover,  $g_{U\lambda,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or F-norm) on the GS space  $U\lambda[A^{1/r},\mathcal{B},\Phi,\mathbf{X}]$  if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sequence of diagonal matrices.

First investigations of spaces of type  $\lambda[A, B, \Phi, X]$  are related to the case B = I and  $\phi_k = \phi$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Ruckle [44] considered the space

$$\ell[I,\phi] = \{\mathbf{u} \in s : \sum_{k} \phi(|u_k|) < \infty\}$$

and Maddox [35] introduced the sequence spaces  $c_0[C_1, \phi]$  and  $\ell_{\infty}[C_1, \phi]$ . The spaces  $\lambda[A, \phi]$  and  $\lambda[C_1, \phi, X]$  (X is a Banach space) are studied, respectively, in [10] and [11]. Corollary 1 allows to determine F-seminorm topologies for sequence spaces from [15] and [20]. It also extends Theorem 2.6 of [9], which determines the paranorm  $g^{\phi}_{D(k^{-s}),I}$  on  $\lambda[D(k^{-s}), I, \phi, \mathbf{X}]$  if s > 0 and  $\lambda$  is a Banach space with the property AK.

Further corollaries of Propositions 1 and 2 deal with the sequence **p** and are related to  $\lambda \in \{\ell_{\infty}, c_0, \ell^r\}$ . It is clear that  $\ell_{\infty}$  and  $c_0$  are solid sequence spaces with the absolutely monotone norm  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{\infty} = \sup_k |u_k|$ . Since, moreover,  $(c_0, \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$  is an AK-space, and for  $\lambda \in \{\ell_{\infty}, c_0\}$  we have

$$(|u_k|) \in \lambda \iff (|u_k|^q) \in \lambda \quad (q > 0),$$

Proposition 1 immediately yields the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.** Let  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$ , A, X,  $\mathbf{X}$ , and B be the same as in Proposition 1. a) If the sequence of moduli  $\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then the GS space  $\ell_{\infty}[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  may be topologized by the F-seminorm

$$g_{\infty,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{n} \left( A\left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}\left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right) \right) = \sup_{n} \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_{k}\left(\left|\sum_{j} b_{kj} x_{j}\right|\right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r} \right)$$

b) If the matrix A is such that

$$\lim_{n} a_{nk} = 0 \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}), \tag{14}$$

then  $g_{\infty,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $c_0[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ .

If, in a) and b), the space X is normed, A is column-positive, and B satisfies (9), then  $g_{\infty,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-norm. Moreover,  $g_{\infty,A,D(c_k)}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (F-norm) on  $c_0[A, D(c_k), \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$ .

We may consider the space  $\ell[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  as the space  $\ell^r[A^{1/r}, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ . So, since  $\ell^r$  is solid AK-space with respect to the norm  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_r = (\sum_k |u_k|^r)^{1/r}$ , Proposition 1 b) gives the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.** Let  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$ , A, X,  $\mathbf{X}$ , and B be the same as in Proposition 1. If the matrix A is such that

$$\sum_{n} |a_{nk}| < \infty \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}),$$

then

$$g_{1,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}} = \left(\sum_{n} |A^{1/r} \left(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}} \left(B\mathbf{x}\right)\right)|^{r}\right)^{1/r}$$
$$= \left(\sum_{n}\sum_{k} a_{nk} \left(\phi_{k} \left(\left|\sum_{j} b_{kj} x_{j}\right|\right)\right)^{p_{k}}\right)^{1/r}$$

is an F-seminorm on  $\ell[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  for an arbitrary sequence of moduli  $\Phi$ .

If the space X is normed, A is column-positive, and (9) holds, then  $g_{1,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$ is an F-norm. Moreover,  $g_{1,A,D(c_k)}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an absolutely monotone F-seminorm (or F-norm) on  $\ell[A, D(c_k), \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$ .

The GS spaces from Corollaries 3 and 4 have been studied earlier in the special cases when the role of matrix A was played not only by  $C_1$  and different diagonal matrices, but also by the matrix of de la Vallée-Poussin and by the matrix of lacunary strong convergence. Recall that if  $d = (d_k)$  is a non-decreasing sequence of positive numbers tending to  $\infty$  with  $d_1 = 1$  and  $d_{n+1} \leq d_n + 1$ , then the matrix of de la Vallée-Poussin  $V_d = (v_{nk})$  is defined by the equalities  $v_{nk} = 1/d_n$  if  $k \in [n - d_n + 1, n]$  and  $v_{nk} = 0$  otherwise. Further, a sequence of integers  $\theta = (k_j)$  is called *lacunary* if  $k_0 = 0, 0 < k_j < k_{j+1}$  and  $h_j = k_j - k_{j-1} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . A sequence  $\mathbf{u} = (u_k)$  is said to be *lacunary strongly convergent* to a number l if (see [26])

$$\lim_{j} 1/h_j \sum_{i \in (k_{j-1}, k_j]} |u_i - l| = 0.$$

Thus, given the matrix  $N_{\theta} = (w_{ji})$  with  $w_{ji} = 1/h_j$  if  $i \in (k_{j-1}, k_j]$  and by  $w_{ji} = 0$  otherwise, the lacunary strong convergence is precisely the strong  $N_{\theta}$ -summability. It is clear that both matrices  $V_d$  and  $N_{\theta}$  are regular and column-positive. Moreover,  $V_d$  is normal and reduces to  $C_1$  for  $d_n = n$ .

Corollary 3 permits to define, for example, an F-seminorm on the sequence spaces  $c_0[V_d, B, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$  and  $\ell_{\infty}[V_d, B, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$  from [16], and an F-norm on the GS space  $c_0[N_{\theta}, I, \Phi, X]$  which is considered in [41] for a Banach space X. Corollary 3 also contains, as special cases, the results about the topologization of some sequence spaces of type  $c_0[A, I, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$  from [10], [14], and [39].

In Theorem 1 of [14] it was asserted that for any non-negative regular matrix A the space  $\ell_{\infty}[A, I, \phi; \mathbf{p}]$  may be topologized by the paranorm

$$g_{\infty,A}^{\phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{u}) = \sup_{n} \left( \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi\left( |u_{k}| \right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r}.$$

if  $\inf_k p_k > 0$ . But it is possible to prove, as in Remark 2, that this is not true for a bounded modulus  $\phi$  if A = I, and  $p_k = 1$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). By

Corollary 3 a) we can say that  $g_{\infty,A}^{\phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-seminorm (or a paranorm) on  $\ell_{\infty}[A, I, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$  for any non-negative matrix A whenever the sequence of moduli  $\phi^{p_k/r}(t) = (\phi(t))^{p_k/r}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ) satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6). If  $\inf_k p_k > 0$ , then it suffices to assume that the modulus  $\phi$  satisfies one of conditions (M5°) and (M6°). In the case  $p_k = 1$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ) this result completes Theorem 10 (ii) of [10]. We also remark that Corollary 3 b) gives, for  $p_k = 1$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ), an F-seminorm on the sequence space  $c_0[N_{\theta}, B, \Phi]$  from [15].

Corollary 4 generalizes the results from [6], [12], and [13], where the paranorm topologies are defined on  $\ell[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  provided  $\phi_k = \phi$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ and  $A = D(k^{-s}), s \ge 0$ .

Many papers from the mathematical literature are devoted to the investigation of sequence spaces from Corollaries 3 and 4 in the case when the matrix B is determined by various differences of sequences. For fixed  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  the difference operator  $\Delta_n^m$  is defined by (see [49])

$$\Delta_n^m \mathbf{x} = (\Delta_n^m x_k), \ \Delta_n^m x_k = \Delta_n^{m-1} x_k - \Delta_n^{m-1} x_{k+n}, \ \Delta_n^0 x_k = x_k \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

The difference operator  $\Delta^m = \Delta_1^m$  was introduced already in [31] (m=1) and [25]. If  $v = (v_k)$  is a fixed sequence of nonzero numbers, then  $v\Delta_n^m$  denotes the difference operator defined by  $v\Delta_n^m \mathbf{x} = (\Delta_n^m v_k x_k)$ .

Since

$$v\Delta_n^m x_k = \sum_{i=0}^m (-1)^i \binom{m}{i} v_{k+ni} x_{k+ni} \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}),$$

 $v\Delta_n^m$  is the summability operator defined by the difference matrix  $v\Delta_n^m = (v\delta_{kj})$ , where  $v\delta_{kj} = (-1)^i {m \choose i} v_j$  if j = k + ni,  $(0 \le i \le m, k \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $v\delta_{kj} = 0$  otherwise. It is not difficult to see that (9) fails if B is a difference operator  $v\Delta_n^m$ . Therefore, by means of Corollaries 3 and 4 it is not possible to determine F-norms in the case  $B = v\Delta_n^m$ . To overcome this difficulty we use a new class of summability matrices which contains all difference matrices.

Let  $m \ge 0$  be a fixed integer. Following [33], we say that an infinite scalar matrix  $B = (b_{ki})$  is *m*-normal if, for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b_{k,k+m} \ne 0$  and  $b_{ki} = 0$  if i > k + m. By this definition, 0-normal matrices are just normal matrices. For example, the difference matrix  $v\Delta_n^m$  is *nm*-normal and  $v\Delta^m$  is *m*-normal. Now, if the matrix B is *m*-normal, then  $B\mathbf{x} = 0$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in s_B(X)$  imply  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ whenever  $x_1 = \cdots = x_m = 0$ . This approach and the definitions of norms from [31] and [25] lead us to the following proposition which complements Proposition 1 and Corollaries 3 and 4.

**Proposition 3.** Let  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$ , A, and X be the same as in Proposition 1. Assume that B is an m-normal infinite matrix with  $m \ge 1$ .

a) If the solid sequence space  $\lambda$  is topologized by an absolutely monotone *F*-seminorm  $g_{\lambda}$ , then statements a) and b) of Proposition 1 hold with

$$\hat{g}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda},\boldsymbol{A},\boldsymbol{B}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left| x_i \right| + g^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda},\boldsymbol{A},\boldsymbol{B}}(\mathbf{x})$$

instead of  $g_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x})$ . Then  $\hat{g}_{\lambda,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-norm on  $\lambda[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  whenever  $g_{\lambda}$  is F-norm, X is normed, and A is column-positive.

b) Statements of Corollaries 3 and 4 are true with

$$\hat{g}_{\nu,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left| x_i \right| + g_{\nu,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \nu \in \{\infty, 1\}$$

instead of  $g_{\nu,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \nu \in \{\infty, 1\}$ . If X is normed and A is column-positive, then these functionals determine F-norms, respectively, on  $\ell_{\infty}[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ ,  $c_0[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ , and  $\ell[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ .

In 1) and 2), the term  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} |x_i|$  may also be replaced with the expression  $\max_{i=1,\dots,m} |x_i|$  or, more generally, with the expressions  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} \varphi_i(|x_i|)$  or  $\max_{i=1,\dots,m} \varphi_i(|x_i|)$ , where  $\varphi_i$   $(i = 1,\dots,m)$  are moduli.

For example, the authors of [1], [21], and [22] determine paranorms of type  $\hat{g}_{0,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  on some GS spaces  $c_0[A, B, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  with  $B = v\Delta^m$ . At the same time the various spaces of type  $c_0[A, v\Delta^m, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  and  $\ell[A, v\Delta^m, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  from [2], [3], [4], [8], [20], [24], [43], and [48] are topologized, as in Corollaries 3 and 4, by the paranorms  $g_{\nu,A,v\Delta^m}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x})$  ( $\nu \in \{\infty, 1\}$ ). Proposition 3 b) allows us to define alternative paranorms (or F-seminorms) in the form  $\hat{g}_{\nu,A,v\Delta^m}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\nu \in \{1, \infty\})$  on all these spaces. In addition, Corollary 3 and Proposition 3 b) determine F-seminorm (or paranorm) topologies on the spaces of type  $\ell_{\infty}[A, v\Delta^m, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  from the papers [1], [2], [4], [8], [20], [21], [22], [24], and [43].

Tripathy, Mahanta, and Et [50] consider the generalized sequence space  $m(\psi, p)[I, \Delta^n, \phi, X]$ , where  $(m(\psi, p), g_{m(\psi, p)})$   $(1 \leq p < \infty)$  is the solid Banach space defined in [51] by means of a special non-decreasing sequence  $\psi = (\psi_k)$ . Theorem 2 of [50] asserts that  $\hat{g}^{\phi}_{m(\psi,p),I,\Delta^n}$  is a paranorm on  $m(\psi, p)[I, \Delta^n, \phi]$  for any modulus  $\phi$ . Besides this, Tripathy and Chandra ([48], Theorem 3.2) assert that the sequence space  $\ell_{\infty}[I, D(c_k)\Delta_n^1, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$  may be topologized by the paranorm  $g^{\phi, \mathbf{p}}_{\infty, I, D(c_k)\Delta_n^1}$  for every modulus  $\phi$ . But these assertions are not true in general. Indeed, if p = n = 1 and  $\psi_k = k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ , then (see [51], Corollary 11)  $m(\psi, p) = \ell_{\infty}$  with  $g_{m(\psi, p)} = \|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ . Hence  $m(\psi, p)[I, \Delta^n, \phi, \mathbb{K}]$  reduces to the space

$$\ell_{\infty}[I, \Delta^{1}, \phi] = \left\{ \mathbf{u} = (u_{k}) \in s : \Delta^{1} \mathbf{u} \in \ell_{\infty}(\phi) \right\},\$$

and

$$\hat{g}^{\phi}_{m(\psi,p),I,\Delta^n}(\mathbf{u}) = |u_1| + \sup_k \phi(|\Delta^1 u_k|)$$

Analogously, for n = 1 and  $p_k = c_k = 1$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ ,  $\ell_{\infty}[I, D(c_k)\Delta_n^1, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$ reduces also to  $\ell_{\infty}[I, \Delta^1, \phi]$  with

$$g^{\phi,\mathbf{p}}_{{}^{\infty,I,D(c_k)\Delta_n^1}} = \sup_k \phi(|\Delta^1 u_k|).$$

Therefore, if the modulus  $\phi$  is bounded, then  $\ell_{\infty}[I, \Delta^1, \phi] = s$  and we can prove, as in Remark 2, that  $\hat{g}^{\phi}_{m(\psi,p),I,\Delta^n}$  and  $g^{\phi,\mathbf{p}}_{\infty,I,\Delta^1_n}$  are not paranorms. Proposition 3 a) and Corollary 3 a) show that Theorem 2 of [50], and Theorem 3.2 (about  $\ell_{\infty}[I, D(c_k)\Delta^1_n, \phi, \mathbf{p}]$ ) from [48], are true whenever the modulus  $\phi$  satisfies one of conditions (M5°) and (M6°).

Let us apply Proposition 2 and Corollary 2 to define F-seminorms and F-norms on the GS spaces

$$U\!\ell_{\infty}[A,\mathcal{B},\Phi,\mathbf{p},X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \sup_{n,i} \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_k \left( \left| \sum_{j} b^i_{kj} x_j \right| \right) \right)^{p_k} < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$Uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})) \in Uc_0 \}$$
  
=  $\mathcal{M}c_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] \cap uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X],$ 

where

$$\mathcal{M}c_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : A(\Phi^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{x})) \in \mathcal{M}(X) \right\},\$$
$$uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \lim_n \sum_k a_{nk} \left( \phi_k \left( \left| \sum_j b_{kj}^i x_j \right| \right) \right)^{p_k} = 0$$
uniformly in  $i \}.$ 

Taking into account the inclusion

$$Uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] \subset U\ell_{\infty}[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X],$$
(15)

from Proposition 2 we get the following result.

**Corollary 5.** Let  $\Phi$ ,  $\mathbf{p}$ , A,  $\mathcal{B}$ , X, and  $\mathbf{X}$  be the same as in Proposition 2. a) If  $\Phi^{\mathbf{p}/r}$  satisfies one of conditions (M5) and (M6), then on the GS space  $U\ell_{\infty}[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  we may define the F-seminorm

$$g_{\infty,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{n,i} \sum_{k} a_{nk} \left( \phi_k \left( \big| \sum_j b_{kj}^i x_j \big| \right) \right)^{p_k}.$$

b) If the moduli  $\phi_k$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$  are unbounded, and the row-finite and column-positive matrix A satisfies (14), then  $g_{\infty,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an F-seminorm on the space  $Uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$ .

If, in a) and b), X is normed and  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfies (4), then  $g_{\infty,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an *F*-norm. Moreover,  $g_{\infty,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  is an absolutely monotone *F*-seminorm (or *F*-norm) on  $Uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{X}]$  if  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sequence of diagonal matrices.

Corollary 5 permits to determine F-seminorms (or paranorms), for example, on the spaces  $U\ell_{\infty}[V_{\lambda}, \mathcal{F}_{C_1}, \Phi, X]$  and  $Uc_0[V_{\lambda}, \mathcal{F}_{C_1}, \Phi, X]$  from [28], and also on similar spaces from [30].

For an infinite matrix  $B = (b_{nk})$  let  $\widehat{B}$  be the sequence of matrices  $\widehat{B}^i = (b_{n+i,k})_{n,k\in\mathbb{N}}$   $(i\in\mathbb{N})$ . In this case we have  $\widehat{B}\mathbf{x} = (B_{n+i}\mathbf{x})_{n,i\in\mathbb{N}}$ , which, for B = I, gives  $\widehat{I}\mathbf{x} = (x_{n+i})_{n,i\in\mathbb{N}}$ . We can prove a stronger variant of Corollary 5 b) under the assumption that  $p_k = 1$ ,  $\phi_k = \phi$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ ,  $A = C_1$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \widehat{B}$ . Then the GS space  $uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  reduces to (for the case B = I and  $X = \mathbb{K}$  see [40])

$$uc_0[C_1, \widehat{B}, \phi, X] = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \lim_n n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \phi\left( \left| B_{k+i-1} \mathbf{x} \right| \right) = 0 \right.$$
  
uniformly in  $i \}$ .

**Proposition 4.** Let  $B = (b_{nk})$  be an *m*-normal infinite matrix such that  $K = \inf_n |b_{nn}| > 0$  and there exists an index  $j_0 > m$  with  $b_{nk} = 0$  ( $k \le n + m - j_0, n > j_0 - m$ ). The functional

$$g_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}^{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{n,i} n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \phi\left(\left|B_{k+i-1}\mathbf{x}\right|\right) = \sup_{k} \phi\left(\left|B_k\mathbf{x}\right|\right)$$

defines an F-seminorm (F-norm if X is normed and m = 0) on the GS space  $uc_0[C_1, \widehat{B}, \phi, X]$  if and only if the modulus  $\phi$  is unbounded.

*Proof.* Since  $\mathbf{x} \in uc_0[C_1, \widehat{B}, \phi, X]$  means that the sequence  $\phi(B_k \mathbf{x}) = \left(\phi\left(|B_k \mathbf{x}|\right)\right)$  is almost convergent to zero, but every almost convergent sequence is bounded (see [17], Theorem 1.2.18), we clearly have

$$uc_0[C_1, \hat{B}, \phi, X] = Uc_0[C_1, \hat{B}, \phi, X].$$
 (16)

Moreover, by

$$\phi\left(\left|B_{i}\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \leq \sup_{n} n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \phi\left(\left|B_{k+i-1}\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \leq \sup_{k} \phi\left(\left|B_{k}\mathbf{x}\right|\right) \quad (i \in \mathbb{N}),$$

we get

$$g^{\phi}_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_k \phi\left(\left|B_k\mathbf{x}\right|\right).$$
(17)

Sufficiency. If the modulus  $\phi$  is unbounded, then  $g^{\phi}_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $uc_0[C_1,\widehat{B},\phi,X]$  by Proposition 3 b) because the matrix  $C_1$  is normal and regular. In particular, since 0-normal matrix is normal and every normal matrix B satisfies (9), the functional  $g^{\phi}_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}$  defines an F-norm on  $uc_0[C_1,\widehat{B},\phi,X]$  if X is normed and m=0.

Necessity. Assume that  $g^{\phi}_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}$  is an F-seminorm on  $uc_0[C_1,\widehat{B},\phi,X]$  and define (see [35])

$$\hat{w}_0 = \{ \mathbf{u} = (u_k) \in s : \lim_n n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n |u_{k+i-1}| = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i \}.$$

If  $\mathbf{v} = (v_k)$  is the sequence of numbers

$$v_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 2^j \quad (j \in \mathbb{N}) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

then for  $2^j \le n < 2^{j+1}$  we have

$$\sup_{i} n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} |v_{k+i-1}| \le n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} |v_{k+1}| < \frac{j+1}{2^j} \to 0 \text{ as } j \to \infty,$$

and so,  $\mathbf{v} \in \hat{w}_0$ . By means of  $\mathbf{v}$ , using a fixed element  $y_0 \in X$  with  $|y_0| = 1$ , we consider the X-valued sequence  $\mathbf{y} = (y_k)$ ,  $y_k = kv_ky_0$   $(k \in \mathbb{N})$ . Now, assuming that the modulus  $\phi$  is bounded and  $M = \sup_{t>0} \phi(t)$ , by the inequalities

$$\phi\left(\left|y_k\right|\right) \le \phi(k) \le M v_k \quad (k \in \mathbb{N})$$

we get  $\phi(\mathbf{y}) \in \hat{w}_0$  because  $\hat{w}_0$  is solid sequence space. Further, the equality  $B\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y}$  clearly determines a new X-valued sequence  $\mathbf{z} = (z_k)$  with  $z_1 = \cdots = z_m = 0$ . This sequence  $\mathbf{z}$  is unbounded, since we can find an index  $i_0$  such that, for  $i > i_0$ ,

$$B_{2^i}\mathbf{z} = b_{2^i,2^i} z_{2^i} = y_{2^i} = 2^i y_0,$$

and so,  $|z_{2^i}| = 2^i |b_{2^i,2^i}|^{-1} \ge 2^i/K$  if  $i > i_0$ . Moreover,  $\mathbf{z} \in uc_0[C_1, \widehat{B}, \phi, X]$  by the representation

$$uc_0[C_1, B, \phi, X] = \hat{w}_0(B, \phi, X).$$

Thus, as in Remark 2, using equality (17) we can show, that  $g^{\phi}_{\infty,C_1,\widehat{B}}$  does not satisfy axiom (N4), i.e., it is not an F-seminorm.

Assumptions of Proposition 4 are clearly satisfied for B = I and  $B = \Delta^m$ .

Corollary 6. The functional

$$g_{\infty,C_1,\hat{I}}^{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{n,i} n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \phi\left(\left|x_{k+i-1}\right|\right) = \sup_{k} \phi\left(\left|x_k\right|\right)$$

defines an F-seminorm (F-norm if X is normed) on the GS space

$$uc_0[C_1, \widehat{I}, \phi, X] = \{ \mathbf{x} \in s(X) : \lim_n n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \phi(|x_{k+i-1}|) = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i \}$$

if and only if the modulus  $\phi$  is unbounded.

Et ([23], Theorem 2.3) asserts that the sequence space

$$[\hat{c},\phi,\mathbf{p}](\Delta^m) = \left\{ \mathbf{u} \in s : \lim_{n} 1/n \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(\phi\left(|\Delta^m u_{k+i}|\right)\right)^{p_k} = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i \right\}$$

may be topologized by the paranorm

$$g_{\Delta}(\mathbf{u}) = \sup_{n,i} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left( \phi \left( |\Delta^{m} u_{k+i}| \right) \right)^{p_{k}} \right)^{1/r}$$

for any modulus  $\phi$ . Proposition 4 (with  $B = \Delta^m$ ) shows that this is not true if  $\phi$  is bounded, since the space  $[\hat{c}, \phi, \mathbf{p}](\Delta^m)$  reduces, for  $p_k = 1$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ), to  $uc_0[C_1, \widehat{\Delta^m}, \phi, \mathbb{K}]$  with  $g_\Delta = g^{\phi}_{\infty, C_1, \widehat{\Delta^m}}$ . Corollary 6 allows us to say that similar inaccuracies may be found in theorems about the topologization of various spaces of type  $uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  from [7], [19], [36], [38], and [45], because all these spaces contain  $uc_0[C_1, \widehat{I}, \phi, X]$  as a special case.

**Remark 3.** For the topologization of GS spaces  $uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$  by F-seminorms (or paranorms)  $g_{\infty,A,\mathcal{B}}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  it is necessary that

$$uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] \subset U\ell_{\infty}[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X]$$
(18)

or, equivalently,

$$uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X] = Uc_0[A, \mathcal{B}, \Phi, \mathbf{p}, X].$$

The following example shows that (18) is not true in general. Let  $A_1 = (a_{nk})$  be the Cesàro matrix  $C_1 = (c_{nk})$  which is modified by setting  $c_{1k} = 0$   $(k \ge 2)$ , and let  $\Phi = (\phi_1, \phi, \phi, \dots)$  be the sequence of moduli, where  $\phi_1(t) = t$  and  $\phi$  is a bounded modulus. Then the unbounded sequence  $\mathbf{y}$ , defined in the proof of Proposition 4, belongs to  $uc_0[A_1, \widehat{I}, \Phi, X]$  because, for  $n \ge 2$ , we have

$$\sum_{k} a_{nk} \phi_k \left( \left| y_{k+i-1} \right| \right) = n^{-1} \sum_{k=2}^n \phi \left( \left| y_{k+i-1} \right| \right).$$

But since (for n = 1)

$$\sup_{i} \sum_{k} a_{1k} \phi_k \left( \left| y_{k+i-1} \right| \right) = \sup_{i} \left| y_i \right| = \infty,$$

**y** is not in  $U\ell_{\infty}[A_1, \widehat{I}, \Phi, X]$ . This example allows us to state that the proofs of inclusions (18) from [19], [38], and [45] are not convincing, and the correctness of the definition of functional  $g_{\infty,A,B}^{\Phi,\mathbf{p}}$  in [7] remains actually open.

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