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Embedding $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ into $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ and Some Consequences

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In this work we study the exponent sequences α for which $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is embeddable into $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$. We show that in this case α is necessarily weakly stable but weak stability is not sufficient in general. However we prove the following:

If $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ spanned by a block basic sequence then α is stable, the converse of which is well known. We also give equivalent conditions in terms of embeddings of power series spaces for weak stability of an exponent sequence.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

A matrix (a_{kn}) with i) $0 \leq a_{kn} \leq a_{k+1,n}$; ii) $\sup_k a_{kn} > 0$ for every n , k is called a Köthe matrix and the sequence space $E = K(a_{kn}) = \{(\xi_n) : \|(\xi_n)\|_k = \sum_n |\xi_n| a_{kn} < +\infty \forall k\}$ topologized by the seminorms $(\|\cdot\|_k)$ is called a Köthe space. In the sequel we shall assume E is nuclear and has a continuous norm, and hence every (a_{kn}) will be assumed to satisfy 1) $0 < a_{kn} \leq a_{k+1,n}$; 2) $\forall k \exists m (a_{kn}/a_{mn})_n \in l_1$. A Köthe space E is Fréchet (metrisable, complete lctvs**) and the sequence (e_n) , $e_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$ with appearing at the n -th entry, forms a basis for E . A step space $E|_{(n_i)} = K(a_{kn_i})$ is the (closed) subspace of E generated by a subsequence (e_{n_i}) and step-spaces are always (topologically) complemented. We say E is of type d_i , $i=0, 3, 5$, if E is generated by some (a_{kn}) with:

(d_0) For each k , $(a_{k+1,n}/a_{kn})_n$ is nondecreasing (in this case E is also called regular; if the ratio is strictly increasing than strictly regular).

(d_3) For each k , n $(a_{k+1,n})^2 \leq a_{kn} a_{k+2,n}$

(d_5) $E M \geq 1$ with $a_{k+1,n}/a_{kn} \leq (a_{k+2,n}/a_{k+1,n})^M \forall k, n$.

A Köthe space E is called a G_∞ -space if it is given by a Köthe matrix (a_{kn}) which satisfies 1) $a_{1n} = 1 \forall n$; 2) $\forall k \exists m$ with $\sup a_{kn}^2/a_{mn} < +\infty$; 3) $(a_{kn})_n$ is non-decreasing in n for each k . The special Köthe spaces $\Lambda_0(\alpha) = K \exp(-\alpha_n/k)$ and $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha) = K(\exp(k\alpha_n))$ are called power series spaces of finite resp.

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infinite type. Here $\alpha = (\alpha_n)$ is a sequence of positive real numbers increasing to ∞ rapidly enough so that the resulting space is nuclear. Such sequences will be called exponent sequences. The nuclearity condition is equivalent to: $\lim_n \log n/\alpha_n = 0$ resp. $\sup_n \log n/\alpha_n < +\infty$ for finite resp. infinite types. We note also that replacing $(-1/k)$ resp. (k) by any (r_k) resp. (s_k) where r_k increases strictly to 0 and s_k to infinity does not alter the corresponding space or its topology. Moreover, if (r_k) increases strictly to some $r < +\infty$, then $\Lambda_r(\alpha) = K(\exp(r_k \alpha_n)) = \Lambda_0(\alpha)$ (topological isomorphism). Consequently, we shall use $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ or $\Lambda_0(\alpha)$ without any further distinction. If α is equivalent to some exponent sequence β , denoted by $\alpha \sim \beta$, that is $\sup_n \alpha_n/\beta_n < +\infty$ and $\sup_n \beta_n/\alpha_n < +\infty$ then $\Lambda_t(\alpha) = \Lambda_t(\beta)$ $t=0, \infty$ and the topologies coincide. An exponent sequence α is called weakly stable if $\sup_n \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n < +\infty$ and stable if $\sup_n \alpha_{2n}/\alpha_n < +\infty$. It follows that α is weakly stable (resp. stable) if and only if $E \times K \cong E$ (resp. $E \times E \cong E$), where $E = \Lambda_t(\alpha)$, $t=0$ or $t=\infty$.

A sequence (x_n) in $E = K(a_{kn})$ is called a basic sequence if it forms a basis for its closed linear span. Any subsequence of (e_n) is a basic sequence. A more general class of basic sequences is given by $x_n = \sum_{i \in N_n} t_{in} e_i$, where t_{in} are scalars and (N_n) is a collection of pairwise disjoint, non-empty, finite subsets of N . A basic sequence of this form is called a block basic sequence.

If $E = K(b_{kn})$ is isomorphic to a (closed) subspace of $F = K(a_{kn})$ and if $Te_n = \sum_{i=1}^\infty t_{ni} f_i$ is an isomorphism $T: E \rightarrow F$ then, using the sup-norms, $\|x\|_k = \sup_n |x_n| a_{kn}$, if $x = \sum x_n e_n \in E$, which generate the original topology of E by nuclearity, we obtain the fundamental inequality (cf. [4]):

$$a_{jq_{kn}}/a_{kq_{kn}} \leq b_{jn}/b_{kn} \leq a_{jq_{jn}}/a_{kq_{jn}} \quad \forall k, j, n,$$

where $\|Te_n\|_k = \sup_i |t_{ni}| a_{ki} = |t_{nq_{kn}}| a_{kq_{kn}}$. Here obviously the supremum is attained at some indices; q_{kn} is taken to be the largest of such indices. It then follows that $q_{kn} \leq q_{k+1, n} \quad \forall n, k$ (cf. [4]). The next lemma serves as a partial converse, in that it tells us that we can construct sums where the q_{kn} 's can be controlled: (Cf. [4]).

Lemma 1.1. *Let (a_{kn}) be strictly regular, $q_1 < q_2 < \dots < q_m$ be natural numbers, $\{t_{q_k} : k=1, 2, \dots, m\}$ be real numbers with $t_{q_1} \neq 0$. Then if*

$$a_{k+1, q_k}/a_{k+1, q_{k+1}} \leq |t_{q_{k+1}}|/|t_{q_k}| < a_{kq_k}/a_{kq_{k+1}}$$

holds for $k=1, 2, \dots, m-1$ then $\sup\{|t_{q_k}| a_{sq_k} : k=1, 2, \dots, m\} = |t_{q_s}| a_{sq_s}$ for $s=1, 2, \dots, m$.

For concepts, terminology and results not explained and as general references we refer the reader to [4], [5] or [6].

We state below some observations and characterisations which are simple consequences:

Lemma 1.2. *An exponent sequence α is weakly stable if and only if $\alpha \sim \beta$, where β is defined by $\beta_n = A^p$ if $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$, for some $A > 1$ and some subsequence (r_p) of natural numbers with $r_1 = 0$.*

Proof: Since sufficiency is trivial, suppose α is weakly stable, say $\sup_n \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = A < +\infty$. Let $r_1 = 0$, $r_p = \max \{s: \alpha_s < A^p\}$ for $p > 1$. Then since α is non-decreasing, (r_p) increases strictly. Define β by $\beta_n = A^p$ for $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$, $p = 1, 2, \dots$. Then if $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$ one has: $\alpha_n/\beta_n \leq \alpha_{r_{p+1}}/A^p < A$ and $\beta_n/\alpha_n < A^p/\alpha_{r_p} \leq A^{p+1}/\alpha_{r_{p+1}} \leq A$ so $\alpha \sim \beta$.

Note 1.3. From now on, for a weakly stable exponent sequence α , a sequence β obtained from Lemma 1.2, will be called a standard form of α and we shall stick to the above notation, i. e. A and (r_p) will have the above meaning.

Lemma 1.4. *An exponent sequence α is stable if and only if it has a standard form with $r_{p+1} \geq 2r_p \forall p$.*

Proof: Since sufficiency of the condition is obvious suppose α is stable, say $\sup_n \alpha_{2n}/\alpha_n = A < +\infty$. Let $r_p = \max \{s: \alpha_s < A^p\}$, $r_1 = 0$. Then $\alpha_{2r_p} \leq A\alpha_{r_p} < A^{p+1} \leq \alpha_{r_{p+1}+1}$ so $2r_p \leq r_{p+1}$. The rest of the proof follows as in Lemma 1.2.

Lemma 1.5. *If a subsequence (α_{n_i}) of α is weakly stable, then α itself is also weakly stable.*

Proof: Immediate.

Remark 1.6. The conclusion of Lemma 1.5. is false if "weakly stable" is replaced by "stable". In fact it can be shown that a subsequence (α_{n_i}) of α is stable if and only if α has a standard form with $r_{p+1} \geq r_p + 2^p$, which obviously does not imply the condition of Lemma 1.4.

2. Some embedding theorems

Proposition 2.1. *Let $E = \Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ where α is weakly stable. Then any $F = K(a_{kn})$ of type d_3 has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of E .*

Proof: Suppose $\sup_n \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = A < +\infty$. Let (b_{kn}) be a representation of F satisfying $(a_{k+1,n}/a_{kn})^A \leq a_{k+2,n}/a_{k+1,n}$ for all k, n and $\lim_n a_{kn}/a_{k+1,n} = 0$ for all k (cf.[4]).

Claim: For any m_0, q_0 there exist $m > m_0, q_0 < q_{1m} < \dots < q_{mm}$ satisfying

$$(1) \quad \exp(\alpha_{q_{km}} \leq b_{k+1,m}/b_{km} < \exp(\alpha_{q_{k+1,m}}) \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$$

Proof of claim: Let m be the smallest index with $m > m_0$ and $\exp(\alpha_{q_0+1}) \leq b_{2m}/b_{1m}$. To construct (q_{im}) , $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, inductively, let $q_{1m} = q_0 + 1$ and supposing $q_0 < q_{1m} < \dots < q_{km}$ are defined so that (1) holds (q_{km} satisfies only the left inequality), let $q_{k+1,m}$ be the smallest index with $b_{k+1,m}/b_{km} < \exp(\alpha_{q_{k+1,m}})$. Then we have:

$$\exp(\alpha_{q_{k+1,m}}) \leq \exp(A\alpha_{q_{k+1,m}-1}) \leq (b_{k+1,m}/b_{km})^A \leq b_{k+2,m}/b_{k+1,m}$$

hence the left inequality of (1) also holds for $k + 1$. This completes the induction step and hence the proof of the claim. Now we construct two subsequences, (n_i) and $\{q_{1i}, \dots, q_{ii}\}$ for each i as follows: Let n_1 be such that $\exp(\alpha_2) \leq b_{2n_1}/b_{1n_1}$ holds. Let $q_{11} = 2$. Suppose n_i and $(q_{ki})_{k=1}^i$ are chosen. Using our claim with $m_0 = n_i, q_0 = q_{ii}$, we find indices $n_{i+1} > n_i$ and $q_{ii} < q_{1,i+1} < \dots < q_{i+1,i+1}$ so that (1) is satisfied.

We set $t_{q_{ki}} = b_{kn_i}/\exp(k \alpha_{q_{ki}})$ and define $y_i = \sum_{k=1}^i t_{q_{ki}} e_{q_{ki}} \quad i \in N$. Since q_{ki} 's all distinct, (y_i) is a block basic sequence in E and hence generates subspace of E . Now putting $b_{kn_i} = t_{q_{ki}} \exp(k \alpha_{q_{ki}})$ in (1) for each fixed i , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \exp((k+1)\alpha_{q_{ki}})/\exp((k+1)\alpha_{q_{k+1,i}}) &\leq t_{q_{k+1,i}}/t_{q_{ki}} \\ &< \exp(k\alpha_{q_{ki}})/\exp(k\alpha_{q_{k+1,i}}) \end{aligned}$$

$k = 1, 2, \dots, i$. It follows by Lemma 1.1. that

$$\|y_i\|_k = \sup \{ |t_{q_{mi}} \exp(k\alpha_{q_{mi}})| : m = 1, 2, \dots, i \} = b_{kn_i}$$

$k = 1, 2, \dots, i$. We conclude that $K(b_{kn_i})$ is isomorphic to a subspace of E .

Proposition 2.2. *Let $E = \Lambda_1(\alpha)$ where α is weakly stable. Then any $F = K(b_{kn})$ of type d_5 has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of E .*

Proof: Suppose $\sup_n \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = A < +\infty$ and (b_{kn}) satisfies

$$b_{k+1,n}/b_{kn} \leq (b_{k+2,n}/b_{k+1,n})^M \quad \forall k, n$$

and for some $M > 1$. Construct (p_k) which strictly increases to infinity by $p_1 = 1$ and

$$\frac{p_{k+1}^{-1} - p_{k+2}^{-1}}{p_k^{-1} - p_{k+1}^{-1}} \leq (AM)^{-1}.$$

Claim: For any m_0, q_0 there exist $m > m_0, q_0 < q_{1m} < \dots < q_{mm}$ satisfying:

$$(2) \quad \exp((p_k^{-1} - p_{k+1}^{-1}) \alpha_{q_{kn}}) \leq b_{k+1,n}/b_{kn} < \exp((p_k^{-1} - p_{k+1}^{-1}) \alpha_{q_{k+1,n}})$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Proof of claim: Let m be the smallest index with $m > m_0$ and $\exp((p_1^{-1} - p_2^{-1}) \alpha_{q_0+1}) \leq b_{2m}/b_{1m}$. We choose (q_{km}) inductively by $q_{1m} = q_0 + 1$ and supposing $q_{1m} < q_{2m} < \dots < q_{km}$ are chosen satisfying (2) (q_{km} satisfies only the left inequality in (2)), we let $q_{k+1,m}$ be the smallest index which satisfies the right inequality of (2). Then $q_{kn} < q_{k+1,n}$ and

$$\exp((p_{k+1}^{-1} - p_{k+2}^{-1})\alpha_{q_{k+1,n}}) \leq \exp((AM)^{-1} (p_k^{-1} - p_{k+1}^{-1}) A \alpha_{q_{k+1,n}} - 1)$$

$$< (b_{k+1,n}/b_{kn})^{1/M} \leq b_{k+2,n}/b_{k+1,n}$$

so the left inequality in (2) with $k+1$ is also satisfied and the induction step is concluded which proves the claim.

The rest of the proof is completed similar to the proof of Proposition 2.1.

Theorem 2.3. *Let $E = \Lambda_1(\alpha)$. Then the following are equivalent:*

- i) α is weakly stable;
- ii) There exists a weakly stable space $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ which is isomorphic to a subspace of E ;
- iii) There exists a weakly stable space $\Lambda_t(\beta)$ which is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_t(\alpha)$, $t = 1, \infty$;
- iv) Every $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of E ;
- v) Every $\Lambda_1(\beta)$ has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of E ;
- vi) Every $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$;
- vii) Every $K(a_{kn})$ of type d_5 has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of E ;
- viii) Every $K(a_{kn})$ of type d_3 has a step space which is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$.

Proof: The implications $i \rightarrow iii \rightarrow vii, viii$; $vii \rightarrow iv, v$; $viii \rightarrow vi$; $ii \rightarrow iv$ are either trivial or conclusions of the previous propositions. We need to show $i \rightarrow ii$ and each of $iv, v, vi \rightarrow i$. To show $i \rightarrow ii$ we suppose that $\sup_n \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = A < +\infty$ and let $\beta_n = A^n$. Then $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_1(\beta)$ by Corollary 4.3 pp. 77 in [4] and since β is equivalent to a subsequence of α by Lemma 1.2. this proves ii . To prove the remaining implications $iv, v, vi \rightarrow i$, suppose α is not weakly stable. Then there is a subsequence (α_{n_i}) of α with $\lim_i \alpha_{n_i}/\alpha_{n_i+1} = 0$. Let $\beta_i = (\alpha_{n_i+1} \alpha_{n_i})^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Arrange the sequences α and β into a single sequence in a non-decreasing way:

$$\dots \leq \alpha_{n_i} < \beta_i < \alpha_{n_i+1} < \dots \quad \text{Then } \lim_i \alpha_{n_i}/\beta_i = \lim_i \beta_i/\alpha_{n_i+1} = 0.$$

From [2] this is the exact condition for every linear continuous mapping $T: \Lambda_t(\beta) \rightarrow \Lambda_t(\alpha)$ to be compact, $t = 1, \infty$. So v, vi cannot hold. Moreover, this condition also implies that every linear continuous mapping $T: \Lambda_\infty(\beta) \rightarrow \Lambda_1(\alpha)$ is compact by [3] so iv cannot hold.

Proposition 2.4. *A G_∞ space E is either isomorphic to a weakly stable $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ or contains no subspaces isomorphic to any weakly stable $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$.*

Proof: Suppose there exists a weakly stable $\Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ which is isomorphic to a subspace of E . Then by a theorem of M. S. Ramanujan and T. Terzioglu [7] E itself is isomorphic to some $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$. So the condition iii of Theorem 2.3. is satisfied so α must be weakly stable.

We next consider the problem of embedding $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ into $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$. We start with a technical lemma:

Lemma 2.5. *Let $E = \Lambda_\infty(\beta)$ be isomorphic to a subspace of $F = \Lambda_1(\alpha)$. Let $T: E \rightarrow F$ be the embedding given by $Te_n = y_n = \sum_i t_{ni} f_i$, where (e_n) , (f_n) denote the coordinate bases in E resp. F . Let (s_k) , (p_k) be sequences of positive numbers strictly increasing to infinity so that with*

$$a_{kn} = \exp(-\alpha_n/s_k), \quad b_{kn} = |t_{nq_{kn}}| a_{kq_{kn}}, \quad c_{kn} = \exp(p_k \beta_n)$$

the inequality $c_{kn} \leq b_{kn} \leq c_{k+1,n}$ is satisfied for each k and for large n . Without loss of generality assume $\alpha_n = \gamma_p$ for $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$, where $\inf_p \gamma_{p+1}/\gamma_p > 1$ and (r_p) is a subsequence of natural numbers. Then:

- i) If for each k, n we denote by z_{kn} the unique index satisfying $r_{z_{kn}} < q_{kn} \leq r_{z_{kn}+1}$ then $\forall p \exists n_p$ such that $\sup_{n \geq n_p} \text{Max} \{k: z_{kn} = z_{pn}\} < +\infty$;
- ii) $\forall s \exists k_s$ such that the set $\{n: q_{k_s n} - n \leq s\}$ is at most finite.

Proof: i) Suppose the conclusion does not hold. Then there is a p for which we can construct a subsequence (n_j) of N with $\text{Max} \{k: z_{kn_j} = z_{pn_j}\} \geq j$ for all j . Now since q_{kn} and hence z_{kn} are non-decreasing in k for a fixed n , it follows that $z_{pn_j} = z_{p+1,n_j} = \dots = z_{j,n_j}$ and hence for any k, k' with $p \leq k \leq j$ and $p \leq k' \leq j$ we have $\alpha_{q_{kn_j}} = \alpha_{q_{k'n_j}} = \alpha_{q_{pn_j}}$ so we obtain:

$$|t_{n_j q_{kn_j}}| = b_{kn_j} / a_{kq_{kn_j}} \geq |t_{n_j q_{k'n_j}}| a_{kq_{k'n_j}} / a_{kq_{kn_j}} = |t_{n_j q_{k'n_j}}|$$

Therefore by symmetry $|t_{n_j q_{kn_j}}| = |t_{n_j q_{k'n_j}}|$ and hence $b_{kn_j} = |t_{n_j q_{pn_j}}| a_{kq_{pn_j}} \forall j \geq k (\geq p)$. Passing to a subsequence of (n_j) if necessary, we can assume $q_{pn_j} \neq q_{pn_j}$ for $j \neq j'$, which means that $\Lambda_\infty(\beta_{n_j})$ is isomorphic to $\Lambda_1(\alpha_{q_{pn_j}})$ which means that $\Lambda_\infty(\beta_{n_j})$ is isomorphic to $\Lambda_1(\alpha_{q_{pn_j}})$ which is a contradiction since any linear continuous mapping $T: \Lambda_1(a) \rightarrow \Lambda_\infty(b)$ is compact for any a, b (cf. [8]).

ii) Assume the conclusion does not hold. Then each $M_k = \{n: q_{kn} - n \leq s\}$ is infinite. Moreover, since $q_{kn} \leq q_{k+1,n}$ $\forall n, k$ we have $M_k \supset M_{k+1}$. Choose a diagonal sequence (n_j) with

$$(3) \quad q_{kn_j} - n_j \leq s \quad \forall j \geq k$$

Then by the fundamental inequality we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp[(p_{k+1} - p_k) \beta_n] &= c_{k+1,n} / c_{kn} \leq b_{k+1,n} / b_{k-1,n} \\ &\leq a_{k+1,q_{k+1,n}} / a_{k-1,q_{k+1,n}} = \exp[(s_{k-1}^{-1} - s_k^{-1}) \alpha_{q_{k+1,n}}] \end{aligned}$$

that is, for large n we obtain

$$(4) \quad \beta_n/\alpha_{q_{kn}} \leq \frac{s_{k-1}^{-1} - s_{k+1}^{-1}}{p_{k+1} - p_k} = C_k.$$

Fix $k_0 > 1$. By part i with $p = k_0$ we find indices m_{k_0} and k_1 with $z_{k_1+1, n} > z_{k_0 n}$ $\forall n \geq m_{k_1}$. Applying part i with $p = k_1 + 1$ then we find m_{k_1} and k_2 etc. Hence after successive applications we obtain:

$$(5) \quad \forall q \exists k_q \text{ and } m_{k_{q-1}} \text{ with } z_{k_q+1, n} \geq z_{k_0 n} + q \quad \forall n \geq m_{k_{q-1}}.$$

By the hypothesis there exists some $B > 0$ such that $\sup_n \alpha_n/\beta_n = B < +\infty$ (cf. [4]). Let s_0 be large enough so that $BC_{k_0} < A^{s_0 - s - 1}$ holds. Let j be large enough so that (5) holds with $n = n_j$ and $q = s_0$, (4) holds for $k = k_0$ and $n = n_j$, (3) holds for $k = k_{s_0} + 1$. Then we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} BC_{k_0} &< A^{s_0 - s - 1} \leq \gamma_{z_{k_0 n_j} + s_0 - s} / \gamma_{z_{k_0 n_j}} \leq \gamma_{z_{k_{s_0} + 1, n_j} - s} / \alpha_{q_{k_0 n_j}} \\ &\leq B \beta_{q_{k_{s_0} + 1, n_j} - s} / \alpha_{q_{k_0 n_j}} \leq B \beta_{n_j} / \alpha_{q_{k_0 n_j}} \leq BC_{k_0} \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

Proposition 2.6. *If $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ then α is weakly stable.*

Proof: We use the notation of Lemma 2.5. By part (ii) of Lemma 2.5 we find k_0 so that the set $\{n: q_{k_0 n} \leq n\}$ is finite. Let $s_0 = \text{Max}\{n: q_{k_0 n} \leq n\} + 1$. By part i of Lemma 2.5. find k_1 and s_1 such that $z_{k_1 n} > z_{k_0 n}$ holds $\forall n \geq s_1$. Then clearly $q_{k_1 n} > q_{k_0 n}$. On the other hand, by the fundamental inequality we obtain $\sup_n \alpha_{q_{kn}}/\alpha_n = Q_k < +\infty$ for any k . Let $m_1 = \text{Max}\{s_0, s_1, p_{k_1}\}$ and define (m_j) inductively by $m_j = q_{k_1 m_{j-1}}$. Then $m_{j-1} \leq q_{k_0 m_{j-1}} < q_{k_1 m_{j-1}} = m_j$ and with $\varepsilon_j = \alpha_{m_j}$ we have $\sup_j \varepsilon_{j+1}/\varepsilon_j = \sup_j \alpha_{q_{k_1 m_j}}/\alpha_{m_j} = Q_{k_1} < +\infty$. Having a weakly stable subsequence, by Lemma 1.5. the sequence α is itself weakly stable.

Proposition 2.7. *If $E = \Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $F = \Lambda_1(\alpha)$ spanned by a block basic sequence then α is stable.*

Proof: By Proposition 2.6. α is weakly stable so assume α is given in a standard form with $A > 1$ and (r_p) . Let the embedding $T: E \rightarrow F$ be given by $Te_n = y_n = \sum_{i \in N_n} t_{ni} f_i$, where (e_n) and (f_n) are coordinate bases in E resp. F and (N_n) is a sequence of pairwise disjoint, finite subsets of \mathbb{N} .

We use the notation of Lemma 2.5. By the fundamental inequality we obtain $\sup_n \alpha_{q_{kn}}/\alpha_n = B_k < +\infty$ for each k , hence

$$A^{z_{kn}}/A^p = \alpha_{q_{kn}}/\alpha_n \leq B_k \leq A^{v_k}$$

for some v_k hence $z_{kn} \leq p + v_k$ if $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$. Again invoking the fundamental inequality we obtain for $m \leq n$:

$$\alpha_{q_{kn}}/\alpha_{q_{k+2,m}} \leq D_k,$$

hence $A^{z_{kn}}/A^{z_{k+2,m}} = \alpha_{q_{kn}}/\alpha_{q_{k+2,m}} \leq D_k \leq A^{\beta_k}$ for some β_k . It follows that

$$(6) \quad z_{kn} \leq \beta_k + z_{k+2,m} \quad m \geq n.$$

By part i of Lemma 2.5, $\forall p \exists n_p, M_p$ such that $\text{Max}\{k: z_{kn} = z_{pn}\} = M_p < +\infty$ $\forall n \geq n_p$. Hence inductively we can find k_p, n'_p such that

$$(7) \quad z_{k_1 n} < z_{k_2 n} < \dots < z_{k_p n} \quad \forall n \geq n'_p.$$

By part ii) of Lemma 2.5. we find some k_0 and n'' with $q_{k_0 n} \geq n \quad \forall n \geq n''$. Find k_4 and n'_4 by (7). Fix $k = \text{Max}\{k_0, k_4\}$ $n_0 = \text{Max}\{n'', n_k, 4n'_4\}$. Then for $n \geq n_0$ we have $q_{kn} \geq n$,

$$(8) \quad z_{k_1 n} < z_{k_2 n} < z_{k_3 n} < z_{k_4 n} \leq z_{kn}.$$

Let $P = \{n: q_{kn} - n \leq r_p\}$, $S_n = \text{cardinality of } \{m: m \leq n \text{ and } q_{km} \leq q_{kn}\}$.

Claim: $\exists \mu$ such that $5r_p/4 \leq r_{p+\mu}$ for $p \geq p_0$.

We shall prove the claim in the two cases:

Case 1: $n \geq n_0$, $n \in P$.

Suppose $4(n - S_n) < r_p$. Then $4(S_n - n'_4) > 4n - r_p - 4n'_4 > 2n > 0$ so there are at least $S_n - n'_4$ indices m which satisfy $n \geq m \geq n'_4$ and $q_{km} \leq q_{kn}$, that is, since by (7) $q_{k_1 m} < \dots < q_{k_4 m} \leq q_{km} \leq q_{kn}$ and q_{km} 's are distinct (since they belong to disjoint sets N_m) this means $4(S_n - n') \leq q_{kn} \leq n + r_p$. We obtain the contradiction $4n < r_p + 4S_n \leq r_p + n + r_p + 4n'_4 \leq 4n$ and hence we conclude that $4(n - S_n) \geq r_p$. That is, there are at least $\lceil r_p/4 \rceil$ indices m which satisfy $m \leq n$ and $q_{kn} < q_{km}$. Due to the block basic embedding, all of these q_{km} 's are distinct, hence there exists some $m_1 < n$ such that $\lceil r_p/4 \rceil + q_{kn} < q_{km_1}$. Then we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} 5r_p/4 < n + r_p/4 \leq q_{kn} + r_p/4 < q_{km_1} + 1 \leq r_{z_{km_1} + 1} + 1 \leq r_{z_{k+2,n} + \beta_k + 2} \\ \leq r_{p+v_k+2+\beta_k+2} = r_{p+\mu_1} \end{aligned}$$

where (8) and (6) are used and $\mu_1 = v_{k+2} + \beta_k + 2$.

Case 2: $n \geq n_0$, $n \notin P$.

In this case $q_{kn} - n > r_p$ and we obtain: $2r_p < r_p + q_{kn} - n \leq r_{z_{kn}+1} \leq r_{p+v_k+1} = r_{p+\mu_2}$ where $\mu_2 = v_k + 1$.

Hence combining the two results we obtain $dr_p \leq r_{p+\mu}$ for $p \geq p_0$ (where $r_{p_0} \geq n_0 > r_{p_0-1}$ holds) where $\mu = \max\{\mu_1, \mu_2\}$, $d = 5/4$. The claim is thus proved.

For $p \geq p_0$ we have: $2r_p \leq d^4 r_p \leq d^3 r_{p+\mu} \leq \dots \leq r_{p+4\mu}$. Define $\beta_n = (A^{4\mu})^p$ if $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$ where $q_p = r_{4\mu(p-1)+1}$, $p \geq p_0$. Then $2q_p \leq q_{p+1}$ for $p \geq p_0$ so β is stable by Lemma 1.4.

It remains to show that $\alpha \sim \beta$: With $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$ we obtain: $\alpha_n/\beta_n \leq \alpha_{q_{p+1}}/\beta_n = 1$ and $\beta_n/\alpha_n \leq \beta_n/\alpha_{q_p} = A^{4\mu}$. Hence we conclude that α is stable.

Remark 2.8. We note that the converse of Proposition 2.7. also holds (cf. Corollary 2.4.4 pp. 63 [4]). Hence embeddability of $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ into $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ through a block basic embedding characterizes α as a stable exponent sequence. Concerning the general embedding of $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ into $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$, Proposition 2.6. states that α is necessarily weakly stable. We shall show that the converse is not true. To construct a counter example we shall first derive a necessary condition.

Proposition 2.9. *If $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ then $\alpha \sim \beta$ which satisfies either $\lim_n \beta_{n+1}/\beta_n > 1$ or $\lim_n \beta_{n+1}/\beta_n = 1$.*

Proof: We use the notation of Lemma 2.5. Choose l_0 and k_0 satisfying $s_{l_0}^{-1} \leq 1$ and $p_{l_0+1} - p_{k_0} \leq -2$. Then $-j, q, m, l$. We have:

$$I = |t_{mq}| a_{jq}/b_{k_0 m} = (|t_{mq}| a_{iq}/b_{k_0 m}) (a_{jq}/a_{iq}) \leq (b_{lm}/b_{k_0 m}) (a_{jq}/a_{iq}) \leq (c_{l+1, m}/c_{k_0 m}) (a_{jq}/a_{iq}) = \exp[(p_{l+1} - p_{k_0})\alpha_m + (s_l^{-1} - s_j^{-1})\alpha_q].$$

Since (y_n) is a basic sequence in $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ there exists a system $(|\cdot|_k)$ of norms on $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$ equivalent to the usual norm $(\|\cdot\|_k)$ so that (y_n) is a basic sequence in each $[\Lambda_1(\alpha), |\cdot|_k]$ (cf. [1]). Hence there exist C, k, j with $C^{-1} \|\cdot\|_{k_0} \leq |\cdot|_k \leq C \|\cdot\|_j$. Let v be such that $p_{j+2} - p_{k_0} + (s_{j+1}^{-1} - s_j^{-1})A^v \leq -1$. Suppose $r_{q'} < q \leq r_{q'+1}$ and $r_{m'} < m \leq r_{m'+1}$. Then: if $q' \leq m'$: take $l = l_0$ and we have

$$I \leq \exp[(p_{l_0+1} - p_{k_0})\alpha_m + (s_{l_0}^{-1} - s_j^{-1})\alpha_q] \\ \leq \exp(-2\alpha_m + \alpha_q) \leq \exp(-\alpha_m)$$

if $q' > m' + v$: take $l = j + 1$ then

$$I \leq \exp [(p_{j+2} - p_{k_0})\alpha_m + (s_{j+1}^{-1} - s_j^{-1})\alpha_q] \leq \exp(-\alpha_m)$$

since $\alpha_q = A^{q'} > A^{m'+v} = \alpha_m A^v$.

Hence if $r_{m'+1} < q \leq r_{m'+1+v}$ does not hold then $I \leq \exp(-\alpha_m)$. Define $z_m = \sum_{n=r_{m'+1}+1}^{r_{m'+1}+v} t_{mn} e_n$ for $r_{m'} < m \leq r_{m'+1}$. Then

$$\sum_m \frac{|y_m - z_m|_k}{|y_m|_k} \leq C^2 \sum_m \sup_{\substack{q \leq r_{m'+1} \text{ or} \\ q > r_{m'+1+v}}} \frac{|t_{mq}|_{a_{jq}}}{\|y_m\|_{k_0}} < +\infty.$$

Hence for some m_0 , $(z_m)_{m \geq m_0}$ is a basic sequence in $(\Lambda_1(\alpha), |\cdot|_k)$ (cf. Lemma 3.4. pp. 69 [4]) hence in particular linearly independent. We have

$$\{z_m: r_{m'} < m \leq r_{m'+1}\} \subset \text{sp} \{e_m: r_{m'+1} < m \leq r_{m'+1+v}\},$$

hence for any s ,

$$\{z_m: r_{m'} < m \leq r_{m'+s+1}\} \subset \text{sp} \{e_m: r_{m'+1} < m \leq r_{m'+s+v+1}\}.$$

Hence for $m \geq m_0$ and any s , $r_{m+s+1} - r_m \leq r_{m+s+v+1} - r_{m+1}$ or $r_{m+1} - r_m \leq r_{m+s+v+1} - r_{m+s+1}$. Without loss of generality assume the inequality is valid for all m . Recalling that $\alpha_n = A^p$ for $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$, define $\beta_n = A^{vp}$ for $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$ where $q_p = r_{vp+1}$.

Then if $q_p \leq n \leq q_{p+1}$, we have $\alpha_n/\beta_n \leq \alpha_{q_{p+1}}/A^{vp} = A^v$ and $\beta_n/\alpha_n \leq A^{vp}/\alpha_{q_p} = 1$. Hence $\alpha \sim \beta$ and

$$\begin{aligned} q_{m+1} - q_m &= r_{v(m+1)+1} - r_{vm+1} = \sum_{i=1}^v (r_{vm+1+i} - r_{vm+i}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^v (r_{vm+i+s_i+v+1} - r_{vm+i+s_i+1}) \end{aligned}$$

for any $s_i \geq 0$. Choosing in particular $s_i = (t+1)_v - i$ for any fixed $t > 0$ and writing $\Delta_m = q_{m+1} - q_m$, we have

$$\Delta_m \leq \sum_{i=1}^v (r_{v(m+t+2)+1} - r_{v(m+t+1)+1}) = v \cdot \Delta_{m+t+1}.$$

We conclude that for any $n \geq m$ we have $\Delta_m \leq v \Delta_n$. It follows that either $\sup_n \Delta_n < +\infty$ or $\lim_n \Delta_n = +\infty$. Suppose $\sup_n \Delta_n = M < +\infty$ and let $B = A^v$. Then define $\gamma_n = \beta_n B^{(n-q_p)/\Delta_p}$ for $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$. Then $\gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n = \beta^{1/\Delta_p}$ for $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$. Hence $\lim \gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n \geq B^{1/M} > 1$. On the other hand, $\gamma \sim \beta$ follows by:

$$1 \leq \gamma_n/\beta_n = B^{(n-q_p)/\Delta_p} \leq B.$$

Hence $\alpha \sim \beta \sim \gamma$. To complete the proof suppose $\lim_n \Delta_n = +\infty$. Define $\gamma_n = B^p (1 + \frac{n-q_p}{\Delta_p} (B-1))$ for $q_p < n \leq q_{p+1}$. Then if $q_p < n < n+1 \leq q_{p+1}$:

$$\gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n = 1 + \frac{B-1}{\Delta_p + (n-q_p)(B-1)} \leq \frac{B-1}{\Delta_p} + 1$$

if $n = q_p$:

$$\gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n = 1 + \frac{B-1}{\Delta_p}.$$

Hence $1 \leq \gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n \leq 1 + (B-1)/\Delta_p$, for $q_p \leq n < q_{p+1}$ so $\lim_n \gamma_{n+1}/\gamma_n = 1$. We also have

$$1 \leq \gamma_n/\beta_n = 1 + \frac{n - q_p}{\Delta_p} (B-1) \leq A$$

Therefore $\alpha \sim \beta \sim \gamma$.

Example 2.10. In this example we construct a weakly stable exponent sequence α for which $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is not isomorphic to a subspace of $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$. Define α in a standard form where $A > 1$, $r_1 = 0$ and for $p > 1$: $r_{p+1} = m + r_p$ if $p = m(m+1)/2$ for some $m \geq 1$ and $r_{p+1} = 1 + r_p$ otherwise. We shall check that the conclusion of Proposition 2.9 cannot hold. Suppose $\alpha \sim \beta$, say $C^{-1} \leq \alpha_n/\beta_n \leq C \quad \forall n$.

i) Assume $\lim \beta_{n+1}/\beta_n > 1$: Take $p = m(m+1)/2$ and hence $r_{p+1} = r_p + m$. Find $m_0, M > 1$ such that if $m \geq m_0$, the $\beta_{n+1}/\beta_n \geq M$ for all $r_p < n \leq r_{p+1}$, p of above form. Then we obtain the contradiction that for $m \geq m_0$:

$$M^{m-1} \leq \beta_{r_p+m}/\beta_{r_p+1} \leq C^2 \alpha_{r_p+m}/\alpha_{r_p+1} = C^2.$$

Hence $\alpha \not\sim \beta$.

ii) Assume $\lim \beta_{n+1}/\beta_n = 1$: Take $p = m(m+1)/2 + 1$ and hence $r_{p+m} = m + r_p$. Choose n_0 such that $\beta_{n+1}/\beta_n < A^{1/2}$ for $n \geq n_0$. Then if $n > r_p \geq n_0$ where p has the above form, we obtain the contradiction that:

$$A^m = \alpha_{r_p+m}/\alpha_{r_p+1} = \alpha_{r_p+m}/\alpha_{r_p+1} \leq C^2 \beta_{r_p+m}/\beta_{r_p+1} \leq C^2 A^{(m-1)/2}.$$

Hence we concluded $\alpha \not\sim \beta$. Finally it follows by Proposition 2.9 that $\Lambda_\infty(\alpha)$ is not isomorphic to any subspace of $\Lambda_1(\alpha)$.

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