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**SOME REMARKS ON STRONG CONVERGENCE  
IN MODULAR SPACES OF SEQUENCES**

ABSTRACT: In this paper we study some connections between strong  $(A, \varphi)$ -summability of sequences and lacunary statistical convergence or lacunary strong convergence with respect to a modulus functions.

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**1. Introduction**

In papers of J. Musielak [9], J. Musielak and W. Orlicz [11], W. Orlicz [13] and moreover [16] and [18] some modular spaces connected with strong  $(A, \varphi)$ -summability of sequences are considered and investigated.

In paper of A. Freedman, J. Somberg and M. Raphael [4] the spaces of lacunary strong convergence of sequences are introduced as the sets

$$N_{\Theta} = \left\{ x = (t_{\nu}) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{\nu \in I_r} |t_{\nu} - s| \text{ for some } s \right\},$$

where  $\Theta = (k_r)$  is a given lacunary sequence. The relation between  $I_r$  and  $k_r$  is mentioned in the part 2.

If  $F = (f_n)$  is a given sequence of modulus functions (the notation of modulus function was introduced by H. Nakano [12]) and  $A = (a_{n\nu})$  is a given matrix, then we may define the following sequence sets

$$N_{\Theta}(A, F) = \left\{ x = (t_{\nu}) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \left| \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} t_{\nu} - s \right| \right) = 0 \text{ for some } s \right\},$$

$$N_{\Theta}^0(A, F) = \left\{ x = (t_{\nu}) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \left| \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} t_{\nu} \right| \right) = 0 \right\}.$$

Sequences  $x$ , which belong to  $N_{\Theta}^0(A, F)$  are called lacunary strongly convergent to zero with respect a modulus  $F$ , (for definition see [1], compare also [2], [3], [8] or [17]).

Throughout this paper it will be supposed that  $s = 0$  and that we take the sequence  $(\sigma_n^\varphi)$ , where  $\sigma_n^\varphi(x) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|)$  instead of the sequence  $\left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} t_\nu\right)$ .

Finally, the space  $T_\Theta^0((A, \varphi), F)$  of lacunary strongly convergent to zero sequences is defined by the formula

$$T_\Theta^0((A, \varphi), F) = \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n(|\sigma_n^\varphi(x)|) = 0 \right\}.$$

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $A = (a_{n\nu})$  be an infinite matrix. The following assumptions on the matrix  $A$  will be used in some of our further considerations:

- (a) is nonnegative i.e.  $a_{n\nu} \geq 0$  for  $n, \nu = 1, 2, \dots$ ,
- (b) for an arbitrary positive integer  $n$  (or  $\nu$ ) there exists a positive integer  $\nu_0$  (or  $n_0$ ) such that  $a_{n\nu_0} \neq 0$  (or  $a_{n_0\nu} \neq 0$ ), respectively,
- (c) there exist  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n\nu} = 0$  for  $\nu = 1, 2, \dots$ ,
- (d)  $\sup_n \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \leq K < \infty$ ,
- (e)  $\sup_n a_{n\nu} \rightarrow 0$  as  $\nu \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $T, T_b, T_0, T_f$  denote spaces of all real sequences, bounded real sequences, real sequences convergent to zero and sequences with a finite number of elements different from zero, respectively. Sequences belonging to  $T$  will be denoted by  $x = (t_\nu), y = (s_\nu), x_m = (t_\nu^m), |x| = (|t_\nu|), 0 = (0)$ . Moreover, we shall write  $e_p, e^q, e_p^q$  for the following sequences:  $0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots$  (with 1 at the  $p$  th place);  $1, 1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots$  (with 1 at the first  $q$  places);  $0, \dots, 0, 1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots$  (with 1 at the  $p$  th,  $(p+1)$  st, ...,  $(p+q-1)$  st place), respectively.

A sequence of positive integers  $\Theta = (k_r)$  is called lacunary if  $k_0 = 0, k_r < k_{r+1}$  for all  $r$  and if  $I_r = (k_{r-1}, k_r]$  then  $h_r = k_r - k_{r-1} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .

In the following the quotient  $\frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}}$  will be denoted by  $q_r$ , (compare [4]).

By a modulus function we understand the increasing function  $f$  from  $[0, \infty)$  to  $[0, \infty)$  such that:  $f(x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ,  $f(x+y) \leq f(x) + f(y)$  for  $x, y \geq 0$  and is continuous from the right at 0. Throughout this paper the sequence  $(f_n), n = 1, 2, \dots$  of modulus functions will be denoted by  $F$ , (compare [12]).

By a  $\varphi$ -function we understand a continuous non-decreasing function  $\varphi(u)$  defined for  $u \geq 0$  and such that  $\varphi(0) = 0$ ,  $\varphi(u) > 0$  for  $u > 0$  and  $\varphi(u) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $u \rightarrow \infty$ . The symbol  $\varphi(|x|)$  means the function  $\varphi(|x(t)|)$ .

A  $\varphi$ -function  $\varphi$  is called non weaker than a  $\varphi$ -function  $\psi$  and we write  $\psi \prec \varphi$  if there are constants  $c, b, k, l > 0$  such that  $c\psi(lu) \leq b\varphi(ku)$ , (for all, large or small  $u$ , respectively).

$\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are called equivalent and we write  $\varphi \sim \psi$  if there are positive constants  $b_1, b_2, c, k_1, k_2, l$  such that  $b_1\varphi(k_1u) \leq c\psi(lu) \leq b_2\varphi(k_2u)$ , (for all, large or small  $u$ , respectively).

A  $\varphi$ -function  $\varphi$  is said to satisfy the condition  $(\Delta_2)$ , ( for all, large or small  $u$ , respectively) if for some constant  $k > 1$  there is satisfied the inequality  $\varphi(2u) \leq k\varphi(u)$ .

In the following let  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  and  $\psi = (\psi_\nu)$  be two sequences of  $\varphi$ -functions. We say that relations between  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  and  $\psi = (\psi_\nu)$  hold if and only if these relations hold between  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi_\nu$  and  $\psi_\mu$  for every  $\nu$ . For more properties of  $\varphi$ -functions see e.g. [7], [9], [10], [18], [19].

### 3. Spaces of strongly $(A, \varphi)$ -summable sequences

For a given the sequence  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  of  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi_\nu(u)$  and the matrix  $A = (a_{n\nu})$  we adopt the following notations:

$$\sigma_n^\varphi(x) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$T_\varphi^0 = \left\{ x \in T : \sigma_n^\varphi(x) < \infty \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n^\varphi(x) = 0 \right\},$$

$$T_\varphi = \{ x \in T : \lambda x \in T_\varphi^0 \text{ for an arbitrary } \lambda > 0 \}$$

$$T_\varphi^* = \{ x \in T : \lambda x \in T_\varphi^0 \text{ for a certain } \lambda > 0 \}.$$

Sequences  $x$ , which belong to  $T_\varphi^*$  are called strongly  $(A, \varphi)$ -summable to zero.

A list of the most interesting properties concerning the space  $T_\varphi^*$  is presented below, (compare also [11], [13], [16] or [18]).

- (1)  $T_\varphi \subset T_\varphi^0 \subset T_\varphi^*$ .
- (2)  $T_f \subset T_\varphi$  if and only if the matrix  $A$  satisfies the condition (c).
- (3) If the matrix  $A$  possesses the property (c), then  $e_p, e^q, e_p^q \in T_\varphi$ , if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n\nu} = 0$  for  $\nu = 1, 2, \dots$  does not hold then we have  $T_\varphi = T_\varphi^0 = T_\varphi^* = \{0\}$ .
- (4) If the matrix  $A$  possesses the property (d) then  $T_b \cap T_\varphi^* = T_b \cap T_\psi^*$

and  $T_b \cap T_\varphi = T_b \cap T_\varphi^*$  for an arbitrary two sequences  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  of  $\varphi$ -functions.

- (5)  $\varphi$  satisfies the condition  $(\Delta_2)$  for large arguments if and only if  $T_\varphi = T_\varphi^*$ .
- (6) Let the matrix  $A$  has properties (a)-(d); if  $\psi \prec \varphi$  for large arguments then  $T_\varphi^* \subset T_\psi^*$  and  $T_\varphi \subset T_\psi$ , if  $\varphi \sim \psi$  for large arguments then  $T_\varphi^* = T_\psi^*$  and  $T_\varphi = T_\psi$ .

#### 4. Spaces of lacunary strongly convergent sequences

Let  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  and  $F = (f_n)$  be given sequences of  $\varphi$ -functions and modulus functions, respectively. Moreover, let a matrix  $A$  and a lacunary sequence  $\Theta$  be given. We introduce the set  $T_\Theta^0((A, \varphi), F)$  by the formula:

$$T_\Theta^0((A, \varphi), F) = \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) \right) = 0 \right\}.$$

Moreover, let

$$T_\Theta((A, \varphi), F) = \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(\lambda |t_\nu|) \right) = 0 \right. \\ \left. \text{for an arbitrary } \lambda > 0 \right\},$$

$$T_\Theta^*((A, \varphi), F) = \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(\lambda |t_\nu|) \right) = 0 \right. \\ \left. \text{for a certain } \lambda > 0 \right\}.$$

The sequence  $x$  is said to be lacunary strong  $(A, \varphi)$ -convergent to zero with respect to a modulus  $F$ , if  $x \in T_\Theta^0((A, \varphi), F)$ .

Let us remark that in particular we have:

$1^0$  If  $\varphi_\nu(u) = u$  for all  $\nu$ , then we obtain the set

$$T_\Theta^0((A, u), F) \equiv N_\Theta^0(A, F) \equiv \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} |t_\nu| \right) = 0 \right\},$$

(compare e.g. [1]).

2<sup>0</sup> If  $f_n(v) = v$  for all  $n$ , then

$$T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), \nu) \equiv T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi)) \equiv \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) = 0 \right\}.$$

3<sup>0</sup> If  $A = I$  and moreover  $\varphi_\nu(u) = u$  and  $f_n(v) = v$  for all  $\nu$  and  $n$ , respectively, then we have the sequence space,

$$N_{\Theta}^0 \equiv T_{\Theta}^0((I, u), \nu) \equiv \left\{ x = (t_n u) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} |t_n| = 0 \right\}$$

(compare [1]).

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  be a given sequence of  $\varphi$ -functions and let  $F = (f_n)$  be a sequence of modulus functions. Then, for the usual definition of addition of sequences and multiplication by a scalar,

( $\alpha$ )  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  is a convex set,

( $\beta$ )  $T_{\Theta}^*((A, \varphi), F)$  is a linear space.

**Proof.** We limit ourselves to the proof of the property ( $\alpha$ ). Suppose that  $x = (t_\nu)$ ,  $y = (s_\nu) \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  are arbitrary numbers such that  $0 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq 1$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|\alpha t_\nu + \beta s_\nu|) \right) &\leq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|s_\nu|) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\alpha x + \beta y \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ . ■

**Theorem 2.** Let  $F$  and  $\varphi$  be sequences of modulus functions and  $\varphi$ -functions, respectively. Moreover let the matrix  $A$  and the sequence  $\Theta$  be given. If

$$w((A, \varphi), F) = \left\{ x = (t_\nu) : \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{n=1}^m f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) \right) = 0 \right\}$$

then the following relations are true:

(a) If  $\liminf_r q_r > 1$ , then  $w((A, \varphi), F) \subseteq T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ .

(b) If  $\limsup_r q_r < \infty$ , then  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) \subseteq w((A, \varphi), F)$ .

(c) If  $1 < \liminf_r q_r \leq \limsup_r q_r < \infty$ , then  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) = w((A, \varphi), F)$ .

**Proof.** (a). Let us suppose that  $x \in w((A, \varphi), F)$ . There exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $q_r > 1 + \delta$  for sufficiently large  $r$  and we have  $\frac{h_r}{k_r} \geq \frac{\delta}{1+\delta}$  for sufficiently large  $r$ . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k_r} \sum_{n=1}^{k_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) &\geq \frac{1}{k_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\delta}{1+\delta} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Finally,  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ .

(b). Let us remark that the condition  $\limsup_r q_r < \infty$  implies that there exists a constant  $M > 0$  such that  $q_r < M$  for every  $r$ . If  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is an arbitrary number, then there exists an index  $m_0$  such that

$$H_m = \frac{1}{h_m} \sum_{n \in I_m} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) < \varepsilon$$

for every  $m \geq m_0$ . Thus, there exists a constant  $L > 0$  such that  $H_m \leq L$  for all  $m$ . Choosing an integer  $\alpha$  such that  $k_{r-1} < \alpha < k_r$  we obtain

$$I = \frac{1}{\alpha} \sum_{n=1}^{\alpha} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) \leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \sum_{n=1}^{k_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) = I_1 + I_2,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \sum_{m=1}^{m_0} \sum_{n \in I_m} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right), \\ I_2 &= \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \sum_{m=m_0+1}^{\alpha} \sum_{n \in I_m} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right). \end{aligned}$$

It is easily verified that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \left( \sum_{n \in I_1} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) + \dots + \sum_{n \in I_{m_0}} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} (h_1 H_1 + \dots + h_{m_0} H_{m_0}) \leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} m_0 k_{m_0} \sup_{1 \leq i \leq m_0} H_i \leq \frac{m_0 k_{m_0}}{k_{r-1}} L. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \sum_{m=m_0+1}^{\alpha} \sum_{n \in I_m} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \right) \\ &\leq \varepsilon \frac{1}{k_{r-1}} \sum_{m=m_0+1}^{\alpha} h_m \leq \varepsilon \frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}} = \varepsilon q_r < \varepsilon M. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the following inequality holds  $I \leq \frac{m_0 k_{m_0}}{k_{r-1}} L + \varepsilon M$ . Finally,  $x \in w((A, \varphi), F)$ . ■

**Theorem 3.** *Let the sequence  $\Theta$ , the modulus functions  $F$  and two sequences of  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  be given. Suppose that the matrix  $A$  satisfies the conditions (a), (b) and (d) and let  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  satisfy the condition  $(\Delta_2)$  for large  $u$ .*

( $\alpha$ ) *If  $\psi \prec \varphi$  for large  $u$ , then  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) \subset T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$ .*

( $\beta$ ) *If  $\varphi$ -function  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are equivalent for large  $u$ , then  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) = T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x = (t_{\nu}) \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ . By assumption we have  $\psi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}|) \leq b \varphi_{\nu} (c |t_{\nu}|)$  for  $b, c, u_0 > 0$ ,  $|t_{\nu}| > u_0$  and all  $\nu$ . Let us denote  $x = x^1 + x^2$ , where  $x^1 = (t_{\nu}^{(1)})$  and  $t_{\nu}^{(1)} = t_{\nu}$  for  $|t_{\nu}| < u_0$  and  $t_{\nu}^{(1)} = 0$  for remaining values of  $\nu$ . It is easily seen that  $x^1 \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$ . Moreover, by the assumptions we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \psi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}^{(2)}|) \right) &\leq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( b \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (c |t_{\nu}^{(2)}|) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{L}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu} (|t_{\nu}^{(2)}|) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where the constant  $L$  depends on the properties of  $F$ ,  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$ . Finally, we obtain  $x_2 = (t_{\nu}^{(2)}) \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$  and consequently  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$ . By ( $\alpha$ ) we obtain  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) = T_{\Theta}^0((A, \psi), F)$ . ■

**Remark.** Let us remark that the modulus functions  $f_n$  are continuous in the interval  $[0, \infty)$ . Moreover, it is easily verified that by the assumptions of matrix  $A$  and the function  $f_n$  we have that the sums

$$S_{pq}^n = a_{n,p} + a_{n,p+1} + \dots + a_{n,p+q-1}$$

and  $\sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \max_{p \leq \nu \leq p+q-1} \varphi_{\nu}(1) S_{pq}^n \right)$  are bounded, and tend to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , respectively (compare [11], [16], [18]). Consequently we have  $e_p, e^q, e_p^q \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let  $F = (f_n)$  be a sequence of modulus functions such that are equicontinuous at 0 and  $\sup f_n(1) < \infty$ . Moreover, let the matrix  $A = (a_{n\nu})$  and the sequence  $\varphi = (\varphi_\nu)$  of  $\varphi$ -functions be given. The following inclusion hold:

$$T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi)) \subseteq T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F).$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi))$  for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  we choose  $0 < \delta < 1$  such that  $f_n(v) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n$  and every  $v \in [0, \delta]$ . We can write

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) = S_1 + S_2,$$

where  $S_1 = \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right)$  and this sum is taken over

$\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) \leq \delta$ , and  $S_2 = \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right)$  and this

sum is taken over  $\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) > \delta$ . By definition of the modulus  $F$  we have  $S_1 \leq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n(\delta) = \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n(\delta) < \varepsilon$  and moreover  $S_2 \leq$

$\frac{1}{\delta} \frac{1}{h_r} (\sup_n f_n(1)) \sum_{n \in I_r} \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|)$ . Finally, we get  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ . ■

**Remark.** Let us remark that in the case  $A = I$ ,  $f_n(\nu) = \nu^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$ , for  $n \geq 1$  and  $\nu > 0$ , and convex  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi_{\nu}$ , we may choose the sequence  $x = (t_{\nu})$  by the formulas:  $t_{\nu} = \varphi_{\nu}^{-1}(h_r)$  if  $\nu = k_r$  for some  $r \geq 1$  and  $t_{\nu} = 0$  otherwise. Then we have

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) = \frac{1}{h_r} f_{k_r}(h_r) = (h_r)^{-1} (h_r)^{\frac{1}{k_r+1}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

and  $\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) = \frac{1}{h_r} h_r \rightarrow 1$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  but  $x \notin T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi))$ .

## 5. Some remarks on lacunary $(A, \varphi)$ -statistical convergence

Let  $\Theta = (k_r)$  be a lacunary sequence, and let the matrix  $A = (a_{n\nu})$ , the sequence  $x = (t_{\nu})$ , the sequence  $\varphi$  of  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi_{\nu}(u)$  and a positive number  $\varepsilon$  be given. We adopt the following notation

$$K_{\Theta}^T((A, \varphi), \varepsilon) = \left\{ n \in I_r : \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \geq \varepsilon \right\}.$$



The sequence  $x$  is said to be lacunary  $(A, \varphi)$ -statistically convergent to a number zero if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) = 0,$$

where  $\mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon))$  denotes the number of elements belonging to the set  $K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)$ . The set of all lacunary  $(A, \varphi)$ -statistical convergent sequences is denoted by  $S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ ,

$$S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi)) = \left\{ x = (t_{\nu}) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) = 0 \right\},$$

(compare [2], [4], [5], [6], [15] and [17]).

**Theorem 5.** *If  $\psi \prec \varphi$  and  $\varphi \in (\Delta_2)$  for large arguments then*

$$S_{\Theta}((A, \psi)) \subset S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi)).$$

**Proof.** The assumptions imply that

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \psi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \leq b \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(c|t_{\nu}|) \leq Lb \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|),$$

for  $b, c > 0, n \in N$ , where the constant  $L$  depends on the properties of  $\varphi$ . Consequently we obtain

$$\mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) \leq \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \psi), \varepsilon))$$

and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) \leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \psi), \varepsilon)).$$

■

**Corollary.** *If  $\psi \sim \varphi$  and  $\varphi, \psi \in (\Delta_2)$  for large arguments then*

$$S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi)) = S_{\Theta}((A, \psi)).$$

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $\Theta, F$  and  $\varphi$  be given. Suppose that the sequence  $(f_n)$  is pointwise convergent.*

( $\alpha$ ) *If  $\lim_n f_n(\nu) > 0$  for  $\nu > 0$  then  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) \subset S_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi))$  for every matrix  $A$ .*

( $\beta$ ) *If moreover  $\varphi = (\varphi_{\nu})$  is a sequence of convex  $\varphi$ -functions then the inclusion  $T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F) \subset S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$  implies that  $\lim_n f_n(\nu) > 0$  for  $\nu > 0$ .*

**Proof.** ( $\alpha$ ). Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive number and let  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ . If  $\lim_n f_n(\nu) > 0$ , then there exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $f_n(\nu) > \alpha$  for  $\nu > \varepsilon$  and for all  $n$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) &\geq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r^1} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r^1} f_n(\varepsilon) \geq \frac{1}{h_r} \alpha \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $I_r^1 = \left\{ n \in I_r : \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \geq \varepsilon \right\}$ . Finally  $x \in S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ .

( $\beta$ ). Let us suppose that  $\lim_n f_n(\nu) > 0$  does not hold. Then there exists a positive number  $\alpha$  such that  $\lim_n f_n(\alpha) = 0$ . We can select a lacunary sequence  $\Theta = (k_r)$  such that  $f_n(\alpha) < \frac{1}{2^r}$  for any  $n > k_{r-1}$ . In the following, we take  $A = I$  and we can select the sequence  $x = (t_{\nu})$  by the formulas:  $t_{\nu} = \varphi_{\nu}^{-1}(\alpha)$  for  $k_{r-1} < \nu \leq \frac{1}{2}(k_{r-1} + k_r)$ , and  $t_{\nu} = 0$  for  $\frac{1}{2}(k_{r-1} + k_r) < \nu \leq k_r$ .

It is easily verified that  $\sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \left| \sum_{\nu=k_{r-1}+1}^{k_r} \varphi_{\nu}(\varphi_{\nu}^{-1}(\alpha)) \right| \right) < (k_r - k_{r-1}) \frac{1}{2^r}$

and  $\sigma_n^{\varphi}(x) \sum_{\nu=k_{r-1}+1}^{k_r} \varphi_{\nu}(t_{\nu}) = \frac{k_r - k_{r-1}}{2} \alpha$ . Finally, we have  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ , but  $x \notin S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 7.** Let  $\Theta, F$  and  $\varphi$  be given.

( $\alpha$ ) If  $\limsup_{\nu} f_n(\nu) < \infty$  then  $S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi)) \subset T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  for every matrix  $A$ .

( $\beta$ ) If moreover  $\varphi = (\varphi_{\nu})$  is a sequence of convex  $\varphi$ -functions then the inclusion  $S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi)) \subset T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$  implies that  $\sup_{\nu} \sup_n f_n(\nu) < \infty$ .

**Proof.** ( $\alpha$ ). Let  $x \in S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ . Let us denote  $h(\nu) = \sup_n f_n(\nu)$ ,  $h = \sup_{\nu} h(\nu)$ ,  $I_r^1 = K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)$  and  $I_r^2 = \left\{ \nu \in I_r : \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) < \varepsilon \right\}$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) &\leq \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r^1} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) + \\ &+ \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{n \in I_r^2} f_n \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_{\nu}(|t_{\nu}|) \right) \leq \frac{1}{h_r} h \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) + h(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain that  $x \in T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi))$ .

( $\beta$ ). Let us suppose that  $\sup_n f_n(\nu) = \infty$ . Then we choose the increasing sequence  $(\nu_r)$  such that  $f_{k_r}^{\nu_r}(\nu_r) \geq h_r$ , for  $r \geq 1$ . We can take the matrix  $A = I$  and the sequence  $x = (t_\nu)$  defined by the formulas:  $t_\nu = \varphi_{k_r}^{-1}(\nu_r)$  for  $\nu = k_r$  (and for some  $r = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $t_\nu = 0$  otherwise. Finally, since  $\mu(K_{\Theta}^r((I, \varphi), \varepsilon))$  is the finite number and  $\sum_{n \in I_r} f_n(\sum_{\nu=k_{r-1}+1}^{k_r} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|)) \geq h_r$  for every  $r$ , then we obtain  $x \in S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$  but  $x \notin T_{\Theta}^0((A, \varphi), F)$ . ■

**Theorem 8.** *Suppose that the matrix  $A$  is regular and that the modulus functions  $F = (f_n)$  are bounded. Then the condition  $x \in T_0$  implies  $x \in S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ .*

**Proof.** If  $x = (t_\nu) \in T_0$ , by regularity of  $A$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} a_{n\nu} \varphi_\nu(|t_\nu|) = 0$ . Thus, by the definition of statistical  $(A, \varphi)$ -convergence, we obtain  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \mu(K_{\Theta}^r((A, \varphi), \varepsilon)) = 0$  and  $x \in S_{\Theta}((A, \varphi))$ . ■

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