

Weakly Convergent Sequence Coefficient in Musielak-Orlicz Sequence Spaces

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A formula for the weakly convergent sequence coefficient of Musielak-Orlicz sequence spaces l_{Φ} equipped with the Luxemburg norm is calculated. As a consequence of this result the coefficient for Nakano sequence spaces $l^{(p_i)}$ is found. Criteria for weakly uniformly normal structure of Musielak-Orlicz sequence spaces equipped with the Luxemburg are also given.

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1. Introduction

Let X be a Banach space. A mapping $T : C \subseteq X \rightarrow X$ is called nonexpansive if $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ for all $x, y \in C$. The set of fixed points of T is $\text{Fix}(T) := \{x \in C : Tx = x\}$. We say that the space X has the fixed point property (*FPP*) if for every nonempty closed, bounded and convex subset C of X and every nonexpansive mapping $T : C \rightarrow C$ we have $\text{Fix}(T) \neq \emptyset$.

Similarly, X is said to have the weak fixed point property (*WFPP*) if for every nonempty, weakly compact and convex subset C of X and every nonexpansive mapping $T : C \rightarrow C$ we have $\text{Fix}(T) \neq \emptyset$.

It is well known that one of the central goals in the fixed point theory is obtaining a full characterization of those Banach spaces which have *FPP* or *WFPP*.

A Banach space X , or more generally, a closed convex subset K of X , is said to have

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normal structure if any bounded convex subset H of X (resp. of K) which has more than one point, contains a nondiametral point, i.e., there exists a point $x_0 \in H$ such that

$$\sup \{ \|x_0 - x\| : x \in H \} < \text{diam}(H) := \sup \{ \|x - y\| : x, y \in H \}.$$

For $D \subset X$, $D \neq \phi$, let

$$\begin{aligned} r_x(D) &= \sup \{ \|x - y\| : y \in D \}, \\ r(D) &= \inf \{ r_x(D) : x \in D \}. \end{aligned}$$

If X is reflexive and if D is a non-empty bounded closed subset of X , then weak compactness of the closed balls in X yields that the set

$$C(D) = \{ z \in D : r_z(D) = r(D) \}$$

is a nonempty closed convex subset of D . The number $r(D)$ and the set $C(D)$ are called the *Chebyshev* radius and *Chebyshev* center of D , respectively.

We recall the following theorem proved by W. A. Kirk in [11] for reflexive Banach spaces, although clearly weak compactness of K suffices:

Let X be a reflexive Banach space and K be a non-empty bounded closed convex subset of X which has normal structure. Then any nonexpansive mapping $T : K \rightarrow K$ has a fixed point. In particular, if X has normal structure, then X has *WFPP*, and if X is reflexive and has normal structure, then X has *FPP*.

In order to know which kind of Banach spaces have normal structure, W. L. Bynum introduced in [3] geometric coefficients $WCS(X)$ and $N(X)$, and established their relationships to normal structure.

We set

$$N(X) = \inf \left\{ \frac{\text{diam}(A)}{r(A)} \right\},$$

where the infimum is taken over all bounded convex closed sets A in X with $\text{diam}(A) > 0$. The number $N(X)$ is called the normal structure coefficient of X . A Banach space X has the uniformly normal structure iff $N(X) > 1$.

For a Banach space X without Schur property, the weakly convergent sequence coefficient ($WCS(X)$) is defined by

$$WCS(X) = \inf \left\{ \frac{A(\{x_i\})}{r(\{x_i\})} : \{x_i\} \subset X \right. \\ \left. \text{is a sequence weakly but not strongly convergent to zero} \right\},$$

where $A(\{x_i\})$ is the asymptotic diameter of $\{x_i\}$, i.e.

$$A(\{x_i\}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \sup \{ \|x_i - x_j\| : i, j \geq n \} \},$$

and $r(\{x_i\})$ is the Chebyshev radius of the set $\overline{\text{co}}(\{x_i\})$.

G. L. Zhang proved in [16] that if X does not have the Schur property, then

$$WCS(X) = \inf \left\{ A(\{x_i\}) : x_i \in S(X) \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{N}, x_i \xrightarrow{w} 0 \right\},$$

where $S(X)$ is the unit sphere of X , as usual.

A Banach space X has weakly uniformly normal structure (so the weak fixed point property as well) whenever $WCS(X) > 1$. For the notions concerning the fixed point property and the weak fixed point property as well as the coefficients $N(X)$ and $WCS(X)$ we refer to [1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [11], [12], [16] and [18]. In this paper, we will give a formula how to compute the coefficient $WCS(X)$ for Musielak-Orlicz sequence spaces.

A map $\Phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is said to be an Orlicz function if Φ is vanishing only at 0, even, left continuous in the extended sense (which means that infinite limits are admitted) on $[0, \infty)$ and convex.

A sequence $\Phi = (\Phi_i)$ of Orlicz functions is called a *Musielak-Orlicz function*. By $\Psi = (\Psi_i)$ we denote the complementary function of Φ in the sense of Young, that is,

$$\Psi_i(v) = \sup \{ |v|u - \Phi_i(u) : u \geq 0 \}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, v \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Given a *Musielak-Orlicz function* Φ , we define a convex modular by $I_\Phi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \Phi_i(x(i))$ for any $x \in l^0$ (the space of all real sequences). The linear space l_Φ defined by

$$l_\Phi = \{ x \in l^0 : I_\Phi(kx) < \infty \text{ for some } k > 0 \}$$

is called the *Musielak-Orlicz sequence space* generated by Φ . We consider l_Φ equipped with the *Luxemburg norm*

$$\|x\| = \inf \left\{ k > 0 : I_\Phi \left(\frac{x}{k} \right) \leq 1 \right\}.$$

To simplify notations, we put $l_\Phi = (l_\Phi, \|\cdot\|)$. The space l_Φ is a Banach space (see [10], [13], [14], [15] and [17]).

We say a *Musielak-Orlicz function* Φ satisfies the δ_2 -condition ($\Phi \in \delta_2$ for short) if there exist constants $k \geq 2$ and $a > 0$, and a sequence (c_i) of positive numbers such that $\sum_{i=i_0}^\infty c_i < \infty$ for some natural i_0 and the inequality

$$\Phi_i(2u) \leq k\Phi_i(u) + c_i$$

holds for every $i \in \mathcal{N}$ and $u \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $\Phi_i(u) \leq a$ (see [8] and [15]).

2. Results

Lemma 2.1. *A set B in a Musielak-Orlicz space l_Φ is l_Ψ -weakly sequentially compact if and only if $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in B} \sum_{i>j} |x(i)y(i)| = 0$ for any $y \in l_\Psi$.*

Proof. This is a general result in Köthe sequence lattices (see [18]). □

Another characterization of l_Ψ -weakly sequentially compact subsets of l_Φ which will be used in the proof of Theorem 2.3 gives the next lemma.

Lemma 2.2. *A set B in a Musielak-Orlicz space l_Φ is l_Ψ -weakly sequentially compact if and only if $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in B} \sum_{i>j} \frac{1}{\xi} \Phi_i(\xi|x(i)|) = 0$.*

Proof. Sufficiency. Take any $y \in l_\Psi$ and choose $\eta > 0$ such that $I_\Psi(\eta y) < \infty$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, take $j_0 > 0$ and $\xi_0 > 0$ such that $\sum_{i>j_0} \frac{1}{\xi_0} \Phi_i(\xi_0 |x(i)|) < \frac{\varepsilon \eta}{2}$ for any $x \in B$. Next take $i_0 > j_0$ such that $\sum_{i>i_0} \Psi_i(\eta |y(i)|) < \frac{\xi_0 \eta \varepsilon}{2}$. Then for all $x \in B$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i>i_0} \frac{1}{\xi_0} |x(i) y(i)| &= \frac{1}{\xi_0 \eta} \sum_{i>i_0} |\xi_0 x(i) \eta y(i)| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_{i>i_0} \frac{\Phi_i(\xi_0 x(i))}{\xi_0} + \frac{1}{\eta \xi_0} \sum_{i>i_0} \Psi_i(\eta y(i)) < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.1, we conclude that B is l_Ψ -weakly sequentially compact.

Necessity. Since B is l_Ψ -weakly sequentially compact, so B is norm bounded. Without loss of generality, we may assume that $I_\Phi(x) \leq 1$ for any $x \in B$ since if we can prove that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in B(l_\Phi)} \sum_{i>j} \frac{1}{\xi} \Phi_i(\xi |x(i)|) = 0,$$

then

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in B} \frac{\|x\|_\Phi}{\xi} \sum_{i>j} \Phi_i\left(\xi \frac{|x(i)|}{\|x\|_\Phi}\right) = 0,$$

which means that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in B} \sum_{i>j} \frac{1}{\xi} \Phi_i(\xi |x(i)|) = 0$. If the necessity does not hold, then there exist $\varepsilon > 0$, $i_k \uparrow \infty$, $\xi_k \downarrow 0$ and a sequence $\{x_k\}$ in B satisfying $\sum_{i>i_k} \frac{1}{\xi_k} \Phi_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|) > \varepsilon$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$). We may also assume here that $\xi_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \xi_k < \infty$. Put

$$y = (y(i))_{i=1}^\infty, \quad \text{where } y(i) = \sup_k p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots).$$

By the Young equality $tp_i(t) = \Phi_i(t) + \Psi_i(p_i(t))$ and the inequality $tp_i(t) \leq \Phi_i(2t)$ for all natural i and $t \geq 0$, where p_i denotes the right hand side derivative of Φ_i , we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Psi(y) &= \sum_{i=1}^\infty \Psi_i\left(\sup_k (p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|))\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty \sum_{k=1}^\infty \Psi_i(p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|)) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty \sum_{k=1}^\infty \xi_k |x_k(i)| p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty \sum_{k=1}^\infty \Phi_i(2\xi_k |x_k(i)|) \\ &\leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^\infty \sum_{k=1}^\infty \xi_k \Phi_i(x_k(i)) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^\infty \xi_k I_\Phi(x_k) \leq 2 \sum_{k=1}^\infty \xi_k < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $y \in l_\Psi$. By Lemma 2.1, we get the following contradiction:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leftarrow \sum_{i>i_k} x_k(i) y(i) \geq \sum_{i>i_k} |x_k(i)| p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|) \\ &= \sum_{i>i_k} \frac{1}{\xi_k} \xi_k |x_k(i)| p_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|) \geq \sum_{i>i_k} \frac{\Phi_i(\xi_k |x_k(i)|)}{\xi_k} > \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

If $\Phi \notin \delta_2$, then $WCS(l_\Phi) = 1$ because in this case $(l_\Phi)^+$ contains a sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ with pairwise disjoint supports and with $\|x_n\| = 1$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\|\sup_n x_n\| = 1$. So we assume in the following that $\Phi \in \delta_2$.

Theorem 2.3. *If Φ is an Orlicz function satisfying condition δ_2 , we have the following formula*

$$WCS(l_\Phi) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \inf \left[c_{x,n} > 0 : x \in S(l_\Phi), \text{supp}(x) \text{ is finite}, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. m(x) \geq n, I_\Phi \left(\frac{x}{c_{x,n}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2}, \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda x)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{n} \right] \right\},$$

where $m(x) = \min \{n : n \in \text{supp}(x)\}$.

Proof. Let us denote the right hand side of the equality in Theorem 2.3 by d .

First, we will show that $WCS(l_\Phi) \leq d$. Given any $\varepsilon > 0$, by the definition of the lower limit, there exists $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ with

$$\inf \left[c_{x,2x_1} > 0 : x \in S(l_\Phi), \text{supp}(x) \text{ is finite}, m(x) \geq 2x_1, \right. \\ \left. I_\Phi \left(\frac{x}{c_{x,2x_1}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2}, \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda x)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{2x_1} \right] \\ \leq d + \varepsilon \quad (\forall n \geq n_1).$$

Then by the definition of the infimum, there exists $x_1 \in S(l_\Phi)$ with finite $\text{supp}(x_1)$ and $m(x_1) \geq n_1$ such that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda x_1)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{n_1}$ and

$$\inf \left\{ c_{x_1,n_1} > 0 : I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_1}{c_{x_1,n_1}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \right\} \leq d + \varepsilon.$$

Since $\text{supp}(x_1)$ is finite, there exists $n_2 > n_1$ satisfying $\text{supp}(x_1) \cap [n_2, +\infty) = \emptyset$.

Now we can get $x_2 \in S(l_\Phi)$ with finite $\text{supp}(x_2)$, $m(x_2) \geq n_2$ and $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda x_2)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{n_2}$, satisfying $\inf \left[c_{x_2,2x_2} > 0 : I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_2}{c_{x_2,2x_2}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \right] \leq d + \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq n_2$.

Continuing the above process, we get that there exist a sequence of natural numbers $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$, satisfying for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$:

- (1) $x_i \in S(l_\Phi)$;
- (2) $\text{supp}(x_i)$ is finite, and $\text{supp}(x_i) \cap \text{supp}(x_j) = \emptyset$;
- (3) $m(x_i) \geq n_i$, and $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda x_i)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{n_i}$;
- (4) $\inf \left\{ c_{x_i,n_i} > 0 : I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_i}{c_{x_i,n_i}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \right\} \leq d + \varepsilon$.

We claim that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} I_\Phi(\lambda x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}}) = 0.$$

Take any $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $1/n_i \searrow 0$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$, there is i_ε such that $1/n_i < \varepsilon/3$ for all $i > i_\varepsilon$. Since $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (I_\Phi(\lambda x_i)/\lambda) \leq 1/n_i$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, there is $\lambda_\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} I_\Phi(\lambda x_i) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for all $i > i_\varepsilon$ and $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_\varepsilon$. Since $\Phi \in \delta_2$, we have that $I_\Phi(\lambda x_i) < \infty$ for any $\lambda > 0$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Consequently, there is $j_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_\varepsilon} I_\Phi(\lambda_\varepsilon x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for any $i \in \{1, \dots, i_\varepsilon\}$ and all natural $j \geq j_\varepsilon$. Since the function $\Phi(u)/u$ is nondecreasing, we have that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} I_\Phi(\lambda x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}}) \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_\varepsilon} I_\Phi(\lambda_\varepsilon x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for all $j \geq j_\varepsilon$, $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_\varepsilon$ and $i \in \{1, \dots, i_\varepsilon\}$. In consequence,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} I_\Phi(\lambda x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, $j \geq j_\varepsilon$ and $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_\varepsilon$, whence

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} |I_\Phi(\lambda x_i \chi_{\{j+1, j+2, \dots\}})| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon$$

for all $j \geq j_\varepsilon$ and $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_\varepsilon$, and the claim is proved.

Therefore, by Lemma 2.2, we have that $x_i \xrightarrow{w} 0$.

It is obvious that

$$I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_i + x_j}{d + \varepsilon} \right) = I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_i}{d + \varepsilon} \right) + I_\Phi \left(\frac{x_j}{d + \varepsilon} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1,$$

whence $\|x_i - x_j\| = \|x_i + x_j\| \leq d + \varepsilon$. This shows that $A(\{x_n\}) \leq d + \varepsilon$, so $WCS(l_\Phi) \leq d$, by the arbitrariness of $\varepsilon > 0$.

In the following, we will prove that $WCS(l_\Phi) \geq d$. Let us take any sequence $\{x_n\}$ in $S(l_\Phi)$ that is weakly convergent to zero. Since $x_n \xrightarrow{w} 0$ we have that $x_n \rightarrow 0$ coordinate-wise and, by Lemma 2.2,

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} I_\Phi(x_n \chi_{\{i+1, i+2, \dots\}}) = 0. \tag{1}$$

By $\Phi \in \delta_2$, we have for any $x \in l_\Phi$ that

$$\|(0, \dots, 0, x(i), x(i+1), \dots)\|_\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } i \rightarrow \infty. \tag{2}$$

Moreover, since $x_n \rightarrow 0$ coordinate-wise, we have for any natural j :

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^j x_n(i) e_i \right\|_\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{3}$$

On the base of (1), (2) and (3), there are natural numbers n_1, i_1 and j_1 such that $i_1 < j_1$ and the element $y_{n_1} := \sum_{i=i_1+1}^{j_1} x_{n_1}(i) e_i$ satisfies the inequalities

$$1 \geq \|y_{n_1}\|_{\Phi} \geq 1 - \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} I_{\Phi}(\lambda y_{n_1}) \leq \frac{1}{i_1}.$$

Next, we can find natural numbers n_2, i_2 and j_2 such that $n_2 > n_1, j_1 < i_2 < j_2$ and the element $y_{n_2} := \sum_{i=i_2+1}^{j_2} x_{n_2}(i) e_i$ satisfies the inequalities

$$1 \geq \|y_{n_2}\|_{\Phi} \geq 1 - \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} I_{\Phi}(\lambda y_{n_2}) \leq \frac{1}{i_2}.$$

Continuing this construction by induction, one can find three sequences $\{n_k\}, \{i_k\}$ and $\{j_k\}$ of natural numbers such that $n_{k+1} > n_k, i_k < j_k < i_{k+1}$ and the elements $y_{n_k} := \sum_{i=i_k+1}^{j_k} x_{n_k}(i) e_i$ satisfy the equalities

$$1 \geq \|y_{n_k}\|_{\Phi} \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} I_{\Phi}(\lambda y_{n_k}) \leq \frac{1}{i_k}$$

for any k . It is obvious that $m(y_{n_k}) > i_k$ for any k .

By the definition of d , there exists $n_0 \in N$ such that

$$\inf [c_{x,n} > 0 : x \in S(l_{\Phi}), \text{supp}(x) \text{ is finite}, m(x) \geq n, I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{x}{c_{x,n}}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}, \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_{\Phi}(\lambda x)}{\lambda} \leq \frac{1}{n}] > d - \varepsilon,$$

whenever $n > n_0$.

Hence

$$I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{y_{n_k} - y_{n_l}}{d - \varepsilon}\right) = I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{y_{n_k}}{d - \varepsilon}\right) + I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{y_{n_l}}{d - \varepsilon}\right) > \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

for $k \neq l; k, l$ being large enough.

Consequently, $\|y_{n_k} - y_{n_l}\| > d - \varepsilon$ for $k \neq l; k$ and l being large enough, that is, $A(\{y_{n_k}\}) > d - \varepsilon$. Since $\|x_{n_k} - x_{n_l}\| \geq \|y_{n_k} - y_{n_l}\| - \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{l}$, so $A(\{x_{n_k}\}) = A(y_{n_k}) > d - \varepsilon$. Hence $WCS(l_{\Phi}) > d - \varepsilon$. By the arbitrariness of $\varepsilon > 0$, we have $WCS(l_{\Phi}) \geq d$ and the proof of the theorem is finished. \square

Example 2.4. Take for example the l^p space ($1 < p < \infty$) and calculate $WCS(l^p)$. Take any $x \in S(l^p)$. If $c > 0$ satisfies the equality $I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$, i.e. $\frac{1}{c^p} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x(i)|^p = \frac{1}{2}$, then $c^p = 2$, and so $c = 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$. Therefore $WCS(l^p) = 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$. This is the result that has been proved originally by Bynum in [4].

In the following let $\{p_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be an increasing sequence of real numbers with $p_1 > 1$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p < \infty$.

Example 2.5. Let $l^{(p_i)}$ be the Nakano sequence space equipped with the Luxemburg norm. Then $WCS(l^{(p_i)}) = 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$.

Proof. For any weakly null sequence $\{x_n\}$ in $S(l^{(p_i)})$ and any $x \in S(l^{(p_i)})$ with finite $m(x)$, we may assume without loss of generality that $m(x) \cap m(x_n) = \emptyset$ for any $n \in N$. We now consider the equation

$$I_\Phi\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) + I_\Phi\left(\frac{x_n}{c}\right) = 1,$$

that is,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{x(i)}{c} \right|^{p_i} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{x_n(i)}{c} \right|^{p_i} = 1.$$

Since $c > 0$ satisfying the last equality is greater than 1, we have

$$\frac{1}{c^p} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x(i)|^{p_i} + \frac{1}{c^p} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_n(i)|^{p_i} = \frac{2}{c^p} \leq 1,$$

i.e. $c \geq 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$. This shows the inequality $WCS(l^{(p_i)}) \geq 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$.

Take the sequence $\{e_n\}$, where $e_n = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{n-1}, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$. Then $e_n \in l^{(p_i)}$ for any $n \in N$ and $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_\Phi(\lambda e_n)}{\lambda} = 0 < \frac{1}{n}$. Since $I_\Phi\left(e_n/2^{\frac{1}{p}}\right) = \left(2^{-\frac{1}{p}}\right)^{p_i} = 2^{-\frac{p_i}{p}} \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we get $\inf\{c > 0 : I_\Phi\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}\} \leq 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$. Consequently $WCS(l^{(p_i)}) \leq 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$, whence $WCS(l^{(p_i)}) = 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$. □

Theorem 2.6. *A Musielak-Orlicz sequence space l_Φ corresponding to a finitely valued and vanishing only at zero Musielak-Orlicz function Φ with $\sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \Phi_i(2a_i) < \infty$, where a_i are the positive numbers satisfying $\Phi_i(a_i) = 1$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, has the weakly uniformly normal structure if and only if $\Phi \in \delta_2$.*

Proof. We need only to prove that if $\Phi \in \delta_2$, then the Musielak-Orlicz sequence space l_Φ has the weakly uniformly normal structure because if $\Phi \notin \delta_2$, then l_Φ contains a linearly isometric copy of l_∞ and so l_Φ has not the weakly uniformly normal structure. By virtue of the Kamińska considerations in [9], we may assume that $\Phi_i(1) = 1$ for all $i \in \mathcal{N}$. We will divide our proof into two steps.

Step 1. We will prove that if $I_\Phi(x_n) \rightarrow 0$ then $\|x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Although the proof of this implication was given in [6] we present here another proof. Suppose that the implication does not hold. Then passing to a subsequence if necessary we may assume that there exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\| = \varepsilon_0$. Hence there exists $n_0 \in N$ such that

$$\|x_n\| > \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2} \text{ for } n > n_0.$$

By using $\Phi \in \delta_2$, we have

$$I_\Phi\left(\frac{x_n}{\|x_n\|}\right) = 1 \text{ for all } n \in N.$$

Using again $\Phi \in \delta_2$ and the fact that all Φ_i vanish only at zero, we get that there exist $a > 0$, $k > 0$ and $c_i > 0$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i < \frac{1}{3}$ and

$$\Phi_i\left(\frac{2u}{\varepsilon_0}\right) \leq k\Phi_i(u) + c_i$$

for all $i \in N$ and $u \in R$ satisfying $\Phi_i(u) \leq a$.

Hence, we have for all $n > n_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{x_n}{\|x_n\|}\right) \leq I_{\Phi}\left(\frac{2x_n}{\varepsilon_0}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\Phi_i(x_n(i)) \leq a} \Phi_i\left(\frac{2x_n(i)}{\varepsilon_0}\right) + \sum_{\Phi_i(x_n(i)) > a} \Phi_i\left(\frac{2x_n(i)}{\varepsilon_0}\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} k\Phi_i(x_n(i)) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i + \sum_{\Phi_i(x_n(i)) > a} \Phi_i\left(\frac{2x_n(i)}{\varepsilon_0}\right) \\ &= kI_{\Phi}(x_n) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i + \sum_{\Phi_i(x_n(i)) > a} \Phi_i\left(\frac{2x_n(i)}{\varepsilon_0}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $I_{\Phi}(x_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ by the assumption, there exists $n_1 \geq n_0$ such that $kI_{\Phi}(x_n) < \frac{1}{3}$ for $n > n_1$. Therefore, we have the inequality

$$1 \leq \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \sum_{\Phi_i(x_n(i)) > a} \Phi_i\left(\frac{2x_n(i)}{\varepsilon_0}\right)$$

for $n > n_1$, which gives that the value of the last sum is $\geq \frac{1}{3}$ for any $n > n_1$.

This shows that for each $n > n_1$ there exists $i \in N$ such that $\Phi_i(x_n(i)) > a$, i.e., $I_{\Phi}(x_n) > a$ for any $n > n_1$. A contradiction, which finishes the proof of the implication.

Step 2. Suppose that the assumptions about Φ are satisfied but l_{Φ} has not the weakly uniformly normal structure, i.e. $WCS(l_{\Phi}) = 1$. Then there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in $S(l_{\Phi})$ for which the sets $\text{supp}(x_n)$ are finite, $m(x_n) > n$, $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{I_{\Phi}(\lambda x_n)}{\lambda} < \frac{1}{n}$ and $\bar{c}_{x_n} \searrow 1$, where $\bar{c}_{x_n} = c_{x_n, n}$ and $c_{x_n, n}$ are from the formula for $WCS(l_{\Phi})$ in Theorem 2.3. By $\Phi \in \delta_2$, there are a constant $K > 0$ and a sequence (c_i) of nonnegative numbers such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Phi_i(c_i) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_i(2u) \leq K\Phi_i(u) \tag{*}$$

for $u \in [c_i, 1]$, $n \in \mathcal{N}$. Condition (*) follows from condition δ_2 for Φ and the assumption that $\sup_{i \in N} \Phi_i(2) < \infty$. Namely, condition δ_2 is equivalent to the fact that there exist constants $a \in (0, 1)$ and $K \geq 2$ and two sequences of positive numbers $(c_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$ and $(d_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$ with $\Phi_i(d_i) = a$ and $c_i < d_i$ for all $i \in N$ such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Phi_i(c_i) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_i(2u) \leq K_1\Phi_i(u)$$

for all $i \in N$ and $u \in [c_i, d_i]$. Then for all $i \in N$ and $u \in [d_i, 1]$, we have

$$\Phi_i(2u) \leq \Phi_i(2) = \frac{\Phi_i(2)}{\Phi_i(d_i)} \Phi_i(d_i) \leq \frac{\Phi_i(2)}{a} \Phi_i(u).$$

So, it is enough to define $K = \max(K_1, \sup_i \Phi_i(2))$.

Put $\bar{x}_n = (\bar{x}_n(1), \bar{x}_n(2), \dots, \bar{x}_n(i), \dots)$, where $\bar{x}_n(i) = x_n(i)$ if $|x_n(i)| \leq \bar{c}_{x_n} c_i$ and $\bar{x}_n(i) = \bar{c}_{x_n} c_i \operatorname{sgn}(x_n(i))$ if $|x_n(i)| > \bar{c}_{x_n} c_i$ for each $i \in \mathcal{N}$. Then $I_\Phi\left(\frac{\bar{x}_n}{\bar{c}_{x_n}}\right) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By the result from Step 1, we have that $\|\bar{x}_n\| \rightarrow 0$. Moreover, we also have $\|x_n - \bar{x}_n\| \rightarrow 1$.

Notice that thanks to condition (*), we have $I_\Phi\left(2\frac{(x_n - \bar{x}_n)}{\bar{c}_{x_n}}\right) \leq KI_\Phi\left(\frac{x_n}{\bar{c}_{x_n}}\right) + k \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i \leq K + k \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i < \infty$ for all $n \in N$. Let us introduce the following function $g : R^+ \rightarrow [0, \infty]$:

$$g(\lambda) = \sup \left\{ I_\Phi \left(\lambda \frac{x_n - \bar{x}_n}{\bar{c}_{x_n}} \right) : n = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

for $\lambda \in R^+$. Then g is convex, $g(0) = 0$, $g(1) \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $g(2) \leq k + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i < \infty$. Therefore, g is continuous on the interval $[0, 2)$. Thus, by the Darboux property of g , there exists $\lambda_0 \in (1, 2)$ such that $g(\lambda_0) \leq 1$. This means that $I_\Phi\left(\lambda_0 \frac{x_n - \bar{x}_n}{\bar{c}_{x_n}}\right) \leq 1$ for all $n \in N$, whence we have $\|x_n - \bar{x}_n\| \leq \bar{c}_{x_n} / \lambda_0$ for all $n \in N$. Since $\bar{c}_{x_n} \searrow 1$ and $1 < \lambda_0 < 2$, we conclude that there exists $m \in N$ such that $\sup_{n \geq m} (\bar{c}_{x_n} / \lambda_0) < 1$, which, by the above inequality, contradicts the condition $\|x_n - \bar{x}_n\| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. \square

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