

## GENERALIZED $\alpha$ -KÖTHE TOEPLITZ DUALS OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCE SEQUENCE SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we compute the generalized  $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals of the  $X$ -valued (Banach space) difference sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta)$ ,  $E(X, \Delta_v)$  and obtain a generalization of the existing results for  $\alpha$ -duals of the classical difference sequence spaces  $E(\Delta)$  and  $E(\Delta_v)$  of scalars,  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$ . Apart from this, we compute the generalized  $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals for  $E(X, \Delta^r)$   $r \geq 0$  integer and observe that the results agree with corresponding results for scalar cases.

### 1. Introduction

Kizmaz [12] in 1981, added to the field of sequence spaces a new idea of difference sequence spaces by introducing  $\ell_\infty(\Delta)$ ,  $c(\Delta)$  and  $c_0(\Delta)$  (termed as difference sequence spaces) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\ell_\infty(\Delta) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (\Delta x_k) \in \ell_\infty\} \\ c(\Delta) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (\Delta x_k) \in c\} \\ c_0(\Delta) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (\Delta x_k) \in c_0\}\end{aligned}$$

where  $c_0, c, \ell_\infty$  are Banach spaces of null, convergent and bounded sequences of scalars, normed by

$\|x\|_\infty = \sup_k |x_k|$  and  $\omega$  is the space of scalar sequences.

In other words,  $E(\Delta) = \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (\Delta x_k) \in E\}$  for  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$ . It is observed that  $E(\Delta)$  are Banach spaces with the norm

$$\|x\|_\Delta = |x_1| + \|\Delta x\|_\infty \text{ for } x = (x_k) \in E(\Delta), \Delta x = (\Delta x_k) = (x_k - x_{k+1}).$$

In 1995, Et and Çolak [7] generalized the above concept as follows:

$$E(\Delta^n) = \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (\Delta^n x_k) \in E\} \text{ for } E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}, \text{ where}$$

$$\Delta^n x = (\Delta^n x_k) = (\Delta^{n-1} x_k - \Delta^{n-1} x_{k+1}) \text{ for all } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } \Delta^0 x_k = x_k.$$

These spaces turn out to be complete when equipped with the norm  $\|x\|_\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| + \|\Delta^n x\|_\infty$ . Obviously, for  $n = 1$  the work of Et and Colak [7], reduces to that of Kizmaz [12].

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Using a multiplier sequence, Gnanaseelan and Srivastva [9] introduced the following sequence spaces

$$\ell_\infty(\Delta_v) = \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in \ell_\infty\}$$

$$c(\Delta_v) = \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in c\}$$

$$c_0(\Delta_v) = \{x = (x_k) \in \omega : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in c_0\}$$

where  $v = (v_k)$  is a sequence such that complex numbers  $v_k \neq 0$  and

$$(1) \quad \frac{|v_k|}{|v_{k+1}|} = 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{k}\right), \text{ for each } k$$

$$(2) \quad k^{-1} |v_k| \sum_{i=1}^k |v_i^{-1}| = O(1)$$

(3)  $(k|v_k^{-1}|)$  is a monotonically  $\uparrow$  sequence of positive numbers tending to infinity.

The spaces  $E(\Delta_v)$  for  $v = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$  are noting but the spaces  $E(\Delta)$  of Kizmaz and have Banach space structure when equipped with norm

$$\|x\|_{\Delta_v} = |v_1 x_1| + \sup_k |v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})|.$$

For more insight into difference sequence spaces and its various generalizations one may refer to [1–4, 8, 14, 16–21].

The theory of sequence spaces is considered to be incomplete without a touch to the concept of dual spaces. Credit of introducing dual spaces goes to G. Köthe and O. Toeplitz [13].

For a real or complex sequence space  $E$ ,

$$E^\alpha = \left\{ a = (a_k) \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k x_k| < \infty \text{ for each } x = (x_k) \in E \right\}$$

$$E^\beta = \left\{ a = (a_k) \in \omega : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x_k \text{ is convergent for each } x = (x_k) \in E \right\}$$

are called  $\alpha$ - ,  $\beta$ - duals spaces of  $E$ , respectively.

Kizmaz [12] observed that

$$[\ell_\infty(\Delta)]^\alpha = [c_0(\Delta)]^\alpha = [c(\Delta)]^\alpha = \left\{ a = (a_k) \in \omega : \sum_k k|a_k| < \infty \right\}.$$

Also we have in view of [7, 9]

$$[\ell_\infty(\Delta^r)]^\alpha = [c_0(\Delta^r)]^\alpha = [c(\Delta^r)]^\alpha = \left\{ a = (a_k) \in \omega : \sum_k k^r |a_k| < \infty \right\}$$

and

$$[\ell_\infty(\Delta_v)]^\alpha = [c_0(\Delta_v)]^\alpha = [c(\Delta_v)]^\alpha = \left\{ a = (a_k) \in \omega : \sum_k k|v_k^{-1}| |a_k| < \infty \right\}.$$

The above introduced notion of Köthe Toeplitz duals [13] was further generalized by Maddox [15] and termed as generalized Köthe Toeplitz duals (or operator duals). To have a view of this, we first have the following:

Let us consider Banach spaces  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$  with  $\theta$  as zero element. By  $B(X, Y)$ , we notate the class of bounded linear operator from  $X$  to  $Y$  which turn out to be Banach space with usual operator norm and  $\omega(X)$  as the space of  $X$ -valued sequences. Then for any nonempty subset  $E(X)$  of  $\omega(X)$

$$[E(X)]^\alpha = \left\{ (A_k) : \sum_k \|A_k x_k\| < \infty \text{ for } x = (x_k) \in E(X) \right\}$$

and

$$[E(X)]^\beta = \left\{ (A_k) : \sum_k A_k x_k \text{ converges in } Y \text{ for } x = (x_k) \in E(X) \right\}$$

are termed as generalized  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - dual spaces of  $E(X)$  respectively. Here  $\langle A_k \rangle$  is a sequence of linear (not necessarily bounded) operators from  $X$  to  $Y$ . Due to the completeness of  $Y$ ,  $[E(X)]^\alpha \subset [E(X)]^\beta$ .

It is to be noted that, the generalized dual spaces  $[E(X)]^\alpha$  and  $[E(X)]^\beta$  reduce to classical dual spaces  $E^\alpha$  and  $E^\beta$  for the case  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ , because in this case the operator  $A_k$  may be identified with scalar  $a_k$ .

Maddox [15], Duyar [6], Haryadi et al. [10], Khan [11] and many more investigated generalized Köthe Toeplitz duals, for sequence spaces  $c_0(X)$ ,  $c(X)$  and  $\ell_\infty(X)$  (the Banach spaces of null, convergent and bounded  $X$ -valued sequences respectively) normed by  $\|x\|_\infty = \sup_k \|x_k\|$ . It was shown that  $[\ell_\infty(X)]^\alpha = [c(X)]^\alpha = [c_0(X)]^\alpha$  which is natural generalization of the scalar case  $c_0^\alpha = c^\alpha = \ell_\infty^\alpha = \ell_1$ .

Bhardwaj and Gupta [5] introduced and studied the following difference sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta)$ ,  $E(X, \Delta_v)$  and  $E(X, \Delta^r)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} E(X, \Delta) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega(X) : (\Delta x_k) \in E(X)\} \\ E(X, \Delta_v) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega(X) : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in E(X)\} \\ E(X, \Delta^r) &= \{x = (x_k) \in \omega(X) : (\Delta^r x_k) \in E(X)\} \end{aligned}$$

for  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$  and compute their generalized  $\beta$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals.

In the present paper, we compute the generalized  $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals of difference sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta)$ ,  $E(X, \Delta^r)$  and  $E(X, \Delta_v)$  for  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$ . The results agree with those of the classical spaces  $E(\Delta)$ ,  $E(\Delta^r)$  and  $E(\Delta_v)$  for  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ .

## 2. Generalized $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals of difference sequence spaces $E(X, \Delta)$ and further generalizations

In the present snippet, we compute the generalized  $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals of difference sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta)$ ,  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$ . It is observed that results obtained agree with that of Kizmaz [12] for  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$  and hence a generalization from scalar valued theory to Banach space valued theory. Apart from this, we extend these results in the setting of generalized difference sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta^r)$ ,  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$ ,  $r \geq 0$  integer.

PROPOSITION 2.1.  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  such that

- (i)  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and  
(ii)  $\sum_{k \geq m} k \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let (i) and (ii) hold and  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta)$ . Then  $x_k - x_{k+1} \rightarrow \theta$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and so  $\sup_k \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| < \infty$ . Now

$$\|x_k - x_{k+1}\| \leq \left\| \sum_{v=1}^k (x_v - x_{v+1}) \right\| \leq \sum_{v=1}^k \|x_v - x_{v+1}\| = O(k).$$

Also

$$\|x_k\| \leq \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| + \|x_{k+1} - x_1\| + \|x_1\| \text{ for every } k,$$

which implies  $k^{-1}\|x_k\| \leq k^{-1}O(1) + O(1) + k^{-1}\|x_1\|$ . Thus  $\sup_k k^{-1}\|x_k\| < \infty$ . Also by (ii) for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an integer  $k_1 \geq m$  such that  $\sum_{k \geq k_1} k \|A_k\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$  where  $M = \sup_k k^{-1}\|x_k\|$ . Now

$$\sum_{k \geq k_1} \|A_k x_k\| \leq \sum_{k \geq k_1} (k \|A_k\|)(k^{-1}\|x_k\|) < M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{M} = \varepsilon.$$

Thus  $\sum_{k \geq k_1} \|A_k x_k\|$  converges and  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ .

Necessity: suppose  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$  but no  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  exists for which  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$ . Then there exists a sequence  $(k_i)$  of natural numbers  $m \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  with  $A_{k_i} \notin B(X, Y)$  for each  $i \geq 1$ . Thus for each  $i \geq 1$ , we can find  $z_i \in S$  such that  $\|A_{k_i} z_i\| > i$ . Define

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{z_i}{i} & \text{for } k = k_i, i \geq 1 \\ \theta & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta)$  and  $\|A_{k_i} x_{k_i}\| > 1$  for each  $i \geq 1$ . This implies  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  diverges, which contradicts that  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ . Hence the  $A_k$ 's are ultimately bounded.

Now suppose (ii) does not hold, i.e.,  $\sum_{k \geq m} k \|A_k\| = \infty$ . Following Maddox [15], there exists natural numbers  $n(1) < n(2) < \dots$  with  $n(1) \geq m$  such that for each  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} k \|A_k\| > 2^{n(i+1)}$ . Moreover, for each  $k \geq m$ , there exists  $z_k \in S$  such that  $\|A_k\| \leq 2\|A_k z_k\|$ . Define

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{2^k} z_k & \text{for } n(i) < k \leq n(i+1), i \geq 1 \\ \theta & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta)$  but

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \|A_k x_k\| &= \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k}{2^k} \|A_k z_k\| \\ &> \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k}{2^k} \|A_k\| \\ &> \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k \|A_k\|}{2^{n(i+1)}} > \frac{1}{2} \text{ for each } i \geq 1, \end{aligned}$$

shows that  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\| = \infty$ , which is a contradiction to  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\| < \infty$ . Hence (ii) holds.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.2.  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  with

- (i)  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and
- (ii)  $\sum_{k \geq m} k \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let (i) and (ii) hold and  $x = (x_k) \in c(X, \Delta)$ . Then  $(x_k - x_{k+1}) \in c(X)$  and so  $\sup_k \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| < \infty$ . Arguing in the same way, as in sufficiency portion of Proposition 2.1, we get  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ .

Necessity: Since  $c^\alpha(X, \Delta) \subset c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ , so the necessary part follows from the necessary part of Proposition 2.1. □

PROPOSITION 2.3.  $(A_k) \in \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  such that

- (i)  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and
- (ii)  $\sum_{k \geq m} k \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let (i) and (ii) hold and  $x = (x_k) \in \ell_\infty(X, \Delta)$ . Then  $(x_k - x_{k+1}) \in \ell_\infty(X)$  and so  $\sup_k \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| < \infty$ . Arguing in the same way, as in Proposition 2.1, we get  $(A_k) \in \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ .

Necessity: Since  $\ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta) \subset c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta)$ , so the result follows in view of Proposition 2.1. □

COROLLARY 2.4.  $[c_0(X, \Delta)]^\alpha = [c(X, \Delta)]^\alpha = [\ell_\infty(X, \Delta)]^\alpha$ .

COROLLARY 2.5.  $[c_0(\Delta)]^\alpha = [c(\Delta)]^\alpha = [\ell_\infty(\Delta)]^\alpha = \{(a_k) : \sum_k k |a_k| < \infty\}$ .

*Proof.* As in case  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ , the operator  $A_k$  may be replace by scalar  $a_k$ , hence the result follows from Proposition 2.1, Proposition 2.2 and Proposition 2.3. □

Before proceeding further in this section, we recall the following

$$\begin{aligned} c_0(X, \Delta^r) &= \{(x_k) : (\Delta^r x_k) \in c_0\} \\ c(X, \Delta^r) &= \{(x_k) : (\Delta^r x_k) \in c\} \\ \ell_\infty(X, \Delta^r) &= \{(x_k) : (\Delta^r x_k) \in \ell_\infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, taking  $X = \mathbb{C}$ , the above spaces reduce to  $\ell_\infty(\Delta^r)$ ,  $c(\Delta^r)$  and  $c_0(\Delta^r)$  respectively of [7].

LEMMA 2.6. If  $\sup_k \|\Delta^r x_k\| < \infty$  then  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|\Delta^{r-1} x_k\| < \infty$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\sup_k \|\Delta^r x_k\| < \infty$ , i.e.,  $\sup_k \|\Delta^{r-1} x_k - \Delta^{r-1} x_{k+1}\| < \infty$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta^{r-1} x_1 - \Delta^{r-1} x_{k+1}\| &= \left\| \sum_{v=1}^k (\Delta^{r-1} x_v - \Delta^{r-1} x_{v+1}) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{v=1}^k \|\Delta^{r-1} x_v - \Delta^{r-1} x_{v+1}\| = O(k) \end{aligned}$$

and this holds for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also

$$\|\Delta^{r-1} x_k\| \leq \|\Delta^{r-1} x_1\| + \|\Delta^{r-1} x_{k+1} - \Delta^{r-1} x_1\| + \|\Delta^{r-1} x_k - \Delta^{r-1} x_{k+1}\|$$

for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , which implies  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|\Delta^{r-1} x_k\| < \infty$ . □

LEMMA 2.7. If  $\sup_k k^{-i} \|\Delta^{r-i} x_k\| < \infty$  then  $\sup_k k^{-(i+1)} \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_k\| < \infty$ , for all  $i, r \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $1 \leq i \leq r$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\sup_k k^{-i} \|\Delta^{r-i} x_k\| < \infty$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_1 - \Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_{k+1}\| &= \left\| \sum_{v=1}^k (\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_v - \Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_{v+1}) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{v=1}^k \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_v - \Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_{v+1}\| \\ &= \sum_{v=1}^k \|\Delta^{r-i} x_v\| = O(k^{i+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_k\| \leq \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_1\| + \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_{k+1} - \Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_1\| + \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_k - \Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_{k+1}\|$$

which implies  $\sup_k k^{-(i+1)} \|\Delta^{r-(i+1)} x_k\| < \infty$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.8.** *If  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|\Delta^{r-1} x_k\| < \infty$  then  $\sup_k k^{-r} \|x_k\| < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* Repeated application of Lemma 2.7, yields the result.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 2.9.**  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$  *iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  such that*

- (i)  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and
- (ii)  $\sum_{k \geq m} k^r \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let (i) and (ii) hold and  $x = (x_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$ . Then  $(\Delta^r x_k) \in c_0(X)$  and so  $\sup_k \|\Delta^r x_k\| < \infty$ . Now Lemma 2.6 and Corollary 2.8, yields  $\sup_k k^{-r} \|x_k\| < \infty$ . Also for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an integer  $k_1 \geq m$  such that  $\sum_{k \geq k_1} k^r \|A_k\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$  where  $M = \sup_k k^{-r} \|x_k\|$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \geq k_1} \|A_k x_k\| &\leq \sum_{k \geq k_1} \|A_k\| \|x_k\| \\ &= \sum_{k \geq k_1} (k^r \|A_k\|) (k^{-r} \|x_k\|) \leq M \frac{\varepsilon}{M} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  converges and  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$ .

Necessity:  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$  but no  $m$  exists such that  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$ . Then there exists natural numbers  $k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  and  $z_i \in S$  such that for each  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\|A_{k_i} z_i\| > 2^i$ . Define

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{z_i}{2^i} & \text{for } k = k_i, \text{ for each } i \geq 1 \\ \theta & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta^r)$  but  $\|A_k x_k\| > 1$  for  $k = k_i, i \geq 1$ , which is a contradiction as  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  converges. Hence condition (i) holds.

Next, suppose if possible, that  $\sum_{k \geq m} k^r \|A_k\| = \infty$ . Then there exists an increasing (strictly) sequence  $\langle n(i) \rangle$  with  $n(1) \geq m$  and sequence  $\langle z_k \rangle$  in  $S$  such that  $2\|A_k z_k\| \geq \|A_k\|$  and  $\sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} k^r \|A_k\| > 2^{n(i+1)}$ . Define

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{k^r}{2^k} z_k & \text{for } n(i) < k \leq n(i+1), i \geq 1 \\ \theta & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta^r)$  but

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \|A_k x_k\| &= \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k^r}{2^k} \|A_k z_k\| \\ &> \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k^r \|A_k\|}{2^{n(i+1)}} > \frac{1}{2} \text{ for each } i \geq 1, \end{aligned}$$

show that  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  diverges, contrary to the fact that  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\| < \infty$ . Hence (ii) holds and proposition is proved.  $\square$

The proofs of the following runs on the similar lines as that of the above propositions and corollaries and hence omitted.

PROPOSITION 2.10.  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  with

- (i)  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and
- (ii)  $\sum_{k \geq m} k^r \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* The proof runs on similar lines as that of Proposition 2.2 and hence omitted.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2.11. The conditions (i) and (ii) of Proposition 2.10 are also necessary as well as sufficient for  $(A_k) \in \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$ .

COROLLARY 2.12.  $c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta^r) = c^\alpha(X, \Delta^r) = \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta^r)$ .

REMARK 2.13. From Corollary 2.12,

1. For  $r = 1$ , we obtained  $[c_0(X, \Delta)]^\alpha = [c(X, \Delta)]^\alpha = [\ell_\infty(X, \Delta)]^\alpha$ , i.e. Corollary 2.4.
2. For  $r = 0$ , we get results obtained by Maddox [15], i.e.  $[c_0(X)]^\alpha = [c(X)]^\alpha = [\ell_\infty(X)]^\alpha$ .
3. For  $r = 1$ , and  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ , we get the corresponding results of Kizmaz [12].
4. For  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ , we deduce the corresponding results of Et and Çolak [7].

### 3. Generalized $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz Dual of sequence space $E(X, \Delta_v)$

In this snippet, we investigate the generalized  $\alpha$ -Köthe Toeplitz duals of the following sequence spaces  $E(X, \Delta_v)$  for  $E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$  and give a generalization to the existing results (for scalar valued) on duality theory.

Before stepping further, we recall the spaces  $E(X, \Delta_v)$ , introduced by Bhardwaj and Gupta [5] as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_\infty(X, \Delta_v) &= \{x = (x_k) : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in \ell_\infty(X)\} \\ c(X, \Delta_v) &= \{x = (x_k) : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in c(X)\} \\ c_0(X, \Delta_v) &= \{x = (x_k) : (v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in c_0(X)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, for  $X = \mathbb{C}$ , these spaces are nothing but the spaces introduced by Gnanaseelan and Srivastva [9].

LEMMA 3.1. If  $\sup_k \|v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})\| < \infty$ , then  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\sup_k \|v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})\| < \infty$ . We get

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1 - x_{k+1}\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k (x_i - x_{i+1}) \right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i - x_{i+1}\| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \|v_i(x_i - x_{i+1})\| |v_i^{-1}| \\ &= O(1) \sum_{i=1}^k |v_i^{-1}| = O(1) (k^{-1}|v_k|) \sum_{i=1}^k |v_i^{-1}| k |v_k^{-1}| \\ &= O(k |v_k^{-1}|) \quad (\text{using 2}). \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\|x_k\| = \|x_k - x_{k+1} + x_{k+1} - x_1 + x_1\| \leq \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| + \|x_{k+1} - x_1\| + \|x_1\|$$

for every  $k$ , which implies

$$k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\| \leq k^{-1} |v_k| \|x_k - x_{k+1}\| + k^{-1} |v_k| \|x_{k+1} - x_1\| + k^{-1} |v_k| \|x_1\|.$$

Using (3), we get,  $k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\| \leq k^{-1} O(1) + O(1) + k^{-1} |v_k| \|x_1\|$ .

Hence  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\| < \infty$  by (3).  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.2.**  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  such that  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and  $\sum_{k \geq m} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta_v)$ . Then  $v_k(x_k - x_{k+1}) \rightarrow \theta$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and so  $\sup_k \|v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})\| < \infty$ . By Lemma 3.1, we get  $\sup_k k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\| < \infty$ . Also for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an integer  $k_1 \geq m$  such that  $\sum_{k \geq k_1} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$  where  $M = \sup_k k^{-1} \|v_k x_k\|$ . Now

$$\sum_{k \geq k_1} \|A_k x_k\| \leq \sum_{k \geq k_1} (k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\|) (k^{-1} |v_k| \|x_k\|) < M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{M} = \varepsilon.$$

Thus  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  converges and  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$ .

Necessity:  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$  but no  $m$  exists such that  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$ . Then there exists natural numbers  $k_1 < k_2 < \dots$  and  $z_i \in S$  such that for each  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\|A_{k_i} z_i\| > 2^i |v_{k_i}^{-1}|$ . Now the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  defined by

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{z_i}{2^i} |v_{k_i}^{-1}| & \text{for } k = k_i, i \geq 1, \\ \theta & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \text{is in } c_0(X, \Delta_v)$$

but  $\|A_{k_i} x_{k_i}\| > 1$  and so  $\sum_k \|A_k x_k\|$  diverges, which is a contradiction to  $(A_k) \in c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$ .

Next, suppose that  $\sum_{k \geq m} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| = \infty$ . Then there exists an increasing (strictly) sequence  $\langle n(i) \rangle$  of positive integers such that  $\sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| > 2^{n(i+1)}$ . Moreover for each  $k \geq m$ , there exists a sequence  $\langle z_k \rangle$  in  $S$  such that  $2 \|A_k z_k\| \geq \|A_k\|$ . Now define  $x = (x_k)$  by

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{2^k} |v_k^{-1}| z_k & \text{for } n(i) < k \leq n(i+1), i \geq 1 \\ \theta & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Then  $x = (x_k) \in c_0(X, \Delta_v)$  but for each  $i$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \|A_k x_k\| &= \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k}{2^k} |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k z_k\| \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k}{2^k} |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1+n(i)}^{n(i+1)} \frac{k}{2^{n(i+1)}} |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| > \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

which show that  $\sum_{k \geq m} \|A_k x_k\|$  diverges, again contradictory.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.3.**  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  with  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and  $\sum_{k \geq m} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Sufficiency: Let  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and  $\sum_{k \geq m} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| < \infty$ . In order to prove  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$ , let  $x = (x_k) \in c(X, \Delta_v)$ . Then  $(v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})) \in c(X)$  and so  $\sup_k \|v_k(x_k - x_{k+1})\| < \infty$ . Arguing in the same way as in Proposition 3.2, we get  $(A_k) \in c^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$

Necessity: As  $c^\alpha(X, \Delta_v) \subset c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$ , so the proof follows from Proposition 3.2.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 3.4.**  $(A_k) \in \ell^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$  iff there exists integer  $m > 0$  with  $A_k \in B(X, Y)$  for all  $k \geq m$  and  $\sum_{k \geq m} k |v_k^{-1}| \|A_k\| < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Proof runs on similar lines as in Proposition 3.3 and hence left for reader.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.5.** (a)  $c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta_v) = c^\alpha(X, \Delta_v) = \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta_v)$   
 (b)  $c_0^\alpha(X, \Delta) = c^\alpha(X, \Delta) = \ell_\infty^\alpha(X, \Delta)$

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