# SOME PARANORMED SEQUENCE SPACES DEFINED BY A MUSIELAK-ORLICZ FUNCTION OVER N-NORMED SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we present new classes of sequence spaces using lacunary sequences and a Musielak-Orlicz function over *n*-normed spaces. We examine some topological properties and prove some interesting inclusion relations between them.

## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

The concept of 2-normed spaces was initially developed by Gähler [5] in the mid of 1960's, while that of n-normed spaces one can see in Misiak [14]. Since then, many others have studied this concept and obtained various results, see Gunawan ([6], [7]) and Gunawan and Mashadi [8]. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and X be a linear space over the field  $\mathbb{K}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is field of real or complex numbers of dimension d, where  $d \geq n \geq 2$ . A real valued function  $||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||$  on  $X^n$  satisfying the following four conditions:

- (1)  $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|| = 0$  if and only if  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are linearly dependent in X:
- (2)  $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||$  is invariant under permutation;
- (3)  $||\alpha x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|| = |\alpha| \ ||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ , and
- (4)  $||x+x', x_2, \dots, x_n|| \le ||x, x_2, \dots, x_n|| + ||x', x_2, \dots, x_n||$

is called an *n*-norm on X, and the pair  $(X, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||)$  is called a *n*-normed space over the field  $\mathbb{K}$ .

For example, we may take  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$  being equipped with the n-norm  $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||_E$  = the volume of the n-dimensional parallelopiped spanned by the vectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  which may be given explicitly by the formula

$$||x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n||_E = |\det(x_{ij})|,$$

where  $x_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{in}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Let  $(X, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||)$  be an *n*-normed space of dimension  $d \geq n \geq 2$  and  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  be linearly

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independent set in X. Then the following function  $||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||_{\infty}$  on  $X^{n-1}$  defined by

$$||x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_{n-1}||_{\infty} = \max\{||x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_{n-1}, a_i|| : i = 1, 2, \cdots, n\}$$

defines an (n-1)-norm on X with respect to  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ .

A sequence  $(x_k)$  in a n-normed space  $(X, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||)$  is said to converge to some  $L \in X$  if

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} ||x_k - L, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}|| = 0 \text{ for every } z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \in X.$$

A sequence  $(x_k)$  in a *n*-normed space  $(X, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||)$  is said to be Cauchy if

$$\lim_{\substack{k \to \infty \\ p \to \infty}} ||x_k - x_p, z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}|| = 0 \text{ for every } z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X.$$

If every cauchy sequence in X converges to some  $L \in X$ , then X is said to be complete with respect to the n-norm. Any complete n-normed space is said to be n-Banach space.

Let X be a linear metric space. A function  $p: X \to \mathbb{R}$  is called paranorm, if

- (1)  $p(x) \ge 0$  for all  $x \in X$ ,
- (2) p(-x) = p(x) for all  $x \in X$ ,
- (3)  $p(x+y) \le p(x) + p(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (4) if  $(\lambda_n)$  is a sequence of scalars with  $\lambda_n \to \lambda$  as  $n \to \infty$  and  $(x_n)$  is a sequence of vectors with  $p(x_n x) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , then  $p(\lambda_n x_n \lambda x) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

A paranorm p for which p(x) = 0 implies x = 0 is called total paranorm and the pair (X, p) is called a total paranormed space. It is well known that the metric of any linear metric space is given by some total paranorm (see [19, Theorem 10.4.2, pp. 183]).

For more details about sequence spaces (see [1], [2], [3], [17], [18]) and references therein.

An Orlicz function M is a function, which is continuous, non-decreasing and convex with M(0) = 0, M(x) > 0 for x > 0 and  $M(x) \longrightarrow \infty$  as  $x \longrightarrow \infty$ .

Lindenstrauss and Tzafriri [10] used the idea of Orlicz function to define the following sequence space. Let w be the space of all real or complex sequences  $x = (x_k)$ , then

$$\ell_M = \left\{ x \in w : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M\left(\frac{|x_k|}{\rho}\right) < \infty \right\}$$

which is called as an Orlicz sequence space. The space  $\ell_M$  is a Banach space with the norm

$$||x|| = \inf \left\{ \rho > 0 : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M\left(\frac{|x_k|}{\rho}\right) \le 1 \right\}.$$

It is shown in [10] that every Orlicz sequence space  $\ell_M$  contains a subspace isomorphic to  $\ell_p(p \geq 1)$ . The  $\Delta_2$ -condition is equivalent to  $M(Lx) \leq kLM(x)$  for all values of  $x \geq 0$ , and for L > 1. A sequence  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  of Orlicz function is called a Musielak-Orlicz function (see [13], [16]). A sequence  $\mathcal{N} = (N_k)$  is defined by

$$N_k(v) = \sup\{|v|u - (M_k) : u > 0\}, k = 1, 2, \dots$$

is called the complementary function of a Musielak-Orlicz function  $\mathcal{M}$ . For a given Musielak-Orlicz function  $\mathcal{M}$ , the Musielak-Orlicz sequence space  $t_{\mathcal{M}}$  and its subspace  $h_{\mathcal{M}}$  are defined as follows

$$t_{\mathcal{M}} = \Big\{ x \in w : I_{\mathcal{M}}(cx) < \infty \text{ for some } c > 0 \Big\},$$

$$h_{\mathcal{M}} = \Big\{ x \in w : I_{\mathcal{M}}(cx) < \infty \text{ for all } c > 0 \Big\},$$

where  $I_{\mathcal{M}}$  is a convex modular defined by

$$I_{\mathcal{M}}(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (M_k)(x_k), x = (x_k) \in t_{\mathcal{M}}.$$

We consider  $t_{\mathcal{M}}$  equipped with the Luxemburg norm

$$||x|| = \inf\left\{k > 0 : I_{\mathcal{M}}\left(\frac{x}{k}\right) \le 1\right\}$$

or equipped with the Orlicz norm

$$||x||^0 = \inf \left\{ \frac{1}{k} \left( 1 + I_{\mathcal{M}}(kx) \right) : k > 0 \right\}.$$

Let  $\ell_{\infty}$ , c and  $c_0$  denotes the sequence spaces of bounded, convergent and null sequences  $x = (x_k)$  respectively. A sequence  $x = (x_k) \in \ell_{\infty}$  is said to be almost convergent if all Banach limits of  $x = (x_k)$  coincide. In [9], it was shown that

$$\hat{c} = \left\{ x = (x_k) : \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_{k+s} \text{ exists, uniformly in } s \right\}.$$

In ([11], [12]) Maddox defined strongly almost convergent sequences. Recall that a sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is strongly almost convergent if there is a number L such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} |x_{k+s} - L| = 0, \text{ uniformly in } s.$$

By a lacunary sequence  $\theta=(i_r),\ r=0,1,2,\cdots$ , where  $i_0=0$ , we shall mean an increasing sequence of non-negative integers  $g_r=(i_r-i_{r-1})\to\infty$   $(r\to\infty)$ . The intervals determined by  $\theta$  are denoted by  $I_r=(i_{r-1},i_r]$  and the ratio  $i_r/i_{r-1}$  will be denoted by  $q_r$ . The space of lacunary strongly convergent sequences  $N_\theta$  was defined by Freedman [4] as follows:

$$N_{\theta} = \left\{ x = (x_k) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{g_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} |x_k - L| = 0 \text{ for some } L \right\}.$$

Mursaleen and Noman [15] introduced the notion of  $\lambda$ -convergent and  $\lambda$ -bounded sequences as follows :

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a strictly increasing sequence of positive real numbers tending to infinity i.e.

$$0 < \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 < \cdots$$
 and  $\lambda_k \to \infty$  as  $k \to \infty$ 

and said that a sequence  $x = (x_k) \in w$  is  $\lambda$ -convergent to the number L, called the  $\lambda$ -limit of x if  $\Lambda_m(x) \longrightarrow L$  as  $m \to \infty$ , where

$$\lambda_m(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda_m} \sum_{k=1}^m (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1}) x_k.$$

The sequence  $x = (x_k) \in w$  is  $\lambda$ -bounded if  $\sup_m |\Lambda_m(x)| < \infty$ . It is well known [15] that if  $\lim_m x_m = a$  in the ordinary sense of convergence, then

$$\lim_{m} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_m} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{m} (\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1}) |x_k - a| \right) = 0.$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{m} |\Lambda_{m}(x) - a| = \lim_{m} \left| \frac{1}{\lambda_{m}} \sum_{k=1}^{m} (\lambda_{k} - \lambda_{k-1})(x_{k} - a) \right| = 0$$

which yields that  $\lim_m \Lambda_m(x) = a$  and hence  $x = (x_k) \in w$  is  $\lambda$ -convergent to a.

Let  $(X, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||)$  be a n-normed space and w(n-X) denotes the space of X-valued sequences. Let  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  be a Musielak-Orlicz function and  $p = (p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then we define the following sequence spaces in the present paper:

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n-X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0, L \in X$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ ,

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ 

and

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \sup_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} < \infty, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ .

When,  $\mathcal{M}(x) = x$ , we get

$$[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right)^{p_k} = 0, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0, L \in X$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ ,

$$[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right)^{p_k} = 0, \right.$$

for some 
$$\rho > 0$$
 and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ 

and

$$[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \sup_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in L} \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right)^{p_k} < \infty, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ .

If we take  $p = (p_k) = 1$  for all k, then we get  $[c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} =$ 

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right] = 0, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0, L \in X$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ ,

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_k) \in w(n - X) : \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right] = 0, \right\}$$

for some  $\rho > 0$  and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ 

and

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta} =$$

$$\left\{x = (x_k) \in w(n-X) : \sup_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right] < \infty, \right\}$$

for some 
$$\rho > 0$$
 and for every  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in X$ .

The following inequality will be used throughout the paper. If  $0 \le \inf_k p_k = H_0 \le p_k \le \sup_k = H < \infty$ ,  $K = \max(1, 2^{H-1})$  and  $H = \sup_k p_k < \infty$ , then

$$(1.1) |x_k + y_k|^{p_k} \le K(|x_k|^{p_k} + |y_k|^{p_k}),$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x_k, y_k \in \mathbb{C}$ . Also  $|x_k|^{p_k} \leq \max(1, |x_k|^H)$  for all  $x_k \in \mathbb{C}$ .

## 2. Some properties of difference sequence spaces

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $M=(M_k)$  be a Musielak-Orlicz function and  $p=(p_k)$  be a bounded sequence of positive real numbers. Then  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||., \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ ,  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$  and  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$  are linear spaces over the field of complex numbers C.

*Proof.* Let  $x = (x_k), y = (y_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then there exist positive numbers  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  such that

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0,$$

and

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0,.$$

Let  $\rho_3 = \max(2|\alpha|\rho_1, 2|\beta|\rho_2)$ . Since  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  is non-decreasing convex function, by using inequality (1.1), we have

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(\alpha x + \beta y)}{\rho_3}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\alpha \Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_3}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || + \frac{\beta \Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_3}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &\leq K \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \frac{1}{2^{p_k}} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &+ K \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \frac{1}{2^{p_k}} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &\leq K \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &+ K \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \\ &\to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad r \to \infty. \end{split}$$

Thus, we have  $\alpha x + \beta y \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ . Hence  $[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$  is a linear space. Similarly, we can prove that  $[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\theta}^{\theta}$  and  $[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta}$  are linear spaces.

**Theorem 2.2.** For any Musielak-Orlicz function  $M = (M_k)$  and a bounded sequence  $p = (p_k)$  of positive real numbers,  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$  is a topological linear space paranormed by

$$g(x) = \inf \Big\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I} \Big[ M_k(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}||) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \le 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\},$$

where  $H = \max(1, \sup_k p_k < \infty)$ .

*Proof.* Clearly  $g(x) \ge 0$  for  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ . Since  $M_k(0) = 0$ , we get g(0) = 0. Again, if g(x) = 0, then

$$\inf\left\{\rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}}: \left(\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I}\left[M_k\left(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\right)\right]^{p_k}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}}\leq 1, r\in\mathbb{N}\right\}=0.$$

This implies that for a given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists some  $\rho_{\epsilon}(0 < \rho_{\epsilon} < \epsilon)$  such that

$$\left(\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_n}\left[M_k\left(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_\epsilon},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\right)\right]^{p_k}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}}\leq 1.$$

Thus

$$\left(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\epsilon}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq \left( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_{\epsilon}}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq 1,$$

for each r. Suppose that  $x \neq 0$  for each  $k \in N$ . This implies that  $\Lambda_k(x) \neq 0$ , for each  $k \in N$ . Let  $\epsilon \longrightarrow 0$ , then  $||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\epsilon}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}|| \longrightarrow \infty$ . It follows that

$$\left(\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_r}\left[M_k\left(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\epsilon},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\right)\right]^{p_k}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}}\longrightarrow\infty,$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\Lambda_k(x) = 0$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\rho_1 > 0$  and  $\rho_2 > 0$  be such that

$$\left(\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_r}\left[M_k\left(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}||\right)\right]^{p_k}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \le 1$$

and

$$\left(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \le 1$$

for each r. Let  $\rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2$ . Then, by Minkowski's inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} & \Big(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x+y)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ & \leq \Big(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) + \Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_1 + \rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ & \leq \Big( \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big) \\ & + \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ & \leq \Big( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \Big) \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ & + \Big( \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \Big) \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ & \leq 1 \end{split}$$

Since  $\rho's$  are non-negative, so we have

$$\begin{split} g(x+y) &= \inf \Big\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x+y)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\}, \\ &\leq \inf \Big\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\} \\ &+ \inf \Big\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(y)}{\rho_2}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\}. \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$g(x+y) \le g(x) + g(y).$$

Finally, we prove that the scalar multiplication is continuous. Let  $\mu$  be any complex number. By definition,

$$g(\mu x) = \inf \left\{ \rho^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \left( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(\mu x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \le 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

Then

$$g(\mu x) = \inf \Big\{ (|\mu|t)^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{t \in I} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{t}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \le 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\},$$

where  $t = \frac{\rho}{|\mu|}$ . Since  $|\mu|^{p_r} \le \max(1, |\mu|^{\sup p_r})$ , we have

$$g(\mu x) \leq \max(1, |\mu|^{\sup p_r}) \inf \Big\{ t^{\frac{p_r}{H}} : \Big( \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \Big[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{t}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \Big]^{p_k} \Big)^{\frac{1}{H}} \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \Big\}.$$

So, the fact that scalar multiplication is continuous follows from the above inequal-

This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $M = (M_k)$  be a Musielak-Orlicz function. If  $\sup_{x \in M_k} [M_k(x)]^{p_k} < \infty$ for all fixed x > 0, then  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_\infty^\theta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ . There exists some positive  $\rho_1$  such that

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho_1}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0.$$

Define  $\rho = 2\rho_1$ . Since  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  is non-decreasing and convex, by using inequality (1.1), we have

$$\begin{split} \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ M_{k} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_{k}(x)}{\rho}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &= \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ M_{k} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_{k}(x) - L + L}{\rho}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &\leq K \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ \frac{1}{2^{p_{k}}} M_{k} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_{k}(x) - L}{\rho_{1}}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &+ K \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ \frac{1}{2^{p_{k}}} M_{k} \left( || \frac{L}{\rho_{1}}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &\leq K \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ M_{k} \left( || \frac{\Lambda_{k}(x) - L}{\rho_{1}}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &+ K \sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} \left[ M_{k} \left( || \frac{L}{\rho_{1}}, z_{1}, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_{k}} \\ &< \infty. \end{split}$$

Hence  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $0 < \inf p_k = g \le p_k \le \sup p_k = H < \infty$  and  $M = (M_k)$ ,  $M' = (M'_k)$  are Musielak-Orlicz functions satisfying  $\Delta_2$ -condition, then we have

$$(i) \ [c, M', p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} \subset [c, M \circ M', p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta},$$

$$(iii) \ [\ c,M',p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta} \subset [\ c,M\circ M',p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}', p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ . Then we have

$$\lim_{r\to\infty}\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_r}\left[M_k'\Big(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)-L}{\rho},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\Big)\right]^{p_k}=0, \text{ for some } L.$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta$  with  $0 < \delta < 1$  such that  $M_k(t) < \epsilon$  for  $0 \le t \le \delta$ . Let

$$y_k = M'_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \text{ for all } k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We can write

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k} = \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k < \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k} + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k > \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  satisfies  $\Delta_2$ -condition, we have

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k \le \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k} \le [M_k(1)]^H \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k \le \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k} 
\le [M_k(2)]^H \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k \le \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k}$$

For  $y_k > \delta$ 

(2.1)

$$y_k < \frac{y_k}{\delta} < 1 + \frac{y_k}{\delta}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{M} = (M_k)$  is non-decreasing and convex, it follows that

$$M_k(y_k) < M_k \left(1 + \frac{y_k}{\delta}\right) < \frac{1}{2} M_k(2) + \frac{1}{2} M_k \left(\frac{2y_k}{\delta}\right).$$

Since  $(M_k)$  satisfies  $\Delta_2$ -condition, we can write

$$M_k(y_k) < \frac{1}{2} T \frac{y_k}{\delta} M_k(2) + \frac{1}{2} T \frac{y_k}{\delta} M_k(2)$$
$$= T \frac{y_k}{\delta} M_k(2).$$

Hence.

$$(2.2) \qquad \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k > \delta} [M_k(y_k)]^{p_k} \le \max\left(1, \left(\frac{TM_k(2)}{\delta}\right)^H\right) \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r, y_k > \delta} [(y_k)]^{p_k}$$

from equations (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M} \circ \mathcal{M}', p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}.$$

This completes the proof of (i). Similarly, we can prove that

$$[c,\mathcal{M}_0'^{\theta}\subset [c,\mathcal{M}\circ\mathcal{M}_0'^{\theta}]$$

and

$$[\ c,\mathcal{M}_{\infty}^{\prime\theta}\subset [\ c,\mathcal{M}\circ\mathcal{M}^{\prime},p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta}.$$

**Corollary 2.1.** Let  $0 < \inf p_k = h \le p_k \le \sup p_k = H < \infty$  and  $M = (M_k)$  be a Musielak-Orlicz function satisfying  $\Delta_2$ -condition, then we have

$$[\ c, \mathcal{M}', p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||\ ]_0^{\theta} \subset [\ c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||\ ]_0^{\theta}$$

and

$$[\ c,\mathcal{M}',p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta}\subset [\ c,\mathcal{M},p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta}.$$

*Proof.* Taking  $\mathcal{M}'(x) = x$  in Theorem 2.4, we get the required result.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $M = (M_k)$  be a Musielak-Orlicz function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

$$(i) \ [\ c,p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta} \subset [c,M,p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]_{\infty}^{\theta}$$

$$(ii) [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta} \subset [c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta},$$

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(i) 
$$[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta} \subset [c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta},$$

(ii)  $[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{0}^{\theta} \subset [c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta},$ 

(iii)  $\sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_{r}} \sum_{k \in I_{r}} [M_{k}(\frac{t}{\rho})]^{p_{k}} < \infty \quad (t, \rho > 0).$ 

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) The proof is obvious in view of the fact that  $[c, p, \Lambda, || \cdot, \cdots, \cdot ||]_0^\theta \subset [c, p, \Lambda, || \cdot, \cdots, \cdot ||]_\infty^\theta$ (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $[c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_\infty^\theta$ . Suppose that (iii) does not hold. Then for some  $t, \rho > 0$ 

$$\sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} [M_k(\frac{t}{\rho})]^{p_k} = \infty$$

and therefore we can find a subinterval  $I_{r(j)}$  of the set of interval  $I_r$  such that

(2.3) 
$$\frac{1}{h_{r(j)}} \sum_{k \in I_{r(j)}} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{j^{-1}}{\rho} \right) \right]^{p_k} > j, j = 1, 2,$$

Define the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  by

$$\Lambda_k(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} j^{-1}, \ k \in I_{r(j)} \\ 0, \quad k \not \in I_{r(j)} \end{array} \right. \text{for all } s \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then  $x = (x_k) \in [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta$  but by equation (2.3),  $x = (x_k) \notin [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_\infty^\theta$ which contradicts (ii). Hence (iii) must hold.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let (iii) hold and  $x = (x_k) \in [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta}$ . Suppose that  $x = (x_k) \notin [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \dots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta}$ . Then

(2.4) 
$$\sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k} = \infty$$

Let  $t = ||\Lambda_k(x), z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}||$  for each k, then by equations (2.4)

$$\sup_{r} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{t}{\rho} \right) \right] = \infty,$$

which contradicts (iii). Hence (i) must hold.

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $1 \leq p_k \leq \sup p_k < \infty$  and  $M = (M_k)$  be a Musielak Orlicz function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i) 
$$[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta$$

(ii) 
$$[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_\infty^\theta$$

(i) 
$$[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta,$$
  
(ii)  $[c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^\theta \subset [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_\infty^\theta,$   
(iii)  $\inf_r \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{t}{\rho} \right) \right]^{p_k} > 0 \quad (t, \rho > 0).$ 

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) It is trivial.

 $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$  Let (ii) hold. Suppose that (iii) does not hold. Then

$$\inf_{r} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{t}{\rho} \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0 \quad (t, \rho > 0),$$

so we can find a subinterval  $I_{r(i)}$  of the set of interval  $I_r$  such that

(2.5) 
$$\frac{1}{h_{r(j)}} \sum_{k \in I_{r(j)}} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{j}{\rho} \right) \right]^{p_k} < j^{-1}, \quad j = 1, 2, .$$

Define the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  by

$$\Lambda_k(x) = \begin{cases} j, & k \in I_{r(j)} \\ 0, & k \notin I_{r(j)} \end{cases} \text{ for all } s \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Thus by equation (2.5),  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ , but by equation (2.3),  $x = (x_k) \notin [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_{\infty}^{\theta}$ , which contradicts (ii). Hence (iii) must hold. (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let (iii) hold and suppose that  $x = (x_k) \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ , i.e.

(2.6) 
$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0, \text{ for some } \rho > 0.$$

Again, suppose that  $x=(x_k) \notin [c,p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||]_0^{\theta}$ . Then, for some number  $\epsilon > 0$  and a subinterval  $I_{r(j)}$  of the set of interval  $I_r$ , we have  $||\Lambda_k(x), z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}|| \ge \epsilon$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and some  $s \ge s_0$ . Then, from the properties of the Orlicz function, we can write

$$M_k\Big(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1}||\Big)_k^p \ge M_k\Big(\frac{\epsilon}{\rho}\Big)^{p_k}$$

and consequently by (2.6)

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \frac{\epsilon}{\rho} \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0,$$

which contradicts (iii). Hence (i) must hold.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $0 < p_k \le q_k$  for all  $k \in N$  and  $\left(\frac{q_k}{p_k}\right)$  be bounded. Then,  $[c, M, q, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} \subset [c, M, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in [c, \mathcal{M}, q, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ . Write

$$t_k = \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{q_k}$$

and  $\mu_k = \frac{p_k}{q_k}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $0 < \mu_k \le 1$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Take  $0 < \mu < \mu_k$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define the sequences  $(u_k)$  and  $(v_k)$  as follows: For  $t_k \ge 1$ , let  $u_k = t_k$  and  $v_k = 0$  and for  $t_k < 1$ , let  $u_k = 0$  and  $v_k = t_k$ . Then clearly for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$t_k = u_k + v_k, \qquad t_k^{\mu_k} = u_k^{\mu_k} + v_k^{\mu_k}$$

Now it follows that  $u_k^{\mu_k} \leq u_k \leq t_k$  and  $v_k^{\mu_k} \leq v_k^{\mu}$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} t_k^{\mu_k} = \frac{1}{g_h} \sum_{k \in I_r} (u_k^{\mu_k} + v_k^{\mu_k}) \le \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} t_k + \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} v_k^{\mu}.$$

Now for each k,

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} v_k^{\mu} &= \sum_{k \in I_r} \left(\frac{1}{h_r} v_k\right)^{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{h_r}\right)^{1-\mu} \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ \left(\frac{1}{h_r} v_k\right)^{\mu} \right]^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \right)^{\mu} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ \left(\frac{1}{h_r}\right)^{1-\mu} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\mu}} \right)^{1-\mu} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} v_k\right)^{\mu} \end{split}$$

and so

$$\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} t_k^{\mu_k} \le \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} t_k + \left(\frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} v_k\right)^{\mu}.$$

Hence  $x \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** (a) If  $0 < \inf p_k \le p_k \le 1$  for all  $k \in N$ , then

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} \subset [c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$$

(b) If  $1 \le p_k \le \sup p_k < \infty$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$[c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta} \subset [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}.$$

*Proof.* (a) Let  $x \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ , then

$$\lim_{r\to\infty}\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_r}\left[M_k\Big(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)-L}{\rho},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\Big)\right]^{p_k}=0.$$

Since  $0 < \inf p_k \le p_k \le 1$ . This implies that

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( \left| \left| \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} \right| \right| \right) \right]^{p_k},$$

therefore, 
$$\lim_{r\to\infty}\frac{1}{h_r}\sum_{k\in I_r}\left[M_k\Big(||\frac{\Lambda_k(x)-L}{\rho},z_1,\cdots,z_{n-1}||\Big)\right]=0.$$

This shows that  $x \in [c, \mathcal{M}, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ . Therefore,

$$[\ c,\mathcal{M},p,\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]^{\theta}\subset [\ c,\mathcal{M},\Lambda,||\cdot,\cdots,\cdot||\ ]^{\theta}.$$

This completes the proof.

(b) Let  $p_k \ge 1$  for each k and  $\sup p_k < \infty$ . Let  $x \in [c, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ . Then for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a positive integer N such that

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \left( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \right) \right]^{p_k} = 0 < 1.$$

Since  $1 \le p_k \le \sup p_k < \infty$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \right]^{p_k} \\ & \leq \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{k \in I_r} \left[ M_k \Big( || \frac{\Lambda_k(x) - L}{\rho}, z_1, \cdots, z_{n-1} || \Big) \right] \\ & = 0 \\ & < 1. \end{split}$$

Therefore  $x \in [c, \mathcal{M}, p, \Lambda, ||\cdot, \cdots, \cdot||]^{\theta}$ .

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