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MULTIPLICATION OPERATORS ON ORLICZ-LORENTZ SEQUENCE SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper, we characterize the boundedness, compactness and closedness of the range of the multiplication operators on Orlicz-Lorentz sequence spaces.

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1. Introduction

Let (X, S, μ) be a σ -finite measure space and let f be a complex-valued measurable function defined on X. For $s \ge 0$ the distribution function μ_f of f is defined as

$$\mu_f(s) = \mu(\{x \in \mathbb{N} : |f(x)| > s\})$$

and the non-incrasing rearrangement of f is defined as

$$f^*(t) = \inf \left\{ s > 0 : \mu_f(s) \le t \right\}, \ t \ge 0.$$

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By a weight function w, we mean $w : (0, \infty) \to (0, \infty)$ is a non-increasing locally integrable function such that $\int_{0}^{\infty} w(t) dt = \infty$.

The Orlicz-Lorentz space $L_{\varphi,w}(\mu)$ is defined as

$$L_{\varphi,w}(\mu) = \left\{ f: X \to \mathbb{C} \text{ measurable}: \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(\alpha.f^*(t))w(t)dt < \infty \text{ for some } \alpha > 0 \right\}.$$

Then $L_{\varphi,w}(\mu)$ is a Banach space with respect to the Luxemburg norm

$$||f||_{\varphi,w} = \inf\left\{\varepsilon > 0: \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{|f^{*}(t)|}{\varepsilon}\right) w(t) dt \le 1\right\},\$$

where $\varphi: [0,\infty) \to [0,\infty)$ is a continuous convex function which satisfies the following conditions;

- (*i*) $\varphi(x) = 0$ if and only if x = 0,
- (*ii*) $\lim_{x\to\infty} \varphi(x) = \infty$.

Such a function φ is known as a Young's function. The Young's function φ is said to satisfy the \triangle_2 -condition if for some M > 0, $\varphi(2.x) \le M.\varphi(x)$, $\forall x > 0$.

For more details on Orlicz-Lorentz spaces one can refer [8, 11, 12, 14, 16] and the references there in.

In this paper, we take $X = \mathbb{N}$, the set of natural numbers, $S = P(\mathbb{N})$ and μ is counting measure defined on $P(\mathbb{N})$, the family of all subsets of \mathbb{N} . A weight sequence w = w(n) is a positive decreasing sequence such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} w(n) = 0$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} W(n) = \infty$, where $W(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w(i)$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (see [6], [9]).

Let l^0 be the space of all sequences $a : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$. We write for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the distribution function μ_a of $a = \{a(n)\}_{i>1}$ can be written as

$$\mu_a(s) = \mu(\{n \in \mathbb{N} : |a(n)| > s\}), \ s \ge 0.$$

The non-increasing rearrangement a^* of a is given as

$$a^*(t) = \inf \{s > 0 : \mu_a(s) \le t \}, t \ge 0.$$

We can interpret the non-increasing rearrangement of *a* with $\mu_a(s) < \infty$, s > 0, as a sequence $\{a^*(n)\}$ if we define for $n-1 \le t < n$,

$$a^*(n) = a^*(t) = \inf \{s > 0 : \mu_a(s) \le n - 1\}.$$

Then the sequence $a^* = \{a^*(i)\}$ is obtained by permutating $\{|a(n)|\}_{n \in S}$, where $S = \{n : a(n) \neq 0\}$, in the decreasing order with $a^*(n) = 0$ for $n > \mu(s)$ if $\mu(s) < \infty$.

The Orlicz-Lorentz sequence space $\ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N})$ (or $\ell_{\varphi,w}$) is defined as

$$\ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N}) = \left\{ a \in l^0 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi(\alpha.a^*(n)) w(n) < \infty, \text{ for some } \alpha > 0 \right\}.$$

The space $\ell_{\varphi,w}$ equipped with the Luxemburg norm

$$||a||_{\varphi,w} = \inf\left\{\varepsilon > 0: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{a^*(n)}{\varepsilon}\right) w(n) \le 1\right\}$$

is a Banach space. In [8], [9], a description of the duals, isomorphic ℓ^p -subspaces of Orlicz-Lorentz sequence spaces is given and in [6] geometric properties of Orlicz-Lorentz sequence spaces are discussed.

If $\varphi(u) = u^p$, $1 \le p < \infty$, then $d(w, p) := \ell_{\varphi,w}$ is a Lorentz sequence space. If w(n) = 1 for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\ell_{\varphi} := \ell_{\varphi,w}$ is an Orlicz sequence spaces (see [12], [13]).

Singh and Komal [18] initiated the study of composition operators on sequence space. Recently, Komal and Gupta [10], stuied multiplication operators on Orlicz spaces and Arora, Datt and Verma [2], [3] studied multiplication and composition operators on Orlicz-Lorentz space. Multiplication operators are studied in various function and sequence spaces [1,2,3,4,5,10,15,17].

Let $u = \{u(n)\}$ be a complex sequence. We define a linear transformation M_u on the Orlicz-Lorentz sequence spaces $\ell_{\varphi,w}$, into the linear spaces of *au* complex sequences by

$$M_u(a) = u.a = \{u(n).a(n)\},\$$

where $a = \{a(n)\}$. If M_u is bounded with range in $\ell_{\varphi,w}$, then it is called a multiplication operator on $\ell_{\varphi,w}$. By $B(\ell_{\varphi,w})$ we mean the algebra of all bounded linear operators on $\ell_{\varphi,w}$.

2. Characterizations

In this section boundedness, invertibility, range and compactness of the multiplication operator M_u on the space $\ell_{\varphi,w}$, induced by a sequence $u = \{u(n)\}$ are characterized.

Theorem 1. The multiplication transformation $M_u : \ell_{\varphi,w} \to \ell_{\varphi,w}$ is bounded if and only if *u* is bounded.

Proof. Assume that *u* is bounded, then $|u(n)| \le K$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and some K > 0. Hence for any $a = \{a(n)\}$ in $\ell_{\varphi,w}$, $ua = \{u(n).a(n)\}$ satisfies $|u(n).a(n)| \le K |a(n)|$. For the nonnegative rearrangement of $M_u f$, one can find the distribution function of $M_u a = u.a$ as

$$\mu_{M_{u}a}(s) = \mu \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : (M_{u}(a))(n) > s \}$$
$$= \mu \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : |u(n).a(n)| > s \}$$
$$\leq \mu \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : K. |a(n)| > s \}$$

 $(2.1) \qquad \qquad = \mu_{K.a}(s).$

Hence for each $t \ge 0$, by (2.1) we get

$$\{s > 0: \mu_{K,a}(s) \le t\} \subseteq \{s > 0: \mu_{M_u a}(s) \le t\}$$

and we find $(M_u(a))^*(n) \leq K.a^*(n)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and so we obtain

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{\left(M_u(a)\right)^*(n)}{K. \|a\|_{\varphi,w}}\right) . w(n) \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{K.a^*(n)}{K. \|a\|_{\varphi,w}}\right) \le 1.$$

Hence for $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$,

$$\|M_u a\|_{\varphi,w} \leq K. \|a\|_{\varphi,w}.$$

Thus M_u is bounded on $\ell_{\varphi,w}$.

Conversely, suppose M_u is a bounded operators. Then there exists K > 0 such that

$$\|M_u(a)\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w} \leq K. \, \|a\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w}$$

for all $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$. If the sequence $u = \{u(n)\}$ is not bounded then for every positive integer k, there exists n_k such that $|u(n_k)| > k$. It is not hard to see $\chi_{\{n_k\}} \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$ satisfies

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}\right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w} = \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\varphi}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)},$$

where $c = \sum_{m=1}^{\mu(\{n_k\})} w(m)$. Also we have

$$\left(u.\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}\right)^*(m) \geq k.\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}^*(m)$$

This give us

$$\begin{split} \left\| M_{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w} &\geq \inf \left\{ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} > 0 : \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \boldsymbol{\varphi} \left(\frac{k \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}}^{*}(m)}{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \right) \cdot w(m) \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= k \cdot \left\| \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w}. \end{split}$$

This contradicts the boundedness of M_u . Hence u must be a bounded sequence.

Theorem 2. Let $M_u \in B(\ell_{\varphi,w})$. Then M_u is invertible if and only if there is $\delta > 0$ such that $|u(n)| \ge \delta$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. If M_u is invertible then we find $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\|M_u a\|_{\varphi,w} \geq \delta. \|a\|_{\varphi,w}$$

for all $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$. In particular, for $e_n = \{e_n(m)\}$ this gives $|u(n)| \ge \delta$.

Conversely, if $|u(n)| \ge \delta$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and some $\delta > 0$, then define another sequence $v(n) = \frac{1}{u(n)}$. Clearly in view of Theorem 2.1, M_v is bounded on $\ell_{\varphi,w}$ and $M_v = M_u^{-1}$.

Theorem 3. Let $M_u \in B(\ell_{\varphi,w})$. Then M_u has closed range if and only if for some $\delta > 0$,

$$|u(n)| \ge \delta \quad \text{for all } n \in S,$$

where $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : u(n) \neq 0\}.$

Proof. If $|u(n)| \ge \delta$ for all $n \in S$, then for $x \in \ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N})$, where $x = \{x(k)\}_{k \ge 1}$,

$$(u.x.\boldsymbol{\chi}_S)^*(k) \geq \boldsymbol{\delta}. (x.\boldsymbol{\chi}_S)^*(k)$$

and so we get

(2.3)
$$\|M_u . x . \boldsymbol{\chi}_S\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}, w} \ge \delta . \|x . \boldsymbol{\chi}_S\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}, w}$$

Let $x \in cl(ranM_u)$. Then there exists a sequence $\{x_n\} \subset \ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N})$, where $x_n = \{x_n(k)\}$ such that $M_u x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then we have

$$\|M_u x_n - M_u x_m\|_{\varphi, w} \to 0$$

as $n, m \to \infty$.

Let define $(x_n\chi_S)$ such that $x_n\chi_S = \begin{cases} x_n(k) & \text{, if } k \in S \\ 0 & \text{, otherwise} \end{cases}$. Then $M_u x_n \chi_S = M_u x_n$ and there-

fore it follows (2.2), that

$$\|x_n\chi_S - x_m\chi_S\|_{\varphi,w} \leq \frac{1}{\delta} \|M_u x_n - M_u x_m\|_{\varphi,w} \to 0$$

as $n, m \to \infty$. Thus $\{x_n \chi_S\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $\ell_{\varphi, w}(\mathbb{N})$ and in view of completness of $\ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N})$, there exists $y \in \ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N})$ such that $x_n \chi_S \to y$ as $n \to \infty$. In others words $M_u x_n \to M_u y$. Hence $x = M_u y$ so that M_u has a closed range. Suppose that M_u has closed range. Therefore there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $\|M_u a\|_{\varphi,w} \ge \delta$. $\|a\|_{\varphi,w}$ for all $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}(S)$, where

$$\ell_{\varphi,w}(S) = \left\{ a = a(n) \in \ell_{\varphi,w}(\mathbb{N}) : a(n) = 0 \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N} - S \right\} = \left\{ a \chi_S : a \in \ell_{\varphi,w} \right\}.$$

If the condition (2.2) does not hold, then for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we can find $n_k \in S$ such that $|u(n_k)| < \infty$ $\frac{1}{k}$. It is seen that $\chi_{\{n_k\}} \in \ell_{\varphi,w}(S)$ satisfies

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}\right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w}=\frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\varphi}^{-1}(\frac{1}{c})},$$

where $c = \sum_{m=1}^{\mu(\{n_k\})} w(m)$. Also we have

$$\left(u.\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}\right)^*(m) \leq \frac{1}{k}.\left(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_k\}}\right)^*(m).$$

Hence

$$\begin{split} \left| M_{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w} &= \inf \left\{ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} > 0 : \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \boldsymbol{\varphi} \left(\frac{\left(u \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right)^{*}(m)}{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \right) . w(m) \leq 1 \right\} \\ &< \inf \left\{ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} > 0 : \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \boldsymbol{\varphi} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{k} \left(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right)^{*}(m)}{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \right) . w(m) \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \cdot \left\| \boldsymbol{\chi}_{\{n_{k}\}} \right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w}, \end{split}$$

which is a contradiction. This completes the proof.

Theorem 4. $M_u \in B(\ell_{\varphi,w})$ is compact if and only if $\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta})$ is finite dimensional for each $\delta > 0$, where $\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta}) = \left\{ a.\chi_{U_{\delta}} : a \in \ell_{\varphi,w} \right\}$ and $U_{\delta} = \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : |u(n)| \ge \delta \}$.

Proof. Assume that $M_u \in B(\ell_{\varphi,w})$ is compact. Then $M_u \Big|_{\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta})}$ is also a compact operator and

$$\left\|M_{u}.\boldsymbol{\chi}_{U_{\delta}}.a\right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w} \leq \delta \left\|\boldsymbol{\chi}_{U_{\delta}}.a\right\|_{\boldsymbol{\varphi},w}$$

for each $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$. Since $M_u \Big|_{\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta})}$ is a compact and invertible, we get that $\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta})$ is finite dimensional for each $\delta > 0$.

Conversely, suppose that $\ell_{\varphi,w}(U_{\delta})$ is finite dimensional for each $\delta > 0$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, if we define $u_n = \{u_n(m)\}$ such that

$$u_n(m) = \begin{cases} u(m) & \text{, if } m \in U_{\frac{1}{n}} \\ 0 & \text{, otherwise} \end{cases}$$

, then it is easy to see that all operators M_{u_n} are compact. Also, for each $a \in \ell_{\varphi,w}$ and for all $s \ge 0$, we have

$$\{m \in \mathbb{N} : |(u_n - u)(m).a(m)| \ge s\} \subset \{m \in \mathbb{N} : |a(m)| \ge s\}$$

and so

$$((u_n - u).a)^*(m) \le \frac{1}{n}.a^*(m).$$

Therefore

$$\|(M_{u_n}-M_u).a\|_{\varphi,w} \leq \frac{1}{n}.\|a\|_{\varphi,w}$$

and so M_u is compact operator.

Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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