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A NOTE ON LORENTZ SPACES WITH ORLICZ-TYPE METRICS

There are considered some generalizations of Orlicz spaces with Orlicz metrics generated by  $\varphi$ -functions depending on a parameter.

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The theory of spaces  $L^p$  was generalized by G.G. Lorentz ([4]) to a more general case of spaces (see also [1], 1.3, 1.7, and [3], p. 145). B. Kotkowski ([2]) considered also Lorentz-Orlicz space with a concave function. In this paper there will be investigated some other generalizations of Lorentz space with Orlicz metrics generated by a  $\varphi$ -function depending on parameter.

*Definition 1.* Let  $\varphi: [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a  $\varphi$ -function depending on parameter, i.e.

1.  $\varphi(t, u)$  is a nondecreasing, leftcontinuous function of  $u$ , with  $\varphi(t, 0) = 0$ ,  $\varphi(t, u) > 0$  for  $u > 0$ ,  $\varphi(t, u) \rightarrow 0$  as  $u \rightarrow \infty$  for a.e.  $t \in [0, \infty)$ .
2.  $\varphi(t, u)$  is Lebesgue-measurable with respect to  $t$  for every  $u \geq 0$ .

Let  $\mu$  be a  $\delta$ -additive measure on  $[0, \infty)$ , and let us denote by  $x^*$  the monotone rearrangement of a function  $x$  with respect to the measure  $\mu$  (see [2], p. 871, compare also [3], p. 83). Then from the assumptions of Definition 1 it follows that  $\varphi(t, x^*(t))$  is measurable. Let us consider for an arbitrary  $\mu$ -measurable function  $x$  on  $[0, \infty)$  the functionals

$$\eta_{\varphi, \mu}(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \varphi(t, x^*(t)) dt,$$

$$\|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}} = \inf \left\{ \epsilon > 0: \eta_{\varphi, \mu} \left( \frac{x}{\epsilon} \right) \leq \epsilon \right\}$$

and sets

$$\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu} = \left\{ x: \exists \lambda > 0 \quad \eta_{\varphi, \mu}(\lambda x) < \infty \right\},$$

$$\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}^* = \left\{ x: \forall \lambda > 0 \quad \eta_{\varphi, \mu}(\lambda x) < \infty \right\},$$

$$\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}^0 = \left\{ x: \eta_{\varphi, \mu}(x) < \infty \right\}.$$

In the case of Lebesgue measure  $m = \mu$ , we shall write  $\eta_{\varphi} = \eta_{\varphi, \mu}$   $\| \|\_{\Lambda_{\varphi}} = \| \|\_{\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}}$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi} = \Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi}^* = \Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}^*$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi}^0 = \Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}^0$ .

Let us remark that taking  $\varphi(t, u) = t^{r/p-1} u^r$  where  $p \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , sets  $\Lambda_{\varphi}$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi}^*$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi}^0$  are all equal to Lorentz spaces  $L_{p, r}$  and  $\| \|\_{\Lambda_{\varphi}}$  is equivalent to the norm  $\| \|\_{p, r}$  in  $L_{p, r}$  ([1], 1.3).

In general  $\eta_{\varphi, \mu}$ ,  $\| \|\_{\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}}$  do not need to be a modular and an F-norm.

As an example we may take  $\mu = m$ ,  $\varphi(t, u) = e^t u$ . Let  $A, B \subset [0, \infty)$  be disjoint sets of Lebesgue measure  $\ln 5$ ,  $x = \chi_A$ ,  $y = \chi_B$  - characteristic functions of the sets  $A, B$ , respectively. Then

$$\eta_{\varphi} \left( \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{3}y \right) > \eta_{\varphi}(x) + \eta_{\varphi}(y) \quad \text{and} \quad \|x + y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi}} > \|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi}} + \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi}}$$

*Lemma 1.* Let  $\varphi$  be a leftcontinuous  $\varphi$ -function without parameter, i.e.  $\varphi(t, u) = \varphi(u)$  and let  $\psi(u) = \inf \{ s \geq 0: \varphi(s) > u \}$ . Then  $\psi(u) < t$  if and only if  $u < \varphi(t)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(s) = \infty$ , so  $\psi(u) < \infty$ . Moreover,

$$(1) \quad (\psi(u), \infty) \subset \left\{ s \geq 0: \varphi(s) > u \right\} \subset [\psi(u), \infty).$$

Then  $\psi(u) < t \Rightarrow t \in \left\{ s \geq 0: \varphi(s) > u \right\} \Rightarrow \varphi(t) > u$ .

By (1) and the definition of  $\psi$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(t) > u &\Rightarrow \exists_{\epsilon > 0} \varphi(t - \epsilon) > u \Rightarrow t - \epsilon \in \left\{ s \geq 0: \varphi(s) > u \right\} \Rightarrow t - \epsilon \geq \psi(u) \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow t > \psi(u) \quad \text{for } t > 0. \end{aligned}$$

For  $t = 0$  and  $u \geq 0$  the implication is true.

*Lemma 2.* If  $\varphi$  is a leftcontinuous  $\varphi$ -function without parameter then  $\varphi(x^*(t)) = [\varphi | x(t)]^*$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 1, we obtain for a function  $\psi(u) = \inf \{ s > 0: \varphi(s) > u \}$

$$(1) \quad \varphi(|x(s)|) > u \Leftrightarrow \psi(u) < |x(s)|$$

and

$$(2) \quad \psi(u) < x^*(s) \Leftrightarrow u < \varphi(x^*(s)).$$

There holds also

$$p(x, t) > s \quad x^*(s) > t, \quad \text{where } p(x, t) = \mu \left\{ s > 0: |x(s)| > t \right\}.$$

Hence for  $t = \psi(u)$  we obtain

$$(3) \quad p(x, \psi(u)) > s \Leftrightarrow x^*(s) > \psi(u).$$

By definition, we have, applying (1) and denoting by  $\circ$  the composition operator,

$$(4) \quad p(\varphi \circ |x|, u) = \mu \{ s > 0: \varphi |x(s)| > u \} = \mu \{ s > 0: |x(s)| > \psi(u) \} = p(x, \psi(u)).$$

Next, by (4), (3) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi(|x(s)|)]^* &= \sup \{ u \geq 0: p(\varphi \circ |x|, u) > s \} = \sup \{ u \geq 0: p(x, \psi(u)) > s \} = \\ &= \sup \{ u \geq 0: x^*(s) > \psi(u) \} = \sup \{ u \geq 0: \varphi(x^*(s)) > u \} = \varphi(x^*(s)). \end{aligned}$$

*Lemma 3.* Let  $u, v$  be two Lebesgue measurable functions on  $[0, \infty)$  and let  $g$  be a nondecreasing, nonnegative function on  $[0, \infty)$ .

Then  $\int_0^\infty g(t) [u(t) + v(t)]^* dt \leq \int_0^\infty g(t) u^*(t) dt + \int_0^\infty g(t) v^*(t) dt$ , where the operator  $*$  is defined with respect to the Lebesgue measure.

*Proof.* Since  $g = g^*$  a.e. the proof follows from [3] p. 97, 2.2.8.

*Theorem 1.* Let  $g$  be a positive, nondecreasing function on  $[0, \infty)$  and let  $\varphi$  be a left-continuous  $\varphi$ -function without parameter. Let  $\phi(t, u) = g(t) \cdot \varphi(u)$ . Then  $\eta_\phi$  is a modular,  $\| \cdot \|_{\Lambda_\phi}$  is an  $F$ -norm and  $\Lambda_\phi, \Lambda_\phi^*$  are linear spaces.

*Proof.* By Lemma 2, we have  $\varphi(x^*(t)) = [\varphi(|x(t)|)]^*$ , whence

$$(1) \quad \eta_\phi(z) = \int_0^\infty g(t) [\varphi(|z(t)|)]^* dt,$$

for an arbitrary Lebesgue measurable  $z$ .

Let us fix  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  and let  $x, y$  be two Lebesgue measurable functions on  $[0, \infty)$ . Then

$$\varphi(|\alpha x(t) + \beta y(t)|) \leq \varphi(|x(t)|) + \varphi(|y(t)|),$$

whence

$$(2) \quad [\varphi(|\alpha x(t) + \beta y(t)|)]^* \leq [\varphi(|x(t)|) + \varphi(|y(t)|)]^*$$

(see [2] p. 871).

Applying (1), (2) and Lemma 3 to  $u(t) = \varphi(|x(t)|), v(t) = \varphi(|y(t)|)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_\phi(\alpha x + \beta y) &= \int_0^\infty g(t) [\varphi(|\alpha x(t) + \beta y(t)|)]^* dt \leq \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty g(t) [\varphi(|x(t)|) + \varphi(|y(t)|)]^* dt \leq \int_0^\infty g(t) [\varphi(|x(t)|)]^* dt + \\ &+ \int_0^\infty g(t) [\varphi(|y(t)|)]^* dt = \eta_\phi(x) + \eta_\phi(y). \end{aligned}$$

The remaining part of the proof follows from the fact that  $\eta_\phi$  is a modular, and from definitions of  $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_\phi}$ ,  $\Lambda_\phi$ ,  $\Lambda_\phi^*$ .

*Theorem 2.* Let  $\varphi$  be a  $\varphi$ -function with parameter satisfying the inequality  $\varphi(2t,u) \leq C \varphi(t,u)$  for all  $u \geq 0$  and a.e.  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , with a constant  $C > 0$ . Then  $\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}$ ,  $\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}^*$  are linear spaces and

$$\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq 2C (\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(x) + \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(y)),$$

$$\|x + y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} \leq C_0 (\|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} + \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}),$$

where  $C_0 = \max\{1, 2C\}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ .

*Proof.* We prove the inequality for  $\eta_{\varphi,\mu}$ . There holds the inequality

$$(1) \quad (x + y)^*(t) \leq x^*(t/2) + y^*(t/2)$$

and the equality

$$(2) \quad (ax)^*(t) = ax^*(t)$$

for every  $t \geq 0$  and  $a > 0$ .

Hence for arbitrary  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  and arbitrary  $\mu$ -measurable  $x, y$  we have

$$\varphi(t, (\alpha x + \beta y)^*(t)) \leq \varphi(t, \alpha x^*(t/2) + \beta y^*(t/2)) \leq \varphi(t, x^*(t/2)) + \varphi(t, y^*(t/2)).$$

Applying these inequalities, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\alpha x + \beta y) &\leq \int_0^\infty \varphi(t, x^*(t/2)) dt + \int_0^\infty \varphi(t, y^*(t/2)) dt = \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty \varphi(2t, x^*(t)) dt + 2 \int_0^\infty \varphi(2t, y^*(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

From the assumed inequality for  $\varphi$  we get

$$\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq 2C (\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(x) + \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(y)).$$

The inequality for  $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}$  we obtain in the same manner as for the norm generated by an arbitrary modular.

Let  $\|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} < \infty$ ,  $\|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} < \infty$  and let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. We take  $a = \|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} + \frac{\epsilon}{2C_0}$ ,  $b = \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} + \frac{\epsilon}{2C_0}$ . Since  $a > \|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}$ ,  $b > \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}$  and sets  $\{\epsilon > 0 :$

$\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{z}{\epsilon}) \leq \epsilon$  } are of the form  $[\|z\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}, \infty)$  or  $(\|z\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}, \infty)$ , there hold the inequalities  $\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{x}{a}) \leq a$  and  $\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{y}{b}) \leq b$ . Hence  $\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{x+y}{C_0(a+b)}) = \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{a}{a+b} \frac{x}{C_0 a} + \frac{b}{a+b} \frac{y}{C_0 b}) \leq 2C \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{x}{C_0 a}) + 2C \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{y}{C_0 b}) \leq C_0 \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{x}{a}) + \eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\frac{y}{b}) \leq C_0(a+b)$ , because  $\eta_{\varphi,\mu}(\alpha x)$  is nonincreasing with respect to  $\alpha$  for fixed  $x$ .

By the definition of  $\| \cdot \|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}$ , we get  $\|x+y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} \leq C_0(a+b) = C_0(\|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} + \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}) + \epsilon$ .

Consequently,

$$\|x+y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} \leq C_0(\|x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}} + \|y\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi,\mu}}).$$

*Definition 2.* (see [5] p. 43). Let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  be  $\varphi$ -functions with parameter. We say that  $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$  if there exist constants  $K_1, K_2 > 0$  and a nonnegative, integrable function  $h$  such that (\*)  $\varphi_1(t,u) \leq K_1 \varphi_2(t,K_2 u) + h(t)$  for all  $u \geq 0$  and a.e.  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . If (\*) holds with  $K_2 = 1$ , we shall say that  $\varphi_1 \xrightarrow{1} \varphi_2$ .

*Theorem 3.* Let the  $\varphi$ -functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  with parameter satisfy  $\varphi_2 \xrightarrow{1} \varphi_1$ . Then  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1,\mu}^0 \subset \Lambda_{\varphi_2,\mu}^0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $x \in \Lambda_{\varphi_1,\mu}^0$  is equivalent to  $x^* \in L_0^\varphi$ , where  $L_0^\varphi$  is a generalized Orlicz class, so the theorem follows from [5] theorem 8.4a), p. 45.

In order to prove a converse theorem, we shall need some auxiliary definitions and lemmas. First, we recall the following

*Definition 3.* Let  $A, B \subset [0, \infty)$  satisfy the condition  $m(A) = m(B) > 0$ , where  $m$  is the Lebesgue measure. A function  $h : A \rightarrow B$  is called measure preserving, if for an arbitrary  $m$ -measurable set  $E \subset B$  there holds  $m(h^{-1}(E)) = m(E)$  (see e.g. [3]).

*Lemma 4.* Let  $x$  be a simple function on  $[0, \infty)$ . Then there exists a measure preserving function  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $x(t) = x^*(h(t))$  a.e.

*Proof.* Let  $x = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n \cdot \chi_{A_n}$ , where  $m(A_n) < \infty, A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ ; for  $i \neq j, n = 1, \dots, k$ .

We may always suppose that the sequence  $(a_n)$  is decreasing. Then

$$x^* = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n \cdot \chi_{B_n}, \text{ where } B_n = [ \sum_{i=1}^n m(A_i), \sum_{i=1}^n m(A_i) ]. \text{ By [3] p. 96, there}$$



exist measure preserving functions  $h_n : A_n \rightarrow B_n$  for  $n = 1, \dots, k$  and  $h_0 : A_0 \rightarrow B_0$ , where  $A_0 = [0, \infty) \setminus \sum_{n=1}^k A_n$ ,  $B_0 = [0, \infty) \setminus \sum_{n=1}^k B_n$ . We define  $h = \sum_{n=0}^k h_n \cdot \chi_{A_n}$ .

The function  $h$  satisfies the conditions of the lemma.

*Lemma 5.* If the function  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is measure preserving, then  $g \circ h$  is integrable in  $[0, \infty)$  if and only if  $g$  is integrable in  $[0, \infty)$ . Moreover, for  $g$  integrable in  $[0, \infty)$  we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} g(h(t)) dt = \int_0^{\infty} g(t) dt.$$

*Proof.* First, suppose  $g$  to be a simple function, i.e.  $g = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n \cdot \chi_{A_n}$ , where  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ . Then  $g \circ h = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n \cdot \chi_{B_n}$ , where  $B_n = h^{-1}(A_n)$ . Since  $m(A_n) = m(B_n)$ , so

$$\int_0^{\infty} g(t) dt = \sum_{n=1}^k a_n m(A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^k m(B_n) = \int_0^{\infty} g(h(t)) dt.$$

If  $g$  is an arbitrary measurable nonnegative function, then we apply the above result to simple functions  $0 \leq g_n \leq g$  with  $g_n \uparrow g$  and the thesis follows, by Beppo-Levi theorem. For an arbitrary integrable  $g$ , it is sufficient to write  $g$  as the difference of its positive and negative part.

*Theorem 4.* Let the following conditions be satisfied:

1.  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1}^0 \subset \Lambda_{\varphi_2}^0$ ,
2.  $\varphi_2$  is a convex  $\varphi$ -function without parameter,
3. there exist a constant  $C > 0$  and a nonnegative function  $g$  such that for arbitrary sequence  $(h_n)$  of measure preserving functions  $h_n : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  the sequence  $\left( \int_0^{\infty} g(h_n(t), t) dt \right)$  is bounded. Then  $\varphi_2 \xrightarrow{1} \varphi_1$ .

*Proof.* Let us suppose the theorem to be not true. Arguing as in the proof of theorem 8.4 in [5], p. 45, we construct a sequence  $(\tilde{x}_{n_k})$  of nonnegative, simple functions such that

$$(1) \quad \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_2(\tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) dt = 1,$$

where  $(A_k)$  is a sequence of pairwise disjoint sets, and

$$(2) \quad b_{n_k}(t) = \varphi_2(\tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) - 2^{n_k} \varphi_1(t, \tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) \geq 0.$$

We define

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tilde{x}_{n_k} \cdot \chi_{A_k}, \quad y_1 = \sum_{k=1}^1 \tilde{x}_{n_k} \cdot \chi_{A_k}.$$

We shall show that  $\eta_{\varphi_2}(x) = \infty$  and  $\eta_{\varphi_1}(x) < \infty$ .

Let  $h_1 : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be measure preserving functions such that  $y_1^*(h_1(t)) = y_1(t)$  (existence of such  $h_1$  follows from Lemma 4). Since  $x \geq y_1 \geq 0$ , we have  $x^* \geq y_1^*$  for arbitrary  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  (see [2]). Hence, by Lemma 5, convexity of  $\varphi_2$  and (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{\varphi_2}(x) &= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_2(x^*(t)) dt \geq \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_2(y_1^*(t)) dt = \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_2(y_1^*(h_1(t))) dt = \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_2(y_1(t)) dt = \sum_{k=1}^1 \int_{A_k} \varphi_2(\tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) dt = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $l$  is arbitrary, we thus have  $\eta_{\varphi_2}(x) = \infty$ . Moreover,  $y_1 \uparrow x$  implies  $y_1^* \uparrow x^*$  ([2]), whence  $\varphi_1(t, y_1^*(t)) \uparrow \varphi_1(t, x^*(t))$ . Consequently,

$$(3) \quad \eta_{\varphi_1}(x) = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(t, y_1^*(t)) dt = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{\varphi_1}(y_1).$$

Applying the assumptions of  $\varphi_1, y_1$  and Lemma 5, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \eta_{\varphi_1}(y_1) &= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(t, y_1^*(t)) dt = \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(h_1(t), y_1(h_1(t))) dt = \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(h_1(t), y_1(t)) dt \leq C \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(t, y_1(t)) dt + \int_0^{\infty} g(h_1(t), t) dt \leq \\ &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(t, y_1(t)) dt + A, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\int_0^{\infty} g(h_1(t), t) dt \leq A/C$  for every  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ .

From the definition of  $y_1$  and from (2), (1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad \int_0^{\infty} \varphi_1(t, y_1(t)) dt &= \sum_{k=1}^1 \int_{A_k} \varphi_1(t, \tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n [1/2^{n_k} \int_{A_k} \varphi_2(\tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) dt - \int_{A_k} b_{n_k}(t) dt] \leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^1 1/2^{-n_k} \int_{A_k} \varphi_2(\tilde{x}_{n_k}(t)) dt = \sum_{k=1}^1 1/2^{-n_k} < 1.$$

By (3), (4) and (5), we finally obtain

$$\eta_{\varphi_1}(x) \leq C + A.$$

Let us still remark that the function  $g(t,s) = g_1(t)g_2(s)$  with  $g_1, g_2 \in L^2$  satisfies the first of the requirements in condition 3 of Theorem 4.

*Definition 4.* Let  $x_n, x$  be  $\mu$ -measurable functions,  $x \in \Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}$  and  $x_n \in \Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}$  for large  $n$ . If  $\eta_{\varphi, \mu}(a(x_n - x)) \rightarrow 0$  for some  $a > 0$ , then the sequence  $(x_n)$  will be called convergent to  $x$  in  $\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}$  in the weak sense. If  $\|x_n - x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}} \rightarrow 0$ , then  $(x_n)$  will be called convergent to  $x$  in  $\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}$  in the strong sense.

*Theorem 5.* The following conditions are equivalent:

$$\begin{aligned} & \|x_n - x\|_{\Lambda_{\varphi, \mu}} \rightarrow 0, \\ & \eta_{\varphi, \mu}(a(x_n - x)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for every } a > 0. \end{aligned}$$

The easy proof is omitted.

*Theorem 6.* Let  $\mu$  be a fixed measure on  $[0, \infty)$ . Let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  be  $\varphi$ -functions with parameter and  $\varphi_2 \prec \varphi_1$ . Then  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1, \mu} \subset \Lambda_{\varphi_2, \mu}$  and  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1, \mu}^* \subset \Lambda_{\varphi_2, \mu}^*$ . If moreover,  $\varphi_2$  is locally integrable with respect Lebesgue measure (see [5], p. 47), then convergence in weak sense (strong sense) in  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1, \mu}$  is stronger than the convergence in the weak sense (strong sense) in  $\Lambda_{\varphi_2, \mu}$ .

*Proof.* By theorem 8.5a) of [5], p. 47, we have  $L^{\varphi_1} \subset L^{\varphi_2}$  and the required inclusions follow from the definition of the spaces under consideration. If  $\eta_{\varphi_1, \mu}(a(x_n - x)) \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\rho_{\varphi_1}(a(x_n - x)^*) \rightarrow 0$ , where  $\rho_{\varphi_1}$  is the modular in  $L^{\varphi_1}$ . Applying theorem 8.5a, we obtain  $\rho_{\varphi_2}(a(x_n - x)^*) \rightarrow 0$ , i.e.  $\eta_{\varphi_2}(a(x_n - x)) \rightarrow 0$ .

*Theorem 7.* If  $\Lambda_{\varphi_1} \subset \Lambda_{\varphi_2}$  and there are satisfied conditions 2. and 3. from Theorem 4, then  $\varphi_2 \prec \varphi_1$ .

The proof is omitted.

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