

## FUNDAMENTAL BIORTHOGONAL SEQUENCES AND $K$ -NORMS ON $\phi$

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**1. Introduction.** A biorthogonal sequence is a double sequence  $(x_i, f_i)$  where each  $x_i$  is from some locally convex space  $X$ , each  $f_i$  is from  $X^*$  and  $f_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$ . A biorthogonal sequence is called total if the functionals  $(f_i)$  are total over  $X$  and is called fundamental if  $\text{sp}(x_i)$  is dense in  $X$ . If a biorthogonal sequence is both total and fundamental we refer to it as a Markushivich basis or, more simply, an  $M$ -basis.

If  $(x_i, f_i)$  is a total biorthogonal sequence for  $X$ , then  $X$  can be identified with the space of all scalar sequences  $(f_i(x))$  under the correspondence  $x \leftrightarrow (f_i(x))$ . We refer to this space as the associated sequence space with respect to  $(x_i, f_i)$ . With this correspondence,  $x_i$  corresponds to  $e_i = (\delta_{ij})_{j=1}^{\infty}$  and  $f_i$  corresponds to  $E_i$ , the  $i$ th coordinate functional. If  $X$  is Fréchet, then the associated sequence space, with the identification topology, is an  $FK$ -space with  $(e_i, E_i)$  as a total biorthogonal sequence. For a discussion of the basic properties of  $FK$ -spaces, see [6, p. 202].

The multiplier algebra of a total biorthogonal sequence is the algebra of all scalar sequences  $t$  with the property that  $tx = (t(i)x(i))$  is in the associated sequence space whenever  $x$  is in the associated sequence space. If the space is a Banach space, then the multiplier algebra can be given a  $BK$ -topology [3, Corollary 3.3]. Multiplier algebras of Schauder bases in Banach spaces have been investigated by Yamazaki [7; 8] and by McGivney and Ruckle [3]. In [3], McGivney and Ruckle have characterized those  $BK$ -algebras which arise as multiplier algebras of a Schauder basis in a Banach space. Multiplier algebras of various types of  $M$ -bases (in particular, series summable  $M$ -bases; cf. [5, Theorems 6.4 and 7.2]), have been investigated by Ruckle in [4].

The central result of this paper is the following characterization of those algebras which are multiplier algebras of various kinds of biorthogonal systems.

A  $BK$  algebra  $X$  containing  $\phi$  and  $e$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  if and only if  $X$  is the dual sequence space of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Here,  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  can be replaced by any of the following: series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , Schauder basis, unconditional Schauder basis, series summable  $M$ -basis, or strongly series summable  $M$ -basis.

The problem of characterizing multiplier algebras of  $M$ -bases is still open.

We have found it natural and convenient to include fundamental biorthogonal sequences (or, equivalently,  $K$ -norms on  $\phi$ ), and have therefore

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generalized the main results of [5] to this setting. Such straight forward generalizations are labeled propositions and proofs are included only if they are substantially different from those of [5].

In § 3 we give some preliminary results on the construction of sequence spaces which contain a given set  $A$  as a bounded subset. As an immediate corollary of a theorem in § 4, a necessary and sufficient condition (Theorem 4.7) is given for a space to be the dual of a separable Banach space.

Finally, using the Main Theorem we have been able to construct a series summable  $M$ -basis (Example 4.24) which is not strongly series summable. This solves a problem left open by Ruckle in [5]. It is of interest to note that this  $M$ -basis is not norming (see [2]).

**2. Notation and terminology.** Let  $\omega$  denote the space of all scalar sequences. With the topology of coordinatewise convergence,  $\omega$  is an  $FK$ -space. For  $s \in \omega$ , we denote the  $i$ th element of  $s$  by  $s(i)$ . For  $A \subseteq \omega$  and  $B \subseteq \phi$ ,  $A^\phi$  and  $B^\omega$  are defined as follows:

$$A^\phi = \left\{ x \in \phi : \left| \sum_i x(i)y(i) \right| \leq 1, \text{ for each } y \in A \right\},$$

and

$$B^\omega = \left\{ x \in \omega : \left| \sum_i x(i)y(i) \right| \leq 1, \text{ for each } y \in B \right\}.$$

Thus,  $A^\phi$  is the absolute polar of  $A$  in  $\phi$  and  $B^\omega$  is the absolute polar of  $B$  in  $\omega$ , where  $\omega$  and  $\phi$  are placed in duality by means of the pairing

$$(x, y) = \sum_i x(i)y(i).$$

If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $\omega$ , then we say that  $A$  absorbs  $B$  if there exists  $k > 0$  such that  $B \subseteq kA$ . If  $A$  absorbs  $B$  and  $B$  absorbs  $A$ , then we say that  $A$  and  $B$  are equivalent and write  $A \sim B$ .

If  $\lambda \in \omega$  and  $(x_n) \subseteq \omega$ , then, unless otherwise stated, the statement  $y = \sum_i \lambda(i)x_i$  means that  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda(i)x_i$  converges coordinatewise to  $y$ . For  $X$  a normed space,  $D_1(X)$  will denote the closed unit ball of  $X$ , and for  $A$  a subset of a linear space,  $K(A)$  denotes the absolutely convex hull of  $A$ .

If  $(x_i, f_i)$  is an  $M$ -basis for a normed space  $X$ , then the dual sequence space of this  $M$ -basis, denoted by  $X^\delta$ , is defined to be the space of all sequences  $(f(x_i))$  as  $f$  ranges over  $X^*$ . For an arbitrary normed  $K$ -space  $Y$  containing  $\phi$ ,  $Y^\delta$  is defined to be the dual sequence space of the  $M$ -basis  $(e_i, E_i)$  in the  $K$ -space  $Y^0 = \bar{\phi}$ .

A linear subspace of  $\omega$ , with a locally convex topology which yields continuous coordinates, will be called a  $K$ -space. The spaces

$$l_1 = \left\{ x \in \omega : \sum_i |x_i| \text{ converges} \right\}$$

and

$$bv = \left\{ x \in \omega : \sum_i |x_i - x_{i+1}| \text{ converges} \right\},$$

are *BK*-spaces with respective norms

$$\|x\|_{l_1} = \sum_i |x_i|$$

and

$$\|x\|_{bv} = |x_1| + \sum_i |x_i - x_{i+1}|.$$

For a detailed discussion of multiplier algebras of *M*-basis, see [3] and for definitions and a duscussion of series summable *M*-basis and the series space, see [5].

**3. Preliminary results.** For  $A \subseteq \omega$ , let  $E(A) = \cup_{n=1}^\infty nK(A)$ , and give  $E(A)$  the topology of  $p_A$ , the gauge of  $K(A)$ . Then  $E(A)$  is a semi-normed space which contains  $A$  as a bounded subset. If  $A$  is coordinatewise bounded, then  $E(A)$  is a normed *K*-space and if in addition  $A$  contains a multiple of  $e_i$  for each  $i$ , then  $E(A)$  is a normed *K*-space which contains  $\phi$ . If in turn we require that  $\sum_i \lambda(i)x_i \in K(A)$ , for each  $\lambda \in D_1(l_1)$  and  $x_i \in A$ , then  $E(A)$  is a *BK*-space containing  $\phi$ . However, to guarantee completeness we can do with the following

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *Let  $A$  be an absolutely convex, coordinatewise bounded, closed subset of  $\omega$  which contains a multiple of  $e_i$ , for each  $i$ . Then  $E(A)$  is a *BK*-space containing  $\phi$ .*

If  $A$  is a coordinatewise bounded subset of  $\omega$ , then there is a smallest *BK*-space containing  $A$  as a bounded subset. We will denote this space by  $S(A)$  and it can be characterized as follows:

$$S(A) = \left\{ \sum_i \lambda(i)x_i : \lambda \in l_1, x_i \in A, \text{ for each } i \right\},$$

with norm

$$\|x\|_A = \inf \left\{ \|\lambda\|_{l_1} : x = \sum_i \lambda(i)x_i, x_i \in A \right\}.$$

This is equivalent to the formulation of  $S(A)$  given by Ruckle in [5] and so we omit the argument that  $S(A)$  is a *BK*-space. Note that if  $A \sim B$ , then  $S(A) = S(B)$ .

If  $A$  is an absolutely convex, coordinatewise bounded, closed subset of  $\omega$  which contains a multiple of  $e_i$  for each  $i$ , then  $\phi$  will be dense in  $E(A)$  if and only if  $E(A) = S(A \cap \phi)$ . If  $A$  is an absolutely convex radial subset of  $\phi$ , then, by [5, Theorem 5.4], the coordinates will be norming on  $E(A) = S(A)$  if and only if  $A^\omega \sim A^{\phi\phi\omega}$ , which in turn is true if and only if  $A \sim A^{\phi\phi}$ .

*Definition 3.2.* Let  $A$  be a coordinatewise bounded subset of  $\phi$  which contains a multiple of  $e_i$ , for each  $i$ . If  $\|\cdot\|_A$  agrees with  $p_A$  on  $E(A)$  then we say that  $A$  is consistent.

For properties of consistent sets, see [5]; particularly, Theorem 4.2. A discussion of related concepts can be found in [4].

*Definition 3.3.* We say that a norm on  $\phi$  is a  $K$ -norm if the  $E_i$ 's are continuous on  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  and is consistent if  $D_1(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  is consistent.

In light of [5, Theorem 4.2], we have:

**PROPOSITION 3.4.** *A  $K$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $\phi$  is consistent if and only if, in any completion  $Y$  of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ , the extensions of the  $E_i$ 's to all of  $Y$  form a total family. In particular, if  $\|\cdot\|$  is consistent, then the completion of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  can be realized as a  $BK$ -space.*

The following technical lemma will be useful in § 4.

**LEMMA 3.5.** *If  $A$  is an absolutely convex radial subset of  $\phi$ , then  $A$  absorbs  $A^{\omega\phi}$ .*

*Proof.* The weak topology on  $\phi$  by  $\omega$ , with respect to the pairing  $(x, y) = \sum x(i)y(i)$ , is, in fact, the strongest locally convex topology on  $\phi$ . Thus,  $p_A$  is a continuous seminorm on  $\phi$  with this topology. Since  $A^{\omega\phi} = \bar{A}$  and  $p_A(A) \subseteq [0, 1]$ , it follows that  $p_A(\bar{A}) \subseteq [0, 1]$ .

**4. Main results.** Let  $(x_i, f_i)$  be a fundamental biorthogonal sequence for the Banach space  $X$ . Then  $\text{sp}(x_i)$  can be identified with  $\phi$  under the correspondence  $x \leftrightarrow s_x$ , where  $s_x = \sum f_i(x)e_i$ . The induced norm, defined by  $\|s_x\| = \|x\|$ , is a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  since each  $f_i$  is continuous on  $X$ . Thus, each fundamental biorthogonal sequence gives rise to a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Conversely, each  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  corresponds to at least one fundamental biorthogonal sequence for a Banach space  $X$  (e.g., consider the completion of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ ).

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *Let  $(x_i, f_i)$  be a fundamental biorthogonal sequence for the Banach space  $X$ , and let  $\|\cdot\|$  denote the induced  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Then  $(x_i, f_i)$  is an  $M$ -basis for  $X$  if and only if  $A = D_1(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  is consistent.*

*Definition 4.2.* Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . By the  $\delta$ -dual of this  $K$ -norm we mean the  $\delta$ -dual of the normed space  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.3.** *If  $\|\cdot\|$  is a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  and  $A = D_1(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ , then*

$$(\phi, \|\cdot\|)^\delta = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty nA^\omega.$$

**COROLLARY 4.4.** *If  $(x_i, f_i)$  is an  $M$ -basis for the Banach space  $X$ , then  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)^\delta$  is the dual sequence space of  $(x_i, f_i)$ .*

Notice that the  $\delta$ -dual determines whether or not the fundamental biorthogonal sequence  $(x_i, f_i)$  is an  $M$ -basis, since  $A^{\omega\phi}$  is consistent if and only if  $A$  is consistent.

The following theorem is used later to characterize multiplier algebras and has, as an immediate corollary, a characterization of duals of separable Banach spaces.

**THEOREM 4.5.** *A BK-space  $Y$  containing  $\phi$  is the  $\delta$ -dual of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  if and only if  $D_1(Y) \sim D_1(Y)^{\phi\omega}$ .*

*Proof.* If  $Y$  is the  $\delta$ -dual of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , then it is of the form  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nA^\omega$ , and  $A^\omega = A^{\omega\phi\omega}$ . Assume that  $D_1(Y) \sim D_1(Y)^{\phi\omega}$ , and let  $X$  be a completion of  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(Y)^\phi$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(Y) \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(Y)^{\phi\omega} \\ &= (\phi, \|\cdot\|)^\delta, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the gauge of  $D_1(Y)^\phi$ .

**COROLLARY 4.6.** *A BK-space containing  $\phi$  is the dual sequence space of an  $M$ -basis in a Banach space if and only if  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$  and  $D_1(X)^\phi$  is consistent.*

**THEOREM 4.7.** *A Banach space  $X$  is the dual of a separable Banach space if and only if  $X$  admits a total biorthogonal sequence  $(x_i, f_i)$  such that  $B \sim B^{\phi\omega}$  and such that  $B^\phi$  is consistent, where  $B = \{(f_i(x)) : x \in D_1(X)\}$ .*

*Definition 4.8.* The multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $\phi$  is defined to be the set of all sequences  $s \in \omega$  for which

$$\sup \{ \|st\| : t \in \phi, \|t\| \leq 1 \} < \infty.$$

We denote the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $\phi$  by  $M(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ . By the multiplier algebra of a fundamental biorthogonal sequence we mean the multiplier algebra of the induced  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . In the terminology of [3],

$$M(\phi, \|\cdot\|) = M_c[(\phi, \|\cdot\|), e_i, E_i],$$

and is a BK-space algebra with norm

$$\|t\|_M = \sup_{\|s\| \leq 1} \|ts\|.$$

**PROPOSITION 4.9** (cf. [3, Theorem 4.2; 5 Theorem 7.1]). *If  $\|\cdot\|$  is a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , then*

$$M(\phi, \|\cdot\|) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(AA^\omega)^\omega,$$

where  $A = D_1(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ .

**COROLLARY 4.10.** *If  $(x_i, f_i)$  is an  $M$ -basis for  $X$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the induced  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , then  $M(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  is the multiplier algebra of the  $M$ -basis  $(x_i, f_i)$  in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* This follows from 4.9 and [5, Theorem 7.1].

If a  $K$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $\phi$  is consistent, then, by the above,  $M(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  is the multiplier algebra of the  $M$ -basis  $(e_i, E_i)$  in  $X$ , where  $X$  is the  $BK$  realization of the completion of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ .

*Question.* If a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  is not consistent, must there exist a consistent  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  with the same multiplier algebra?

**THEOREM 4.11.** *A  $BK$ -algebra  $X$  containing  $\phi$  and  $e$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  if and only if  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$ .*

*Proof.* If  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , then by 4.9 it is of the form  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(AA^\omega)^\omega$ . The result follows since  $(AA^\omega)^\omega \sim (AA^\omega)^{\omega\phi\omega}$ .

Suppose that  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(X)^{\phi\omega} \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n[D_1(X)^\phi D_1(X)]^\omega \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n[D_1(X)^\phi D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}]^\omega \\ &= M(\phi, \|\cdot\|), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the gauge of  $D_1(X)^\phi$ . We have used the fact that  $D_1(X)^\phi D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^\phi$ . (It is clear that  $D_1(X)^\phi D_1(X)$  absorbs  $D_1(X)^\phi$ , since  $D_1(X)$  contains a multiple of  $e$ . Let  $z, x \in D_1(X)$  and  $y \in D_1(X)^\phi$ . Then  $|(xy, z)| = |(y, zx)| \leq K$ , where  $K$  is such that  $D_1(X)D_1(X) \subseteq KD_1(X)$ . Thus,  $xy \in KD_1(X)^\phi$ .)

**THEOREM 4.12.** *Let  $X$  be a  $BK$ -algebra containing  $\phi$  and  $e$ ; then  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm if and only if  $X$  is the  $\delta$ -dual of a  $K$ -norm.*

*Proof.* This is an immediate corollary of 4.5 and 4.11.

The concept of a multiplier algebra defines an equivalence relation on the set of all  $K$ -norms on  $\phi$ . Two norms are in the same equivalence class if they have the same multiplier algebra. Theorem 4.11 constructs a distinguished element in each equivalence class, namely, the gauge of  $D_1(X)^\delta$ . We denote this  $K$ -norm by  $\|\cdot\|_{(X)}$ .

**Definition 4.13.** Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . The series space,  $\mathcal{S}(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ , is defined by  $\mathcal{S}(\phi, \|\cdot\|) = S(AA^\omega)$  where  $A = D_1(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ .

Note that, for  $A$  consistent, this coincides with the definition of series space given by Ruckle in [5].

*Definition 4.14.* A  $K$ -norm  $\| \cdot \|$  on  $\phi$  is called series summable if  $e \in \mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^\delta$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.15.** *Let  $\| \cdot \|$  be a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $e \in \mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^\delta$ ;
- (ii)  $M(\phi, \| \cdot \|) = \mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^\delta$ ;
- (iii)  $AA^\omega$  is consistent, where  $A = D_1(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ ;
- (iv)  $D_1(M(\phi, \| \cdot \|))^\phi$  is consistent.

*Proof.* The equivalence of the first 3 conditions follows much as in [5].

(iii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv). This follows since:

$$D_1(M(\phi, \| \cdot \|))^\phi = (AA^\omega)^\omega$$

is consistent if and only if  $AA^\omega$  is consistent.

By (iv), the multiplier algebra determines whether or not a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  is series summable. This theorem also shows that the multiplier algebra does not determine whether or not a  $K$ -norm is consistent, since there exist  $BK$ -spaces with  $M$ -bases which are not series summable. The distinguished  $K$ -norm  $\| \cdot \|$  in the equivalence class determined by such an  $M$ -basis is not consistent, by Proposition 4.15. An example is given on page 524 of [5].

**THEOREM 4.16.** *Let  $X$  be a  $BK$ -algebra containing  $\phi$  and  $e$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ ;
- (ii)  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$  and  $D_1(X)^\phi$  is consistent;
- (iii)  $X$  is the dual sequence space of an  $M$ -basis;
- (iv)  $X$  is the  $\delta$ -dual of a series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii). The necessity follows by 4.15. By 4.11,  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  and so by 4.15 this  $K$ -norm is series summable.

(ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii). This is Corollary 4.6.

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv). Suppose that  $X = M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ , where  $\| \cdot \|$  is a series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Then by 4.15,  $X = \mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^\delta$ , and as in the proof of 4.15,  $M(\mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|) = M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ . Therefore,  $(e_i, E_i)$  is a series summable  $M$ -basis for  $\mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ . Thus,  $X = (\phi, \| \cdot \|')^\delta$ , where  $\| \cdot \|'$  is the norm on  $\mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$  restricted to  $\phi$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). This follows from 4.12.

We note that the  $M$ -basis in (iii) above will necessarily be series summable and that the  $K$ -norm in (iv) will be consistent.

*Definition 4.17* (cf. [5, Theorem 7.2]). A  $K$ -norm  $\| \cdot \|$  on  $\phi$  is said to be strongly series summable if  $M(\phi, \| \cdot \|) = M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^\delta$ .

PROPOSITION 4.18. *Let  $\| \cdot \|$  be a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M(\phi, \| \cdot \|) = M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^{\delta\delta}$ ;
- (ii)  $e \in M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^{\delta\delta}$ ;
- (iii) *there is a sequence  $(u_n) \subseteq \phi$  such that  $\lim_n u_n(k) = 1$ , for all  $k$ , and  $\sup_n \|u_n\|_M < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii).  $e \in M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Since  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(AA^\omega)^{\phi\omega}$  is a  $BK$ -space containing  $AA^\omega$  as a bounded subset (Proposition 3.1), we have

$$\mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|) \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(AA^\omega)^{\phi\omega} = M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^{\delta},$$

and, therefore,  $e \in M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^{\delta\delta} \subseteq \mathcal{S}(\phi, \| \cdot \|)^{\delta}$ . By 4.15,  $(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$  is series summable and the distinguished element in the equivalence class determined by  $M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$  is consistent. Now, since  $M(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$  is known to be the multiplier algebra associated with an  $M$ -basis, the result follows by [5, Theorem 7.2].

(ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii). This follows exactly as in [5, Theorem 7.2].

COROLLARY 4.19. *Every strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  is series summable.*

We know that there are inconsistent  $K$ -norms in every equivalence class of  $K$ -norms which are not series summable. The next result shows that there are no inconsistent  $K$ -norms in any strongly series summable equivalence class.

THEOREM 4.20. *Every strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$  is consistent.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$  is strongly series summable. Then there exists  $(u_n) \subseteq \phi$  such that  $u_n(k) \rightarrow 1$  on  $n$ , for each  $k$ , and  $\sup_n \|u_n\|_M < \infty$ . It suffices to show that there exists a  $K > 0$  such that  $\| \sum_i \lambda(i)s_i \| \leq K$ , for all  $\lambda \in D_1(l_1)$  and all  $(s_i) \subseteq A = D_1(\phi, \| \cdot \|)$ . Let  $\lambda \in D_1(l_1)$  and  $(s_i) \subseteq A$ . Then for fixed  $n$ ,

$$\lim_m \left\| u_n \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(i)s_i - u_n \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda(i)s_i \right\| = \lim_m \left\| \sum_{i=m+1}^{\infty} \lambda(i)s_i u_n \right\| = 0,$$

since  $u_n$  has finitely many non-zero coordinates and

$$\lim_m \sum_{i=m+1}^{\infty} \lambda(i)s_i(k)u_n(k) = 0,$$

for each  $k$ . Since

$$\left\| u_n \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda(i)s_i \right\| \leq K \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda(i)s_i \right\| \leq K,$$



this gives that

$$\left\| u_n \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(i) s_i \right\| \leq K.$$

But  $\lim_n \|u_n s - s\| = 0$ , for each  $s \in \phi$ , so

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(i) s_i \right\| \leq K.$$

LEMMA 4.21. *A BK-space  $X$  containing  $\phi$  is the dual sequence space of a norming  $M$ -basis in a Banach space if and only if  $D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X)$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $X$  is the dual sequence space of a norming  $M$ -basis. Then by [5, Theorem 4.4] there is a consistent balanced subset  $A$  of  $\phi$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nA^{\omega}$ , where  $A^{\omega} \sim A^{\phi\phi\omega}$ . But  $D_1(X) \sim A^{\omega}$ , and so

$$D_1(X) \sim A^{\omega} \sim A^{\phi\phi\omega} \sim (A^{\omega\phi})^{\phi\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega}.$$

Conversely, assume that  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega}$ . Thus,

$$D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}.$$

Now,

$$D_1(X)^{\phi} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega\phi} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi}$$

and, hence,  $D_1(X)^{\phi}$  is consistent. For,

$$D_1(X)^{\phi} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi} = D_1\left(\bigcup_n nD_1(X)^{\phi\phi\omega}\right) \cap \phi$$

and, hence,  $D_1(X)^{\phi}$  is the intersection of  $\phi$  with the unit ball of a BK-space. By 4.6,  $X$  is the dual sequence space of an  $M$ -basis and this  $M$ -basis is norming by [5, Theorem 5.4].

THEOREM 4.22. *Let  $X$  be a BK-algebra containing  $\phi$  and  $e$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ ;
- (ii)  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega}$ ;
- (iii)  $X$  is the dual sequence space of a norming  $M$ -basis;
- (iv)  $X$  is the  $\delta$ -dual of a strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Since  $X$  is a multiplier algebra,  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$ , so  $D_1(X) \cap \phi$  is equivalent to  $D_1(X)^{\phi\phi}$ . This, and the fact that  $X = X^{\delta\delta}$ , gives that  $D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega}$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

$$D_1(X)^{\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega\phi\omega} = D_1(X)^{\phi\phi\phi\omega} \sim D_1(X).$$

Thus, by 4.11,  $X$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Now

$D_1(X) \sim D_1(X)^{\phi\omega}$  implies that  $D_1(X)^{\phi\phi} \sim D_1(X) \cap \phi$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\delta\delta} &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(D_1(X) \cap \phi)^{\phi\omega} \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(X)^{\phi\phi\omega} \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nD_1(X) \\ &= X. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the  $K$ -norm is strongly series summable.

(ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii). This follows from Lemma 4.21.

(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv). The proof here is the same as the argument for the (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv) part of 4.16.

Thus, we have that a  $BK$ -algebra  $X$  containing  $\phi$  and  $e$  is the multiplier algebra of a  $\Delta$  if and only if  $X$  is the dual sequence space of a  $\Delta$ , where  $\Delta$  can be any of:  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , strongly series summable  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ , unconditional Schauder basis, Schauder basis, series summable  $M$ -basis, or strongly series summable  $M$ -basis.

Since we know that every strongly series summable  $K$ -norm is consistent the following are consequences of [3, Theorem 4.7].

PROPOSITION 4.23. *Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a  $K$ -norm on  $\phi$ . Then:*

(i)  $bv \subseteq M(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  if and only if  $(e_i, E_i)$  is a Schauder basis for the  $BK$ -completion of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ ;

(ii)  $m = M(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$  if and only if  $(e_i, E_i)$  is an unconditional Schauder basis for the  $BK$ -completion of  $(\phi, \|\cdot\|)$ .

Using the above results, we are now able to give an example of a series summable  $M$ -basis which is not strongly series summable, and thus answer a question raised in [5].

Example 4.24. We will construct a  $BK$ -space  $X$  with a non-norming  $M$ -basis such that  $X^\delta$  is an algebra containing  $e$ . By 4.12, 4.16, and 4.22, this  $M$ -basis is series summable but not strongly series summable.

Let  $X_n$  denote the set  $l_1$  with the norm

$$\|x\|_{(n)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i| + \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \right|.$$

This norm is equivalent to the usual  $l_1$  norm, since

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i| \leq \|x\|_{(n)} \leq \left(\frac{1}{n} + 1\right) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|.$$

Let  $Y_n$  denote the dual of  $X_n$ . Then  $Y_n$  is the set  $l_\infty$  with the norm  $\|\cdot\|^{(n)}$ , determined in the usual way by  $X_n$ . Let  $M_1, M_2, \dots, M_i = \{m_{ij}\}_{j=1}^\infty$  be a

partition of the positive integers into countably many infinite subsets. For a sequence  $x$ , define  $Q_n(x) = \{x(m_{nb})\}_{b=1}^\infty$ .

Finally, define  $X$  to be the space of all sequences  $x$  such that

$$\|x\| \equiv \sum_{n=1}^\infty \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^\infty |x(m_{nj})| + \left| \sum_{j=1}^\infty x(m_{nj}) \right| \right) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|Q_n(x)\|_{(n)} < \infty.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a  $BK$ -space containing  $l_1$  densely. Furthermore, the dual,  $Y$ , is given by the set of all sequences  $y$  such that  $\|y\| \equiv \sup \|Q_n(y)\|_{(n)} < \infty$ , and is a  $BK$  space (see [1, p. 31]).

It can be shown that  $Y$  is an algebra containing  $e$ . It remains to show that the coordinate functionals are not norming on  $X$ . Let  $A = D_1(X) \cap \phi$ . As we remarked in § 3, it is sufficient to show that  $A$  does not absorb  $A^{\phi\phi}$ .

Let  $A_n = D_1(X_n) \cap \phi$ . Then

$$\inf\{\kappa > 0 : A_n^{\phi\phi} \subseteq \kappa A_n\} \geq n/2,$$

for each  $n$ . For,

$$\|(n/2)e_1\|_{(n)} = (n/2)(1 + 1/n) > n/2.$$

Let  $y_i = (n/2)(e_1 - e_i)$ . Then  $y_i \in A_n$  and  $\lim_i y_i(\kappa) = (n/2)e_1(\kappa)$ , for all  $\kappa$ . Since  $A^{\phi\phi}$  is the coordinatewise closure of  $A$  in  $\phi$ ,  $(n/2)e_1 \in A_0^{\phi\phi}$ . It follows that there is no  $\kappa > 0$  such that  $A^{\phi\phi} \subseteq \kappa A$ .

Finally, we note that  $(e_i, E_i)$  is not a basis for  $X$  since it is not strongly series summable, but that  $X$  does possess a basis  $\{z_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^\infty$  where

$$Q_n(z_{ij}) = \begin{cases} e_1 & \text{if } i = n, j = 1 \\ e_j - e_1 & \text{if } n, j > 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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