

THE UNIFORM KADEC-KLEE PROPERTY FOR THE LORENTZ SPACES $L_{w,1}$

S. J. DILWORTH and YU-PING HSU

(Received 21 July 1993; revised 29 April 1994)

Communicated by P. G. Dodds

Abstract

In this paper we show that the Lorentz space $L_{w,1}(0, \infty)$ has the weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee property if and only if $\inf_{t>0}(w(\alpha t)/w(t)) > 1$ and $\sup_{t>0}(\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) < 1$ for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, where $\phi(t) = \int_0^t w(s) ds$.

1991 *Mathematics subject classification* (*Amer. Math. Soc.*): Primary 46E30, 46B25, 54E40. Secondary 52A07, 46A50.

Keywords and phrases: Lorentz space, uniform Kadec-Klee Property, fixed point property.

1. Introduction

For a measurable function f defined on $(0, \infty)$, we define the distribution of $|f|$ by $d_f(t) = |\{x : |f(x)| > t\}|$, $0 < t < \infty$, where $|A|$ denotes the Lebesgue measure of the set A , and we define the decreasing rearrangement of $|f|$ by $f^*(t) = \inf\{s > 0 : d_f(s) \leq t\}$.

Let $w : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a decreasing function satisfying $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} w(t) = \infty$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} w(t) = 0$, $\int_0^1 w(t) dt = 1$, and $\int_0^\infty w(t) dt = \infty$. Define the Lorentz space $L_{w,1}(0, \infty)$ as the space of all (equivalence classes of) measurable functions f on $(0, \infty)$ for which

$$\|f\| = \int_0^\infty f^*(t)w(t) dt < \infty.$$

$L_{w,1}$ is sometimes also referred to as Λ_ϕ , where

$$\phi(t) = \int_0^t w(s) ds \quad (t \geq 0).$$

This paper is part of the dissertation of Yu-Ping Hsu prepared at the University of South Carolina.
© 1996 Australian Mathematical Society 0263-6115/95 \$A2.00 + 0.00

These spaces were introduced by Lorentz in [15] and were studied recently in [6]. $L_{w,1}$ is a non-reflexive separable dual Banach space. Its natural predual contains the integrable simple functions as a dense subspace.

A dual space has the *weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee* property if, given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that for every sequence (f_n) with $\|f_n\| \leq 1$, $\inf_{m \neq n} \|f_n - f_m\| \geq \varepsilon$, and $f_n \rightarrow f$ in the weak-star topology, we have $\|f\| \leq 1 - \delta(\varepsilon)$. This property was introduced by Huff in [10]. See [3, 7, 10, 12] for an introduction to the uniform Kadec-Klee and related properties.

Sedaev [16] proved that strict concavity of ϕ is a necessary and sufficient condition for $L_{w,1}$ to have the (non-uniform) weak-star Kadec-Klee property: that is, if $f_n \rightarrow f$ weak-star and if $\|f_n\| \rightarrow \|f\|$, then $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$. In this paper we give necessary and sufficient conditions for $L_{w,1}$ to have the weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee property. Section 2 gathers together the calculations which are used in Section 3 in the proof of our main result (Theorem 3.2). The proof of the sufficiency of the conditions is based on the proof which is given in [5] for the special case of $L_{p,1}(0, \infty)$. The main result implies a fixed point theorem for non-expansive mappings (Corollary 3.3). See for example [3, 5, 9, 12, 13] for further results about the uniform Kadec-Klee property in classical spaces.

Throughout the paper $I(A)$ will denote the characteristic function of a set $A \subset [0, \infty)$. If $0 < |A| < \infty$, we write $e(A) = I(A)/\phi(|A|)$ (so that $e(A)$ is of norm one in $L_{w,1}$). We also write A^c to denote the complement of the set A .

Finally, we wish to thank Chris Lennard and both referees for their many helpful suggestions.

2. Preliminaries

The proof of the following lemma can be found in [6].

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let f be a nonnegative function on $(0, \infty)$ with $\|f\| = 1$. Then there exist a collection of Borel sets $(A(u))_{u>0}$ and a probability measure μ on $(0, \infty)$ with the following properties:*

- (1) $A(u) \subset A(v)$, except for a set of measure zero, if $u < v$;
- (2) $|A(u)| = u$;
- (3) $f = \int_0^\infty e(A(u)) d\mu(u)$;
- (4) $f^* = \int_0^\infty e((0, u)) d\mu(u)$.

DEFINITION 2.2. Let C_1 be the class of weight functions w satisfying

$$k_1(\alpha) = \sup_{t>0} \frac{\phi(\alpha t)}{\phi(t)} < 1$$

for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. In the literature these are called the *regular weights* (see for example [4, 8]).

REMARK. If $w \in C_1$, then, clearly, $k_1(\alpha) \rightarrow 1$ if and only if $\alpha \rightarrow 1$. Moreover, it is easily seen that

$$k_1(\alpha^n) \leq (k_1(\alpha))^n,$$

and hence $k_1(\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$. It is also well-known that $w \in C_1$ if and only if $k_1(\alpha) < 1$ for *some* $\alpha < 1$.

DEFINITION 2.3. We say that $L_{w,1}$ has *property P* if whenever we are given two sequences $\langle f_n \rangle$ and $\langle g_n \rangle$ such that $\|f_n\| = 1$, $\|f_n + g_n\| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and f_n, g_n are disjointly supported for each n , then $\|g_n\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Note that property *P* is an abstract form of ‘lower p -estimate’ (see [14, p.82]).

LEMMA 2.4. Let $w \in C_1$, and let A, E be sets such that $\|e(A)I(E)\| \geq 1 - \varepsilon$ for some $\varepsilon \geq 0$. Then $\|e(A)I(E^c)\| \leq \delta_1(\varepsilon)$ for some $\delta_1(\varepsilon) > 0$, where $\delta_1(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

PROOF. Let $|A| = u$. Since $w \in C_1$, we have

$$k_1\left(\frac{|A \cap E|}{u}\right) \geq \frac{\phi(|A \cap E|)}{\phi(u)} = \|e(A)I(E)\| \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Therefore $1 - \frac{|A \cap E|}{u} \leq \eta(\varepsilon)$, for some $\eta(\varepsilon) > 0$, and so $\frac{|A \cap E^c|}{u} \leq \eta(\varepsilon)$. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|e(A)I(E^c)\| &= \frac{\phi(|A \cap E^c|)}{\phi(u)} \leq k_1\left(\frac{|A \cap E^c|}{u}\right) \\ &\leq k_1(\eta(\varepsilon)) = \delta_1(\varepsilon), \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_1(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

LEMMA 2.5. Suppose $w \in C_1$, $f = f_1 + f_2$, where $\|f\| = 1$ and f_1, f_2 are disjoint. If $\|f_1\| > 1 - \varepsilon^2$, then $\|f_2\| < \delta_2(\varepsilon)$, for some $\delta_2(\varepsilon) > 0$, where $\delta_2(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

PROOF. By Proposition 2.1, $f = \int_0^\infty e(A(u)) d\mu(u)$ for some family of Borel sets $(A(u))_{u>0}$ and some probability measure μ on $(0, \infty)$. Since f_1 and f_2 are disjoint there is a set E such that $f_1 = fI(E)$ and $f_2 = fI(E^c)$; it follows that

$$f_1 = \left(\int_0^\infty e(A(u)) d\mu(u) \right) I(E) = \int_0^\infty e(A(u)) I(E) d\mu(u).$$

Since $\|f_1\| > 1 - \varepsilon^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^2 > 1 - \|fI(E)\| &\geq 1 - \int_0^\infty \|e(A(u))I(E)\| d\mu(u) \\ &= \int_0^\infty (1 - \|e(A(u))I(E)\|) d\mu(u). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Chebyshev's inequality,

$$\mu(\{u : \|e(A(u))I(E)\| > 1 - \varepsilon\}) = \mu(\{u : 1 - \|e(A(u))I(E)\| \geq \varepsilon\}^c) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Let $\delta_1(\varepsilon)$ be as in Lemma 2.4; then

$$\mu(\{u : \|e(A(u))I(E^c)\| \leq \delta_1(\varepsilon)\}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_2\| &= \left\| \int_0^\infty e(A(u))I(E^c) d\mu(u) \right\| \leq \int_0^\infty \|e(A(u))I(E^c)\| d\mu(u) \\ &\leq \delta_1(\varepsilon)(1 - \varepsilon) + \varepsilon = \delta_2(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $\delta_2(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

PROPOSITION 2.6. $L_{w,1}$ has property P if and only if $w \in C_1$.

PROOF. The fact that if $w \in C_1$ then $L_{w,1}$ has property P follows easily from Lemma 2.5. Conversely, suppose $w \notin C_1$; then $\sup_{t>0}(\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = 1$ for some $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Let $\langle t_n \rangle$ be a sequence such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}(\phi(\alpha t_n)/\phi(t_n)) = 1$, let $f_n = e((0, \alpha t_n))$, and let $g_n = I((\alpha t_n, t_n))/\phi(t_n)$. Then $\|f_n\| = 1$ and

$$\|g_n\| = \frac{\phi((1 - \alpha)t_n)}{\phi(t_n)} \geq 1 - \alpha$$

by the concavity of ϕ , and f_n, g_n are disjoint. But

$$\|f_n + g_n\| = 1 + \frac{\phi(t_n) - \phi(\alpha t_n)}{\phi(t_n)},$$

which converges to 1 as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $L_{w,1}$ does not have property P .

REMARK. For related results in Lorentz sequence spaces see [1, 2].

DEFINITION 2.7. Let C_2 be the class of weight functions w satisfying

$$k_2(\alpha) = \inf_{t>0} \frac{w(\alpha t)}{w(t)} > 1$$

for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

REMARK. It is clear that, for each $w \in C_2$, $k_2(\alpha) \rightarrow 1$ if and only if $\alpha \rightarrow 1$.

EXAMPLE 2.8. Neither C_1 nor C_2 contains the other.

(a) $w(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\log(1+t)}} \in C_1 \setminus C_2$.

PROOF. It is easy to see that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = \alpha$, and that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = \sqrt{\alpha}$. So $\sup_{t>0} (\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = k_1(\alpha) < 1$, and thus $w \in C_1$. But $w \notin C_2$ since $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (w(\alpha t)/w(t)) = 1$, which implies that $\inf_{t>0} (w(\alpha t)/w(t)) = 1$ for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

(b) $\phi'(t) \in C_2 \setminus C_1$ for $\phi(t) = \sqrt{\log(1+t)}$.

PROOF. Clearly, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{\log(1+\alpha t)}/\sqrt{\log(1+t)}) = 1$, and so $\sup_{t>0} (\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = 1$ for all $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Hence $\phi \notin C_1$.

Since $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (w(\alpha t)/w(t)) = 1/\alpha > 1$, and $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (w(\alpha t)/w(t)) = 1/\sqrt{\alpha} > 1$, we have $\inf_{t>0} (w(\alpha t)/w(t)) > 1$. Thus $\phi \in C_2$.

LEMMA 2.9. Let $w \in C_1 \cap C_2$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Suppose that $A \subset [0, \infty)$, that $|A| = u > 0$, and that $\int_0^\infty e(A)(t) d\phi(t) > 1 - \varepsilon$. Then $|A \setminus [0, u]| \leq \delta_3(\varepsilon)u$ for some $\delta_3(\varepsilon) > 0$, and hence $\|e(A) - e((0, u))\| \leq \delta_4(\varepsilon)$ for some $\delta_4(\varepsilon) > 0$. Moreover, $\delta_3(\varepsilon), \delta_4(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ (through positive values).

PROOF. Suppose that $|A \setminus [0, u]| = \alpha u$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &> 1 - \int_0^\infty e(A)(t) d\phi(t) \\ &= \phi(u)^{-1} \int_0^u d\phi(t) - \phi(u)^{-1} \int_A d\phi(t) \\ &\geq \phi(u)^{-1} \left(\int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u d\phi(t) - \int_u^{u(1+\alpha)} d\phi(t) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \phi(u)^{-1} \left(\int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u w(t) dt - \int_u^{u(1+\alpha)} w(t) dt \right) \\
 &= \phi(u)^{-1} \left(\int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u w(t) dt - \int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u w(t + \alpha u) dt \right) \\
 &\geq \phi(u)^{-1} \int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u (w(t) - w((1 + \alpha)t)) dt \\
 &\geq \phi(u)^{-1} \int_{u(1-\alpha)}^u \left(w(t) - k_2 \left(\frac{1}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{-1} w(t) \right) dt \\
 &= \left(1 - k_2 \left(\frac{1}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{-1} \right) \phi(u)^{-1} \left(\phi(u) - \phi(u(1 - \alpha)) \right) \\
 &\geq \left(1 - k_2 \left(\frac{1}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{-1} \right) \phi(u)^{-1} \left(\phi(u) - k_1(1 - \alpha)\phi(u) \right) \\
 &= \left(1 - k_2 \left(\frac{1}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{-1} \right) \left(1 - k_1(1 - \alpha) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\alpha \leq \delta_3(\epsilon)$, where $\delta_3(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|e(A) - e((0, u))\| &= \int_0^\infty |e(A) - e((0, u))|^*(t) d\phi(t) \leq \int_0^\infty \frac{I((0, 2u\delta_3(\epsilon))(t))}{\phi(u)} d\phi(t) \\
 &= \frac{\phi(2\delta_3(\epsilon)u)}{\phi(u)} \leq k_1(2\delta_3(\epsilon)) = \delta_4(\epsilon).
 \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that $\delta_4(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

We can now deduce the main technical ingredient in the proof of Theorem 3.2.

PROPOSITION 2.10. *Suppose that $w \in C_1 \cap C_2$ and that $\|f\| = 1$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. If $\int_0^\infty f(t) d\phi(t) > 1 - \epsilon^2$, then $\|f - f^*\| < \delta_5(\epsilon)$ for some $\delta_5(\epsilon) > 0$, where $\delta_5(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ (through positive values).*

PROOF. Let f^+ and f^- denote the positive and negative parts of f . We have

$$\|f^+\| \geq \int_0^\infty f^+(t) d\phi(t) \geq \int_0^\infty f(t) d\phi(t) > 1 - \epsilon^2.$$

By Lemma 2.5, there exists $\delta_6(\epsilon) > 0$ such that $\|f^-\| < \delta_6(\epsilon)$, whence $\|f - |f|\| \leq 2\delta_6(\epsilon)$. We can associate with $|f|$ a Borel probability measure μ and a collection of sets $(A(u))_{u>0}$ having the properties described in Proposition 2.1.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^2 > 1 - \int_0^\infty f(t) d\phi(t) &\geq 1 - \int_0^\infty |f(t)| d\phi(t) = \int_0^\infty (f^*(t) - |f(t)|) d\phi(t) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty (e((0, u)) - e(A(u)))(t) d\mu(u) d\phi(t) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty (e((0, u)) - e(A(u)))(t) d\phi(t) d\mu(u). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\varepsilon^2 > \int_0^\infty g(u) d\mu(u)$, where $g(u) = \int_0^\infty [e(0, u) - e(A(u))](t) d\phi(t)$. Observe that $0 \leq g(u) \leq 2$, and so $\mu(\{u : g(u) \geq \varepsilon\}) < \varepsilon$ by Chebyshev's inequality. Let $\delta_4(\varepsilon)$ be as in Lemma 2.9. Then

$$\mu(\{u : \|e((0, u)) - e(A(u))\| > \delta_4(\varepsilon)\}) < \varepsilon.$$

Thus we have

$$\| |f| - f^* \| \leq \int_0^\infty \|e(A(u)) - e((0, u))\| d\mu(u) \leq 2\varepsilon + \delta_4(\varepsilon).$$

So

$$\|f - f^*\| \leq \|f - |f|\| + \|f^* - |f|\| \leq 2\delta_6(\varepsilon) + 2\varepsilon + \delta_4(\varepsilon) = \delta_5(\varepsilon),$$

and $\delta_5(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

3. Main results

The following lemma is taken from [5].

LEMMA 3.1. *Let f be a nonnegative function on $(0, \infty)$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive surjective isometry T of $L_{w,1}$, which is also a weak-star automorphism, such that $T(f)^* = f^*$ and $\|T(f) - f^*\| < \varepsilon$.*

THEOREM 3.2 (Main Theorem). *The Lorentz space $L_{w,1}(0, \infty)$ has the weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee property if and only if w belongs to both C_1 and C_2 .*

PROOF. We first prove the sufficiency. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Suppose that $\|f_n\| = 1$ for all n , that $\|f_n - f_m\| \geq \varepsilon$, ($m \neq n$), and that (f_n) converges weak-star to f . We may assume that $\|f\| = 1 - \delta$, and we shall show that $\delta \geq \delta(\varepsilon) > 0$. The quantities δ_1, δ_2 , etc. which arise in the proof depend only on δ and all approach zero as δ approaches zero.

- 1°. We may assume that $f \geq 0$ and by Lemma 3.1 that $\|f - f^*\| < \delta$.
- 2°.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty f(t) d\phi(t) &= \int_0^\infty f^*(t) d\phi(t) - \int_0^\infty (f^*(t) - f(t)) d\phi(t) \\ &\geq \|f\| - \|f - f^*\| \geq 1 - 2\delta. \end{aligned}$$

3°. Choose $0 < m, M < \infty$ such that $\int_m^M f(t) d\phi(t) \geq 1 - 3\delta$. Recall that $f_n \rightarrow f$ weak-star simply means that $\int_0^\infty f_n(t)g(t) dt \rightarrow \int_0^\infty f(t)g(t) dt$, for all g belonging to the predual of $L_{w,1}$. In particular, $\int_0^\infty f_n I((m, M))(t) d\phi(t) \rightarrow \int_0^\infty f I((m, M))(t) d\phi(t)$. Therefore, by passing to a subsequence, we may assume that $\int_m^M f_n(t) d\phi(t) \geq 1 - 4\delta$ for all n .

Since $\|f_n\| = 1$ and since (by Proposition 2.6) property P holds, we have

$$\|f_n I((0, m)) + f_n I((M, \infty))\| \leq \delta_1.$$

Thus

$$\int_0^\infty f_n(t) d\phi(t) \geq 1 - 4\delta - \delta_1 \quad \text{for all } n.$$

4°. By Proposition 2.10, we have $\|f_n - f_n^*\| \leq \delta_2$.

5°. By Helly’s Selection Theorem we may assume, by passing to a subsequence, that $f_n^* \rightarrow g$ pointwise and, in particular, that $f_n^* \rightarrow g$ weak-star. Since $f_n^* - f_n \rightarrow g - f$ weak-star, we have $\|g - f\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n^* - f_n\| \leq \delta_2$. Hence $\|g\| \geq \|f\| - \delta_2 = 1 - \delta_3$.

6°. Select $0 < m_1, M_1 < \infty$ such that $\|g I((m_1, M_1))\| \geq 1 - 2\delta_3$. By Egorov’s theorem,

$$\|f_n^* I((m_1, M_1)) - g I((m_1, M_1))\| \rightarrow 0.$$

So by passing to a subsequence we may assume that

$$\|f_n^* I((m_1, M_1)) - g I((m_1, M_1))\| \leq \delta_3 \quad \text{for all } n.$$

In particular, we get that $\|f_n^* I((m_1, M_1))\| \geq 1 - 3\delta_3$.

7°. Since $\|f_n\| = 1$ and $\|g\| \geq 1 - \delta_3$ it follows from property P and from step 6° that $\|f_n^* - f_n^* I((m_1, M_1))\| \leq \delta_4$ and $\|g - g I((m_1, M_1))\| \leq \delta_4$. Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_n^* - g\| &\leq \|f_n^* - f_n^* I((m_1, M_1))\| + \|f_n^* I((m_1, M_1)) - g I((m_1, M_1))\| \\ &\quad + \|g I((m_1, M_1)) - g\| \leq \delta_4 + \delta_3 + \delta_4 = \delta_5. \end{aligned}$$

8°. $\|f_n^* - f_m^*\| \leq \|f_n^* - g\| + \|g - f_m^*\| \leq 2\delta_5$.

9°. Finally, combining steps 4° and 8° and the hypothesis $\|f_n - f_m\| \geq \varepsilon, m \neq n$, we have

$$\varepsilon \leq \|f_n - f_m\| \leq \|f_n - f_n^*\| + \|f_n^* - f_m^*\| + \|f_m^* - f_m\| \leq 2\delta_2 + 2\delta_5.$$

Since $2\delta_2 + 2\delta_5 \rightarrow 0$ as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, it follows that $\delta \geq \delta(\varepsilon)$ as required. This proves that the conditions are sufficient.

We now prove that the conditions are necessary. First suppose that $w \notin C_1$, that is, that there exists $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ such that $\sup_{t>0} (\phi(\alpha t)/\phi(t)) = 1$. Therefore there is a sequence $\langle t_k \rangle$ such that $(\phi(\alpha t_k)/\phi(t_k)) \rightarrow 1$. Consider the Rademacher functions

$$r_n(t) = \text{sign} \sin(2^n \pi t), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, t \in [0, 1].$$

Let

$$y_{k,n} = \begin{cases} r_n((t - \alpha t_k)/(t_k - \alpha t_k)), & t \in [\alpha t_k, t_k], \\ 0, & t \notin [\alpha t_k, t_k]. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $y_{k,n} \xrightarrow{n} 0$ weak-star. Let

$$x_k(t) = \begin{cases} 2, & t \in [0, \alpha t_k], \\ 1, & t \in (\alpha t_k, t_k), \\ 0, & t \in (t_k, \infty). \end{cases}$$

Then

$$(x_k + y_{k,n})^* = \begin{cases} 2, & t \in [0, (\alpha t_k + t_k)/2], \\ 0, & t \in ((\alpha t_k + t_k)/2, \infty). \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\|x_k\| = \phi(\alpha t_k) + \phi(t_k),$$

and

$$\|x_k + y_{k,n}\| = 2\phi\left(\frac{\alpha t_k + t_k}{2}\right) \equiv a_k,$$

say. Thus,

$$\left\| \frac{x_k + y_{k,n}}{a_k} \right\| = 1, \quad \frac{x_k + y_{k,n}}{a_k} \xrightarrow{n} \frac{x_k}{a_k} \quad \text{weak-star,}$$

and

$$\left\| \frac{x_k}{a_k} \right\| = \frac{\phi(\alpha t_k) + \phi(t_k)}{2\phi((\alpha t_k + t_k)/2)},$$

and finally (by concavity of ϕ)

$$\frac{\|y_{k,n} - y_{k,m}\|}{a_k} = \frac{2\phi((1 - \alpha)t_k/2)}{2\phi((1 + \alpha)t_k/2)} > \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 + \alpha}$$

for $n \neq m$.

Since $\phi(\alpha t_k)/\phi(t_k) \rightarrow 1$, and since ϕ is an increasing function, it follows that $\|x_k/a_k\| \rightarrow 1$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, for $\varepsilon = (1 - \alpha)/(1 + \alpha)$, we can find sequences $\langle x_k + y_{k,n} \rangle_n$ lying on the unit sphere of $L_{w,1}$ such that $(x_k + y_{k,n})/a_k \xrightarrow[n]{w} x_k/a_k$ weak-star for all k , and such that $\|y_{k,n} - y_{k,m}\|/a_k \geq \varepsilon$ ($m \neq n$). Since $\|x_k/a_k\| \rightarrow 1$, there cannot exist $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ for which $\|x_k/a_k\| \leq 1 - \delta(\varepsilon)$ for all k . Therefore $L_{w,1}$ does not have the weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee property.

Now suppose that $w \notin C_2$, that is, that there exists $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ such that $\inf_{t>0}(w(\alpha t)/w(t)) = 1$. Thus there is a sequence $\langle t_k \rangle$ such that $w(\alpha t_k)/w(t_k) \rightarrow 1$. Observe that this implies that

$$\frac{\int_{\alpha t_k}^{t_k} w(t) dt - \int_{\alpha t_k}^{(1+\alpha)t_k/2} 2w(t) dt}{\int_0^{\alpha t_k} w(t) dt} \rightarrow 0$$

as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $x_k, y_{k,n}$ be defined as above. It follows from the above observation that, for each n , we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|x_k\|}{\|x_k + y_{k,n}\|} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_0^{\alpha t_k} 2w(t) dt + \int_{\alpha t_k}^{t_k} w(t) dt}{\int_0^{\alpha t_k} 2w(t) dt + \int_{\alpha t_k}^{(1+\alpha)t_k/2} 2w(t) dt} = 1.$$

So $L_{w,1}$ does not have the weak-star uniform Kadec-Klee property, which completes the proof.

Let K be a closed bounded convex subset of a Banach space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$. A mapping $T : K \rightarrow K$ is said to be *non-expansive* if $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ for all x, y in K , and K is said to have the *fixed point property* if every non-expansive mapping on K has a fixed point. By van Dulst and Sims [7], who utilized Kirk’s important concept of *normal structure* [11], we have the following corollary.

COROLLARY 3.3. *If $w \in C_1 \cap C_2$ then all weak-star compact convex subsets of $L_{w,1}$ have the fixed point property. In particular, if $w \in C_1 \cap C_2$, then the closed unit ball of $L_{w,1}$ has the fixed point property.*

References

[1] Z. Altshuler, ‘Uniform convexity in Lorentz sequence spaces’, *Israel J. Math.* **20** (1975) 260–275.

- [2] ———, 'The modulus of convexity in Lorentz and Orlicz sequences', *Notes in Banach spaces* (H. E. Lacey, ed. University of Texas Press, 1980).
- [3] M. Besbes, S. J. Dilworth, P. N. Dowling and C. J. Lennard, 'New convexity and fixed point properties in Hardy and Lebesgue-Bochner spaces', *J. Funct. Anal.* **119** (1994) 340–357.
- [4] N. L. Carothers, 'Rearrangement invariant subspaces of Lorentz function spaces', *Israel J. Math.* **40** (1981) 217–228.
- [5] N. L. Carothers, S. J. Dilworth, C. J. Lennard and D. A. Trautman, 'A fixed point property for the Lorentz space $L_{p,1}(\mu)$ ', *Indiana Univ. Math. J.* **40** (1991) 345–352.
- [6] N. L. Carothers, S. J. Dilworth and D. A. Trautman, 'On the geometry of the unit spheres of the Lorentz spaces $L_{w,1}$ ', *Glasgow Math. J.* **34** (1992) 21–25.
- [7] D. van Dulst and B. Sims, 'Fixed points of non-expansive mappings and Chebyshev centers in Banach spaces with norms of type (KK)', in: *Banach space theory and its applications*, Lecture Notes in Mathematics 991 (Springer, Berlin, 1983) pp. 35–43.
- [8] I. Halperin 'Uniform convexity in function spaces', *Duke Math. J.* **21** (1954) 195–204.
- [9] Yu-Ping Hsu, 'The lifting of the UKK property from E to C_E ', *Proc. Amer. Math. Soc.*, to appear.
- [10] R. Huff, 'Banach spaces which are nearly uniformly convex', *Rocky Mountain J. Math.* **10** (1980) 743–749.
- [11] W. A. Kirk, 'A fixed point theorem for mappings which do not increase distances', *Amer. Math. Monthly* **72** (1965) 1004–1006.
- [12] C. J. Lennard, 'A new convexity property that implies a fixed point property for L_1 ', *Studia Math.* **100** (1991) 95–108.
- [13] C. J. Lennard, ' \mathcal{C}_1 is uniformly Kadec-Klee', *Proc. Amer. Math. Soc.* **109** (1990) 71–77.
- [14] J. Lindenstrauss and L. Tzafriri, *Classical Banach spaces II: Function spaces* (Springer-Verlag, Berlin-Heidelberg, 1979).
- [15] G. G. Lorentz, 'Some new functional spaces', *Ann. of Math.* **51** (1950) 37–55.
- [16] A. A. Sedaev, 'The H-property in symmetric spaces', *Teor. Funktsii Funktsional. Anal. i Prilozhen.* **11** (1970) 67–80 (in Russian).

Department of Mathematics
University of South Carolina
Columbia, SC 29208
USA

Department of General Studies
National Taiwan Ocean University
Keelung, Taiwan
ROC