# SPACES OF S-BOUNDED MULTIPLIER CONVERGENT SERIES

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Abstract. We prove that some results on uniform convergence of sequences of unconditionally convergent series, in Banach spaces, can be generalized to sequences of weakly unconditionally Cauchy series.

### 1. Introduction

The normed spaces of bounded sequences, convergent sequences, null sequences and eventually null sequences of real numbers, endowed with the sup norm, will be denoted, as usual, by  $\ell_{\infty}$ , c,  $c_0$  and  $c_{00}$ , respectively.

C. Swartz [7] studied a version of Schur Lemma in metric linear spaces for bounded multiplier convergent series (BM-convergent series): i.e. series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i$  is convergent for every  $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_{\infty}$ . The Schur Lemma for Banach spaces can also be obtained as a consequence of the result of Swartz.

If X denotes a Banach space, Qingying Bu and Congxin Wu [5] studied the space BMC(X) of the sequences  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that the corresponding series are BM-convergent. This space was endowed with the norm

$$\|\overline{x}\|_{\text{bmc}} = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i x_i \right\| : (t_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\ell_{\infty}} \right\}.$$

Let us recall that a series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is called unconditionally convergent if  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_{\pi(i)}$  converges for every permutation  $\pi$  of  $\mathbf{N}$ . It is well known that, in Banach spaces, BM-convergence is equivalent to unconditional convergence.

The results of Swartz [7] can be reformulated in Banach spaces throughout the space BMC(X).

A series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is called weakly unconditionally Cauchy if for every permutation  $\pi$  of the natural numbers  $\left(\sum_{k=1}^{i} x_{\pi(k)}\right)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a weakly Cauchy sequence; alternatively,  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series if and only if for every  $x^* \in X^*$  (where  $X^*$  is the dual space of X),  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x^*(x_i)| < \infty$ .

In this paper we prove that some results on uniform convergence of sequences of unconditionally convergent series, in Banach spaces, can be gener-

alized to sequences of weakly unconditionally Cauchy series throughout the spaces

$$X(\mathcal{S}) = \left\{ \overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X^{\mathbb{N}} : \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \text{ is convergent for every } (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S} \right\},\,$$

where S is a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$  and whose norm is given by

$$\|\overline{x}\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \right\| : (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}} \right\}.$$

These spaces will be called spaces of S-bounded multiplier convergent series.

If  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S})$  then it is clear that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series, because (cf. [1]) in Banach spaces weakly unconditionally Cauchy series can be characterized as the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i x_i$  is convergent for every null sequence  $(t_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ . It is also well known (cf. [1] and [4]) that if X is a Banach space then the

following conditions are equivalent:

1. There exists a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series which is convergent -but not unconditionally- in X.

2. There exists a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series which is weakly convergent, but does not converge.

3. There exists a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series which is not weakly convergent.

4. X has a copy of  $c_0$ .

Hence, it is meaningful to consider weakly unconditionally Cauchy series that are not unconditionally convergent.

Our study contains, as special cases, several results of Swartz (cf. [7, Theorem 3, Corollary 4 and Proposition 5) and of Qingying Bu and Congxin Wu (cf. [5, Proposition 1, Proposition 2, Proposition 3 and Theorem 5]). In particular, we will prove that if X is a Banach space, these results on uniform convergence, that are true in  $X(\ell_{\infty})$ , are also valid in other cases. This happens, for instance, when S is a Grothendieck space; we point out that a space of this type does not necessarily contain a copy of  $\ell_{\infty}$ .

## 2. Completeness of $X(\mathcal{S})$

It is well known that in a normed space X,  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series if and only if the set

(2.1) 
$$E = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} x_{i} : n \in \mathbb{N}, |\alpha_{i}| \leq 1, i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \right\}$$

is bounded (cf. [2]).

For any given series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  in X, let us consider the set  $\mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right)$  of the sequences  $(a_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}} \in \ell_{\infty}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i$  converges. This set, endowed with the sup norm, will be called the space of convergence of the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$ .

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let X be a real normed space and let  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  be a series in X. Then  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series if and only if the linear mapping  $\sigma: \mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right) \to X$ , defined by  $\sigma\left((a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i$  is continuous.

PROOF. Let us consider a non-zero sequence  $(a_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}\in\mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty}x_i\right)$  and the sequence  $(s_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  of the partial sums of the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty}a_ix_i$ . We have

$$\frac{1}{\|(a_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}\|} s_n \in E = \bigg\{ \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k x_k : m \in \mathbb{N}, \ |\alpha_k| \le 1, \ i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \bigg\},$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, there exists M > 0 such that  $||s_n|| \le M ||(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}||$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $||\sigma((a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}})|| \le M ||(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}||$ .

Conversely, let  $A = \{(\alpha_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in c_{00} : |\alpha_i| \leq 1\} \subseteq \mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right)$ . It is clear that A is bounded, therefore  $\sigma(A) = E$  is also bounded.  $\square$ 

In what follows, X will denote a real Banach space and S will be a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ .

If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are subspaces of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq S_2$  then  $X(\ell_{\infty}) \subseteq X(S_2) \subseteq X(S_1) \subseteq X(c_0)$ . We also have that  $X(c_0)$  is the space of the  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is a weakly unconditionally Cauchy series and  $X(\ell_{\infty})$  is the space of the  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is an unconditionally convergent series.

It is clear that X does not have a copy of  $c_0$  if and only if  $X(S) = X(\ell_{\infty})$  for every subspace S of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ .

Let  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S})$ . By Proposition 2.1,

$$\|\overline{x}\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \right\| : (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}} \right\}$$

defines a norm in X(S) and

$$\|\overline{x}\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \right\| : (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{c_0} \right\}$$
$$= \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i \right\| : (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{c_{00}} \right\}$$

$$= \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |f(x_i)| : f \in B_{X^*} \right\}$$
$$= \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \varepsilon_i x_i \right\| : |\varepsilon_i| = 1 \text{ if } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \ n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

Let us consider the map  $\varphi: X(S) \to \mathcal{CL}(\mathcal{S}, X)$  defined by  $\varphi(\overline{x}) = \sigma_{\overline{x}}$ , where  $\sigma_{\overline{x}}((a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i$ , and  $\mathcal{CL}(\mathcal{S}, X)$  denotes the usual space of continuous linear maps from S to X. It is clear that  $\varphi$  is a linear isometry. Let  $\varphi': X(\mathcal{S}) \to \mathcal{CL}(c_0, X)$  denote the map defined by  $\varphi(\overline{x}) = \sigma'_{\overline{x}} = \sigma_{\overline{x}|_{c_0}}$ . It is also clear that  $\varphi'$  is a linear isometry.

Theorem 2.2. X(S) is a Banach space.

PROOF. Let  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $X(\mathcal{S})$ , where, for every  $n\in\mathbb{N}, \ \overline{x}^n=(x_i^n)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$ . Let us denote, for every  $n\in\mathbb{N}, \ \sigma_n=\sigma_{\overline{x}^n}$  and  $\sigma'_n = \sigma'_{\overline{x}^n}$ . There exists  $\varrho_0 \in \mathcal{CL}(\mathcal{S}, X)$  such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma_n = \varrho_0$ . Let  $\varrho'_0 = \varrho_0|_{c_0}$ . It follows that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma'_n = \varrho'_0$  in  $\mathcal{CL}(c_0, X)$ .

For every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that  $||x_i^p - x_i^q|| \le ||\overline{x}^p - \overline{x}^q||_{\mathcal{S}}$  if  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$  and, therefore, there exists  $x_i^0$  such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_i^n = x_i^0$ . Let  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_i^0)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\bar{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_p, 0, \dots) \in c_{00}$ . Then

$$\varrho'_0(\overline{b}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma'_n(\overline{b}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (b_1 x_1^n + \ldots + b_p x_p^n) = b_1 x_1^0 + \ldots + b_p x_p^0.$$

It is clear now that if  $(b_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}} \in c_0$  then  $\varrho'_0((b_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} b_i x_i^0$ . Let  $(a_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}}$ . We will prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i x_i^0$  is convergent and therefore,  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_i^{\overline{0}})_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S}).$ 

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $\|\varrho_0 - \sigma_m\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . There exists an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if  $q > p \ge n_0$  then  $\left\| \sum_{p=0}^{q} a_i x_i^m \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Hence, if  $\overline{a} = (0, \dots, 0, a_p, \dots, a_p, \dots,$  $a_q, 0, \ldots$ ) then

$$\left\| \sum_{n=0}^{q} a_{i} x_{i}^{0} \right\| = \left\| \varrho_{0}(\overline{a}) \right\| \leq \left\| \varrho_{0}(\overline{a}) - \sigma_{m}(\overline{a}) \right\| + \left\| \sigma_{m}(\overline{a}) \right\| < \varepsilon.$$

Let  $\sigma_o' = \sigma_{\overline{x}^0}'$ . It is clear that  $\sigma_0' = \varrho_0'$ . Since  $\|\overline{x}^n - \overline{x}^0\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \|\sigma_n' - \varrho_0'\|$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0$ .

Remarks 2.3. 1. In [5], the space  $X(\ell_{\infty})$  is denoted by BMC(X) and it is proved that this space is a Banach space with the norm

$$\|\overline{x}\|_{\text{bmc}} = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i x_i \right\| : (t_i)_{i \in \mathbf{N}} \in B_{\ell_{\infty}} \right\},$$

- where  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ . It is clear that  $\|\overline{x}\|_{\text{bmc}} = \|\overline{x}\|_{\mathcal{S}}$  when  $\mathcal{S} = \ell_{\infty}$ . 2. In [6] the space  $X(c_0)$  is denoted by CMC(X). It is also clear that if  $\mathcal{S} = c_0$  then  $\|\overline{x}\|_{\text{bmc}} = \|\overline{x}\|_{\mathcal{S}}$ . If we take  $\mathcal{S} = c_0$  then CMC(X) is a Banach space.
  - 3. Let  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S})$ . For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let us denote

$$\overline{x}(j \geq n) = (0, \dots, 0, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots).$$

If  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is an unconditionally convergent series then  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is uniformly convergent in  $B_{\ell_{\infty}}$ . Hence,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}(j\geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 0$ .

Conversely, let us suppose that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}(j\geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 0$ . We will prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is an unconditionally convergent series. If the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  is not unconditionally convergent then there exists  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \in B_{\ell_{\infty}}$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j$  does not converge. Hence, there exists  $\delta > 0$  and a strictly increasing sequence of natural numbers  $p_1 < p_2 < \ldots < p_k \ldots$  such that  $\left\| \sum_{j=p_i+1}^{p_{i+1}} a_j x_j \right\| > \delta$ , for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, for every i, we have

$$\|\overline{x}(j \geq p_i)\|_{\mathcal{S}} > \delta.$$

4. Let S be a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ . Let us prove that  $\ell_{\infty}$  can be isometrically identified with a subspace of  $\overline{\mathcal{S}}^{**}$  in such way that  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \ell_{\infty}$  $\subseteq \mathcal{S}^{**}$ . If  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\in\ell_{\infty}$ , let us consider the map  $h:\mathcal{S}^*\to\mathbf{R}$  defined, for every  $g \in \mathcal{S}^*$ , by  $h(g) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j g((e_j)_{j \in \mathbf{N}})$ , where  $(e_j)_{j \in \mathbf{N}}$  is the  $c_0$ -basis. It is clear that  $||h|| = ||(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}||$ .

### 3. Main results

Let X be a Banach space. We will say that X is a Grothendieck space if every weak\* convergent sequence  $(x_n^*)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $X^*$  is weakly convergent.

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a subspace of  $X^{**}$  such that  $X \subseteq \mathcal{M} \subseteq X^{**}$ . We will say that X is M-Grothendieck if every  $\sigma(X^*, X)$ -convergent sequence  $(x_n^*)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $X^*$ is  $\sigma(X^*,\mathcal{M})$ -convergent. Let us observe that X is a Grothendieck space if and only if X is a  $X^{**}$ -Grothendieck space.

If we substitute, in the next theorem, S by  $\ell_{\infty}$  we recover Theorem 3 of [7] for Banach spaces.

Theorem 3.1. Let X be a Banach space and let S be a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  is an  $\ell_{\infty}$ -Grothendieck space. Let  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in X(S), where  $\overline{x}^n = (x_i^n)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The sequence  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is convergent in X(S) if and only if, for every  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\in S$ ,

 $\lim_{i\to\infty} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j^i\right)$  exists in X. In this case,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0 \in X(\mathcal{S})$ , where  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_i^0)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  is such that  $x_i^0 = \lim_{j\to\infty} x_i^j$  for every  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ .

PROOF. The necessity of the condition is obvious. Let us prove that the condition is sufficient. We will prove that  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X(\mathcal{S})$ . Proceeding towards a contradiction, assume that there exist  $\delta>0$  and a sequence  $(n_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  of natural numbers such that  $\|\overline{x}^{n_k}-\overline{x}^{n_{k+1}}\|_{\mathcal{S}}>\delta$ , for every  $k\in\mathbb{N}$ .

For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\overline{z}^k = (z_i^k)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} = (x_i^{n_k} - x_i^{n_{k+1}})_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ . We have  $\overline{z}^k \in X(\mathcal{S})$  and  $\lim_{i \to \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j z_j^i \right) = 0$ , for every  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$ . We also have that  $\|\overline{z}^k\|_{\mathcal{S}} > \delta$ , for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let us denote  $\sigma_k = \sigma_{\overline{z}^k} \in \mathcal{CL}(\mathcal{S}, X)$ . For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $f_k \in B_{X^*}$  be such that

(3.2) 
$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left| f_k(z_j^k) \right| > \delta.$$

If  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$  then  $\left| f_k \left( \sigma_k \left( (a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \right) \right) \right| \leq \left\| \sigma_k \left( (a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \right) \right\|$  and, therefore,  $(f_k \circ \sigma_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a weak\* convergent sequence in  $\mathcal{S}^*$  that converges to 0. Hence, if  $h = (a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \in \ell_{\infty}$  then

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} h\left(\left. f_k \circ \sigma_k \right|_{c_0} \right) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j f_k(z_j^k) = 0.$$

This means that  $\{(f_k(z_j^k))_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a weakly convergent sequence that converges to 0 in  $\ell_1$  and, hence, converges to 0 in the norm topology. This contradicts (3.2).

It is clear that in X(S) we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0$ , where  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_i^0)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  is such that  $x_i^0 = \lim_{j\to\infty} x_i^j$  for every  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$ 

REMARKS 3.2. 1. There exists a closed subspace S of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $S \neq \ell_{\infty}$ , S is a Grothendieck space and S does not have a copy of  $\ell_{\infty}$ . To prove this result, let us recall that Haydon [3] constructed, by transfinite induction, a Boolean algebra F with the following characteristics:

- 1)  $\mathcal{F}$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{N})$  such that  $\{\{i\}: i \in \mathbf{N}\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ . If T is the Stone space of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{C}(T)$  is the corresponding space of continuous functions, we can isometrically identify  $\mathcal{C}(T)$  with a closed subspace  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ . 2)  $\mathcal{C}(T)$  is a Grothendieck space that does not have a copy of  $\ell_{\infty}$ .
- 2. Let  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S})$ . Then  $(\|\overline{x}(j \geq m)\|)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a decreasing sequence. Let us denote  $\alpha_{\overline{x}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|\overline{x}(j \geq m)\|_{\mathcal{S}}$ . The number  $\alpha_{\overline{x}}$  will

be called the *control number* of the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$ . We have that  $\alpha_{\overline{x}} = 0$  if and only if  $\overline{x}$  is unconditionally convergent.

Theorem 3.3. Let  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in \mathbf{N}}$  be a sequence in  $X(\mathcal{S})$  and let  $\overline{x}^0\in X(\mathcal{S})$ . We set  $\alpha_0=\alpha_{\overline{x}^0}$  and, for  $n\in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $\alpha_n=\alpha_{\overline{x}^n}$ . Then:

- 1) If  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0$  then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = \alpha_0$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}^i(j \ge n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \alpha_i$  uniformly in  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- 2) If i)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}^i(j \geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \alpha_i$  uniformly in  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , ii)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0$ , iii) for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$   $\lim_{i\to\infty} x_j^i = x_j^0$  exists in X; then  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges in  $X(\mathcal{S})$  to  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_j^0)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\overline{x}^0 \in X(\ell_\infty)$ .

PROOF. 1) We will first prove that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = \alpha_0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|\overline{x}^i - \overline{x}^0\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ , for every  $i \geq N$ . Let us fix  $i \geq N$ . For  $\alpha_0$  there exists an  $m_0$  such that  $\|\overline{x}^0(j \geq m_0)\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \alpha_0 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ . For  $\alpha_i$  there exists  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}}$  such that

$$\alpha_{i} \leq \left\| \left\| \overline{x}^{i} (j \geq m_{0}) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \left\| \sum_{j=m_{0}}^{\infty} a_{j} x_{j}^{i} \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

$$\leq \left\| \sum_{j=m_{0}}^{\infty} a_{j} (x_{j}^{i} - x_{j}^{0}) \right\| + \left\| \sum_{j=m_{0}}^{\infty} a_{j} x_{j}^{0} \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \left\| \overline{x}^{0} (j \geq m_{0}) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \alpha_{0} + \varepsilon.$$

There exist an  $m_i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|\overline{x}^i(j \geq m_i)\| < \alpha_i + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  and a sequence  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}}$  such that  $\|\overline{x}^0(j \geq m_i)\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \|\sum_{j=m_i}^{\infty} a_j x_j^0\|_{+\frac{\varepsilon}{3}}$ . We have that

$$\alpha_0 \leq \left\| \left\| \overline{x}^0(j \geq m_i) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \left\| \sum_{j=m_i}^{\infty} a_j x_j^0 \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

$$\leq \left\| \sum_{j=m_i}^{\infty} a_j (x_j^0 - x_j^i) \right\| + \left\| \sum_{j=m_i}^{\infty} a_j x_j^i \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \left\| \overline{x}^i(j \geq m_i) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} < \alpha_i + \varepsilon.$$

Hence, if  $i \geq N$  then  $\alpha_0 - \varepsilon < \alpha_i < \alpha_0 + \varepsilon$ . This proves that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha_0$ .

Let us prove that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}^i(j\geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \alpha_i$  uniformly in  $i\in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\varepsilon>0$  and  $N\in \mathbb{N}$  be such that for every  $i\geq N$  we have  $\|\overline{x}^i-\overline{x}^0\|_{\mathcal{S}}<\frac{\varepsilon}{4}$ . On

the other hand, there exists an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\left| \left\| \overline{x}^k (j \ge n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} - \alpha_k \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$  for every  $n \ge n_0$ , where  $k \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$  and  $\left| \left\| \overline{x}^0 (j \ge n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} - \alpha_0 \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$ .

Let  $i \geq N$  and  $n \geq n_0$ . There exists a sequence  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}}$  such that

$$\alpha_{i} \leq \left\| \left\| \overline{x}^{i}(j \geq n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \left\| \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} a_{j} x_{j}^{i} \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

$$\leq \left\| \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} a_{j}(x_{j}^{i} - x_{j}^{0}) \right\| + \left\| \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} a_{j} x_{j}^{0} \right\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

$$\leq \left\| \overline{x}^{i} - \overline{x}^{0} \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \left\| \overline{x}^{0}(j \geq n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \leq \alpha_{i} + \varepsilon.$$

Hence, for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $n \geq n_0$  then  $\alpha_i \leq \|\overline{x}^i(j \geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} \leq \alpha_i + \varepsilon$ .

2) Let us prove that  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exists a  $p_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\alpha_n < \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$ , for  $n \ge p_0$ . There exists an  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\left| \left| \left| \overline{x}^i(j \ge n) \right| \right|_{\mathcal{S}} - \alpha_i \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{5}$ , for  $n \ge m$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Since  $\lim_{j\to\infty} x_k^j = x_k^0$ , for every  $k \in \{1,\ldots,m-1\}$ , there exists an integer  $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|x_k^p - x_k^q\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{5(m-1)}$ , for  $p, q \ge n_k$ .

Let  $p, q \ge n_0 = \max\{p_0, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{m-1}\}$ . It is clear that if  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\mathcal{S}}$  then

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j (x_j^p - x_j^q) \right\| \le \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} a_j (x_j^p - x_j^q) \right\| + \left\| \sum_{j=m}^{\infty} a_j (x_j^p - x_j^q) \right\|$$
$$\le \frac{\varepsilon}{5} + \left\| \sum_{j=m}^{\infty} a_j x_j^p \right\| + \left\| \sum_{j=m}^{\infty} a_j x_j^q \right\|.$$

By taking supremum in  $B_{\mathcal{S}}$ , we have

$$\|\overline{x}^p - \overline{x}^q\|_{\mathcal{S}} \le \frac{\varepsilon}{5} + \|\overline{x}^p(j \ge m)\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \|\overline{x}^q(j \ge m)\|_{\mathcal{S}}$$
$$\le \frac{\varepsilon}{5} + \alpha_p + \frac{\varepsilon}{5} + \alpha_q + \frac{\varepsilon}{5} < \varepsilon.$$

Hence  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges to some  $\overline{y}^0\in X(\mathcal{S})$ . It is easy to check that  $\overline{y}^0=\overline{x}^0$ . From 1) we deduce that  $\alpha_{\overline{x}^0}=\lim_{n\to\infty}\alpha_n=0$ . Therefore  $\overline{x}^0\in X(\ell_\infty)$ .  $\square$ 

REMARKS 3.4. 1. Let  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $X(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $\overline{x}^n=(x_i^n)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  for every  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ . Let us suppose that  $\left(\sum_{j=1}^\infty a_j x_j^i\right)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly in  $B_{\mathcal{S}}$ . For  $\varepsilon>0$  there exists an  $n_0$  such that if  $n\geq n_0$  then  $\left\|\sum_{j=n}^\infty a_j x_j^i\right\|<\varepsilon$ , for every  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\in B_{\mathcal{S}}$  and every  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $\left\|\overline{x}^i(j\geq n)\right\|_{\mathcal{S}}<\varepsilon$  for every  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ ; therefore,  $\alpha_i=\lim_{n\to\infty}\left\|\overline{x}^i(j\geq n)\right\|_{\mathcal{S}}=0$  uniformly in  $i\in\mathbb{N}$  and  $\{\overline{x}^i:i\in\mathbb{N}\}\subseteq X(\ell_\infty)$ . It is clear that if  $\lim_{n\to\infty}\overline{x}^n=\overline{x}^0$  then  $\overline{x}^0\in X(\ell_\infty)$ .

Let us suppose that  $\{\overline{x}^i: i \in \mathbf{N}\} \subseteq X(\ell_{\infty})$  and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0$ . From Theorem 3.3 we deduce that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\| \overline{x}^i(j \geq n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 0$  uniformly in  $i \in \mathbf{N}$  and, therefore,  $\left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j^i \right)_{i \in \mathbf{N}}$  converges uniformly in  $B_{\ell_{\infty}}$ . This result coincides with Corollary 4 of Swartz (cf. [7]), in the case when X is a Banach space.

2. Let us consider in  $X(c_0)$  the sequence  $(\overline{x}^i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  where

$$\overline{x}^i = (e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{i-1}, 0, e_{i+1}, \dots),$$

for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . We have  $\alpha_i = \alpha_{\overline{x}^i} = 1$ , for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\lim_{i \to \infty} (x_j^i) = e_j$ , for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\|\overline{x}^i(j \geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 1$ , for every  $i, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\| \overline{x}^i (j \ge n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 1$$

uniformly in  $i \in \mathbf{N}$ . The sequence  $(\overline{x}^i)_{i \in \mathbf{N}}$  does not converge in  $X(\mathcal{S})$  because  $\|\overline{x}^i - \overline{x}^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{S}} = 1$  for every  $i \in \mathbf{N}$ .  $\square$ 

DEFINITION 3.5. Let X be a Banach space and S a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$ , such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ . If  $\overline{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(S)$ , let us denote  $\overline{x}(i) = x_i$ , for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume that  $A \subseteq X(S)$ .

- 1. We will say that  $\mathcal{A}$  is uniformly convergent if  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\overline{x}(j \geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}} = \alpha_{\overline{x}}$  uniformly in  $\overline{x} \in \mathcal{A}$ .
  - 2. We will say that A is weakly uniformly convergent if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\sum_{j=n}^{\infty}\left|f\left(\overline{x}(j)\right)\right|=0,$$

for every  $f \in B_{X^*}$ , uniformly in  $\overline{x} \in \mathcal{A}$ .

REMARKS 3.6. 1. If  $S = \ell_{\infty}$  these definitions coincide with Definition 4 of [5].

2. If  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a convergent sequence in X(S) then  $\{\overline{x}^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is uniformly and weakly uniformly convergent.

By Theorem 3.3,  $\{\overline{x}^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is uniformly convergent. We will prove that it is also weakly uniformly convergent. Proceeding towards a contradiction, assume that there exist  $f \in B_{X^*}$  and  $\delta > 0$  such that there exists a

subsequence of  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ , denoted also by  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ , such that  $\sum_{j=n}^{\infty} |f(x_j^n)| > \delta$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $\|\overline{x}^n - \overline{x}^0\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \frac{\delta}{3}$ , for every  $n \ge n_0$ . Let  $n > n_0$  be such that  $\sum_{j=n}^{\infty} |f(x_j^0)| < \frac{\delta}{3}$ . Then

$$\sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \left| f(x_j^n) \right| \leq \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \left| f(x_j^n - x_j^0) \right| + \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \left| f(x_j^0) \right| \leq \|\overline{x}^n - \overline{x}^0\|_{\mathcal{S}} + \frac{\delta}{3} < \frac{2\delta}{3}.$$

This is a contradiction.

3. It is easy to check that if  $S = \ell_{\infty}$  and  $A \subseteq X$  is uniformly convergent then A is weakly uniformly convergent. It has been proved, in the remark following Theorem 7 of [5], that the converse is false.

THEOREM 3.7. Let X be a Banach space and let S be a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ . Let  $A \subseteq X(S)$ . If A is relatively compact then

- i)  $A(i) = \{ \overline{x}(i) : \overline{x} \in A \}$  is relatively compact in X, for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ii) A is uniformly convergent and weakly uniformly convergent.
- iii)  $H = \{\alpha_{\overline{x}} : \overline{x} \in A\}$  is relatively compact in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

PROOF. i) Let  $i \in \mathbf{N}$  and let  $(\overline{x}^n(i))_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{A}(i)$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is relatively compact, there exists a subsequence  $(\overline{x}^{n_k})_{k \in \mathbf{N}}$  of  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$  that converges to some  $\overline{x}^0$ . Hence  $\lim_{k \to \infty} \overline{x}^{n_k}(i) = \overline{x}^0(i)$ .

ii) If  $\mathcal{A}$  is not uniformly convergent then there exist  $\delta > 0$  and a sequence  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\alpha_{\overline{x}^n} + \delta < \|\overline{x}^n(j \geq n)\|_{\mathcal{S}}$ . Then, there exists a subsequence  $(\overline{x}^{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  that converges to some  $\overline{x}^0$ . Then, by Theorem 3.3,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \left\| \overline{x}^{n_k}(j \geq n) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}} - \alpha_{\overline{x}^{n_k}} \right| = 0$  uniformly in  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . This contradicts  $\alpha_{\overline{x}^{n_k}} + \delta < \left\| \overline{x}^{n_k}(j \geq n_k) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}}$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If  $\mathcal{A}$  is not weakly uniformly convergent then there exist  $f \in B_{X^*}$ ,  $\delta > 0$  and a sequence  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\sum_{j=n}^{\infty} |f(\overline{x}^n(j))| > \delta$ , but there exists a subsequence  $(\overline{x}^{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  that converges to some  $\overline{x}^0$ . By Remark 3.6-2,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} |f(\overline{x}^{n_k}(j))| = 0$  uniformly in  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , which contradicts  $\sum_{j=n_k}^{\infty} |f(\overline{x}^{n_k}(j))| > \delta$ , for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

iii) Let  $(\alpha_{\overline{x}^n})_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in H. There exists a subsequence  $(\overline{x}^{n_k})_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  of  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  that converges to some  $\overline{x}^0$ . By Theorem 3.3-1,  $\lim_{k\to\infty}\alpha_{\overline{x}^{n_k}}=\alpha_{\overline{x}^0}$ .

REMARKS 3.8. 1. The set  $\mathcal{A} = \{\overline{x}^i : i \in \mathbf{N}\} \subseteq X(c_0)$ , where  $\overline{x}^i$  is defined as in Remark 3.4-2, satisfies conditions i), ii) and iii) of Theorem 3.7, but is not relatively compact.

2. It has been proved in [5] that if  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq X(\ell_{\infty})$  then  $\mathcal{A}$  is relatively compact if and only if  $\mathcal{A}$  is uniformly convergent and  $\mathcal{A}(i)$  is relatively compact in X, for every  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$ 

THEOREM 3.9. Let X be a Banach space and let S be a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$ . Let S' be the subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  of the sequences  $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ 

such that  $(b_n a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$  for every  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{S}'$  is an  $\ell_{\infty}$ -Grothendieck subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$ . Let  $(\overline{x}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $X(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $\lim_{i \to \infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j^i$  exists for every  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$ . Let us denote, for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x_j^0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} x_j^n$ . Then  $\overline{x}^0 = (x_j^0)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in X(\mathcal{S})$  and

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j^i \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j x_j^0,$$

for every  $(a_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}\in\mathcal{S}$ .

PROOF. Let us observe that  $c_0 \subseteq \mathcal{S}'$ . If  $\mathcal{S} = c$ , it is clear that  $\mathcal{S}' = c$  and c is not an  $\ell_{\infty}$ -Grothendieck space. If  $\mathcal{S} = c_0$  then  $\mathcal{S}' = \ell_{\infty}$ , which is a Grothendieck space. Let  $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$  and let us consider, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\overline{y}^n = (a_j x_j^n)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ . Then, for every  $(b_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}'$  we have that  $(b_j a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$ . Therefore,  $\lim_{i \to \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j y_j^n \right)$  exists. By Theorem 3.1,  $(\overline{y}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent in  $X(\mathcal{S}')$  to some  $\overline{y}^0 = (y_j^0)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ , where  $y_j^0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} y_j^n = a_j x_j^0$ , for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j y_j^i \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j y_j^0, \quad \text{for every} \quad (b_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}'.$$

Hence, if  $(b_j)_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$  is the constant sequence  $b_j=1$ , then  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}a_jx_j^0$  converges and  $\lim_{i\to\infty}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}a_jx_j^i\right)=\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}a_jx_j^0$ .  $\square$ 

REMARK 3.10. When  $S = c_0$ , Theorem 3.9 coincides with Proposition 5 of [7]. With the hypothesis of Theorem 3.9 it is not, in general, true that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \overline{x}^n = \overline{x}^0$  (cf. [7]).

PROBLEMS 3.11. 1. Are there any subspaces S of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq S$  and S is not an  $\ell_{\infty}$ -Grothendieck space but such that Theorem 3.1 remains valid? Is Theorem 3.9 still true when S' is not an  $\ell_{\infty}$ -Grothendieck space?

2. Let  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  be two series in  $\ell_{\infty}$ , where

$$x_i = \begin{cases} e_i, & \text{if } i \text{ odd,} \\ \frac{1}{i}e_i, & \text{if } i \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

Both series are weakly unconditionally Cauchy and  $\alpha_{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i} = \alpha_{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i}$ , but  $S\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i\right) = c_0$  and  $S\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right) \neq c_0$ .

 $\mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i\right) = c_0 \text{ and } \mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right) \neq c_0.$ Let  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i$  be two weakly unconditionally Cauchy series in a Banach space X:

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- (a) Let us suppose that  $S\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i\right) = S\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i\right)$ . Is  $\alpha_{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i} = \alpha_{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i}$ ?
  - (b) If for every  $M \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ ,  $\alpha_{\sum_{i \in M} x_i} = \alpha_{\sum_{i \in M} y_i}$ , is  $\mathcal{S}(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i)$
- $= \mathcal{S}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i\right)?$ 3. Let X be a Banach space and let

$$\mathcal{L} = \{ \mathcal{S} \text{ subspace of } \ell_{\infty} : c_0 \subseteq \mathcal{S} \text{ and } X(\mathcal{S}) = X(\ell_{\infty}) \}.$$

If  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{S \in \mathcal{L}} S$ , is  $\mathcal{F}$  the least subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$  such that  $c_0 \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  and  $X(\mathcal{F}) = X(\ell_{\infty})$ ? Does X have a copy of  $c_0$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F} = c_0$ ? How can the space  $\mathcal{F}$  be characterized?

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