

## ASYMPTOTICALLY ISOMETRIC COPIES OF $c_0$ IN MUSIELAK-ORLICZ SPACES

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**Abstract.** Criteria in order that a Musielak-Orlicz function space  $L^\Phi$  as well as Musielak-Orlicz sequence space  $l^\Phi$  contains an asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$  are given. These results extend some results of [Y.A. Cui, H. Hudzik, G. Lewicki, *Order asymptotically isometric copies of  $c_0$  in the subspaces of order continuous elements in Orlicz spaces*, Journal of Convex Analysis **21** (2014)] to Musielak-Orlicz spaces.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  stand for the sets of reals, nonnegative reals and natural numbers, respectively. Let  $(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  be an arbitrary  $\sigma$ -finite and complete measure space that does not reduce to a finite number of atoms only. A mapping  $\Phi : T \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  is said to be a *Musielak-Orlicz function* if:

1. There is a null set  $T_0 \in \Sigma$  such that  $\Phi(t, \cdot)$  is an Orlicz function for any  $t \in T \setminus T_0$ , that is,  $\Phi(t, \cdot)$  is convex, even, vanishing at zero, left continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^+$  and not identically equal to zero.
2. For any  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ , the function  $\Phi(\cdot, u)$  is  $\Sigma$ -measurable.

Let  $L^0 = L^0(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  denote the space of all (equivalence classes of)  $\Sigma$ -measurable real functions defined on  $T$ . Given any Musielak-Orlicz function  $\Phi$ , we define on  $L^0$  a convex modular  $I_\Phi$  by the formula

$$I_\Phi(x) = \int_T \Phi(t, x(t)) d\mu.$$

The Musielak-Orlicz space  $L^\Phi$  generated by a Musielak-Orlicz function  $\Phi$  is defined by the formula

$$L^\Phi = \{x \in L^0 : I_\Phi(\lambda x) < \infty \text{ for some } \lambda > 0\}.$$

We will consider this space under the Luxemburg norm (see [2, 9–12]):

$$\|x\|_\Phi = \inf\{\lambda > 0 : I_\Phi(x/\lambda) \leq 1\}$$

Let  $\Omega$  denote the nonatomic part of  $T$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  denote the purely atomic part of  $T$ . Then the measure space  $(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  can be written as the direct sum

$$(\Omega, \Sigma \cap \Omega, \mu/\Omega) \oplus (\mathcal{N}, 2^\mathcal{N}, \mu/2^\mathcal{N}).$$

In this paper we will consider two separate cases:  $\mu$  nonatomic and  $\mu$  purely atomic with  $\mathcal{N} = \mathbb{N}$ .

In a nonatomic case we say that  $\Phi$  satisfies the growth condition  $\Delta_2$  ( $\Phi \in \Delta_2$  for short) if there exist a null set  $B \in \Sigma \cap \Omega$ , a constant  $K > 0$  and a nonnegative  $\Sigma$ -measurable function  $h$  on  $\Omega$  such that  $\int_\Omega \Phi(t, h(t)) d\mu < \infty$  and  $\Phi(t, 2u) \leq K\Phi(t, u)$  for all  $t \in \Omega \setminus B$  and  $u \geq h(t)$  (see [2] and [11]).

In the purely atomic case we assume that  $(T, \Sigma, \mu) = (\mathbb{N}, 2^\mathbb{N}, \text{card})$  and we will write  $\Phi_n(u)$ ,  $l^\Phi$  and  $x_n$  in place of  $\Phi(n, u)$ ,  $L^\Phi$  and  $x(n)$ , respectively. Then  $l^\Phi$  is called the Musielak-Orlicz sequence space.

We say that  $\Phi \in \delta_2^0$  if there are  $K > 0$ ,  $a > 0$  and a sequence  $(c_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  in  $[0, +\infty]$  such that  $\sum_{n=m}^\infty c_n < \infty$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and the inequality

$$\Phi_n(2u) \leq K\Phi_n(u) + c_n$$

holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $\Phi_n(u) \leq a$  (see [11]).

Recall that if  $X$  is a Banach function lattice and  $x \in X$ , then  $x$  is said to be *order continuous* if  $\|x_n\| \rightarrow 0$  for any sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $X$  such that  $0 \leq x_n \leq |x|$  and  $x_n \rightarrow 0$   $\mu$ -a.e. The subspace of all order continuous elements in  $X$  is denoted by  $X_a$ . It is possible that  $X_a = \{0\}$ . This is the case when  $X$  is equal to  $L^\infty$  or  $L^1 \cap L^\infty$  for example. If the measure space  $(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  is purely atomic, then  $(L^\Phi)_a \neq \{0\}$  for any Musielak-Orlicz function  $\Phi$ . However, if the measure space  $(T, \Sigma, \mu)$  is nonatomic, we have  $(L^\Phi)_a \neq \{0\}$  if and only if the set  $\{t \in T : \Phi(t, \cdot) \text{ is finitely valued}\}$  has a positive measure, actually  $\text{supp}(L^\Phi)_a = \{t \in T : \Phi(t, \cdot) \text{ is finitely valued}\}$  in this case. Consequently, if  $\Phi$  does not depend on the parameter  $t$  and the measure  $\mu$  is nonatomic, then  $(L^\Phi)_a \neq \{0\}$  if and only if  $\Phi$  is finitely valued (this is of course the case for Orlicz spaces).

A Banach function lattice  $X$  is said to be *order continuous* ( $X \in OC$  for short) if  $X_a = X$ . It is well known that order continuity of a Banach function lattice  $X$  as well as of an element  $x \in X$  is preserved if we change a norm  $\|\cdot\|$  in  $X$  into another one  $\|\cdot\|'$  which is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|$ . It is also well known that  $(L^\Phi)_a = E^\Phi$ , where  $E^\Phi = \{x \in L^0 : I_\Phi(\lambda x) < \infty \text{ for any } \lambda > 0\}$ , when the measure space is nonatomic and that in the purely atomic case, we have  $(l^\Phi)_a = h^\Phi$ , where

$$h^\Phi = \left\{ x = (x_n)_{n=1}^\infty : \forall \lambda > 0 \exists n_\lambda \in \mathbb{N} \sum_{n=n_\lambda}^\infty \Phi_n(\lambda x_n) < \infty \right\}.$$

It is also known that  $h^\Phi$  is the closure (in the norm topology in  $l^\Phi$ ) of the space of all real sequences  $x = (x_n)$  with a finite number of coordinates different from zero. Moreover (see [2] and [11]), for a nonatomic measure, we have  $L^\Phi = E^\Phi$  if and only if  $\Phi \in \Delta_2$  and for the purely atomic measure the equality  $l^\Phi = h^\Phi$  holds if and only if  $\Phi \in \delta_2^0$ .

We say that a Banach space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  contains asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$  if there exists a sequence  $(\epsilon_n)$  of numbers in  $(0, 1)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \epsilon_n = 0$  and there exists a linear operator  $P : c_0 \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\sup_n (1 - \epsilon_n) |x_n| \leq \|Px\| \leq \sup_n |x_n|$$

for every element  $x = (x_n)$  of  $c_0$ .

The notion of asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$  was introduced in [6], where it is shown that if a Banach space  $X$  contains such a copy, then  $X$  fails the fixed-point property for nonexpansive self-mappings on closed bounded convex subsets of  $X$ .

## 2. RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1.**  *$h^\Phi$  equipped with the Luxemburg norm contains an asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$  if and only if  $\Phi$  does not satisfy the  $\delta_2^0$  condition.*

*Proof.* Let  $\Phi \notin \delta_2^0$  and for  $\varepsilon > 0, k \in \mathbb{N}, i \in \mathbb{N}$  define the numbers

$$d_i^k = \sup\{\Phi_i((1 + \frac{1}{k})x) : \Phi_i(x) \leq \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \text{ and } \Phi_i((1 + \varepsilon)x) \geq 2^{k+1}\Phi_i(x)\}.$$

It is known (see [1, 4, 7, 8]) that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d_i^k = \infty \text{ for every } k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Define  $i_1$  as the largest natural number such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{i_1} d_i^1 \leq 1,$$

whenever  $d_1^1 \leq 1$  and  $i_1 = 0$  otherwise. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{i_1+1} d_i^1 > 1.$$

Put  $N_1 = \{1, 2, \dots, i_1 + 1\}$ . Next define  $i_2$  as the largest natural number such that

$$\sum_{i=i_1+2}^{i_2} d_i^2 \leq 1,$$

if  $d_{i_1+2}^2 \leq 1$  and  $i_2 = i_1 + 2$  otherwise. Then

$$\sum_{i=i_1+2}^{i_2+1} d_i^2 > 1.$$

Put  $N_2 = \{i_1 + 2, \dots, i_2 + 1\}$ . By induction we can construct the sets

$$N_k = \{i_{k-1} + 2, \dots, i_k, i_k + 1\} \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}, i_0 = -1)$$

such that

$$\sum_{i \in N_k \setminus \{i_k+1\}} d_i^k \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i \in N_k} d_i^k > 1.$$

For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $i \in N_k$  there exist such numbers  $x_i$  that

$$\sum_{i \in N_k} \Phi_i\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)x_i\right) > 1, \quad \Phi_i(x_i) \leq \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_i\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)x_i\right) \geq 2^{k+1}\Phi_i(x_i).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in N_k} \Phi_i(x_i) &\leq \sum_{i \in N_k \setminus \{i_k+1\}} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \Phi_i\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)x_i\right) + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \sum_{i \in N_k \setminus \{i_k+1\}} d_i^k + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \leq \frac{1}{2^k}. \end{aligned}$$

Define  $y_k = \sum_{i \in N_k} x_i e_i$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi(y_k) &= \sum_{i \in N_k} \Phi_i(x_i) \leq \frac{1}{2^k}, \\ I_\Phi\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)y_k\right) &= \sum_{i \in N_k} \Phi\left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)x_i\right) > 1. \end{aligned}$$

for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Now define an operator  $P : c_0 \rightarrow h^\Phi$  by the formula

$$Pu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k y_k \quad \text{for } u = (u_k) \in c_0.$$

We will show that  $P$  is well defined, i.e.  $Pu \in h^\Phi$  for any  $u \in c_0$ . Take any  $\lambda > 0$  and  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\lambda|u_k| \leq 1$  for every  $k \geq l$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi(\lambda \cdot Pu \cdot \chi_{N_l \cup N_{l+1} \cup \dots}) &= I_\Phi\left(\lambda \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} u_k y_k\right) = \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} I_\Phi(\lambda u_k y_k) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} I_\Phi(y_k) \leq \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $Pu \in h^\Phi$ .

Next we will show that  $\|Pu\| \leq \|u\|_\infty$ . For any nonzero  $u \in c_0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi \left( \frac{Pu}{\|u\|_\infty} \right) &= I_\Phi \left( \frac{1}{\|u\|_\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k y_k \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} I_\Phi \left( \frac{1}{\|u\|_\infty} u_k y_k \right) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} I_\Phi(y_k) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $\|Pu\| \leq \|u\|_\infty$ .

Finally, we will show that there exists a sequence  $(\varepsilon_n)$  such that

$$\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0 \text{ and } \sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n| \leq \|Pu\|.$$

Define for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  the number  $\varepsilon_k = \frac{1}{k+1}$ . Observe that  $\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon_k} = 1 + \frac{1}{k}$ . Take any  $\lambda > 1$ . For every nonzero  $u = (u_k) \in c_0$  there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\frac{(1 - \varepsilon_m) \lambda |u_m|}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \geq 1,$$

equivalently

$$\frac{\lambda |u_m|}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \geq \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_m}.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi \left( \frac{\lambda Pu}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \right) &= I_\Phi \left( \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda u_k y_k}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \right) \geq I_\Phi \left( \frac{\lambda u_m y_m}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \right) \geq \\ &\geq I_\Phi \left( \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_m} y_m \right) = I_\Phi \left( \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_m} \sum_{i \in N_m} x_i e_i \right) = \\ &= \sum_{i \in N_m} \Phi_i \left( \left(1 + \frac{1}{m}\right) x_i \right) > 1, \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n| \leq \|Pu\|$$

and from arbitrariness of  $\lambda > 1$ , we get the thesis.

Now assume that  $\Phi \in \delta_2^0$ . Then  $h^\Phi = l^\Psi$  is the dual space of  $h^\Psi$ , where  $\Psi$  is the Orlicz function complementary in the sense of Young to  $\Phi$ . Assume that  $h^\Phi$  contains an asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$ . Then it contains, as a dual space, an isometric copy of  $l^\infty$  (see [5]). But this contradicts the fact that  $h^\Phi$  is order continuous.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $\Phi$  takes only finite values then:  $E^\Phi$  contains an asymptotically isometric copy of  $c_0$  if and only if  $\Phi$  does not satisfy the  $\Delta_2$  condition.*

*Proof.* If  $\Phi < \infty$  and  $\Phi \notin \Delta_2^0$  then there exist sequences of measurable functions  $(x_n)$  and measurable sets  $(E_n)$  such that:

$$\begin{aligned} E_m \cap E_n &= \emptyset \text{ for } m \neq n, \\ x_n(t) &< \infty \text{ for every } t \in E_n, n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \int_{E_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu &= \frac{1}{2^n}, \\ \Phi(t, (1 + \frac{1}{n})x_n(t)) &\geq 2^{n+2}\Phi(t, x_n(t)) \text{ for every } t \in E_n, n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

For details see [2].

Take any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and define for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  the set

$$E_{n,k} = \{t \in E_n : |x_n(t)| \leq k\} \cap T_k,$$

where  $(T_k)$  is a sequence of measurable sets satisfying:  $T_1 \subset T_2 \subset \dots$ ,  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} T_n = T$  and  $\mu(T_k) < \infty$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Such sets exist by the assumption of  $\sigma$ -finiteness of the measure  $\mu$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{n,1} &\subset E_{n,2} \subset \dots, \\ \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{n,k} &= E_n, \\ \mu(E_{n,k}) &< \infty \text{ for every } k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we get that  $|x_n|_{\chi_{E_{n,k}}} \uparrow |x_n|_{\chi_{E_n}}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . By the Beppo Levi monotone convergence theorem, we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t) \chi_{E_{n,k}}(t)) d\mu = \int_{E_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu.$$

Now, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we can fix  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \leq \int_{E_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t) \chi_{E_{n,k}}(t)) d\mu = \int_{E_{n,k}} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu \leq \int_{E_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu = \frac{1}{2^n}.$$

Let us denote  $E_{n,k}$  by  $F_k$ .

Summarizing, for now we have constructed a sequence of measurable functions  $(x_n)$  and a sequence of measurable sets  $(F_n)$  satisfying the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} F_m \cap F_n &= \emptyset \text{ for } m \neq n, \\ x_n &\text{ is bounded on } F_n, n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} &\leq \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu \leq \frac{1}{2^n}, \\ \Phi(t, (1 + \frac{1}{n})x_n(t)) &\geq 2^{n+2}\Phi(t, x_n(t)) \text{ for every } t \in F_n, n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Define an operator  $P : c_0 \rightarrow E^\Phi$  by the formula

$$Pu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n x_n \chi_{F_n} \text{ for } u = (u_n) \in c_0.$$

We will show that  $I_\Phi(\lambda Pu) < \infty$  for any  $u \in c_0$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . Fix any  $u = (u_n) \in c_0$  and take any  $\lambda > 0$ . There exists  $l_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\lambda|u_n| \leq 1$  for every  $n \geq l_0$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi(\lambda Pu) &= \int_T \Phi \left( t, \lambda \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n x_n(t) \chi_{F_n}(t) \right) d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, \lambda u_n x_n(t)) d\mu = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{l_0-1} \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, \lambda u_n x_n(t)) d\mu + \sum_{n=l_0}^{\infty} \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{l_0-1} \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, \lambda u_n x_n(t)) d\mu + \sum_{n=l_0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

since  $\int_{F_n} \Phi(t, \lambda u_n x_n(t)) d\mu$  is finite for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consequently,  $Pu \in E^\Phi$ .

Next we will show that  $\|Pu\| \leq \|u\|_\infty$ . For any nonzero  $u \in c_0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_\Phi \left( \frac{Pu}{\|u\|_\infty} \right) &= \int_T \Phi \left( t, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\|u\|_\infty} u_n x_n(t) \chi_{F_n}(t) \right) d\mu \leq \\ &\leq \int_T \Phi \left( t, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n(t) \chi_{F_n}(t) \right) d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{F_n} \Phi(t, x_n(t)) d\mu \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $\|Pu\| \leq \|u\|_\infty$ .

Finally, we will show that there exists a sequence  $(\varepsilon_n)$  such that  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$  and  $\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n| \leq \|Pu\|$  for every  $u \in c_0$ . Define  $\varepsilon_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and notice that  $\frac{1}{1-\varepsilon_n} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Fix any nonzero  $u \in c_0$  and  $\lambda > 1$ . Since  $1 - \varepsilon_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\frac{\lambda(1 - \varepsilon_m) |u_m|}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \geq 1$$

and equivalently

$$\frac{\lambda |u_m|}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \geq \frac{1}{(1 - \varepsilon_m)}.$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{\Phi} \left( \frac{\lambda P u}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \right) &= \int_T \Phi \left( t, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda u_n x_n(t) \frac{1}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \chi_{F_n}(t) \right) d\mu \geq \\
 &\geq \int_T \Phi \left( t, \lambda u_m x_m(t) \frac{1}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \chi_{F_m}(t) \right) d\mu = \\
 &= \int_{F_m} \Phi \left( t, \lambda u_m x_m(t) \frac{1}{\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n|} \right) d\mu \geq \\
 &\geq \int_{F_m} \Phi \left( t, \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_m} x_m(t) \right) d\mu = \int_{F_m} \Phi \left( t, \left(1 + \frac{1}{m}\right) x_m(t) \right) d\mu \geq \\
 &\geq 2^{m+2} \int_{F_m} \Phi(t, x_m(t)) d\mu \geq 2^{m+2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} = 2 > 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $\sup_n (1 - \varepsilon_n) |u_n| \leq \|Pu\|$ .

The proof of the conversion is similar to in the previous theorem.  $\square$

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