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This article is an investigation of certain spaces of sequences with values in a locally convex space analogous to the generalized sequence spaces introduced by Pietsch in his monograph Verallgemeinerte Volkommene Folgenrüume (Akademie-Verlag, Berlin, 1962). Pietsch combines a perfect sequence space Λ and a locally convex space E to obtain the space $\Lambda(E)$ of all E valued sequences $x = (x_n)$ such that the scalar sequence $(\langle a, x_n \rangle)$ is in Λ for every $a \in E'$. Define $\Lambda\{E\}$ to be the space of all E valued sequences $x = (x_n)$ such that the scalar sequence $(p(x_n))$ is in Λ for every continuous seminorm p on E. The spaces $\Lambda(E)$ and $\Lambda\{E\}$ are topologized using the topology of E and a certain collection \mathscr{M} of bounded subsets of Λ^x , the α -dual of Λ .

The criteria for bounded sets, compact sets, and completeness are similar for both spaces. The significant difference lies in the duality theory. The dual of $\Lambda(E)_{\mathscr{M}}$ is difficult to represent, but the dual of $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ is shown to be easily representable for general Λ and E. For many special cases of Λ and E the dual of $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ is of the form $\Lambda^{x}\{E'\}$ where Λ^{x} is the α - dual of Λ and E' is the strong dual of E.

We begin by recalling basic definitions and elementary facts about sequence spaces and establishing some notation. After defining the space $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ and deriving some elementary properties, we proceed to a description of its dual space. We show that the notion of a "fundamentally Λ -bounded" space E provides sufficient conditions for the duality relationship $\Lambda\{E\}' = \Lambda^{\mathbb{Z}}\{E\}$. We next show that there are large classes of Λ and E satisfying these conditions and we conclude by applying our results to the case $\Lambda = l^p$ obtain, for example, that the strong dual of $l^p\{E\}$ is $l^q\{E'\}$ for E a normed, Frechet, or (DF)space, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$.

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2. Definitions and notations. A sequence space Λ is a vector space of real or complex sequences with the usual coordinatewise operations. To each sequence space Λ there corresponds another sequence space Λ^x , called the α - dual of of Λ , consisting of all $\alpha = (\alpha_n)$, such that the scalar products $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \sum \alpha_n \beta_n$ converge absolutely, that is $\sum |\alpha_n \beta_n| < \infty$, for all β in Λ . Letting Λ^{xx} denote the α - dual of

 Λ^x , we have $\Lambda \subset \Lambda^{xx}$. If $\Lambda^{xx} = \Lambda$, then Λ is called a perfect sequence space.

Every perfect sequence space Λ satisfies $\phi \subset \Lambda \subset \omega$, where ϕ is the space of all sequences with only a finite number of nonzero coordinates and ω is the space of all scalar sequences. Henceforth we shall consider only perfect spaces Λ .

A subset *B* of Λ is called bounded if for every α in Λ^x there exists a positive constant ρ such that $\sum |\alpha_n \beta_n| \leq \rho$ for all β in *B*. A subset *M* of Λ is called normal if whenever *M* contains α it also contains all β satisfying $|\beta_n| \leq |\alpha_n|$ for all *n*. The normal hull N(M) of a set *M* is the set of all sequences β such that $|\beta_n| \leq |\alpha_n|$ for all *n*, for some α in *M*. A simple consequence of these definitions is that the normal hull of a bounded set is bounded. Also every perfect sequence space is normal.

The bilinear form $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \sum \alpha_n \beta_n$ on $\Lambda^x \times \Lambda$ places Λ^x and Λ in duality with each other. If M is any bounded subset of Λ^x , then $M^\circ = \{\beta \in \Lambda | | \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle | = | \sum \alpha_n \beta_n | \leq 1$ for all $\alpha \in M\}$ is an absorbing absolutely convex subset of Λ . A family \mathscr{M} , consisting of bounded subsets of Λ^x , is called a normal topologizing system for Λ if \mathscr{M} has the following properties: (i) if $M_1, M_2 \in \mathscr{M}$, then there exists $M \in \mathscr{M}$ such that $M_1 \cup M_2 \subset M$. (ii) if $M \in \mathscr{M}$ and $\rho > 0$, then $\rho M \in \mathscr{M}$. (iii) if $\alpha \in \Lambda^x$, then $\alpha \in M$ for some $M \in \mathscr{M}$. (iv) the normal hull of every set in \mathscr{M} is in \mathscr{M} .

(1) If \mathscr{M} is a normal topologizing system for Λ , then the collection of all $M^{\circ}, M \in \mathscr{M}$, forms a neighborhood base at 0 for a locally convex topology on Λ . A base of seminorms for this \mathscr{M} -topology on Λ is given by the seminorms

$$p_{\scriptscriptstyle M^0}(eta) = \sup \left\{ \left| \sum lpha_n eta_n
ight| \left| lpha \in M
ight\}
ight. \ = \sup \left\{ \sum \left| lpha_n eta_n
ight| \left| lpha \in M
ight\}
ight.$$

where M ranges over the normal sets in M.

It is the normality of M that allows the absolute value to be brought inside the summation above.

The two extreme cases of \mathscr{M} are the class $\mathscr{B} = \mathscr{B}(\Lambda^z)$ consisting of all normal bounded subsets of Λ^z and the class $\mathscr{N} = \mathscr{N}(\Lambda^z)$ consisting of all normal hulls $N(\alpha)$ of single elements of Λ^z . The \mathscr{B} topology on Λ is the so called strong or $T_b(\Lambda^z)$ -topology on Λ and the \mathscr{N} -topology on Λ is the normal topology on Λ in the sense of Köthe, [1. §30]. Note that we always have $\mathscr{N} \subset \mathscr{M} \subset \mathscr{B}$.

We shall need the following result due to Pietsch [2. Satz 1.4].

(2) A subset A of Λ is bounded if, and only if, it is bounded for

some (every) \mathcal{M} -topology on Λ .

Let α be any scalar sequence. We denote by $\alpha(\leq i)$ the *i*th finite section of α , that is the sequence with coordinates α_n for $n = 1, 2, \dots i$ and 0 for n > i. $\alpha(\leq i) = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots \alpha_i, 0 \dots)$. Now let $\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}$ denote Λ equipped with an \mathscr{M} -topology and define $[\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}]$ to be that subspace of $\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}$ consisting of all sequences α which are the \mathscr{M} -limit of their finite sections.

(3) For any normal topologizing system $\mathcal{M}, \Lambda_{\mathcal{M}}$ is complete. $[\Lambda_{\mathcal{M}}]$ is a closed subspace of $\Lambda_{\mathcal{M}}$ and hence also complete.

The proof of (3) is in Pietsch [2. Satz 1.13, 1.14]. The proofs of (4) are in Köthe [1. \S 30.5(8) and \S 30.7(1), (5)].

Our terminology for locally convex spaces will be that of Köthe [1]. E will always denote a locally convex Hausdorff space. E has a fundamental system of absolutely convex closed neighborhoods of zero which we denote by $\mathscr{U}(E)$. For every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ there is a continuous seminorm on E denoted by p_U and defined by the formula

$$p_{\scriptscriptstyle U}(x) = \sup \left\{ \left| \left\langle u, x \right\rangle \right| \, \left| \, u \in U^o
ight\}
ight.$$

We shall always consider E', the topological dual of E, to be equipped with the strong topology, that is, the topology defined by the neighborhoods B° or seminorms

$$p_{B^o}(u) = \sup \{ |\langle u, x \rangle | | x \in B \}$$

where B ranges over the bounded subsets of E.

Let $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ and p_U be the corresponding seminorm. Let N(U)denote the kernel of p_U and let $E_U = E/N(U)$ be the normed quotient space formed by equipping E/N(U) with the quotient norm induced by p_U . Dually, let B be a closed absolutely convex bounded subset of E and let $E_B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} nB$. Then E_B is a linear subspace of E and the Minkowski functional q_B of B is a norm on E_B . In particular we may perform these constructions in the dual space E'. If B is bounded in E then B^o is an absolutely convex closed neighborhood of o in E' and we can form the quotient space E'_{B^o} which is a normed space with norm $p_{B^o}(a) = \sup \{|\langle a, x \rangle | | x \in B\}$. Dually if $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ then U^o is an absolutely convex closed bounded (weakly compact) subset of E' and we can form the subspace E'_{U^o} which is a (B)-space with norm $q_{U^o}(a) = \sup \{|\langle a, x \rangle | | x \in U\}$. The next proposition is an easy consequence of these definitions

(5) (a) E'_{U^0} is a (B)-space with norm q_{U^0} and can be identified with the dual space of E_U , p_U .

(b) $E_{\scriptscriptstyle B}$ is a norm space with norm $q_{\scriptscriptstyle B}$ and can be identified with a linear subspace of the dual space of $E'_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}$, $p_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}$.

3. The space $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$. Let Λ be a perfect sequence space and let E be a locally convex space. $\Lambda\{E\}$ is the vector space of all E-valued sequences $x = (x_n)$ such that the sequence of scalars $p_U(x_n)$ is in Λ for every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$. If \mathscr{M} is a normal topologizing system for $\Lambda, \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ will denote $\Lambda\{E\}$ equipped with the locally convex Hausdorff \mathscr{M} -topology defined by the family of seminorms

(1) $\pi_{M,U}(x) = \sup \{ \Sigma | \alpha_n | p_U(x_n) | \alpha \in M \}$ where $M \in \mathcal{M}, U \in \mathcal{U}(E)$. The following two statements are simple consequences of these definitions.

(2) $I_n: \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}} \to E$ defined by $I_n(x) = x_n$ is a continuous linear map for every $n = 1, 2, \cdots$.

(3) $I_U: \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}} \to \Lambda_{\mathscr{M}}$ defined by $I_U(x) = (p_U(x_n))$ is uniformly continuous for every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$.

A subset A of $\Lambda\{E\}$ is called bounded if for every $\alpha \in \Lambda^x$ and $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ there exists a constant ρ such that $\Sigma |\alpha_n| p_U(x_n) \leq \rho$ for all $x \in A$. For each $x \in \Lambda\{E\}$, define $N(x) = \{(\lambda_n x_n) \mid |\lambda_n| \leq 1 \text{ all } n\}$. A subset A of $\Lambda\{E\}$ is called normal if $x \in A$ implies $N(x) \subset A$. The set $N(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} N(x)$ is called normal hull of A. We observe that $\Lambda\{E\}$ is itself normal since Λ is normal.

(4) The following statements are equivalent for a subset A of $\Lambda\{E\}$.

(a) A is bounded.

(b) The normal hull of A is bounded.

(c) A is *M*-bounded for some (every) *M*-topology on $\Lambda\{E\}$.

(d) For every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$, $I_{U}(A)$ is bounded in Λ .

(e) For every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$, $I_{U}(A)$ is *M*-bounded in Λ for some (every) *M*-topology on Λ .

Proof. The equivalences (a) \Leftrightarrow (b), (a) \Leftrightarrow (d), and (c) \Leftrightarrow (e) follow directly from the definitions. (d) \Leftrightarrow (e) is a consequence of 2.(2).

(5) If E is complete, then $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ is complete.

Proof. Let $x^{(\nu)}$ be a Cauchy net in $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{H}}$. Continuity of the linear map I_n implies $x_n^{(\nu)}$ is a Cauchy net in E for each fixed n and

hence must converge to some x_n in E. Uniform continuity of the map I_U implies $(p_U(x_n^{(\nu)}))$ is a Cauchy net in $\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}$ and hence must converge to some $\alpha^{(U)} = (\alpha_n^{(U)})$ in $\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}$. Because of the coordinatewise convergence of $x^{(\nu)}$ to $x = (x_n)$ we have $p_U(x_n) = \alpha_n^{(U)}$. Thus $(p_U(x_n))$ is in Λ and x is therefore in $\Lambda\{E\}$. Finally $x^{(\nu)}$ converges to x in the \mathscr{M} -topology for if $\varepsilon > 0$ is given and ν_{ε} is such that

$$\pi_{{}_{M,U}}(x^{\scriptscriptstyle(
u)}\,-\,x^{\scriptscriptstyle(\mu)})\,=\,\sup\,\{arsigma\,|\,p_{{}_{U}}(x^{\scriptscriptstyle(
u)}_{n}\,-\,x^{\scriptscriptstyle(\mu)}_{n})\,|\,lpha\in M\}\,<\,arepsilon$$

for all $\nu, \mu \geq \nu_{o}$, then

$$\pi_{{}_{M,U}}(x^{\scriptscriptstyle(
u)}-x)\ \leq arepsilon\ ext{ for all }\
u\geq
u_{o}$$
 .

We denote by $x(\leq n) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0 \dots)$ the *n*th finite section of a sequence x in $\Lambda\{E\}$. Let $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ be the subspace of $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ consisting of all those x in $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$ which are the \mathscr{M} -limit of their finite sections; that is $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ consists of those x for which $\pi_{M,U}(x - x(\leq n))$ converges to zero for every $M \in \mathscr{M}$ and $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$.

(6) A sequence x in $\Lambda\{E\}$ is in $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ if, and only if, for every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$, $I_U(x) = (p_U(x_n))$ is in $[\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}]$.

In general $[\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ will be a proper subspace of $\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}$, but using (6) and 2.(4) we obtain

(7) (a) $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathcal{N}}] = \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathcal{N}}.$

(b) If $\Lambda_{\mathscr{R}}$ is reflexive then $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}] = \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$.

(8) $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ is a closed subspace of $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}$ and hence complete if E is complete.

Proof. If $x \in \Lambda\{E\}$ is the limit of a net $x^{(\nu)}$ in $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$, then for each $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ $I_U(x) = \lim_{\nu} I_U(x^{(\nu)})$ is in $[\Lambda_{\mathscr{M}}]$ since $[\Lambda_{\mathscr{M}}]$ is closed in $\Lambda_{\mathscr{M}}$. But then by (6) x is in $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$.

4. The dual space of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$. The α - dual of $\Lambda\{E\}$, denoted $\Lambda\{E\}^{*}$, is the vector space of all E'-valued sequences $a = (a_n)$ such that $\Sigma |\langle a_n, x_n \rangle| < \infty$ for all $x = (x_n)$ in $\Lambda\{E\}$.

(1) For every a in $\Lambda\{E\}^{*}$ and for every bounded set B in E, $(p_{B^{0}}(a_{n}))$ is in Λ^{*} . That is $\Lambda\{E\}^{*} \subset \Lambda^{*}\{E'\}$.

Proof. Let $B \in A$ be arbitrary. For each n, there exists $x_n \in B$ such that

$$|eta_n|\,p_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}(a_n)=\,p_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}(eta_na_n)\leq |\langleeta_na_n,\,x_n
angle|+2^{-n}$$
 .

Since (x_n) is a bounded sequence in E, $(\beta_n x_n)$ is in $\Lambda\{E\}$ and therefore

$$\Sigma \left| eta_{n} \left| \left. p_{B^{o}}(a_{n}) \le \Sigma \left| \left< a_{n}, eta_{n} x_{n} \right>
ight| + 2^{-n} < \infty
ight.$$

Since $\beta \in \Lambda$ was arbitrary, $p_{B^0}(a_n)$ is in Λ^x .

(2) If $x \in A\{E\}$ and $\gamma \in c_o$ ($c_o = scalar$ sequences convergent to zero), then $\gamma x = (\gamma_n x_n)$ is in $[A\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$.

Proof. It follows easily from the definition of the seminorms $\pi_{M,U}$ that

$$\pi_{M,U}(\gamma x(>i)) \leq \sup_{n>i} |\gamma_n| \pi_{M,U}(x)$$

and the right side converges to zero as $i \rightarrow \infty$, so γx is the limit of its finite sections.

(3) Every continuous linear form F on $[\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ has a unique representation of the form

$$\langle F, x
angle = \langle a, x
angle = \Sigma \langle a_n, x_n
angle$$

with $a = (a_n)$ in $\Lambda \{E\}^x$.

Proof. Define linear forms on E by $\langle a_n, x \rangle = \langle F, e_n x \rangle, x \in E, e_n$ is the *n*th unit coordinate vector in Λ . Continuity of F implies $|\langle F, x \rangle| \leq \pi_{M,U}(x)$ for some seminorm $\pi_{M,U}$ and for every x in $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$. Since M is bounded, we have for each n, $\rho_n = \sup\{|\alpha_n| | \alpha \in M\} < \infty$. For every x in E we have therefore $|\langle a_n, x \rangle| = |\langle F, e_n x \rangle| \leq \pi_{M,U}(e_n x) =$ $\sup\{|\alpha_n| p_U(x) | \alpha \in M\} = \rho_n p_U(x)$ and the continuity of a_n is established.

Clearly $a = (a_n)$ represents F since $\langle F, x \rangle = \lim_{i \to \infty} \langle F, x(\leq i) \rangle = \lim_{i \to \infty} \langle F, \sum_{n=1}^{i} e_n x_n \rangle = \lim_{i \to \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{i} \langle a_n, x_n \rangle = \sum \langle a_n, x_n \rangle.$

Finally we show $a \in \Lambda\{E\}^{x}$. Let $x \in \Lambda\{E\}^{x}$ be arbitrary. For every $\gamma \in c_{\circ}$, we can choose $\lambda = (\lambda_{n})$ with $|\lambda_{n}| = 1$ so that $|\gamma_{n}\langle a_{n}, x_{n}\rangle| = \lambda_{n}\gamma_{n}\langle a_{n}, x_{n}\rangle$. By (2), $\lambda\gamma x = (\lambda_{n}\gamma_{n}x_{n})$ is in $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ and hence $\sum |\gamma_{n}| |\langle a_{n}, x_{n}\rangle| = \sum \lambda_{n}\gamma_{n}\langle a_{n}, x_{n}\rangle = \langle F, \lambda\gamma x \rangle < \infty$. Since $\gamma \in c_{\circ}$ was arbitrary, this shows that $\sum |\langle a_{n}, x_{n}\rangle| < \infty$ and hence that $a \in \Lambda\{E\}^{x}$.

REMARKS. Combining (1) and (3) yields $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]' \subset \Lambda\{E\}^{*} \subset \Lambda^{*}\{E'\}$. Conditions sufficient for the equality of these spaces are given in the next section. We now proceed to an explicit characterization of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]'$.

(4) If $a \in A\{E\}^x$ defines a continuous linear form on $[A\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$, then there exists $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ such that $a_n \in E'_{U^0}$ for all n and moreover $(q_{U^0}(a_n)) \in A^x$.

Proof. Continuity of a implies $|\langle a, x \rangle| \leq \pi_{M,U}(x)$ for some seminorm $\pi_{M,U}$ and for all $x \in [\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$. As in the proof of (3), we obtain

that for every n, and for every $u \in E$, $|\langle a_n, u \rangle| \leq \rho_n p_U(u)$ from which it follows that $a_n \in E'_{U^o}$ and $q_{U^o}(a_n) \leq \rho_n$. We must show that $(q_{U^o}(a_n)) \in \Lambda^z$.

Let $\beta \in \Lambda$ be arbitrary and set $\rho = \sup \{\sum |\alpha_n \beta_n| | \alpha \in M\}$. For each *n*, there exists $y_n \in U$ such that $q_{U^o}(\beta_n a_n) \leq \langle \beta_n a_n, y_n \rangle + 2^{-n}$. For each *i*, the finite section $\beta y(\leq i)$ of the sequence $(\beta_n y_n)$ is in $[\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ and therefore

$$egin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{i}\left=\left< a,\,eta y(\leq i)
ight>\leq\pi_{{}_{M},{}_{U}}(eta y(\leq i))\ &=\sup\left\{ \sum\limits_{n=1}^{i}\left|lpha_{n}
ight|p_{{}_{U}}(eta_{n}y_{n})\left|lpha\in M
ight\} \ &\leq\sup\left\{ \sum\limits_{n=1}^{i}\left|lpha_{n}eta_{n}
ight|\left|lpha\in M
ight\}\leq
ight
angle \,. \end{aligned}$$

Since *i* was arbitrary, $\sum \langle \beta_n a_n, y_n \rangle < \infty$. It follows that $\sum |\beta_n|q_{U^0}(a_n) = \sum q_{U^0}(\beta_n a_n) < \infty$ and therefore that $(q_{U^0}(a_n)) \in \Lambda^x$ since $\beta \in \Lambda$ was arbitrary.

(5) The dual space of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ is the space of all E'-valued sequences $a = (a_n)$ which have a representation of the form $a = \alpha u = (\alpha_n u_n)$ with $\alpha \in \Lambda^*$ and (u_n) an equicontinuous sequence in E'.

Proof. If we set $\alpha_n = q_{U^0}(a_n)$ and $u_n = (1/\alpha_n)a_n$, $(u_n = 0 \text{ if } \alpha_n = 0)$, then (4) says that every element in the dual of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ has the given form.

Conversely, if $a = \alpha u = (\alpha_n u_n)$ with $\alpha \in \Lambda^x$ and (u_n) equicontinuous, then, choosing M with $\alpha \in M$ and $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ with $(u_n) \subset U^\circ$, we obtain

$$|\langle a, x \rangle| \leq \sum |\alpha_n| |\langle u_n, x_n \rangle| \leq \pi_{\scriptscriptstyle M, U}(x)$$

for all x in $[A{E}_{\alpha}]$ and hence a is continuous.

Using the methods of the proofs of (4) and (5), one can show

(6) The equicontinuous subsets of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]'$ are the sets of the form

$$\{lpha u \, | \, lpha \, = \, (lpha_n) \in M, \, u \, = \, (u_n) \subset U^o\}$$

where $M \in \mathscr{M}$ and $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$.

5. Fundamentally Λ -bounded spaces. In the previous section, we saw that $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]' \subset \Lambda\{E\}^* \subset \Lambda^*\{E'\}$. In this section we establish conditions sufficient for the equality $\Lambda\{E\}^* = \Lambda^*\{E'\}$ and for the more interesting equality $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]' = \Lambda^*\{E'\}$. We also give conditions which insure the strong dual of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ is $\Lambda^*\{E'\}_{\mathscr{R}}$. Finally we give suffi-

cient conditions for $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}$ to be reflexive.

The important concept in all these conditions is that of a "fundamantally Λ -bounded" space E. A locally convex space E is fundamentally Λ -bounded if all the bounded subsets of $\Lambda\{E\}$ can be obtained in a natural way from the bounded subsets of Λ and E.

Let R be a normal bounded subset of Λ and let B be a closed absolutely convex bounded subset of E. Define $[R, B] = \{x \in \Lambda\{E\} | x_n \in E_B \text{ and } (q_B(x_n)) \in R\}.$

The following are simple consequences of this definition.

- (1) [R, B] is a bounded subset of $\Lambda\{E\}$.
- (2) If $R \subset R'$ and $B \subset B'$, then $[R, B] \subset [R', B']$.

Let V be a vector space in which the notion of a bounded set has been defined. A collection \mathscr{B} of subsets of V is called a fundamental system of bounded sets for V if every bounded set in V is contained in some set in \mathscr{B} .

We shall say that a locally convex space E is fundamentally Λ -bounded if the collection of all sets of the form [R, B] form a fundamental system of bounded sets for $\Lambda\{E\}$, where R and B run through a fundamental system of bounded sets for Λ and E respectively.

(3) If E is fundamentally A-bounded, then $\Lambda\{E\}^{*} = \Lambda^{*}\{E'\}$.

Proof. We need only show the inclusion $\Lambda^x \{E'\} \subset \Lambda \{E\}^x$. Let $a \in \Lambda^x \{E'\}$ and let $x \in \Lambda \{E\}$. Then there exist R and B with $x \in [R, B]$ and hence $(q_B(x_n)) \in \Lambda$. But $(p_{B^0}(a_n)) \in \Lambda^x$, and therefore

$$\sum |\langle a_{\scriptscriptstyle n}, x_{\scriptscriptstyle n}
angle| \leq \sum p_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}(a_{\scriptscriptstyle n}) q_{\scriptscriptstyle B}(x_{\scriptscriptstyle n}) < \infty$$
 .

Since x was arbitrary, this shows $a \in \Lambda\{E\}^x$.

Recall that a locally convex space E is called σ -infrabarreled if every countable strongly bounded subset of E' is equicontinuous. Clearly every infrabarreled space is σ -infrabarreled.

The next theorem is the main result of this section.

(4) Let E be a σ -infrabarreled space and let Λ be a perfect sequence space.

(a) If E' is fundamentally Λ^* -bounded, then the dual of $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ is $\Lambda^*\{E'\}$.

(b) If moreover E is fundamentally Λ -bounded, then the strong dual of $[\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$ is $\Lambda^{*} \{E'\}_{\mathscr{M}}$.

Proof. (a) We need only show the inclusion $\Lambda^x \{E'\} \subset [\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$. Let $a \in \Lambda^x \{E'\}$. By hypothesis there exists a bounded set D in E' such that $(q_D(a_n)) \in \Lambda^x$. For each n, set $u_n = q_D(a_n)^{-1}a_n$ $(u_n = 0$ if $q_D(a_n) = 0$). Then u_n is in *D* for each *n*. Since *E* is σ -infrabarreled, $\{u_n | n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is equicontinuous and hence $a = (a_n) = (q_D(a_n)u_n)$ is in $[A\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]'$ by 4.(5).

(b) If E is fundamentally Λ -bounded, then the strong topology on $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}]' = \Lambda^{*}\{E'\}$ is defined by the seminorms

$$\sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle [R,B]}(a) = \sup |\sum \langle a_n, x_n \rangle| = \sup \sum |\langle a_n, x_n \rangle|$$

where the sup is taken over x in $[R, B] \cap [\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}]$. The topology on $\Lambda^{x} \{E'\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ is defined by the seminorms

$$\pi_{R,B^{0}}(a) = \sup \{ \sum |\alpha_{n}| p_{B^{0}}(a_{n}) | \alpha \in R \}$$
.

In both cases, R ranges over all normal bounded subsets of Λ and B over all absolutely convex bounded subsets of E. We show these seminorms coincide.

One inequality is easy:

$$egin{aligned} \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle [R,B]}(a) &= \sup\left\{\sum \left|\left\langle a_n,\,x_n
ight
angle
ight| \left| x\in [R,\,B]\cap [A\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]
ight\}
ight. \ &\leq \sup\left\{\sum \left|p_{B^o}(a_n)p_B(x_n)\right| x\in [R,\,B]\cap [A\{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]
ight\}
ight. \ &\leq \sup\left\{\sum \left|\alpha_n\right|p_{B^o}(a_n)\right| lpha\in R
ight\}
ight. \ &= \pi_{R,B^o}(a) \;. \end{aligned}$$

Now the reverse inequality. Let $a \in \Lambda^{x} \{E'\}$ and let $\varepsilon > 0$. By definition of $\pi_{R,B^{\circ}}$ there exists $\alpha \in R$ with $\pi_{R,B^{\circ}}(a) \leq \varepsilon + \sum |\alpha_{n}| p_{B^{\circ}}(a_{n})$. For each *n* there exists $y_{n} \in B$ such that $p_{B^{\circ}}(a_{n}) \leq |\langle a_{n}, y_{n} \rangle| + \varepsilon 2^{-n} |\alpha_{n}|^{-1}$. (If a_{n} or α_{n} is zero, let y_{n} be any element in *B*.) Let $z_{n} = \alpha_{n}y_{n}$. Then $z \in [R, B]$ and

$$egin{aligned} \pi_{\scriptscriptstyle R,B^o}(a) &\leq arepsilon + \sum |lpha_n| \, p_{\scriptscriptstyle B^o}(a_n) \ &\leq arepsilon + \sum |lpha_n| \, |\langle a_n, \, y_n
angle | + arepsilon 2^{-n} \ &= 2arepsilon + \sum |\langle a_n, \, z_n
angle | \ &= 2arepsilon + \sup_{arepsilon} \left\{ \sum |ee_n| \, |\langle a_n, \, z_n
angle | \, |ee e_{\circ}, \, ||ee | | ||_{\infty} \leq 1
ight\} \ &= 2arepsilon + \sup_{arepsilon} \left\{ \sum |\langle a_n, \, \gamma_n z_n
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angle | \, |ee e_{\circ}, \, ||ee | \, ||_{\infty} \leq 1
ight\} \ &\leq 2arepsilon + \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle [R,R]}(a) \;. \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality follows from the fact that $\gamma z \in [R, B] \cap [\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{M}}]$. Since ε was arbitrary the theorem is proved.

(5) Let E be locally convex and let Λ be a perfect sequence space such that

(i) $\Lambda_{\mathscr{R}}$ and E are both reflexive, and

(ii) E is fundamentally Λ -bounded and E' is fundamentally Λ^{*} -bounded. Then both $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ and its strong dual $\Lambda^{*}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ are reflexive.

Proof. Since E is reflexive, both E and E' are σ -infrabarreled.

Also E'' is fundamentally Λ^{zz} -bounded since E = E'' and $\Lambda = \Lambda^{zz}$. Since $\Lambda_{\mathscr{P}}$ is reflexive, so also is its strong dual $\Lambda^{z}_{\mathscr{P}}$. It follows from 2.(7)(b) that $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{P}}] = \Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{P}}$ and $[\Lambda^{z}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{P}}] = \Lambda^{z}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{P}}$. This theorem now follows by applying (4) twice, first to $[\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{P}}]$ and then to $[\Lambda^{z}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{P}}]$.

6. Examples of fundamentally Λ -bounded spaces. In this section, we show that there exist nontrivial classes of spaces E and Λ for which E is fundamentally Λ -bounded.

(1) Every normed space E is fundamentally Λ -bounded for every perfect sequence space Λ .

Proof. Let A be any bounded subset of $A{E}$, and let B denote the unit ball of E. Then $I_B(A) = \{(||x_n||) | x \in A\}$ is a bounded subset of A and hence contained in some normal bounded set R. Thus $A \subset [R, B]$.

(2) (a) If E is normed and if Λ is any perfect sequence space, then the strong dual of $[\Lambda \{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}]$ is $\Lambda^{x} \{E'\}_{\mathscr{A}}$.

(b) If E is reflexive (B)-space and if $\Lambda_{\mathscr{A}}$ is reflexive, then $\Lambda\{E\}_{\mathscr{A}}$ and its strong dual $\Lambda^{*}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{A}}$ are reflexive.

This follows from (1) above and 5.(4), (5).

The next lemma is due to Pietsch [3. Satz 1.5.8].

(3) Every metrizable locally convex space E is fundamentally l^{1} -bounded.

We shall also use the following well-known fact. (See e.g. [1. §29.1.(5)].)

(4) If E is a metrizable locally convex space, and if B_k is a sequence of bounded subsets of E, then there always exist positive scalars λ_k such that $B = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k B_k$ is also bounded.

(5) Let Λ and Λ^{x} be perfect sequences spaces which are α – dual to one another. Suppose Λ^{x} has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets $N_{1} \subset N_{2} \subset N_{3} \subset \cdots$. Then:

(a) Every metrizable locally convex space is fundamentally Λ -bounded.

(b) Every (DF)-space is fundamentally Λ^{x} -bounded.

See [1. §29], for example, for the definition and basic properties of (DF)-spaces.

Proof. (a) Let E be metrizable and let A be a bounded subset of $\Lambda\{E\}$. Then by A is \mathcal{B} -bounded in $\Lambda\{E\}$. Thus for each k and

each $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$, there exists a constant $\rho_{k,U}$ such that for all $x \in A$,

$$\pi_{\scriptscriptstyle N_k,\scriptscriptstyle U}(x) = \sup\left\{\sum |lpha_{\scriptscriptstyle n}|\, p_{\scriptscriptstyle U}(x_{\scriptscriptstyle n})\,|\, lpha\in N_k
ight\} \leq
ho_{\scriptscriptstyle k,\scriptscriptstyle U}$$
 .

This implies that the set $A_k = \{\alpha x = (\alpha_n x_n) | \alpha \in N_k, x \in A\}$ is a bounded subset of $l^1\{E\}$. By Lemma (3), there exists a bounded set B_k in Esuch that $A_k \subset [R_1, B_k]$ where R_1 denotes the unit ball of l^1 , or equivalently

(*)
$$\sum |\alpha_n| q_{B_k}(x_n) = \sum q_{B_k}(\alpha_n x_n) = ||(q_{B_k}(\alpha_n x_n))||_{l^1} \leq 1$$

for all $\alpha \in N_k$, $x \in A$. By (4) there exist positive scalars λ_k such that $B = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k B_k$ is bounded. Since $B_k \subset \lambda_k^{-1} B$ we have for all $x \in E_{B_k}$ that $q_B(x) \leq \lambda_k^{-1} q_{B_k}(x)$. Thus for every k and for all $x \in A$, we have

$$egin{aligned} p_{N_k^o}(q_{\scriptscriptstyle B}(x_n)) &= \sup \left\{ \sum |lpha_n| q_{\scriptscriptstyle B}(x_n) \, | \, lpha \in N_k
ight\} \ &\leq \sup \left\{ \sum |lpha_n| \lambda_k q_{\scriptscriptstyle B_k}(x_n) \, | \, lpha \in N_k
ight\} \ &\leq \lambda_k \end{aligned}$$

by (*). This implies that the set $\{(q_B(x_n)) | x \in A\}$ is \mathscr{B} -bounded and hence bounded in Λ , and is therefore contained in some normal bounded subset R of Λ . Thus $A \subset [R, B]$ and (a) is proved.

(b) Let *E* be a (*DF*)-space. Then *E* has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets $B_1 \subset B_2 \subset B_3 \subset \cdots$.

Suppose E is not fundamentally Λ^x -bounded, then there exists a bounded subset A in $\Lambda^x{E}$ such that A is not contained in any of the sets $[N_k, B_k], k = 1, 2, \cdots$. We show this leads to a contradiction.

For every index k, A not a subset of $[N_k, B_k]$ implies that there exists $x^{(k)} \in A$ such that $(q_{B_k}(x_n^{(k)})) \notin N_k$. Thus there exists $\beta^{(k)} \in N_k^o$ such that $\sum \beta_n^{(k)} q_{B_k}(x_n^{(k)}) > 1$. In fact for each k, there exists a finite set $\{u_n^{(k)}\} \subset B_k^o$, $n = 1, 2, \dots, f_k$, such that

$$\sum\limits_{n=1}^{f_k}eta_n^{\scriptscriptstyle (k)}|\langle u_n^{\scriptscriptstyle (k)}, x_n^{\scriptscriptstyle (k)}
angle|>1$$
 .

Let $G = \{u_n^{(k)} | k = 1, 2, \dots, \text{ and } n = 1, 2, \dots, f_k\}$. Then G is a countable subset of E'. If G is strongly bounded in E', then G is equicontinuous since E is a (DF)-space. We show G is strongly bounded. Fix m. Since $\{u_n^{(k)} | k = 1, 2, \dots, m, n = 1, 2, \dots, f_k \text{ is finite,}$ there exists a positive constant $\rho_m \ge 1$ with $u_n^{(k)} \in \rho_m B_m^\circ$ for $k = 1, \dots, m$ and $n = 1, \dots, f_k$, since B_m° is an absorbing subset of E'. For k > m, $B_k \supset B_m$ and hence $B_k^\circ \subset B_m^\circ$ so $u_n^{(k)} \in B_k^\circ \subset B_m^\circ$ for all k > m and $n = 1, 2, \dots, f_k$. Thus for every m, there exists a positive constant ρ_m with $G \subset \rho_m B_m^\circ$. The sets $B_1^\circ \supset B_2^\circ \supset B_3^\circ \supset \cdots$ form a neighborhood base for the strong topology on E', so G is strongly bounded and hence equi-continuous.

Let $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$ be such that $G \subset U^{\circ}$. Since A is bounded in $\Lambda^{x}\{E\}$, the set $\{p_{U}(x_{n}) | x \in A\}$ is bounded in Λ^{x} and hence contained in some N_{k} . Since $\beta^{(k)} \in N_{k}^{\circ}$, this implies $\sum \beta_{n}^{(k)} p_{U}(x_{n}) \leq 1$ for all $x \in A$. But taking $x = x^{(k)}$, we obtain $\sum \beta_{n}^{(k)} p_{U}(x_{n}^{(k)}) > \sum_{n=1}^{f_{k}} \beta_{n}^{(k)} |\langle u_{n}^{(k)}, x_{n}^{(k)} \rangle| > 1$ which is a contradiction.

As in theorem (5), let Λ and Λ^* be α — dual perfect sequence spaces such that Λ^* has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets. The results of (5) cannot be improved to include either of the following assertions.

(a) Every (DF)-space is fundamentally Λ -bounded.

(b) Every metrizable locally convex space is fundamentally Λ^x -bonnded.

Counterexamples are provided by (9) and (8) below.

Recall that ω is the space of all scalar sequences and ϕ is the space of all scalar sequences with only finitely many nonzero coordinates. ϕ and ω are perfect and α - dual to each other. Moreover ϕ has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets $N_1 \subset N_2 \subset \cdots$, where $N_k = \{\alpha \in \phi \mid |\alpha_n| \leq k \text{ if } n \leq k \text{ and } \alpha_n = 0 \text{ if } n > k\}$. The following lemma is due to Pietsch [2, Satz 3.19].

(6) Let E be a metrizable locally convex space which has no continuous norm. Then there exists $x \in \phi\{E\}$ such that for every index $n, x_n \neq 0$.

Proof. Let $p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \cdots$ be a fundamental system of seminorms for E. No p_k is a norm. Thus for each integer k there exists $x_k \in E$ with $x_k \neq 0$ but $p_k(x_k) = 0$. Set $x = (x_n)$. Fix k. For all $n \geq k$ we have $p_n(x_n) = 0$ but $p_k \leq p_n$, so $p_k(x_n) = 0$ for all $n \geq k$. Thus $(p_k(x_n)) \in \phi$ for each seminorm p_k .

(7) For any locally convex space E, ω{E} is the space of all E-valued sequences.

(8) There exist metrizable locally convex spaces E such that E is not fundamentally ϕ -bounded.

Proof. Let E be a metrizable space with no continuous norm. By (6) there exists $x \in \phi\{E\}$ with $x_n \neq 0$ for all n. Therefore there exist $a_n \in E'$ with $\langle a_n, x_n \rangle = 1$. But by (7), $a = (a_n) \in \omega\{E'\}$. Since $\langle a, x \rangle = \sum \langle a_n, x_n \rangle = \infty$, we conclude $\phi\{E\}^x \neq \omega\{E'\} = \phi^x\{E'\}$. By 5.(3) this implies E is not fundamentally ϕ -bounded.

(9) There exist (DF)-spaces E such that E is not fundamentally ω -bounded.

Proof. Let E be a (DF)-space whose strong dual E' is an (F)-space with no continuous norm. By (6) there exists $a \in \phi\{E'\}$ such that $a_n \neq 0$ for all n. Let $x_n \in E$ be such that $\langle a_n, x_n \rangle = 1$. Then $x = (x_n) \in \omega\{E\}$ but $\langle a, x \rangle = \sum \langle a_n, x_n \rangle = \infty$ so we conclude $\omega\{E\} \neq \phi\{E'\} = \omega^x\{E'\}$. By 5.(3) this implies E is not fundamentally ω -bounded.

The space ω may be viewed as a topological product of countably many copies of the scalar field. With the product topology it is a (F)-space with no continuous norm. It is the strong dual of the (DF)-space ϕ viewed as a locally convex direct sum of countably many copies of the scalar field. Thus the examples in (8) and (9) can be made more explicit by taking $E = \omega$ in (8) and $E = \phi$ in (9).

7. The spaces $l^{p}\{E\} \ 1 \leq p \leq \infty$. It is well known that for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ the α - dual of l^{p} is l^{q} where $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$. The bounded subsets of l^{p} are easily seen to be the sets which are bounded in l^{p} -norm $||\alpha||_{p} = (\sum |\alpha_{n}|p)^{1/p}$. Thus every l^{p} space has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets consisting of positive integer multiples of the unit ball.

A sequence $x = (x_n)$ in a locally convex space E is called absolutely p-summable, $1 \leq p < \infty$, if for every continuous seminorm p_U on E, $\sum p_U(x_n)^p < \infty$.

(1) $l^{p}{E}, 1 \leq p < \infty$, is the vector space of all absolutely psummable sequences in E. $l^{\infty}{E}$ is the vector space of all bounded sequences in E.

The seminorms defining the $\mathscr{B} = \mathscr{B}(l^q)$ topology on $l^p\{E\}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{kB,U}(x) &= \sup \left\{ \sum |\alpha_n| \, p_U(x_n) \, | \, \alpha \in kB \right\} \\ &= \sup \left\{ \sum |\alpha_n| \, p_{kU}^{-1}(x_n) \, | \, \alpha \in B \right\} \\ &= (\sum p_{kU}^{-1}(x_n)^p)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

where k is a positive integer, B is the unit ball in l^q , and U is any absolutely convex neighborhood of 0. Since $k^{-1}U$ is also such a neighborhood, we have

(2) $1 \leq p < \infty$. A base of seminorms for $l^p \{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ is given by the family of seminorms

$$\pi_U^{(p)}(x) = (\sum p_U(x_n)^p)^{1/p} \qquad U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$$
.

A similar argument for the case $p = \infty$ yields

(3) A base of seminorms for $l^{\infty}{E}_{\mathscr{A}}$ is given by the family of

seminorms

$$\pi_U^{(\infty)}(x) = \sup \{ p_U(x_n) \mid n = 1, 2, \cdots \} .$$

It follows that an element x in $l^{\infty}\{E\}_{\mathscr{P}}$ will be the limit of its finite sections if and only if $p_U(x_n)$ converges to 0 for every $U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$. Clearly every element of $l^p\{E\}_{\mathscr{P}}$ is the limit of its finite sections.

 $(4) \quad [l^p \{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}] = l^p \{E\}_{\mathscr{R}} \text{ for } 1 \leq p < \infty$

 $[l^{\infty}{E}_{\mathscr{B}}] = c_{\circ}{E}_{\mathscr{B}} = vector space of all sequences in E converging to 0.$

We now show how the results of the previous sections can be applied to the duality theory of the $l^{p}\{E\}$ spaces.

(5) Every metrizable locally convex space and every (DF)-space is fundamentally l^p -bounded for every $p, 1 \leq p \leq \infty$.

Proof. Since every l^q , $1 \leq q \leq \infty$, has a countable fundamental system of bounded sets, and since $(l^p)^* = l^q$ with $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$, this result follows immediately from 6.(5).

(6) Let E be a metrizable locally convex space or a (DF)-space. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, the strong dual of $l^{p}\{E\}_{\mathscr{F}}$ is $l^{q}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{F}}$, and the strong dual of $[l^{\infty}\{E\}_{\mathscr{F}}] = c_{\circ}\{E\}_{\mathscr{F}}$ is $l^{1}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{F}}$.

Proof. This is a direct application of (5) above and 5.(4). (We are also using the facts that the dual of a metrizable space is a (DF)-space and the dual of a (DF)-space is metrizable.)

(7) If E is a reflexive (B)-, (F)-, or (DF)-space, then for $1 , <math>l^{p}\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ is a reflexive (B)-, (F)-, or (DF)-space respectively.

Proof. By (6) above and 5.(5), $l^{p}\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ is reflexive. If E is a (B)- or (F)-space, then it is clear from the fact that the seminorms $\pi_{U}^{(p)}, U \in \mathscr{U}(E)$, define the \mathscr{R} -topology on $l^{p}\{E\}$, that $l^{p}\{E\}$ is a (B)- or (F)-space respectively. If E is a reflexive (DF)-space, then E' is an (F)-space and $l^{p}\{E\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ as the strong dual of the (F)-space $l^{q}\{E'\}_{\mathscr{R}}$ must be a (DF)-space.

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