NONINCLUSION THEOREMS: SOME REMARKS ON A PAPER BY J. A. FRIDY

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ABSTRACT. In 1997, J. A. Fridy gave conditions for noninclusion of ordinary and of absolute summability domains. In the present note, these conditions are interpreted in a natural topological context thus giving new proofs and also explaining why one of these conditions is too weak. Also an open question posed in Fridy's paper is answered.

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1. Noninclusion for ordinary summability. Recently, J. A. Fridy [2] stated a non-inclusion theorem that can be formulated in the following way.

THEOREM 1.1. *Let A and B be regular matrices such that c_A , the summability domain of A , is included in c_B , the summability domain of B . Then*

$$\lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0 \implies \lim_{n,k} b_{nk} = 0. \quad (1.1)$$

Here $\lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0$ (and, similarly, $\lim_{n,k} b_{nk} = 0$) is taken in the Pringsheim sense, that is,

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N > 0 : (n > N \text{ and } k > N) \implies |a_{nk}| < \epsilon. \quad (1.2)$$

Of course, this is a noninclusion theorem, since if A has that limit property and B does not, then $c_A \not\subset c_B$. The reason for the above formulation is that it emphasizes an invariance property which is stated in an invariant form in the Lemma 1.2. Therein, e^k denotes the basic sequence $e^k = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$ with “1” in the k th position, and the summability domain

$$c_A = \left\{ x = (x_k) \mid Ax = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{nk} x_k \right)_{n=1,2,\dots} \text{ exists and converges} \right\} \quad (1.3)$$

is endowed with its FK -topology (see, e.g., [3, Ch. 22]) which is given by the seminorms

$$\begin{aligned} p_r(x) &:= |x_r| \quad (r = 1, 2, \dots), \\ q_r(x) &:= \sup_m \left| \sum_{k=1}^m a_{rk} x_k \right| \quad (r = 1, 2, \dots), \\ p_0(x) &:= \|Ax\|_{\infty} = \sup_n \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{nk} x_k \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

Observe that all column limits of A exist if and only if $\varphi := \text{span} \{e^1, e^2, \dots\} \subset c_A$.

LEMMA 1.2. *Let A be a matrix with existing column limits. Then*

$$\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{nk} = 0 \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } \lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0 \right) \iff \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} e^k = 0 \text{ in } c_A. \quad (1.5)$$

PROOF. Certainly, $p_r(e^k) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ for each r . Also, the condition $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{nk} = 0$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ (all row limits of A are zero) is equivalent to $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q_r(e^k) = 0$ for $r = 1, 2, \dots$. Now, let $\lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0$ in the Pringsheim sense. Then, given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N_1 > 0$ such that $|a_{nk}| < \epsilon$ for $n > N_1$ and $k > N_1$. If, in addition, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{rk} = 0$ for $r = 1, \dots, N_1$, then there exists $N > N_1$ such that $|a_{nk}| < \epsilon$ for $1 \leq r \leq N_1$ and all $k > N$. Thus $p_0(e^k) = \sup_n |a_{nk}| \leq \epsilon$ for all $k > N$. Hence $p_0(e^k) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, and $e^k \rightarrow 0$ in c_A follows.

Conversely, suppose $e^k \rightarrow 0$ in c_A . Then, in particular, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q_r(e^k) = 0$ for $r = 1, 2, \dots$ and $p_0(e^k) = \sup_n |a_{nk}| \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$; the former implies $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{rk} = 0$, the latter $\lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0$. $\square$

As a corollary we obtain Fridy's result.

COROLLARY 1.3. *Let A be a matrix with existing column limits and with row limits zero. If $c_A \subset c_B$, then*

$$\lim_{n,k} a_{nk} = 0 \implies \lim_{n,k} b_{nk} = 0, \quad (1.6)$$

and then, in fact, B is a matrix with existing column limits and with row limits zero.

PROOF. By the Lemma 1.2 we have $e^k \rightarrow 0$ in c_A . By $c_A \subset c_B$, the relative topology of c_B on c_A is weaker than the FK-topology of c_A (see [3, Ch. 17]; hence $e^k \rightarrow 0$ in c_B , and, by Lemma 1.2, this means $\lim_{n,k} b_{nk} = 0$, and the row limits of B are zero. $\square$

REMARK 1.4. In [2] it is already noticed that in Theorem 1.1 the supposition that A and B should be regular can be relaxed to the condition that both matrices have column and row limits zero. Corollary 1.3 is slightly more general; the existence of the column limits of A is needed in order that $e^k \in c_A$ for all k , and hence, by $c_A \subset c_B$, the column limits of B exist. It should also be remarked here that a K -space E containing φ is called a wedge space if $e^k \rightarrow 0$ in E , see G. Bennett [1, Thm. 27], asserting that c_A with $\varphi \subset c_A$ is a wedge space if and only if $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_n |a_{nk}| = 0$.

2. Noninclusion for absolute summability. In [2] noninclusion is also considered for absolute summability; here

$$\ell_A = \left\{ x = (x_k) \mid Ax = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{nk} x_k \right) \text{ exists and } Ax \in \ell \right\} \quad (2.1)$$

the absolute summability domain of A , is concerned, where

$$\ell = \left\{ x = (x_k) \mid \|x\|_1 := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k| < \infty \right\}. \quad (2.2)$$

We state the result in the following form.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let A be a matrix with its column sequences in ℓ (so that $e^k \in \ell_A$ for all k), and let B be a matrix with $\ell_A \subset \ell_B$. If there is an index sequence $(k(j))_{j=1,2,\dots}$ such that*

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n,k(j)}| = 0, \quad (2.3)$$

then

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n,k(j)}| = 0. \quad (2.4)$$

In [2], there is an extra condition $\ell \subset \ell_A$, but condition (2.3) is relaxed to

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=\mu}^{\infty} |a_{n,k(j)}| = 0 \quad \text{for some integer } \mu, \quad (2.5)$$

and (2.4) is correspondingly weakened to

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=\mu}^{\infty} |b_{n,k(j)}| = 0 \quad (2.6)$$

with the same μ as in (2.5). Unfortunately, this relaxed version fails for $\mu > 1$, even if $\ell \subset \ell_A$ and the μ in (2.6) is allowed to differ from that one in (2.5). This can be seen from the following example.

EXAMPLE 2.2. For all $k = 1, 2, \dots$, define

$$a_{nk} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 1, \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad b_{nk} := \frac{1}{n^2} \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (2.7)$$

so that

$$(Ax)_n = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 1, \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad (Bx)_n = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k. \quad (2.8)$$

Then, clearly,

$$\ell \subset \ell_A = \ell_B = \left\{ (x_k) \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k \text{ converges} \right. \right\}, \quad (2.9)$$

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_{n,k(j)}| = 0, \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=\mu}^{\infty} |b_{n,k(j)}| = \sum_{n=\mu}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} > 0$$

for each integer μ and each index sequence $(k(j))$.

To prove Theorem 2.1 in a topological way—similar to the proof of Corollary 1.3 (and Theorem 1.1)—we need the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.3. *Let A be a matrix with its column sequences in ℓ , and let $(k(j))_{j=1,2,\dots}$ be an index sequence. Then*

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n,k(j)}| = 0 \iff e^{k(j)} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{in } \ell_A \text{ as } j \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.10)$$

PROOF. The FK-topology of the FK-space ℓ_A is given by the seminorms p_r, q_r (see above) and

$$p_0^\ell(x) := \|Ax\|_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{nk} x_k \right|. \quad (2.11)$$

Thus $e^{k(j)} \rightarrow 0$ in ℓ_A is equivalent to $p_r(e^{k(j)}) \rightarrow 0, q_r(e^{k(j)}) \rightarrow 0$ for each fixed $r = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\|Ae^{k(j)}\|_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n,k(j)}| \rightarrow 0$. These conditions are equivalent to the single condition $\|Ae^{k(j)}\|_1 \rightarrow 0$, since $q_r(e^{k(j)}) \leq \|Ae^{k(j)}\|_1$ and $p_r H(e^{k(j)}) = 0$ for $k(j) > r$. The lemma follows. $\square$

Theorem 2.1 is now a simple corollary of Lemma 2.3. By $\ell_A \subset \ell_B$ the *FK*-topology of ℓ_A is stronger than the relative *FK*-topology of ℓ_B on ℓ_A . Hence $e^{k(j)} \rightarrow 0$ in ℓ_A implies $e^{k(j)} \rightarrow 0$ in ℓ_B . Lemma 2.3 now yields the assertion of Theorem 2.1.

In [2] it is asked whether in Theorem 2.1 conditions (2.3) and (2.4) can be replaced by

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n,k(j)} \right| = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n,k(j)} \right| = 0, \quad (2.12)$$

respectively. The answer is negative as can be seen by the following example.

EXAMPLE 2.4. Define $A = (a_{nk})$ and $B = (b_{nk})$ by

$$a_{nk} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ -1, & \text{if } n = 2, \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 2, \end{cases} \quad (2.13)$$

and

$$b_{nk} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 1, \end{cases} \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (2.14)$$

so that $Ax = (\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k, -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k, 0, 0, \dots)$ and $Bx = (\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k, 0, 0, \dots)$.

Then, clearly, $(\ell \subset) \ell_A = \ell_B = \{x = (x_k) \mid \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k \text{ converges}\}$ and

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n,k(j)} \right| = 0, \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{n,k(j)} \right| = 1 \quad (2.15)$$

for any index sequence $(k(j))_{j=1,2,\dots}$.

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