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# ON F-NORMS OF QUASI-MODULAR SPACES

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§1. **Introduction.** Let  $R$  be a *universally continuous semi-ordered linear space* (i.e. a *conditionally complete vector lattice* in Birkhoff's sense [1]) and  $\rho$  be a functional which satisfies the following four conditions:

- ( $\rho.1$ )  $0 \leq \rho(x) = \rho(-x) \leq +\infty$  for all  $x \in R$ ;
- ( $\rho.2$ )  $\rho(x+y) = \rho(x) + \rho(y)$  for any  $x, y \in R$  with  $x \perp y$ <sup>1)</sup>;
- ( $\rho.3$ ) If  $\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho(x_\lambda) < +\infty$  for a mutually orthogonal system  $\{x_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$ <sup>2)</sup>, there exists  $x_0 \in R$  such that  $x_0 = \sum_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda$  and  $\rho(x_0) = \sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho(x_\lambda)$ ;
- ( $\rho.4$ )  $\overline{\lim}_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho(\xi x) < +\infty$  for all  $x \in R$ .

Then,  $\rho$  is called a *quasi-modular* and  $R$  is called a *quasi-modular space*.

In the previous paper [2], we have defined a quasi-modular space and proved that if  $R$  is a non-atomic quasi-modular space which is semi-regular, then we can define a modular<sup>3)</sup>  $m$  on  $R$  for which every universally continuous linear functional<sup>4)</sup> is continuous with respect to the norm defined by the modular<sup>5)</sup>  $m$  [2; Theorem 3.1].

Recently in [6] J. Musielak and W. Orlicz considered a modular  $\rho$  on a linear space  $L$  which satisfies the following conditions:

- (A.1)  $\rho(x) \geq 0$  and  $\rho(x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ;
- (A.2)  $\rho(-x) = \rho(x)$ ;
- (A.3)  $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \rho(x) + \rho(y)$  for every  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ ;
- (A.4)  $\alpha_n \rightarrow 0$  implies  $\rho(\alpha_n x) \rightarrow 0$  for every  $x \in R$ ;
- (A.5) for any  $x \in L$  there exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $\rho(\alpha x) < +\infty$ .

They showed that  $L$  is a quasi-normed space with a quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$  defined by the formula;

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- 1)  $x \perp y$  means  $|x| \wedge |y| = 0$ .
  - 2) A system of elements  $\{x_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$  is called *mutually orthogonal*, if  $x_\lambda \perp x_\gamma$  for  $\lambda \neq \gamma$ .
  - 3) For the definition of a modular, see [3].
  - 4) A linear functional  $f$  is called *universally continuous*, if  $\inf_{\lambda \in A} f(a_\lambda) = 0$  for any  $a_\lambda \downarrow_{\lambda \in A} 0$ .

$R$  is called *semi-regular*, if for any  $x \neq 0, x \in R$ , there exists a universally continuous linear functional  $f$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ .

5) This modular  $\rho$  is a generalization of a modular  $m$  in the sense of Nakano [3 and 4]. In the latter, there is assumed that  $m(\xi x)$  is a convex function of  $\xi \geq 0$  for each  $x \in R$ .

$$(1.1) \quad \|x\|_0 = \inf \left\{ \xi; \rho\left(\frac{1}{\xi}x\right) \leq \xi \right\}^{6)}$$

and  $\|x_n\|_0 \rightarrow 0$  is equivalent to  $\rho(\alpha x_n) \rightarrow 0$  for all  $\alpha \geq 0$ .

In the present paper, we shall deal with a general quasi-modular space  $R$  (i. e. without the assumption that  $R$  is non-atomic or semi-regular). The aim of this paper is to construct a quasi-norm on  $R$  and to investigate the condition under which  $R$  is an  $F$ -space with this quasi-norm by making use of the above formula (1.1). Since a quasi-modular  $\rho$  on  $R$  does not satisfy the conditions (A.1), (A.2), (A.4) and (A.5) in general, as is seen by comparing the conditions:  $(\rho.1) \sim (\rho.4)$  with those of  $\rho$  [6], we can not apply the formula (1.1) directly to  $\rho$  to obtain a quasi-norm. We shall show, however, that we can construct always a quasi-modular  $\rho^*$  which satisfies (A.2)  $\sim$  (A.5) on an arbitrary quasi-modular space  $R$  in §2 (Theorems 2.1 and 2.2). Since  $R$  may include a normal manifold  $R_0 = \{x \in R, \rho^*(\xi x) = 0 \text{ for all } \xi \geq 0\}$  and we can not define a quasi-norm on  $R_0$  in general, we have to exclude  $R_0$  in order to proceed with the argument further. We shall prove in §3 that a quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$  on  $R_0^\perp$  defined by  $\rho^*$  according to the formula (1.1) is semi-continuous, and in order that  $R_0^\perp$  is an  $F$ -space with  $\|\cdot\|_0$  (i. e.  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is complete), it is necessary and sufficient that  $\rho$  satisfies

$$(\rho.4') \quad \sup_{x \in R} \{\overline{\lim}_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \rho(\alpha x)\} < +\infty$$

(Theorem 3.2).

In §4, we shall show that we can define another quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  on  $R_0^\perp$  which is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_0$  such that  $\|x\|_0 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq 2\|x\|_0$  holds for every  $x \in R_0^\perp$  (Formulas (4.1) and (4.3)).  $\|\cdot\|_1$  has a form similar to that of the first norm (due to I. Amemiya) of (convex) modular in the sense of Nakano [4; §83]. At last in §5 we shall add shortly the supplementary results concerning the relations between  $\|\cdot\|_0$ -convergence and order-convergence. The matter does not essentially differ from the case of the (convex) modular on semi-ordered linear spaces and the results stated in §5 are already known in those cases [3].

Throughout this paper  $R$  denotes a *universally continuous semi-ordered linear space* and  $\rho$  a *quasi-modular* defined on  $R$ . For any  $p \in R$ ,  $[p]$  is a *projector*:  $[p]x = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (n|p| \cap x)$  for all  $x \geq 0$  and  $1 - [p]$  is a *projection operator* onto the normal manifold  $N = \{p\}^\perp$ , that is,  $x = [p]x + (1 - [p])x$ .

6) This quasi-norm was first considered by S. Mazur and W. Orlicz [5] and discussed by several authors [6 or 7].

§2. The conversion of a quasi-modular. From the definition of a quasi-modular in §1, the following lemma is immediately deduced.

**Lemma 1.** For any quasi-modular  $\rho$ , we have

$$(2.1) \quad \rho(0) = 0;$$

$$(2.2) \quad \rho([p]x) \leq \rho(x) \text{ for all } p, x \in R;$$

$$(2.3) \quad \rho([p]x) = \sup_{\lambda \in A} \rho([p_\lambda]x) \text{ for any } [p_\lambda] \uparrow_{\lambda \in A} [p].$$

In the argument below, we have to use the additional property of  $\rho$ :

$$(\rho.5) \quad \rho(x) \leq \rho(y) \text{ if } |x| \leq |y|, x, y \in R,$$

which is not valid for an arbitrary  $\rho$  in general.

The next theorem, however, shows that we may suppose without loss of generality that a quasi-modular  $\rho$  satisfies  $(\rho.5)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $R$  be a quasi-modular space with quasi-modular  $\rho$ . Then there exists a quasi-modular  $\rho'$  for which  $(\rho.5)$  is valid.

*Proof.* We put for every  $x \in R$ ,

$$(2.4) \quad \rho'(x) = \sup_{0 \leq |y| \leq |x|} \rho(y).$$

It is clear that  $\rho'$  satisfies the conditions  $(\rho.1)$ ,  $(\rho.2)$  and  $(\rho.5)$ .

Let  $\{x_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$  be an orthogonal system such that  $\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho'(x_\lambda) < +\infty$ , then

$$\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho(x_\lambda) < +\infty,$$

because

$$\rho(x) \leq \rho'(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in R.$$

We have

$$x_0 = \sum_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda \in R$$

and

$$\rho(x_0) = \sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho(x_\lambda) \quad \text{in virtue of } (\rho.3).$$

For such  $x_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho'(x_0) &= \sup_{0 \leq |y| \leq |x_0|} \rho(y) = \sup_{0 \leq |y| \leq |x_0|} \sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho([x_\lambda]y) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in A} \sup_{0 \leq |y| \leq |x_0|} \rho([x_\lambda]y) = \sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho'(x_\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

holds, i. e.  $\rho'$  fulfils  $(\rho.3)$ .

If  $\rho'$  does not fulfil  $(\rho.4)$ , we have for some  $x_0 \in R$ ,

$$\rho'\left(\frac{1}{n}x_0\right) = +\infty \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1.$$

By  $(\rho.2)$  and  $(\rho.4)$ ,  $x_0$  can not be written as  $x_0 = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\kappa} \xi_\nu e_\nu$ , where  $e_\nu$  is an atomic element for each  $\nu$  with  $1 \leq \nu \leq \kappa$ , namely, we can decompose  $x_0$  into

an infinite number of orthogonal elements. First we decompose into

$$x_0 = x_1 + x'_1, \quad x_1 \perp x'_1,$$

where  $\rho'(\frac{1}{\nu}x_1) = +\infty$  ( $\nu = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $\rho'(x'_1) > 1$ . For the definition of  $\rho'$ , there exists  $0 \leq y_1 \leq |x'_1|$  such that  $\rho(y_1) \geq 1$ . Next we can also decompose  $x_1$  into

$$x_1 = x_2 + x'_2, \quad x_2 \perp x'_2,$$

where

$$\rho'(\frac{1}{\nu}x_2) = +\infty \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and

$$\rho'(\frac{1}{2}x'_2) > 2.$$

There exists also  $0 \leq y_2 \leq |x'_2|$  such that  $\rho(\frac{1}{2}y_2) \geq 2$ . In the same way, we can find by induction an orthogonal sequence  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu=1, 2, \dots}$  such that

$$\rho(\frac{1}{\nu}y_\nu) \geq \nu$$

and

$$0 \leq |y_\nu| \leq |x|$$

for all  $\nu \geq 1$ .

Since  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu=1, 2, \dots}$  is order-bounded, we have in virtue of (2.3)

$$y_0 = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} y_\nu \in R$$

and

$$\rho(\frac{1}{\nu}y_0) \geq \rho(\frac{1}{\nu}y_\nu) \geq \nu,$$

which contradicts (ρ.4). Therefore  $\rho'$  has to satisfy (ρ.4). Q.E.D.

Hence, in the sequel, we denote by  $\rho'$  a quasi-modular defined by the formula (2.4).

If  $\rho$  satisfies (ρ.5),  $\rho$  does also (A.3) in §1:

$$\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \rho(x) + \rho(y)$$

for  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ .

Because, putting  $[p] = [(|x| - |y|)^+]$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) &\leq \rho(\alpha |x| + \beta |y|) \\
&\leq \rho(\alpha [p] |x| + \alpha(1-[p]) |y| + \beta [p] |x| + (1-[p]) \beta |y|) \\
&= \rho([p] |x| + (1-[p]) |y|) \\
&= \rho([p]x) + \rho((1-[p])y) \\
&\leq \rho(x) + \rho(y).
\end{aligned}$$

*Remark 1.* As is shown above, the existence of  $\rho'$  as a quasi-modular depends essentially on the condition  $(\rho.4)$ . Thus, in the above theorems, we cannot replace  $(\rho.4)$  by the weaker condition:

$(\rho.4'')$  for any  $x \in R$ , there exists  $\alpha \geq 0$  such that  $\rho(\alpha x) < +\infty$ .

In fact, the next example shows that there exists a functional  $\rho_0$  on a universally continuous semi-ordered linear space satisfying  $(\rho.1)$ ,  $(\rho.2)$ ,  $(\rho.3)$  and  $(\rho.4'')$ , but does not  $(\rho.4)$ . For this  $\rho_0$ , we obtain

$$\rho'_0(x) = \sup_{|y| \leq |x|} \rho_0(y) = +\infty$$

for all  $x \neq 0$ .

*Example.*  $L_1[0, 1]$  is the set of measurable functions  $x(t)$  which are defined in  $[0, 1]$  with

$$\int_0^1 |x(t)| dt < +\infty.$$

Putting

$$\rho_0(x) = \rho_0(x(t)) = \int_0^1 |x(t)| dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \text{mes} \left\{ t : x(t) = \frac{1}{i} \right\},$$

we have an example satisfying the above conditions.

In order to define the quasi-norm, we need one more additional condition: (A.4), namely,

$$(\rho.6) \quad \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho(\xi x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in R.$$

A quasi-modular space becomes, as is shown below, always a quasi-normed space excluding the trivial part, but not an F-space in general. This fact is based upon the following Theorems 2.2 and 2.3.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $\rho$  be a quasi-modular on  $R$ . We can find a functional  $\rho^*$  which satisfies  $(\rho.1) \sim (\rho.6)$  except  $(\rho.3)$ .*

*Proof.* In virtue of Theorem 2.1, there exists a quasi-modular  $\rho'$  which satisfies  $(\rho.5)$ . Now we put

$$(2.5) \quad d(x) = \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x).$$

It is clear that  $0 \leq d(x) = d(|x|) < +\infty$  for all  $x \in R$  and

$$d(x+y) = d(x) + d(y) \quad \text{if } x \perp y.$$

Hence, putting

$$(2.6) \quad \rho^*(x) = \rho'(x) - d(x) \quad (x \in R).$$

we can see easily that  $(\rho.1)$ ,  $(\rho.2)$ ,  $(\rho.4)$  and  $(\rho.6)$  hold true for  $\rho^*$ , since

$$d(x) \leq \rho'(x)$$

and

$$d(\alpha x) = d(x)$$

for all  $x \in R$  and  $\alpha > 0$ .

We need to prove that  $(\rho.5)$  is true for  $\rho^*$ . First we have to note

$$(2.7) \quad \inf_{\lambda \in A} d([p_\lambda]x) = 0$$

for any  $[p_\lambda] \downarrow_{\lambda \in A} 0$ . In fact, if we suppose the contrary, we have

$$\inf_{\lambda \in A} d([p_\lambda]x_0) \geq \alpha > 0$$

for some  $[p_\lambda] \downarrow_{\lambda \in A} 0$  and  $x_0 \in R$ .

Hence,

$$\rho'\left(\frac{1}{\nu}[p_\lambda]x_0\right) \geq d([p_\lambda]x_0) \geq \alpha$$

for all  $\nu \geq 1$  and  $\lambda \in A$ . Thus we can find a subsequence  $\{\lambda_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  of  $\{\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$  such that

$$[p_{\lambda_n}] \geq [p_{\lambda_{n+1}}]$$

and

$$\rho'\left(\frac{1}{n}([p_{\lambda_n}] - [p_{\lambda_{n+1}}])x_0\right) \geq \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

for all  $n \geq 1$  in virtue of  $(\rho.2)$  and  $(2.3)$ . This implies

$$\rho'\left(\frac{1}{n}x_0\right) \geq \sum_{m \geq n} \rho'\left(\frac{1}{m}([p_{\lambda_m}] - [p_{\lambda_{m+1}}])x_0\right) = +\infty,$$

which is inconsistent with  $(\rho.4)$ . Secondly we shall prove

$$(2.8) \quad d(x) = d(y), \quad \text{if } [x] = [y].$$

We put  $[p_n] = [(|x| - n|y|)^+]$  for  $x, y \in R$  with  $[x] = [y]$  and  $n \geq 1$ . Then,  $[p_n] \downarrow_{n=1}^\infty 0$  and  $\inf_{n=1, 2, \dots} d([p_n]x) = 0$  by  $(2.7)$ . Since  $(1 - [p_n])n|y| \geq (1 - [p_n])|x|$

and

$$d(\alpha x) = d(x)$$

for  $\alpha > 0$  and  $x \in R$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x) &= d([p_n]x) + d((1 - [p_n])x) \\ &\leq d([p_n]x) + d(n(1 - [p_n])y) \\ &\leq d([p_n]x) + d(y). \end{aligned}$$

As  $n$  is arbitrary, this implies

$$d(x) \leq \inf_{n=1, 2, \dots} d([p_n]x) + d(y),$$

and also  $d(x) \leq d(y)$ . Therefore we conclude that (2.8) holds.

If  $|x| \geq |y|$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^*(x) &= \rho^*([y]x) + \rho^*([x] - [y])x \\ &= \rho'([y]x) - d([y]x) + \rho^*([x] - [y])x \\ &\geq \rho'(y) - d(y) + \rho^*([x] - [y])x \\ &\geq \rho^*(y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\rho^*$  satisfies (ρ.5).

Q.E.D.

**Theorem 2.3.**  $\rho^*$  (which is constructed from  $\rho$  according to the formulas (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6)) satisfies (ρ.3) (that is,  $\rho^*$  is a quasi-modular), if and only if  $\rho$  satisfies

$$(ρ.4') \quad \sup_{x \in R} \{\overline{\lim}_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho(\xi x)\} = K < +\infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\rho$  satisfy (ρ.4). We need to prove

$$(2.9) \quad \sup_{x \in R} d(x) = \sup_{x \in R} \{\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x)\} = K' < +\infty,$$

where

$$\rho'(x) = \sup_{0 \leq |y| \leq |x|} \rho(y).$$

Since  $\rho'$  is also a quasi-modular, Lemma 2 in [2] or [8] can be applicable, if we put  $n_0(x) = \rho(x)$  and  $n_\nu(x) = \rho'(\frac{1}{\nu}x)$  for  $\nu \geq 1$  and  $x \in R$ . Hence we can find positive numbers  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\gamma$ , a natural number  $\nu_0$  and a finite dimensional normal manifold  $N_0$  such that  $x \in N_0^\perp$  with

$$\rho(x) \leq \varepsilon \quad \text{implies} \quad \rho'\left(\frac{1}{\nu_0}x\right) \leq \gamma.$$

In  $N_0$ , we have obviously

$$\sup_{x \in N_0} \{\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x)\} = \gamma_0 < +\infty.$$

If  $\varepsilon \leq 2K$ , for any  $x_0 \in N_0^\perp$ , we can find  $\alpha_0 > 0$  such that  $\rho(\alpha x_0) \leq 2K$  for all  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \alpha_0$  by (ρ.4'), and hence there exists always an orthogonal decomposition such that

$$\alpha_0 x_0 = x_1 + \cdots + x_n + y_1 + \cdots + y_m + z$$

where  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \rho(x_i) \leq \varepsilon$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ ),  $y_j$  is an atomic element with  $\rho(y_j) > \varepsilon$  for every  $j=1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $\rho(z) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . From above, we get  $n \leq \frac{4K}{\varepsilon}$  and  $m \leq \frac{2K}{\varepsilon}$ . This yields

$$\begin{aligned} \rho' \left( \frac{1}{\nu_0} \alpha_0 x_0 \right) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \rho' \left( \frac{1}{\nu_0} x_i \right) + \sum_{j=1}^m \rho'(y_j) + \rho' \frac{z}{\nu_0} \\ &\leq n\gamma + \sum_{j=1}^m \rho'(y_j) + \rho' \frac{z}{\nu_0} \\ &\leq \frac{4K}{\varepsilon} \gamma + \frac{2K}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \sup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq \alpha_0} \rho(\alpha x) \right\} + \gamma. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x_0) \leq \rho' \left( \frac{\alpha_0}{\nu_0} x_0 \right) \leq \left( \frac{4K + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \right) \gamma + \left( \frac{4K^2}{\varepsilon} \right)$$

in case of  $\varepsilon \leq 2K$ . If  $2K \leq \varepsilon$ , we have immediately for  $x \in N_0^\perp$

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x) \leq \gamma.$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$\sup_{x \in R} \{ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho'(\xi x) \} \leq \gamma'$$

where

$$\gamma' = \frac{4K + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} + \frac{4K^2}{\varepsilon} + \gamma_0.$$

Let  $\{x_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$  be an orthogonal system with  $\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(x_\lambda) < +\infty$ . Then for arbitrary  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in A$ , we have

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^k d(x_{\lambda_\nu}) = d \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^k x_{\lambda_\nu} \right) = \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho' \left( \xi \sum_{\nu=1}^k x_{\lambda_\nu} \right) \leq \gamma',$$

which implies  $\sum_{\lambda \in A} d(x_\lambda) \leq \gamma'$ . It follows that

$$\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho'(x_\lambda) = \sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(x_\lambda) + \sum_{\lambda \in A} d(x_\lambda) < +\infty,$$

which implies  $x_0 = \sum_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda \in R$  and  $\sum_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(x_\lambda) = \rho^*(x_0)$  by (ρ.4) and (2.7). Therefore  $\rho^*$  satisfies (ρ.3).

On the other hand, suppose that  $\rho^*$  satisfies (ρ.3) and  $\sup_{x \in R} d(x) = +\infty$ . Then we can find an orthogonal sequence  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  such that

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^\mu d(x_\nu) = d \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^\mu x_\nu \right) \geq \mu$$

for all  $\mu \geq 1$  in virtue of (2.8) and the orthogonal additivity of  $d$ . Since  $\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho^*(\xi x) = 0$ , there exists  $\{\alpha_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  with  $0 < \alpha_\nu$  ( $\nu \geq 1$ ) and  $\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \rho^*(\alpha_\nu x_\nu) < +\infty$ . It follows that  $x_0 = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \alpha_\nu x_\nu \in R$  and  $d(x_0) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} d(\alpha_\nu x_\nu)$  from (ρ.3). For such  $x_0$ , we have for every  $\xi \geq 0$ ,

$$\rho'(\xi x_0) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \rho'(\xi \alpha_\nu x_\nu) \geq \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} d(x_\nu) = +\infty,$$

which is inconsistent with (ρ.4). Therefore we have

$$\sup_{x \in R} (\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \rho(\xi x)) \leq \sup_{x \in R} d(x) < +\infty. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

§3. Quasi-norms. We denote by  $R_0$  the set:

$$R_0 = \{x : x \in R, \rho^*(nx) = 0 \text{ for all } n \geq 1\},$$

where  $\rho^*$  is defined by the formula (2.6). Evidently  $R_0$  is a semi-normal manifold<sup>7)</sup> of  $R$ . We shall prove that  $R_0$  is a normal manifold of  $R$ . In fact, let  $x = \bigcup_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda$  with  $R_0 \ni x_\lambda \geq 0$  for all  $\lambda \in A$ . Putting

$$[p_{n,\lambda}] = [(2nx_\lambda - nx)^+],$$

we have

$$[p_{n,\lambda}] \uparrow_{\lambda \in A} [x] \quad \text{and} \quad 2n[p_{n,\lambda}]x_\lambda \geq [p_{n,\lambda}]nx,$$

which implies  $\rho^*(n[p_{n,\lambda}]x) = 0$  and  $\sup_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(n[p_{n,\lambda}]x) = \rho^*(nx) = 0$ . Hence, we obtain  $x \in R_0$ , that is,  $R_0$  is a normal manifold of  $R$ .

Therefore,  $R$  is orthogonally decomposed into

$$R = R_0 \oplus R_0^\perp. \quad 8)$$

In virtue of the definition of  $\rho^*$ , we infer that for any  $p \in R_0$ ,  $[p]R_0$  is *universally complete*, i.e. for any orthogonal system  $\{x_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in A}$  ( $x_\lambda \in [p]R_0$ ), there exists  $x_0 = \sum_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda \in [p]R$ . Hence we can also verify without difficulty that  $R_0$  has no universally continuous linear functional except 0, if  $R_0$  is non-atomic. When  $R_0$  is discrete, it is isomorphic to  $S(A)$ <sup>9)</sup>-space. With respect to such a universally complete space  $R_0$ , we can not always construct a linear metric topology on  $R_0$ , even if  $R_0$  is discrete.

In the following, therefore, we must exclude  $R_0$  from our consideration. Now we can state the theorems which we aim at.

7) A linear manifold  $S$  is said to be *semi-normal*, if  $a \in S$ ,  $|b| \leq |a|$ ,  $b \in R$  implies  $b \in S$ . Since  $R$  is universally continuous, a semi-normal manifold  $S$  is normal if and only if  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda \in R$ ,  $0 \leq x_\lambda \in S$  ( $\lambda \in A$ ) implies  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in A} x_\lambda \in S$ .

8) This means that  $x \in R$  is written by  $x = y + z$ ,  $y \in R_0$  and  $z \in R_0^\perp$ .

9)  $S(A)$  is the set of all real functions defined on  $A$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $R$  be a quasi-modular space. Then  $R_0^\perp$  becomes a quasi-normed space with a quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$  which is semi-continuous, i.e.*

$$\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|x_\lambda\|_0 = \|x\|_0 \quad \text{for any } 0 \leq x_\lambda \uparrow_{\lambda \in I} x.$$

*Proof.* In virtue of Theorems 2.1 and 2.2,  $\rho^*$  satisfies  $(\rho.1) \sim (\rho.6)$  except  $(\rho.3)$ . Now we put

$$(3.1) \quad \|x\|_0 = \inf \left\{ \xi ; \rho^* \left( \frac{1}{\xi} x \right) \leq \xi \right\}.$$

Then,

i)  $0 \leq \|x\|_0 = \|-x\|_0 < \infty$  and  $\|x\|_0 = 0$  is equivalent to  $x = 0$ ; follows from  $(\rho.1)$ ,  $(\rho.6)$ , (2.1) and the definition of  $R_0^\perp$ .

ii)  $\|x+y\|_0 \leq \|x\|_0 + \|y\|_0$  for any  $x, y \in R$ ; follows also from (A.3) which is deduced from  $(\rho.4)$ .

iii)  $\lim_{\alpha_n \rightarrow 0} \|\alpha_n x\|_0 = 0$  and  $\lim_{\|x_n\|_0 \rightarrow 0} \|\alpha x_n\|_0 = 0$ ; is a direct consequence of  $(\rho.5)$ . At last we shall prove that  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is semi-continuous. From ii) and iii), it follows that  $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha_0} \|\alpha x\|_0 = \|\alpha_0 x\|_0$  for all  $x \in R_0^\perp$  and  $\alpha_0 \geq 0$ . If  $x \in R_0^\perp$

and  $[p_\lambda] \uparrow_{\lambda \in I} [p]$ , for any positive number  $\xi$  with  $\|[p]x\|_0 > \xi$  we have  $\rho^* \left( \frac{1}{\xi} [p]x \right) > \xi$ , which implies  $\sup_{\lambda \in I} \rho^* \left( \frac{1}{\xi} [p_\lambda]x \right) > \xi$  and hence  $\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|[p_\lambda]x\|_0 \geq \xi$ . Thus we obtain

$$\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|[p_\lambda]x\|_0 = \|[p]x\|_0, \text{ if } [p_\lambda] \uparrow_{\lambda \in I} [p].$$

Let  $0 \leq x_\lambda \uparrow_{\lambda \in I} x$ . Putting

$$[p_{n,\lambda}] = \left[ \left( x_\lambda - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) x \right)^+ \right]$$

we have

$$[p_{n,\lambda}] \uparrow_{\lambda \in I} [x] \text{ and } [p_{n,\lambda}]x_\lambda \geq [p_{n,\lambda}] \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) x \quad (n \geq 1).$$

As is shown above, since

$$\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|[p_{n,\lambda}]x_\lambda\|_0 \geq \sup_{\lambda \in I} \|[p_{n,\lambda}] \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) x\|_0 = \left\| \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) x \right\|_0,$$

we have

$$\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|x_\lambda\|_0 \geq \left\| \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) x \right\|_0$$

and also  $\sup_{\lambda \in I} \|x_\lambda\|_0 \geq \|x\|_0$ . As the converse inequality is obvious by iv),

$\|\cdot\|_0$  is semi-continuous. Q.E.D.

*Remark 2.* By the definition of (3.1), we can see easily that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_0 = 0$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(\xi x_n) = 0$  for all  $\xi \geq 0$ .

In order to prove the completeness of quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$ , the next Lemma is necessary.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $p_{n,\nu}$ ,  $x_\nu \geq 0$  and  $a \geq 0$  ( $n, \nu = 1, 2, \dots$ ) be the elements of  $R_0^\perp$  such that

$$(3.2) \quad [p_{n,\nu}] \uparrow_{\nu=1}^\infty [p_n] \text{ with } \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty [p_n]a = [p_0]a \neq 0;$$

$$(3.3) \quad [p_{n,\nu}]x_\nu \geq n[p_{n,\nu}]a \text{ for all } n, \nu \geq 1.$$

Then  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is not a Cauchy sequence of  $R_0^\perp$  with respect to  $\|\cdot\|_0$ .

*Proof.* We shall show that there exist a sequence of projectors  $[q_m] \downarrow_{m=1}^\infty$  ( $m \geq 1$ ) and sequences of natural numbers  $\nu_m, n_m$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad \|[q_m]a\|_0 > \frac{\delta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad [q_m]x_{\nu_m} \geq n_m[q_m]a \quad (m=1, 2, \dots)$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad n_m[q_m]a \geq [q_m]x_{\nu_{m-1}}, \quad n_{m+1} > n_m \quad (m=2, 3, \dots),$$

where  $\delta = \|[p_0]a\|_0$ .

In fact, we put  $n_1 = 1$ . Since  $[p_{1,\nu}][p_0] \uparrow_{\nu=1}^\infty [p_0]$  and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is semi-continuous, we can find a natural number  $\nu_1$  such that

$$\|[p_{1,\nu_1}][p_0]a\|_0 > \frac{\|[p_0]a\|_0}{2} = \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

We put  $[q_1] = [p_{1,\nu_1}][p_0]$ . Now, let us assume that  $[q_m], \nu_m, n_m$  ( $m=1, 2, \dots, k$ ) have been taken such that (3.4) and (3.5) are satisfied.

Since  $[(na - x_{\nu_k})^+] \uparrow_{n=1}^\infty [a]$  and  $\|[q_k]a\|_0 > \frac{\delta}{2}$ , there exists  $n_{k+1}$  with

$$\|(n_{k+1}a - x_{\nu_k})^+[q_k]a\|_0 > \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

For such  $n_{k+1}$ , there exists also a natural number  $\nu_{k+1}$  such that

$$\|[p_{n_{k+1}, \nu_{k+1}}][(n_{k+1}a - x_{\nu_k})^+][q_k]a\|_0 > \frac{\delta}{2}.$$

in virtue of (3.2) and semi-continuity of  $\|\cdot\|_0$ . Hence we can put

$$[q_{k+1}] = [p_{n_{k+1}, \nu_{k+1}}][(n_{k+1}a - x_{\nu_k})^+][q_k],$$

because

$$[q_{k+1}] \leq [q_k], \|[q_{k+1}]a\|_0 > \frac{\delta}{2}, [q_{k+1}]x_{\nu_{k+1}} \geq n_{k+1}[q_{k+1}]a$$

by (3.3) and  $[q_{k+1}]n_{k+1}a \geq [q_{k+1}]x_{\nu_k}$  by (3.5).

For the sequence thus obtained, we have for every  $k \geq 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{\nu_{k+1}} - x_{\nu_{k-1}}\|_0 &\geq \| [q_{k+1}](x_{\nu_{k+1}} - x_{\nu_{k-1}}) \|_0 \\ &\geq \| n_{k+1}[q_{k+1}]a - n_k[q_{k+1}]a \|_0 \geq \| [q_{k+1}]a_0 \|_0 \geq \frac{\delta}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $[q_{k+1}] \leq [q_k] \leq [(n_k a - x_{\nu_{k-1}})^+]$  implies  $[q_{k+1}]n_k a \geq [q_{k+1}]x_{\nu_{k-1}}$  by (3.4). It follows from the above that  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is not a Cauchy sequence.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $R$  be a quasi-modular space with quasi-modular  $\rho$ . Then  $R_0^\perp$  is an  $F$ -space with  $\|\cdot\|_0$  if and only if  $\rho$  satisfies  $(\rho.4')$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\rho$  satisfies  $(\rho.4')$ ,  $\rho^*$  is a quasi-modular which fulfils also  $(\rho.5)$  and  $(\rho.6)$  in virtue of Theorem 2.3. Since  $\|x\|_0 \left( = \inf \left\{ \xi ; \rho^* \left( \frac{x}{\xi} \right) \leq \xi \right\} \right)$  is a quasi-norm on  $R_0^\perp$ , we need only to verify completeness of  $\|\cdot\|_0$ . At first let  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1} \subset R_0^\perp$  be a Cauchy sequence with  $0 \leq x_\nu \uparrow_{\nu=1, 2, \dots}$ . Since  $\rho^*$  satisfies  $(\rho.3)$ , there exists  $0 \leq x_0 \in R_0^\perp$  such that  $x_0 = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^\infty x_\nu$ , as is shown in the proof of Theorem 2.3.

Putting  $[p_{n,\nu}] = [(x_\nu - nx_0)^+]$  and  $\bigcup_{\nu=1}^\infty [p_{n,\nu}] = [p_n]$ , we obtain

$$(3.6) \quad [p_{n,\nu}]x_\nu \geq n[p_{n,\nu}]x_0 \quad \text{for all } n, \nu \geq 1$$

and  $[p_n] \downarrow_{n=1}^\infty 0$ . Since  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence, we have in virtue of Lemma 2,  $\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty [p_n] = 0$ , that is,  $\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty ([x_0] - [p_n]) = [x_0]$ . And

$$(1 - [p_{n,\nu}]) \geq (1 - [p_n]) \quad (n, \nu \geq 1)$$

implies

$$n(1 - [p_n])x_0 \geq (1 - [p_n])x_\nu \geq 0.$$

Hence we have

$$y_n = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^\infty (1 - [p_n])x_\nu \in R_0^\perp,$$

because  $R_0^\perp$  is universally continuous. As  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence, we obtain from the triangle inequality of  $\|\cdot\|_0$

$$\gamma = \sup_{\nu \geq 1} \|x_\nu\|_0 < +\infty,$$

which implies

$$\|y_n\|_0 = \sup_{\nu \geq 1} \|(1 - [p_n])x_\nu\|_0 \leq \gamma$$

for every  $n \geq 1$  by semi-continuity of  $\|\cdot\|_0$ . We put  $z_1 = y_1$  and  $z_n = y_n - y_{n-1}$  ( $n \geq 2$ ). It follows from the definition of  $y_n$  that  $\{z_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is an orthogonal sequence with  $\|\sum_{\nu=1}^n z_\nu\|_0 = \|y_n\|_0 \leq \gamma$ . This implies

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^n \rho^* \left( \frac{z_\nu}{1+\gamma} \right) = \rho^* \left( \frac{y_n}{1+\gamma} \right) \leq \gamma$$

for all  $n \geq 1$  by the formula (3.1). Then ( $\rho.3$ ) assures the existence of

$z = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} z_\nu = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} y_\nu$ . This yields  $z = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} x_\nu$ . Truly, it follows from

$$z = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (1 - [p_n])x_\nu = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - [p_n])x_\nu = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} [x_0]x_\nu = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} x_\nu.$$

By semi-continuity of  $\|\cdot\|_0$ , we have

$$\|z - x_\nu\|_0 \leq \sup_{\mu \geq \nu} \|x_\mu - x_\nu\|_0$$

and furthermore  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \|z - x_\nu\|_0 = 0$ .

Secondly let  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  be an arbitrary Cauchy sequence of  $R_0^\perp$ . Then we can find a subsequence  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  of  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  such that

$$\|y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu\|_0 \leq \frac{1}{2^\nu} \quad \text{for all } \nu \geq 1.$$

This implies

$$\left\| \sum_{\nu=m}^n |y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu| \right\|_0 \leq \sum_{\nu=m}^n \|y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu\|_0 \leq \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \quad \text{for all } n > m \geq 1.$$

Putting  $z_n = \sum_{\nu=1}^n |y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu|$ , we have a Cauchy sequence  $\{z_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  with  $0 \leq z_n \uparrow_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .

Then by the fact proved just above,

$$z_0 = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} |y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu| \in R_0^\perp \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_0 - z_n\|_0 = 0.$$

Since  $\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} |y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu|$  is convergent,  $y_1 + \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu)$  is also convergent and

$$\|y_1 + \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu) - y_n\|_0 = \left\| \sum_{\nu=n}^{\infty} (y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu) \right\|_0 \leq \|z_0 - z_n\|_0 \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is a subsequence of the Cauchy sequence  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \|y_1 + \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (y_{\nu+1} - y_\nu) - x_\mu\|_0 = 0.$$

Therefore  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is complete in  $R_0^\perp$ , that is,  $R_0^\perp$  is an F-space with  $\|\cdot\|_0$ .

Conversely if  $R_0^\perp$  is an F-space, then for any orthogonal sequence  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1} \in R_0^\perp$ , we have  $\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \alpha_\nu x_\nu \in R_0^\perp$  for some real numbers  $\alpha_\nu > 0$  (for all  $\nu \geq 1$ ).

Hence we can see that  $\sup_{x \in R} d(x) < +\infty$  by the same way applied in Theorem

2.1. It follows that  $\rho$  must satisfy ( $\rho.4'$ ).

Q.E.D.

Since  $R_0$  contains a normal manifold which is universally complete, if  $R_0 \neq 0$ , we can conclude directly from Theorems 3.1 and 3.2

**Corollary.** *Let  $R$  be a quasi-modular space which includes no universally complete normal manifold. Then  $R$  becomes a quasi-normed space with a quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_0$  defined by (3.1) and  $R$  becomes an  $F$ -space with  $\|\cdot\|_0$  if and only if  $\rho$  fulfils  $(\rho.4')$ .*

**§4. Another Quasi-norm.** Let  $L$  be a modular space in the sense of Musielak and Orlicz (§1). Here we put for  $x \in L$

$$(4.1) \quad \|x\|_1 = \inf_{\xi > 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{\xi} + \rho(\xi x) \right\}^{10)}$$

and show that  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is also a quasi-norm on  $L$  and

$$(4.2) \quad \|x\|_0 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq 2 \|x\|_0 \quad \text{for all } x \in L$$

hold, where  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is a quasi-norm defined by the formula (1.1).

From (A.1), (A.2) and (A.5), it follows that  $0 \leq \|x\|_1 = \| -x \|_1 < +\infty$  ( $x \in L$ ) and that  $\|x\|_1 = 0$  is equivalent to  $x = 0$ . Since  $\alpha_n \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(\alpha_n x) = 0$  for each  $x \in L$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_1 = 0$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(\xi x_n) = 0$  for all  $\xi \geq 0$ , we obtain that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\alpha_n x\|_1 = 0$  for all  $\alpha_n \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$  and that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|_1 = 0$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\alpha x_n\|_1 = 0$  for all  $\alpha > 0$ . If  $\|x\|_1 < \alpha$  and  $\|y\|_1 < \beta$ , there exist  $\xi, \eta > 0$  such that

$$\frac{1}{\xi} + \rho(\xi x) < \alpha \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\eta} + \rho(\eta y) < \beta.$$

This yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|x+y\|_1 &\leq \frac{\xi+\eta}{\xi\eta} + \rho\left(\frac{\xi\eta}{\xi+\eta}(x+y)\right) = \frac{1}{\xi} + \frac{1}{\eta} + \rho\left(\frac{\eta}{\xi+\eta}(\xi x) + \frac{\xi}{\xi+\eta}(\eta y)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\xi} + \rho(\xi x) + \frac{1}{\eta} + \rho(\eta y) < \alpha + \beta, \end{aligned}$$

in virtue of (A.3). Therefore  $\|x+y\|_1 \leq \|x\|_1 + \|y\|_1$  holds for any  $x, y \in L$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is a quasi-norm on  $L$ . If  $\xi\rho(\xi x) \leq 1$  for some  $\xi > 0$  and  $x \in L$ , we have  $\rho(\xi x) \leq \frac{1}{\xi}$  and hence

$$\frac{1}{\xi} \leq \frac{1}{\xi} + \rho(\xi x) \leq \frac{2}{\xi}.$$

10) For the convex modular  $m$ , we can define two kinds of norms such as

$$\|x\| = \inf_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{1+m(\xi x)}{\xi} \quad \text{and} \quad \|x\| = \inf_{m(\xi x) \leq 1} \frac{1}{\xi}$$

[3 or 4]. For the general modulars considered here, the formulas (3.1) and (4.1) are nothing but ones obtained by replacing  $m(\xi x)$  by  $\xi\rho(\xi x)$  in  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  respectively.

This yields (4.2), since we have  $\|x\|_0 \leq \frac{1}{\xi}$  and  $\rho(\eta x) > \frac{1}{\eta}$  for every  $\eta$  with  $\|x\|_0 > \frac{1}{\eta}$ . Therefore we can obtain from above

**Theorem 4.1.** *If  $L$  is a modular space with a modular satisfying (A.1)~(A.5) in §1, then the formula (4.1) yields a quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  on  $L$  which is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_0$  defined by Musielak and Orlicz in [6] as is shown in (4.2).*

From the above theorem and the results in §2, we obtain by the same way as in §3

**Theorem 4.2.** *If  $R$  is a quasi-modular space with a quasi-modular  $\rho$ , then*

$$(4.3) \quad \|x\|_1 = \inf_{\xi > 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{\xi} + \rho^*(\xi x) \right\} \quad (x \in R)$$

is a semi-continuous quasi-norm on  $R_0^\perp$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is complete if and only if  $\rho$  satisfies  $(\rho.4')$ , where  $\rho^*$  and  $R_0$  are the same as in §2 and §3. And further we have

$$(4.4) \quad \|x\|_0 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq 2\|x\|_0 \quad \text{for all } x \in R_0^\perp.$$

**§5. A quasi-norm-convergence.** Here we suppose that a quasi-modular  $\rho^*$  on  $R$  satisfies  $(\rho.1) \sim (\rho.6)$  except  $(\rho.3)$  and  $\rho^*(\xi x)$  is not identically zero as a function of  $\xi \geq 0$  for each  $0 \neq x \in R$  (i.e.  $R_0 = \{0\}$ ). A sequence of elements  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is called *order-convergent* to  $a$  and denoted by  $\text{o-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = a$ , if there exists a sequence of elements  $\{a_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  such that  $|x_\nu - a| \leq a_\nu$  ( $\nu \geq 1$ ) and  $a_\nu \downarrow_{\nu=1}^\infty 0$ . And a sequence of elements  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  is called *star-convergent* to  $a$  and denoted by  $\text{s-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = a$ , if for any subsequence  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  of  $\{x_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{z_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  of  $\{y_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  with  $\text{o-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} z_\nu = a$ .

A quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $R$  is termed to be *continuous*, if  $\inf_{\nu \geq 1} \|a_\nu\| = 0$  for any  $a_\nu \downarrow_{\nu=1}^\infty 0$ . In the sequel, we write by  $\|\cdot\|_0$  (or  $\|\cdot\|_1$ ) the quasi-norm defined on  $R$  by  $\rho^*$  in §3 (resp. in §4).

Now we prove

**Theorem 5.1.** *In order that  $\|\cdot\|_0$  (or  $\|\cdot\|_1$ ) is continuous, it is necessary and sufficient that the following condition is satisfied:*

$$(5.1) \quad \text{for any } x \in R \text{ there exists an orthogonal decomposition } x = y + z \text{ such that } [z]R \text{ is finite dimensional and } \rho(y) < +\infty.$$

*Proof. Necessity.* If (5.1) is not true for some  $x \in R$ , we can find a

sequence of projector  $\{[p_n]\}_{n \geq 1}$  such that  $\rho([p_n]x) = +\infty$  and  $[p_n] \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$ . Hence by (3.1) it follows that  $\|[p_n]x\|_0 > 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , which contradicts the continuity of  $\|\cdot\|_0$ .

*Sufficiency.* Let  $a_n \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$  and put  $[p_n^{\epsilon}] = [(a_n - \epsilon a_1)^+]$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $n \geq 1$ . It is easily seen that  $[p_n^{\epsilon}] \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$  and

$$a_n = [a_1]a_n = [p_n^{\epsilon}]a_n + (1 - [p_n^{\epsilon}])a_n \leq [p_n^{\epsilon}]a_1 + \epsilon a_1.$$

This implies

$$\rho^*(\xi a_n) \leq \rho^*(\xi [p_n^{\epsilon}]a_1) + \rho^*(\xi \epsilon (1 - [p_n^{\epsilon}])a_1)$$

for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $\xi \geq 0$ . In virtue of (5.1) and  $[p_n^{\epsilon}] \downarrow_{n=1}^{\infty} 0$ , we can find  $n_0$  (depending on  $\xi$  and  $\epsilon$ ) such that  $\rho^*(\xi [p_n^{\epsilon}]a_1) < +\infty$ , and hence  $\inf_{n \geq 1} \rho^*(\xi [p_n^{\epsilon}]a_1) = 0$  by (2.3) in Lemma 1 and (ρ.2). Thus we obtain

$$\inf_{n \geq 1} \rho^*(\xi a_n) \leq \rho^*(\xi \epsilon a_1).$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho^*(\xi a_n) = 0$  follows. Hence we infer that  $\inf_{n \geq 1} \|a_n\|_0 = 0$  and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is continuous in view of Remark 2 in §3. Q.E.D.

In view of the proof of the above theorem we get obviously

**Corollary.**  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is continuous, if

$$(5.2) \quad \rho^*(a_n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ implies } \rho^*(\alpha a_n) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for every } \alpha \geq 0.$$

From the definition, it is clear that  $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_{\nu} = 0$  implies  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\nu}\|_0 = 0$ , if  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is continuous. Conversely we have, by making use of the well-known method (cf. Theorem 33.4 in [3])

**Theorem 5.2.**  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\nu}\|_0 = 0$  (or  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\nu}\|_1 = 0$ ) implies  $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_{\nu} = 0$ , if  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is complete (i.e.  $\rho^*$  satisfies (ρ.3)).

If we replace  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\nu}\|_0 = 0$  by  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \rho(x_{\nu}) = 0$ , Theorem 5.2 may fail to be valid in general. By this, reason, we must consider the following condition:

$$(5.3) \quad \rho^*(x) = 0 \text{ implies } x = 0.$$

Truly we obtain

**Theorem 5.3.** If  $\rho^*$  satisfies (5.3) and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is complete,  $\rho(a_n) \rightarrow 0$  implies  $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_{\nu} = 0$ .

*Proof.* We may suppose without loss of generality that  $\rho^*$  is semi-continuous,<sup>11)</sup> i.e.  $\rho^*(x) = \sup_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(x_{\lambda})$  for any  $0 \leq x \uparrow_{\lambda \in A} x$ . If

11) If  $\rho^*$  is not semi-continuous, putting  $\rho_*(x) = \inf_{y \uparrow_{\lambda \in A} x} \{\sup_{\lambda \in A} \rho^*(y_{\lambda})\}$ , we obtain a quasi-modular  $\rho_*$  which is semi-continuous and  $\rho^*(x_{\nu}) \rightarrow 0$  is equivalent to  $\rho_*(x_{\nu}) \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\rho(a_\nu) \leq \frac{1}{2^\nu} \quad (\nu \geq 1),$$

we can prove by the similar way as in the proof of Lemma 2 that there exists  $\bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} |a_\nu| \in R$  in virtue of ( $\rho.3$ ).

Now, since

$$\rho\left(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \nu}^{\infty} |a_\mu|\right) \leq \sum_{\mu \geq \nu}^{\infty} \rho(a_\mu) \leq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-1}}$$

holds for each  $\nu \geq 1$ ,  $\rho\left\{\bigcap_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \left(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \nu}^{\infty} |a_\mu|\right)\right\} = 0$  and hence (5.3) implies

$$\bigcap_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \left(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \nu}^{\infty} |a_\mu|\right) = 0.$$

Thus we see that  $\{a_\mu\}_{\mu \geq 1}$  is order-convergent to 0.

For any  $\{b_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  with  $\rho(b_\nu) \rightarrow 0$ , we can find a subsequence  $\{b'_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  of  $\{b_\nu\}_{\nu \geq 1}$  with  $\rho(b'_\nu) \leq \frac{1}{2^\nu}$  ( $\nu = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Therefore we have  $\text{s-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} b_\nu = 0$ . Q.E.D.

The latter part of the above proof is quite the same as Lemma 2.1 in [9] (due to S. Yamamuro) concerning the condition (5.2) with respect to (convex) modulars on semi-ordered linear spaces. From Theorem 5.2 and 5.3, we can obtain further the next theorem which is analogous to the above lemma of [9] and considered as the converse of Corollary of Theorem 5.1 at the same time.

**Theorem 5.4.** *If  $\rho^*$  satisfies (5.3) and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  is complete and continuous, then (5.2) holds.*

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