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Rademacher functions in weighted Cesàro spaces

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Abstract. We study the behaviour of the Rademacher functions in the weighted Cesàro spaces $Ces(\omega, p)$, for $\omega(x)$ a weight and $1 \le p \le \infty$. In particular, the case when the Rademacher functions generate in $Ces(\omega, p)$ a closed linear subspace isomorphic to ℓ^2 is considered.

1. Introduction. The Cesàro function spaces Ces(p) are defined by

$$\|f\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(p)} = \left(\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{1}{x}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt\right)^{p} \, dx\right)^{1/p} < \infty \quad \text{for} \quad 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\|f\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\infty)} = \sup_{0 < x \le 1} \frac{1}{x}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt < \infty \quad \text{for} \quad p = \infty.$$

These spaces are the continuous counterpart to the classical Cesàro sequence spaces, which have been thoroughly studied; see, for example, [6], [8], and the references therein. Functional and geometrical properties of Ces(p) have been studied in detail, including: duality and reflexivity; isomorphic copies of classical sequence and function spaces; type and cotype; fixed point, Dunford–Pettis, Banach–Saks, and Radon–Nikodym properties; see [2], [3], [5], [8].

More recently, weighted Cesàro function spaces have been considered; in [8] their dual space has been identified. For $\omega(x)$ a weight, i.e., a measurable function with $0 < \omega(x) < \infty$ a.e., and $1 \le p \le \infty$, the weighted Cesàro spaces $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ are defined by

$$||f||_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} := \left(\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{1}{\omega(x)}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt\right)^{p} \, dx\right)^{1/p} < \infty \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$

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$$||f||_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} := \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \frac{1}{\omega(x)} \int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt < \infty \quad \text{for} \quad p = \infty.$$

The Rademacher functions are defined by

 $r_k(t) := \operatorname{sign}(\sin(2^k \pi t)), \quad t \in [0, 1], \ k \ge 1.$

Recall that a Rademacher series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k$ converges a.e. if and only if $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$. For the set of Rademacher series we write

$$\mathcal{R} = \Big\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k : (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2 \Big\}.$$

The study of the Rademacher series in function spaces is classical. The Khintchine inequalities state, for $0 , that <math>\{r_k\}$ generates in $L^p([0,1])$ a closed linear subspace $\mathcal{R} \cap L^p([0,1])$ isomorphic to ℓ^2 . The behaviour of $\{r_k\}$ in rearrangement invariant spaces was studied in a celebrated result of V. A. Rodin and E. M. Semenov: for X an r.i. space on [0,1], we have $\mathcal{R} \cap X$ isomorphic to ℓ^2 if and only if the closure of $L^\infty([0,1])$ in L^M is continuously embedded into X, where L^M is the Orlicz space generated by the Young function $M(t) = \exp(t^2) - 1$ (see [11, Theorem 6]).

For the Cesàro spaces it was proved in [4], for the unweighted case $\omega(x) = x$ and for $1 \leq p < \infty$, that $\{r_k\}$ generates in Ces(p) a non-complemented closed linear subspace isomorphic to ℓ^2 . For $p = \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ a quasiconcave weight, it was also shown that

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \asymp \|(a_k)_{k=1}^m\|_2 + \max_{1 \le n \le m} \frac{2^{-n}}{\omega(2^{-n})} \Big|\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k\Big|,$$

where $A \simeq B$ stands for $c_1 A \leq B \leq c_2 A$ for some constants $c_1, c_2 > 0$. The case when $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 was characterized by means of a condition on $\omega(x)$; namely, $\omega(x) \geq cx \log_2^{1/2}(2/x)$ for $0 < x \leq 1$ and some constant c > 0. We will consider this condition, which we denote (P3) for $p = \infty$, in more generality.

In this paper we study, by means of conditions on $\omega(x)$ and p, the behaviour of the Rademacher functions $\{r_k\}$ in the spaces $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

After the preliminaries in Section 2, we start in Section 3 discussing several conditions, (P1) to (P5), on the weight $\omega(x)$ and the index $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, which are naturally related to the behaviour of the Rademacher series in the spaces $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

In Section 4 we compute, under a certain condition on the weight $\omega(x)$, the norm in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ of a Rademacher series, showing, for $1 \leq p < \infty$, that

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \asymp \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right)^p\right)^{1/p}\right\|$$

and, for $p = \infty$, that

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \asymp \sup_{n \ge 0} \omega_{\infty,n} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right),\right.$$

where, for $J_n = (1/2^{n+1}, 1/2^n), n \ge 0$, we have

$$\omega_{p,n} = \int_{J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx, \quad \omega_{\infty,n} = \sup_{x \in J_n} \frac{x}{\omega(x)}.$$

These inequalities allow describing $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$, studying when $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence, studying the complementability of $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$, and studying the extremal cases when the individual Rademacher functions do not belong to $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ and $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ consists only of certain (finite) Rademacher polynomials.

In Section 5 we consider the case when $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 . By means of determining the norm in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ of the decreasing rearrangement of a Rademacher series, we prove that $(x/\omega(x)) \log_2^{1/2}(2/x) \in L^p([0,1])$ is a sufficient condition for $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ to be isomorphic to ℓ^2 , for all $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, which is necessary in the case $p = \infty$, and 'almost' necessary for $1 \leq p < \infty$.

Particular attention is given to the power weights $\omega(x) = x^{\lambda}$, for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, which illustrate many of the features appearing throughout the paper.

2. Preliminaries. Following Luxemburg and Zaanen (see [13]), a *Banach function space* on [0, 1] is a linear space X of (classes of) measurable functions on [0, 1], endowed with a complete norm $\|\cdot\|_X$, such that $g \in X$ and $|f| \leq |g|$ a.e. implies $f \in X$ and $||f||_X \leq ||g||_X$. The associated space X' consists of all measurable functions g on [0, 1] such that the associated functional

$$\|g\|_{X'} := \sup\left\{ \left| \int_{0}^{1} f(t)g(t) \, dt \right| : f \in X, \, \|f\|_{X} \le 1 \right\} < \infty$$

A Banach function space X is saturated if for every set E with m(E) > 0there exists $F \subset E$ such that m(F) > 0 and $\chi_F \in X$. This property is equivalent to the associated functional $\|\cdot\|_{X'}$ being a norm in X' (see [13, Ch. 15, §68, Theorem 4]). A Banach function space is order continuous when order bounded increasing sequences are norm convergent. In this case, the associated space X' coincides with the topological dual space X*. Note that other authors use more restrictive definitions of Banach function space [7], [10].

We denote by *m* the Lebesgue measure on [0, 1]. The distribution function of a measurable function *f* is $m_f(\lambda) := m(\{x \in [0,1] : |f(x)| > \lambda\}), \lambda \ge 0.$ An r.i. space on [0, 1] is a Banach function space X such that $||f||_X = ||g||_X$ whenever $m_f = m_g$. If X is an r.i. space, then so is X'. The decreasing rearrangement of a measurable function f is $f^*(t) := \inf\{\lambda \ge 0 : m_f(\lambda) < t\}, 0 \le t \le 1$. Since f and f^* have the same distribution function, we see that $f \in X$ if and only if $f^* \in X$, and in that case $||f||_X = ||f^*||_X$ for X an r.i. space. The fundamental function of an r.i. space X is $\varphi_X(t) := ||\chi_E||_X, 0 \le t \le 1$, where E is any set with m(E) = t.

A function $\omega(x)$ is quasiconcave if $\omega(0) = 0$, $\omega(x)$ is non-decreasing, and $\omega(x)/x$ is non-increasing.

For further details on function spaces and r.i. spaces, see [7], [9], and [10].

3. Conditions on the weight $\omega(x)$. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1]. In order to study the Rademacher functions in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ it is convenient to write the norm in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ in the following way:

$$\|f\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} = \left(\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \left(\frac{1}{x}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt\right)^{p} \, dx\right)^{1/p} \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\|f\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} = \sup_{0 < x \le 1} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} \frac{1}{x}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt \qquad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Let $J_n := (1/2^{n+1}, 1/2^n)$ for $n \ge 0$. We say that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P1) if, for $n \ge 0$,

(P1)

$$\omega_{p,n} := \int_{J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx < \infty \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$

$$\omega_{\infty,n} := \sup_{x \in J_n} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} < \infty \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Since $\omega(x)$ is finite a.e. we find that $\omega_{p,n} > 0$ for $n \ge 0$.

Since a Banach function space, as defined in this paper, need not contain all characteristic functions, the following result is meaningful.

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0,1]. If condition (P1) is satisfied, then the space $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ has a saturated norm. In particular, the associated functional $\|\cdot\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)'}$ is a norm in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)'$.

Proof. Since the average of χ_{J_n} on [0, x] vanishes for $0 < x < 1/2^{n+1}$ and it is at most 1 for $1/2^{n+1} \le x \le 1$, for $1 \le p < \infty$ we have

$$\|\chi_{J_n}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p \leq \int_{1/2^{n+1}}^1 \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx = \sum_{k=0}^n \omega_{p,k}.$$

Analogously, $\|\chi_{J_n}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \leq \sup_{0 \leq k \leq n} \omega_{\infty,k}$ for $p = \infty$. It follows that $\chi_{J_n} \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ for $n \geq 0$ and $1 \leq p \leq \infty$.

For $E \subset [0,1]$ a set with m(E) > 0, there exists J_n such that $m(E \cap J_n) > 0$. Noting that $\|\chi_{E \cap J_n}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \leq \|\chi_{J_n}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}$, we deduce that $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)$ is saturated.

We say that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P2) if $x/\omega(x) \in L^p([0,1])$, i.e.,

(P2)
$$\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} dx < \infty \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} < \infty \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Note that (P2) is equivalent to $r_k \in \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Moreover, (P2) can be written via the coefficients $\omega_{p,n}$, namely it is equivalent to

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} < \infty \quad \text{ for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\sup_{n \ge 0} \omega_{\infty,n} < \infty \quad \text{ for } p = \infty.$$

We say that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P3) if

(P3)
$$\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \log_{2}^{p/2}(2/x) dx < \infty \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty$$
$$\sup_{0 < x \le 1} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} \log_{2}^{1/2}(2/x) < \infty \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Condition (P3) is equivalent to

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} (n+1)^{p/2} < \infty \quad \text{ for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\sup_{n \ge 0} \omega_{\infty,n} (n+1)^{1/2} < \infty \quad \text{ for } p = \infty.$$

For $\omega(x)$ a non-decreasing function, condition (P3) can be stated in terms of the Lorentz–Zygmund spaces $L^{p,q}(\log L)^{\alpha}$ (see [7, §4.6]). Namely, it is equivalent to $1/\omega(x) \in L^{p/(p+1),p}(\log L)^{1/2}$. In particular, condition (P3) holds for $1/\omega(x) \in L^{r,s}([0,1])$ with p/(p+1) < r and $1 < s \leq \infty$, or r = p/(p+1) and $1 \leq s < p$.

We say that $\omega(x)$ satisfies *condition* (P4^{*}) if there exists C > 0 such that

(P4*)
$$\sup_{n \ge 0} \frac{\omega_{p,n+1}}{\omega_{p,n}} \le C.$$

Condition (P4*) is a particular case of a more general condition. We say

that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P4) if there exist C > 0 and $M \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists $n' \in \mathbb{N}$ with

(P4)
$$0 < n - n' \le M$$
 and $\sup_{n \ge 1} \frac{\omega_{p,n}}{\omega_{p,n'}} \le C.$

REMARK 3.2. Condition (P4) holds in the following situations.

(a) If $\omega(x)$ is a quasiconcave function, then it satisfies (P4*). Since $1/\omega(x)$ is non-increasing it follows that $\omega_{p,0}$ is finite; since $x/\omega(x)$ is non-decreasing, we have $\omega_{p,n+1}/\omega_{p,n} \leq 1$ for $n \geq 0$.

(b) If $\omega(x)$ is non-increasing, we have $\omega_{p,n+1} \leq 2^{-p}\omega_{p,n}$. Hence, (P4*) holds provided that $\omega_{p,0}$ is finite.

(c) If $x/\omega(x)$ is non-increasing, then condition (P4*) depends on the slope of the function $x/\omega(x)$. In particular, it holds for $1 \le p \le \infty$ when $\omega(x)$ satisfies, for some C > 0,

$$\sup_{n\geq 0}\frac{\omega(1/2^n)}{\omega(1/2^{n+1})}\leq C.$$

(d) A weight $\omega(x)$ has the doubling property if there exists a positive constant C such that $\omega(I) \leq C\omega(2I)$ for every interval I, where 2I denotes the interval with the same center as I and twice its radius, and $\omega(I) = \int_{I} \omega(x) dx$. If $(x/\omega(x))^p$ has the doubling property, then condition (P4^{*}) is satisfied. Namely, since $J_{n+1} \subset 2J_n$, we have

$$\int_{J_{n+1}} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx \le \int_{2J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx \le C \int_{J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx.$$

Hence, $\omega_{p,n+1} \leq C\omega_{p,n}$. In particular, $(x/\omega(x))^p$ has the doubling property if it belongs to the Muckenhoupt weight class A_r for some $1 < r < \infty$.

We say that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P5) if there exists a constant C > 0 such that for every $m \ge 0$,

(P5)
$$\sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \le C\omega_{p,m} \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\sup_{n \ge m} \omega_{\infty,n} \le C\omega_{\infty,m} \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Condition (P5) is satisfied whenever $\omega(x)$ is quasiconcave, since

$$\sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} = \int_{0}^{1/2^m} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx \le 2 \int_{1/2^{m+1}}^{1/2^m} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx = 2\omega_{m,p}.$$

4. Rademacher functions in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$. In this section we study the space $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$. The following sequence space is useful to describe the norm of a Rademacher series in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

DEFINITION 4.1. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1]. Assume that condition (P1) holds. Let $\mathscr{R}(\omega, p)$ be the space of all sequences $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$ such that, for $1 \leq p < \infty$,

$$\|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_{\mathscr{R}(\omega,p)} := \Big(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \Big(\Big|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\Big| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\Big)^p\Big)^{1/p} < \infty,$$

and, for $p = \infty$,

$$\|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_{\mathscr{R}(\omega,\infty)} := \sup_{n\geq 0} \omega_{\infty,n} \left(\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k \right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2 \right) < \infty.$$

The space $\mathscr{R}(\omega, p)$ with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathscr{R}(\omega, p)}$ is a Banach space.

The following result gives an equivalent expression for the average of the absolute value of a Rademacher series on a dyadic interval. We denote the dyadic intervals of order n by $I_j^n := ((j-1)/2^n, j/2^n)$ for $1 \le j \le 2^n$ and $n \ge 0$.

PROPOSITION 4.2. For $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$, $1 \leq j \leq 2^n$, and $n \geq 0$, we have

$$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{k,j} a_k \right| + \| (a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \|_2 \right) \le \frac{1}{m(I_j^n)} \int_{I_j^n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt$$
$$\le \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{k,j} a_k \right| + \| (a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \|_2,$$

where $\varepsilon_{k,j} := \operatorname{sign} r_{k|I_j^n}$.

Proof. We can suppose that j = 1, which gives $\varepsilon_{k,j} = 1$; the proof in the general case is similar.

Note that, due to the dilation properties of the Rademacher functions,

$$\frac{1}{m(I_j^n)} \int_{I_j^n} \Big| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \Big| dt = \int_0^1 \Big| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{n+k} r_k(t) \Big| dt.$$

Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \le \frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left(\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k r_k(t) \right| + \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| \right) dt \le \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \right| + \| (a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \|_2.$$

Concerning the lower bound, we obtain it by combining two inequalities. The first one relies on the fact that, for $k \ge n+1$, the integral of r_k on $[0, 2^{-n}]$ vanishes. Thus,

$$\frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \ge \left| \frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) dt \right| = \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \right|.$$

On the other hand, from the inverse triangle inequality and the Khintchine inequality for $L^1([0, 1])$ it follows that

$$\frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \ge \frac{1}{2^{-n}} \int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left(\left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t) \right| - \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k r_k(t) \right| \right) dt \\\ge C \| (a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \|_2 - \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \right|.$$

Hence,

$$3\frac{1}{2^{-n}}\int_{0}^{2^{-n}} \left|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t)\right| dt \ge \left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k\right| + C \|(a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty}\|_2,$$

and the proof is complete. The optimal constant in the previous inequality is $C = 1/\sqrt{2}$ (see [12]).

For
$$(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$$
, we denote $A_0 := \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2$, and
$$A_n := \left|\sum_{k=1}^n a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty}\|_2, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

THEOREM 4.3. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0,1]. Assume that condition (P4) holds. Then the space $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to $\mathscr{R}(\omega, p)$ with equivalent norms. Consequently, $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is a Banach space.

In particular, for $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \mathscr{R}(\omega, p)$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$, we have

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \asymp \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right)^p\right)^{1/p},\right.$$

and for $p = \infty$,

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}a_kr_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \asymp \sup_{n\geq 0}\omega_{\infty,n}\left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1}a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right),$$

with constants depending on p and $\omega(x)$.

Proof. We prove the result for $1 \le p < \infty$; the case $p = \infty$ is analogous. For $x \in J_n = (1/2^{n+1}, 1/2^n)$ and $n \ge 0$, from Proposition 4.2 we have

$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}}A_{n+1} \le \frac{1}{1/2^n} \int_0^{1/2^{n+1}} \left| \sum_{k\ge 1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \le \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \left| \sum_{k\ge 1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt.$$

In an analogous way we obtain an upper bound:

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left| \sum_{k \ge 1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \le \frac{1}{1/2^{n+1}} \int_{0}^{1/2^n} \left| \sum_{k \ge 1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \le 2A_n.$$

Thus, for $n \ge 0$,

(1)
$$\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}}A_{n+1} \le \frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left| \sum_{k \ge 1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt \le 2A_n, \quad x \in J_n.$$

By splitting the interval [0, 1] into the intervals J_n , from (1) we have

(2)
$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \left|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k(t)\right| dt\right)^p dx$$
$$\geq \frac{1}{(6\sqrt{2})^p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_{n+1}^p,$$

and

(3)
$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p \le 2^p \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_n^p.$$

In general, for an arbitrary weight $\omega(x)$, the lower and upper bounds in (2) and (3) are not equivalent. Condition (P4) provides the equivalence. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let n' be given by (P4). From the triangle inequality and Cauchy–Schwarz inequality we have

(4)
$$A_n \leq \Big| \sum_{k=1}^{n'+1} a_k \Big| + (n - n' - 1)^{1/2} \| (a_k)_{k=n'+2}^n \|_2 + \| (a_k)_{k=n+1}^\infty \|_2$$
$$\leq 2(M-1)^{1/2} A_{n'+1}.$$

From the fact that $0 < n - n' \leq M$, it follows that, for each $m \geq 0$, there are at most M indices $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that n' = m. Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n'} A_{n'+1}^p \le M \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_{n+1}^p.$$

This, together with $A_0 \leq A_1$, inequality (4), and condition (P4) gives

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_n^p \le \omega_{p,0} A_0^p + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n'} A_n^p$$
$$\le \omega_{p,0} A_1^p + 2^p C (M-1)^{p/2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n'} A_{n'+1}^p$$

$$\leq \omega_{p,0} A_1^p + 2^p C M (M-1)^{p/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_{n+1}^p$$

$$\leq B_{\omega,p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} A_{n+1}^p,$$

with $B_{\omega,p} = \max\{\omega_{p,0}, 2^p CM(M-1)^{p/2}\}$. This establishes the equivalence between the upper and lower bounds.

Completeness of $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ follows since it is isomorphic to $\mathscr{R}(\omega, p)$.

Next we consider when $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$. In particular, this will be the case when $\omega(x)$ is quasiconcave.

COROLLARY 4.4. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0,1]. If conditions (P4) and (P5) are satisfied, then $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

Proof. Suppose that $1 \le p < \infty$; the case $p = \infty$ is analogous. Let $m_1 < m_2$. From Theorem 4.3 we have

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_1} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le A_{\omega,p} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{m_1-2} \omega_{p,n} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{n+2}^{m_1}\|_2\right)^p + \left|\sum_{k=1}^{m_1} a_k\right|^p \sum_{n=m_1-1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n}\right)^{1/p},$$

and

$$\begin{split} \left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_2} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} &\geq B_{\omega,p} \Big(\sum_{n=0}^{m_1-2} \omega_{p,n} \Big(\Big|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\Big| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{m_2}\|_2\Big)^p \\ &+ \sum_{n=m_1-1}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \Big(\Big|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\Big| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{m_2}\|_2\Big)^p \Big)^{1/p} \\ &\geq B_{\omega,p} \Big(\sum_{n=0}^{m_1-2} \omega_{p,n} \Big(\Big|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\Big| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{m_1}\|_2\Big)^p \\ &+ \omega_{p,m_1-1}\Big|\sum_{k=1}^{m_1} a_k\Big|^p \Big)^{1/p}, \end{split}$$

where $A_{\omega,p}$ and $B_{\omega,p}$ are the equivalence constants appearing in Theorem 4.3. Condition (P5), together with the previous inequalities, yields

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_1} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le C^{1/p} \left\|\frac{A_{\omega,p}}{B_{\omega,p}}\right\| \sum_{k=1}^{m_2} a_k r_k \Big\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)},$$

which proves that $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence.

Theorem 4.3 allows studying the behaviour of the Rademacher polynomials in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ even in the case when $r_k \notin \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ for (all) $k \in \mathbb{N}$. In particular, we will see that if some of the coefficients $\omega_{p,n}$ fail to be finite, then $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is a finite-dimensional vector space consisting of Rademacher polynomials. Let \mathcal{P} be the space of all Rademacher polynomials, and set $\mathcal{P}^0 := \bigcup_{m>1} \mathcal{P}_m^0$, where, for $m \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\mathcal{P}_m^0 := \bigg\{ \sum_{k=1}^m a_k r_k : a_k \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } \sum_{k=1}^m a_k = 0 \bigg\}.$$

PROPOSITION 4.5. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1].

- (i) Condition (P2) holds if and only if $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$.
- (ii) Assume that condition (P1) holds but condition (P2) is not satisfied. Then

$$\mathcal{P} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \mathcal{P}^0.$$

In this case, $r_k \notin \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

(iii) Assume that condition (P1) fails. If $\omega_{p,m} = \infty$ and $\omega_{p,n}$ is finite for $0 \le n \le m - 1$, then

$$\mathcal{P}_m^0 \subset \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) \subset \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0.$$

Moreover, $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0$ if and only if

$$\int_{J_m} \left(\frac{x - 1/2^{m+1}}{\omega(x)} \right)^p dx < \infty \quad \text{for } 1 \le p < \infty,$$
$$\sup_{x \in J_m} \frac{x - 1/2^{m+1}}{\omega(x)} < \infty \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Otherwise, $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \mathcal{P}_m^0$. (iv) If $\omega_{p,0} = \infty$, then $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \{0\}$.

Proof. We suppose that $1 \leq p < \infty$; the proof in the case $p = \infty$ is analogous.

For a Rademacher polynomial $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k$ we have $A_n = |\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k|$ for $n \ge m$. It follows from (3) that

(5)
$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le 2\left(\sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \omega_{p,n} A_n^p + \left|\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k\right|^p \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n}\right)^{1/p}.$$

(i) Condition (P2) holds if $r_k \in \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Conversely, since (P2) is equivalent to $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} < \infty$, from (5) it follows that $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

(ii) Since $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k = 0$ for $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k \in \mathcal{P}^0$, from (5) we deduce that $\mathcal{P}^0 \subset \mathcal{P} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. On the other hand, if (P2) fails, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} = \infty$.

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From the corresponding version of (2) for polynomials, we have

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \ge \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \Big(\sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \omega_{p,n} A_{n+1}^p + \Big|\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k\Big|^p \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n}\Big)^{1/p},$$

which shows that the space $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ only contains those Rademacher polynomials $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k$ such that $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k = 0$.

(iii) Assume that $\omega_{p,m} = \infty$. The inclusion $\mathcal{P}_m^0 \subset \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ follows from (5) and the fact that $\sum_{k=1}^m a_k = 0$ for $\sum_{k=1}^m a_k r_k \in \mathcal{P}_m^0$. On the other hand, from (2) we have

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p \ge \frac{1}{(6\sqrt{2})^p} \omega_{p,m} A_{m+1}^p$$

Since $\omega_{p,m} = \infty$, if $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ then we necessarily have $A_{m+1} = |\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k| + ||(a_k)_{m+2}^{\infty}||_2 = 0$, that is, $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) \subset \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0$.

Set $\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k \in \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0 \setminus \mathcal{P}_m^0$, where $a_k = 1$, for $1 \leq k \leq m$, and $a_{m+1} = -m$. Since the inclusions $\mathcal{P}_m^0 \subset \mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) \subset \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0$ involve finite-dimensional vector spaces, we have $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \mathcal{P}_{m+1}^0$ if and only if $\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$; otherwise, $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \mathcal{P}_m^0$. Note that, for $x \in (0, 1/2^{m+1}]$,

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt = \left| \sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k \right| = 0,$$

and for $x \in J_m = (1/2^{m+1}, 1/2^m)$,

$$\int_{0}^{x} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k(t) \right| dt = 2m(x - 1/2^{m+1})$$

Hence,

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p = (2m)^p \int_{J_m} \left(\frac{x-1/2^{m+1}}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx + \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \int_{J_n} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^p \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \left|\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k(t)\right| dt\right)^p dx.$$

Since, for $0 \le n \le m$, we have $A_n = n + (m - n + m^2)^{1/2}$, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, depending only on m, such that for $0 \le n \le m - 1$,

 $C_1 \le A_{n+1} \le 2A_n \le C_2.$

This, together with (1) and the fact that $\omega_{p,n}$ is finite for $0 \le n \le m-1$,

implies that $\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} a_k r_k \in \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ if and only if

$$\int_{J_m} \left(\frac{x - 1/2^{m+1}}{\omega(x)}\right)^p dx < \infty,$$

which proves the equivalence.

(iv) follows from (iii) and from $\mathcal{P}_1^0 = \{0\}$.

Next, we consider the problem of the complementability of $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. In [4] it was proved, for $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $\omega(x) = x$, that $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(x, p)$ is not complemented in $\operatorname{Ces}(x, p)$, and, for $\omega(x)$ a quasiconcave function, that $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is not complemented in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$. We extend this result to spaces $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ under the sole assumption that $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. In particular, this result applies for $\omega(x)$ a quasiconcave weight, and for the power weights $\omega(x) = x^{\lambda}$ with $\lambda < 1 + 1/p$ (see Example 4.9 below).

We need the following lemma, which is related to the study of when $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 (see Section 5). Recall, for $\omega(x)$ a weight such that $\omega_{p,0} = \infty$, that from Proposition 4.5 we have $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p) = \{0\}$.

LEMMA 4.6. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1]. Assume that $\omega_{p,0}$ is finite. There exists a constant $A_{\omega,p} > 0$ such that

$$A_{\omega,p} \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2 \le \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}, \quad (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2.$$

Proof. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. From (2), we have

$$\frac{\omega_{p,0}^{1/p}}{6\sqrt{2}} \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2 \le \frac{\omega_{p,0}^{1/p}}{6\sqrt{2}} (|a_1| + \|(a_k)_{k=2}^{\infty}\|_2) \le \left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}$$

The case $p = \infty$ is analogous.

The proof of the next result follows the steps of [4, Theorem 4], where the case when $p = \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ is quasiconcave is treated, with suitable and necessary adaptations. For the sake of completeness, we include a full sketch of the proof.

THEOREM 4.7. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0,1]. Assume that $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. Then, the space $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is not complemented in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

Proof. Since $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$, we know that, for all $k \in \mathbb{N}, r_k \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. Thus, condition (P2) is satisfied. From Proposition 3.1, $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ has a saturated norm, and so $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)'$ is a normed space. It also follows from (P2) that $L^{\infty}([0,1]) \subset \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. Hence, $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)' \subset L^1([0,1])$.

Let P be a projection from $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ onto $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. Then $Pf = \sum_{n\geq 1} \langle \phi_n, f \rangle r_n$ with $\phi_n \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)^*$. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, since $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)^* = \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)'$, we have

(6)
$$Pf = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{0}^{1} g_n(t) f(t) \, dt \right) r_n, \quad f \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p),$$

where $g_n \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)' \subset L^1([0, 1])$. Since P is a projection, $\langle g_i, r_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$.

For $p = \infty$, since $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is not separable, the situation is different. However, we will see that for f in the separable part of $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$, denoted by $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)_0$, we still have the projection P represented as in (6). From [13, Ch. 15, §70, Theorem 2] we have the decomposition

$$\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)^* = \operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)' \oplus (\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)')^d,$$

where $(\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)')^d$ is the space of all singular bounded linear functionals on $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$. It follows that $\phi_n = \psi_n + \theta_n$, $n \ge 1$, where $\psi_n \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)'$ and $\theta_n \in (\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)')^d$. In particular,

$$\theta_n(f) = 0, \quad f \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)_0,$$

and, for some $g_n \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)' \subset L^1([0, 1])$,

$$\psi_n(f) = \int_0^1 f(t)g_n(t) dt, \quad f \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty).$$

Note that, since we do not necessarily have $r_k \in \text{Ces}(\omega, \infty)_0$, it does not follow immediately that $\langle g_i, r_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$. From the fact that $r_k - \chi_{[0,1]} \in \text{Ces}(\omega, \infty)_0$, we have $\theta_n(r_k - \chi_{[0,1]}) = 0$, that is,

$$\theta_n(r_k) = \theta_n(\chi_{[0,1]}), \quad k \ge 1.$$

Since P is a projection,

(7)
$$\begin{aligned} \psi_n(r_n) + \theta_n(r_n) &= 1, \\ \psi_n(r_k) + \theta_n(r_k) &= 0, \quad k \neq n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for k > n, we have $\theta_n(\chi_{[0,1]}) = -\psi_n(r_k)$. Moreover, since $(g_n) \subset L^1([0,1])$,

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \psi_n(r_k) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \int_0^1 g_n(t) r_k(t) \, dt = 0.$$

Thus, $\theta_n(r_k) = \theta_n(\chi_{[0,1]}) = 0$ for all $k \ge 1$, which together with (7) implies that $\langle g_i, r_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$.

From $\langle g_i, r_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ with $g_n \in L^1([0,1])$ it follows, as in [4], that there exist $h \in (0,1)$ and n_0 such that, for $n \ge n_0$,

(8)
$$\left|\int_{h}^{1} g_n(t)r_n(t)\,dt\right| > \frac{1}{2}.$$

Next, there exists a constant C > 0, depending on $\omega(x)$ and h, such that (9) $\|f\chi_{[h,1]}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^1([h,1])}$

for $f \in L^1([0,1])$. For $1 \le p < \infty$ we have

$$\begin{split} \|f\chi_{[h,1]}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} &= \left(\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{1}{\omega(x)}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)|\chi_{[h,1]}(t)\,dt\right)^{p}\,dx\right)^{1/p} \\ &= \left(\int_{h}^{1} \left(\frac{1}{\omega(x)}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)|\chi_{[h,1]}(t)\,dt\right)^{p}\,dx\right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left(\int_{h}^{1} \frac{1}{\omega(x)^{p}}\,dx\right)^{1/p} \|f\|_{L^{1}([h,1])}. \end{split}$$

For $p = \infty$, we have the analogous inequality

$$\|f\chi_{[h,1]}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \le \sup_{h \le x \le 1} \frac{1}{\omega(x)} \|f\|_{L^1([h,1])}.$$

The finiteness of the integral for $1 \le p < \infty$ or the supremum for $p = \infty$ follows from condition (P2).

Define $P_h(f) := P(f\chi_{[h,1]})$. Then the operator $P_h \colon L^1([h,1]) \to L^1([0,1])$ is bounded. To see this, from the Khintchine inequalities in $L^1([0,1])$, we have

$$\|P_h f\|_{L^1([0,1])} = \|P(f\chi_{[h,1]})\|_{L^1([0,1])} \asymp \|(\langle f\chi_{[h,1]}, g_n \rangle)_{n=1}^{\infty}\|_{\ell^2}.$$

The previous equivalence, together with Lemma 4.6, yields

$$A_{\omega,p} \| (\langle f\chi_{[h,1]}, g_n \rangle)_{n=1}^{\infty} \|_{\ell^2} \le \| P(f\chi_{[h,1]}) \|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}$$

From (9) and the fact that P is a bounded operator it follows that

$$\|P(f\chi_{[h,1]})\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le \|P\| \, \|f\chi_{[h,1]}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le C \|P\| \, \|f\|_{L^1([h,1])}$$

Thus, $P_h: L^1([h, 1]) \to L^1([0, 1])$ is bounded.

Since P_h is weakly compact and $L^1([h, 1])$ has the Dunford–Pettis property, it follows that $\|P_h(r_n\chi_{[h,1]})\|_{L^1([0,1])} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. On the other hand, from (8), it follows, for $n \ge n_0$, that

$$\|P_h(r_n\chi_{[h,1]})\|_{L^1([0,1])} \asymp \left(\sum_{k=1}^\infty \left(\int_h^1 g_k(t)r_n(t)\,dt\right)^2\right)^{1/2} \ge \left|\int_h^1 g_n(t)r_n(t)\,dt\right| > \frac{1}{2},$$

which gives a contradiction.

From Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.4, we have the following.

COROLLARY 4.8. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1].

(a) If conditions (P4) and (P5) are satisfied, then $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is not complemented in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$.

(b) In particular, if ω(x) is quasiconcave, then R ∩ Ces(ω, p) is not complemented in Ces(ω, p).

We end this section considering the Cesàro spaces $Ces(x^{\lambda}, p)$ corresponding to power weights $\omega(x) = x^{\lambda}$, for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

EXAMPLE 4.9. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ and consider $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, that is,

$$||f||_{\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda},p)} = \left(\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{1}{x^{\lambda}}\int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| \, dt\right)^{p} dx\right)^{1/p}$$

Set $\delta := p(1 - \lambda) + 1$. A straightforward computation shows that for $\delta \neq 0$ we have $\omega_{p,n} = 1/\delta 2^{n\delta}$, whereas for $\delta = 0$ we have $\omega_{p,n} = \ln 2$. Thus, in both cases,

$$\frac{\omega_{p,n+1}}{\omega_{p,n}} = 2^{-\delta}.$$

Hence (P4^{*}) holds for arbitrary $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$. From Theorem 4.3 it follows that

(10)
$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda},p)} \asymp \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{n\delta}} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right)^p\right)^{1/p}\right).$$

Suppose $\delta > 0$, that is, $\lambda < 1+1/p$. Then condition (P5) is satisfied. From Corollary 4.4, we know that $\{r_k\}$ is a basic sequence in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$, and so $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ is not complemented in $\text{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$. From the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \Big| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+1}^{\infty}\|_2 \le 2(n+1)^{1/2} \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2.$$

Hence, from (10) and for $M_{\lambda,p}$ a positive constant,

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)} \le M_{\lambda, p} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{n\delta}} (n+1)^{p/2}\right)^{1/p} \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2.$$

The last series converges, as $\delta > 0$. This, together with Lemma 4.6, implies that the closed linear span of $\{r_k\}$ in $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 (note that in [4] this is proved in the case $\lambda = 1$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$).

Suppose now that $\delta \leq 0$, that is, $\lambda \geq 1 + 1/p$. Then condition (P2) fails. Thus, $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ contains no single Rademacher functions, and from Proposition 4.5, it only contains among the Rademacher polynomials those of the form $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k r_k$ with $\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_k = 0$. But there are also infinite Rademacher series in $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$. To see this, let, for example, $\delta = 0$, that is, $\lambda = 1 + 1/p$. In this case, (10) becomes

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(x^{1+1/p},p)} \asymp \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right)^p\right)^{1/p}\right\|$$

Set $a_{3k} = 1/k^2$ and $a_{3k+1} = a_{3k+2} = -1/2k^2$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and some C > 0,

$$\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k\right| \le \frac{1}{n^2}, \quad \|(a_k)_{k=n}^{\infty}\|_2 \le \frac{C}{n^{3/2}}$$

Thus, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \in \operatorname{Ces}(x^{1+1/p}, p).$

In the case $p = \infty$, we have $\omega_{\infty,n} \simeq 2^{n(\lambda-1)}$, and so condition (P4*) holds. Thus, we have the equivalence

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda},\infty)} \asymp \sup_{n \ge 0} 2^{n(\lambda-1)} \left(\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| + \|(a_k)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2\right).$$

For $\lambda < 1$ it follows, as in the case $1 \leq p < \infty$, that $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, \infty)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 , and $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, \infty)$ is not complemented in $\operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, \infty)$. For $\lambda \geq 1$, condition (P2) is not satisfied, and so $r_k \notin \operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, \infty)$ for all $k \geq 1$.

REMARK 4.10. The previous example shows, for power weights $\omega(x) = x^{\lambda}$, that condition (P2) is equivalent to $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ being isomorphic to ℓ^2 . This equivalence is not true in general, as can be seen by considering $\omega(x) = x \log_2^{3/2}(2/x)$. For p = 1 and $n \ge 0$, we have $\omega_{1,n} \asymp 1/(n+1)^{3/2}$, and so condition (P2) is satisfied. Let $a_k = 1/\sqrt{k}$ for $1 \le k \le N$. Then $\|(a_k)_{k=1}^N\|_2 \asymp \log_2^{1/2} N$. On the other hand, from Theorem 4.3 it follows that

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{N} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,1)} \ge A \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{(n+1)^{3/2}} \left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right| \asymp \log_2 N$$

with A > 0 a constant depending on ω . Hence, $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, 1)$ is not isomorphic to ℓ^2 .

5. $\mathcal{R}\cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ isomorphic to ℓ^2 . In this section we study the situation when $\mathcal{R}\cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 . In Example 4.9 it was shown, for power weights $\omega(x) = x^{\lambda}$ and $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, that $\mathcal{R}\cap \operatorname{Ces}(x^{\lambda}, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 precisely when $\lambda < 1 + 1/p$. In [4] it was proved that $\mathcal{R}\cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 when $\omega(x) = x$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$, [4, Theorem 1], while for $p = \infty$ it was shown, for $\omega(x)$ a quasiconcave function, that $\mathcal{R}\cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 if and only if $\omega(x) \geq cx \log_2^{1/2}(2/x)$ [4, Theorem 3]. Note that this last condition is precisely condition (P3) for $p = \infty$. We prove, for every $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, that condition (P3) suffices for $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ to be isomorphic to ℓ^2 , thus removing the need for quasiconcavity. However, while condition (P3) is necessary when $p = \infty$, it is not necessary when $1 \le p < \infty$, even though it is very close to being so, as will be shown by considering the decreasing rearrangements of Rademacher series.

THEOREM 5.1. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1]. Condition (P3) holds if and only if

$$\left\|\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right)^*\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \asymp \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2.$$

Proof. Assume that condition (P3) holds. From Lemma 4.6 we have

$$A_{\omega,p} \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2 \le \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le \left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}.$$

To prove the reverse inequality, let L^M be the Orlicz space generated by $M(t) := \exp(t^2) - 1$. The fundamental function of its associated space $(L^M)'$ is given by $\varphi_{(L^M)'}(x) = x \log_2^{1/2}(2/x)$.

From

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} |f(t)| dt \le \frac{1}{x} \varphi_{(L^{M})'}(x) ||f||_{L^{M}} = \log_{2}^{1/2} (2/x) ||f||_{L^{M}},$$

and the fact that L^M is an r.i. space where $\{r_k\}$ spans a closed linear subspace isomorphic to ℓ^2 , we have, for $0 < x \leq 1$ and some K > 0,

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right)^*(t) \, dt \le K \log_2^{1/2} (2/x) \|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2.$$

Hence, for $1 \leq p < \infty$,

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \le K \left(\int_0^1 \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)} \right)^p \log_2^{p/2} (2/x) \, dx \right)^{1/p} \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2,$$

whereas for $p = \infty$,

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \le K \sup_{0 < x \le 1} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} \log_2^{1/2} (2/x) \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2.$$

Condition (P3) is precisely the finiteness of the integral or the supremum above.

For the converse, the cases $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $p = \infty$ are different. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$, and assume that $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 . Let

$$v_n := \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=1}^n r_k.$$

By our assumption, $||v_n^*||_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \leq B_{\omega,p}||(1/\sqrt{n})_{k=1}^n||_2 = B_{\omega,p}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Via the Central Limit Theorem (as can be seen in the proof of [11, Theorem 6],

see also [10, Theorem 2.b.4]) we have, for $0 < x \le 1$ and some C > 0,

$$\log_2^{1/2}(2/x) \le C \lim_{n \to \infty} v_n^*(x).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \log_{2}^{p/2}(2/x) \, dx &\leq C^{p} \int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \left(\lim_{n \to \infty} v_{n}^{*}(x)\right)^{p} \, dx \\ &= C^{p} \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} v_{n}^{*}(x)^{p} \, dx \\ &\leq C^{p} \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} v_{n}^{*}(s) ds\right)^{p} \, dx \\ &= C^{p} \lim_{n \to \infty} \|v_{n}^{*}\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)} \leq C^{p} B_{\omega, p}. \end{split}$$

Thus, condition (P3) is satisfied.

Let $p = \infty$, and assume that the norm of $(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k)^*$ in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is equivalent to $||(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}||_2$. In particular, this implies that $r_k \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and so all the coefficients $\omega_{\infty,n}$ are finite. Thus, if (P3) does not hold, we have

$$\sup_{n\geq 0}\omega_{\infty,n}(n+1)^{1/2}=\infty,$$

and so there exists $(n_j)_{j=1}^{\infty}$ such that

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \omega_{\infty, n_j} (n_j + 1)^{1/2} = \infty.$$

Let $a_k^j = (n_j + 1)^{-1/2}$ for $1 \le k \le n_j + 1$ and $a_k^j = 0$ for $k \ge n_j + 2$. It is clear that $||(a_k^j)_{k=1}^{\infty}||_2 = 1$ for $j \ge 1$. From Theorem 4.3 we have, for A > 0 a constant depending on $\omega(x)$,

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^j r_k\right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \ge \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^j r_k \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \ge A\omega_{\infty,n_j} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n_j+1} a_k^j \right| = A\omega_{\infty,n_j} (n_j+1)^{1/2},$$

which letting $j \to \infty$ yields a contradiction.

In general, the norms in $\operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ of a Rademacher series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k$ and its decreasing rearrangement $(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k)^*$ are not equivalent. Consider $\omega(x) = x^{1+1/p}$. From Proposition 4.5 we deduce that $r_1 - r_2 \in \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$. On the other hand, $(r_1 - r_2)^* \notin \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$, since $(r_1 - r_2)^* = 2\chi_{[0,1/2]}$. This example, together with the following theorem, shows that, for $1 \leq p < \infty$, condition (P3) is strictly stronger than $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ being isomorphic to ℓ^2 . THEOREM 5.2. Let $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1].

- (i) Let $1 \le p < \infty$.
 - (a) If condition (P3) holds, then $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 .
 - (b) If $\mathcal{R} \cap \operatorname{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 , then for every ε with $0 < \varepsilon < p/2$ we have

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \log_{2}^{p/2-\varepsilon}(2/x) \, dx < \infty.$$

(ii) For $p = \infty$, the space $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, \infty)$ is isomorphic to ℓ^2 if and only if condition (P3) holds.

Proof. (i) If condition (P3) holds, from Theorem 5.1 and Lemma 4.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\omega,p} \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2 &\leq \Big\| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \Big\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \\ &\leq \Big\| \Big(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \Big)^* \Big\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \leq B_{\omega,p} \| (a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \|_2, \end{aligned}$$

which proves (a).

To prove (b), let $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ be isomorphic to ℓ^2 . In particular, $\omega_{p,n}$ is finite for $n \geq 0$. Suppose, for some $0 < \varepsilon < p/2$, that

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left(\frac{x}{\omega(x)}\right)^{p} \log_{2}^{p/2-\varepsilon}(2/x) \, dx = \infty.$$

Hence, the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} (n+1)^{p/2-\varepsilon}$ diverges. Set $a_k = k^{-1/2-\varepsilon/p}$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. We have $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$. On the other hand, from (2) follows the inequality

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)}^p \ge \frac{1}{(6\sqrt{2})^p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k\right|^p,$$

which together with the fact that

$$\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{k^{1/2+\varepsilon/p}}\right|^p \asymp (n+1)^{p/2-\varepsilon}$$

implies that $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \notin \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$. This gives a contradiction.

(ii) If (P3) is satisfied, the equivalence between $\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)}$ and $\|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2$ can be proved as in the case $1 \leq p < \infty$.

Conversely, assume that $\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)}$ is equivalent to $\|(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}\|_2$. In particular, this implies that $\omega_{\infty,n}$ is finite for $n \ge 0$. Suppose that

$$\sup_{0 < x \le 1} \frac{x}{\omega(x)} \log_2^{1/2} (2/x) = \infty.$$

Then we have $\sup_{n\geq 0} \omega_{\infty,n}(n+1)^{1/2} = \infty$, and there exist n_j such that $\lim_{j\to\infty} \omega_{\infty,n_j}(n_j+1)^{1/2} = \infty$. Let $a_k^j = (n_j+1)^{-1/2}$ for $1 \leq k \leq n_j+1$ and $a_k^j = 0$ for $k \geq n_j+2$. It is clear that $||(a_k^j)_{k=1}^{\infty}||_2 = 1$ for $j \in \mathbb{N}$. From Theorem 4.3, we have, for some A > 0,

$$\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^j r_k\right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \ge A \,\omega_{\infty,n_j} \left|\sum_{k=1}^{n_j+1} a_k^j\right| = A \,\omega_{\infty,n_j} (n_j+1)^{1/2},$$

which letting $j \to \infty$ yields a contradiction.

COROLLARY 5.3. Let $1 \le p \le \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0, 1]. Suppose that $\omega(x)$ satisfies condition (P3). Then:

- (i) The sequence $\{r_k\}$ is basic in $Ces(\omega, p)$.
- (ii) The space $\mathcal{R} \cap \text{Ces}(\omega, p)$ is not complemented in $\text{Ces}(\omega, p)$.
- (iii) For $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k$ converges unconditionally.

We end by giving an equivalent expression for the norm of $(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k)^*$ in Ces (ω, p) . For this, we need the following result, which follows from the proof of [1, Corollary 8.1] with suitable modifications. For $(a_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in \ell^2$, let $(a_k^*)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be the decreasing rearrangement of $(|a_k|)_{k=1}^{\infty}$.

LEMMA 5.4. For $(a_k) \in \ell^2$ and $0 < x \leq 1$,

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right)^* (t) dt \asymp \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \log_2(2/x) \rfloor} a_k^* + \log_2^{1/2}(2/x) \|(a_k^*)_{k=\lfloor \log_2(2/x) \rfloor + 1}^{\infty} \|_2$$

with absolute constants.

Since $[\log_2(2/x)] = n + 1$ for $x \in J_n$, it follows from the previous lemma that

$$\frac{1}{x} \int_{0}^{x} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right)^* (t) dt \asymp \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k^* + (n+1)^{1/2} \|(a_k^*)_{k=n+2}^{\infty}\|_2, \quad x \in J_n.$$

This allows us to obtain an analogous result to Theorem 4.3 (with a similar proof) for the decreasing rearrangement of a Rademacher series.

THEOREM 5.5. Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $\omega(x)$ be a weight on [0,1]. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, we have

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k\right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,p)} \asymp \left(\sum_{n\geq 0}^{\infty} \omega_{p,n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k^* + (n+1)^{1/2} \| (a_k^*)_{k=n+2}^{\infty} \|_2\right)^p \right)^{1/p},$$

and for $p = \infty$, $\left\| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k r_k \right)^* \right\|_{\operatorname{Ces}(\omega,\infty)} \asymp \sup_{n \ge 0} \omega_{p,n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k^* + (n+1)^{1/2} \| (a_k^*)_{k=n+2}^{\infty} \|_2 \right).$

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