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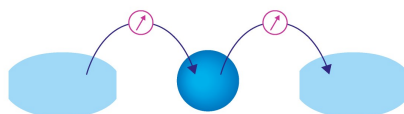
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Abstract. In this paper, a known theorem dealing with weighted mean summability methods of non-decreasing sequences has been generalized for $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability factors of almost increasing sequences. Also, some new results have been obtained concerning $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$, $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ and $|C, 1; \delta|_k$ summability factors.

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INTRODUCTION

Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series with the partial sums (s_n) . We denote u_n^α the n th Cesàro mean of order α , with $\alpha > -1$, of the sequence (s_n) , that is (see [8]),

$$u_n^\alpha = \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{v=0}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} s_v \quad (1)$$

where

$$A_n^\alpha = \frac{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)\dots(\alpha+n)}{n!} = O(n^\alpha), \quad A_n^\alpha = 0 \quad \text{for } n > 0. \quad (2)$$

A series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $\delta \geq 0$, if (see [10]),

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\delta k + k - 1} |u_n^\alpha - u_{n-1}^\alpha|^k < \infty. \quad (3)$$

If we take $\delta = 0$, then we have $|C, \alpha|_k$ summability (see [9]).

Let (p_n) be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$P_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (P_{-i} = p_{-i} = 0, \quad i \geq 1). \quad (4)$$

The sequence-to-sequence transformation

$$w_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v s_v \quad (5)$$

defines the sequence (w_n) of the weighted arithmetic mean or simply the (\bar{N}, p_n) mean of the sequence (s_n) generated by the sequence of coefficients (p_n) (see [11]).

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k, k \geq 1$ and $\delta \geq 0$, if (see [4]),

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |\Delta w_{n-1}|^k < \infty. \quad (6)$$

where

$$\Delta w_{n-1} = -\frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n P_{v-1} a_v, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (7)$$

In the special case if we take $\delta = 0$, we have $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ summability (see [2]). When $p_n = 1$ for all values of n , $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, 1; \delta|_k$ summability. Also if we take $\delta = 0$ and $k = 1$, then we have $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ summability. Let $A = (a_{nv})$ be a normal matrix. i.e., a lower triangular matrix of nonzero diagonal entries. Given a normal matrix $A = (a_{nv})$, we associate two lower semimatrices $\bar{A} = (\bar{a}_{nv})$ and $\hat{A} = (\hat{a}_{nv})$ as follows:

$$\bar{a}_{nv} = \sum_{i=v}^n a_{ni}, \quad n, v = 0, 1, \dots \quad (8)$$

and

$$\hat{a}_{00} = \bar{a}_{00} = a_{00}, \quad \hat{a}_{nv} = \bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \quad (9)$$

Then A defines the sequence-to-sequence transformation, mapping the sequence $s = (s_n)$ to $As = (A_n(s))$, where

$$A_n(s) = \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} s_v, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots \quad (10)$$

It may be noted that \bar{A} and \hat{A} are the well-known matrices of series-to-sequence and series-to-series transformations, respectively. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(s) &= \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} s_v = \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} \sum_{i=0}^v a_i = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \sum_{v=i}^n a_{nv} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \bar{a}_{ni} = \sum_{v=0}^n \bar{a}_{nv} a_v. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Since $\bar{a}_{n-1,n} = \sum_{i=n}^{n-1} a_{n-1,i} = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\Delta} A_n(s) &= A_n(s) - A_{n-1}(s) = \sum_{v=0}^n \bar{a}_{nv} a_v - \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} \bar{a}_{n-1,v} a_v \\ &= \sum_{v=0}^n (\bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v}) a_v + \bar{a}_{n-1,n} a_n = \sum_{v=0}^n \hat{a}_{nv} a_v. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|A, p_n; \delta|_k, k \geq 1$ and $\delta \geq 0$, if (see [14])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |\bar{\Delta} A_n(s)|^k < \infty \quad (13)$$

where

$$\Delta A_n(s) = A_n(s) - A_{n+1}(s), \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\Delta} A_n(s) = A_n(s) - A_{n-1}(s).$$

By a weighted mean matrix we state

$$a_{nv} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_v}{P_n}, & 0 \leq v \leq n \\ 0 & v > n, \end{cases}$$

where (p_n) is a sequence of positive numbers with $P_n = p_0 + p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

If we take $\delta = 0$, then $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|A, p_n|_k$ summability (see [15]) and if we take $\delta = 0$ and $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$, then $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ summability. Also, if we take $\delta = 0$, $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$ and $p_n = 1$ for all n , then $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, 1|_k$ summability.

The Known Results

Quite recently, Bor has proved the following theorems concerning on weighted arithmetic mean summability factors of infinite series.

Theorem 2.1 [3] Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence and suppose that there exists sequences (β_n) and (λ_n) such that

$$|\Delta\lambda_n| \leq \beta_n, \quad (14)$$

$$\beta_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (15)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n|\Delta\beta_n|X_n < \infty, \quad (16)$$

$$|\lambda_n|X_n = O(1). \quad (17)$$

If

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (18)$$

and (p_n) is a sequence that

$$P_n = O(np_n), \quad (19)$$

$$P_n\Delta p_n = O(p_np_{n+1}), \quad (20)$$

then the series $\sum a_n \frac{P_n\lambda_n}{np_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k, k \geq 1$.

Theorem 2.2 [5] Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence. If the sequences $(X_n), (\beta_n), (\lambda_n), (p_n)$ satisfy the conditions (14)-(17), (19)-(20) of Theorem 2.1, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (21)$$

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} = O\left(\left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{1}{P_v}\right) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (22)$$

then the series $\sum a_n \frac{P_n\lambda_n}{np_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k, k \geq 1$ and $0 \leq \delta < 1/k$.

Theorem 2.3 [6] Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence. If the sequences $(X_n), (\beta_n), (\lambda_n)$, and (p_n) satisfy the conditions (14)-(17), (19)-(20) of Theorem 2.1, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (23)$$

then the series $\sum a_n \frac{P_n\lambda_n}{np_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k, k \geq 1$.

Theorem 2.4 [7] Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence. If the sequences $(X_n), (\beta_n), (\lambda_n)$, and (p_n) satisfy the conditions (14)-(17), (19)-(20) of Theorem 2.1, condition (22) of Theorem 2.2, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (24)$$

then the series $\sum a_n \frac{P_n\lambda_n}{np_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k, k \geq 1, 0 \leq \delta < 1/k$.

The Main Results

In this paper we generalize Theorem 2.4 to $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability method using almost increasing sequences and normal matrix instead of non-decreasing sequences and weighted mean matrix, respectively. The following our main

theorem is generalized the above results concerning $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ and $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability methods.

Theorem 3.1 Let $k \geq 1$ and $0 \leq \delta < 1/k$. Let $A = (a_{nv})$ be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (25)$$

$$a_{n-1,v} \geq a_{nv}, \quad \text{for } n \geq v + 1, \quad (26)$$

$$a_{nn} = O\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right), \quad (27)$$

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} a_{vv} \hat{a}_{n,v+1} = O(a_{nn}), \quad (28)$$

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| = O\left\{\left(\frac{p_v}{P_v}\right)^{\delta k-1}\right\} \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (29)$$

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| = O\left\{\left(\frac{p_v}{P_v}\right)^{\delta k}\right\} \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty. \quad (30)$$

Let (X_n) be an almost increasing sequence. If the sequences (X_n) , (β_n) , (λ_n) , and (p_n) satisfy all the conditions of Theorem 2.4, then the series $\sum a_n \frac{p_n \lambda_n}{n p_n}$ is summable $|A, p_n; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$, $0 \leq \delta < 1/k$. If we take $\delta = 0$ in Theorem 3.1, then Theorem 3.1 reduces to $|A, p_n|_k$ summability theorem (see [17]).

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