

## A NOTE ON $|\overline{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ SUMMABILITY FACTORS OF INFINITE SERIES

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**Abstract.** In this paper a general theorem on  $|\overline{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$  summability factors which generalizes a theorem of Bor [4] on for  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$  summability factors of infinite series.

### 1. Definition and notion

Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series with partial sums  $(s_n)$ . Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

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

The sequence-to-sequence transformation

$$u_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v s_v$$

defines the sequence  $(u_n)$  of the  $(\overline{N}, p_n)$  means of the sequence  $(s_n)$ , generated by the sequence of coefficient  $(p_n)$  [6].

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k, k \geq 1$  if [1]

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |u_n - u_{n-1}|^k < \infty,$$

and it is said to be summable  $|\overline{N}, p_n; \delta|_k, k \geq 1$  and  $\delta \geq 0$ , if [2]

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |u_n - u_{n-1}|^k < \infty, \quad (1.1)$$

In the special case when  $\delta = 0$  (resp.  $p_n = 1$  for all values of  $n$ )  $|\overline{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$  summability is the same as  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$  (resp.  $|C, 1; \delta|_k$ ) summability.

Leindler [7] has generalized the notion of  $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability replacing the function  $n^\delta$  by a positive non-decreasing function  $\delta(n)$ . ( $1 < n < \infty$ ).

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Leindler [7] A series  $\sum a_n$  is summable  $|C, \alpha; \delta(n)|_k$  if the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta(n)^k n^{(k-1)} |\sigma_n^\alpha - \sigma_{n-1}^\alpha|^k$$

converges, where  $\sigma_n^\alpha$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Cesàro mean of order  $\alpha$  of  $\sum a_n$ .

With  $\delta(n) = n^\delta$ , it follows that above definition reduces to that of Flett [5].

The equation (1.1) will be

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |u_n - u_{n-1}|^k < \infty. \quad (1.2)$$

2. Quite recently Bor [3] proved the following theorem for  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$  summability factors of infinite series.

**Theorem A.** Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$P_n = O(np_n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.1)$$

Let  $(X_n)$  be a positive non-decreasing sequence and suppose that there exists sequences  $(\lambda_n)$  and  $(\beta_n)$  such that

$$|\Delta \lambda_n| \leq \beta_n; \quad (2.2)$$

$$\beta_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty; \quad (2.3)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta \beta| X_n < \infty; \quad (2.4)$$

$$|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.5)$$

If

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{p_n}{P_n} |t_n|^k = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$t_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{v=1}^n v a_v, \quad (2.7)$$

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

The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem A for  $|\overline{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$  summability. Now, we shall prove the following theorem.

### 3. Theorem

Let  $(X_n)$  be a positive non-decreasing sequence and the sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  and  $(\beta_n)$  be such that condition (2.2)–(2.5) of Theorem A are satisfied. If  $(p_n)$  is a sequence such that condition (1.1) of Theorem A is satisfied and

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} = O \left\{ \delta \left( \frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^k \frac{1}{P_v} \right\}, \tag{3.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) |t_n|^k = O(X_m) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \tag{3.2}$$

where  $(t_n)$  is as in (2.7), then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $(\overline{N}, p_n; \delta)_k$  for  $k \geq 1$ , and  $0 \leq \delta < \frac{1}{k}$ .

**Remark.** It may be noted that, if we take  $\delta = 0$  in this theorem, then we get Theorem A. In this case condition (3.2) reduces to condition (2.6) and condition (3.1) reduces to

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = O \left( \frac{1}{P_v} \right),$$

which always holds.

We need the following lemma for the proof of our theorem.

**Lemma.** ((6)) If the condition (2.2)–(2.5) on  $(X_n)$ ,  $(\beta_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  are satisfied, then

$$n \beta_n X_n = O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \tag{3.3}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n X_n < \infty. \tag{3.4}$$

#### 4. Proof of the theorem

Let  $(T_n)$  be the sequence of  $(\overline{N}, p_n)$  means of the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ . Then by definition, we have

$$T_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \sum_{i=0}^v a_i \lambda_i = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n (P_n - P_{v-1}) a_v \lambda_v.$$

Then, for  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$T_n - T_{n-1} = \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n P_{v-1} a_v \lambda_v = \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n \frac{P_{v-1} \lambda_v}{v} v a_v.$$

Using Abel's transformation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} T_n - T_{n-1} &= \frac{n+1}{n P_n} p_n t_n \lambda_n - \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v t_v \lambda_v \frac{v+1}{v} \\ &\quad + \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v \Delta \lambda_v t_v \frac{v+1}{v} + \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v t_v \lambda_{v+1} \frac{1}{v} \end{aligned}$$

$$= T_{n,1} + T_{n,2} + T_{n,3} + T_{n,4}, \text{ say.}$$

Since

$$|T_{n,1}^\alpha + T_{n,2}^\alpha + T_{n,3}^\alpha + T_{n,4}^\alpha|^k \leq 4^k \left( |T_{n,1}^\alpha|^k + |T_{n,2}^\alpha|^k + |T_{n,3}^\alpha|^k + |T_{n,4}^\alpha|^k \right)$$

to complete the proof of the theorem, it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_{n,r}|^k < \infty, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Since

$$\lambda_n = O\left(\frac{1}{X_n}\right) = O(1), \text{ by (2.5) we get that}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_{n,1}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m |\lambda_n|^{k-1} |\lambda_n| \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) |t_n|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m |\lambda_n| \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) |t_n|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_n| \sum_{v=1}^n \delta \left( \frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_v}{P_v} \right) |t_v|^k \\ &\quad + O(1) |\lambda_m| \sum_{n=1}^m \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) |t_n|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} |\Delta \lambda_n| X_n + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \beta_n X_n + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \text{ by (2.2), (3.2) and (3.4).} \end{aligned}$$

Now applying Hölder's inequality with indices  $k$  and  $k'$ , where  $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$ , as in  $T_{n,1}$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_{n,2}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v |t_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \right\} \left\{ \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v \right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m p_v |\lambda_v|^{k-1} |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \delta \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right) \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| \delta \left( \frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^k \left( \frac{p_v}{P_v} \right) |t_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

using the fact that  $P_\nu = O(\nu p_\nu)$ , by (2.1) and  $n\beta_n = O\left(\frac{1}{X_n}\right) = O(1)$ , by (3.3), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \delta\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^k \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |T_{n,3}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \delta\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^k \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right) \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} (\nu\beta_\nu)^k p_\nu |t_\nu|^k \right\} \left\{ \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} p_\nu \right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^m (\nu\beta_\nu) (\nu\beta_\nu)^{k-1} p_\nu |t_\nu|^k \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} \delta\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^k \times \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}}\right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^m (\nu\beta_\nu) \delta\left(\frac{P_\nu}{p_\nu}\right)^k \left(\frac{p_\nu}{P_\nu}\right) |t_\nu|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{m-1} \Delta(\nu\beta_\nu) \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} \delta\left(\frac{P_i}{p_i}\right)^k \left(\frac{p_i}{P_i}\right) |t_i|^k \\ &\quad + O(1) m\beta_m \sum_{\nu=1}^m \delta\left(\frac{P_\nu}{p_\nu}\right)^k \left(\frac{p_\nu}{P_\nu}\right) |t_\nu|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{m-1} |\Delta(\nu\beta_\nu)| X_\nu + O(1) m\beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{m-1} \nu X_\nu |\Delta\beta_\nu| + O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{m-1} \beta_{\nu+1} X_\nu + O(1) m\beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

by (2.2), (2.4), (3.1), (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4).

Finally, using the fact that  $P_\nu = O(\nu p_\nu)$ , by (2.1), as in  $T_{n,1}$  and  $T_{n,2}$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m \delta\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^k \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |T_{n,4}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^m |\lambda_{\nu+1}| \delta\left(\frac{P_\nu}{p_\nu}\right)^k \left(\frac{p_\nu}{P_\nu}\right) |t_\nu|^k \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get that

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \delta\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^k \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |T_{n,r}|^k = O(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

If we take  $p_n = 1$  for all values of  $n$  in this theorem, then we get a result concerning the  $|C, 1; \delta|_k$  summability methods.

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