

## ON GENERALIZED STATISTICAL CONVERGENCE OF ORDER $\alpha$ OF FUNCTIONS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce the concept of generalized statistical convergence of measurable functions of order  $\alpha$  for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  at  $\infty$  and at a point  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . In addition to this, we defined generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summability ( $0 < p < \infty$ ) of a locally integrable function at  $\infty$  and at a point  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Using these definitions, we present some basic results.

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### 1. Introduction

In 1951, Steinhaus [22] and Fast [11] introduced the notion of statistical convergence and later in 1959, Schoenberg [20] reintroduced it independently. Bilalov and Sadigova [3], Caserta et al. [4], Çolak [6], Connor [7], Et et al. [10], Fridy [12], Isik

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and Akbas ([1],[15]), Salat [19], Sadigova et al. ([17], [18]), Şengül et al. ([2],[21]) and many others investigated some arguments related to this notion.

Recently, different approaches to statistical convergence have been made by some authors, namely: Çolak [6] defined the  $\alpha$ -density of a subset  $K$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  as follows:

$$\delta_\alpha(K) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^\alpha} |\{k \leq n : k \in K\}|$$

provided that the limit exists,  $\delta_\alpha(K)$  is said to be the  $\alpha$ -density of a subset  $K$ , where  $\alpha$  is a real number such that  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Also, statistical convergence of order  $\alpha$  and strong  $p$ -Cesàro summability of order  $\alpha$  were studied by Çolak [6].

Móricz [16] defined the statistical limit of measurable function at  $\infty$  as follows:

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b-a} |\{a < x < b : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

Gökhan et al. ([13],[14]) introduced the definition of pointwise and uniform statistical convergence of sequences of real valued functions and Duman and Orhan [8] studied independently. Then, Çımar et al. [5] defined pointwise and uniform statistical convergence of order  $\alpha$  for sequences of functions and pointwise  $\lambda$  and lacunary statistical convergence of order  $\alpha$  for sequences of functions were introduced by Et et al. [9].

## 2. Main Results

Let's begin our work by introducing some new definitions.

A closed interval in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is given by  $I(a, b) = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) : a_i \leq x_i \leq b_i\}$  where  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_m)$  and  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_m)$ . Let  $(I^m(a, \infty), \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^m))$  be a measurable space where  $\mathcal{B}$  is Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra where  $I^m(a, \infty) = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) : a_i \leq x_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  and  $\mu : I(a, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be a measure function.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $K \subset I(a, \infty)$  be a measurable function. We can define the generalized density of  $K$  on  $I(a, \infty)$  of order  $\alpha$  at infinity as follows:

$$\delta^\alpha(K) = \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(\{I(a, b) \cap K\})}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha}$$

where  $\mu(I(a, b)) = \prod_{i=1}^m (b_i - a_i)$ .

The generalized density of order  $\alpha$  is well defined for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . If  $\alpha > 1$ , then we can see that the generalized density of every subset of  $I$  is zero.

Let  $K$  be an arbitrary subset of  $I(a, \infty)$  such that  $K = \prod_{i=1}^m K_i$  where  $K_i$  is a subset of  $(a_i, \infty)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ . For any  $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , it is clear that

$$K \cap I(a, b) = \prod_{i=1}^m K_i \cap (a_i, b_i)$$

holds. This implies that

$$(2.1) \quad \mu(K \cap I(a, b)) = \prod_{i=1}^m \mu(K_i \cap (a_i, b_i)).$$

So, we can give the following fact:

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $K \subset I(a, \infty)$  such that  $K = \prod_{i=1}^m K_i$ . If  $\mu_\alpha$ -density of  $K_i$ , exists for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ , then*

$$\delta^\alpha(K) = \prod_{i=1}^m \delta^\alpha(K_i).$$

*Proof.* From (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mu(K \cap I(a, b))}{\mu(I(a, b))^\alpha} &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m \mu(K_i \cap (a_i, b_i))}{\mu(I(a, b))^\alpha} \\ &= \frac{\mu(K_1 \cap (a_1, b_1))}{\mu((a_1, b_1))^\alpha} \dots \frac{\mu(K_m \cap (a_m, b_m))}{\mu((a_m, b_m))^\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by taking limit we get

$$\delta^\alpha(K) = \prod_{i=1}^m \delta^\alpha(K_i).$$

□

**Corollary 2.1.** *If  $\delta^\alpha(K_i) = 0$  for any  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ , then  $\delta^\alpha(K) = 0$  holds.*

**Corollary 2.2.** *If  $\delta^\alpha(K) = 0$ , then  $\delta^\alpha(K_i)$  exists for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ . Furthermore  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$ ,  $\delta^\alpha(K_i) = 0$ .*

**Remark 2.1.** If  $\delta^\alpha(K_i)$  does not exist for any  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$  and  $\delta^\alpha(K_j) \neq 0$  for all  $j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\} \setminus \{i\}$ , then  $\delta^\alpha(K)$  does not exist.

*Proof.* Without loss of generality let  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  such that  $\delta^\alpha(K_1)$  does not exist,  $\delta^\alpha(K_2)$  exists but is not zero. Since  $0 \leq \frac{\mu(K_1 \cap I(a, b))}{\mu(I(a, b))} \leq 1$ , then

$$\limsup_{b_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(K_1 \cap (a_1, b_1))}{\mu((a_1, b_1))} \neq \liminf_{b_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(K_1 \cap (a_1, b_1))}{\mu((a_1, b_1))}.$$

Therefore,

$$\limsup_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(K \cap I(a, b))}{\mu(I(a, b))} \neq \liminf_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(K \cap I(a, b))}{\mu(I(a, b))}$$

holds. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f : I(a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable function.  $f$  is said to be generalized statistically convergent to  $\ell$  with order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$ , if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the following limit

$$\lim_{\min\{b_i : i=1,2,3,\dots,m\} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}) = 0,$$

exists. It is denoted by  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell$ . The set of all generalized statistically convergent function of order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  is denoted by  $S^\alpha(I)$ .

Throughout the paper we shall assume that  $\mu(I(a, b)) = \prod_{i=1}^m (b_i - a_i)$  and  $f : I(a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable function (in Lebesgue's sense).

**Remark 2.2.** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell$  then  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell$  holds. So,  $S^\alpha(I) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Remark 2.3.** There exists a function  $f \in S^\alpha(I)$  such that  $f$  has no classical limit.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $f : I(a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m) \subset I(a, \infty)$  be an arbitrary points. Define the following function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } b_i - \sqrt{b_i} < x_i < b_i, \ i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - 0| > \varepsilon\})}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \\ &= \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{b_1} \sqrt{b_2} \dots \sqrt{b_m}}{\prod_{i=1}^m (b_i - a_i)^\alpha} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

holds for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\alpha \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ . So,  $f$  is generalized statistically convergent to zero with of order  $\alpha$ , but not a convergent function.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a measurable function and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $st^\alpha - \lim f(x) = \ell_1$  and  $st^\alpha - \lim g(x) = \ell_2$ , then

- (i)  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} cf(x) = c\ell_1$ ,
- (ii)  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x) + g(x)) = \ell_1 + \ell_2$ .

*Proof.* (i) The proof is evident when  $c = 0$ . Assume that  $c \neq 0$ , then we have the proof (i) follows from

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |cf(x) - \ell_1| > \varepsilon\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu\left(\left\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - \ell_1| > \frac{\varepsilon}{|c|}\right\}\right). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) For all  $b_i > a_i$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) + g(x) - (\ell_1 + \ell_2)| > \varepsilon\}) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu\left(\left\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - \ell_1| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right\}\right) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu\left(\left\{x \in I(a, b) : |g(x) - \ell_2| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right\}\right). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a measurable function. If for each  $x \in I(a, b)$ ,  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell_1$  and  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell_2$ , then  $\ell_1 = \ell_2$ .

*Proof.* Omitted.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.**  $S^\alpha(I)$  is a real vector space for all  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a measurable function. Then  $S^\alpha(I) \subseteq S^\beta(I)$  and this inclusion is strict for some  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha < \beta$ .

*Proof.* Omitted.  $\square$

To show that the inclusion is strict, consider the sequence in Example 2.1.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a measurable function.  $f$  is said to be generalized statistically Cauchy function of order  $\alpha$  in a neighborhood of  $\infty$ , if there exists an element  $s = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m) \in I(a, \infty)$  and  $\min s_i > \min a_i$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - f(s)| > \varepsilon\}) = 0,$$

holds for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $f$  be a measurable function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i)  $f$  is generalized statistically convergent with order  $\alpha$ .

(ii)  $f$  is a generalized statistically Cauchy with order  $\alpha$ .

(iii)  $f$  can be represented as the sum of two measurable functions  $g$  and  $h$ , such that

$$(2.3) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : h(x) \neq 0\}) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m.$$

Furthermore, in case  $f$  is bounded, then both  $g$  and  $h$  are also bounded.

*Proof.* “(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)” : Assume that the function  $f$  is generalized statistically convergent to  $\ell$  with  $\alpha$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by the definition of generalized statistically convergent we have

$$(2.5) \quad |f(x) - \ell| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Let us choose one of  $x \in I(a, b)$  satisfying (2.5) and denoted it by  $s$ . Then, for every  $a_i < x_i \leq b_i, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ , following inequality

$$|f(x) - f(s)| \leq |f(x) - \ell| + |\ell - f(s)| \leq |f(x) - \ell| + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

holds for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Then, following inclusion

$$\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - f(s)| > \varepsilon\} \subseteq \left\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right\}$$

holds and implies that  $f$  is a generalized statistically Cauchy with order  $\alpha$ .

“(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)” : If  $K$  and  $J$  are two intervals such that each of them contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ , then so does their intersection  $K \cap J$ . Now we apply (2.1) with  $\varepsilon_1 = 1/2$ . It can be concluded that the interval  $K = [f(s) - 1/2, f(s) + 1/2]$  contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in$

$I(a, b)$ . Then, we apply (2.1) with  $\varepsilon_2 = 1/4$  to obtain some  $t > a$  (means  $t_i > a_i$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ) such that the interval  $J := [f(t) - 1/4, f(t) + 1/4]$  contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Considering the above observation, the interval  $K_1 := K \cap J$  also contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x$ . Plainly,  $K_1$  is a  $K_1 \subset \mathbb{R}$  closed interval whose length  $|K_1| \leq 1/2$ .

Next, we apply (2.1) with  $\varepsilon_3 = 1/8$  to obtain some  $r > a$  such that the interval  $J_1 = [f(r) - 1/8, f(r) + 1/8]$  contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Hence we have  $K_2 = K_1 \cap J_1$  contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Also,  $K_2$  is a closed interval whose length  $|K_2| \leq 1/4$ .

By induction, we construct a sequence  $\{K_n : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$  of closed intervals such that  $K_n \supseteq K_{n+1}$ ,  $|K_n| \leq 2^{-n}$  and  $K_n$  contains the function value  $f(x)$  for almost all  $x \in I(a, b)$ . Using the Nested Intervals Theorem, there is a unique number  $\ell$  such that  $\ell \in K_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$ .

Moreover, we can select numbers  $(a_i <) c_1 < c_2 < \dots$  such that  $c_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) \notin K_n\}) < 1/n,$$

if  $b_i > c_n \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ .

This makes the definition of the functions  $g$  and  $h$  plausible. For  $a_i < x_i \leq c_1$ , we set

$$g(x) = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad h(x) := 0.$$

If  $x_i > c_1$ , then  $c_n < x_i \leq c_{n+1}$  for some  $n \geq 1$ , and we set

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{if } f(x) \in K_n \\ \ell, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and  $h = f - g$ .

It is clear that  $g$  and  $h$  are measurable functions and  $f = g + h$ . We want to show that the ordinary limit of  $g(x)$  exists as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and equals  $\ell$ . For this, let an arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\varepsilon < 1$ , and choose a positive integer  $t$  such that  $2^{-t} < \varepsilon$ . If  $x_i > c_t$ , then  $c_n < x_i \leq c_{n+1}$  for some  $n \geq t$ . If  $f(x) \in K_n$ , then  $g(x) = f(x)$  and by definition,

$$(2.7) \quad |g(x) - \ell| \leq |K_n| \leq 2^{-n} \leq 2^{-t} < \varepsilon$$

while if  $x \notin K_n$ , then  $g(x) := \ell$ . Then, (2.7) holds for all  $x_i > c_t$ . Thus we have (2.3).

By definition  $h(x) \neq 0$  if and only if  $g(x) \neq f(x)$ . It means that if  $c_n < b_i \leq c_{n+1}$  for some  $n \geq 1$ , then by definition,

$$\{x \in I(a, b) : h(x) \neq 0\} = \bigcup_{t=1}^{n-1} \{c_t < x_i \leq c_{t+1} : f(x) \notin K_t\}$$

$$\cup\{c_n < x_i \leq b_i : f(x) \notin K_n\} \subseteq \{a < x \leq b : f(x) \notin K_n\}.$$

By (2.6), we have

$$\frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : h(x) \neq 0\}) < 1/n, \quad \text{for } c_n < b_i \leq c_{n+1} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Since  $n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $b \rightarrow \infty$ , this proves (2.4).

If there exists  $C > 0$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq C$  for all  $x$ , then  $f$  is bounded. Then by definitions of  $g$  and  $h$ , we have

$$|g(x)| \leq \max\{C, \ell\} \quad \text{and} \quad |h(x)| \leq C + \ell,$$

for all  $x \in I(a, b)$  with  $x_i \in (a_i, \infty)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, 2, 3, \dots, m}$ .

“(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)” : This implication is valid under even the weaker assumptions that  $f = g + h$ ,

$$st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = \ell \quad \text{and} \quad st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} h(x) = 0,$$

because of the additivity property of generalized statistical limit.  $\square$

### 3. Strong Cesàro summability at $\infty$

In this section, we are going to define generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable of order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  of multi variable measurable functions. Denote  $dx = dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_m$  and  $\int_{I(a, b)} := \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \int_{a_2}^{b_2} \dots \int_{a_m}^{b_m}$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $f$  be a measurable (in Lebesgue's sense) function on some interval  $(a_i, \infty)$ , where  $a_i > 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Then it is said that  $f$  is generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable of order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  if there exists  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \int_{I(a, b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx = 0$$

where  $|f(x) - \ell|^p$  is locally integrable (in Lebesgue's sense) over the interval  $(a_i, \infty)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** (i) If  $f$  is generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable with order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  to  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  for some  $0 < p < \infty$ , then the generalized statistical limit with order  $\alpha$  of  $f$  at  $\infty$  exists and equals the same  $\ell$ .

(ii) If the generalized statistical limit with order  $\alpha$  of  $f$  at  $\infty$  exists and equals  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$ , and  $f$  is bounded, then  $f$  is generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable at  $\infty$  to the same  $\ell$  for every  $0 < p < \infty$ .



*Proof.* (i) Let  $f$  be a generalized strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable function to  $\ell$  with order  $\alpha$ . For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we can easily get

$$\int_{I(a,b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx \geq \varepsilon^p \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\})$$

from Markov's inequality for all  $0 < p < \infty$ . Dividing both sides of the above inequality by  $(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha$  and taking the limit as  $\min b_i \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon^p} \lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \int_{I(a,b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f$  is generalized statistically convergent function of order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  to  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$ .

(ii) Assume  $|f(x)| \leq B$  for all  $x$  and  $f$  is a generalized statistically convergent function of order  $\alpha$  at  $\infty$  to  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$ . We can write

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{I(a,b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx \\ & = \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left[ \int_{\{a_1 \leq x_1 \leq b_1 : |f(x) - \ell| \leq \varepsilon\}} + \int_{\{a_1 \leq x_1 \leq b_1 : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}} \right] \\ & \left[ \int_{\{a_2 \leq x_2 \leq b_2 : |f(x) - \ell| \leq \varepsilon\}} + \int_{\{a_2 \leq x_2 \leq b_2 : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}} \right] \\ & \cdots \left[ \int_{\{a_m \leq x_m \leq b_m : |f(x) - \ell| \leq \varepsilon\}} + \int_{\{a_m \leq x_m \leq b_m : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}} \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \\ & \leq \prod_{i=1}^m (b_i - a_i) \varepsilon^p + (B + |\ell|)^p \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) : |f(x) - \ell| > \varepsilon\}). \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mu(I(a,b))} \int_{I(a,b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx \leq \varepsilon^p.$$

□

#### 4. Statistical limit inferior and superior at $\infty$

In this Section, we consider the real-valued measurable function  $f$  on some interval  $(a_i, \infty)$ , where  $a_i \geq 0$ .  $A(f)$  will denote the set of those  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) < u\}) \neq 0$$

holds, by which we mean that either this limit does not exist at all, or it does exist but positive. Now, the generalized statistical limit inferior of order  $\alpha$  of the function  $f$  at  $\infty$  is defined by

$$st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \inf A(f),$$

provided  $A(f)$  is not empty; otherwise we set  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ .

Similarly, the statistical limit superior of order  $\alpha$  of the function  $f$  at  $\infty$  defined by  $st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \sup B(f)$ .  $B(f)$  will denote the set of those  $v \in \mathbb{R}$  for which

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) > v\}) \neq 0.$$

Here are some basic features of these concepts.

- (i)  $\liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \leq st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \leq st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \leq \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$
- (ii) If  $u = st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$  is finite, then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) < u + \varepsilon\}) \neq 0$$

and

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) < u - \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Conversely, if the two relations mentioned above hold for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $u = st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ .

- (iii) A function  $f$  is said to be statistically bounded if for some  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : |f(x)| > C\}) = 0$$

holds. If  $f$  is statistically bounded, then  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell$  exists if and only if

$$st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \ell.$$

(iv) The relation  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$  is equivalent to the following one: for every  $C \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) < C\}) = 0,$$

holds.

We denote it by  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ . The symmetric counterpart  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$  is meant analogously.

(v)  $st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-f(x))$ .

(vi) A function  $f$  is said to be statistically positive if

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) \leq 0\}) = 0.$$

If  $f$  is statistically positive, then

$$st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1/st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1/f(x))$$

with the agreements that  $1/0 = \infty$  and  $1/\infty = 0$ .

(vii)  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f_1(x) + f_2(x)) \geq st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_1(x) + st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_2(x)$ .

(viii) However, if the statistical limit  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_1(x)$  exists, then

$$st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f_1(x) + f_2(x)) = st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_1(x) + st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} f_2(x).$$

Similarly, statements are valid for " $st^\alpha - \limsup$ " in place of " $st^\alpha - \liminf$ ". We formulate only the counterpart of (ii) as follows:

(ii') If  $v = st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$  is finite, then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) > v - \varepsilon\}) \neq 0$$

and

$$\lim_{\min b_i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a, b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a, b) : f(x) > v + \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Conversely, if the two relations mentioned above hold for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $v = st^\alpha - \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.**  $st^\alpha - \lim f(x) = \ell \iff st^\alpha - \liminf f(x) = st^\alpha - \limsup f(x).$

*Proof.* Assume that  $st^\alpha - \lim f(x) = \ell$  holds. So  $\alpha$ -statistical density of

$$(4.1) \quad A(\varepsilon) = \{x \in I(a, \infty) : |f(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}$$

is zero for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We have

$$\{x \in I(a, \infty) : |f(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\} = \{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) \geq \varepsilon + \ell\} \cup \{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \ell - \varepsilon\}.$$

Then, from (4.1) we have

$$(4.2) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) \geq \varepsilon + \ell\}) = 0$$

and

$$(4.3) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \ell - \varepsilon\}) = 0$$

hold. Equation (4.1) also implies that

$$(4.4) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : |f(x) - \ell| < \varepsilon\}) = \delta^\alpha(I(a, \infty))$$

and we have

$$(4.5) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \varepsilon + \ell\}) = \delta^\alpha(I(a, \infty))$$

and

$$(4.6) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) \geq \ell - \varepsilon\}) = \delta^\alpha(I(a, \infty)).$$

So, (4.2)-(4.6) implies that  $\varepsilon + \ell \in A(f)$ ,  $\ell - \varepsilon \in B(f)$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then,  $st^\alpha - \liminf f(x) = \ell$  and  $st^\alpha - \limsup f(x) = \ell$ .

Now assume that  $st^\alpha - \liminf f(x) = st^\alpha - \limsup f(x) = \ell$  holds. From this assumption, we have

$$\inf A(f) = \sup B(f) = \ell.$$

So, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\ell' \in A(f)$  and  $\ell'' \in B(f)$  such that  $\ell - \varepsilon < \ell'$ ,  $\ell' < \varepsilon + \ell$  satisfied. Then,

$$(4.7) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) \geq \varepsilon + \ell\}) \leq \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) > \ell'\}) = 0$$

and

$$(4.8) \quad \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \ell - \varepsilon\}) \leq \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \ell''\}) = 0.$$

From (4.7) and (4.8), the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : |f(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) &= \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) \geq \varepsilon + \ell\}) \\ &\quad + \delta^\alpha(\{x \in I(a, \infty) : f(x) < \ell - \varepsilon\}) \end{aligned}$$

is satisfied. So, this fact completes the proof of theorem.  $\square$

### 5. Statistical Limit at $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  for  $m \geq 1$  and  $A$  be a Lebesgue measurable subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Let us define the approximate density of  $A$  in the  $r$  neighborhood of an  $x$  point in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  as follows

$$d_r(x) = \frac{\mu(A \cap B_r(x))}{\mu(B_r(x))}$$

where  $B_r(x)$  denotes the closed ball of radius  $r$  centered at  $x$ .

According to Lebesgue's density theorem, the density of almost every point  $x$  of  $A$  is

$$d(x) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} d_r(x)$$

exists and is equal to 0 or 1.

**Definition 5.1.** The Lebesgue measurable function  $f$  is called statistically convergent of order  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ) at  $c$  if there exists some  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : |f(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

It is denoted by  $st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \ell$ . Clearly  $\ell$  is unique.

**Definition 5.2.** The Lebesgue measurable function  $f$  is called statistically Cauchy of order  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ) at  $c$  if there exists some  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : |f(x) - f(x_0)| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

**Theorem 5.1.** The following statements are equivalent:

- i)  $f$  has a statistical limit of order  $\alpha$  at  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
- ii)  $f$  is Cauchy of order  $\alpha$  in a neighborhood of  $c$ ,
- iii)  $f$  can be represented in a neighborhood of  $c$  as the sum of two measurable functions  $g$  and  $h$  in the same neighborhood of  $c$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = st^\alpha - \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : h(x) \neq 0\}) = 0$ .

Furthermore, in case  $f$  is bounded in a neighborhood of  $c$ , then both  $g$  and  $h$  are also bounded there.

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2.4.  $\square$

**Definition 5.3.** Let  $0 < p < \infty$ .  $f$  is said to be strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable of order  $\alpha$  at  $c \in \mathbb{R}^m$  if there exists a number  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \int_{I(a,b)} |f(x) - \ell|^p dx = 0.$$

We accept that the function  $|f(x) - \ell|^p$  is integrable in the neighborhood of  $c$ , although it is not written here.

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $0 < p < \infty$ . If  $f$  at  $c \in \mathbb{R}^m$  to  $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$  for some  $p$  is strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable of order  $\alpha$ , then the statistical limit of  $f$  at  $c$  exists and equals the same  $\ell$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of the Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

## 6. Statistical limit inferior and superior at $c \in \mathbb{R}^m$

In this section, we will consider functions that can be measured in the neighborhood of point  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . This time, we indicate the set of those  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $A_x(f)$

$$\lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : f(x) < u\}) \neq 0.$$

If  $A_x(f)$  is not empty,  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \inf A_x(f)$  is the statistical limit inferior of  $f$  at  $c$  otherwise we set  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) := \infty$ .

Let  $B_x(f)$  denote the set

$$B_x(f) = \{v \in \mathbb{R} : \delta_\mu(x \in I : f(x) > v) \neq 0\}.$$

The statistical limit superior of order  $\alpha$  of  $f$  at point  $c$  is given by

$$st^\alpha - \limsup f = \begin{cases} \sup B_x(f), & \text{if } B_x(f) \neq \emptyset \\ -\infty, & \text{if } B_x(f) = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

denoted by  $st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ .

If  $u = st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  is finite then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$(6.1) \quad \lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : f(x) < u + \varepsilon\}) \neq 0$$

and

$$(6.2) \quad \lim_{\substack{\mu(I(a,b)) \rightarrow 0 \\ I(a,b) \ni c}} \frac{1}{(\mu(I(a,b)))^\alpha} \mu(\{x \in I(a,b) \subset \mathbb{R}^m : f(x) < u - \varepsilon\}) = 0.$$

Conversely, if (6.1) and (6.2) hold for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $u = st^\alpha - \liminf_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ .

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