

A NEW STUDY ON ABSOLUTE CESÀRO SUMMABILITY FACTORS

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Abstract. In this paper, we have generalized a known theorem dealing with $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series to the $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability method under weaker conditions. Also, some new and known results have been obtained.

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1. Introduction

A positive sequence (b_n) is said to be almost increasing sequence if there exists a positive increasing sequence (c_n) and two positive constants M and N such that $Mc_n \leq b_n \leq Nc_n$ (see [2]). Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series. We denote by $t_n^{\alpha, \beta}$ the n th Cesàro mean of order (α, β) , with $\alpha + \beta > -1$, of the sequence (na_n) , that is (see [8])

$$(1.1) \quad t_n^{\alpha, \beta} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^{\beta} v a_v,$$

where

$$(1.2) \quad A_n^{\alpha+\beta} = O(n^{\alpha+\beta}), \quad A_0^{\alpha+\beta} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad A_{-n}^{\alpha+\beta} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad n > 0.$$

Let $(\omega_n^{\alpha, \beta})$ be a sequence defined by (see [5])

$$(1.3) \quad \omega_n^{\alpha, \beta} = \begin{cases} |t_n^{\alpha, \beta}|, & \alpha = 1, \beta > -1, \\ \max_{1 \leq v \leq n} |t_v^{\alpha, \beta}|, & 0 < \alpha < 1, \beta > -1. \end{cases}$$

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Let (φ_n) be a sequence of complex numbers. The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$, $k \geq 1$, if (see [6])

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-k} |\varphi_n t_n^{\alpha, \beta}|^k < \infty.$$

In the special case when $\varphi_n = n^{1-\frac{1}{k}}$, $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability (see [9]). Also, if we take $\varphi_n = n^{\delta+1-\frac{1}{k}}$, then $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability reduces to $|C, \alpha, \beta; \delta|_k$ summability (see [7]). If we take $\beta = 0$, then we have $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$ summability (see [1]). If we take $\varphi_n = n^{1-\frac{1}{k}}$ and $\beta = 0$, then we get $|C, \alpha|_k$ summability (see [10]). Finally, if we take $\varphi_n = n^{\delta+1-\frac{1}{k}}$ and $\beta = 0$, then we obtain $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability (see [11]).

2. Known Result

The following theorem is known dealing with the $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$ summability factors of infinite series.

Theorem 2.1 ([3]). Let $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence and let there be sequences (β_n) and (λ_n) such that

$$(2.1) \quad |\Delta\lambda_n| \leq \beta_n$$

$$(2.2) \quad \beta_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta\beta_n| X_n < \infty$$

$$(2.4) \quad |\lambda_n| X_n = O(1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

If there exists an $\epsilon > 0$ such that the sequence $(n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k)$ is non increasing and if the sequence (ω_n^α) defined by (see [13])

$$(2.5) \quad \omega_n^\alpha = \begin{cases} |t_n^\alpha| & (\alpha = 1) \\ \max_{1 \leq v \leq n} |t_v^\alpha| & (0 < \alpha < 1) \end{cases}$$

satisfies the condition

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{n=1}^m n^{-k} (|\varphi_n| \omega_n^\alpha)^k = O(X_m) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,$$

then the series $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is summable $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $(\alpha + \epsilon) > 1$.

3. Main Result

The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem 2.1 for $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability method under weaker conditions by using an almost increasing sequence instead of a positive non-decreasing sequence. Now we shall prove the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. Let $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ and let (X_n) be an almost increasing sequence. Let there be sequences (β_n) and (λ_n) such that conditions (2.1)-(2.4) of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied. If there exists an $\epsilon > 0$ such that the sequence $(n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k)$ is non increasing and if the sequence $(\omega_n^{\alpha, \beta})$ defined by (1.3), satisfies the condition

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{n=1}^m n^{-k} (|\varphi_n| \omega_n^{\alpha, \beta})^k = O(X_m) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,$$

then the series $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is summable $\varphi - |C, \alpha, \beta|_k$, $k \geq 1$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $\beta > -1$, and $(\alpha + \beta)k + \epsilon > 1$.

Remark. It should be noted that, obviously every increasing sequence is almost increasing. However, the converse need not be true (see [12]).

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

Lemma 3.1 ([5]). If $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $\beta > -1$, and $1 \leq v \leq n$, then

$$(3.2) \quad \left| \sum_{p=0}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta a_p \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq m \leq v} \left| \sum_{p=0}^m A_{m-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta a_p \right|.$$

Lemma 3.2 ([4]). Under the conditions on (X_n) , (β_n) and (λ_n) as taken in the statement of the theorem, the following conditions hold, when (2.3) is satisfied

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

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n X_n < \infty.$$

4. Proof of Theorem 3.1. Let $(T_n^{\alpha, \beta})$ be the n th (C, α, β) mean of the sequence $(na_n \lambda_n)$. Then, by (1.1), we have

$$T_n^{\alpha, \beta} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v \lambda_v.$$

Applying Abel's transformation first and then using Lemma 3.1, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} T_n^{\alpha, \beta} &= \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p + \frac{\lambda_n}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v, \\ |T_n^{\alpha, \beta}| &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta \lambda_v| \left| \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p \right| + \frac{|\lambda_n|}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \left| \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{(\alpha+\beta)} \omega_v^{\alpha, \beta} |\Delta \lambda_v| + |\lambda_n| \omega_n^{\alpha, \beta} = T_{n,1}^{\alpha, \beta} + T_{n,2}^{\alpha, \beta}. \end{aligned}$$

To complete the proof of the theorem 3.1, by Minkowski's inequality, it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-k} |\varphi_n T_{n,r}^{\alpha,\beta}|^k < \infty, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2.$$

Now, when $k > 1$, applying Hölder's inequality with indices k and k' , where $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+2} n^{-k} |\varphi_n T_{n,1}^{\alpha,\beta}|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha+\beta})^{-k} |\varphi_n|^k \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha+\beta} \omega_v^{\alpha,\beta} |\Delta \lambda_v| \right\}^k \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} n^{-k} n^{-(\alpha+\beta)k} |\varphi_n|^k \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} (A_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta})^k \beta_v \cdot \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \beta_v \right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta})^k \beta_v \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k}{n^{(\alpha+\beta)k+\epsilon}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta})^k \beta_v v^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{1}{n^{(\alpha+\beta)k+\epsilon}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta})^k v^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_v|^k \beta_v \int_v^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^{(\alpha+\beta)k+\epsilon}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v \beta_v v^{-k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta} |\varphi_v|)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v\beta_v) \sum_{r=1}^v r^{-k} (\omega_r^{\alpha,\beta} |\varphi_r|)^k \\ &\quad + O(1) m \beta_m \sum_{v=1}^m v^{-k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta} |\varphi_v|)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta(v\beta_v)| X_v + O(1) m \beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v |\Delta\beta_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \beta_v X_v + O(1) m \beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

by the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.2. Since, $|\lambda_n| = O(1)$ by (2.4), finally we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m n^{-k} |\varphi_n T_{n,2}^{\alpha,\beta}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m |\lambda_n| |\lambda_n|^{k-1} n^{-k} (\omega_n^{\alpha,\beta} |\varphi_n|)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_n| \sum_{v=1}^n v^{-k} (\omega_v^{\alpha,\beta} |\varphi_v|)^k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +O(1)|\lambda_m| \sum_{n=1}^m n^{-k}(\omega_n^{\alpha,\beta}|\varphi_n|)^k = O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} |\Delta\lambda_n| X_n + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m \\
= & O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \beta_n X_n + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

by the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.2. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1. If we take $\epsilon = 1$ and $\varphi_n = n^{1-\frac{1}{k}}$, then we obtain a new result concerning the $|C, \alpha, \beta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series. If we take $\epsilon = 1$, $\beta = 0$ and $\varphi_n = n^{\delta+1-\frac{1}{k}}$, then we have a new result dealing with the $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series. Also, if we take (X_n) as a positive non-decreasing sequence and $\beta = 0$, then we obtain Theorem 2.1.

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