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## A Study on Generalized Absolute Matrix Summability

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ABSTRACT: In the present paper, a theorem dealing with the  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability factors of an infinite series has been generalized to the absolute matrix summability under weaker conditions by using a quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence.

Key Words: Absolute matrix summability, almost increasing sequence, Hölder's inequality, infinite series, Minkowski's inequality, quasi power increasing sequence, summability factor.

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### 1. Introduction

A positive sequence  $(c_n)$  is said to be almost increasing if there exists a positive increasing sequence  $(d_n)$  and two positive constants A and B such that  $Ad_n \leq c_n \leq Bd_n$  (see [1]). A sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  is said to be of bounded variation, denote by  $(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV}$ , if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\Delta \lambda_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_n - \lambda_{n+1}| < \infty$ . Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series with the partial sums  $(s_n)$ . Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

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

Let  $A = (a_{nv})$  be a normal matrix, i.e., a lower triangular matrix of nonzero diagonal entries. Then A defines the sequence-to-sequence transformation, mapping the sequence  $s = (s_n)$  to  $As = (A_n(s))$ , where

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

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

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |A_n(s) - A_{n-1}(s)|^k < \infty.$$

For  $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$ ,  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability reduces to  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability (see [2]).

Given a normal matrix  $A=(a_{nv})$ , two lower semimatrices  $\bar{A}=(\bar{a}_{nv})$  and  $\hat{A}=(\hat{a}_{nv})$  are defined as follows:

$$\bar{a}_{nv} = \sum_{i=v}^{n} a_{ni}, \quad n, v = 0, 1, \dots$$
 (1.1)

$$\hat{a}_{00} = \bar{a}_{00} = a_{00}, \quad \hat{a}_{nv} = \bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
 (1.2)

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and

$$A_n(s) = \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} s_v = \sum_{v=0}^n \bar{a}_{nv} a_v$$
 (1.3)

$$\bar{\Delta}A_n(s) = \sum_{v=0}^n \hat{a}_{nv} a_v. \tag{1.4}$$

### 2. Known Result

In [4], Bor has proved the following theorem by using an almost increasing sequence.

**Theorem 2.1** Let  $(X_n)$  be an almost increasing sequence, and let there be sequences  $(\beta_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  such that

$$|\Delta \lambda_n| \le \beta_n,\tag{2.1}$$

$$\beta_n \to 0 \quad as \quad n \to \infty,$$
 (2.2)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n|\Delta\beta_n|X_n < \infty,\tag{2.3}$$

$$|\lambda_n|X_n = O(1)$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ . (2.4)

If

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n} \frac{|t_v|^k}{v} = O(X_n) \quad as \quad n \to \infty, \tag{2.5}$$

where  $(t_n)$  is the n-th (C,1) mean of the sequence  $(na_n)$ , and  $(p_n)$  is a sequence such that

$$P_n = O(np_n), (2.6)$$

$$P_n \Delta p_n = O(p_n p_{n+1}), \tag{2.7}$$

then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{P_n \lambda_n}{n p_n}$  is summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$ .

# 3. Main Result

Recently, many studies have been done concerning absolute matrix summability methods (see [5,7, 8,9,10,11,12,13]). The purpose of this paper is to generalize Theorem 2.1 to  $|A,p_n|_k$  summability under weaker conditions. Therefore we need the concept of quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence. A positive sequence  $(\gamma_n)$  is said to be quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence if there exists a constant  $K = K(\sigma, \gamma) \ge 1$  such that  $Kn^{\sigma}\gamma_n \ge m^{\sigma}\gamma_m$  holds for all  $n \ge m \ge 1$  (see [6]). It should be noted that every almost increasing sequence is quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for any nonnegative  $\sigma$ , but the converse need not be true as can be seen by taking the example, say  $\gamma_n = n^{-\sigma}$  for  $\sigma > 0$ . Now, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $A = (a_{nv})$  be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$
 (3.1)

$$a_{n-1,v} \ge a_{nv}, \quad for \quad n \ge v+1,$$
 (3.2)

$$a_{nn} = O\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right),\tag{3.3}$$

$$|\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| = O\left(v \left| \Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right) \right|\right),\tag{3.4}$$

and  $(X_n)$  be a quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \sigma < 1$ . If all conditions of Theorem 2.1

$$(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV} \tag{3.5}$$

are satisfied, then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{P_n \lambda_n}{np_n}$  is summable  $|A, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$ .

If we take  $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$  and  $(X_n)$  as an almost increasing sequence, then Theorem 3.1 reduces to Theorem 2.1. In this case, the condition (3.5) is not needed.

We need following lemmas for the proof of Theorem 3.1.

**Lemma 3.1** ([6]) Let  $(X_n)$  be a quasi  $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \sigma < 1$ . If the conditions (2.2) and (2.3) are satisfied, then

$$nX_n\beta_n = O(1)$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ , (3.6)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n \beta_n < \infty. \tag{3.7}$$

**Lemma 3.2** ([3]) If the conditions (2.6) and (2.7) are satisfied, then we have

$$\Delta\left(\frac{P_n}{n^2p_n}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right).$$

## 4. Proof of Theorem 3.1

Let  $(I_n)$  denotes A-transform of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{P_n \lambda_n}{np_n}$ . By (1.3) and (1.4), we have

$$\bar{\Delta}I_n = \sum_{v=1}^n \hat{a}_{nv} \frac{a_v P_v \lambda_v}{v p_v}$$
$$= \sum_{v=1}^n \hat{a}_{nv} \frac{P_v \lambda_v v a_v}{v^2 p_v}.$$

Using Abel's transformation, we get

$$\begin{split} \bar{\Delta}I_n &= \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta_v \left( \hat{a}_{nv} \frac{P_v \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} \right) \sum_{r=1}^v r a_r + \frac{a_{nn} P_n \lambda_n}{n^2 p_n} \sum_{r=1}^n r a_r \\ &= \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{\hat{a}_{n,v+1} P_v \Delta \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} (v+1) t_v + \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_v (\hat{a}_{nv}) P_v \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} (v+1) t_v \\ &+ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \hat{a}_{n,v+1} \Delta \left( \frac{P_v}{v^2 p_v} \right) \lambda_{v+1} (v+1) t_v + \frac{a_{nn} P_n \lambda_n}{n^2 p_n} (n+1) t_n \\ &= I_{n,1} + I_{n,2} + I_{n,3} + I_{n,4}. \end{split}$$

To complete the proof of Theorem 3.1, it is sufficient to show that

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

Case-I: For r = 1, we need to show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,1}|^k < \infty$ . By applying Hölder's inequality and the condition (2.6), we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,1}|^k &= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left|\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{\hat{a}_{n,v+1} P_v \Delta \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} (v+1) t_v \right|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\Delta \lambda_v| |t_v| \right)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\Delta \lambda_v| |t_v|^k \right) \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\Delta \lambda_v| \right)^{k-1}. \end{split}$$

Here, using (1.2), (1.1) and (3.2), we have

$$\hat{a}_{n,v+1} = \bar{a}_{n,v+1} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=v+1}^{n} a_{ni} - \sum_{i=v+1}^{n-1} a_{n-1,i}$$

$$= a_{nn} + \sum_{i=v+1}^{n-1} (a_{ni} - a_{n-1,i}) \le a_{nn}.$$

Also, using the fact that  $(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV}$  and the condition (2.1), we get

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,1}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| \beta_v |t_v|^k\right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \beta_v |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}|. \end{split}$$

By (1.2), (1.1), (3.1) and (3.2), we obtain  $|\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| = \sum_{i=0}^{v} (a_{n-1,i} - a_{ni})$ . Thence, using (1.1) and (3.1),

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| = \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \sum_{i=0}^{v} (a_{n-1,i} - a_{ni}) \le 1, \tag{4.1}$$

by Abel's transformation, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,1}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \beta_v |t_v|^k = O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m (v\beta_v) \frac{|t_v|^k}{v} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v\beta_v) \sum_{r=1}^v \frac{|t_r|^k}{r} + O(1) m \beta_m \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{|t_v|^k}{v} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v\beta_v) X_v + O(1) m \beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} (v+1) |\Delta \beta_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \beta_v X_v \\ &+ O(1) m \beta_m X_m = O(1), \quad m \to \infty \end{split}$$

by (2.5), (2.3), (3.7) and (3.6).

Case-II: For r = 2, again by using Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |I_{n,2}|^k &= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv}) P_v \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} (v+1) t_v \right|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_v}{v p_v} |\Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right)| |\lambda_v| |t_v| \right)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left( \frac{P_v}{v p_v} \right)^k |\Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right)| |\lambda_v|^k |t_v|^k \right) \\ &\times \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right)| \right)^{k-1} . \end{split}$$

By (1.2) and (1.1), we obtain

$$\Delta_{v}(\hat{a}_{nv}) = \hat{a}_{nv} - \hat{a}_{n,v+1} 
= \bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v} - \bar{a}_{n,v+1} + \bar{a}_{n-1,v+1} 
= a_{nv} - a_{n-1,v}.$$
(4.2)

and so (1.1), (3.1) and (3.2) imply that

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| = \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} (a_{n-1,v} - a_{nv}) \le a_{nn}.$$

$$(4.3)$$

Then, from (3.3)

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,2}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{vp_v}\right)^k |\Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right)| |\lambda_v|^k |t_v|^k \right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_v}{vp_v}\right)^k |\lambda_v|^k |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\Delta_v\left(\hat{a}_{nv}\right)|. \end{split}$$

Now, using (4.2) and (3.2), we have

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| = \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} (a_{n-1,v} - a_{nv}) \le a_{vv}$$

and consequently,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,2}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{1}{v} |\lambda_v|^{k-1} |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k = O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{1}{v} |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_v| \sum_{r=1}^v \frac{|t_r|^k}{r} + O(1) |\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{|t_v|^k}{v} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \beta_v X_v + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m \\ &= O(1), \quad m \to \infty \end{split}$$

by (3.3), (2.6), (2.1), (2.5), (3.7) and (2.4).

Case-III: For r = 3, using the fact that  $\Delta\left(\frac{P_n}{n^2p_n}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$  by Lemma 3.2, also using (3.4), (4.3), (3.3), (4.1), we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |I_{n,3}|^k = \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \hat{a}_{n,v+1} \Delta \left( \frac{P_v}{v^2 p_v} \right) \lambda_{v+1}(v+1) t_v \right|^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{v} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\lambda_{v+1}| |t_v| \right)^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{v} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \right)$$

$$\times \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \left( \hat{a}_{nv} \right) | \right)^{k-1}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{v} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}| |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \right)$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{1}{v} |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\hat{a}_{n,v+1}|$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{1}{v} |\lambda_{v+1}| |t_v|^k.$$

Here, similar to Case-II, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,3}|^k = O(1) \quad as \quad m \to \infty.$$

Case-IV: For r = 4, using the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.1, we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |I_{n,4}|^k = \sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left| \frac{a_{nn} P_n \lambda_n}{n^2 p_n} (n+1) t_n \right|^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^k \left(\frac{P_n}{n p_n}\right)^k |\lambda_n|^k |t_n|^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{n} |\lambda_n| |t_n|^k = O(1) \quad as \quad m \to \infty,$$

by following analogously to Case-II. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

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