

GENERALIZATION OF A THEOREM OF McFADDEN

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McFadden's relation $|N, 1/(n+1)| \subset |C, k| (k > 0)$ **is strengthened to** $|N, p_n| \subset |R, \lambda(w), k| (k > 0)$ **for suitable** $\{p_n\}$ **and** $\lambda(w)$.

1. Let $\{p_n\}$ be a sequence of complex numbers such that for $n > 0$,

$$P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \cdots + p_n \neq 0.$$

Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ be an infinite series with $\{s_n\}$ as its partial sums. We define the (N, p_n) -transform $\{t_n(s_n)\}$ of $\{s_n\}$ generated by the sequence $\{p_n\}$ by the formula

$$(1.1) \quad t_n(s_n) = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} s_v.$$

Similarly, $\{t_n(na_n)\}$ denotes the (N, p_n) -transform of the sequence $\{na_n\}$ generated by the sequence $\{p_n\}$. The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ is said to be summable $|N, p_n|$ if $\{t_n(s_n)\} \in BV$, i.e., $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |t_n - t_{n-1}|$ is convergent. (See [7], [5].) In the special case when $p_n = \binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$, $(k > -1)$, summability $|N, p_n|$ is summability $|C, k|$.

Let $\lambda = \lambda(w)$ be a differentiable, monotonically increasing function of w in (A, ∞) , where A is a finite positive number; and let $\mu(w)$ be its differential and let $\lambda(w)$ tend to infinity with w . For $k \geq 0$, we write

$$R_{\lambda}^k(w) = \sum_{n \leq w} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^k a_n.$$

The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ is said to be summable $|R, \lambda, k|$ if

$$(1.2) \quad \int_A^{\infty} |d[R_{\lambda}^k(w)/\lambda^k(w)]| < \infty,$$

see [8], [9]. For $k > 0$, $N < w < N+1$ ($N = 1, 2, \dots$)

$$\frac{d}{dw} [R_{\lambda}^k(w)/\lambda^k(w)] = \frac{k\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \sum_{n \leq w} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \lambda(n) a_n.$$

Hence, summability $|R, \lambda, k|$ is equivalent to the convergence of the integral

$$\int_A^{\infty} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left| \sum_{n \leq w} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \lambda(n) a_n \right| dw.$$

If every series summable by the method P is summable by the

method Q , we write $P \subseteq Q$. If $P \subseteq Q$ and $Q \subseteq P$, we write $P \sim Q$.

We now define a sequence of constants $\{c_n\}$ by the identity

$$\left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n \right]^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n, \quad c_{-1} = 0.$$

If, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$p_n > 0, \quad \frac{p_{n+1}}{p_n} \leq \frac{p_{n+2}}{p_{n+1}} \leq 1,$$

we shall write $\{p_n\} \in \mathcal{M}$. We write

$$d_n = c_0 + c_1 + \dots + c_n;$$

$$e_n = d_0 + d_1 + \dots + d_n.$$

We write $P(v)$, $d(v)$, $e(v)$ in place of P_v , d_v , e_v respectively when v is replaced by a more complicated expression. We let $\Delta f_n = f_n - f_{n+1}$, for any sequence $\{f_n\}$.

The following inclusion theorems are known:

$$|C, 0| \subset \left| N, \frac{1}{n+1} \right| \subset |C, k| \sim |R, n, k|, \quad (k > 0).$$

The first one is due to Mears [6], the second one is due to McFadden [4] and the equivalence is due to Hyslop [3].

Our object is to prove that under certain conditions on $\{p_n\}$ and $\lambda(w)$,

$$|N, p_n| \subset |R, \lambda(w), k| \quad (k > 0).$$

2. We establish the following.

THEOREM. *Let*

$$(2.1) \quad \{p_n\} \in \mathcal{M},$$

$$(2.2) \quad P(v^2) = O(P_v),$$

$$(2.3) \quad \lambda(w) \text{ be an indefinite integral of some function } \mu(w),$$

$$(2.4) \quad (n+1) \left\{ \frac{\lambda(n+1) - \lambda(n)}{\lambda(n+1)} \right\} = O(1).$$

Then $|N, p_n|$ implies $|R, \lambda(w), k|$ for all $k > 0$.

For the proof we require the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1 [1]. *Let $\{p_n\} \in \mathcal{M}$. A necessary and sufficient condi-*

tion for $\Sigma a_n \in |N, p_n|$ is

$$(2.4') \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|t_n(na_n)|}{n} < \infty.$$

LEMMA 2 [1]. Let $\{p_n\} \in \mathcal{M}$. Then

- (i) $c_0 > 0, c_n \leq 0$ ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$)
- (ii) $\sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} |c_n| \leq d_v$
- (iii) $d_n \geq 0$ and monotonic nonincreasing
- (iv) $P_n d_n \leq 1$
- (v) $P_n e_n \leq (2n + 1)$.

For (i), (ii) see Hardy [2] Theorem 22, p. 68.

LEMMA 3. Let $\{p_n\} \in \mathcal{M}$. Then for any fixed k with $0 < k < 1$, (2.2) is equivalent to

$$(2.5) \quad P_v = O(P(u)), \text{ where } u = [v^k].$$

Proof. If (2.2) holds, by successive application of (2.2) we see that for any fixed integer r ,

$$(2.6) \quad P(v^{2^r}) = O(P_v).$$

Choose r so that $2^r > 1/k$. Then if $u = [v^k]$, $v \leq (u)^{1/k} < (u)^{2^r}$. So, since P_v is increasing, (2.5) follows from (2.6).

Conversely, suppose that (2.5) holds. Given any positive integer v , define v_r inductively (on r) by taking $v_0 = v$ and defining v_r ($r > 1$) as the least integer greater than or equal to $v_{r-1}^{1/k}$. Since $\{p_n\} \in \mu$ implies that

$$(2.7) \quad \frac{p_r}{p_{r-1}} \longrightarrow 1,$$

as $r \rightarrow \infty$, we see that (2.5) is equivalent to

$$(2.8) \quad P(v_1) = O(P_v).$$

By successive application of (2.8) we deduce that, for any fixed r ,

$$(2.9) \quad P(v_r) = O(P_v).$$

Choose r so that $(1/k)^r > 2$. Then $v_r > v^2$ so that (again since P_v is increasing) (2.9) implies (2.2).

For the proof of the theorem we require (2.5). The condition (2.2) is preferable to (2.5) because the former is simpler and independent of k .

LEMMA 4. *If (2.4) is satisfied then*

$$\frac{\lambda(n+1)}{\lambda(n)} = O(1), \text{ as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

This is obvious.

3. **Proof of the theorem.** It is enough to consider the case $0 < k < 1$. This implies the result for $k \geq 1$. We can assume without loss of generality that $a_0 = 0$. Then by Lemma 1 and (1.2) it is enough to show that (2.4') implies

$$\int_1^\infty \left| \frac{d}{dw} (R_\lambda^k(w)/\lambda^k(w)) \right| dw < \infty.$$

Now,

$$na_n = \sum_{v=1}^n c_{n-v} P_v t_v(v a_v).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dw} \frac{R_\lambda^k(w)}{\lambda^k(w)} &= \frac{k\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{[w]} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} \sum_{v=1}^n c_{n-v} P_v t_v(v a_v) \right] \\ &= \frac{k\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left[\sum_{v=1}^{[w]} P_v t_v(v a_v) \sum_{n=v}^{[w]} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^\infty \left| \frac{d}{dw} (R_\lambda^k(w)/\lambda^k(w)) \right| dw &= O(1) \left[\int_1^\infty \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \sum_{v=1}^{[w]} v P_v \frac{|t_v(v a_v)|}{v} \left| \sum_{n=v}^{[w]} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} \right| dw \right] \\ &= O(1) \left[\sum_{v=1}^\infty v P_v \frac{|t_v(v a_v)|}{v} \int_v^\infty \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left| \sum_{n=v}^{[w]} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} \right| dw \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus it is enough to prove that uniformly in $v \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad J(v) &= \int_v^\infty \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left| \sum_{n=v}^{[w]} \{\lambda(w) - \lambda(n)\}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} \right| dw \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{v P_v}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Write $m = \min([w], v + u)$. Let $a = v + u - 1$, $b = v + u + 1$.

Applying partial summation to the sum over the range $v \leq n \leq m$, we see that the expression inside the modulus in (3.1) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2) \quad & \sum_{n=v}^{m-1} \Delta_n \left[(\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} \right] d_{n-v} + (\lambda(w) - \lambda(m))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(m)}{m} d_{m-v} \\
& + \sum_{n=m+1}^{[w]} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} \\
& = \sum_{n=v}^{m-1} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \Delta \left(\frac{\lambda(n)}{n} \right) d_{n-v} \\
& + \sum_{n=v}^{m-1} \Delta_n (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n+1)}{n+1} d_{n-v} \\
& + (\lambda(w) - \lambda(m))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(m)}{m} d_{m-v} + \sum_{n=m+1}^{[w]} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} c_{n-v} .
\end{aligned}$$

Here the last term is to be omitted when $m = [w]$, i.e., when $w < b$. Hence

$$J(v) \leq J_1(v) + J_2(v) + J_3(v) + J_4(v) ,$$

where $J_1(v)$, $J_2(v)$, $J_3(v)$, $J_4(v)$ denote the expressions obtained by replacing the expression inside the modulus in (3.1) by each of the four terms on the right of (3.2). First,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1(v) & \leq \sum_{n=v}^a d_{n-v} \left| \Delta \left(\frac{\lambda(n)}{n} \right) \right| \int_{n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw \\
& = O(1) \sum_{n=v}^a d_{n-v} \frac{|\Delta \lambda(n)|}{(n+1)\lambda(n)} + O(1) \sum_{n=v}^a d_{n-v} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n(n+1)\lambda(n)} .
\end{aligned}$$

Using (2.4) and Lemma 4,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1(v) & = O(1) \sum_{n=v}^a \frac{d_{n-v}}{n^2} \\
& = O(1) \frac{e(u-1)}{v^2} = O\left(\frac{1}{vP_v}\right) ,
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2(v) and Lemma 3. Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2(v) & \leq \sum_{n=v}^a d_{n-v} \frac{\lambda(n+1)}{n+1} \\
& \times \int_{n+1}^{\infty} \frac{[(\lambda(w) - \lambda(n+1))^{k-1} - (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1}] \mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw .
\end{aligned}$$

The inner integral can be evaluated and is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{k} \left[\frac{1}{\lambda(n+1)} - \frac{1}{\lambda(n)} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{\lambda(n+1) - \lambda(n)}{\lambda(n+1)} \right)^k \right\} \right] \\
& = \frac{1}{k\lambda(n)} \left[\left(\frac{\lambda(n+1) - \lambda(n)}{\lambda(n+1)} \right)^k - \left(\frac{\lambda(n+1) - \lambda(n)}{\lambda(n+1)} \right) \right] \\
& = O\left(\frac{1}{n^k \lambda(n)}\right) ,
\end{aligned}$$

by (2.4). Hence, by Lemma 4,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2(v) &= O(1) \sum_{n=v}^a \frac{d_{n-v}}{n^{k+1}} = O(1) \frac{e(u-1)}{v^{k+1}} \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{vP_v}\right), \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2(v) and Lemma 3.

Suppose $N \leq w < N+1$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} J_3(v) &\leq \int_v^{v+u} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(N))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(N)}{N} d_{N-v} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda(v+u)}{v+u} d(u) \int_{v+u}^{\infty} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(v+u))^{k-1} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw \\ &= J_{31}(v) + J_{32}(v). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\int_{v+u}^{\infty} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(v+u))^{k-1} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw = \frac{1}{k\lambda(v+u)},$$

clearly

$$J_{32}(v) = O\left(\frac{d(u)}{v+u}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{vP_v}\right),$$

by Lemma 2(iv) and Lemma 3.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{31}(v) &\leq \sum_{\sigma=0}^{u-1} \int_{v+\sigma}^{v+\sigma+1} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(N))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(N)}{N} d_{N-v} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw \\ &\leq \sum_{\sigma=0}^{u-1} \frac{d_{\sigma}}{(v+\sigma)\lambda^k(v+\sigma)} \int_{v+\sigma}^{v+\sigma+1} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(N))^{k-1} \mu(w) dw \\ &\leq \sum_{\sigma=0}^{u-1} \frac{d_{\sigma}}{(v+\sigma)\lambda^k(v+\sigma)} \int_{v+\sigma}^{v+\sigma+1} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(N))^{k-1} \mu(w) dw \\ &= O(1) \sum_{\sigma=0}^{u-1} \frac{d_{\sigma}}{(v+\sigma)\lambda^k(v+\sigma)} \frac{\lambda^k(v+\sigma+1)}{(v+\sigma+1)^k} \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{vP_v}\right), \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 4, Lemma 2(v), and Lemma 3. Hence

$$J_3(v) = O(1/vP_v).$$

Lastly,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_4(v) &\leq \int_b^\infty \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} \left[\sum_{n=m+1}^{[w]} (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} |c_{n-v}| \right] dw \\
&= \sum_{n=b}^\infty |c_{n-v}| \frac{\lambda(n)}{n} \int_n^\infty (\lambda(w) - \lambda(n))^{k-1} \frac{\mu(w)}{\lambda^{k+1}(w)} dw \\
&= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{n=b}^\infty \frac{|c_{n-v}|}{n} \leq \frac{1}{k} \frac{d(u)}{b} \\
&= O(1/vP_v),
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2 (ii), (iv), and Lemma 3. Hence (3.1) is proved.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

By putting $p_n = 1/(n+1)$, $\lambda(w) = w$ (integer) we get the inclusion $|N, 1/(n+1)| \subset |R, n, k|$, $k > 0$ due to McFadden [4].

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