

On some new results for non-decreasing sequences

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Abstract

In this paper, a general theorem on absolute Riesz summability factors of infinite series is proved under weaker conditions. Also we have obtained some new and known results.

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1 Introduction

Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series with partial sums (s_n) . We denote by u_n^α the n th Cesàro mean of order α , with $\alpha > -1$, of the sequence (s_n) , that is (see [6]),

$$u_n^\alpha = \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{v=0}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} s_v \quad (1)$$

where

$$A_n^\alpha = \frac{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)\dots(\alpha+n)}{n!} = O(n^\alpha), \quad A_{-n}^\alpha = 0 \quad \text{for } n > 0. \quad (2)$$

A series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $\delta \geq 0$, if (see [8])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\delta k + k - 1} |u_n^\alpha - u_{n-1}^\alpha|^k < \infty. \quad (3)$$

If we take $\delta=0$, then we obtain $|C, \alpha|_k$ summability (see [7]). Let (p_n) be a sequence of positive numbers such that $P_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, ($P_{-i} = p_{-i} = 0, i \geq 1$). The sequence-to-sequence transformation

$$v_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v s_v \quad (4)$$

defines the sequence (v_n) of the Riesz mean or simply the (\bar{N}, p_n) mean of the sequence (s_n) , generated by the sequence of coefficients (p_n) (see [9]). The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $\delta \geq 0$, if (see [3])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (P_n/p_n)^{\delta k + k - 1} |v_n - v_{n-1}|^k < \infty. \quad (5)$$

If we take $\delta=0$, then we obtain $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ summability (see [1]). In the special case $p_n = 1$ for all values of n $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, 1; \delta|_k$ summability. Also if we take $\delta = 0$

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and $k = 1$, then we get $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ summability.

2. Known results. The following theorems are known dealing with $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ and $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series.

Theorem A ([2]). Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence and suppose that there exists sequences (β_n) and (λ_n) such that

$$|\Delta\lambda_n| \leq \beta_n, \quad (6)$$

$$\beta_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (7)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta\beta_n| X_n < \infty, \quad (8)$$

$$|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1). \quad (9)$$

If

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} = O(X_m) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (10)$$

and (p_n) is a sequence such that

$$P_n = O(np_n), \quad (11)$$

$$P_n \Delta p_n = O(p_n p_{n+1}), \quad (12)$$

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

Theorem B ([4]). Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence. If the sequences (X_n) , (β_n) , (λ_n) , and (p_n) satisfy the conditions (6)-(9), (11)-(12), and

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} = O(X_m) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (13)$$

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} = O\left(\left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{1}{P_v} \right) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (14)$$

then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{P_n \lambda_n}{np_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $0 \leq \delta < 1/k$.

Remark. It should be noted that if we take $\delta = 0$, then we get Theorem A. In this case condition (13) reduces to condition (10) and condition (14) reduces to

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{1}{P_n} \right) = O\left(\frac{1}{P_v} \right) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (15)$$

which always holds. Also it may be noticed that, under the conditions on the sequence (λ_n) we have that (λ_n) is bounded and $\Delta\lambda_n = O(1/n)$ (see [2]).

3. Main result. The aim of this paper is to prove Theorem B under weaker conditions. Now, we shall prove the following theorem.

Theorem. Let (X_n) be a positive non-decreasing sequence. If the sequences (X_n) , (β_n) , (λ_n) , and (p_n) satisfy the conditions (6)-(9), (11)-(12), (14), and

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = O(X_m) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad (16)$$

then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{P_n \lambda_n}{n p_n}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$, $k \geq 1$ and $0 \leq \delta < 1/k$.

Remark. It should be noted that condition (16) is the same as condition (13) when $k=1$. When $k > 1$, condition (16) is weaker than condition (13) but the converse is not true. As in [12], we can show that if (13) is satisfied, then we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = O\left(\frac{1}{X_1^{k-1}}\right) \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} = O(X_m).$$

To show that the converse is false when $k > 1$, as in [5], the following example is sufficient. We can take $X_n = n^\sigma$, $0 < \sigma < 1$, and then construct a sequence (u_n) such that

$$u_n = \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = X_n - X_{n-1},$$

hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = X_m = m^\sigma,$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} &= \sum_{n=1}^m (X_n - X_{n-1}) X_n^{k-1} = \sum_{n=1}^m (n^\sigma - (n-1)^\sigma) n^{\sigma(k-1)} \\ &\geq \sigma \sum_{n=1}^m n^{\sigma-1} n^{\sigma(k-1)} = \sigma \sum_{n=1}^m n^{\sigma k-1} \sim \frac{m^{\sigma k}}{k} \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{1}{X_m} \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

provided $k > 1$. This shows that (13) implies (16) but not conversely. We require the following lemmas for the proof of our theorem.

Lemma 1.1([10]). Under the conditions on (X_n) , (β_n) and (λ_n) as expressed in the statement of the theorem, we have the following ;

$$nX_n\beta_n = O(1), \quad (17)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n X_n < \infty. \quad (18)$$

Lemma 3.2 ([11]). If the conditions (11) and (12) are satisfied, then $\Delta\left(\frac{P_n}{np_n}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$.

4. Proof of the theorem. Let (T_n) be the sequence of (\bar{N}, p_n) mean of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n P_n \lambda_n}{np_n}$. Then, by definition, we have

$$T_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=1}^n p_v \sum_{r=1}^v \frac{a_r P_r \lambda_r}{r p_r} = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=1}^n (P_n - P_{v-1}) \frac{a_v P_v \lambda_v}{v p_v}.$$

Then we get that

$$T_n - T_{n-1} = \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n \frac{P_{v-1} P_v a_v \lambda_v}{v p_v}, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (P_{-1} = 0).$$

By using Abel's transformation, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} T_n - T_{n-1} &= \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} s_v \Delta \left(\frac{P_{v-1} P_v \lambda_v}{v p_v} \right) + \frac{\lambda_n s_n}{n} \\ &= \frac{s_n \lambda_n}{n} + \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} s_v \frac{P_{v+1} P_v \Delta \lambda_v}{(v+1) p_{v+1}} \\ &\quad + \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v s_v \lambda_v \Delta \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v} \right) - \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} s_v P_v \lambda_v \frac{1}{v} \\ &= T_{n,1} + T_{n,2} + T_{n,3} + T_{n,4}. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |T_{n,r}|^k < \infty, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (19)$$

Applying Abel's transformation, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |T_{n,1}|^k &= \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{np_n} \right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} |\lambda_n|^{k-1} |\lambda_n| \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n} \left(\frac{1}{X_n} \right)^{k-1} |\lambda_n| \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_n| \sum_{v=1}^n \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} \\ &\quad + O(1) |\lambda_m| \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{n X_n^{k-1}} \end{aligned}$$

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

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 3.1. Now, by using (12) and applying Hölder's inequality we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k + k - 1} |T_{n,2}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k - 1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v s_v \Delta \lambda_v \right|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k - 1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_v}{p_v} |s_v| p_v |\Delta \lambda_v| \right\}^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k - 1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^k |s_v|^k p_v \beta_v^k \\
&\times \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v \right)^{k-1} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^k |s_v|^k p_v \beta_v^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k - 1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{k-1} \beta_v^{k-1} \beta_v \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} |s_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m (v \beta_v)^{k-1} \beta_v \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} |s_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{X_v} \right)^{k-1} \beta_v \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} |s_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v \beta_v \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v \beta_v) \sum_{r=1}^v \left(\frac{P_r}{p_r} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_r|^k}{r X_r^{k-1}} \\
&+ O(1) m \beta_m \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta(v \beta_v)| X_v + O(1) m \beta_m X_m
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |(v+1)\Delta\beta_v - \beta_v| X_v + O(1)m\beta_m X_m \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v |\Delta\beta_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} X_v \beta_v + O(1)m\beta_m X_m = O(1),
\end{aligned}$$

as $m \rightarrow \infty$, by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 3.1. Again, as in $T_{n,1}$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} |T_{n,3}|^k &= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} \left| \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v s_v \lambda_v \Delta \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v}\right) \right|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v |s_v| |\lambda_v| \left|\frac{1}{v}\right| \right\}^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right) p_v |s_v| |\lambda_v| \left|\frac{1}{v}\right| \right\}^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v}\right)^k p_v |s_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \\
&\quad \times \left\{ \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v \right\}^{k-1} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v}\right)^k |s_v|^k p_v |\lambda_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v}\right)^k p_v |s_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{1}{P_v} \cdot \frac{v}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{v p_v}\right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v|^{k-1} |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{X_v}\right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} X_v \beta_v + O(1) X_m |\lambda_m| = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem, Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2. Finally, using Hölder's inequality, as in $T_{n,3}$, we have get

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} |T_{n,4}|^k = \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} s_v \frac{P_v}{v} \lambda_v \right|^k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} s_v \frac{P_v}{vp_v} p_v \lambda_v \right|^k \\
&\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |s_v|^k \left(\frac{P_v}{vp_v} \right)^k p_v |\lambda_v|^k \\
&\times \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v \right)^{k-1} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{vp_v} \right)^k \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} |s_v|^k p_v |\lambda_v|^k \frac{1}{P_v} \cdot \frac{v}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{vp_v} \right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v|^{k-1} |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{X_v} \right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v} \right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} X_v \beta_v + O(1) X_m |\lambda_m| = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem. If we take $\delta=0$, then we get a new result dealing with $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ summability factors of infinite series. If we take $k=1$ and $\delta=0$, then we get a known result of Mishra and Srivastava dealing with $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ summability factors of infinite series (see [11]). Finally, if we take $p_n = 1$ for all values of n , then we get a new result concerning the $|C, 1; \delta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series.

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