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ON THE GENERALIZED CESÀRO SUMMABILITY FACTORS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper a general theorem concerning the $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability factors of infinite series has been proved.

1. Introduction. A sequence (w_n) of positive numbers is said to be δ -quasi monotone, if $w_n \to 0$, $w_n > 0$ ultimately and $\Delta w_n \ge -\delta_n$, where (δ_n) is a sequence of positive numbers (see[1]). Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series with partial sums (s_n) . We define A_n^{α} by identity

(1)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n^{\alpha} x^n = (1-x)^{-\alpha-1}.$$

The sequence-to-sequence transformations given by

(2)
$$u_n^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=0}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} s_v$$

(3)
$$t_{n}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_{n}^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_{v},$$

define the (C, α) means of the sequences (s_n) and (na_n) , respectively.

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|C, \alpha|_k, k \ge 1$ and $\alpha > -1$, if (see [3])

(4)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} \mid u_n^{\alpha} - u_{n-1}^{\alpha} \mid^k < \infty.$$

If we take $\alpha = 1$, then $|C, \alpha|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, 1|_k$ summability. Let (ψ_n) be a sequence of positive real numbers. We say that the series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$, $k \ge 1$, $\alpha > -1$ and $\delta \ge 0$, if

(5)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \mid u_n^{\alpha} - u_{n-1}^{\alpha} \mid^{k} < \infty.$$

But since $t_n^{\alpha} = n(u_n^{\alpha} - u_{n-1}^{\alpha})$ (see [4]) condition (5) can also be written as

(6)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k < \infty.$$

If we take $\delta = 0$ and $\psi_n = n$ (resp. $\delta = 0$, $\alpha = 1$ and $\psi_n = n$), then $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability is the same as $|C, \alpha|_k$ (resp. $|C, 1|_k$) summability.

Remark. Since (ψ_n) is a sequence of positive real numbers the summability

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method $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ is a new method and general than the $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability method. On the other hand $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ and $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ summability methods are different from each other. That is they have got different summability fields. Therefore, we take the sequence (ψ_n) instead of n.

2. The following theorem is known.

Theorem A([2]). Let t_n^{α} be the n-th Cesàro mean of order α , with $\alpha \geq 1$, of the sequence (na_n) such that $a_n \geq 0$ for all $n \geq 1$ whenever $\alpha > 1$ and let $\lambda_n \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Suppose that there exists a sequence of numbers (B_n) such that it is δ -quasi monotone with $\sum n^{\alpha} \delta_n \log n < \infty$, $\sum B_n \log n$ is convergent and $|\Delta \lambda_n| \leq |B_n|$ for all n.

(7)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} |\Delta(n^{\alpha})|| B_{n+1} |\log n = O(1),$$

(8)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{n} \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k = O(\log m) \text{ as } m \to \infty.$$

then the series $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is summable $|C, \alpha|_k, k \ge 1$.

3. The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem A in the following form.

Theorem. Let $k \ge 1$ and $\delta \ge 0$. Let t_n^{α} be the n-th Cesàro mean of order α , with $\alpha \ge 1$, of the sequence (na_n) such that $a_n \ge 0$ for all $n \ge 1$ whenever $\alpha > 1$ and let $\lambda_n \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Suppose that there exists a sequence of numbers (B_n) such that it is δ -quasi monotone with $\sum n^{\alpha} \delta_n \log n < \infty$, $\sum B_n \log n$ is convergent, $|\Delta \lambda_n| \le |B_n|$ for all n and that condition (7) of Theorem A is satisfied. If there exists an $\epsilon > 0$ such that the sequence $(n^{\epsilon-k}\psi_n^{\delta k+k-1})$ is non-increasing and

(9)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k = O(\log m) \text{ as } m \to \infty,$$

then the series $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is summable $\psi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$.

If we take $\delta = 0$, $\epsilon = 1$ and $\psi_n = n$ in this theorem, then we get Theorem A. 4. We need the following lemmas for the proof of our theorem. Lemma 1 ([5]). If $\sigma > \delta > 0$, then

(10)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} A_{n-v}^{\delta-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{m} (n-v)^{\delta-1} = O(\delta^{-1})^{\delta-1}$$

(10)
$$\sum_{n=v+1} \frac{A_{n-v}^{\delta}}{A_n^{\sigma}} = \sum_{n=v+1} \frac{(n-v)^{\delta-1}}{n^{\sigma}} = O(v^{\delta-\sigma}) \text{ as } m \to \infty.$$

Lemma 2 ([2]). Let $\lambda_n \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Suppose that there exists a sequence of numbers (B_n) which is δ -quasi monotone with $\sum B_n \log n$ is convergent and $|\Delta \lambda_n| \leq |B_n|$ for all n, then

(11)
$$|\lambda_n| \log n = O(1) \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

Lemma 3 ([2]). Let $\alpha \ge 1$. If (B_n) is δ -quasi monotone with $\sum n^{\alpha} \delta_n \log n < \infty$ and $\sum B_n \log n$ is convergent, then

(12)
$$m^{\alpha}B_m \log m = O(1) \text{ as } m \to \infty,$$

(13)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\alpha} \mid \Delta B_n \mid \log n < \infty$$

Lemma 4 ([2]). Let t_n^{α} be the n-th Cesàro mean of order α , with $\alpha \ge 1$, of the sequence (na_n) such that $a_n \ge 0$ for all $n \ge 1$ whenever $\alpha > 1$. If $n \ge v$, then

(14)
$$|\sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_p| \le A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^{\alpha} | t_v^{\alpha} |.$$

5. Proof of the Theorem. Let (T_n^{α}) be the n-th (C, α) , with $\alpha \geq 1$, means of the sequence $(na_n\lambda_n)$. Then, by (3), we have

(15)
$$T_n^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_v \lambda_v.$$

Using Abel's transformation, we get

$$T_n^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_p + \frac{\lambda_n}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_v$$
$$= \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_p + \lambda_n t_n^{\alpha}$$
$$= T_{n,1}^{\alpha} + T_{n,2}^{\alpha}, \text{ say }.$$

Since

$$|T_{n,1}^{\alpha} + T_{n,2}^{\alpha}|^{k} \le 2^{k} (|T_{n,1}^{\alpha}|^{k} + |T_{n,2}^{\alpha}|^{k}),$$

to complete the proof of the theorem, it is sufficient to show that

(16)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid T_{n,r}^{\alpha} \mid^k < \infty \text{ for } r = 1, 2, \text{ by (6)}.$$

Firstly, when k > 1, using Lemma 4 and after applying Hölder's inequality with indices k and k', where $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$, we get that

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid T_{n,1}^{\alpha} \mid^k &= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_p \mid^k \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha})^{-k} \{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \mid B_v \mid A_v^{\alpha} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} \mid t_v^{\alpha} \mid \}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha})^{-k} \{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} \mid t_v^{\alpha} \mid \}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} A_n^{\alpha} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} (v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid)^k A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} \mid t_v^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &\leq \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1}}{A_n^{\alpha}} \}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} (v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid)^{k-1} (v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid) \mid t_v^{\alpha} \mid^k \sum_{n=v}^{m+1} \frac{\psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1}}{n^{k} A_n^{\alpha}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid |t_v^{\alpha} \mid^k \sum_{n=v}^{m+1} \frac{\psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{\epsilon-k} (n-v)^{\alpha-1}}{n^{\alpha+\epsilon}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid |t_v^{\alpha} \mid^k \psi_v^{\delta k+k-1} v^{\epsilon-k} \sum_{n=v}^{m+1} \frac{(n-v)^{\alpha-1}}{n^{\alpha+\epsilon}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid |t_v^{\alpha} \mid^k \psi_v^{\delta k+k-1} v^{\epsilon-k}, \end{split}$$

by Lemma 1. Thus

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid T_{n,1}^{\alpha} \mid^k = O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v^{\alpha} \mid B_v \mid) \sum_{p=1}^{v} \psi_p^{\delta k+k-1} p^{-k} \mid t_p^{\alpha} \mid^k$$

$$+ O(1)m^{\alpha} | B_{m} | \sum_{v=1}^{m} \psi_{v}^{\delta k+k-1} v^{-k} | t_{v}^{\alpha} |^{k}$$

= $O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v^{\alpha} | B_{v} |) \log v + O(1)m^{\alpha} | B_{m} | \log m$
= $O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v^{\alpha} | \Delta B_{v} | \log v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} | \Delta(v^{\alpha}) || B_{v+1} | \log v$
+ $O(1)m^{\alpha} | B_{m} | \log m = O(1) \text{ as } m \to \infty,$

by virtue of the hypotheses of the Theorem and Lemma 3. Again, since $|\lambda_n| = O(1)$, we have that

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid T_{n,2}^{\alpha} \mid^k &= \sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid \lambda_n t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid \lambda_n \mid^{k-1} \mid \lambda_n \mid \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid \lambda_n \mid \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \Delta \mid \lambda_n \mid \sum_{p=1}^{n} \psi_p^{\delta k+k-1} p^{-k} \mid t_p^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &+ O(1) \mid \lambda_m \mid \sum_{n=1}^{m} \psi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \mid \Delta \lambda_n \mid \log n + O(1) \mid \lambda_m \mid \log m \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \mid B_n \mid \log n + O(1) \mid \lambda_m \mid \log m \\ &= O(1) \operatorname{as} m \to \infty, \end{split}$$

by virtue of the hypotheses of the Theorem and Lemma 2. Therefore, we get (16). This completes the proof of the Theorem.

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