

## On absolute matrix summability methods

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**Abstract.** *In this paper a theorem on  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability methods, which generalizes a theorem of Bor [2] on  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability methods, has been proved.*

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series with the partial sums  $(s_n)$ , and let  $A = (a_{nv})$  be a normal matrix, i.e., a lower triangular matrix of non-zero diagonal entries. Then  $A$  defines the sequence-to-sequence transformation, mapping the sequence  $s = (s_n)$  to  $As = (A_n(s))$ , where

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

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A|_k, k \geq 1$ , if (see [5])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\bar{\Delta}A_n(s)|^k < \infty, \tag{2}$$

where

$$\bar{\Delta}A_n(s) = A_n(s) - A_{n-1}(s).$$

Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$P_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (P_{-i} = p_{-i} = 0, i \geq 1). \tag{3}$$

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The sequence-to-sequence transformation

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

defines the sequence  $(t_n)$  of the  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  mean of the sequence  $(s_n)$ , generated by the sequence of coefficients  $(p_n)$  (see [3]). The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , if (see [1])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |t_n - t_{n-1}|^k < \infty, \quad (5)$$

and it is said to be summable  $|A, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , if (see [4])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |\bar{\Delta} A_n(s)|^k < \infty. \quad (6)$$

In the special case when  $p_n = 1$  for all  $n$ ,  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability is the same as  $|A|_k$  summability. Also if we take  $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$ , then  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability is the same as  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability.

Bor [2] has proved the following theorem for  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability of infinite series.

**Theorem A.** *Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that*

$$P_n = O(np_n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (7)$$

*If  $(X_n)$  is a positive monotonic non-decreasing sequence such that*

$$|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (8)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n X_n |\Delta^2 \lambda_n| = O(1), \quad (9)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{P_n} |t_n|^k = O(X_m), \quad (10)$$

where

$$t_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{v=1}^n v a_v,$$

then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ .

## 2. The main result

The aim of this paper is to generalize *Theorem A* for absolute matrix summability. Before stating the main theorem we must first introduce some further notations. Given a normal matrix  $A = (a_{nv})$ , we associate two lower semimatrices  $\bar{A} = (\bar{a}_{nv})$  and  $\hat{A} = (\hat{a}_{nv})$  as follows:

$$\bar{a}_{nv} = \sum_{i=v}^n a_{ni}, \quad n, v = 0, 1, \dots \tag{11}$$

and

$$\hat{a}_{00} = \bar{a}_{00} = a_{00}, \quad \hat{a}_{nv} = \bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \tag{12}$$

It may be noted that  $\bar{A}$  and  $\hat{A}$  are the well-known matrices of series-to-sequence and series-to-series transformations, respectively. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(s) &= \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} s_v = \sum_{v=0}^n a_{nv} \sum_{i=0}^v a_i \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \sum_{v=i}^n a_{nv} \sum_{i=0}^n \bar{a}_{ni} a_i \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\Delta}A_n(s) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \bar{a}_{ni} a_i - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \bar{a}_{n-1,i} a_i \\ &= \bar{a}_{nn} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\bar{a}_{ni} - \bar{a}_{n-1,i}) a_i \\ &= \hat{a}_{nn} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \hat{a}_{ni} a_i = \sum_{i=0}^n \hat{a}_{ni} a_i. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Now we shall prove the following theorem.

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

$$\bar{a}_{no} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \tag{15}$$

$$a_{n-1,v} \geq a_{nv}, \quad \text{for } n \geq v + 1, \tag{16}$$

$$a_{nn} = O\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right), \tag{17}$$

$$\hat{a}_{n,v+1} = O(v \mid \Delta_v \hat{a}_{nv} \mid). \tag{18}$$

If  $(X_n)$  is a positive monotonic non-decreasing sequence such that conditions (8)-(10) of Theorem A are satisfied, then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $|A, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ .

It should be noted that if we take  $a_{nv} = \frac{p_v}{P_n}$ , then we get Theorem A. Furthermore, in this case condition (18) reduces to condition (7).

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

**Lemma ([2]).** Under the conditions of Theorem A, we have that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n |\Delta \lambda_n| < \infty, \quad (19)$$

$$nX_n |\Delta \lambda_n| = O(1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (20)$$

### 3. Proof of the Theorem

Let  $(T_n)$  denotes an A-transform of the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ . By (13) and (14) then we have

$$\bar{\Delta}T_n = \sum_{v=0}^n \hat{a}_{nv} a_v \lambda_v.$$

Applying Abel's transformation, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\Delta}T_n &= \sum_{v=1}^n \frac{\hat{a}_{nv} \lambda_v}{v} v a_v \\ &= \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta_v \left( \frac{\hat{a}_{nv} \lambda_v}{v} \right) (v+1)t_v + \frac{n+1}{n} \hat{a}_{nn} \lambda_n t_n \\ &= \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{v+1}{v} \Delta_v (\hat{a}_{nv}) \lambda_v t_v + \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{v+1}{v} \hat{a}_{n,v+1} \Delta \lambda_v t_v \\ &\quad + \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{\hat{a}_{n,v+1} \lambda_{v+1} t_v}{v} + \frac{n+1}{n} a_{nn} \lambda_n t_n \\ &= T_n(1) + T_n(2) + T_n(3) + T_n(4), \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$|T_n(1) + T_n(2) + T_n(3) + T_n(4)|^k \leq 4^k (|T_n(1)|^k + |T_n(2)|^k + |T_n(3)|^k + |T_n(4)|^k),$$

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

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

Applying Hölder's inequality with indices  $k$  and  $k'$ , where  $k > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_n(1)|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| |\lambda_v| |t_v| \right)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| |\lambda_v|^k |t_v|^k \right) \\ &\quad \times \left( \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| \right)^{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv}) &= \hat{a}_{nv} - \hat{a}_{n,v+1} \\ &= \bar{a}_{nv} - \bar{a}_{n-1,v} - \bar{a}_{n,v+1} + \bar{a}_{n-1,v+1} \\ &= a_{nv} - a_{n-1,v}, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

by using (15) and (16), we get that

$$\sum_{v=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_v(\hat{a}_{nv})| = \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} (a_{n-1,v} - a_{nv}) = 1 - 1 + a_{nn} = a_{nn}. \tag{22}$$

Hence we get

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

By (21), we have that

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

Thus, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_n(1)|^k &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k a_{vv} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{p_v}{P_v} |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(|\lambda_v|) \sum_{r=1}^v \frac{p_r}{P_r} |t_r|^k + O(1) |\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{p_v}{P_v} |t_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta\lambda_v| X_v + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

by virtue of the hypothesis of the *Theorem* and *Lemma*. By using (18) and (22), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} |T_n(2)|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \widehat{a}_{n,v+1} |\Delta\lambda_v| |t_v|\right)^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| |\Delta\lambda_v| |t_v|\right)^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} (v |\Delta\lambda_v|)^k |t_v|^k |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}|\right) \\
&\quad \times \left(\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}|\right)^{k-1} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m (v |\Delta\lambda_v|)^{k-1} (v |\Delta\lambda_v|) |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v |\Delta\lambda_v| |t_v|^k a_{vv} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v |\Delta\lambda_v| |t_v|^k \frac{p_v}{P_v} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v |\Delta\lambda_v|) \sum_{r=1}^v \frac{p_r}{P_r} |t_r|^k \\
&\quad + O(1) m |\Delta\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{p_v}{P_v} |t_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta(v |\Delta\lambda_v|)| X_v + O(1) m |\Delta\lambda_m| X_m \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v X_v |\Delta^2\lambda_v| + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta\lambda_{v+1}| X_v \\
&\quad + O(1) m |\Delta\lambda_v| X_m \\
&= O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

by virtue of the hypothesis of the *Theorem* and *Lemma*.

Again using Hölder's inequality, as in  $T_n(1)$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_n(3)|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \widehat{a}_{n,v+1} \frac{|\lambda_{v+1}|}{v} |t_v| \right)^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| |\lambda_{v+1}| |t_v| \right)^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \right) \\
&\quad \times \left( \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| \right)^{k-1} \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^{k-1} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_{v+1}|^k |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} |\Delta_v \widehat{a}_{nv}| \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m a_{vv} |\lambda_{v+1}|^{k-1} |\lambda_{v+1}| |t_v|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{p_v}{P_v} |\lambda_{v+1}| |t_v|^k = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, again as in  $T_n(1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=1}^m \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_n(4)|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} a_{nn}^{k-1} |\lambda_n|^k |t_n|^k \\
&= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{p_n}{P_n} |\lambda_n| |t_n|^k = O(1) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

by virtue of the hypothesis of the *Theorem* and *Lemma*. Therefore, we have that

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left( \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{k-1} |T_n(r)|^k = O(1), \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{for } r = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

This completes the proof of the *Theorem*.

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