# ON AN APPLICATION OF POWER INCREASING SEQUENCES

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**Abstract.** In this paper we prove a general new summability factor theorem for infinite series involving quasi-power increasing sequences. Some new results are also deduced.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A positive sequence  $(X_n)$  is said to be a quasi- $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence if there exists a constant  $K = K(\sigma, X) \ge 1$  such that  $Kn^{\sigma}X_n \ge m^{\sigma}X_m$  for all  $n \ge m \ge 1$  (see [18]). For any sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  we write that  $\Delta\lambda_n = \lambda_n - \lambda_{n+1}$ . Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series with partial sums  $(s_n)$ . We denote by  $u_n^{\alpha}$  and  $t_n^{\alpha}$  the *n*th Cesàro means of order  $\alpha, \alpha > -1$ , of the sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(na_n)$ , respectively, that is (see [13]),

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

where

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

A series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k, k \ge 1$  and  $\delta \ge 0$ , if (see [15])

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

If we set  $\delta=0$ , then we get the  $|C, \alpha|_k$  summability (see [14]). Let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

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

The sequence-to-sequence transformation

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

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 [16]). The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be the  $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$  summable,  $k \ge 1$  and  $\delta \ge 0$ , if (see [7])

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

If we set  $\delta = 0$ , then we obtain the  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability (see [1]). If we take  $p_n = 1$  for all n, then we get the  $|C, 1; \delta|_k$  summability. Finally, if we set  $\delta = 0$  and k = 1, then we get the  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$  summability (see [20]).

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### 2. KNOWN RESULT

Several theorems have been proved dealing with the  $|\bar{N}, p_n; \delta|_k$  summability factors of infinite series (see [3, 5–12, 17]). Among them, in [10], the following theorem has been proved.

**Theorem A.** Let  $(X_n)$  be a quasi- $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for some  $\sigma$  ( $0 < \sigma < 1$ ). Suppose that there exist the sequences  $(\beta_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  such that

$$|\Delta\lambda_n| \le \beta_n,\tag{1}$$

$$\beta_n \to 0 \quad as \quad n \to \infty,$$
 (2)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta\beta_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{3}$$

$$|\lambda_n|X_n = O(1). \tag{4}$$

If

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n} \left(\frac{P_{v}}{p_{v}}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_{v}|^{k}}{v X_{v}^{k-1}} = O(X_{n}) \quad as \quad n \to \infty$$

$$\tag{5}$$

and  $(p_n)$  is a sequence such that

$$P_n = O(np_n),\tag{6}$$

$$P_n \Delta p_n = O(p_n p_{n+1}),\tag{7}$$

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} = O\left(\left(\frac{P_\nu}{p_\nu}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{1}{P_\nu}\right) \quad as \quad m \to \infty,\tag{8}$$

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

# 3. The Main Result

The aim of this paper is to prove Theorem A under weaker conditions. Now, we prove the following **Theorem.** Let  $(X_n)$  be a quasi- $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for some  $\sigma$  ( $0 < \sigma < 1$ ). If the conditions (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (7), (8) and

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_v|^k}{v X_v^{k-1}} = O(X_n) \quad as \quad n \to \infty$$
(9)

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**Remark.** It should be noted that the condition (5) implies the condition (9) but the converse is need not be true (see [4, 19]).

To prove our theorem, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** ([18]). Under the conditions on  $(X_n)$ ,  $(\beta_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  as as expressed in the statement of the theorem, we have the following:

$$nX_n\beta_n = O(1),$$
  
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n X_n < \infty.$$
 (10)

**Lemma 2** ([2]). If the conditions (6) and (7) are satisfied, then

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

## 4. Proof of the theorem

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

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

and hence

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

Using Abel's transformation, we get

$$\begin{split} T_n - T_{n-1} &= \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \left( \frac{P_{v-1} P_v \lambda_v}{v^2 p_v} \right) \sum_{r=1}^v ra_r + \frac{\lambda_n}{n^2} \sum_{v=1}^n va_v \\ &= \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_v}{p_v} (v+1) t_v p_v \frac{\lambda_v}{v^2} \\ &+ \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v P_v \Delta \lambda_v (v+1) \frac{t_v}{v^2 p_v} - \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v \lambda_{v+1} (v+1) t_v \Delta (P_v / v^2 p_v) \\ &+ \lambda_n t_n (n+1) / n^2 = T_{n,1} + T_{n,2} + T_{n,3} + T_{n,4}. \end{split}$$

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

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

Now, applying Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} |T_{n,1}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left\{\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_v}{p_v} p_v |t_v| |\lambda_v| \frac{1}{v}\right\}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^k p_v |t_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \frac{1}{v^k} \\ &\times \left\{\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v\right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^k p_v |t_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \frac{1}{v^k} \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^k |\lambda_v|^{k-1} |\lambda_v| p_v |t_v|^k \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{v^k} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{1}{X_v}\right)^{k-1} |t_v|^k \frac{1}{v^k} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} v^{k-1} \frac{1}{v^k} \left(\frac{1}{X_v}\right)^{k-1} |\lambda_v| |t_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_v|^k}{vX_v^{k-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \Delta |\lambda_v| \sum_{r=1}^v \left(\frac{P_r}{p_r}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_r|^k}{rX_r^{k-1}} \end{split}$$

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$$+O(1)|\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_v|^k}{vX_v^{k-1}}$$
$$=O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} |\Delta\lambda_v| X_v + O(1)|\lambda_m| X_m$$
$$=O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \beta_v X_v + O(1)|\lambda_m| X_m = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty,$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 1. Now, using (6), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} |T_{n,2}|^k &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^k} \left\{\sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_v}{p_v} p_v |\Delta \lambda_v| |t_v|\right\}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^k p_v |\Delta \lambda_v|^k |t_v|^k \\ &\times \left\{\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v\right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^k p_v (\beta_v)^k |t_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{k-1} (\beta_v)^k |t_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \sqrt{\frac{P_v}{p_v}} |\lambda_v|^{k-1} (\beta_v)|t_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_v|^k}{vX_v^{k-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m \lambda(v\beta_v) \sum_{r=1}^v \left(\frac{P_r}{p_r}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_r|^k}{rX_r^{k-1}} + O(1)m\beta_m \sum_{v=1}^m \left(\frac{P_v}{p_v}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_v|^k}{vX_v^{k-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v |\Delta \beta_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \beta_v X_v + O(1)m\beta_m X_m \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \to \infty, \end{split}$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 1. Again, using Lemma 1 and Lemma 2, as in  $T_{n,1}$ , we have

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

Finally, as in  $T_{n,1}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k+k-1} |T_{n,4}|^k = &O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^k \frac{1}{n^k} |\lambda_n|^k |t_n|^k \\ = &O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} n^{k-1} \frac{1}{n^k} |\lambda_n|^{k-1} |\lambda_n| |t_n|^k \\ = &O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} |\lambda_n| \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|t_n|^k}{nX_n^{k-1}} = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty. \end{split}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem. If we set  $\delta=0$ , then we have a result dealing with  $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k$  summability factors of infinite series. Also, if we take  $p_n = 1$  for all n, then we obtain a new result

concerning the  $|C, 1; \delta|_k$  summability factors of infinite series. Finally, if we set  $\delta = 0$  and k = 1, then we get a result related to the  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$  summability factors of infinite series.

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