## ON CERTAIN APPLICATIONS OF QUASI-POWER INCREASING SEQUENCES

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**Abstract.** Recently, in [7], we proved a main theorem dealing with the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$  summability factors of infinite series. In the present paper, we have generalized this theorem for the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k \leq |c|$  summability methods by using a quasi-f-power increasing sequence instead of an almost increasing sequence. Some new results are also obtained.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A positive sequence  $(b_n)$  is said to be an almost increasing sequence if there exist a positive increasing sequence  $(c_n)$  and two positive constants M and N such that  $Mc_n \leq b_n \leq Nc_n$  (see [2]). A positive sequence  $X = (X_n)$  is said to be a quasi-f-power increasing sequence if there exists a constant  $K = K(X, f) \geq 1$  such that  $Kf_nX_n \geq f_mX_m$  for all  $n \geq m \geq 1$ , where  $f = \{f_n(\sigma, \delta)\} = \{n^{\sigma}(\log n)^{\delta}, \delta \geq 0, 0 < \sigma < 1\}$  (see [14]). If we take  $\delta = 0$ , then we get a quasi- $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence and every almost increasing sequence is a quasi- $\sigma$ -power increasing sequence for any non-negative  $\sigma$ , but the converse need not be true as can be seen by taking  $X_n = n^{-\sigma}$  (see [12]). For any sequence  $(\lambda_n)$ , we write that  $\Delta\lambda_n = \lambda_n - \lambda_{n+1}$ . Let  $\sum a_n$  be an infinite series. We denote by  $t_n^{\alpha*\beta}$  the *n*th convolution Cesàro mean of order  $(\alpha*\beta)$ , with  $\alpha + \beta > -1$ , of the sequence  $(na_n)$ , i.e., (see [8])

$$t_n^{\alpha*\beta} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v, \tag{1}$$

where

$$A_n^{\alpha+\beta} \simeq \frac{n^{\alpha+\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)}, \quad A_{-n}^{\alpha+\beta} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad n > 0.$$

Let  $(\varphi_n)$  be a sequence of complex numbers. The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$ , if (see [4])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^k} \mid \varphi_n t_n^{\alpha * \beta} \mid^k < \infty.$$

If we set  $\beta = 0$ , then the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability reduces to the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$  summability (see [1]). If we take  $\varphi_n = n^{1-\frac{1}{k}}$ , then the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability is the same as the  $|C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability (see [9]). Also if we take  $\varphi_n = n^{1-\frac{1}{k}}$  and  $\beta = 0$ , then we have the  $|C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability (see [10]). Furthermore, if we take  $\varphi_n = n^{\delta+1-\frac{1}{k}}$  and  $\beta = 0$ , then the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability reduces to  $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability (see [11]). Finally, if we take  $\varphi_n = n^{\delta+1-\frac{1}{k}}$ , then the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability reduces to the  $|C, \alpha * \beta; \delta|_k$  summability (see [5]).

#### 2. KNOWN RESULT

The following main theorem dealing with absolute Cesàro summability factors of infinite series is known.

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**Theorem A** ([7]). Let  $(\varphi_n)$  be a sequence of complex numbers and  $(w_n^{\alpha})$  be a sequence defined by (see [13])

$$w_n^{\alpha} = \begin{cases} |t_n^{\alpha}|, & \alpha = 1\\ \max_{1 \le v \le n} |t_v^{\alpha}|, & 0 < \alpha < 1. \end{cases}$$

Let  $(\kappa_n)$  be a positive sequence and  $(X_n)$  be an almost increasing sequence. Suppose also that there exists an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that the sequence  $(n^{\epsilon-k} | \varphi_n |^k)$  is non-increasing. If the conditions

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left| \Delta^2 \lambda_n \right| X_n < \infty, \tag{2}$$

$$|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty, \tag{3}$$

$$\kappa_n = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty,$$
(4)

$$n\Delta\kappa_n = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty,$$
 (5)

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n} \frac{(\mid \varphi_v \mid w_v^{\alpha})^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} = O(X_n) \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty$$

hold, then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n \kappa_n$  is summable  $\varphi - |C, \alpha|_k$ , where  $0 < \alpha \le 1$ ,  $\epsilon + (\alpha - 1)k > 0$  and  $k \ge 1$ .

# 3. Main Result

The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem A for the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$  summability method by taking a wider class of increasing sequences. Now, we prove the following main theorem.

**Theorem.** Let  $(\varphi_n)$  be a sequence of complex numbers and let  $(\omega_n^{\alpha*\beta})$  be a sequence defined by (see [3])

$$\omega_n^{\alpha*\beta} = \begin{cases} \left| t_n^{\alpha*\beta} \right|, & \alpha = 1, \ \beta > -1 \\ \max_{1 \le v \le n} \left| t_v^{\alpha*\beta} \right|, & 0 < \alpha < 1, \ \beta > -1 \end{cases}$$

Let  $(\kappa_n)$  be a positive sequence and let  $(X_n)$  be a quasi-f-power increasing sequence. Suppose also that there exists an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that the sequence  $(n^{\epsilon-k} | \varphi_n |^k)$  is non-increasing. If the conditions (2)–(5) and

$$\sum_{v=1}^{n} \frac{(\mid \varphi_v \mid w_v^{\alpha * \beta})^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} = O(X_n) \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty$$

hold, then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n \kappa_n$  is summable  $\varphi - |C, \alpha * \beta|_k$ , where  $0 < \alpha \le 1$ ,  $\epsilon + (\alpha + \beta - 1) k > 0$ , and  $k \ge 1$ .

### 4. Lemmas

We need the following lemmas for the proof of theorem.

**Lemma 1** ([3]). If  $0 < \alpha \le 1$ ,  $\beta > -1$ , and  $1 \le v \le n$ , then

$$\left|\sum_{p=0}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^{\beta} a_p\right| \leq \max_{1 \leq m \leq v} \left|\sum_{p=0}^{m} A_{m-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^{\beta} a_p\right|.$$

**Lemma 2** ([6]). Under the conditions on  $(X_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  as taken in the statement of the theorem, the following conditions

$$nX_n |\Delta\lambda_n| = O(1) \quad as \quad n \to \infty,$$
  
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n |\Delta\lambda_n| < \infty$$

hold.

# 5. Proof of the Theorem

Let  $(T_n^{\alpha*\beta})$  be the *n*th  $(C, \alpha*\beta)$  mean, with  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , of the sequence  $(na_n\lambda_n\kappa_n)$ . Then by (1), we have

$$T_n^{\alpha*\beta} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v \lambda_v \kappa_v.$$

Now, applying Abel's transformation first and then using Lemma 1, we obtain

$$\begin{split} T_n^{\alpha*\beta} &= \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta(\lambda_v \kappa_n) \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p + \frac{\lambda_n \kappa_n}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v \\ &= \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \lambda_v \Delta \kappa_v + \kappa_{v+1} \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p + \frac{\lambda_n \kappa_n}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v. \\ &|T_n^{\alpha*\beta}| \leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\lambda_v \Delta \kappa_v| \left| \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p \right| + \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\kappa_{v+1} \Delta \lambda_v| \left| \sum_{p=1}^v A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} A_p^\beta p a_p \right| \\ &+ \frac{|\lambda_n \kappa_n|}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \left| \sum_{v=1}^v A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} A_v^\beta v a_v \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha+\beta} w_v^{\alpha*\beta} |\lambda_v| |\Delta \kappa_v| + \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha+\beta}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha+\beta} w_v^{\alpha*\beta} |\kappa_{v+1}| |\Delta \lambda_v| + |\lambda_n| |\kappa_n| w_n^{\alpha*\beta} \\ &= T_{n,1}^{\alpha*\beta} + T_{n,2}^{\alpha*\beta} + T_{n,3}^{\alpha*\beta}. \end{split}$$

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

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^k} |\varphi_n T_{n,r}^{\alpha*\beta}|^k < \infty, \quad \text{for} \quad r = 1, 2, 3.$$

Now, when k > 1, applying Hölder's inequality with indices k and k', where  $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$ , we get

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{1}{n^k} |\varphi_n T_{n,1}^{\alpha*\beta}|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha+\beta})^{-k} |\varphi_n|^k \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha+\beta} w_v^{\alpha*\beta} |\Delta\kappa_v| |\lambda_v| \right\}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{k+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k |\Delta\kappa_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} 1 \right\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k |\lambda_v|^k \frac{1}{v^k} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k v^{-k} |\lambda_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k v^{-k} |\lambda_v|^k v^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{1}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k v^{-k} |\lambda_v|^k v^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_v|^k \sum_{v=1}^{m+1} \frac{1}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m (w_v^{\alpha*\beta})^k |\lambda_v| |\lambda_v|^{k-1} \frac{|\varphi_v|^k}{v^k} = O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m |\lambda_v| \frac{(w_v^{\alpha*\beta} |\varphi_v|)^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} \end{split}$$

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$$=O(1)\sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_v| \sum_{r=1}^{v} \frac{(w_r^{\alpha*\beta} |\varphi_r|)^k}{r^k X_r^{k-1}} + O(1) |\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{(w_v^{\alpha*\beta} |\varphi_v|)^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}}$$
$$=O(1)\sum_{v=1}^{m} |\Delta \lambda_v| X_v + O(1) |\lambda_m| X_m = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty,$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 2. Again, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{1}{n^k} \Big| \varphi_n T_{n,2}^{\alpha+\beta} \Big|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha+\beta})^{-k} \Big| \varphi_n \Big|^k \Big\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha+\beta} w_v^{\alpha+\beta} |\kappa_{v+1}| |\Delta\lambda_v| \Big\}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{k+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \Big\{ \sum_{v=1}^n v^{\alpha+\beta} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta}) |\Delta\lambda_v| \Big\}^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{k+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v|^k \Big\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} 1 \Big\}^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v| |\Delta\lambda_v|^{k-1} \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{|\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+(\alpha+\beta)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v| |\Delta\lambda_v|^{k-1} \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v| |\Delta\lambda_v|^{k-1} \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{(\alpha+\beta)k} (w_v^{\alpha+\beta})^k |\Delta\lambda_v| |\Delta\lambda_v|^{k-1} \sum_{v=1}^{m+1} \frac{n^{\epsilon-k} |\varphi_n|^k}{n^{1+\epsilon+(\alpha+\beta-1)k}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v |\Delta\lambda_v| \frac{(w_v^{\alpha+\beta}|\varphi_v|)^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v |\Delta\lambda_v| \sum_{v=1}^v \frac{(w_v^{\alpha+\beta}|\varphi_v|)^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} + O(1)m|\Delta\lambda_m| \sum_{v=1}^m \frac{(w_v^{\alpha+\beta}|\varphi_v|)^k}{v^k X_v^{k-1}} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v |\Delta^2\lambda_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} X_v |\Delta\lambda_v| + O(1)m|\Delta\lambda_m| X_m \\ &= O(1) \text{ as } m \to \infty, \end{split}$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 2. Finally, as in  $T_{n,1}^{\alpha*\beta}$ , we have that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{n^{k}} |T_{n,3}^{\alpha*\beta}\varphi_{n}|^{k} = \sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{n^{k}} |\lambda_{n} \kappa_{n} w_{n}^{\alpha*\beta}\varphi_{n}|^{k} = O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} |\lambda_{n}| \frac{(w_{n}^{\alpha*\beta}|\varphi_{n}|)^{k}}{n^{k} X_{n}^{k-1}} = O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty,$$

by the hypotheses of the theorem and Lemma 2. This completes the proof of the theorem.

# 6. Particular Cases

1. If we take  $\beta = 0$  and  $(X_n)$  as an almost increasing sequence, then we have Theorem A. 2. Also, if we take  $\varphi_n = n^{\delta + 1 - \frac{1}{k}}$  and  $\beta = 0$ , then we obtain a new result dealing with the  $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$ 

2. Also, if we take  $\varphi_n = n$ summability factors of infinite series. 3. Finally, if we set  $\varphi_n = n^{\delta + 1 - \frac{1}{k}}$ , then we have a new result concerning the  $|C, \alpha * \beta; \delta|_k$  summability factors of infinite series.

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