



On Conservative Matrices in Summability of Series

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Abstract. In the present paper, we give some sufficient conditions for a matrix belongs to the class $B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, \delta_n; \varphi)$ when $\varphi \in \Delta(p, q)$. Our results generalize the result of Das [4] and Yu [13]. Some applications of the main results are given.

1. Introduction

Let $\{s_n\}$ be the partial sums of the infinite series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$, The Cesàro means of order α of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ are defined by

$$\sigma_n^\alpha := \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^n A_{n-j}^{\alpha-1} s_j, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots,$$

where

$$A_n^\alpha := \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(n + 1)}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots.$$

Let (C, α) be the Cesàro matrix of order α , that is, (C, α) be the lower triangular matrix $(A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1}/A_n^\alpha)$.

Das [4] defined a matrix $T := (t_{nj})$ to be absolutely k th-power conservative for $k \geq 1$, denoted by $T \in B(A_k)$, that is, if $\{s_n\}$ satisfies

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |s_n - s_{n-1}|^k < \infty,$$

then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |t_n - t_{n-1}|^k < \infty,$$

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where

$$t_n = \sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} s_j.$$

Flett [5] introduced the concept of absolute summability of order k . A series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ is summable $|C, \alpha|_k$, $k \geq 1$, $\alpha > -1$, if

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\sigma_{n-1}^{\alpha} - \sigma_n^{\alpha}|^k < \infty.$$

Flett [5] established the following inclusion theorem for $|C, \alpha|_k$. If the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ is summable $|C, \alpha|_k$, it is also summable for $|C, \alpha|_r$ for each $r \geq k \geq 1$, $\alpha > -1$, $\beta > \alpha + \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{r}$. Especially, a series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ which is $|C, \alpha|_k$ summability is also $|C, \beta|_k$ summability for $k \geq 1$, $\beta > \alpha > -1$.

If one sets $\alpha = 0$, from the above inclusion result, we have

Theorem A. Let $k \geq 1$, then $(C, \alpha) \in B(A_k)$ for $\alpha > 0$.

As we know, the k -th power conservative matrices actually are results of comparison of summability fields of absolute summability methods. Many mathematicians have obtained a lot of important results by comparing different absolute summability methods. Here we remind readers some interesting papers of Sarigöl ([8]-[11]). For example, take $a_v = s_v - s_{v-1}$, $s_0 = 0$. Denoted by t_n and T_n the Riesz means (R, p_n) and (R, q_n) of the sequence $\{s_v\}$, respectively. It is called that a series $\sum a_v$ or a sequence s_v is summable $|R, p_n|_k$ ($k \geq 1$) (see [10]), if $\{t_n^*\} \in l_k$, where

$$t_n^* := n^{1/k^*} (t_n - t_{n-1}) = \frac{n^{1/k^*} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n P_{v-1} a_v.$$

Since

$$T_n = \frac{1}{Q_n} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \left(\frac{q_v}{p_v} \right) P_v t_v + \frac{q_n P_n}{Q_n p_n} t_n = \sum_{v=1}^n d_{nv} t_v,$$

where

$$d_{nv} = \begin{cases} \frac{q_n P_v P_{v-1}}{Q_n Q_{n-1} p_v} \Delta \left(\frac{Q_{v-1}}{P_{v-1}} \right), & 1 \leq v < n, \\ \frac{q_n P_n}{Q_n p_n}, & v = n, \\ 0, & v > n. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that $D \in B(A_k)$ iff $|R, p_n|_k \Rightarrow |R, q_n|_k$. The author is indebted to Professor Sarigöl in Pamukkale University for providing this nice example.

There are many works have done to generalize the results of Das [4] and Flett [5](see [1]-[3], [12]-[16], for examples). Among them, we [13] generalized the concept of the absolutely k th-power conservative to the following

Definition 1.1. Let $\varphi(x)$ be a nonnegative function defined on $[0, \infty)$, $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$, $\{\gamma_n\}$ and $\{\delta_n\}$ be nonnegative sequences. We say that a matrix

$$T := (t_{nj}) \in B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, \delta_n; \varphi),$$

if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \varphi(\beta_n |s_n - s_{n-1}|) < \infty$$

implies that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n \varphi(\delta_n |t_n - t_{n-1}|) < \infty.$$

If $\alpha_n = \gamma_n = n^{-1}$, $\beta_n = \delta_n = n$, $\varphi(x) = x^k$, $k \geq 1$, then $B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, \delta_n; \varphi)$ reduces to $B(A_k)$.

Let $T := (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix, $\lambda = \{\lambda_n\}$ be a positive sequence. Set

$$\tilde{t}_{ni} := \begin{cases} \sum_{j=i}^n t_{nj} - \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} t_{n-1,j}, & 0 \leq i \leq n-1, \\ t_{nn}, & i = n, \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{T}_n(\lambda) := \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{|\tilde{t}_{nj}|}{\lambda_j}.$$

We [13] established the following general result:

Theorem 1.2. Let $\varphi(x)$ be a nonnegative convex function defined on $[0, \infty)$, $T := (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix satisfying $\sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} = 1$, and let $\{\alpha_n\}$ be a nonnegative sequence. If $\lambda = \{\lambda_n\}$ is a positive sequence such that

$$\lambda_n^{-1} \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \alpha_j |\tilde{t}_{jn}| (\tilde{T}_j(\lambda))^{-1} = O(A_n), \quad n \geq 1,$$

then

$$T \in B(A_n, \lambda_n; \alpha_n, (\tilde{T}_n(\lambda))^{-1}; \varphi).$$

Theorem 1.2 can be applied to test whether a Cesàro matrix or a Riesz matrix belong to $B(\alpha_n, \beta_n, \gamma_n, \delta_n, \varphi)$ or not. Especially, we [13] generalized Theorem A by applying Theorem 1.2 (see Theorem 3.3 in [13]).

Denote by $\Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$) the set of all nonnegative functions $\varphi(x)$ defined on $[0, \infty)$ such that $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\varphi(x)/x^p$ is nonincreasing and $\varphi(x)/x^q$ is nondecreasing. It is clear that $\Delta(p, q) \subset \Delta(p, 0)$ for $0 < q \leq p$. For example, $\Delta(p, 0)$ contains the function $\varphi(x) = \log(1+x)$, $t^p \in \Delta(p, p)$ and $t^p \log(1+t) \in \Delta(p+1, p)$ for $p > 0$.

We will establish two general results similar to Theorem 1.2 when $\varphi \in \Delta(p, q)$ in section 2 (Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.3), some applications of these two general results will be given in section 3.

Throughout the paper C_α denotes a positive constant depending only on α , their values may be different even in the same line. $\alpha_n \approx \beta_n$ means that there is a positive constant C such that $C^{-1}\beta_n \leq \alpha_n \leq C\beta_n$.

2. Main Results

Firstly, we have

Theorem 2.1. Let $\varphi(x) \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$), $T := (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix satisfying $\sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} = 1$. Assume that $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$ and $\lambda = \{\lambda_n\}$ are positive sequences satisfying the following conditions:

- (A) There is a positive constant K_1 such that at least one of the conditions $\inf \beta_n \geq K_1$ and $\sup \beta_n \leq K_1$ holds;
- (B) There is a positive constant K_2 such that $\inf \lambda_n \geq K_2 > 0$;
- (C)

$$\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta (\tilde{T}_n(\lambda))^{p^*-1} |\tilde{t}_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} = O(\lambda_i^{q-p^*+1} \gamma_i), \quad i \geq 1, \tag{1}$$

where $p^* := \max(1, p)$ and

$$\theta := \begin{cases} q, & \text{if } \inf \beta_n = 0, \\ p, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$T \in B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, \lambda_n; \varphi). \tag{2}$$

To prove Theorem 2.1, we need some properties of $\Delta(p, q)$:

Lemma 2.2. ([7]) Let $\Phi(x) \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$) and $t_j \geq 0, j = 1, 2, \dots$. Then

(a) $\eta^p \Phi(t) \leq \Phi(\eta t) \leq \eta^q \Phi(t)$ for $0 \leq \eta \leq 1, t \geq 0$;

(b) $\Phi(\eta t) \leq \eta^p \Phi(t)$ for $\eta \geq 1, t \geq 0$;

(c) $\Phi\left(\sum_{j=1}^n t_j\right) \leq \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \Phi^{1/p^*}(t_j)\right)^{p^*}$;

(d) $\Phi(x)$ is nondecreasing.

Remark. From (a) and (b) in Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\Phi(\beta_n t) = O(1)\beta_n^q \Phi(t),$$

when $\sup \beta_n \leq K_1$, and

$$\Phi(\beta_n t) = O(1)\beta_n^p \Phi(t),$$

when $\inf \beta_n \geq K_1$. In other words, we have

$$\Phi(\beta_n t) = O(1)\beta_n^\theta \Phi(t).$$

Proof of Theorem 2.1 Since (set $s_{-1} := 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} t_n &= \sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} s_j = \sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} \left(\sum_{i=0}^j (s_i - s_{i-1}) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n (s_i - s_{i-1}) \left(\sum_{j=i}^n t_{nj} \right), \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} t_n - t_{n-1} &= \sum_{i=0}^n (s_i - s_{i-1}) \left(\sum_{j=i}^n t_{nj} \right) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (s_i - s_{i-1}) \left(\sum_{j=i}^{n-1} t_{n-1,j} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n \tilde{t}_{ni} (s_i - s_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{t}_{ni} (s_i - s_{i-1}), \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality, we used the fact $\tilde{t}_{n0} = 0$, which follows from $\sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} = 1$ and the definition of \tilde{t}_{n0} .

Since $\inf \lambda_n \geq K_2 > 0$ and T is a lower triangular matrix satisfying $\sum_{j=0}^n t_{nj} = 1$, we see that $\frac{\tilde{t}_{ni}}{\lambda_i} = O(1)$. Then, by Lemma 2.2 and (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \varphi(\beta_n |t_n - t_{n-1}|) &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \varphi \left(\beta_n \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{-1} |\tilde{t}_{ni}| (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|) \right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \varphi \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{-1} |\tilde{t}_{ni}| (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|) \right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \varphi^{1/p^*}(\lambda_i^{-1} |\tilde{t}_{ni}| (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|)) \right)^{p^*} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^{\theta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{[t_{ni}]}{\lambda_i} \right)^{q/p^*} \varphi^{1/p^*} (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|) \right)^p \\
 &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^{\theta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{[t_{ni}]}{\lambda_i} \right)^{p^*-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{[t_{ni}]}{\lambda_i} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \varphi (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|) \right) \\
 &\hspace{10em} \text{(by Hölder's inequality)} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varphi (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|) \lambda_i^{p^*-q-1} \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^{\theta} (\tilde{T}_n(\lambda))^{p^*-1} [t_{ni}]^{q-p^*+1} \\
 &= O(1) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_i \varphi (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|),
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies (2).

Theorem 2.3. Let $T = (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix with the entries t_{nj} having the form $\frac{p_j}{P_n}$, where $p_j \geq 0$ for $0 \leq j \leq n$ and $P_n = \sum_{j=0}^n p_j > 0$. Let $\varphi \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$) and $\{\alpha_n\}, \lambda = \{\lambda_n\}$ be positive sequences. If

$$\sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \alpha_i \left(\tilde{T}_i(\lambda) \frac{P_i P_{i-1}}{p_i} \right)^{-q} = O \left(n \alpha_n \left(\tilde{T}_n(\lambda) \frac{P_n P_{n-1}}{p_n} \right)^{-q} \right), \tag{3}$$

then

$$T \in B \left(B_n, \lambda_n; \alpha_n, (\tilde{T}_n(\lambda))^{-1}; \varphi \right)$$

where

$$B_n = n^{p^*} \alpha_n \left(\tilde{T}_n(\lambda) \frac{P_n}{p_n} \right)^{-q} \lambda_n^{-q}.$$

Lemma 2.4. ([6]) Let $p \geq 1, \alpha_n \geq 0, \lambda_n > 0$, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \right)^p \leq p^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n^{1-p} \left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \lambda_k \right)^p \alpha_n^p.$$

Proof of Theorem 2.3 First, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{t}_{ni} &= \sum_{j=i}^n t_{nj} - \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} t_{nj} \\
 &= \frac{p_n}{P_n} + \left(\frac{1}{P_n} - \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \right) \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} p_j \\
 &= \frac{p_n}{P_n} - \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} (P_{n-1} - P_{i-1}) \\
 &= \frac{p_n P_{i-1}}{P_n P_{n-1}}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1,
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

and

$$\tilde{t}_{n0} = 0, \quad \tilde{t}_{nn} = \frac{p_n}{P_n}. \tag{5}$$

Noting that

$$\left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda)\right)^{-1} \frac{|\widetilde{t}_{ni}|}{\lambda_i} \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq n,$$

by Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \varphi\left(\left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda)\right)^{-1} |t_n - t_{n-1}|\right) \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \varphi\left(\left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda)\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}| (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|)\right) \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \varphi^{1/p^*}\left(\left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda)\right)^{-1} \lambda_i^{-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}| (\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|)\right)\right)^{p^*} \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda) \lambda_i\right)^{-q/p^*} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}|^{q/p^*} \varphi^{1/p^*}(\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|)\right)^{p^*} \\ & = O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda) \frac{P_n P_{n-1}}{p_n}\right)^{-q} \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i^{-1} P_{i-1})^{q/p^*} \varphi^{1/p^*}(\lambda_i |s_i - s_{i-1}|)\right)^{p^*} \\ & = O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\alpha_n \left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda) \frac{P_n P_{n-1}}{p_n}\right)^{-q}\right)^{1-p^*} \\ & \quad \times (\lambda_n^{-1} P_{n-1})^q \varphi(\lambda_n |s_n - s_{n-1}|) \times \left(\sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \alpha_i \left(\widetilde{T}_i(\lambda) \frac{P_i P_{i-1}}{p_i}\right)^{-q}\right)^{p^*} \\ & = O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{p^*} \alpha_n \left(\widetilde{T}_n(\lambda) \frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{-q} \lambda_n^{-q} \varphi(\lambda_n |s_n - s_{n-1}|), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 2.3.

3. Applications of The Main Results

We will use the following estimate frequently (see [17]):

$$A_n^\alpha \simeq \frac{n^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}, \quad \alpha > -1. \tag{6}$$

Theorem 3.1. Let $\varphi(x) \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$), $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$ be positive sequences satisfying

- (i) There is a positive constant K such that at least one of the conditions $\inf \beta_n \geq K$ and $\sup \beta_n \leq K$ holds;
- (ii) $\alpha_m \simeq \alpha_n$, $\beta_m \simeq \beta_n$ for any $n \leq m \leq 2n$;
- (iii) $\sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta = O\left(i^{-2(q-p^*+1)+\mu(1-p^*)+1} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta\right)$.

Then

$$(C, \alpha) \in B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, n^\mu; \varphi), \quad \alpha > 0, \quad 0 \leq \mu < 2,$$

where

$$\gamma_n := \begin{cases} n^{-(1+\mu)q+p^*} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) < p^* - q, \\ n^{-(1+\mu)q+p^*} (\log n) \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) = p^* - q, \\ n^{\alpha(p^*-q-1)-\mu q} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) > p^* - q. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let

$$t_{nj} := \frac{A_{n-j}^{\alpha-1}}{A_n^\alpha}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, n; \quad \alpha > -1.$$

Then for $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{t}_{ni} &= \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{j=i}^n A_{n-j}^{\alpha-1} - \frac{1}{A_{n-1}^\alpha} \sum_{j=i}^n A_{n-1-j}^{\alpha-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} A_j^{\alpha-1} - \frac{1}{A_{n-1}^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1-i} A_j^{\alpha-1} \\ &= \frac{A_{n-i}^\alpha}{A_n^\alpha} - \frac{A_{n-1-i}^\alpha}{A_{n-1}^\alpha} = \frac{i}{n} \frac{A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}}{A_n^\alpha}, \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

and

$$\widetilde{t}_{nn} = \frac{A_0^{\alpha-1}}{A_n^\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha}. \tag{8}$$

Taking $\lambda_n = n^\mu$, $n \geq 1$, $0 \leq \mu < 2$, by (6)-(8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}| &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|\widetilde{t}_{ni}|}{i^\mu} = \frac{1}{nA_n^\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n i^{1-\mu} A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1} \\ &= O(n^{-1-\alpha}) \left(n^{\alpha-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} i^{1-\mu} + n^{1-\mu} \sum_{i=n/2+1}^n (n-i+1)^{\alpha-1} \right) \\ &= O(n^{-\mu}). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=i}^\infty \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \left(\sum_{v=1}^n \frac{|\widetilde{t}_{nv}|}{\lambda_v} \right)^{p^*-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} &= O \left(\sum_{n=i}^\infty \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{-\mu(p^*-1)} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} \right) \\ &= O(i^{q-p^*+1}) \left(\sum_{n=i}^\infty \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{-\mu(p^*-1)} \left(\frac{|A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}|}{nA_n^\alpha} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \right) \\ &= O(i^{q-p^*+1}) \left(\sum_{n=i}^{2i} + \sum_{n=2i+1}^\infty \right) \\ &=: I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

By (6) and (ii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= O(i^{q-p^*+1}) \sum_{n=i}^{2i} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{-\mu(p^*-1)} \left(\frac{|A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}|}{nA_n^\alpha} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \\ &= O(i^{q-p^*+1} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta i^{-\mu(p^*-1)}) \sum_{n=i}^{2i} \left(\frac{|A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}|}{nA_n^\alpha} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \\ &= O(i^{q-p^*+1+(1+\alpha)(p^*-q-1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta) \sum_{n=i}^{2i} (n+1-i)^{(q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1)} \\ &= O(i^{\alpha(p^*-q-1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta A_i), \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

where

$$A_i := \begin{cases} i^{(q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1)+1}, & (q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1) > -1, \\ \log i, & (q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1) = -1, \\ 1 & (q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1) < -1. \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

By (6) and (iii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1}\right) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} \frac{(n-i)^{(q-p^*+1)(\alpha-1)}}{n^{(q-p^*+1)(\alpha+1)}} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{\mu(1-p^*)} \\ &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1}\right) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \\ &= O\left(i^{p^*-q+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta\right). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Therefore, by (10)-(13) and Theorem 2.1, we prove Theorem 3.1. \square

A non-negative sequence $\{a_n\}$ is said to be almost decreasing, if there is a positive constant K such that $a_n \geq Ka_m$ for all $n \leq m$, and it is said to be quasi- β -power increasing with some real number β , if

Corollary 3.2. Let $\varphi(x) = x^p$, then

(a) If $\{\alpha_n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing with some $\varepsilon > 0$ and satisfies the condition (ii) in Theorem 3.1, then

$$(C, \alpha) \in B(\alpha_n, n; \alpha_n, n; \varphi) \tag{14}$$

for $\alpha > 0, p \geq 1$. Especially, if $\delta < \frac{1}{p}, \gamma \in R$, then

$$(C, \alpha) \in B\left(n^{\delta p-1} \log^\gamma n, n; n^{\delta p-1} \log^\gamma n, n; \varphi\right) \tag{15}$$

for $\alpha > 0, p \geq 1$.

(b) If $\{\alpha_n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing for some $\varepsilon > 1 - p$ and satisfies the condition (ii) in Theorem 3.1, then (14) holds for $\alpha > 0, 0 < p < 1$. Especially, if $\delta < 1, \gamma \in R$, then (15) holds for $\alpha > 0, 0 < p < 1$.

Proof. (a) Since $\varphi(x) = x^p, p \geq 1$, we may take $q = p = p^*$. To prove (14), by Theorem 2.3, we only need to verify that (iii) in Theorem 3.1 holds with $\beta_n = n, \mu = 1$ ($\theta = p$ in this case). Since $\{\alpha_n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing with $\varepsilon > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta &= O(1) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \alpha_n n^\varepsilon \\ &= O(\alpha_i i^\varepsilon) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \\ &= O\left(i^{-1} \alpha_i\right), \end{aligned}$$

which means (iii).

If $\delta < \frac{1}{p}$, then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\delta p - 1 + \varepsilon < 0$, hence $\{n^{\delta p-1} \log^\gamma n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing for any $\gamma \in R$. Now, applying (14), we get (15).

(b) Since $\varphi(x) = x^p, 0 < p < 1$, we may take $q = p, p^* = 1$. Let $\beta_n = n, \mu = 1$ ($\theta = p$ again), then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+\mu(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta &= O(1) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-p-\varepsilon} n^\varepsilon \alpha_n \\ &= O\left(i^\varepsilon \alpha_i\right) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-p-\varepsilon} \\ &= O\left(i^{1-p} \alpha_i\right) \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon > 1 - p$, which implies (iii), and hence (14).

If $\delta < 1$, then $\delta p - 1 + 1 - p < 0$, which implies that there exists an $\varepsilon > 1 - p$ such that $\delta p - 1 + \varepsilon < 0$. Thus $\{n^{\delta p - 1} \log^\gamma n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing for any $\gamma \in R$. (15) is proved. \square

Remark. Theorem A is the special case when $\delta = \gamma = 0$ in (15).

Theorem 3.3. Let $\varphi(x) \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$), $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$ be nonnegative sequences satisfying (i), (ii) in Theorem 3.1 and

$$(iv) \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta = O\left(i^{-2(q-p^*+1)+(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)+1} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta\right).$$

Then

$$(C, \alpha) \in B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, n^\mu; \varphi), \quad -1 < \alpha < 0, \quad 0 \leq \mu < 2,$$

where

$$\gamma_n := \begin{cases} n^{(1-\alpha)p^* - (1+\mu)q + \alpha} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) < p^* - q, \\ n^{(1-\alpha)p^* - (1+\mu)q + \alpha} (\log n) \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) = p^* - q, \\ n^{-(\mu+\alpha)q} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta, & \alpha(p^* - q - 1) > p^* - q. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Similar to (9), we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}| = O(n^{-1-\alpha}) \left(n^{\alpha-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} i^{1-\mu} + n^{1-\mu} \sum_{i=n/2+1}^n (n-v+1)^{\alpha-1} \right) = O(n^{-\mu-\alpha}),$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \left(\sum_{v=1}^n \frac{|\widetilde{t}_{nv}|}{\lambda_v} \right)^{p^*-1} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} &= O\left(\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{-(\mu+\alpha)(p^*-1)} |\widetilde{t}_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} \right) \\ &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1} \left(\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \left(\frac{|A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}|}{nA_n^\alpha} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \right) \right) \\ &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1} \left(\sum_{n=i}^{2i} + \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} \right) \right) \\ &=: J_1 + J_2. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Similar to (11) and (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1} \sum_{n=i}^{2i} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta n^{(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \left(\frac{|A_{n-i}^{\alpha-1}|}{nA_n^\alpha} \right)^{q-p^*+1} \right) \\ &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1+(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta A_i \right), \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &= O\left(i^{q-p^*+1} \sum_{n=2i+1}^{\infty} n^{-2(q-p^*+1)+(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \right) \\ &= O\left(i^{p^*-q+(\mu+\alpha)(1-p^*)} \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta \right). \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

where A_i is defined by (12). Therefore, we prove Theorem 3.3 by (16)-(18) and Theorem 2.3. \square

Corollary 3.4. Let $\varphi(x) = x^p$, then

(a) If $\{\alpha_n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing for some $\varepsilon > \alpha - \alpha p$ and satisfies the condition (iv) in Theorem 3.3, then (14) holds for all $-1 < \alpha < 0, p \geq 1$. Especially, if $\delta < \frac{1+\alpha p-\alpha}{p}, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, then (15) holds for all $-1 < \alpha < 0, p \geq 1$.

(b) If $\{\alpha_n\}$ is quasi- ε -power decreasing for some $\varepsilon > 1 - \alpha p$ and satisfies the condition (iv) in Theorem 3.3, then (14) holds for $-1 < \alpha < 0, 0 < p < 1$. Especially, if $\delta < 1, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, then (15) holds for $-1 < \alpha < 0, 0 < p < 1$.

Proof. It can be proved in a way similar to Corollary 3.2, we omit the details here. \square

Theorem 3.5. Let $\varphi(x) \in \Delta(p, q)$ ($0 \leq q \leq p$), $T = (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix with the members t_{nj} having the form $\frac{p_j}{P_n}$, where $p_j \geq 0$ for $0 \leq j \leq n$ and $P_n = \sum_{j=0}^n p_j > 0, \lambda = \{\lambda_n\}$ be a positive sequence. If

$$(v) \quad np_n \simeq P_n,$$

$$(vi) \quad \sum_{v=1}^n \frac{P_{v-1}}{\lambda_v} = O\left(\frac{nP_{n-1}}{\lambda_n}\right),$$

$$(vii) \quad \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \lambda_n^{1-p^*} n^{p^*-q-1} P_{n-1}^{p^*-q-1} = O\left(\alpha_i \beta_i^\theta \lambda_i^{1-p^*} i^{p^*-q} P_{i-1}^{p^*-q-1}\right),$$

then

$$T \in B(\alpha_n, \beta_n; \gamma_n, \lambda_n; \varphi),$$

where $\gamma_n = \alpha_i \beta_i^\theta \lambda_i^{-q} i^{p^*-q}$.

Proof. By (4), (5) and (vi), we have

$$\sum_{v=1}^n \frac{|t_{nv}|}{\lambda_v} = \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n \frac{P_{v-1}}{\lambda_v} = O\left(\frac{np_n}{P_n \lambda_n}\right).$$

Therefore, by (v) and (vii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \left(\sum_{v=1}^n \frac{|t_{nv}|}{\lambda_v}\right)^{p^*-1} |t_{ni}|^{q-p^*+1} \\ &= O\left(P_{i-1}^{q-p^*+1}\right) \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \left(\frac{np_n}{P_n \lambda_n}\right)^{p^*-1} \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}}\right)^{q-p^*+1} \\ &= O\left(P_{i-1}^{q-p^*+1}\right) \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \lambda_n^{1-p^*} n^{p^*-q-1} P_{n-1}^{p^*-q-1} \\ &= O\left(\alpha_i \beta_i^\theta \lambda_i^{1-p^*} i^{p^*-q}\right) = O\left(\lambda_i^{q-p^*+1} \left(\alpha_i \beta_i^\theta \lambda_i^{-q} i^{p^*-q}\right)\right), \end{aligned}$$

which together with Theorem 2.3 implies Theorem 3.5. \square

Corollary 3.6. Let $\varphi(x) = x^p, p > 0, T = (t_{nj})$ be a lower triangular matrix with the members t_{nj} having the form $\frac{p_j}{P_n}$, where $p_j \geq 0$ for $0 \leq j \leq n$ and $P_n = \sum_{j=0}^n p_j > 0$. If $\{p_n\}$ and $\{\alpha_n\}$ satisfy (v), (vi) in Theorem 3.5 with $\lambda_n = n$, and

$$\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n P_{n-1}^{-1} = O\left(i \alpha_i P_{i-1}^{-1}\right), \text{ when } p \geq 1, \tag{19}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n P_{n-1}^{-q} = O\left(i \alpha_i P_{i-1}^{-q}\right), \text{ when } 0 < p < 1, \tag{20}$$

Then

$$T \in B(\alpha_n, n; \gamma_n, n; \varphi), \tag{21}$$

where $\gamma_n = \alpha_n$ when $p \geq 1$ and $\gamma_n = n^{1-p} \alpha_n$.

Proof. We only prove the case when $p \geq 1$, the case when $0 < p < 1$ can be proved similarly. Let $\beta_n = \lambda_n = n$, by (19), we have

$$\sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n \beta_n^\theta \lambda_n^{1-p^*} n^{p^*-q-1} P_{n-1}^{p^*-q-1} = \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} \alpha_n P_{n-1}^{-1} = O\left(i \alpha_i P_{i-1}^{-1}\right),$$

which means that the condition (vii) of Theorem 3.5 holds, and thus (21) is proved. \square

Corollary 3.7. *Under the conditions of Corollary 3.6 with $p_n = (n+1)^\alpha$, $\alpha > -1$, we have*

(a) *if $\delta < \frac{1+\alpha}{p}$, $p \geq 1$, then*

$$T \in B\left(n^{\delta p-1}, n; n^{\delta p-1}, n; \varphi\right).$$

(b) *if $\delta < 1 + \alpha$, $0 < p < 1$, then*

$$T \in B\left(n^{\delta p-1}, n; n^{\delta p-p}, n; \varphi\right).$$

Proof. It is easy to verify that (19) and (20) are satisfied under the condition of (a) and the condition of (b) respectively. \square

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