



## Regular Methods of Summability and the Banach-Saks Property for Double Sequences

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**Abstract.** A Banach space  $B$  is said to satisfy the Banach-Saks property with respect to a regular summability method if every bounded subsequence has a summable subsequence. We show that if a Banach space satisfies the Banach-Saks property with respect to a Robison-Hamilton regular summability method, for every bounded double sequence there exists a  $\beta$ -subsequence whose subsequences are all summable to the same limit.

### 1. Introduction

A Banach space  $B$  is said to have the Banach-Saks property with respect to a regular summability method  $\langle a_{i,j} \rangle_{i,j}$  if for every bounded sequence, there exists a summable subsequence. Erdős and Magidor showed that if the Banach space  $B$  has the Banach-Saks property with respect to a summability method  $\langle a_{i,j} \rangle$  then every bounded sequence has a summable subsequence such that every subsequence of the subsequence is also  $\langle a_{i,j} \rangle$ -summable [2]. In this short note, we take advantage of a new type of subsequence of a double sequence recently introduced by Dumitru and Franco [1] to generalize the result of Erdős and Magidor to double sequences and Robison-Hamilton regular summability methods.

#### 1.1. Definitions and Notation

In [1], a new type of double subsequence of a double sequence was introduced. Let  $\psi : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be defined recursively in the following way

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(1, n) &= (n - 1)^2 + 1, \\ \psi(m, 1) &= m^2, \\ \psi(m, n) &= \begin{cases} \psi(m - 1, n) + 1 & \text{if } 1 < m \leq n, \\ \psi(m, n - 1) - 1 & \text{if } 1 < n < m. \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

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In matrix form, this looks like the following,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi(1, 1) & \psi(1, 2) & \psi(1, 3) & \psi(1, 4) & \cdots \\ \psi(2, 1) & \psi(2, 2) & \psi(2, 3) & \psi(2, 4) & \cdots \\ \psi(3, 1) & \psi(3, 2) & \psi(3, 3) & \psi(3, 4) & \cdots \\ \psi(4, 1) & \psi(4, 2) & \psi(4, 3) & \psi(4, 4) & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 10 & \cdots \\ 4 & 3 & 6 & 11 & \cdots \\ 9 & 8 & 7 & 12 & \cdots \\ 16 & 15 & 14 & 13 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then, define a  $\beta$ -section  $S_\beta \subseteq \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  by

$$S_\beta := \left\{ (m, n) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \mid \frac{1}{\beta} \leq \frac{m}{n} \leq \beta \right\}.$$

**Definition 1.1** ( $\beta$ -subsequence [1]). Let  $x = [x_{k,l}]$  be a double sequence and let  $\beta > 1$  be an extended real. The double sequence  $y^{(\pi, \beta)}$  is called a  $\beta$ -subsequence of the double sequence  $x$  if and only if there exists a strictly increasing function  $\pi : \psi(S_\beta) \rightarrow \psi(S_\beta)$  such that

$$y_{p,q}^{(\pi, \beta)} = \begin{cases} z_{\psi(p,q)}, & \text{if } \frac{1}{\beta} > \frac{p}{q} \text{ or } \frac{p}{q} > \beta \\ z_{\pi(\psi(p,q))}, & \text{if } \frac{1}{\beta} \leq \frac{p}{q} \leq \beta \end{cases}$$

where  $z_i = x_{\psi^{-1}(i)}$ . If  $\beta = +\infty$ , the inequalities are understood in the limit sense.

**Definition 1.2** (Summability Method [6]). Let  $A$  be a four dimensional summability method that maps the complex double sequences  $x$  into the double sequence  $Ax$  where the  $m, n$ -th term of  $Ax$  is given by

$$(Ax)_{m,n} = \sum_{k,l=1}^{\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} x_{k,l}.$$

**Definition 1.3** (P-convergence [5]). A double sequence  $x = [x_{k,l}]$  has a Pringsheim limit  $L$  if and only if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|x_{k,l} - L| < \epsilon,$$

whenever  $k, l > N$ . In this case, we say  $x$  is P-convergent and we denote it by

$$L = \lim_{k,l \rightarrow \infty} x_{k,l}.$$

Unless otherwise specified, the notation  $\lim_{k,l \rightarrow \infty}$  is reserved in this article to limits in the Pringsheim sense.

**Definition 1.4** (RH-regular [6]). Let  $A$  be a four dimensional matrix.  $A$  is said to be RH-regular if it maps every bounded P-convergent sequence into a P-convergent sequence with the same P-limit.

Hamilton and Robison provide a characterization of RH-regularity that will be useful for the rest of the article.

**Theorem 1.5** (Hamilton [4], Robison [6]). A 4-dimensional matrix  $A$  is RH-regular if and only if

(RH1)  $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} a_{m,n,k,l} = 0$  for each  $(k, l) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ ;

(RH2)  $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k,l=0}^{\infty, \infty} a_{m,n,k,l} = 1$ ;

(RH3)  $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| = 0$ , for each  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ ;

(RH4)  $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| = 0$ , for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ;

(RH5)  $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k,l=0}^{\infty, \infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}|$  is  $P$ -convergent;

(RH6) there exist finite positive integers  $A$  and  $B$  such that

$$\sum_{\substack{k > B \\ l > B}} |a_{m,n,k,l}| < A$$

for each  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ .

In order to keep our notation consistent to [3] and [2], we introduce the following definitions.

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $S$  be a set and  $\kappa$  a cardinal. Then,

1.  $2^S := \{X \mid X \subseteq S\}$  and
2.  $[S]^\kappa = \{X \subseteq S \mid |X| = \kappa\}$ .

Let  $\omega$  denote the set of natural numbers and let  $P(\omega)$  denote the set of all infinite subsets of  $\omega$ .

**Definition 1.7.** A subset  $S$  of  $2^\omega$  is Ramsey if and only if there exists  $M \in [\omega]^{|\omega|}$  such that either  $[M]^{|\omega|} \subseteq S$  or  $[M]^{|\omega|} \subseteq 2^\omega \setminus S$ .

In other words, an infinite subset  $S$  of  $2^\omega$  is Ramsey if and only if there exists an infinite subset of the natural numbers  $M$  such that every infinite subset of  $M$  belongs to  $S$  or every infinite subset of  $M$  does not belong to  $S$ . Lastly, in the proof of the following theorem we use the concept of a Borel set. Therefore, we remind the reader of this definition.

**Definition 1.8 (Borel Sets).** Let  $X$  be a topological space. The Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of  $X$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra that contains all open sets of  $X$ . Elements of the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra are called Borel sets.

We remark that all Borel sets in  $P(\omega)$  are Ramsey sets [3].

## 2. Main Theorem

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\langle e_{i,j} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a bounded double sequence of elements in a Banach space  $B$  and  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$  a RH-regular summability method. Then, there exists a  $\beta$ -subsequence  $\langle e_{i_\gamma, j_\delta} \rangle_{\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that:

1. every  $\beta$ -subsequence of  $\langle e_{i_\gamma, j_\delta} \rangle_{\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}}$  is summable with respect to  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ , where they all are summed to the same limit; or
2. no  $\beta$ -subsequence of  $\langle e_{i_\gamma, j_\delta} \rangle_{\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}}$  is summable with respect to  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

*Proof.* The proof is adapted from [2]. As in [2], we consider the topology on  $P(\omega)$  generated by the subbasis  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \omega} \cup \{B_n\}_{n \in \omega}$ , where

$$A_n = \{X \in P(\omega) \mid n \notin X\}, \quad B_n = \{X \in P(\omega) \mid n \in X\}.$$

There exists a unique bijective and increasing map  $\tau : \psi(S_\beta) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  (see Figure 1). We impose the topology on  $P(\psi(S_\beta))$  induced by this map and the topology on  $P(\omega)$ .

Consider a set  $X \in P(\psi(S_\beta))$ . It is clear that there exists a unique bijective and monotonically increasing function from  $\psi(S_\beta)$  to  $X$ . Denote this function by  $\pi_X : \psi(S_\beta) \rightarrow X$ . Now, we consider  $\beta$ -subsequence of  $\langle e_{i,j} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  corresponding to  $X$  to be the  $\beta$ -subsequence  $\langle e_{i,j}^{(\pi_X, \beta)} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  as defined in Definition 1.1.

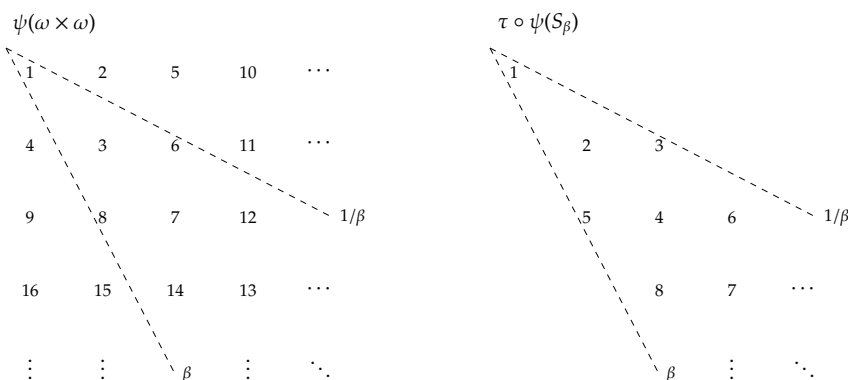


Figure 1: Pictorial representation of the map  $\tau$ .

Partition  $P(\omega)$  into two sets,

$$A = \{X \in P(\omega) \mid \langle e_{i,j}^{(\pi_{\tau^{-1}(x)}\beta)} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is } \langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ summable}\},$$

$$B = P(\omega) \setminus A.$$

We will show next that  $A$  is a Ramsey set. If this is the case, then there exists an  $M \in P(\omega)$  such that either all infinite subsets of  $M$  are in  $A$ , or else they all are not in  $A$ . Since each of those  $M$ 's corresponds to a  $\beta$ -subsequence of  $\langle e_{i,j}^{(\pi_{\tau^{-1}(x)}\beta)} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ , then they would all be either  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ -summable, or else they would all be not  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ -summable.

It suffices to show that  $A$  is a Borel set in  $P(\omega)$ .

To simplify the notation, define

$$\langle d_{r,s}^X \rangle_{r,s \in \mathbb{N}} := \langle e_{i,j}^{(\pi_{\tau^{-1}(x)}\beta)} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$$

and consider

$$B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q} = \left\{ X \in P(\omega) \mid \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\| < \epsilon \right\}.$$

With respect to this definition,

$$A = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m,n,p,q \geq N} B_{1/k,m,n,p,q}.$$

As a result, to show that  $A$  is a Borel set, it suffices to show that  $B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$  is open. Let  $\epsilon' > 0$  be such that

$$\left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\| < \epsilon' < \epsilon.$$

Let  $T > 0$  be an upper bound of  $\langle e_{i,j} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and by (RH2) pick  $J > 0$  large enough so that following inequalities

are simultaneously satisfied

$$\begin{aligned}
 T \left( \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right) &< \frac{\epsilon - \epsilon'}{4}, \quad \text{by (RH3),} \\
 T \left( \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right) &< \frac{\epsilon - \epsilon'}{4}, \quad \text{by (RH4),} \\
 T \left( \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right) &< \frac{\epsilon - \epsilon'}{4}, \quad \text{by (RH5).}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $X \in B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$ . We construct next an open neighborhood  $C$  of  $X$  such that  $C \subseteq B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$ . We start by defining the set

$$S_K = \{c \in \omega \mid \pi_{\tau^{-1}(X)} \circ \tau^{-1}(c) < \psi(K, K)\},$$

where  $K = \max\{p \in \mathbb{N} \mid 1/\beta \leq p/J \leq \beta\}$ .

Finally, we define

$$C = \{Y \in P(\omega) \mid Y \cap S_K = X \cap S_K\}.$$

It can be verified that if  $Y \in C$ , then  $d_{k,l}^X = d_{k,l}^Y$ . In particular,

$$\left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| = \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\|.$$

The set  $C$  is open in the topology on  $P(\omega)$  and clearly  $X \in C$ . We now show that  $C \subseteq B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| &\leq \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| \\
 &+ \left\| \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| \\
 &+ \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| \\
 &+ \left\| \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| \\
 &\leq \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{J-1,J-1} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\| \\
 &+ T \left( \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right) \\
 &+ T \left( \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=1,J}^{J-1,\infty} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right) \\
 &+ T \left( \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} |a_{m,n,k,l}| + \sum_{i,j=J,1}^{\infty,J-1} |a_{p,q,k,l}| \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^Y \right\| &< \left\| \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=1,1}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\| \\ &+ \left\| \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} a_{m,n,k,l} d_{k,l}^X - \sum_{i,j=J,J}^{\infty,\infty} a_{p,q,k,l} d_{k,l}^X \right\| \\ &+ \frac{3(\epsilon - \epsilon')}{4} \\ &< \epsilon' + \epsilon - \epsilon' = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $C \subseteq B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$ . Hence every element of  $B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$  has an open neighborhood  $C$  included in  $B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$ , therefore  $B_{\epsilon,m,n,p,q}$  is open.

As noted above, this implies that  $A$  is a Ramsey set. Hence there exists an infinite subset of the natural numbers  $M$  such that every infinite subset of  $M$  belongs to  $A$  or every infinite subset of  $M$  does not belong to  $A$ . If  $M \notin A$ , then for any infinite  $X \subset M$  the subsequence  $\langle d_{r,s}^X \rangle_{r,s \in \mathbb{N}}$  is not  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ -summable. In this case, conclusion (2) is obtained.

Otherwise, if  $M \in A$  it is clear that for all infinite  $X \subset M$  the subsequence  $\langle d_{r,s}^X \rangle_{r,s \in \mathbb{N}}$  is  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ -summable. Moreover, one can argue in the same way as in [2] to show that for all infinite  $X \subset M$  the subsequences  $\langle d_{r,s}^X \rangle_{r,s \in \mathbb{N}}$  sum to the same limit.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.** Assume that  $\langle e_{i,j} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$  are as in Theorem 2.1. Assume further, that  $B$  satisfies the Banach-Saks property with respect to the summability method  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ . Then, there exists a  $\beta$ -subsequence  $\langle e_{i_\gamma, j_\delta} \rangle_{\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that every  $\beta$ -subsequence of  $\langle e_{i_\gamma, j_\delta} \rangle_{\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}}$  is summable with respect to  $\langle a_{i,j,k,l} \rangle_{i,j,k,l \in \mathbb{N}}$ , where they all are summed to the same limit.

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