

THE MUTUAL INCLUSION OF  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  METHODS OF SUMMATION

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1. In [3] the author studied  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  methods for the evaluation of sequences and series which were introduced by *V. Vučković* in [4].

For each  $0 \leq v \leq n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , let the polynomials  $\sigma_v^n(\alpha)$  and  $\tau_v^n(\alpha)$  be defined by

$$\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (x + \alpha + v) = \sum_{v=0}^n \sigma_v^n(\alpha) x^v$$

$$x^n = (-1)^n \left\{ \tau_0^n(\alpha) + \sum_{v=1}^n (-1)^v \tau_v^n(\alpha) \prod_{k=0}^{v-1} (x + \alpha + k) \right\}$$

and for  $v > n$  and  $v = -1, -2, \dots$ , let  $\sigma_v^n(\alpha) = \tau_v^n(\alpha) = 0$ .

The sequence  $s_n$  is  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  summable to  $s$  if

$$(1) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_n\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + v)} \sum_{v=0}^n \sigma_v^n(\alpha) \beta^v s_v \rightarrow s, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

( $\alpha > -1, \beta > 0, \alpha + \beta \neq 0$ ).

*Karamata-Stirling* [1], [4] and [5], *Vučković*  $\sigma^\alpha$  [4] and *Lototsky* [2] summability are special case of  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  methods.

In [3] the author proved

Theorem 1. For  $\alpha > -1, \beta > 0, \alpha + \beta > 0$  and every  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$(2) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \subset S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \beta}$$

i. e. the  $S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \beta}$  methods include  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  methods.

In this paper we shall prove a theorem on the inclusion of the methods  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  in regard to the parameter  $\beta$ . This is

Theorem 2. For  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0$  and every  $\theta, 0 < \theta < 1$ .

$$(3) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \subset S^{\alpha, \theta \beta}$$

Theorems 1 and 2 could be superposed to give

Theorem 3. For  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0$  and every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $0 < \theta < 1$

$$(4) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \subset S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \theta \beta}$$

Namely, first by Theorem 1 we have

$$S^{\alpha, \beta} \subset S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \beta}$$

then, by Theorem 2

$$S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \beta} \subset S^{\alpha + \varepsilon, \theta \beta}$$

These inclusions give (4) under the conditions of Theorem 2 on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (which include the conditions of Theorem 1).

It is interesting to note that Theorem 1 contains as a special case the Theorem 5.2 of [4] (for  $\beta = 1$ ), and that Theorem 2 contains as a special case the Theorem 1 of [5] (for  $\alpha = 0$ ). But their union (i. e. Theorem 3) does not contain the Theorem 5.2 of [4]; the reasons for these are the conditions of Theorem 2, which had to be incorporated in Theorem 3.

2. We split the proof of Theorem 2 in two lemmas

Lemma 1. For every  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0, 0 < \theta < 1$  from  $S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_n\} \rightarrow s, n \rightarrow \infty$  it follows  $S^{\alpha, \theta \beta} \{s_n\} \rightarrow s, n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Lemma 2. The sequence

$$s_n = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} (-tx)^{n+s} dt, \quad (x > 0, s \text{ is natur. numb.})$$

for  $(k\beta \log 2)^{-1} < x < (\beta \log 2)^{-1}, k > 1$  is  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  ( $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0$ ) summable to the value 0, but is not  $S^{\alpha, k\beta}$  summable.

Proof of lemma 1. Suppose that

$$(5) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_n\} = \frac{1}{\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + v)} \sum_{v=0}^n \sigma_v^n(\alpha) \beta^v s_v \rightarrow s, n \rightarrow \infty \quad (\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0).$$

Using (5) and Theorem 2.2 in [4] it follows

$$\beta^v s_v = (-1)^v \sum_{i=0}^v (-1)^i \tau_i^v(\alpha) S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_i\} \prod_{k=1}^i (\alpha + \beta + k - 1)$$

(for  $\prod_{k=1}^0 (\alpha + \beta + k - 1)$  one needs to take 1) and hence for  $0 < \theta < 1$

$$S^{\alpha, \theta \beta} \{s_n\} = \frac{1}{\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \theta \beta + v)} \sum_{v=0}^n \sigma_v^n(\alpha) (-\theta)^v \sum_{i=0}^v (-1)^i \tau_i^v(\alpha) S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_i\} \prod_{k=1}^i (\alpha + \beta + k - 1).$$

Changing the order of summation we have

$$(6) \quad S^{\alpha, \theta \beta} \{s_n\} = \frac{1}{\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \theta \beta + v)} \sum_{v=0}^n S^{\alpha, \beta} \{s_v\} \prod_{k=1}^v (\alpha + \beta + k - 1) W_v^n$$

where

$$(7) \quad W_v^n = (-1)^v \sum_{i=v}^n (-\theta)^i \sigma_i^n(\alpha) \tau_v^i(\alpha) = \theta^v \sum_{i=0}^{n-v} (-1)^i \sigma_{v+i}^n(\alpha) \tau_v^{v+i}(\alpha) \theta^i$$

We shall show that the triangular matrix  $((p_{nv}))$  with

$$(8) \quad p_{nv} = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^v (\alpha + \beta + k - 1)}{\prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \theta\beta + v)} W_v^n$$

is regular. The fact that  $\sum_{v=0}^n p_{nv} = 1$  is obvious. From (7) and the recurrence formulae for  $\sigma_v^n(\alpha)$  and  $\tau_v^n(\alpha)$  in [4] we have the recurrence formula

$$(9) \quad W_v^n = (n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha - \theta v) W_v^{n-1} + \theta W_{v-1}^{n-1}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots; v = 1, 2, \dots$$

We have, for instance,

$$\begin{aligned} W_0^0 &= 1 \\ W_0^1 &= (1-\theta)\alpha, & W_1^1 &= \theta \\ W_0^2 &= (1-\theta)(1+\alpha-\theta\alpha)\alpha, & W_1^2 &= (1-\theta)\theta(1+2\alpha), & W_2^2 &= \theta^2 \\ W_0^3 &= (1-\theta)(2+\alpha-\theta\alpha)(1+\alpha-\theta\alpha)\alpha, \\ W_1^3 &= (1-\theta)\theta\{[2+\alpha-\theta(1+\alpha)](1+2\alpha) + (1+\alpha-\theta\alpha)\alpha\}, & W_2^3 &= 3(1-\theta)\theta^2(1+\alpha), \\ & & W_3^3 &= \theta^3 \end{aligned}$$

and generally

$$(10) \quad W_0^n = \prod_{v=0}^{n-1} (v + \alpha - \theta\alpha), \dots, \quad W_n^n = \theta^n$$

For  $\alpha \geq 0$  the matrix  $((p_{nv}))$  and  $W_v^n$  are positive. Therefore, from (9) one gets

$$(11) \quad W_v^n \leq (n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_v^{n-1} + W_{v-1}^{n-1}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots; v = 1, 2, \dots$$

i. e.

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} W_1^1 &\leq 1, & W_1^2 &\leq (1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_1^1 + (\alpha - \theta\alpha) \\ W_1^3 &\leq (2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_1^2 + (\alpha - \theta\alpha)(1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) \\ W_1^{n-1} &\leq (n-2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_1^{n-2} + (\alpha - \theta\alpha)(1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) \dots (n-3 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) \\ W_1^n &\leq (n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_1^{n-1} + (\alpha - \theta\alpha)(1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) \dots (n-2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying in (12) second inequality by  $\frac{1}{1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha}$ , third by  $\frac{1}{(1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha)(2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha)}$ ,

..., last by  $\frac{1}{\prod_{v=1}^{n-1} (v + \alpha - \theta\alpha)}$  and then summing all of them we obtain

$$(13) \quad W_1^n \leq \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha - \theta\alpha}{1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} + \frac{\alpha - \theta\alpha}{2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} + \dots + \frac{\alpha - \theta\alpha}{n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} \right\} \prod_{v=1}^{n-1} (v + \alpha - \theta\alpha) = I_{n-1}(\alpha, \theta) \prod_{v=1}^{n-1} (v + \alpha - \theta\alpha)$$

where  $I_{n-1}(\alpha, \theta) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha}$ . We shall now prove by induction that for every fixed  $\nu$ ,  $0 \leq \nu < n$

$$(14) \quad W_{\nu}^n \leq \{I_{n-1}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha), \quad n = 2, 3, \dots$$

For  $\nu=0$  and  $\nu=1$ , (10) and (13) show us that (14) holds. Let be (14) correct for a  $\nu < n$ . Then (11) gives

$$W_{\nu+1}^n \leq (n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_{\nu+1}^{n-1} + W_{\nu}^{n-1}$$

i. e.

$$W_{\nu+1}^n \leq (n-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha) W_{\nu+1}^{n-1} + \{I_{n-2}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-2} (\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha)$$

Multiplying the last inequality by  $\left\{ \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha) \right\}^{-1}$  and summing over  $\nu + 2 \leq n \leq N$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{W_{\nu+1}^N}{\prod_{\nu=0}^{N-1} (\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha)} &\leq \frac{1}{\prod_{k=0}^{\nu} (k + \alpha - \theta\alpha)} + \frac{1}{\nu + 1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} \{I_{\nu}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\nu + 2 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} \{I_{\nu+1}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} + \dots + \frac{1}{N-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha} \{I_{N-2}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} \leq \\ &\leq \{I_{N-2}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} \{(\nu + \alpha - \theta\alpha)^{-1} + (\nu + 1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha)^{-1} + \dots + (N-1 + \alpha - \theta\alpha)^{-1}\} \leq \\ &\leq \{I_{N-1}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu} I_{N-1}(\alpha, \theta) = \{I_{N-1}(\alpha, \theta)\}^{\nu+1} \end{aligned}$$

q. e. d. Therefore (8), (13) and (14) give for every fixed  $\nu$

$$p_{n\nu} = O \left\{ \frac{(n-1)! n^{\alpha - \theta\alpha} \log^{\nu} n}{(n-1)! n^{\alpha + \theta\beta}} \right\} = o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

and all conditions for regularity of the matrix  $((p_{n\nu}))$  are satisfied. Therefore (5), (6) and (8) prove lemma 1.

*Proof of lemma 2.* The  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  ( $\alpha \geq 0$ ) transform of our sequence is

$$\begin{aligned} S^{\alpha, \beta} \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} (-tx)^{n+s} dt \right\} &= \frac{1}{\prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + \nu)} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \sigma_{\nu}^n(\alpha) \beta^{\nu} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} (-tx)^{\nu+s} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta^s \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + \nu)} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} (-tx)^s (\alpha - tx\beta) (\alpha - tx\beta + 1) \dots (\alpha - tx\beta + n-1) dt = \\ &= \frac{(-1)^s e^{-\frac{\alpha}{x\beta}}}{\beta^s \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + \nu) - \alpha} \int e^{-\frac{T}{x\beta}} (T + \alpha)^s (-T) (-T+1) \dots (-T+n-1) d\left(\frac{T}{x\beta}\right) \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+s} e^{-\frac{\alpha}{x\beta}}}{x\beta^{s+1} \prod_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + \nu) - \alpha} \int e^{-\frac{T}{x\beta}} (T + \alpha)^s T(T-1) \dots (T-n+1) dT. \end{aligned}$$

We split the last integral into three parts:

$$(15) \quad S^{\alpha, \beta} \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} (-tx)^{n+s} dt \right\} = A_1 \left\{ \int_{-\alpha}^0 ( ) dT + \int_0^{n-1} ( ) dT + \int_{n-1}^{\infty} ( ) dT \right\}$$

where

$$A_1 = (-1)^{n+s} e^{-\frac{\alpha}{x\beta}} \left\{ x\beta^{s+1} \prod_{v=1}^{n-1} (\alpha + \beta + v) \right\}^{-1}.$$

For the first

$$\left| \int_{-\alpha}^0 ( ) dT \right| \leq \int_0^{\alpha} e^{\frac{t}{x\beta}} (t + \alpha)^s t(t+1) \cdots (t+n-1) dt$$

$$\leq e^{\frac{\alpha}{x\beta}} (2\alpha)^s \alpha(\alpha+1) \cdots (\alpha+n-1)\alpha$$

and for the second

$$\left| \int_0^{n-1} ( ) dT \right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \int_{k-1}^k T(T+\alpha)^s e^{-\frac{T}{x\beta}} |(T-1)(T-2) \cdots (T-n+1)| dT.$$

But for  $k-1 \leq T \leq k$

$$|(T-1)(T-2) \cdots (T-n+1)| \leq (n-1)!$$

and follows

$$\left| \int_0^{n-1} ( ) dT \right| \leq (n-1)! \int_0^{n-1} T(T+\alpha)^s e^{-\frac{T}{x\beta}} dT =$$

$$= (n-1)! O(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore

$$(16) \quad \left| A_1 \int_{-\alpha}^0 ( ) dT \right| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty; \quad \left| A_1 \int_0^{n-1} ( ) dT \right| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

since  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0$ . For the third integral we have  $[u]$  is the smallest integer not smaller than  $u$ )

$$\left| \int_{n-1}^{\infty} ( ) dT \right| \leq e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{t}{x\beta}} (t+n-1 + [\alpha])^s (t+n-1)(t+n-2) \cdots t dt =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_k^{k+1} e^{-\frac{t}{x\beta}} (t+n-1 + [\alpha])^s (t+n-1)(t+n-2) \cdots t dt \leq$$

$$\leq e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{k}{x\beta}} (n+k + [\alpha])^s (n+k)(n+k-1) \cdots (k+1) \leq$$

$$\leq e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{k}{x\beta}} (n+k + [\alpha] + s)(n+k + [\alpha] + s - 1) \cdots (n+k)(n+k-1) \cdots (k+1) =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} (n+s + [\alpha])! \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k+s + [\alpha]}{n+s + [\alpha]} e^{-\frac{k}{x\beta}} =$$

$$(17) \quad = \frac{e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} (n+s+[\alpha])!}{\left(1-e^{-\frac{1}{x\beta}}\right)^{n+s+[\alpha]+1}} = O(1) \frac{(n+s+[\alpha])!}{\left(e^{\frac{1}{x\beta}}-1\right)^n}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We see from (15), (16) and (17) that the sequence

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} (-xt)^{n+s} dt \quad \text{is } S^{\alpha, \beta} \quad (\alpha \geq 0, \beta > 0)$$

summable to the value 0 for  $0 < x\beta \log 2 < 1$ .

Take now the case  $x\beta \log 2 > 1$ . We still have the estimate (16), but for the third integral we have now

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{n-1}^{\infty} ( ) dT &\geq e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} (n-1+\alpha)^s \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{t}{x\beta}} (t+n-1)(t+n-2)\cdots t dt \geq \\ &\geq e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} (n-1+\alpha)^s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{k+1}{x\beta}} (n-1+k)(n-2+k)\cdots k = \\ &= e^{-\frac{n-1}{x\beta}} (n-1+\alpha)^s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{k+2}{x\beta}} (n+k)(n-1+k)\cdots (k+1) = \\ &= e^{-\frac{n+1}{x\beta}} n! (n-1+\alpha)^s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k}{n} e^{-\frac{k}{x\beta}} = \\ &= \frac{e^{-\frac{n+1}{x\beta}} n! (n-1+\alpha)^s}{\left(1-e^{-\frac{1}{x\beta}}\right)^{n+1}} = O(1) \frac{n! n^s}{\left(e^{\frac{1}{x\beta}}-1\right)^n}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left| A_1 \int_{n-1}^{\infty} ( ) dT \right| \rightarrow \infty, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

for  $x\beta \log 2 > 1$ .

Therefore for  $(k\beta \log 2)^{-1} < x < (\beta \log 2)^{-1}$ ,  $k > 1$ , the given sequence is  $S^{\alpha, \beta}$  ( $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ) summable but is not  $S^{\alpha, k\beta}$  ( $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ) summable. This proves the lemma 2.

Lemmas 1 and 2 give *Theorem 2*.

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