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# ON A NEW APPLICATION OF QUASI POWER INCREASING SEQUENCES

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper, a theorem on  $\varphi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability of an infinite series is obtained by using a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence.

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## 1. Introduction

A positive sequence  $(b_n)$  is said to be almost increasing if there exist a positive increasing sequence  $(c_n)$  and two positive constants K and M such that  $Kc_n \leq b_n \leq Mc_n$  (see [1]). A positive sequence  $(\gamma_n)$  is said to be quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence if there exists a constant  $K = K(\beta, \gamma) \geq 1$  such that  $Kn^{\beta}\gamma_n \geq m^{\beta}\gamma_m$  holds for all  $n \geq m \geq 1$  (see [13]). Every almost increasing sequence is a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for any non-negative  $\beta$ , but the converse need not be true as can be seen by taking the example, say  $\gamma_n = n^{-\beta}$ for  $\beta > 0$ . A sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  is said to be of bounded variation, denoted by  $(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV}$ , if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\Delta\lambda_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_n - \lambda_{n+1}| < \infty$ . Let  $\sum a_n$  be an infinite series with partial sums  $(s_n)$ . By  $u_n^{\alpha}$  and  $t_n^{\alpha}$ , we denote the *n*th Cesàro means of order  $\alpha$ , with  $\alpha > -1$ , of the sequence  $(s_n)$  and  $(na_n)$ , respectively, that is (see [9])

$$u_{n}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_{n}^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=0}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} s_{v}$$
$$t_{n}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_{n}^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_{v}$$
(1)

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where

$$A^\alpha_n=O(n^\alpha),\quad A^\alpha_0=1\quad \text{and}\quad A^\alpha_{-n}=0\quad \text{for}\quad n>0.$$

Let  $(\omega_n^{\alpha})$  be a sequence defined by (see [21])

$$\omega_n^{\alpha} = \begin{cases} |t_n^{\alpha}|, & \alpha = 1\\ \max_{1 \le v \le n} |t_v^{\alpha}|, & 0 < \alpha < 1 \end{cases}$$
(2)

Let  $(\varphi_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers. The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $\varphi - | C, \alpha; \delta |_k, k \ge 1, \alpha > -1, \delta \ge 0$ , if (see [23])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \mid u_n^{\alpha} - u_{n-1}^{\alpha} \mid^k < \infty$$

Because of the equality  $t_n^{\alpha} = n \left( u_n^{\alpha} - u_{n-1}^{\alpha} \right)$  (see [12]), the definition of the  $\varphi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability can be given as

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid t_n^{\alpha} \mid^k < \infty.$$

On taking  $\varphi_n = n$  in above definition, we get the definition of  $|C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability (see [11]). If we take  $\varphi_n = n$  and  $\delta = 0$ , then  $\varphi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability is the same as  $|C, \alpha|_k$  summability (see [10]). Also, if we take  $\varphi_n = n, \ \delta = 0$  and  $\alpha = 1$ , then  $\varphi - |C, \alpha; \delta|_k$  summability is the same as  $|C, 1|_k$  summability (see [10]).

The following theorem on  $|C, \alpha|_k$  summability has been proved by Bor and Srivastava (see [7]).

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $(X_n)$  be an almost increasing sequence and let there be sequences  $(\mu_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  such that

$$|\Delta\lambda_n| \le \mu_n,\tag{3}$$

$$\mu_n \to 0 \quad as \quad n \to \infty,$$
 (4)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \mid \Delta \mu_n \mid X_n < \infty, \tag{5}$$

$$|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1) \quad as \quad n \to \infty.$$
(6)

If the sequence  $(\omega_n^{\alpha})$  defined by (2) satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{1}{n} (\omega_n^{\alpha})^k = O(X_m) \quad as \quad m \to \infty,$$
(7)

then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $|C, \alpha|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  and  $0 < \alpha \le 1$ .

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## 2. Main Result

One can see some papers on generalized Cesàro summability ([3]-[6], [14]-[20], [22]). The aim of this paper is to obtain a theorem which generalizes Theorem 1.1 by using a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence in the following form.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV}$  and  $(X_n)$  be a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence. Let the conditions (3)-(6) be satisfied. If there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that the sequence  $(n^{\epsilon-k}\varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1})$  is non-increasing and the sequence  $(\omega_n^{\alpha})$  defined by (2) satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} (\omega_n^{\alpha})^k = O(X_m) \quad as \quad m \to \infty,$$
(8)

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

### 3. Lemmas

To prove Theorem 2.1, we need the lemmas given below.

**Lemma 3.1.** [8] If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $1 \leq v \leq n$ , then

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

$$\tag{9}$$

**Lemma 3.2.** [13] Under the conditions on  $(X_n)$ ,  $(\mu_n)$  and  $(\lambda_n)$  as taken in the statement of Theorem 2.1, we have

$$n\mu_n X_n = O(1) \quad as \quad n \to \infty \tag{10}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n X_n < \infty.$$
(11)

Proof of Theorem 2.1. Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Let  $(M_n^{\alpha})$  be the *n*th  $(C, \alpha)$  mean of the sequence  $(na_n\lambda_n)$ . So, we have

$$M_n^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^n A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_v \lambda_v$$

by (1). Applying Abel's transformation, we get

$$M_{n}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{A_{n}^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \lambda_{v} \sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_{p} + \frac{\lambda_{n}}{A_{n}^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_{v}.$$

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Here, using Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |M_n^{\alpha}| &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta\lambda_v| \left| \sum_{p=1}^{v} A_{n-p}^{\alpha-1} p a_p \right| + \frac{|\lambda_n|}{A_n^{\alpha}} \left| \sum_{v=1}^{n} A_{n-v}^{\alpha-1} v a_v \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha} \omega_v^{\alpha} |\Delta\lambda_v| + |\lambda_n| \omega_n^{\alpha} \\ &= M_{n,1}^{\alpha} + M_{n,2}^{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

To complete the proof, we need to show

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1}n^{-k}\mid M_{n,r}^{\alpha}\mid^k<\infty,\quad \text{for}\quad r=1,2.$$

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

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} | M_{n,1}^{\alpha} |^k$$

$$= \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \left| \frac{1}{A_n^{\alpha}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} A_v^{\alpha} \omega_v^{\alpha} | \Delta \lambda_v | \right|^k$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} (A_n^{\alpha})^{-k} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} (A_v^{\alpha})^k (\omega_v^{\alpha})^k | \Delta \lambda_v | \left\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} | \Delta \lambda_v | \right\}^{k-1}.$$

Here, using the fact that  $(\lambda_n) \in \mathcal{BV}$ , we get  $\sum |\Delta \lambda_v| < \infty$ . Also, by using (3), we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid M_{n,1}^{\alpha} \mid^k = O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{\alpha k} (\omega_v^{\alpha})^k \mu_v \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{\varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{\epsilon-k}}{n^{\alpha k+\epsilon}}.$$

Then, we get

$$\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} | M_{n,1}^{\alpha} |^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^m v^{\alpha k} (\omega_v^{\alpha})^k \mu_v \varphi_v^{\delta k+k-1} v^{\epsilon-k} \int_v^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^{\alpha k+\epsilon}}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \Delta(v\mu_v) \sum_{r=1}^v \varphi_r^{\delta k+k-1} r^{-k} (\omega_r^{\alpha})^k + O(1) m \mu_m \sum_{v=1}^m \varphi_v^{\delta k+k-1} v^{-k} (\omega_v^{\alpha})^k$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} v |\Delta \mu_v| X_v + O(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m-1} \mu_{v+1} X_{v+1} + O(1) m \mu_m X_m$$

$$= O(1) \quad as \quad m \to \infty,$$

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by Abel's transformation and the conditions (8), (5), (11) and (10).

For r = 2,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_{n}^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid M_{n,2}^{\alpha} \mid^{k} = \sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_{n}^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \left| \lambda_{n} \right|^{k} (\omega_{n}^{\alpha})^{k}$$

Since  $|\lambda_n| X_n = O(1)$  by (6), we write  $|\lambda_n|^{k-1} = O(1)$ . So, we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid M_{n,2}^{\alpha} \mid^k = \sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} \mid \lambda_n \mid (\omega_n^{\alpha})^k.$$

Then applying Abel's transformation and using the conditions (8), (3), (11) and (6), we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_{n}^{\delta k+k-1} n^{-k} | M_{n,2}^{\alpha} |^{k}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \Delta |\lambda_{n}| \sum_{v=1}^{n} \varphi_{v}^{\delta k+k-1} v^{-k} (\omega_{v}^{\alpha})^{k} + O(1) |\lambda_{m}| \sum_{v=1}^{m} \varphi_{v}^{\delta k+k-1} v^{-k} (\omega_{v}^{\alpha})^{k}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} |\Delta \lambda_{n}| X_{n} + O(1) |\lambda_{m}| X_{m}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} \mu_{n} X_{n} + O(1) |\lambda_{m}| X_{m}$$

$$= O(1) as \quad m \to \infty.$$

So the proof of Theorem 2.1 is completed.

If we take  $(X_n)$  as a positive non-decreasing sequence in Theorem 2.1, then we get a known result (see [23]). Also, if we take  $(X_n)$  as an almost increasing sequence,  $\varphi_n = n$ ,  $\delta = 0$  and  $\epsilon = 1$  in Theorem 2.1, then we get Theorem 1.1. Furthermore, if we take  $(X_n)$  as a positive non-decreasing sequence,  $\varphi_n = n$ ,  $\delta = 0$ ,  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\epsilon = 1$  in Theorem 2.1, then we get a known theorem on  $|C, 1|_k$ summability (see [2]).

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