# A note on $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$ summability factors

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RIASSUNTO - Si generalizzano due teoremi di LAL [4]

ABSTRACT – In this paper two theorems of LAL [4] on  $[\overline{N}, p_n]$  summability methods have been generalized for  $[\overline{N}, p_n]_k$  summability methods, where  $k \ge 1$ .

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# 1 - Introduction

Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series with partial sums  $(s_n)$  and let  $(p_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$(1.1) P_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \longrightarrow \infty \text{as} n \longrightarrow \infty, (P_{-i} = p_{-i} = 0, i \ge 1).$$

The sequence to sequence transformation

$$(1.2) t_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v s_v$$

defines the sequence  $(t_n)$  of the  $(\overline{N}, p_n)$  means of the sequence  $(s_n)$ , generated by the sequence of coefficients  $(p_n)$  (see [3]). The series  $\sum a_n$  is

said to be summable  $\left|\overline{N},p_{n}\right|_{k},k\geq1,$  if (see [2])

(1.3) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (P_n/p_n)^{k-1} \Big| t_n - t_{n-1} \Big|^k < \infty.$$

In the special case when  $p_n = 1$  for all values of n (resp. k = 1),  $\left| \overline{N}, p_n \right|_k$  summability is the same as  $|C, 1|_k$  (resp.  $\left| \overline{N}, p_n \right|$ ) summability. Also it should be noted that in the special case when  $p_n = 1/(n+1)$  and k = 1,  $\left| \overline{N}, p_n \right|_k$  summability is equivalent to the summability  $|R, \log n, 1|$ .

Let f(t) be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$  and integrable (L) over  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . The Fourier series of f(t) is

(1.4) 
$$\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(t).$$

# 2 - Lal's results

Lal [4] proved the following theorems for  $|\overline{N}, p_n|$  summability methods.

THEOREM A. If the sequence  $(s_n)$  is bounded and  $(\lambda_n)$  is a sequence such that

(2.1) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{p_n}{P_n} \left| \lambda_n \right| = 0(1)$$

(2.2) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left| \Delta \lambda_n \right| = 0 (1) \quad as \quad m \longrightarrow \infty,$$

then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $|\overline{N}, p_n|$ .

THEOREM B. The summability  $|\overline{N}, p_n|$  of the series  $\sum A_n(t)\lambda_n$  at a point is a local property of the generating function if the conditions (2.1)-(2.2) of Theorem A are satisfied.

#### 3 - Main results

The aim of this paper is to generalize above theorems for  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$  summability methods, where  $k \geq 1$ . Now, we shall prove the following theorems.

THEOREM 1. Let  $k \geq 1$ . If the sequence  $(s_n)$  is bounded and the sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  is such that conditions (2.1)-(2.2) of Theorem A are satisfied with the condition (2.1) replaced by;

(3.1) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{p_n}{P_n} |\lambda_n|^k = 0 (1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \longrightarrow \infty,$$

then the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$  is summable  $\left| \overline{N}, p_n \right|_k$ .

THEOREM 2. Let  $k \geq 1$ . The summability  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$  of the series  $\sum A_n(t)\lambda_n$  at a point is a local property of the generating function if the condition (2.2) and (3.1) are satisfied.

It may be remarked that if we take k = 1 in our theorems, then we get Theorem A and Theorem B, respectively. Also it should be noted that Theorem 2 includes as particular cases the wellknown results due to Bhatt [1], Matsumoto [5] and Mohanty [6].

### 4 - Proof of theorem 1

Let  $(T_n)$  be the sequence of the  $(\overline{N}, p_n)$  means of the series  $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ . Then, by definition, we have

(4.1) 
$$T_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_v \sum_{w=0}^v a_w \lambda_w = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n (P_n - P_{v-1}) a_v \lambda_v.$$

Then, for  $n \geq 1$ , we have that

(4.2) 
$$T_n - T_{n-1} = \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^n P_{\nu-1} a_{\nu} \lambda_{\nu}, \quad (P_{-1} = 0).$$

Using Abel's transformation we get

$$\begin{split} T_n - T_{n-1} &= \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta \Big( P_{v-1} \lambda_v \Big) s_v + \frac{p_n s_n \lambda_n}{P_n} = \\ &= -\frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v s_v \lambda_v + \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v s_v \Delta \lambda_v + \\ &+ \frac{p_n s_n \lambda_n}{P_n} = T_{n,1} + T_{n,2} + T_{n,3} \,, \quad \text{say} \,. \end{split}$$

To complete the proof of Theorem 1, by Minkowski's inequality, it is sufficient to show that

(4.3) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( P_n / p_n \right)^{k-1} \left| T_{n,r} \right|^k < \infty, \quad \text{for} \quad r = 1, 2, 3.$$

Now, applying Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \left( P_n/p_n \right)^{k-1} \Big| T_{n,1} \Big|^k \leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \Big\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v |s_v|^k |\lambda_v|^k \Big\} \times \\ &\times \left\{ \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} p_v \right\}^{k-1} = 0 \\ &= 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} p_v |\lambda_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{p_v}{P_v} |\lambda_v|^k = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} p_v |\lambda_v|^k \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{p_v}{P_v} |\lambda_v|^k = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} \frac{p_v}{P_v} |\lambda_$$

by virtue of the hypotheses.

Again

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{n=2}^{m+1} (P_n/p_n)^{k-1} |T_{n,2}|^k \le \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \Big\{ \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v |\Delta \lambda_v| |s_v| \Big\} \times \\ &\times \Big\{ \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} P_v |\Delta \lambda_v| \Big\}^{k-1} = 0 \\ &= 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} P_v |\Delta \lambda_v| \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} |\Delta \lambda_v| \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} |\Delta \lambda_v| \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} |\Delta \lambda_v| \sum_{n=v+1}^{m+1} \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = 0 \\ &(1) \sum_{v=1}^{m} |\Delta \lambda_v| = 0 \\$$

by virtue of the hypotheses.

Finally, we have that

$$\sum_{n=1}^m \left(P_n/p_n\right)^{k-1} \Big| T_{n,3} \Big|^k = 0 \\ (1) \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{p_n}{P_n} |\lambda_n|^k = 0 \\ (1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \longrightarrow \infty \,,$$

by virtue of the hypotheses. Therefore, we get that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left( P_n/p_n \right)^{k-1} \left| T_{n,r} \right|^k = 0(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \longrightarrow \infty \,, \quad \text{for} \quad r = 1, 2, 3 \,.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

# 5 - Proof of theorem 2

Since the behaviour of the Fourier series for a particular value of x, as for as convergence is concerned, depends on the behaviour of the function in the immediate neighbourhood of this point only, Theorem 2 is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1.

REMARK. If we take  $p_n = 1$  for all values of n in our theorems, then we get two results for  $|C, 1|_k$  summability methods.

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