

On Generalized Nörlund Summability Factors of Infinite Series

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Abstract

In this paper we have proved a theorem on generalized Nörlund summability Factors of infinite series, which generalizes various known results. However our theorem is as follows :

Theorem : Let $\{p_n\}$ be a non-negative and non-increasing, $\{x_n\}$ is a positive non-decreasing sequence and $\{\lambda_n\}$ is a positive decreasing sequence such that

$$\sum_{v=1}^n \lambda_v |s_v| = o(x_n) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$n \Delta \lambda_n = o(\lambda_n)$$

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \left(\frac{p_n}{\tau_n} \right) = o\left(\frac{1}{\tau_v}\right)$$

$$\sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |x_v| < \infty$$

Then the series $\sum a_n \epsilon_n \lambda_n$ is summable by $G(N, p, \lambda)$

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1. *Definitions and Notations :*

Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ be a given infinite series with s_n is its n^{th} partial sum The (N, P, λ) transform* of

$$s_n = \sum_{v=0}^n a_v \text{ is defined by}$$

$$\tau_n = \frac{\sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} \lambda_v s_v}{r_n}$$

where

$$r_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_n \lambda_{n-v} \quad (p_{-1} = \lambda_{-1} = r_{-1} = 0) \\ \neq 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ or the sequence $\{s_n\}$

is said to be summable (N, p, λ) to s , if $\tau_n \rightarrow s$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and is said to be absolutely summable $|N, p, \lambda|$ if $\{\tau_n\} \in BV$ and when this happens, we shall write symbolically by $\{s_n\} \in |N, p, \lambda|$.

The method (N, p, λ) reduces to the method⁵ (N, p_n) when $\lambda_n=1$;(Hardy p.64]; to Euler-knopp method (E, δ) when⁵

$$p_n = \frac{\alpha^n \delta^n}{n!}, \lambda_n = \frac{\alpha^n}{n!} \quad (\alpha > 0, \delta > 0) \\ \text{(Hardy p. 178) ;}$$

to the method (C, α, β) (Borwein^{1,2})

*Borwein¹ This is called the generalized Nörlund transform.

$$\text{when } p_n = \binom{n + \alpha + 1}{\alpha}, \lambda_n = \binom{n + \beta}{\beta}.$$

We write

$$\epsilon_n = p_n - p_{n-1} = \Delta p_n$$

$$\mu_n = q_n - q_{n-1} = \Delta q_n$$

and

$$\xi_n = \delta_n^\alpha$$

$$\text{furthermore } \delta_n = \sum_{v=0}^n \lambda_v$$

we note that

$$r_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} \lambda_v = \sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} \delta_v$$

and

$$\sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} \lambda_v s_v = \sum_{v=0}^n (p_{n-v} - p_{n-v-1}) \sum_{j=0}^v \lambda_j s_j \\ = \sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} t_v s_v$$

where

$$t_v = \frac{1}{\delta_v} \sum_{i=0}^v \lambda_i s_i \\ = \frac{1}{\delta_v} \sum_{i=0}^v (\delta_i - \delta_{i-1}) a_i$$

Here $\{t_v\}$ is the (\bar{N}, λ) mean⁵ (Hardy p. 5) which is equivalent to $(R^*, \delta_{n-1}, 1)$ mean⁵ (Hardy p 1.13).

Rewriting τ_n is terms of the simplification given above, we now have

$$\tau_n = \frac{\sum_{v=0}^n (p_{n-v} - p_{n-v-1}) t_v \delta_v}{\sum_{v=0}^n (p_{n-v} - p_{n-v-1}) \delta_v}$$

and this form suggests that we can have the following extension of the (N, p, λ) method.

We now write, for any $\{\epsilon_n\}$

$$(1.1) \quad \tau_n^{(\alpha)} = \frac{\sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} t_v^\alpha \delta_v^\alpha}{\sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} \delta_v^\alpha}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} t_v^\alpha \xi_v}{\sum_{v=0}^n \epsilon_{n-v} \xi_v}$$

where

$$t_n^{(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{\delta_n^\alpha} \sum_{v=0}^n (\delta_v - \delta_{v-1})^\alpha a_v$$

We denote this mean by $G(N, p, \lambda)_\alpha$ (Dhal [4]).

When $\alpha = 1$

$\tau_n^{(1)} = (N, p, \lambda)(s_n)$, the $G(N, p, \lambda)$ method reduces to (N, p, λ) method.

2. Dealing with the absolute Nörlund summability Sulaiman⁷ has proved the following theorem.

Theorem A : Let $\{p_n\}$ be a sequence of positive numbers. Let t_n^1 denote the n^{th} $(C, 1)$ mean of $\{n a_n\}$. If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{P_n} |\epsilon_n|^k |t_n^1|^k < \infty$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^k} \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right)^{k-1} |\epsilon_n|^k |t_n^1|^k < \infty$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right)^{k-1} |\Delta \epsilon_n|^k |t_n^1|^k < \infty$$

then the series $\sum a_n \epsilon_n$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k, k \geq 1$.

In 2003 Rhoades and Savas⁶ have extended the theorem of Sulaiman in the following form.

Theorem B : Let $\{p_n\}$ be a positive sequence such that

$$\sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{k-1}}{P_{n-1}} \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right)^k = o\left(\frac{v^{k-1} p_v^{k-1}}{P_v^k}\right)$$

Let t_n^1 denote the n^{th} $(C, 1)$ mean of $\{n a_n\}$. If

$$\sum_{v=1}^{\infty} v^{k-1} |\epsilon_v|^k |t_v^1|^k < \infty$$

$$\sum_{v=1}^{\infty} v^{k-1} |\Delta \epsilon_v|^k |t_v^1|^k < \infty$$

then the series $\sum a_n \epsilon_n$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|_k, k \geq 1$.

The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem B for generalized Nörlund summability³.

3. *Main Theorem* : We shall prove the following main theorem

Theorem : Let $\{p_n\}$ be a non-negative and non-increasing sequence, $\{x_n\}$ is a positive non decreasing sequence and $\{\lambda_n\}$ is a positive decreasing sequence such that

$$(3.1) \sum_{v=1}^n \lambda_v |s_v| = \mathbf{O}(x_n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$(3.2) n \Delta \lambda_n = \mathbf{O}(\lambda_n)$$

$$(3.3) \sum_{n=v+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \left(\frac{p_n}{\tau_n} \right) = \mathbf{O}(1) \left(\frac{1}{\tau_v} \right)$$

and

$$(3.4) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |x_v| < \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n (\tau_v - \tau_{n-v}) a_v \epsilon_v \lambda_v + \frac{1}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n (p_{n-v} - p_n) a_v \epsilon_v \lambda_v \\ &= \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta_v [(\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) \epsilon_v \lambda_v] s_v + \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} (\tau_n - \tau_0) \tau_n \epsilon_n \lambda_n s_n \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} \Delta_v [(p_{n-v} - p_n) \epsilon_v \lambda_v] s_v + \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} (p_0 - p_n) \tau_n \epsilon_n \lambda_n s_n \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} |\tau_n^{(\alpha)} - \tau_{n-1}^{(\alpha)}| &\leq \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n \Delta_v [(\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) |\epsilon_v| \lambda_v] |s_v| \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n \Delta_v [(p_{n-v} - p_n) |\epsilon_v| \lambda_v] |s_v| + p_0 |\epsilon_n| \lambda_n |s_n| \end{aligned}$$

Then the series $\sum a_n \epsilon_n \lambda_n$ is summable by $G(N, p, \lambda)$.

4. *Proof of the theorem* :

$\tau_n^{(\alpha)}$ denote the $G(N, p, \lambda)$ mean of the series $\sum a_n \epsilon_n \lambda_n$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_n^{(\alpha)} - \tau_{n-1}^{(\alpha)} &= \frac{1}{\tau_n} \sum_{v=0}^n \tau_{n-v} a_v \epsilon_v \lambda_v \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} \tau_{n-1-v} a_v \epsilon_v \lambda_v \\ &= \frac{1}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \sum_{v=1}^n [\tau_v p_{n-v} - \tau_{n-v} p_n] a_v \epsilon_v \lambda_v \end{aligned}$$

$$= t_n(1) + t_n(2) + t_n(3), \quad \text{say}$$

(4.1)

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n(1) &= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{T_n T_{n-1}} \left[\sum_{v=1}^n (\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) p_{v+1} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \right. \\ &\quad + \sum_{v=1}^n (\tau_n - \tau_{n-1}) | \Delta \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v + \sum_{v=1}^n (\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \Delta \lambda_v \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{v=1}^n p_{n-v} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \right] \\ &= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} p_{v+1} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} (\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) \\ &\quad + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \Delta \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} (\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) \\ &\quad + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} (\tau_n - \tau_{n-v}) \\ &\quad + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{p_n p_{n-v}}{\tau_n \tau_{n-1}} \\ &= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} p_{v+1} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \Delta \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \\ &\quad + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \Delta \lambda_v + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{v} | \epsilon_v | |s_v| \lambda_v \end{aligned}$$

By (3.2) and (3.4)

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |s_v| \lambda_v + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\Delta\epsilon_v| |s_v| v \lambda_v \\
&\quad + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |s_v| v \Delta\lambda_v
\end{aligned}$$

as $\frac{\tau_n}{n} = \mathbf{O}(1)$ and $\{p_n\}$ is bounded.

$$(4.2) \quad = N_1 + N_2 + N_3 \quad (\text{say})$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |s_v| \lambda_v &= \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\epsilon_v| |\lambda_v s_v| \\
&= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{n-1} |\Delta\epsilon_v| |x_v| + \mathbf{O}(1) |\epsilon_n| |x_n| + \mathbf{O}(1) \\
&= \mathbf{O}(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ by (3.1) and (3.4)}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $N_1 = \mathbf{O}(1)$

Again

$$\sum_{v=1}^n |\Delta\epsilon_v| v |\lambda_v s_v| = \mathbf{O}(1) \quad \text{same as } N_1$$

So that $N_2 = \mathbf{O}(1)$

$$(4.4) \quad \text{Lastly } \sum_{v=1}^n |\epsilon_v| |s_v| v \Delta\lambda_v = \mathbf{O}(1) \quad \text{same as } N_1$$

(4.4) Thus $N_3 = \mathbf{O}(1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n(2) &= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\tau_{n-1}} \left[\sum_{v=1}^n (p_{n-v} - p_n) p_{v+1} |\epsilon_v| |s_v| \lambda_v \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{v=1}^n (p_{n-v} - p_v) |\Delta\epsilon_v| |s_v| \lambda_v + \sum_{v=1}^n (p_{n-v} - p_n) |\epsilon_v| |s_v| \Delta\lambda_v \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left. + \sum_{v=1}^n (p_{n-v} - p_{n-v-1}) | \epsilon_v | | s_v | \lambda_v \right] \\
 = & \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} p_{v+1} | \epsilon_v | | s_v | \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{(p_{n-v} - p_n)}{\tau_{n-1}} \\
 & + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \Delta \epsilon_v | | s_v | \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{(p_{n-v} - p_n)}{\tau_{n-1}} \\
 & + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | | s_v | \Delta \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{(p_{n-v} - p_n)}{\tau_{n-1}} \\
 & + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | | s_v | \lambda_v \sum_{n=v}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta_n (p_{n-v-1})}{\tau_{n-1}} \\
 = & \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | | \lambda_v s_v | + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \Delta \epsilon_v | v | \lambda_v s_v | + \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} | \epsilon_v | v \Delta \lambda_v | s_v | \\
 = & N_1 + N_2 + N_3
 \end{aligned}$$

from (4.2) and noting that $\frac{T_n}{n} = \mathbf{O}(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and N_1, N_2 and N_3 have already been treated, so that⁸

$$(4.5) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n(2) = \mathbf{O}(1)$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n(3) &= \mathbf{O}(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_0 | \epsilon_n | | \lambda_n s_n | \\
 (4.6) \quad &= \mathbf{O}(1) \quad \text{as it has already been treated}
 \end{aligned}$$

Combining (4.1 to 4.6) the proof of theorem is completed.

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