

## On Generalized Product of Cesáro Summable Series

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### Abstract

Summability is more general than that of ordinary convergence. This is a branch of mathematical analysis in which an infinite series which is usually divergent can converge to a finite sum  $s$  (say) by ordinary summation techniques and become summable with the help of different summation means or methods. Many authors have discussed various summability methods. C method was given by Ernesto Cesáro such that ordinary Cesáro summation was written as  $(C, 1)$  summation whereas generalised Cesáro summation was given as  $(C, \alpha)$ . In 1913, Hardy [5] proved a Theorem on  $(C, \alpha)$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  summability of the series.  $(C, \alpha)$ ,  $[C, \alpha]$ ,  $|C, \alpha|$  denotes respectively ordinary, strong and absolute Cesáro summability methods. The product of ordinary and absolute summability has been discussed by Borwein [1]. In this paper generalized product of ordinary and absolute summability has been defined and some of its properties investigated.

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### 1. Introduction

Borwein [2] introduced the ordinary summability method  $(C, \alpha)$  for series and investigated some of its properties.  $(C, \alpha)$ ,  $[C, \alpha]$ ,  $|C, \alpha|$  denotes respectively ordinary, strong and absolute Cesáro summability methods. The method  $[C, \alpha]$ , previously defined only for  $\alpha \geq 0$ , is defined in a natural way for  $\alpha < 0$ . It is known that if  $\sum_0^\infty a_n$  is summable  $|C, -\alpha, \beta|$  to  $A$  and  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  is summable  $(C, -\alpha, \beta)$  to  $B$ , where  $\alpha \geq 0$ , then  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is summable  $(C, -\alpha, \beta)$  to  $AB$ . In [2], the product of ordinary and absolute summability has been given and some of its properties has been discussed. Mishra and Srivastava [8] introduced the Summability method  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  for functions by generalizing  $(C, \alpha)$  summability method. Mishra and Mishra [9] discussed Strong Summability of functions based

on  $(D, k)(C, \alpha, \beta)$  Summability methods. In this paper, we discuss generalized product of ordinary and absolute summability and investigate a relation between different sets of parameters. The case  $\beta = 0$  is due to [2].

Throughout this paper  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  denotes the Cauchy product of the series  $\sum_0^\infty a_n$  and  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$ , i.e.

$$c_n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r b_{n-r}. \quad (1.1)$$

Now we can prove the following Theorems based on above results.

**Theorem 1.** If  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $\sum_0^\infty a_n, \sum_0^\infty b_n$  are summable  $[C, -\alpha, \beta]$  to  $A.B$ . The case  $\beta = 0$  of this Theorem has been established by Boyd [4]. We also prove the following two Theorems.

**Theorem 2.** There are series  $\sum_0^\infty a_n, \sum_0^\infty b_n$  respectively summable  $[C, -I, \beta]$  and absolutely convergent, for which  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is not summable  $[C, 0, \beta]$ .

**Theorem 3.** Given  $\alpha \geq -1$ , there are series  $\sum_0^\infty a_n, \sum_0^\infty b_n$  respectively summable  $[C, -I, \beta]$  and  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$ , for which  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is not summable  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$ .

The cases  $\alpha = -1$  and  $\alpha = 0$  of Theorem 3 have been proved by Boyd [4]. The case  $\beta = 0$  is due to [1].

## 2. Notation, Definitions and Preliminary Result

Let

$$s_n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots). \quad (2.1)$$

Given matrices  $Q = (q_{n,r}), P = (P_{n,r})$  ( $n, r = 0, 1, \dots$ ) with  $P_{n,r} \geq 0$ , the strong summability method  $[P, Q, R]$  is defined (see [3]) as follows. Let

$$\sigma_n = Q(S_n) = \sum_{r=0}^\infty q_{n,r} S_r. \quad (2.2)$$

Then  $\sum_0^\infty a_n$  is summable  $[P, Q, R]$  to  $s$ , and we write  $S_n \rightarrow S[P, Q, R]$ , if

$$\sum_{r=0}^\infty P_{n,r} |\sigma_r - s| \quad (2.3)$$

is defined for each  $n$  and tends to 0 and  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\epsilon_n^a = \binom{n+a}{n}, \Delta a s_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \epsilon_{n-r}^{-\alpha-1} s_r \quad (n = 1, \dots; \text{any real } \alpha). \quad (2.4)$$

The  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  transform of  $f(x)$ , which we denote by  $\partial_{\alpha, \beta}(x)$  is given by

$$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta + 1)} \frac{1}{x^{\alpha+\beta}} \int_0^x (x-y)^{\alpha-1} y^\beta f(y) dy, \quad (\alpha > 0, \beta > -1), \quad (2.5)$$

If this exists for  $x > 0$  and  $\partial_{\alpha, \beta}(x)$  tends to a limit  $s$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ , we say that  $f(x)$  is summable  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  to  $s$ , and we write  $f(x) \rightarrow s(C, \alpha, \beta)$ .

If  $\alpha \geq 0, p \geq 1, \beta > -1$ , we say that  $f(y)$  is summable  $|C, \alpha, \beta|_p$  (absolutely summable  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  with index  $p$ , if

$$\int_T^\infty y^{p-1} \left| \frac{d}{dy} \partial_{\alpha, \beta}(y) \right|^p dy < \infty. \quad (2.6)$$

Define  $C_{\alpha, \beta}$  to be the matrix  $C_{\alpha, 0, \beta}$  when  $\alpha > -1$ , and  $C_{\alpha, -\alpha}$  when  $\alpha \leq -1$ . Then, for any real  $\alpha, \beta$  the statement  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$  is summable  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  to  $A\beta$  can be interpreted (see [5]) as

$$\sigma_n = C_{\alpha, \beta}(s_n) \rightarrow A + \beta.$$

We now define, for every real  $\alpha, \beta$  the strong Cesàro method  $[C, \alpha, \beta]$  to be  $[C_1, C_{\alpha-1}, \beta]$ . The definition is standard for  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ ; for  $\alpha > 0$ ; the method  $[C, \alpha, \beta]$  does not appear to have been defined explicitly before. The following proposition, which is a special case of a known result ([3] with  $X = C_{-1, 1}$ ), shows that our definition of  $[C, 0, \beta]$  is equivalent to one framed by Hyslop [6]. Following inclusion results are obvious.

- I. The series  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$  is summable  $[C, 0, \beta]$  to  $A + \beta$  if and only if it is convergent with sum  $A$  and

$$\sum_{r=0}^\infty r |\alpha_r| = O(n + \beta).$$

Given summability methods  $X, Y$  we say that  $X$  is included in  $Y$  and write  $X \subseteq Y$  if every series summable  $X$  is also  $Y$  to the same sum;  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be equivalent and we write  $X \simeq Y$  if each is included in the other.

We list next time inclusions, which hold for every real  $\alpha, \beta$  together with reference to results of which they are immediate consequences.

- II.  $[C, \alpha, \beta] \simeq [C_1, C_{\alpha-1, \beta}]$  ( $\beta > -1, \alpha + \beta > 0$ ).
- III.  $[C, \alpha, \beta] \subseteq [C, \alpha + \delta, \beta]$  [ $\delta, \beta > 0$ ].
- IV.  $[C, \alpha - 1, \beta] \subseteq [C, \alpha, \beta] \subseteq [C, \alpha, \beta]$ .
- V.  $|C, \alpha, \beta| \subseteq [C, \alpha, \beta]$ .

As in the case with series, if an integral is  $(C, \alpha)$  summable for some value of  $\alpha \geq 0$ , then it is also  $(C, \beta)$  summable for all  $\beta > \alpha$ , and the value of the resulting limit is the same [12].

### 3. Proof of the Theorems

In order to prove Theorem 1 we require a Lemma which is similar to one proved by Winn ([7]), 483-484).

**Lemma 3.1.** If  $r, u, v > 0$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  satisfying same conditions, we have

$$S_n = \sum_{r=0}^n s_r = O(n) \quad (3.1)$$

then, for  $\alpha < 1$ ,  $\sum_{r=0}^n \epsilon_{r-u}^{-\alpha, \beta} s_{r+u} = O(\epsilon_n^{1-\alpha, \beta})$ .

**Proof.** By partial integration over  $N$ , we have

$$\epsilon_{r-u}^{-\alpha, \beta} s_{r+u} = (r+1) \left[ \int_1^N \int_0^1 (1-f(v)) \{C_{\alpha, \beta}(vy_v) - r\} |C_{\alpha, \beta}(vy_{v-1})|^{1/\alpha} dv \right], \quad (3.2)$$

Therefore

$$\epsilon_{r-u}^{-\alpha, \beta} s_{r+u} \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.3)$$

Since  $\frac{w_r}{(r+1+\beta)} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\sum_{r=0}^n \epsilon_r^{-\alpha, \beta} = \epsilon_n^{1-\alpha, \beta}$ , the required result can now be obtained by an application of Hyslop's Theorem.

**Proof of Theorem 1.**

**Case (i).** Suppose  $A = B = 0$ .

Let  $\mu = m + \alpha + \beta$ , where  $m$  is a non-negative integer and  $0 \leq \alpha + \beta + r < 2$ ; and let

$$\alpha + r - \beta = \sum_{r=0}^n \epsilon_r^{-\alpha, \beta} \frac{s_r}{r+1} + O(\epsilon_n^{1-\alpha}).$$

Hence

$$s_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \alpha_{r, \beta} t_n = \sum_{r=0}^n b_{r, \beta}. \quad (3.4)$$

It has been shown ([1], 47) that a necessary and sufficient condition for  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  to be summable  $(C, -\mu, \beta)$  to 0 is that

$$X_{n+r} + Y_{n+r} + Z_{n+r} = O(1 + \beta + r), \quad (3.5)$$

where

$$X_{n+r} = \sum_{p=1}^m \frac{1}{\epsilon_{n+r}^{1-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^n \Delta^{m+1-p+r} (\epsilon_r^{m+1-p} s_r) \quad (3.6)$$

when  $m + r + v \geq 1$  and  $X_n = 0$  when  $m + \beta = 0$ , and

$$Y_{n+r} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_{n+r}^{1-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^n t_{n-r} \Delta^{\mu+1-\beta} (\epsilon_r^{\mu+1+\beta}) \left( \frac{\epsilon_n^{\mu+1-\alpha}}{s_{r+v}} \right), \quad (3.7)$$

$$Z_{n+r} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_n^{1-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^n s_{n-r} \Delta^{\mu+1} (\epsilon_{r+n}^{\mu+1-\alpha} t_{r+v}), \quad (3.8)$$

By hypothesis,  $s_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta]$ ,  $t_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta]$ , so that by the second inclusion in IV [8],

$$s_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta], \quad t_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta]; \quad (3.9)$$

and a known consequence ([3], 47-49) is that

$$(C, \alpha) - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\binom{n}{j}}{\binom{n+\alpha}{j}} a_j.$$

Now, let

$$y_n = \Delta^{\mu+1} (\epsilon_r^{\mu+1-\alpha} s_n) = \epsilon_r^{-\alpha} C_{-\mu-1, \mu+1-\alpha} (s_n) \quad (3.10)$$

from the hypothesis  $s_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta]$  we deduce, by II, that

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{|y_r|}{\epsilon_r^{-\alpha, \beta}} + O(n). \quad (3.11)$$

and hence, by the Lemma, that

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon_n^{1-\alpha, \beta}} \sum_{r=0}^n |y_r| = O(1). \quad (3.12)$$

Next, since  $t_n \rightarrow 0[C, -\mu, \beta]$ , we have by III, that  $t_n = O(1)$  and it follows that

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{\epsilon_n^{1-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^n t_{n-r} y_r = O(1). \quad (3.13)$$

Similarly  $Z_n = O(1)$ ; and the proof of Case (i) is complete.

**Case (ii).** Suppose now that there are no restrictions on  $A, B$ .

Let  $\alpha'_0 = \alpha_0 - A$ ,  $b'_0 = b_0 - B$ ;  $\alpha'_r = \alpha_r$ ,  $b'_r = b_r$  ( $r > 0$ ) and let

$$c'_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \alpha'_r b'_{n-r}. \quad (3.14)$$

Since  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$ ,  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  are summable  $(C, -\mu)$  to  $A$ ,  $B$  respectively, it is readily seen that  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$  and  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  are both summable  $(C, -\mu, \beta)$  to 0, from which it follows, by Case (i), that  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha'_n$  is summable  $(C, -\mu)$  to 0. But

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n^\alpha x^n = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n}{(1-x)^{1+\alpha}}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_0^N \alpha_n = A \sum_0^N b_n - A + B, \quad (3.15)$$

and  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$ ,  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  are summable  $(C, -\mu, \beta)$  to  $A$ ,  $B$  respectively. Hence bounded  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$ -variation over  $(0, \infty)$  see [9].

**Proof of Theorem 2.** For convenience we divide the proof into three parts.

**Case I.** The case is obvious.

**Case II.**  $\alpha = \beta + r$

We show now that given any unbounded sequence of positive number  $\{U_n\}$ , there is a sequence  $\{u_n\}$  such that

$$U_n \geq 0, \quad \sum_0^\infty U_n < \infty \text{ and } \sum_0^N r v_r \neq 0(n). \quad (3.16)$$

Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence not converging to 0 such that

$$\beta_n \geq 0 \text{ and } \sum_0^\infty \frac{\beta_n}{U_n} < \infty; \quad (3.17)$$

a suitable sequence can be constructed by first defining an increasing sequence of positive  $n_v$  for which

$$U_{n_v} > v^2,$$

and then taking  $\beta_n$  to be 1 whenever  $n = n_v$  and 0 otherwise.

Let

$$\alpha_0 = 0, \quad \alpha_n = \frac{\beta_n}{U_n} - \frac{n-1}{n} \frac{\beta_{n-1}}{U_{n-1}} \quad (n \geq 1). \quad (3.18)$$

Then

$$U_n \sum_0^n r \alpha_r = n \beta_n$$

and

$$\sum_0^\infty |\alpha_n| < \infty.$$

Setting  $u_n = |\alpha_n|$ , we have

$$U_n \sum_0^n r u_r \geq n \beta_n, \quad (3.19)$$

and so the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  satisfies (2) as required.

**Case III.**  $n = \beta + r$

To prove our Theorem take  $\alpha_n = (-1)^n u_n$  where  $u_n > 0$ ,  $nu_n = 0$  (1) and  $\sum_0^\infty (-1)^n u_n$  is conditionally convergent; e.g.  $u_n = \frac{1}{n+2} \log(n+2)$ . Then  $u_n = \sum_0^n u_r$  is positive and tends to infinity, and  $\sum_0^\infty a_r$  is summable  $(C-1, \beta)$ . Let  $b_n = (-1)^n b_n$  where  $\{u_n\}$  is a sequence satisfying (2); then  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  is absolutely convergent. In virtue of I, the Cauchy sum  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  of the above series  $\sum_0^\infty a_n$ ,  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  is not summable  $[C, 0, \beta]$  due to [10].

**Proof of Theorem 3.** Since the case  $\alpha + \beta = -1$  has been proved by Boyd [4] we may suppose that  $\alpha + \beta > -1$ . Let

$$f(x) = \frac{x^{a+1}}{\log \log x};$$

then, as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$f'(x) = \frac{(a + \beta + 1)x^a}{\log \log x} (1 + O(1)) \quad (3.20)$$

and so there is a positive integer  $p$  such that

$$f(x+1) > f(x) > \quad \text{for } x \geq p$$

and let

$$\beta_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{\epsilon_n^a} (\delta_n - \delta_{p-1}) \quad (n \geq 0).$$

Then, for  $n > p$ ,

$$\beta_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{\epsilon_n^a} f'(n-1+\theta) \quad (0 < \theta < 1),$$

and so, by (3.20),

$$\beta_n = O\left(\frac{1}{\log \log n}\right) = O(1)n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (3.21)$$

Now set

$$\alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = 0, \quad \alpha_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n \log n} \quad (n \geq 2).$$

Then  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$  is summable  $(C, -1, \beta)$ , and  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(B_n) = \beta_n \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$  is summable  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  to 0. Let

$$c_n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r b_{n-r}, \quad Y_n = \sum_{r=0}^n c_r, \quad \sigma_n = C_\alpha(Y_n) \quad (3.22)$$

Then

$$Y_n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_{n-r} B_r = \sum_{r=0}^n a_{n-r} \Delta^\alpha(\epsilon_r^\alpha \beta_r) = (-1)^n \sum_{r=0}^n a_{n-r} |\delta_r - \delta_{r-1}| \quad (3.23)$$

and so,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$a(x) \rightarrow 0(c, r) \Rightarrow a(x) \rightarrow 0(c, r') \text{ for } r' > r \geq 0.$$

It follows that

$$b(x) \rightarrow 0(c, r) \Rightarrow b(x) \rightarrow 0(c, r') \text{ for } r' > r \geq 0 \quad (3.24)$$

and hence, by our Lemma, that

$$c(x) \rightarrow 0(c, \alpha + 1, \beta) \Rightarrow c(x) \rightarrow 0(c, \alpha, \beta) \text{ for } \alpha > \beta \geq 0. \quad (3.25)$$

**Necessary Condition:** If  $r = r' = -1$ , the Theorem immediate follows from the summability of  $(C, -1, \alpha, \beta)$ . If  $r > -1$ , then by consistency Theorem for  $(C, r, \alpha)$  summability (Gehring [3], Theorem 4.2.1) it follows that both the functions  $c(x)$  and  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(x)$  are  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  convergent to  $s$ , see [11]. By [Hardy [5], Equation (6.1.6)],  $S_r^n = S_{r+1}^n + \frac{1}{r+1} \frac{f(x)}{C_{\alpha, \beta}(x)}$ , and the result follows since a linear combination of functions summable  $(C, k, \alpha)$  to itself. The sufficient conditions to prove the theorem are: Consequently  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is not summable  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$  to 0. However, by a standard result ([7], Theorem 4),  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is summable  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$  to 0 and so, by the second inclusion in IV [2], the series cannot be summable  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$  to any number other than 0. Hence  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is not summable  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$ .



**Remark.** It is known in ([5], Theorem 6) that, given  $\alpha \geq -1$ , there are series  $\sum_0^\infty \alpha_n$ ,  $\sum_0^\infty b_n$ , respectively summable  $(C, -1, \beta)$  and  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  for which  $\sum_0^\infty c_n$  is not summable  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$ .

Our Theorem 3 is stronger than this result, since  $(C, \alpha, \beta)$  is included in, but is not equivalent to,  $[C, \alpha + 1, \beta]$ .

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