

## ON THE ABSOLUTE SUMMABILITY FACTORS OF INFINITE SERIES

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1. Let  $\Sigma a_n$  be a given infinite series with  $s_n$  as its  $n$ -th partial sum. We denote by  $\{\sigma_n^\alpha\}$  and  $\{t_n^\alpha\}$  the  $n$ -th  $(C, \alpha)$ ,  $(\alpha > -1)$  means of the sequences  $\{s_n\}$  and  $\{na_n\}$  respectively. A series  $\Sigma a_n$  is said to be summable  $|C, \alpha|$  if  $\Sigma |\sigma_n^\alpha - \sigma_{n-1}^\alpha| < \infty$  and summable  $|C, \alpha|_k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\alpha > -1$  if

$$(1.1) \quad \sum n^{k-1} |\sigma_n^\alpha - \sigma_{n-1}^\alpha|^k < \infty.$$

In view of the well known identity  $t_n^\alpha = n(\sigma_n^\alpha - \sigma_{n-1}^\alpha)$ , the condition (1.1) can also be written as

$$(1.2) \quad \sum_1^\infty \frac{|t_n^\alpha|^k}{n} < \infty.$$

Let  $\{p_n\}$  be a sequence of positive real constants such that  $P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \dots + p_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . A series  $\Sigma a_n$  is said to be summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$  if  $t_n^* \in BV$ ,

where 
$$t_n^* = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_k s_k.$$

For  $p_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$  the summability  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$  is equivalent to the well known summability  $|R, \log n, 1|$ .

For any real  $\alpha$  and integers  $n \geq 0$ , we define  $\Delta U_n = \sum_{v=n}^\infty A_{v-n}^{-\alpha-1} U_v$ , whenever the series is convergent.

2. It is known that summability  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$  and the summability  $|C, \alpha|_k$  are, in general, independent of each other. It is, therefore, natural to find out suitable summability factors  $\{\varepsilon_n\}$  so that  $\Sigma a_n \varepsilon_n$  may be summable  $|C, \alpha|_k$ ,  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , whenever  $\Sigma a_n$  is summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ , and conversely, if  $\Sigma a_n$  is summable  $|C, \alpha|_k$  then  $\Sigma a_n \varepsilon_n$  may be summable  $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ . In a recent paper [5] the author has