

# A GENERALIZATION OF MULTIPLE SEQUENCE TRANSFORMATIONS

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**1. Introduction and statement of purpose.** It is the purpose of the present paper<sup>1</sup> to extend the definitions of the classes of complex multiple sequences  $\{s_{k^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, \dots, k^{(n)}}\}$  considered in  $H_1$  so that they may have meaning for complex functionals  $f$  of  $l$  variables  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(l)}$ , where, for  $\nu = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ,  $x^{(\nu)}$  is the general element of an aggregate  $\mathfrak{E}^{(\nu)}$  of considerable generality, interpretable, in particular, either as the positive integers or as the points of a Euclidean space; and to derive, by means of the results of  $H_{1,2}$ , conditions on the  $n$ -dimensional matrix  $\|f_{k^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, \dots, k^{(n)}}\|$  of complex functionals of the  $l$  variables  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(l)}$ , necessary and sufficient for the various sequence class-to-functional class transformations under the relation

$$F(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(l)}) \equiv \sum_{k^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, \dots, k^{(n)}=1}^{\infty} f_{k^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, \dots, k^{(n)}}(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(l)}) s_{k^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, \dots, k^{(n)}}$$

analogous to the sequence class-to-sequence class transformations considered in  $H_{1,2}$ .

In order to clarify ideas, consider the solution of the problem: to find conditions on the linear matrix of complex functionals  $\|f_i\|$  necessary and sufficient that  $F(t) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(t) s_i$  exist finite for each  $t$  in  $(0, \infty)$  and converge to 0 as  $t$  tends to infinity, whenever  $\{s_i\}$  is a null sequence of complex numbers.

Denote by  $S$  the class of non-negative, real sequences  $\{t_j\}$  for which  $\lim_j t_j = \infty$ . Now  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} F(t) = 0$  if and only if  $\lim_j F(t_j) = 0$  for each  $\{t_j\} \in S$ . Hence the desired conditions are simply that

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha) \quad & \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |f_i(t_j)| < B(\{t_j\}) \text{ for each } j && \text{(each } \{t_j\} \in S); \\ (\beta) \quad & \lim_j f_i(t_j) = 0 \text{ for each } i && \text{(each } \{t_j\} \in S), \end{aligned}$$

as follows from well-known theorems of the Silverman-Toeplitz type (or from  $H_{1,2}$ ); or, more elegantly, that

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<sup>1</sup> This paper assumes familiarity with the contents of the preceding note, *Change of dimension in sequence transformations*; hence also with the paper therein cited as  $H_1$ . The paper  $H_1$ , as revised in the note, will be referred to as  $H_{1,2}$ .