

98. The Product of a Logarithmic Method and the Sequence-to-Sequence Quasi-Hausdorff Method

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1. *Definitions.* μ_n , defined by

$$(1.1) \quad \mu_n = \int_0^1 t^n d\chi(t) \quad (n=0, 1, 2, \dots),^*$$

where $\chi(t)$ is a real function of bounded variation in $(0, 1)$, is called the *moment constant* of rank n generated by the *mass-function* $\chi(t)$. If, further,

$$(1.2) \quad \chi(1)=1, \chi(+0)=\chi(0)=0,^*$$

μ_n is said to be a *regular* moment constant.

The matrix $\lambda \equiv (H, \mu_n)$, defined by

$$(1.3) \quad \lambda_{nk} = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_k & (n \geq k) \\ 0 & (n < k), \end{cases}$$

is termed the *Hausdorff-matrix* corresponding to the sequence of moment constants $\{\mu_n\}$. The summability (H, μ_n) of a sequence $\{s_n\}$ to the sum s is defined as the convergence to a finite limit s of its *Hausdorff transform*, or simply (H, μ_n) transform, σ_n , where

$$(1.4) \quad \sigma_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \lambda_{nk} s_k \quad (n=0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

The transpose of the Hausdorff matrix, that is, the matrix $\lambda^* \equiv (H^*, \mu_n)$, defined by

$$(1.5) \quad \lambda_{nk}^* = \begin{cases} \binom{k}{n} \Delta^{k-n} \mu_n & (n \leq k) \\ 0 & (n > k) \end{cases}$$

is termed the *Quasi-Hausdorff matrix* corresponding to the sequence of moment constants $\{\mu_n\}$.

The sequence-to-sequence *Quasi-Hausdorff transform*, or simply the (H^*, μ_n) transform, σ_n^* of a sequence $\{s_n\}$ is defined by

$$(1.6) \quad \sigma_n^* = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \binom{k}{n} \Delta^{k-n} \mu_n s_k.$$

Since μ_n is given by (1.1), we also have

$$(1.7) \quad \sigma_n^* = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \int_0^1 s_k \binom{k}{n} t^n (1-t)^{k-n} d\chi(t).$$

* The function t^0 is defined at $t=0$ so as to be continuous; thus

$$\mu_0 = \int_0^1 d\chi(t).$$

* The assumption $\chi(0)=0$ is not a substantial restriction.

The summability (H^*, μ_n) of a sequence $\{s_n\}$ to the limit s is defined as the convergence to a finite limit s of its (H^*, μ_n) transform σ_n^* .

It is well-known (see [2], Theorem 217, p. 217, p. 276) that the necessary and sufficient conditions that the (H, μ_n) transform be *regular*, that is, $\sigma_n \rightarrow s$ whenever $s_n \rightarrow s$, are:

$$(1.8) \quad \chi(1)=1, \chi(+0)=\chi(0)=0.$$

We also know that if μ_n is a regular moment constant generated by the mass-function $\chi(t)$, then the necessary and sufficient conditions that the (H^*, μ_n) transform be regular are (see [2], Theorem 219, p. 279; also notes on chapter XI, § 11. 20)

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{cases} (i) & \int_0^1 \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \leq k < \infty, \\ (ii) & \int_0^1 \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} = 1. \end{cases}$$

Borwein [1] has recently defined the following logarithmic method of summability, denoted by L .

A sequence $\{s_n\}$ is said to be *summable* (L) to s , if

$$(1.10) \quad L_s(x) = -\{\log(1-x)\}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_n}{n+1} x^{n+1}$$

tends to a finite limit s as $x \rightarrow 1-0$ in the right open interval $(0, 1)$.

2. *Introduction.* Let A and B be two summability methods for sequences $\{s_n\}$, and let us denote by AB the iteration-product which associates with any given sequence the A -transform of its B -transform (of course, provided it is possible to define it).

The question of determining under what circumstances $A \subseteq AB$, that is, A -summability implies AB -summability, was raised by Szász [9] in 1952 at the suggestion of Prof. I. M. Sheffer. And Szász himself demonstrated in a couple of papers ([9], [10]) the truth of a number of inclusion relations of this type by considering various pairs of summability methods. Subsequently, this line of study has been taken up by several workers like Rajagopal [8], Pati [5], Ramanujan [6], Jakimovski [3], Borwein [1] and Lal [4].

Borwein has established the inclusion relation:

$$(L) \subseteq (L)(H, \mu_n)$$

in the case in which (H, μ_n) is regular.

The object of the present paper is to establish an inclusion relation between summability (L) and the product of summability (L) and the Quasi-Hausdorff method of summability (H^*, μ_n) , which corresponds to a mass-function, satisfying certain general conditions.

3. We shall write throughout

⁷ K always denotes an absolute constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

$$\chi^*(t) = \int_0^t \frac{|d\chi(u)|}{u}.$$

We establish the following theorem.

Theorem. If (H^*, μ_n) be a regular sequence-to-sequence Quasi-Hausdorff method and the mass-function $\chi(t)$ generating μ_n satisfies the conditions:

$$(3.1) \quad \chi^*(\eta) = O(1), \text{ as } \eta \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \int_0^\eta \frac{\log\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)}{t} |d\chi(t)| = O\left(\log \frac{1}{\eta}\right), \text{ as } \eta \rightarrow 0.$$

then

$$(L) \subseteq (L)(H^*, \mu_n).$$

Proof of the theorem.

We assume that $L_s(x) \rightarrow s$, as $x \rightarrow 1-0$. We then have to prove that, under the hypotheses of the theorem,

$$L_{\sigma^*}(x) \rightarrow s, \text{ as } x \rightarrow 1-0.$$

We have, by (1.7),

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_n^*}{n+1} x^{n+1} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \int_0^1 s_k \binom{k}{n} (1-t)^{k-n} t^{n+1} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\ &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_k}{k+1} x^{k+1} \sum_{n=0}^k \binom{k+1}{n+1} (1-t)^{k-n} t^{n+1} x^{n-k} \right\} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\ &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_k}{k+1} x^{k+1} \left[\left(\frac{1-t}{x} + t\right)^{k+1} - \left(\frac{1-t}{x}\right)^{k+1} \right] \right\} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\ &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_k}{k+1} [(1-ty)^{k+1} - (1-t)^{k+1}] \right\} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t}, \end{aligned}$$

on writing $1-x=y$.

Set now

$$g(t) = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_n}{n+1} (1-t)^{n+1}; \quad f(t) = g(t)/\log t.$$

We have,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_n^*}{n+1} x^{n+1} = \int_0^1 g(t) \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} - \int_0^1 g(yt) \frac{y\chi(t)}{t}$$

and therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{\log(1-x)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_n^*}{n+1} x^{n+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 g(yt) \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} - \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 \frac{g(t)}{t} d\chi(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 f(yt) \log yt \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} - \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 f(t) \log t \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 [f(yt) - s] \log(yt) \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} - \frac{1}{\log y} \int_0^1 [f(t) - s] \log t \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} + s \\
 &= I_1(y) - I_2(y) + s,
 \end{aligned}$$

using the condition (1.9) (ii), which holds in view of the regularity of (H^*, μ_n) . In view of the last step there occurs no loss of generality in assuming that $s=0$.

All the inversions involved in the foregoing steps are justified by virtue of the absolute convergence of the integrals $I_1(y)$ and $I_2(y)$, the proof of which fact is contained in that of (3.3).

We show below that, if $f(t)=0(1)$, as $t \rightarrow 0$, then, with $s=0$,

$$(3.3) \quad \left. \begin{matrix} I_1(y) \\ I_2(y) \end{matrix} \right\} = 0(1), \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

We have, with $s=0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1(y) &\equiv \int_0^1 f(yt) \frac{\log \frac{1}{yt}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\
 &= \int_0^y f(yt) \frac{\log \frac{1}{yt}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} = \int_y^1 f(yt) \frac{\log \frac{1}{yt}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\
 &= I_{11}(y) + I_{12}(y), \text{ say.}
 \end{aligned}$$

We now introduce an *additional notation*.

$$m(\tau) \equiv \max_{0 < t < \tau} |f(t)|,$$

so that $m(\tau) \rightarrow 0$, as $\tau \rightarrow 0$. Also $m(\tau)$ is a non-decreasing function of τ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_{11}(y)| &\leq \int_0^y |f(yt)| \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} + \int_0^y |f(yt)| \frac{\log \frac{1}{t}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \\
 &\leq m(y) \int_0^y \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} + m(y) \int_0^y \frac{\log \frac{1}{t}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \\
 &= m(y) [I_{111}(y) + I_{112}(y)].
 \end{aligned}$$

Evidently

$$m(y) I_{111}(y) = 0(1), \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

Also, by hypothesis,

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^y \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} = O(1), \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0,$$

and, therefore,

$$m(y)I_{112}(y)=0(1),$$

as $y \rightarrow 0$.

Hence

$$I_{11}(y)=0(1), \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

Again, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{12}(y)| &\equiv \left| \int_y^1 f(yt) \frac{\log \frac{1}{yt}}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \right| \\ &\leq 2 \int_y^1 |f(yt)| \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \quad [\text{since } y^2 < yt \leq y < 1] \\ &\leq 2 \left[\int_y^{1/(y+1)} |f(yt)| \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} + \int_{1/(y+1)}^1 \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \right] \\ &\leq 2 \left[m\left(\frac{y}{1+y}\right) \int_y^{1/(y+1)} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} + m(y) \int_{1/(y+1)}^1 \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \right] \\ &= 0(1), \end{aligned}$$

as $y \rightarrow 0$.

We now have only to show that, with $s=0$,

$$I_2(y)=0(1), \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2(y) &\equiv \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^1 f(t) \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\ &= \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^y f(t) \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} + \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_y^1 f(t) \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{d\chi(t)}{t} \\ &= I_{21}(y) + I_{22}(y), \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{21}^{(y)}| &\leq \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^y |f(t)| \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \\ &\leq m(y) \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^y \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} \\ &= 0(1), \end{aligned}$$

as $y \rightarrow 0$, since we have assumed that

$$\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_0^y \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t} = O(1),$$

as $y \rightarrow 0$.

Now, integrating by parts,

$$|I_{22}(y)| \leq k \frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_y^1 \log \frac{1}{t} \frac{|d\chi(t)|}{t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq k\chi^*(y) + 0 \left(\frac{1}{\log \frac{1}{y}} \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} \right) \\ &= 0(1) + 0(1) = 0(1), \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

by hypothesis (3.1).

We have thus demonstrated the truth of (3.3), so that the theorem is established.

4. *Remarks.* It may be observed that the conditions (3.1) and (3.2) on the mass-function $\chi(t)$ are obviously satisfied for the following well-known special cases:

(i) The 'Circle' method (γ, a) (See Hardy [2], § 9.11 and § 11.21, [1]) for which

$$\chi(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq t < a < 1; \\ a & \text{for } a \leq t < 1. \end{cases}$$

(ii) The methods defined by

$$\chi(t) = lt^{l+1}/(l+1) \quad (l > 0),$$

which are all equivalent to each other and to $(C, 1)$ for different positive values of l . (See Hardy, [2], § 11.21, [3].)

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