

9. Two Tauberian Theorems for (J, p_n) Summability

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§ 1. The present note is a continuation of a previous paper by the author [4]. We suppose throughout that

$$p_n \geq 0, \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n = \infty,$$

and that the radius of convergence of the power series

$$p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n$$

is 1. Given any series

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n,$$

with the sequence of partial sums $\{s_n\}$, we shall use the notation:

$$(2) \quad p_s(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n s_n x^n.$$

If the series (2) is convergent in the open interval $(0, 1)$, and if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{p_s(x)}{p(x)} = s,$$

we say that the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ or the sequence $\{s_n\}$ is summable (J, p_n) to s . As is well known, this method of summability is regular. (See, Borwein [1], Hardy [2], p. 80.) We shall prove, in this note, the following

Theorem 1. *Suppose that*

$$(3) \quad p_n = O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

with $p_n > 0$. Suppose that the series (1) is summable (J, p_n) to s , and that

$$(4) \quad a_n = o\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right),$$

where

$$P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \cdots + p_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \cdots.$$

Then (1) converges to s .

Proof. From (3) and (4) we can choose m such that, for $n > m$,

$$(5) \quad np_n \leq M^{(1)}$$

and

1) We use M to denote a constant, possibly different at each occurrence.

$$(6) \quad |a_n| \leq \varepsilon \frac{p_n}{P_n}$$

simultaneously, where ε is a positive number as small as we please.

First we shall prove the condition (3) implies

$$(7) \quad \frac{\sum_{n=0}^m p_n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n} = O(1) \quad \text{for } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

From (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n &\leq M \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \\ &\leq \frac{M}{m} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \\ &= M, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{n=0}^m p_n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \right| \\ \leq M + (p_1 + 2p_2 + \dots + mp_m)/m, \end{aligned}$$

since, for $0 < x < 1$,

$$0 < p_n(1-x^n) < (1-x)np_n.$$

Since we assume

$$np_n = O(1),$$

we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^m np_n = O(m),$$

(see, e.g., Hobson [3] p. 7). Therefore we obtain

$$\left| \sum_{n=0}^m p_n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \right| \leq M,$$

provided m be chosen sufficiently large. From this estimation we get easily

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^m p_n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n} = 1,$$

and also (7) *a fortiori*.

Now we have, for $0 < x < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} s_m - \frac{p_s(x)}{p(x)} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (s_m - s_n) p_n x^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n} + \frac{\sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} (s_m - s_n) p_n x^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n} \\ &= I + J, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

If x be chosen to be equal to $1 - \frac{1}{m}$, we obtain

$$(8) \quad I = o(1) \quad \text{for } m \rightarrow \infty,$$

from (4) and (7) (see Ishiguro [4]).

Next we shall estimate J . From (6) and (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |s_m - s_n| &\leq \varepsilon \left\{ \frac{p_{m+1}}{P_{m+1}} + \frac{p_{m+2}}{P_{m+2}} + \cdots + \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{P_m} \{p_{m+1} + p_{m+2} + \cdots + p_n\} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon M}{P_m} \left\{ \frac{1}{m+1} + \frac{1}{m+2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon M}{P_m} \cdot \frac{n}{m}, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} |J| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon M}{m P_m} \frac{\sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} n p_n x^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon P_m}{m P_m^2} \frac{\sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n} \end{aligned}$$

when $x = 1 - \frac{1}{m}$. Thus we get, from (7),

$$(9) \quad |J| \leq \varepsilon \frac{M}{m P_m^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \leq \varepsilon$$

for sufficiently large m .

Letting m increase indefinitely, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} s_m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{p_s(x)}{p(x)} = s$$

from (8) and (9), which proves the theorem.

As in the previous paper [4], we obtain the following

Corollary. *Suppose that there exist two numbers σ , M such that*

$$0 < \frac{\sigma}{n+1} \leq p_n \leq \frac{M}{n+1}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Suppose that the series (1) is summable (J, p_n) to s , and that

$$a_n = o\left(\frac{1}{n \log n}\right).$$

Then (1) converges to s .

§ 2. We shall prove here the following

Theorem 2. *Suppose that*

$$(7) \quad \frac{\sum_{n=0}^m p_n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n} = O(1) \quad \text{for } m \rightarrow \infty,$$

and that

$$(10) \quad \{p_n\} \text{ decreases monotonically}$$

with $p_n > 0$. Suppose that the series (1) is summable (J, p_n) to s , and that

$$(4) \quad a_n = o\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right).$$

Then (1) converges to s .

Proof. If $\{p_n\} \searrow \sigma$, $\sigma > 0$, this theorem is a special case of Corollary of Theorem 3 in the previous paper [4], hence the condition (7) is unnecessary.

As in the proof of Theorem 1, we put

$$s_m - \frac{p_s(x)}{p(x)} = I + J,$$

then we have, from (4) and (7),

$$I = o(1) \quad \text{for } m \rightarrow \infty,$$

when $x = 1 - \frac{1}{m}$.

Now we have, from (6),

$$\begin{aligned} |s_m - s_n| &\leq \varepsilon \left\{ \frac{p_{m+1}}{P_{m+1}} + \frac{p_{m+2}}{P_{m+2}} + \dots + \frac{p_n}{P_n} \right\} \\ &\leq \varepsilon \frac{P_n}{P_m}, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} |J| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon \frac{1}{P_m} \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} P_n p_n x^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon \frac{p_m}{P_m} \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} P_n x^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n} \end{aligned}$$

from (10). As in the proof of Theorem 1, we have, from (7),

$$|J| \leq \varepsilon M \frac{p_m}{P_m^2} \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} P_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n$$

when $x = 1 - \frac{1}{m}$. Here we put

$$\begin{aligned} R_n &= \sum_{\nu=n}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{\nu} \\ &= m \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} P_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} P_n (R_n - R_{n+1}) \\ &= P_{m+1} R_{m+1} + \sum_{n=m+2}^{\infty} R_n (P_n - P_{n-1}) \\ &= P_{m+1} m \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{m+1} + \sum_{n=m+2}^{\infty} p_n R_n \end{aligned}$$

from (10). Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |J| &\leq \varepsilon M \frac{p_m}{P_m^2} P_{m+1} m \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{m+1} + \\ &\quad + \varepsilon M \frac{p_m}{P_m^2} \sum_{n=m+2}^{\infty} p_n m \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \\ &= S_1 + S_2, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

Here we see easily

$$0 \leq S_1 \leq \varepsilon M$$

from (10), and further

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq S_2 &\leq \varepsilon M \frac{p_m^2}{P_m^2} m \sum_{n=m+2}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^n \\ &\leq \varepsilon M \left(\frac{p_m}{P_m} m\right)^2 \\ &\leq \varepsilon M \end{aligned}$$

again from (10). Therefore we have

$$|J| \leq \varepsilon M$$

for sufficiently large m .

Hence, letting m increase indefinitely, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} s_m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{p_s(x)}{p(x)} = s,$$

which proves the theorem.

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