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On General Summability Factor Theorems

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The goal of this paper is to obtain sufficient and (different) necessary conditions for a series $\sum a_n$, which is absolutely summable of order k by a triangular matrix method A, $1 < k \le s < \infty$, to be such that $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is absolutely summable of order s by a triangular matrix method s. As corollaries, we obtain two inclusion theorems.

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In the recent papers [1, 2], the author obtained necessary and sufficient conditions for a series $\sum a_n$ which is absolutely summable of order k by a weighted mean method, $1 < k \le s < \infty$, to be such that $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is absolutely summable of order s by a triangular matrix method. In this paper, we obtain sufficient and (different) necessary conditions for a series $\sum a_n$ which is absolutely summable $|A|_k$ to imply the series $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ which is absolutely summable $|B|_s$.

Let T be a lower triangular matrix, $\{s_n\}$ a sequence.

Then

$$T_n := \sum_{\nu=0}^n t_{n\nu} s_{\nu}. \tag{1}$$

A series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable $|T|_k$, $k \ge 1$ if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} | T_n - T_{n-1} |^k < \infty.$$
 (2)

We may associate with T two lower triangular matrices \overline{T} and \hat{T} as follows:

$$\bar{t}_{n\nu} = \sum_{r=\nu}^{n} t_{nr}, \quad n, \nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots,
\hat{t}_{n\nu} = \bar{t}_{n\nu} - \bar{t}_{n-1,\nu}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$
(3)

With $s_n := \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \lambda_i$,

$$y_{n} := \sum_{i=0}^{n} t_{ni} s_{i} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} t_{ni} \sum_{\nu=0}^{i} a_{\nu} \lambda_{\nu} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} a_{\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=\nu}^{n} t_{ni} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \overline{t}_{n\nu} a_{\nu} \lambda_{\nu},$$

$$Y_{n} := y_{n} - y_{n-1} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} (\overline{t}_{n\nu} - \overline{t}_{n-1}) \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \widehat{t}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu}.$$

$$(4)$$

We will call T as a triangle if T is lower triangular and $t_{nn} \neq 0$ for each n. The notation $\Delta_{\nu} \hat{a}_{n\nu}$ means $\hat{a}_{n\nu} - \hat{a}_{n,\nu+1}$. The notation $\lambda \in (|A|_k, |B|_s)$ will be used to represent the statement that if $\sum a_n$ is summable $|A|_k$, then $\sum a_n \lambda_n$ is summable $|B|_s$.

THEOREM 1. Let $1 < k \le s < \infty$. Let $\{\lambda_n\}$ be a sequence of constants, A and B triangles satisfying

- (i) $|b_{nn}\lambda_n|/|a_{nn}| = O(\nu^{1/s-1/k}),$
- (ii) $(n|X_n|)^{s-k} = O(1)$,
- (iii) $|a_{nn} a_{n+1,n}| = O(|a_{nn}a_{n+1,n+1}|),$
- (iv) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(|b_{nn}\lambda_{n}|),$
- $(\mathbf{v}) \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_n|)^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\widehat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(\nu^{s-1}|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^s),$
- (vi) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu+1}| |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{\nu+1}| = O(|b_{nn}\lambda_{n+1}|),$
- (vii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_{n+1}|)^{s-1}|\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{\nu+1}| = O((\nu|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu+1}|)^{s-1}),$
- (viii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} | \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i} |^{s} = O(1),$ then $\lambda \in (|A|_{k}, |B|_{s}).$

Proof. If y_n denotes the nth term of the B-transform of a sequence $\{s_n\}$, then

$$y_{n} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} b_{ni} s_{i} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} b_{ni} \sum_{\nu=0}^{i} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu} \sum_{i=\nu}^{n} b_{ni} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \overline{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu},$$

$$y_{n-1} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \overline{b}_{n-1,\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu},$$
(5)

$$Y_n := y_n - y_{n-1} = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu}, \tag{6}$$

where $s_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i a_i$.

Let x_n denote the nth term of the A-transform of a series $\sum a_n$, then as in (6),

$$X_n := x_n - x_{n-1} = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \hat{a}_{n\nu} a_{\nu}. \tag{7}$$

Since \hat{A} is a triangle, it has a unique two-sided inverse, which we will denote by A'. Thus we may solve (7) for a_n to obtain

$$a_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \hat{a}'_{n\nu} X_{\nu}.$$
 (8)

Substituting (8) into (6) yields

$$Y_{n} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a_{\nu} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\nu} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i} \right) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i} + \hat{a}'_{\nu,\nu-1} X_{\nu-1} + \hat{a}'_{\nu\nu} X_{\nu} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \hat{a}'_{\nu\nu} X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \hat{a}'_{\nu,\nu-1} X_{\nu-1} + \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}$$

$$= \hat{b}_{nn} \lambda_{n} \hat{a}'_{nn} X_{n} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \hat{a}'_{\nu\nu} X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} \hat{a}'_{\nu+1,\nu} X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}$$

$$= \frac{b_{nn}}{a_{nn}} \lambda_{n} X_{n} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a'_{\nu\nu} + \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} \hat{a}'_{\nu+1,\nu}) X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}$$

$$= \frac{b_{nn}}{a_{nn}} \lambda_{n} X_{n} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} (\hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} a'_{\nu\nu} + \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} a'_{\nu\nu} - \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} a'_{\nu\nu} + \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} \hat{a}'_{\nu+1,\nu}) X_{\nu}$$

$$+ \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}_{\nu i} X_{i}$$

$$= \frac{b_{nn}}{a_{nn}} \lambda_{n} X_{n} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_{\nu} (\hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu})}{a_{\nu\nu}} X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} (a'_{\nu\nu} + \hat{a}_{\nu+1,\nu}) X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}.$$
(9)

Using the fact that

$$a'_{\nu\nu} + \hat{a}'_{\nu+1,\nu} = \frac{1}{a_{\nu\nu}} \left(\frac{a_{\nu\nu} - a_{\nu+1,\nu}}{a_{\nu+1,\nu+1}} \right),\tag{10}$$

and substituting (10) into (9), we have the following:

$$Y_{n} = \frac{b_{nn}}{a_{nn}} \lambda_{n} X_{n} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})}{a_{\nu\nu}} X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} \left(\frac{a_{\nu\nu} - a_{\nu+1,\nu}}{a_{\nu\nu}a_{\nu+1,\nu+1}} \right) X_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}$$

$$= T_{n1} + T_{n2} + T_{n3} + T_{n4}, \text{ say}.$$

$$(11)$$

By Minkowski's inequality, it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |T_{ni}|^{s} < \infty, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$
 (12)

Using (i),

$$J_{1} := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |T_{n1}|^{s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| \frac{b_{nn} \lambda_{n}}{a_{nn}} X_{n} \right|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} (n^{1/s-1/k})^{s} |X_{n}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |X_{n}|^{k} (n^{s-s/k-k+1} |X_{n}|^{s-k}).$$
(13)

But $n^{s-s/k-k+1}|X_n|^{s-k} = (n^{1-1/k}|X_n|)^{s-k} = O((n|X_n|)^{s-k}) = O(1)$, from (ii) of Theorem 1. Since $\sum a_n$ is summable $|A|_k$, $J_1 = O(1)$.

Using (i), (iv), (v), (ii), and Hölder's inequality,

$$J_{2} := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |T_{n2}|^{s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})}{a_{\nu\nu}} X_{\nu} \right|^{s}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left\{ \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \nu^{1/s-1/k} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| |X_{\nu}| \right\}^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \nu^{1-s/k} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{-s} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| |X_{\nu}|^{s} \right) \times \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| \right)^{s-1}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_{n}|)^{s-1} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \nu^{1-s/k} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{-s} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu^{1-s/k} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{-s} |X_{\nu}|^{s} \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_{n}|)^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})|$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu^{1-s/k} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{-s} |X_{\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^{s} = O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu^{s-s/k} |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu^{k-1} |X_{\nu}|^{k} (\nu^{s-s/k-k+1} |X_{\nu}|^{s-k}) = O(1) \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu^{k-1} |X_{\nu}|^{k} = O(1).$$

$$(14)$$

Using (iii), (vi), (vii), (ii), and Hölder's inequality,

$$J_{3} := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |T_{n3}|^{s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} \left(\frac{a_{\nu\nu} - a_{\nu+1,\nu}}{a_{\nu\nu} a_{\nu+1,\nu+1}} \right) X_{\nu} \right|^{s}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| \left| \frac{a_{\nu\nu} - a_{\nu+1,\nu}}{a_{\nu\nu} a_{\nu+1,\nu+1}} \right| |X_{\nu}| \right)^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| |X_{\nu}| \right)^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \left| \frac{b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}}{b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}} \right| \right) |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| |X_{\nu}| \right)^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{1-s} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| |X_{\nu}|^{s} \right) \times \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}| |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| \right)^{s-1}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n |b_{nn} \lambda_{n+1}|)^{s-1} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{1-s} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}| |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{1-s} |X_{\nu}|^{s} \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n |b_{nn} \lambda_{n+1}|)^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}|$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{n+1}|^{1-s} |X_{\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{s-1} = O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \nu^{s-1} |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{n+1}|^{1-s} |X_{\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{s-1} = O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \nu^{s-1} |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{n+1}|^{1-s} |x_{\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{s-1} = O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \nu^{s-1} |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{n+1}|^{1-s} |x_{\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^{s-1} = O(1) \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \nu^{s-1} |X_{\nu}|^{s}$$

From (viii),

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |T_{n4}|^{s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| \sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i} \right|^{s} = O(1).$$
 (16)

We now state sufficient conditions, when k = s.

COROLLARY 1. Let $\{\lambda_n\}$ be a sequence of constants, A and B triangles satisfying

- (i) $|b_{nn}|/|a_{nn}| = O(1/|\lambda_n|)$,
- (ii) $|a_{nn} a_{n+1,n}| = O(|a_{nn}a_{n+1,n+1}|),$ (iii) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(|b_{nn}\lambda_{n}|),$
- (iv) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_n|)^{k-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(\nu^{k-1}|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^k),$
- $(v) \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu+1}| |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{\nu+1}| = O(|b_{nn}\lambda_{n+1}|),$
- (vi) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_{n+1}|)^{k-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{n+1}| = O((\nu|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu+1}|)^{k-1}),$ (vii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i}X_{i}|^{k} = O(1),$ then $\lambda \in (|A|_k, |B|_k)$.

A weighted mean matrix is a lower triangular matrix with entries p_k/P_n , $0 \le k \le n$, where $P_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k$.

COROLLARY 2. Let $1 < k \le s < \infty$. Let $\{\lambda_n\}$ be a sequence of constants, let B be a triangle such that B, and let $\{p_n\}$ satisfy

- (i) $b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu} = O((p_{\nu}/P_{\nu})\nu^{1/s-1/k}),$
- (ii) $(n|X_n|)^{s-k} = O(1)$,
- (iii) $\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(|b_{nn}\lambda_{n}|),$
- (iv) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_n|)^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})| = O(\nu^{s-1}|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|^s),$
- $(\mathbf{v}) \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu}| |\hat{b}_{n,\nu} \lambda_{\nu}| = O(|b_{nn} \lambda_{n}|),$
- (vi) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}\lambda_n|)^{s-1}|\hat{b}_{n,\nu}\lambda_{\nu}| = O((\nu|b_{\nu,\nu}\lambda_{\nu}|)^{s-1}),$ then $\lambda \in (|\overline{N}, p_n|_k, |B|_s).$

Proof. Conditions (i), (ii), (iii)–(vii) of Theorem 1 reduce to conditions (i)–(vi), respectively, of Corollary 1.

With $A = (\overline{N}, p_n)$,

$$a_{nn} - a_{n+1,n} = \frac{p_n}{P_n} - \frac{p_n}{P_{n+1}} = \frac{p_n p_{n+1}}{P_n P_{n+1}} = a_{nn} a_{n+1,n+1}, \tag{17}$$

and condition (ii) of Theorem 1 is automatically satisfied.

A matrix *A* is said to be factorable if $a_{nk} = b_n c_k$ for each *n* and *k*.

Since A is a weighted mean matrix, \hat{A} is a factorable triangle and it is easy to show that its inverse is bidiagonal. Therefore condition (viii) of Theorem 1 is trivially satisfied. \Box

We now turn our attention to obtaining necessary conditions.

THEOREM 2. Let $1 < k \le s < \infty$, and let A and B be two lower triangular matrices with A satisfying

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} \left| \Delta_{\nu} \widehat{a}_{n\nu} \right|^{k} = O(\left| a_{\nu\nu} \right|^{k}). \tag{18}$$

Then necessary conditions for $\lambda \in (|A|_k, |B|_s)$ are

- (i) $|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}| = O(|a_{\nu\nu}|\nu^{1/s-1/k})$,
- (ii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu}|^{s}) = O(|a_{\nu\nu}|^{s} \nu^{s-s/k}),$
- (iii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^s = O(\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\hat{a}_{n,\nu+1}|^k)^{s/k}$.

Proof. Define

$$A^* = \left\{ \{a_i\} : \sum a_i \text{ is summable } |A|_k \right\},$$

$$B^* = \left\{ \{b_i\} : \sum b_i \lambda_i \text{ is summable } |B|_s \right\}.$$
(19)

With Y_n and X_n as defined by (6) and (7), the spaces A^* and B^* are BK-spaces, with norms given by

$$||a||_{1} = \left\{ \left| X_{0} \right|^{k} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} \left| X_{n} \right|^{k} \right\}^{1/k},$$

$$||a||_{2} = \left\{ \left| Y_{0} \right|^{s} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| Y_{n} \right|^{s} \right\}^{1/s},$$
(20)

respectively.

From the hypothesis of the theorem, $||a||_1 < \infty$ implies that $||a||_2 < \infty$. The inclusion map $i: A^* \to B^*$ defined by i(x) = x is continuous, since A^* and B^* are BK-spaces. Applying the Banach-Steinhaus theorem, there exists a constant K > 0 such that

$$||a||_2 \le K||a||_1. \tag{21}$$

Let e_n denote the *n*th coordinate vector. From (6) and (7), with $\{a_n\}$ defined by $a_n =$ $e_n - e_{n+1}$, $n = \nu$, $a_n = 0$ otherwise, we have

$$X_{n} = \begin{cases} 0, & n < \nu, \\ \hat{a}_{n\nu}, & n = \nu, \\ \Delta_{\nu} \hat{a}_{n\nu}, & n > \nu, \end{cases}$$

$$Y_{n} = \begin{cases} 0, & n < \nu, \\ \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu}, & n = \nu, \\ \Delta_{\nu} (\hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu}), & n > \nu. \end{cases}$$

$$(22)$$

From (20),

$$||a||_{1} = \left\{ \gamma^{k-1} |a_{\gamma\gamma}|^{k} + \sum_{n=\gamma+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\Delta_{\gamma} \hat{a}_{n\gamma}|^{k} \right\}^{1/k},$$

$$||a||_{2} = \left\{ \gamma^{s-1} |b_{\gamma\gamma} \lambda_{\gamma}|^{s} + \sum_{n=\gamma+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\Delta_{\gamma} (\hat{b}_{n\gamma} \lambda_{\gamma})|^{s} \right\}^{1/s},$$
(23)

recalling that $\hat{b}_{\nu\nu} = \overline{b}_{\nu\nu} = b_{\nu\nu}$.

From (21), using (18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\nu^{s-1} & | b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu} |^{s} + \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} | \Delta_{\nu} (\hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu}) |^{s} \\
& \leq K^{s} \left(\nu^{k-1} | a_{\nu\nu} |^{k} + \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} | \Delta_{\nu} \hat{a}_{n\nu} |^{k} \right)^{s/k} \leq K^{s} \left(\nu^{k-1} | a_{\nu\nu} |^{k} + O(1) | a_{\nu\nu} |^{k} \right)^{s/k} \\
&= O(|a_{\nu\nu}|^{k} (\nu^{k-1} + 1))^{s/k} = O(\nu^{k-1} | a_{\nu\nu} |^{k})^{s/k}.
\end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

The above inequality will be true if and only if each term on the left-hand side is $O(v^{k-1}|a_{\nu\nu}|^k)^{s/k}$. Using the first term,

$$\nu^{s-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu}|^{s} = O(\nu^{k-1} |a_{\nu\nu}|^{k})^{s/k}, \tag{25}$$

which implies that $|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}| = O(|a_{\nu\nu}|\nu^{1/s-1/k})$, and (i) is necessary.

Using the second term, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} \left| \Delta_{\nu}(\widehat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu}) \right|^{s} = O(\nu^{k-1} \left| a_{\nu\nu} \right|^{k})^{s/k} = O(\nu^{s-s/k} \left| a_{\nu\nu} \right|^{s}), \tag{26}$$

which is condition (ii).

If we now define $a_n = e_{n+1}$ for n = v, $a_n = 0$ otherwise, then from (6) and (7), we obtain

$$X_{n} = \begin{cases} 0, & n \leq \nu, \\ \hat{a}_{n,\nu+1}, & n > \nu, \end{cases}$$

$$Y_{n} = \begin{cases} 0, & n \leq \nu, \\ \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{\nu+1}, & n > \nu. \end{cases}$$

$$(27)$$

The corresponding norms are

$$||a||_{1} = \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\hat{a}_{n,\nu+1}|^{k} \right\}^{1/k},$$

$$||a||_{2} = \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}\lambda_{\nu+1}|^{s} \right\}^{1/s}.$$
(28)

Applying (21),

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} | \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1} |^{s} \le K^{s} \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} | \hat{a}_{n,\nu+1} |^{k} \right\}^{s/k}, \tag{29}$$

which implies condition (iii).

COROLLARY 3. Let A and B be two lower triangular matrices with A satisfying

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} \left| \Delta_{\nu} \hat{a}_{n\nu} \right|^{k} = O(\left| a_{\nu\nu} \right|^{k}). \tag{30}$$

Then necessary conditions for $\lambda \in (|A|_k, |B|_k)$ are

- (i) $|b_{\nu\nu}\lambda_{\nu}| = O(|a_{\nu\nu}|)$,
- (ii) $(\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\Delta_{\nu} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \lambda_{\nu}|^{k})^{1/k} = O(|a_{\nu\nu}| \nu^{1-1/k}),$

(iii)
$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^k = O(\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\hat{a}_{n,\nu+1}|^k).$$

COROLLARY 4. Let $1 < k \le s < \infty$. Let B be a lower triangular matrix, $\{p_n\}$ is a sequence satisfying

$$\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} \left(\frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \right)^k = O\left(\frac{1}{P_{\nu}^k} \right). \tag{31}$$

Then necessary conditions for $\lambda \in (|\overline{N}, p_n|_k, |B|_s)$ are

- (i) $P_{\nu} |b_{\nu\nu} \lambda_{\nu}| / p_{\nu} = O(\nu^{1/s 1/k}),$
- (ii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu}\lambda_{\nu})|^{s} = O(\nu^{s-s/k}(p_{\nu}/P_{\nu})^{s}),$
- (iii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1} \lambda_{\nu+1}|^s = O(1).$

Proof. With $A = (\overline{N}, p_n)$, (18) becomes (31), and conditions (i)–(iii) of Theorem 2 become conditions (i)-(iii) of Corollary 4, respectively.

Every summability factor theorem becomes an inclusion theorem by setting each $\lambda_n = 1$.

COROLLARY 5 (see [3]). Let $1 < k \le s < \infty$. Let A and B be triangles satisfying

- (i) $|b_{nn}|/|a_{nn}| = O(v^{1/s-1/k}),$
- (ii) $(n|X_n|)^{s-k} = O(1)$,
- (iii) $|a_{nn} a_{n+1,n}| = O(|a_{nn}a_{n+1,n+1}|),$
- (iv) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu})| = O(|b_{nn}|),$
- $(v) \sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}|)^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu})| = O(\nu^{s-1}|b_{\nu\nu}|^{s}),$
- (vi) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu}| |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}| = O(|b_{nn}|),$
- (vii) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}|)^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}| = O((\nu|b_{\nu\nu}|)^{s-1}),$
- (viii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{s-1} |\sum_{\nu=2}^{n} \hat{b}_{n\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu-2} \hat{a}'_{\nu i} X_{i}|^{s} = O(1).$

Then if $\sum a_n$ is summable $|A|_k$, it is summable $|B|_s$.

COROLLARY 6 (see [4]). Let be $\{p_n\}$ a sequence of positive constants, B is a triangle satisfying

- (i) $P_n|b_{nn}| = O((p_n)\nu^{1/s-1/k}),$
- (ii) $(n|X_n|)^{s-k} = O(1)$,
- (iii) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu})| = O(|b_{nn}|),$
- (iv) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}|)^{s-1} |\Delta_{\nu}(\hat{b}_{n\nu})| = O(\nu^{s-1}|b_{\nu\nu}|^s),$
- (v) $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |b_{\nu\nu} \hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}| = O(|b_{nn}|),$
- (vi) $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^{\infty} (n|b_{nn}|)^{s-1} |\hat{b}_{n,\nu+1}| = O((\nu|b_{\nu\nu}|)^{s-1}).$

Then if $\sum a_n$ is summable $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k$, it is summable $|B|_s$.

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