# On Absolute Matrix Summability Factors using Quasi β-Power Increasing Sequences

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# **Abstract**:

In this note two theorems concerning the absolute matrix summability factors have been established by using quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequences. These theorems generalize some known results and also give rise to some new factor theorems.

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# 1 Introduction

A positive sequence  $\{g_n\}$  is said to be quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence if there exists a constant  $M = M(\beta, g_n)$  such that  $M n^{\beta} g_n \ge m^{\beta} g_m$  holds for all  $n \ge m \ge 1$  (see [4]).

Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a lower triangular matrix of nonzero diagonal entries (we call such a matrix a normal matrix). Then A defines a sequence to sequence transformation mapping the sequence  $s = \{s_n\}$  to  $A_s = \{A_n(s)\}$ , where

$$A_n(s) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_{nm} s_m \tag{1.1}$$

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A|_k$ , k  $\ge 1$ , if (see [9])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{k-1} |\Delta A_n(s)|^k < \infty \tag{1.2}$$

where

$$\Delta A_n(s) = A_n(s) - A_{n-1}(s)$$

For a sequence  $\{p_n\}$  of positive numbers, we write

$$P_n = \sum_{m=1}^n p_m \to \infty \ as \ n \to \infty, \ (P_{-i} = p_{-i} = 0, i \ge 1)$$
 (1.3)

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A, p_n|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  if (see [8])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (P_n/p_n)^{k-1} |\Delta A_n(s)|^k < \infty$$
(1.4)

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A, \delta|_k$ , if

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$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\delta k+k-1} |\Delta A_n(s)|^k < \infty$$
(1.5)

The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$ , if (see [5])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (P_n/p_n)^{\delta k+k-1} |\Delta A_n(s)|^k < \infty$$
(1.6)

When  $p_n = 1$ , the summability  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$  reduces to  $|A, \delta|_k$  summability. For  $\delta = 0$ , the summability  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$  is same as  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability. Finally when  $a_{nk} = p_k/P_n$ , the summability  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$  reduces to the method  $|\overline{N}, p_n, \delta|_k$  method.

We shall use the two lower submatrices  $\overline{A} = (\overline{a}_{nm})$  and  $\hat{A} = (\hat{a}_{nm})$  associated with the normal matrix  $A = (a_{nm})$ , which we define as follows:

$$\bar{a}_{nm} = \sum_{j=m}^{n} a_{nj} \tag{1.7}$$

$$\hat{a}_{00} = \bar{a}_{00} = a_{00}, \quad \hat{a}_{nm} = \bar{a}_{nm} - \bar{a}_{n-1,m} \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
 (1.8)

It is well-known that

$$A_n(s) = \sum_{m=0}^n a_{nm} s_m = \sum_{m=0}^n \bar{a}_{nm} a_m$$
(1.9)

and

$$\Delta A_n(s) = \sum_{m=0}^n \hat{a}_{nm} a_m \tag{1.10}$$

## 2 Some known results

Recently the concept of quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence has been utilized by many researchers to obtain summability factor theorem (see, e.g., [4], [2], [3] and [1]).

The following two theorems were proved for  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability.

**Theorem 2.1** [3]: Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$
 (2.1.1)

$$a_{n-1,m} \ge a_{nm}, \quad for \ n \ge m+1$$
 (2.1.2)

$$a_{nn} = O(p_n/P_n)$$
 (2.1.3)

and  $\{X_n\}$  be a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Let  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{l_n\}$  be sequences such that

$$|\Delta l_n| \le b_n \tag{2.1.4}$$

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$$b_n \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty$$
 (2.1.5)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{2.1.6}$$

$$|l_n| X_n = O(1), \quad as \ n \to \infty \tag{2.1.7}$$

If

$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} \frac{|s_m|^k}{m} = O(X_n), \qquad (2.1.8)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{p_n}{p_n} |s_n|^k = O(X_m), \ m \to \infty$$
(2.1.9)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k, k \ge 1$ .

**Theorem 2.2** [3]. Let  $\{X_n\}$  be a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Let  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{l_n\}$  satisfy the conditions (2.1.4) - (2.1.7) and (2.1.9). If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty \tag{2.2.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \frac{|s_n|^k}{P_n} = O(X_m), \ m \to \infty$$
 (2.2.2)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|\overline{N}, p_n|_k, k \ge 1$ .

The above two theorems were generalized for  $|A, p_n|_k$  summability as follows:

**Therem 2.3** [6]. Let  $A = (a_n)$  be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2...$$
 (2.3.1)

$$a_{n-1,m} \ge a_{nm} \quad for \ n \ge m+1$$
 (2.3.2)

$$a_{nn} = O\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right),\tag{2.3.3}$$

and if  $\{X_n\}$  is a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$  and the sequences  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{l_n\}$  satisfy the conditions (2.1.1) – (2.1.9) and

$$\{l_n\} \in \mathcal{B}\mathcal{O} \tag{2.3.4}$$

is satisfied then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, p_n|_k, k \ge 1$ .

In the special case when  $a_{nm} = p_m / P_n$ , this theorem reduces to Theorem 2.1.

**Theorem 2.4** [6]. Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a positive normal matrix as in Theorem 2.3 and let  $\{X_n\}$  be a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . If all the conditions of Theorem 2.2 and (2.3.4) are satisfied then the series  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, p_n|_k, k \ge 1$ .

The above two theorems (Theorems 2.3 and 2.4) were extended for  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$ summability in the following form.

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**Theorem 2.5** [7]. Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2...$$
 (2.5.1)

$$a_{n-1,m} \ge a_{nm} \quad for \ n \ge m+1$$
 (2.5.2)

$$a_{nn} = O\left(\frac{p_n}{P_n}\right),\tag{2.5.3}$$

$$\sum_{n=m+1}^{j+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \left| \Delta_m \hat{a}_{nm} \right| = O\left\{ \left(\frac{P_m}{P_m}\right)^{\delta k-1} \right\}$$
(2.5.4)

$$\sum_{n=m+1}^{j+1} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \left| \Delta_m \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \right| = O\left\{ \left(\frac{P_m}{P_m}\right)^{\delta k} \right\}$$
(2.5.5)

and let there be sequences  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{l_n\}$  such that

$$\{l_n\} \in \mathcal{BU},\tag{2.5.6}$$

$$|\Delta l_n| \le b_n, \tag{2.5.7}$$

$$b_n \to 0 \quad as \quad n \to \infty$$
 (2.5.8)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{2.5.9}$$

$$|l_n| X_n = \mathcal{O}(1) \quad n \to \infty \tag{2.5.10}$$

where  $\{X_n\}$  is a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . If

$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} \left(\frac{P_m}{p_m}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_m|^k}{m} = O(X_n)$$
(2.5.11)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{p_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k-1} |s_n|^k = O(X_m), \ m \to \infty$$
(2.5.12)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  and  $0 \le \delta < \frac{1}{k}$ .

**Theorem 2.6** [7]. Let conditions (2.5.1) - (2.5.10) and (2.5.12) of Theorem 2.5 be satisfied. If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{2.6.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right)^{\delta k} \frac{|s_n|^k}{P_n} = O(X_m)$$
(2.6.2)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  and  $0 \le \delta < \frac{1}{k}$ .

## 3 Main Results

Before we give the generalizations of Theorems 2.5 and 2.6, we introduce the following:

**Definition 3.1**. Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a positive normal matrix and  $\{\varphi_n\}$  be a sequence of positive numbers. Then the infinite series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $|A, \varphi_n, \delta|_k, \delta \ge 0, k \ge 1$  if

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 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\varphi_n)^{\delta k+k-1} \left[ \Delta A_n(s) \right]^k < \infty.$ 

**Theorem 3.1**: Let  $A = (a_{nm})$  be a positive normal matrix such that

$$\bar{a}_{n0} = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2...$$
 (3.1.1)

$$a_{n-1,m} \ge a_{nm} \quad for \ n \ge m+1$$
 (3.1.2)

$$a_{nn} = O(\varphi_n), \tag{3.1.3}$$

$$\sum_{n=m+1}^{j+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} |\Delta_m \hat{a}_{nm}| = O\{\varphi_m^{\delta k-1}\}$$
(3.1.4)

$$\sum_{n=m+1}^{j+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} \left| \Delta_m \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \right| = O\{\varphi_m^{\delta k}\}$$
(3.1.5)

and let there be sequences  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{l_n\}$  such that

$$\{l_n\} \in \mathcal{BU},\tag{3.1.6}$$

$$|\Delta l_n| \le b_n,\tag{3.1.7}$$

$$b_n \to 0 \quad as \quad n \to \infty$$
 (3.1.8)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{3.1.9}$$

$$|l_n| X_n = \mathcal{O}(1) \quad n \to \infty \tag{3.1.10}$$

where  $\{X_n\}$  is a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . If

$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} \varphi_m^{\delta k} \, \frac{|s_m|^k}{m} = O(X_n) \tag{3.1.11}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k-1} \, |s_n|^k = O(X_m), \ m \to \infty$$
(3.1.12)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, \varphi_n, \delta|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  and  $0 \le \delta < \frac{1}{k}$ .

Theorem 3.2: Let conditions (3.1.1) – (3.1.10) and (3.1.12) of Theorem 3.1 be satisfied. If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n |\Delta b_n| X_n < \infty, \tag{3.2.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k-1} |s_n|^k = O(X_m)$$
(3.2.2)

then  $\sum a_n l_n$  is summable  $|A, \varphi_n, \delta|_k$ ,  $k \ge 1$  and  $0 \le \delta < \frac{1}{k}$ .

# 4 Some Lemmas

We shall need the following lemmas for the proof of our theorems.

**Lemma 4.1** (Leindler, 2001): Let the sequence  $\{X_n\}$  be quasi  $\beta$  – power increasing for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ . If conditions (3.1.8) and (3.1.9) are satisfied, then

$$nX_n b_n = O(1) \quad as \quad n \to \infty \tag{4.1.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n b_n < \infty \tag{4.1.2}$$

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**Lemma 4.2**: Let  $\{X_n\}$  be a quasi  $\beta$ -power increasing sequence for  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Let  $\varphi_n$  be a sequence such that  $\{\varphi_n X_n\}$  is increasing. If conditions (3.1.8) and (3.2.1) are satisfied, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{J}\varphi_n X_n = O(\varphi_j X_j),$$

then,

$$\varphi_n b_n X_n = o(1) \tag{4.2.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n b_n X_n < \infty. \tag{4.2.2}$$

**Proof.** Since  $b_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , we have

$$b_n = \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \Delta b_j. \tag{4.2.3}$$

Since  $\{\varphi_n X_n\}$  is increasing, we have

$$\varphi_n b_n X_n \leq \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} \varphi_j |\Delta b_j| X_j < \infty$$

By (3.2.1). Hence

$$\varphi_n b_n X_n = o(1)$$
, as  $n \to \infty$ .

Further, using (4.2.3) and the fact that  $\{X_n\}$  is increasing, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n b_n X_n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n X_n \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} |\Delta b_j| \le \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\Delta b_j| \sum_{n=1}^{j} \varphi_n X_n \\ &\le M \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\Delta b_j| X_j \varphi_j < \infty \end{split}$$

This completes the proof of the lemma.

## **5 Proofs of the theorems**

#### 5.1 **Proof of Theorem 3.1**

Let {Y<sub>n</sub>} be the A-transform of the series  $\sum a_n l_n$ . Now invoking Abel's transformation on equations (1.9) and (1.10), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \Delta Y_n &= \sum_{m=1}^n \hat{a}_{nm} \, a_m \, l_m \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \Delta_m \, (\hat{a}_{nm} \, l_m) \sum_{j=1}^m a_j + \hat{a}_{nn} \sum_{m=1}^n a_m \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} (\hat{a}_{nm} \, l_m - \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \, l_{m+1}) s_m + a_{nn} \, l_n s_n \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} (\hat{a}_{nm} \, l_m - \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \, l_{m+1} - \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \, l_m + \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \, l_m) s_m + a_{nn} \, l_n s_n \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \Delta_m (\hat{a}_{nm}) \, l_m \, s_m + \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \hat{a}_{n,m+1} \Delta l_m \, s_m + a_{nn} \, l_l s_n \\ &= Y_{n1} + Y_{n2} + Y_{n3}, \quad say. \end{split}$$
(5.1.1)

Now, since

$$|a+b+c|^{k} \leq 3^{k}(|a|^{k}+|b|^{k}+|c|^{k}),$$

in order to complete the proof of the theorem, it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k + k - 1} |Y_{ni}|^k < \infty, \quad for \ i = 1, 2, 3.$$
(5.1.2)

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Now we shall apply Holder's inequality with indices k and k', where k > 1 and  $\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k'} = 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} |Y_{n1}|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_j \hat{a}_{nj}| |l_j| |s_j| \right)^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_j \hat{a}_{nj}| |l_j|^k |s_j|^k \right) \times \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_j \hat{a}_{nj}| \right)^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\Delta_j \hat{a}_{nj}| |l_j|^k |s_j|^k \right) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m} |l_j|^k |s_j|^k \sum_{n=j+1}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} |\Delta_j \hat{a}_{nj}| \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m} \varphi_j^{\delta k-1} |l_j|^{k-1} |l_j| |s_j|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \Delta_j |l_j| \sum_{i=1}^{j} \varphi_i^{\delta k-1} |s_i|^k + O(1) |l_m| \sum_{j=1}^{m} \varphi_j^{\delta k-1} |s_j|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} b_j X_j + O(1) |l_m| X_m \\ &= O(1) \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty \end{split}$$

by enforcing the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 4.1.

Now using condition (3.1.6) and again applying Holder's inequality with the same indices, we obtain

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} |Y_{n2}|^k &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \hat{a}_{n,j+1} \Delta l_j s_j \right)^k 1 \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,j+1}| |\Delta l_j| |s_j|^k \right) \times \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\hat{a}_{n,j+1}| |\Delta l_j| \right)^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=2}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} b_j |\hat{a}_{n,j+1}| |s_j|^k \right) \times \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} |\Delta l_j| \right)^{k-1} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j |s_j|^k \sum_{n=j+1}^{m+1} \varphi_n^{\delta k} |\hat{a}_{n,j+1}| \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m} \varphi_j^{\delta k} b_j |s_j|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m} \varphi_j^{\delta k} \frac{|s_j|^k}{j} (jb_j) \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \Delta (jb_j) \sum_{i=1}^{j} \varphi_i^{\delta k} \frac{|s_i|^k}{i} + O(1) \left[ mb_m \sum_{j=1}^{m} \varphi_j^{\delta k} \frac{|s_j|^k}{j} \right] \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \Delta (jb_j) X_j + O(1) \{mb_m X_m\} \\ &= O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} j |\Delta b_j| X_j + O(1) \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} b_{j+1} X_{j+1} + O(1) \{mb_m X_m\} \\ &= O(1) \quad as \qquad m \to \infty, \end{split}$$

by utilising the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 4.2.

Finally, using the same arguments as in the case of  $Y_{nl}$ , we obtain

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$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} |Y_{n3}|^k &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1} |a_{nn}|^k |l_n|^k |s_n|^k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{n=1}^{m} \varphi_n^{\delta k-1} |l_n| |s_n|^k \\ &= O(1) \ as \ m \to \infty. \end{split}$$

Consequently, we have shown that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\varphi_n^{\delta k+k-1}\,|Y_{ni}|^k<\infty,\quad for\ i=1,2,3.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

#### 5.2 **Proof of Theorem 3.2**

The proof of this theorem can be written proceeding in the same way as in Theorem 3.2, using Lemma 4.2 and substituting

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k+1} b_n |s_n|^k$$

for

 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n^{\delta k} b_n |s_n|^k.$ 

## 6. Concluding Remarks

We have proved two theorems for the absolute summability factors for the method  $|A, \varphi_n, \delta|_k$ . We have suggested a more logical definition for this method, which generalizes the definition of  $|A, p_n, \delta|_k$ . By taking the sequence  $\varphi_n = \frac{P_n}{p_n}$ , we obtain Theorem 2.5 and a slightly modified version of Theorem 2.6. This, in turn, gives us all the other results cited herein by taking suitable values of the matrix  $A = (a_{nm})$ , the sequence  $\varphi_n$  and  $\delta$ .

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