

## SOME RESULTS ON GENERALIZED LOTOTSKY SUMMABILITY

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ABSTRACT. The  $(F, d_n)$  method is investigated with respect to perfectness, strong regularity, and summing bounded divergent sequences. In the process the columns of the inverse matrix are characterized in terms of  $\{d_n\}$ .

1. **Introduction.** We wish to investigate perfectness, strong regularity, and the summation of bounded divergent sequences for the Jakimovski methods  $(F, d_n)$ . These methods were introduced by Jakimovski in [2] as a generalization of Lototsky summability.

DEFINITION 1.1. *The  $(F, d_n)$  method is defined by the triangular matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  which has  $a_{oo} = 1$ ,  $a_{ok} = 0$  when  $k > 0$  and*

$$(1.2) \quad \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{z + d_j}{1 + d_j} = \sum_{k=0}^n a_{nk} z^k, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Here  $\{d_n\}_1^\infty$  is an arbitrary complex sequence with  $d_n \neq -1$ .

For convenience we will denote  $\prod_{j=1}^n (1 + d_j)$  by  $(1 + d_n)!$

If  $A^{-1} = (b_{nk})$ , then explicit formulas for  $a_{nk}$  and  $b_{nk}$  are given by (see [2])

$$(1.3) \quad a_{nk} = \frac{1}{(1 + d_n)!} \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_{n-k} \leq n} d_{j_1} \dots d_{j_{n-k}}$$

where  $k \leq n$  and the sum is defined to be 1 when  $k = n$ , and

$$(1.4) \quad b_{nk} = (1 + d_k)! (-1)^{n-k} [d_1^n, \dots, d_{k+1}^n]$$

where  $k \leq n$  and we take  $(1 + d_0)! \equiv 1$ .

We note that the formula (1.4) and the proof given in [2, §8] when the  $d_j$ 's are pairwise different remain valid even when some of the  $d_j$ 's are equal, if the definition of a divided difference for multiple knots is used (see [3]).

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In the next section we will use the fact that the divided difference of a function or a sequence is a linear functional and that the divided difference  $[f(d_1), \dots, f(d_{m+1})]$  is a linear combination, with non-zero coefficients depending on  $d_1, \dots, d_{m+1}$  only, of  $f(d_j), f'(d_j), \dots, f^{(r_j-1)}(d_j)$  where  $r_j$  is the number of times the number  $d_j$  appears in the sequence  $d_1, \dots, d_{m+1}$  and in the linear combination  $d_j$  ranges over all the different values in the sequence  $d_1, \dots, d_{m+1}$ .

**2. Perfectness and  $(F, d_n)$**

DEFINITION 2.1. *Let  $A$  be a conservative triangle. Then  $A$  is perfect if the convergent sequences  $c$  are dense in  $c_A$ , the summability field of  $A$ , with respect to the usual norm topology on  $c_A$ .*

*Before relating perfectness to  $(F, d_n)$ , we give two results characterizing the columns of the inverse of the  $(F, d_n)$  matrix.*

THEOREM 2.2. *For the  $(F, d_n)$  method with associated matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  the following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $|d_n| < 1$  for each  $n$ .
- (ii)  $A^{-1}$  has null columns.
- (iii)  $A^{-1}$  has convergent columns.

PROOF. Let  $A^{-1} = (b_{nk})$ . From the remarks at the end of the previous section, for  $n \geq 1$  and a fixed  $k \geq 0$

$$b_{nk} = (-1)^{n-k}(1 + d_k)![d_1^n, \dots, d_{k+1}^n]$$

is a finite linear combination, with non-zero coefficients depending on  $d_1, \dots, d_{k+1}$  only, of terms of the form  $n(n - 1) \dots (n - r + 1)d_j^{n-r}$  where  $d_j$  ranges over all the different values in the sequence  $d_1, \dots, d_{k+1}$  and  $r < r_j$ . The proof follows by considering first  $b_{n,0}$  then  $b_{n,1}$  and so on.

THEOREM 2.3. *For the  $(F, d_n)$  method with associated matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  we have that  $|d_n| \leq 1$  for each  $n$  and the  $d_n$ 's of modulus one are distinct if and only if  $A^{-1}$  has bounded columns.*

PROOF. Let  $A^{-1} = (b_{nk})$ . If  $d_j$  appears only once among  $d_1, \dots, d_{k+1}$  then its only contribution to the sum defining  $b_{nk}$  is of the form of a constant times  $d_j^n$  (which is a geometric sequence). Otherwise  $d_j$  contributes additional terms which are of the form of a constant times each one of the following:  $nd_j^{n-1}, n(n - 1)d_j^{n-2}, \dots$ . The proof follows again by considering  $b_{n,0}$  then  $b_{n,1}$  and so on.

From this last result and Lemma 1 of [8] we obtain a sufficient condition for  $(F, d_n)$  to be perfect.

**THEOREM 2.4.** *Let  $A$  be the matrix associated with a regular  $(F, d_n)$  method. If  $|d_n| \leq 1$  for each  $n$  and the  $d_n$ 's of modulus one are distinct, then  $A$  is perfect.*

*We note that the converse is not true, e.g.,*

$$d_1 = d_2 = 1 \text{ and } d_n = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 3 \text{ or } d_n = p > 1, n = 1, 2, \dots$$

*are each regular and perfect.*

### 3. Strong Regularity for $(F, d_n)$

**DEFINITION 3.1.** *A bounded sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be almost convergent to  $s$ , its generalized limit, if each Banach limit (see [5] p. 58) of  $x$  is  $s$ . We denote the class of almost convergent sequences by  $f$ .*

**DEFINITION 3.2.** *A matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  is strongly regular if it sums every  $x \in f$  to the value to which it is almost convergent.*

In [5] p. 62 we have the following characterization of strong regularity:

**THEOREM 3.3.** *A regular matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  is strongly regular if and only if*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{nk} - a_{n, k+1}| = 0.$$

*As noted in [5], p. 65, the matrices  $A = (a_{nk})$  satisfying  $\max_{0 \leq k \leq n} |a_{nk}| \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) form a wider class than the strongly regular matrices. However, when restricted to the  $(F, d_n)$  matrices with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$ , we have*

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $(F, d_n)$  with corresponding matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  be regular with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $(F, d_n)$  is strongly regular.
- (ii)  $\max_{0 \leq k \leq n} |a_{nk}| \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).
- (iii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n}{(1 + d_n)^2} = \infty$ .

**PROOF.** (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). This is due to Groetsch in [1]. (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). This follows from Theorem 3.3 and the remark following it. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii).

Assume

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n}{(1 + d_n)^2} < \infty.$$

From Lemma 2.2 of [6] we have

(3.6) An  $(F, d_n)$  method with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$  is regular if and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + d_n} = \infty.$$

From (ii) and (1.3) we have  $a_{nn} = 1/(1 + d_n)! \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), i.e.,  $(1 + d_n)! \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) and thus

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d_n = \infty.$$

We have  $\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n = \infty$ . Otherwise, there would exist an  $L > 0$  such that  $d_n \leq L$  for each  $n$ . Thus, for each  $n$ ,  $d_n/(1 + d_n)^2 \geq d_n/(1 + L)^2$ , which along with our assumption (3.5) implies  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d_n < \infty$ . This contradicts (3.7). Similarly,  $\underline{\lim} d_n = 0$ . If not, then there would exist an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $d_n \geq \epsilon$  for  $n$  sufficiently large. The function  $x/1 + x$  is increasing for  $x > 0$  hence

$$\frac{d_n}{(1 + d_n)^2} \geq \frac{1}{1 + d_n} \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon}$$

which forces

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + d_n} < \infty.$$

This contradicts (3.6).

Consider the subsequences of  $n$  given by

$$\{v_i | d_{v_i} \leq 1\} \text{ and } \{l_i | d_{l_i} > 1\}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n}{(1 + d_n)^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_{v_i}}{(1 + d_{v_i})^2} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_{l_i}}{(1 + d_{l_i})^2}$$

Since each series converges by our assumption in (3.5), we have

$$(3.8) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d_{v_i} < \infty \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + d_{l_i}} < \infty$$

by the same arguments used to determine  $\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n$  and  $\underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n$ . Now let  $m = m(n)$  be the number of  $d_j$ 's,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , such that  $d_j > 1$ . We may suppose, by (3.7), that  $n$  is sufficiently large such that  $m \geq 1$ . Consider the  $n$ th row of  $A = (a_{nk})$ . By (1.3) with  $k = n - m$ ,

$$(3.9) \quad a_{n, n-m} = \frac{1}{(1 + d_n)!} \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_m \leq n} d_{j_1} d_{j_2} \dots d_{j_m} \\ \geq \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + d_{l_i}}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^{n-m} (1 + d_{v_i})}.$$

But by (3.8)  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 + d_{v_i})$  converges and hence is bounded, say  $\prod_{i=1}^N (1 + d_{v_i}) \leq M$  for all  $N$ . Also  $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - 1/1 + d_{l_i})$  converges by (3.8). These imply from (3.9) that

$$a_{n, n-m} \geq \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + d_{l_i}}\right)}{M} = \text{const} > 0.$$

Thus  $\max_{0 \leq k \leq n} |a_{nk}| \not\rightarrow 0_{(n \rightarrow \infty)}$ .

This contradicts hypothesis (ii). Hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n}{(1 + d_n)^2} = \infty.$$

**4. Summation of Bounded Divergent Sequences for  $(F, d_n)$ .** Applying the corollary on p. 505 of [7] and Theorem 2.3 we have

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $(F, d_n)$  be regular with  $|d_n| \leq 1$  for each  $n$  and such that the  $d_n$ 's of modulus one are distinct. Then  $(F, d_n)$  is either Mercerian or sums a bounded divergent sequence.*

*From this result we have the following special cases.*

**COROLLARY 4.2.** *Under the same hypotheses as in Theorem 4.1, if at least one  $d_n$  is such that  $|d_n| = 1$ , then  $(F, d_n)$  sums a bounded divergent sequence.*

**PROOF.** This follows from Theorem 2.1 (iv) of [4].

**COROLLARY 4.3.** *If  $(F, d_n)$  is regular, non-Mercerian, and sums no bounded divergent sequences, then*

- (i)  $|d_n| \neq 1$  for each  $n$ , and
- (ii)  $|d_n| > 1$  for some  $n$ .

PROOF. (i) If some  $d_n$  has modulus one, say  $d_N$ , then the  $(F, d'_n)$  method given by  $d'_n = d_n$  for  $n \neq N$  and  $d'_N = d_N$ , and  $d'_1 = d_1$ , sums the columns of its own inverse. But the first column of the inverse for  $(F, d'_n)$  is by (1.4)  $b'_{no} = (-d_N)^n$ , a bounded divergent sequence. It is easily seen from (1.2) that interchanging two  $d_j$ 's (or any finite number for that matter) results in essentially the same  $(F, d_n)$  matrix, i.e., for sufficiently large  $n$ ,  $a_{nk} = a'_{nk}$  for each  $k$ . Therefore  $(F, d_n)$  sums a bounded divergent sequence.

(ii) This now follows from Theorem 4.1 and (i).

If we restrict  $\{d_n\}$  to  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$ , then, since  $f$  clearly contains bounded divergent sequences, from Theorem 3.4 we have

COROLLARY 4.4. *Let  $(F, d_n)$  be regular with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$ . If  $(F, d_n)$  sums no bounded divergent sequences, then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n}{(1+d_n)^2} < \infty.$$

From this last result and an argument in the proof of Theorem 3.4, it follows that  $\lim d_n = 0$ . In particular then,  $d_n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Thus we have

COROLLARY 4.5. *If  $(F, d_n)$  is regular with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$  and  $d_n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), then  $(F, d_n)$  sums a bounded divergent sequence.*

The conclusion of Corollary 4.4 yields

COROLLARY 4.6. *If  $(F, d_n)$  is regular with  $d_n \geq 0$  for each  $n$  and sums no bounded divergent sequences, then  $d_n$  is either a null sequence (in fact is in  $l$ ) or has exactly 0 and  $\infty$  as limit points.*

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