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# Product $(N, p_n)$ (C, 1) summability of a sequence of Fourier coefficients

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#### **Abstract**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the present paper is to study the product  $(N, p_n)$  (C, 1) summability of a sequence of Fourier coefficients which extends a theorem of Prasad.

**Methods:** We use  $N_p$ .  $C^{-1}$  summability methods with dropping monotonicity on the generating sequence  $\{p_{n-k}\}$  (that is, by weakening the conditions on the filter, we improve the quality of digital filter).

**Results:** Let  $B_n(x)$  denote the nth term of conjugate series of a Fourier series. Mohanty and Nanda were the first to establish a result for  $C_1$  summability of the sequence  $\{n \ B_n(x)\}$ . Varshney improved the result for  $H_1$ .  $C_1$  summability which was generalized by various investigators using different summability methods with different sets of conditions. In this paper, we extend a result of Prasad by dropping the monotonicity on the sequence  $\{p_{n-k}\}$ .

**Conclusions:** Various results pertaining to the  $C_1$  and  $H_1$ .  $C_1$  summabilities of the sequence  $\{n \mid B_n(x)\}$  have been reviewed and the condition of monotonicity on the means generating the sequence  $\{p_{n-k}\}$  has been relaxed. Moreover, a proper set of conditions have been discussed to rectify the errors pointed out in Remark 3.2 (1) and (2).

**Keywords:** Conjugate Fourier series, (C, 1) summability,  $(N, p_n)$  summability and product,  $(N, p_n)$  (C, 1) summability

#### Introduction

Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n$  be a given infinite series with sequence of its nth partial sums  $\{s_n\}$ . If the  $\{p_n\}$  be a nonnegative and nondecreasing, which generates sequences of constants, real or complex, let us write

$$P_n = \sum_{k=0}^n P_k \neq 0 \ \forall n \ge 0, \ P_{-1} = 0 = P_{-1}$$
 and  $P_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

The condition for regularity of Nörlund summability are easily seen to be

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{P_n}{P_n} \to 0 \ and \tag{1.}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |p_k| = O(P_n), \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (2.)

The sequence-to-sequence transformation

$$t_n^N = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} s_k. \tag{1.1}$$

defines the sequence  $\{t_n^N\}$  of Nörlund means of the sequence  $\{s_n\}$ , as generated by the sequence of coefficients  $\{p_n\}$ . The series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n$  is said to be summable  $(N, p_n)$  to the sum s if  $\lim_{n\to\infty} t_n^N$  exists and equal to s.

In the special case in which

$$p_n = {n+\alpha-1 \choose \alpha-1} = \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha)}{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha)}; \ (\alpha > -1)$$

the Nörlund summability  $(N, p_n)$  reduces to the familiar  $(C, \alpha)$  summability.

The product of  $N_p$  summability with a  $C^1$  summability defines  $N_p$ .  $C^{-1}$  summability. Thus the  $N_p$ .  $C^{-1}$  mean is given by  $t^{NC}{}_n(x) = P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \, C_k(x)$ . If  $t_n^{NC} \to s$  as  $n \to \infty$ , then the infinite series  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty u_n$ 

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Let f(x) be a  $2\pi$ -periodic function and Lebesgue integrable. The Fourier series of f(x) at any point x is given by

$$f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx) \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(x).$$
(1.2)

With nth partial sum,  $s_n(f; x)$  is called trigonometric polynomial of degree (order) n of the first (n + 1) terms of the Fourier series of f.

The conjugate series of Fourier series (1.2) is given by

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (b_k \cos kx - a_k \sin kx) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k(x)$$
 (1.3)

The regularity conditions of  $N_p$ .  $C^1$  are as follows:  $nB_n \rightarrow s \Rightarrow C^1(nB_n) = t_n^C = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n k B_k(x) \rightarrow s$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $C^1$  method is regular,  $\Rightarrow N_p \{C^1(nB_n)\} = t_n^{NC} = P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n P_{n-k} (k^{-1} \sum_{r=1}^k r B_r(x)) \rightarrow s$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $N_p$  method is also regular, and  $\Rightarrow C^1.N_p$  method is regular. We note that  $t_n^N$  and  $t_n^{NC}$  are also trigonometric polynomials of degree (order) n.

#### Abel's transformation

The formula

$$\sum_{k=m}^{n} u_k \, \nu_k = \sum_{k=m}^{n-1} U_k \left( \nu_k - \nu_{k+1} \right) - U_{m-1} \, \nu_m + U_n \, \nu_n, \tag{1.4}$$

where  $0 \le m \le n$ ,  $U_k = u_0 + u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_k$ , if  $k \ge 0$ ,  $U_{-1} = 0$ , which can be verified, is known as Abel's transformation and will be used extensively in the succeeding discussion.

If  $\nu_{m\nu}\nu_{m+1},\ldots,\nu_n$  are nonnegative and nonincreasing, the left hand side of (1.4) does not exceed  $2\nu_m \max_{m-1 \le k \le n} |U_k|$  in the absolute value. In fact,

$$\left| \sum_{k=m}^{n} u_{k} v_{k} \right| \leq \max |U_{k}| \left\{ \sum_{k=m}^{n-1} (v_{k} - v_{k+1}) + v_{m} + v_{n} \right\}$$

$$= 2 v_{m} \max |U_{k}|.$$

Throughout in this paper, we use the following notations

$$\psi(t) = \psi_{x}(t) = f(x+t) - f(x-t) - l,$$

$$\Psi(t) = \int_0^t |\psi(u)| du,$$

$$Q(n,t) = \frac{1}{\pi P_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{n-k} \left\{ \frac{\sin kt}{kt^2} - \frac{\cos kt}{t} \right\},\,$$

 $\Delta_k p_{n-k} = p_{n-k} - p_{n-k-1}, 0 \le k \le n,$ 

and  $\tau = [1/t]$  is the largest integer contained in 1/t, where l is a constant.

The (C, 1) and (H, 1) denotes the Cesàro and harmonic summabilities respectively of order one. The

product summability  $(N, p_n)$  (C, 1) is obtained by superimposing  $(N, p_n)$  summability on (C, 1) summability, and the product summability  $(N, p_n)$  (C, 1) plays an important role in signal theory as a double digital filter in finite impulse response in particular [1].

#### **Methods**

#### Known theorems

The theory of summability is a very extensive field. Mohanty and Nanda [2] proved the following theorem on  $C_1$  summability of the sequence  $\{n \mid B_n(x)\}$ .

#### Theorem 2.1 [2] If

$$\Psi(t) = o(t/\log(1/t)), \text{ as } t \to +0$$
(2.1)

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$$a_n = O(n^{-\delta}); b_n = O(n^{-\delta}), \text{ as } t \to +0,$$
 (2.2)

then the sequence  $\{n \ B_n(x)\}\$  is the summable  $C_1$  to the value of  $l/\pi$ .

Varshney [3] improved Theorem 2.1 by extending it to product  $H_1$ .  $C_1$  summability. He has proved that

#### **Theorem 2.2** [3] *if*

$$\Psi(t) = o(t/\log(1/t)), \text{ as } t \to +0, \tag{2.3}$$

then the sequence  $\{n \ B_n(x)\}\$ is the summable  $H_1.\ C_1$  to the value of  $l/\pi.$ 

Various investigators such as Sharma [4], Rhoades [5] (cor. 19, p. 533), Pandey [6], Rai [7], Dwivedi [8], Mittal and Prasad [9], Prasad [10], Mittal [11], Chandra [12], Mittal et al. [13,14], and Mittal and Singh [1] used different summability methods with different sets of conditions. In particular, Prasad [10] has proved the following:

**Theorem 2.3 [6]** Let p(u) be monotonically decreasing and strictly positive value with  $u \ge 0$ . Let  $p_n = p(n)$  and

$$P(u) = \int_0^u p(x)dx \to \infty, \text{ as } u \to \infty.$$
 (2.4)

Let  $\alpha(t)$  be a positive and nondecreasing function of t. If

$$\Psi(t) = o(t/\alpha(1/t)), \text{ as } t \to +0, \tag{2.5}$$

then a sufficient condition that the sequence  $\{n \ B_n(x)\}\$  be a summable  $N_P$ .  $C_1$  to the value of  $l/\pi$  is that

$$\int_{1}^{n} \frac{P(x)}{x \alpha(x)} dx = O(P(n)), \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (2.6)

#### **Results and discussion**

#### Main theorem

In the present paper, we extend Theorem 2.3 by dropping the monotonicity on the generating sequence  $\{P_{n-k}\}$  (that is, by weakening the conditions on the filter, we improve the quality of the digital filter). More precisely, we prove in Theorem 3.1:

Theorem 3.1 Let  $\{p_k\}$  be a nonnegative value such that

(i.) 
$$\sum_{k=r}^{n} |\Delta_k p_{n-k}| = O(p_{n-r}), \text{ (ii.) } n p_n = O(p_n).$$
(3.1)

Let  $\alpha(t)$  be a positive and increasing function of t such that

$$\Psi(t) = o(t/\alpha (1/t)), \text{ as } t \to +0$$
 (3.2)

and

$$\alpha(n) \to \infty$$
, as  $n \to \infty$  (3.3)

then a sufficient condition for the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  to be as the summable  $(N, p_n)$  (C, 1) to the value of  $l/\pi$  is

$$\int_{1/\delta}^{n} \frac{P(x)}{x \alpha(x)} dx = O(P(n)), \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (3.4)

**Remark 3.2** (1) If  $p_{n-k} \le p_{n-k-1}$ ,  $\forall 0 \le k < n$ , as used in Theorem 2.3, then both the conditions (3.1) holds. Thus Theorem 3.1 extends Theorem 2.3. (2) In the proof of Theorem 2.3, author in [10] has used the condition (3.3) but did not mention in his statement.

Lemmas. For the proof of our Theorem 3.1, we require the following lemmas.

**Lemma 4.1** [10] *If*  $0 \le t \le 1/n$ , then

$$|Q(n,t)| = 0(n)$$

**Lemma 4.2** [15] For all values of n and t

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{\sin(k+1)t}{k+1} \right| \le 1 + \frac{\pi}{2}. \tag{4.2}$$

**Lemma 4.3** Under the regularity conditions of matrix  $(N, p_n)$  in satisfying (3.1), we get  $Q(n, t) = O(t^{-1} P(\tau)/P_n) + O(t^{-2} p_1/P_n)$ , for

$$1/n \le t \le \delta. \tag{4.3}$$

**Proof** We have 
$$Q(n,t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} p_{n-k}/\pi P_n \left\{ \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t^2} - \frac{\cos(n-k)t}{t} \right\} = Q_1(n,t) + Q_2(n,t)$$
, as we say.

By using Abel's transformation, Lemma 4.2, and condition (3.1), we have

$$\begin{split} |Q_{1}(n,t)| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} p_{n-k} / \pi P_{n} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t^{2}} \right| \\ &\leq \left| \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_{n-k} / \pi P_{n} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t^{2}} \right| \\ &+ \left| \sum_{k=r}^{n-1} p_{n-k} / \pi P_{n} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t^{2}} \right| \\ &\leq \left[ t^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_{n-k} \left| \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t} \right| \right] / \pi P_{n} \\ &\leq \left[ t^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_{n-k} \left| \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{n-k} \right| \right] / \pi P_{n} \\ &\leq \left[ t^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_{n-k} \left| \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{n-k} \right| \right] / \pi P_{n} \\ &+ t^{-2} \left| \sum_{k=r}^{n-2} \left( \Delta_{k} p_{n-k} \sum_{r=0}^{k} \frac{\sin(n-r)t}{n-r} \right) \right| \right] / \pi P_{n} \\ &+ t^{-2} \left| p_{n-r} / \pi P_{n} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{n-k} \right| \\ &+ t^{-2} \left| p_{1} / \pi P_{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{n-k} \right| \\ &\leq \left[ t^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{r} p_{n-k} + t^{-2} \left( 1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\times \left( \sum_{k=r}^{n-2} |\Delta_{k} p_{n-k}| + p_{n-r} + p_{1} \right) \right] / \pi P_{n} \\ &= O(t^{-1}) ((P(\tau) + (\tau + 1) p_{n-r}) / P_{n}) + O(t^{-2} p_{1} / P_{n}) \\ &= O(t^{-1} P(\tau) / P_{n}) + O(t^{-2} p_{1} / P_{n}). \end{split}$$

Again by using Abel's transformation and condition (3.1), we have

$$\begin{split} Q_2(n,t) &= \sum\nolimits_{k=0}^{n-1} p_{n-k}/\pi P_n \frac{\cos(n-k)t}{t} \\ &= \mathcal{O}(t^{-1}) \bigg[ P(\tau) + \sum\nolimits_{k=0}^{n-2} (\Delta_k p_{n-k}) \sum\nolimits_{r=0}^k \cos(n-r) \, t \\ &- p_{n-\tau} \sum\nolimits_{r=0}^{\tau-1} \cos(n-r) \, t \bigg] P_n^{-1} \\ &+ \mathcal{O}(t^{-1}) P_n^{-1} p_1 \sum\nolimits_{r=0}^n \cos(n-r) \, t \\ &|Q_2(n,t)| &= \mathcal{O}(t^{-1}) \bigg[ P(\tau) + t^{-1} \sum\nolimits_{k=\tau}^{n-2} |\Delta_k p_{n-k}| \\ &+ t^{-1} p_{n-\tau} + t^{-1} p_1 \bigg] / P_n \\ &= \mathcal{O}(t^{-1} P(\tau) / P_n) + \mathcal{O}(t^{-2} p_1 / P_n). \end{split}$$

By collecting  $Q_1(n, t)$ ,  $Q_2(n, t)$  and Q(n, t), we get

$$Q(n,t) = O(t^{-1}P(\tau)/P_n) + O(t^{-2}p_1/P_n).$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 4.3.

**Proof of Theorem 3.1** The  $C_1$  transform of the sequence  $\{n \mid B_n(x)\}$  denoted by  $C_n(x)$  is defined by

$$C_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k B_k(x).$$

The  $N_p$ .  $C_1$  transform of the sequence  $\{n \mid B_n(x)\}$ , which is denoted by  $t_n^{N \mid C}(x)$ , is given by

$$t^{NC}{}_{n}(x) = P_{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{n-k} C_{k}(x)$$
  
=  $P_{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{n-k} \left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{r=1}^{k} r B_{r}(x) \right).$ 

Therefore, following Mohanty and Nanda [2], we obtain

$$\begin{split} t^{NC}{}_{n}(x) - l/\pi &= P_{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left\{ p_{n-k} \left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{r=1}^{k} r B_{r}(x) - l/\pi \right) \right\} \\ &= P_{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{n-k} \left\{ \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \psi(t) \left( \frac{\sinh t}{kt^{2}} - \frac{\cosh t}{t} \right) dt + o(1) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \psi(t) P_{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} p_{n-k} \left( \frac{\sinh t}{kt^{2}} - \frac{\cosh t}{t} \right) dt + o(1) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{1/n} + \int_{1/n}^{\delta} + \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \right) \psi(t) Q(n, t) dt + o(1), \text{ where } 0 < \delta < \pi \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} (I_{1} + I_{2} + I_{3}) + o(1), \end{split}$$
 (5.1)

where

$$I_{1} = \int_{0}^{1/n} \psi(t)Q(n,t)dt = O(n)\int_{0}^{1/n} |\psi(t)|dt$$

$$= O(n)\Psi(1/n) = O(n)o(1/n\alpha(n))$$

$$= o(1/\alpha(n)) = o(1), \text{ as } n \to \infty,$$
(5.2)

in view of Lemma 4.1, conditions (3.2), and (3.3). Using Lemma 4.3, we have

$$\begin{split} I_2 &= \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \psi(t) Q(n,t) dt \\ &= \int_{1/n}^{\delta} |\psi(t)| P_n^{-1} \left\{ \mathcal{O} \left( t^{-2} p_1 \right) + \mathcal{O} \left( t^{-1} P(\tau) \right) \right\} dt \\ &= I_{2,1} + I_{2,2} \text{ as we say.} \end{split} \tag{5.3}$$

Now, using conditions (3.1-ii), (3.2), (3.3), and second mean value theorem for integrals, we have

$$\begin{split} I_{2,1} &= \mathrm{O}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} t^{-2} P_{n}^{-1} p_{1} |\psi(t)| \, dt = \mathrm{O}(P_{n}^{-1} p_{1}) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} t^{-2} |\psi(t)| \, dt \\ &= \mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left\{ (t^{-2} \Psi(t))_{1/n}^{\delta} + \int_{1/n}^{\delta} t^{-3} \Psi(t) \, dt \right\} \\ &= \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{t\alpha(1/t)}\right)_{1/n}^{\delta} + \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{dt}{t^{2}\alpha(1/t)} \\ &= \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha(n)}\right) + \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n\alpha(1/\delta)}\right) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{dt}{t^{2}} \\ &= \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha(n)}\right) + \mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n\alpha(1/\delta)}\right) (\delta - 1/n) \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1), \text{ as } n \to \infty. \end{split}$$
(5.4)

Using conditions (3.1-ii), (3.2), (3.3), and (3.4), we have

$$\begin{split} I_{2,2} &= \mathrm{O}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{|\psi(t)|}{t} P_n^{-1} P(\tau) \, dt = \mathrm{O}(1) \bigg( \Psi(t) P_n^{-1} \frac{P(\tau)}{t} \bigg)^{\delta} \\ &+ \mathrm{O}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \Psi(t) P_n^{-1} \frac{P(\tau)}{t^2} \, dt + \mathrm{O}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{\Psi(t)}{t} \, d(P_n^{-1} P(\tau)) \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o} \bigg( \frac{P_n^{-1} P_n}{\alpha(n)} \bigg) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(\tau)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &+ \mathrm{O}(P_n^{-1}) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \Psi(t) \, d \bigg( \frac{P(1/t) \, \alpha(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \bigg) \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o} \bigg( \frac{P_n^{-1} P_n}{\alpha(n)} \bigg) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(\tau)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &+ \mathrm{O}(P_n^{-1}) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} o \left( \frac{t}{\alpha(1/t)} \right) d \left( \frac{P(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \right) \alpha(1/t) \\ &+ \mathrm{O}(P_n^{-1}) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} o \left( \frac{t}{\alpha(1/t)} \right) \frac{P(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, d(\alpha(1/t)) \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o} \bigg( \frac{1}{\alpha(n)} \bigg) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(\tau)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &+ \mathrm{o}(P_n^{-1}) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} t \, d \left( \frac{P(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \right) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{d(\alpha(1/t))}{\{\alpha(1/t)\}^2} \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o} \bigg( \frac{1}{\alpha(n)} \bigg) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(\tau)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &+ \mathrm{o}(P_n^{-1}) \bigg\{ \bigg[ \frac{t \, P(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \bigg]^{\delta} \bigg\}_{1/n} - \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P(1/t)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &+ \mathrm{o}(1) \bigg[ -\frac{1}{\alpha(1/t)} \bigg]^{\delta} \bigg\}_{1/n} - \int_{1/n}^{\delta} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(\tau)}{t \, \alpha(1/t)} \, dt \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o}(1) \int_{1/\delta}^{n} \frac{P_n^{-1} P(x)}{x \, \alpha(x)} \, dx \\ &= \mathrm{o}(1) + \mathrm{o}(1) O(P_n^{-1} P(n)) = \mathrm{o}(1), \text{ as } n \to \infty. \quad (5.5) \end{split}$$

On combining (5.3), (5.4) and (5.5), we get

$$I_2 = o(1), as \, n \rightarrow \infty \tag{5.6}$$

Finally, by Riemann-Lebesgue Theorem, we have

$$I_3 = \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \psi(t)Q(n,t)dt = o(1), \text{ as } n \to \infty$$
 (5.7)

By collecting (5.2), (5.6), and (5.7), we get

$$t^{NC}_{n}(x) - l/\pi = o(1)$$
, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

#### **Conclusions**

Various results pertaining to the  $C_1$  and  $H_1$   $C_1$  summabilities of the sequence  $\{n \mid B_n(x)\}$  have been reviewed, and the condition of monotonicity on the means of generating the sequence  $\{p_{n-k}\}$  has been relaxed. Moreover, a proper set of conditions have been discussed to rectify the errors pointed out in Remark 3.2 (1) and (2).

#### Competing interest

The authors declare that they have no competing interests.

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