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## ON GENERALIZED STRONG NÖRLUND SUMMABILITY FIELDS

1. Introduction

The convergence fields of generalized strong Nörlund summability have been investigated by Kumar [2], Sinha [6] and Schaper [5]. In this paper we discuss the relations between the convergence fields  $O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$  and  $O[N, p+r, \alpha]_\lambda$ ,  $r \in 1$ ,  $\lambda > 1$ . The results are generalisations of known theorems of Kuttner and Thorpe [3] ( $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\lambda = 1$ ) and Schaper [5] ( $\lambda = 1$ ).

2. Preliminaries

Let  $\$ := \{s | s : N_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$  be the set of complex sequences. If  $s, t \in \$$ , then  $s * t \in \$$  is defined by

$$s * t_n := (s * t)_n := \sum_{\nu=0}^n s_{n-\nu} t_\nu, \quad n \geq 0.$$

We define  $\frac{s}{t} \in \$$  by

$$\frac{s}{t}_n := \begin{cases} \frac{s_n}{t_n} & \text{if } t_n \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } t_n = 0. \end{cases}$$

We write  $s \leq t$  if  $s_n, t_n \in R$  and  $s_n \leq t_n$  for all  $n$ .

If  $s \in \$$  we define as usual  $\Delta s \in \$$  by

$\Delta s_0 := s_0$ ,  $\Delta s_n := s_n - s_{n-1}$   
and  $|s| \in \$$  by  $|s|_n := |s_n|$ .

We often use the following abbreviations

$$1 := \{1, 1, 1, \dots\},$$

$$e := \{1, 0, 0, \dots\}.$$

It can be easily verified that

$$\Delta s * t := \Delta(s * t) = (\Delta s) * t = s * (\Delta t),$$

$$\Delta s * 1 = s, \quad s * e = s.$$

We consider now the following sets of sequences:

$$\Omega := \{s \in \$ \mid s_n \neq 0 \text{ for almost all } n\},$$

$$\ell := \left\{ s \in \$ \mid \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |s_n| < \infty \right\},$$

$$o(t) := \left\{ s \in \$ \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s_n}{t} n = 0 \right\} \text{ for } t \in \$,$$

$$O(t) := \left\{ s \in \$ \mid |s| < K|t| \right\} \text{ for } t \in \$.$$

Let  $\alpha, p \in \$$  be such that  $p_0 \neq 0, \alpha_n \neq 0$  for  $n \geq 0$  and  $p * \alpha \in \Omega$ , then  $\frac{p * \alpha s}{p * \alpha}$  is the generalized Nörlund mean of  $s \in \$$ . The sequence  $s$  is said to be generalized Nörlund summable to zero if  $p * \alpha s \in o(p * \alpha)$ ; [1], [5]. Then we write

$$o(N, p, \alpha) := \left\{ s \in \$ \mid p * \alpha s \in o(p * \alpha) \right\}.$$

If furthermore  $\Delta p * \alpha \in \Omega$  we define generalized strong Nörlund summability. The sequence  $s$  is said to be generalized strongly summable  $(N, p, \alpha)$  with index  $\lambda (\lambda > 0)$  to 6, if

$$\left\{ \sum_{v=0}^n \left| \Delta p * \alpha_v \right| \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta p * \alpha s}{\Delta p * \alpha} v - 6 \right|^{\lambda} \right\} \in o(p * \alpha)$$

and this is denoted by  $s \rightarrow \sigma [N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$ ; [2], [6]. Since the sequence on the left side is monotonic, this definition is of use only if  $|p*\alpha|_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We have  $s \rightarrow \sigma [N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$  if and only if  $\{s_n - \sigma\} \rightarrow 0$   $[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$ , hence we only consider the limits  $\sigma [N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$ .

If  $t, \Delta t \in \Omega$  and  $\lambda > 0$  we define the set

$$s_\lambda(t) := \left\{ s \in \$ \mid \left\{ \sum_{v=0}^n |\Delta t_v| \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} v \right|^\lambda \right\} \in o(t) \right\}.$$

So we have  $\sigma [N, p, \alpha]_\lambda := \{s \in \$ \mid p \text{ as } s \in s_\lambda(p*\alpha)\}$ . Thus the structure of the convergence field  $\sigma [N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$  is determined by the structure of the set  $s_\lambda(p*\alpha)$ .

For the remainder of this paper, we shall assume that if  $(N, p, \alpha)$  is a generalized Nörlund method, then  $p_0 \neq 0, \alpha_n \neq 0$  for  $n \geq 0$  and  $p*\alpha \in \Omega$ . Considering strong summability we furthermore shall assume  $\Delta p*\alpha \in \Omega$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |p*\alpha|_n = \infty$  and  $\lambda > 1$  unless mention is made to the contrary.

If  $p \in \$$  we write  $P(z) = \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} p_v z^v$  and denote the radius of convergence of this power series by  $\rho(p)$ . We use similar notations with other letters in place of  $p$ .

If  $p_0 \neq 0$  there exists a  $k \in \$$  such that  $p*k = e$ . If furthermore  $\rho(p) > 0$ , then also  $\rho(k) > 0$  and for  $|z| < \rho(k)$

$$(1) \quad K(z) = \frac{1}{P(z)} = \sum k_v z^v$$

holds.

We often write  $\sum$  instead of  $\sum_{v=0}^{\infty}$ .

### 3. Representation theorem

We first give a representation theorem which is an easy consequence of the definition of  $[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$  summability.

Theorem 1. Suppose that  $s_\lambda(p*\alpha) \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{S} \mid g(x) > 1\}$  for  $\lambda > 0$ . Then  $s \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$  if and only if there exists a  $g \in s_\lambda(p*\alpha)$  such that

$$AS(z) := \sum \alpha_\nu s_\nu z^\nu = \frac{\sum g_\nu z^\nu}{\sum p_\nu z^\nu} = \frac{G(z)}{P(z)}$$

for  $|z| < \min(1, g(k))$ .

Lemma 5 will give conditions that guarantee the inclusion  $s_\lambda(p*\alpha) \subseteq \{x \mid g(x) \geq 1\}$ .

#### 4. Inclusion theorem

We first list some conditions on  $\alpha$ ,  $p$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{S}$ . So we have

$$(2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p*\alpha_{n-1}}{p*\alpha_n} = 1.$$

There is an  $M_1$  such that for all  $n, \mu$  with  $n \geq \mu \geq 0$

$$(3) \quad \left| \frac{p*\alpha_{n-\mu}}{p*\alpha_n} \right| < M_1.$$

$$(4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Delta p*\alpha_{n-1}}{\Delta p*\alpha_n} = 1.$$

There is an  $M_2$  such that for all  $n, \mu$  with  $n \geq \mu \geq 0$

$$(5) \quad \left| \frac{\Delta p*\alpha_{n-\mu}}{\Delta p*\alpha_n} \right| < M_2.$$

$$(6) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Let } r, u, v \in \ell \text{ be such that} \\ R(z) = U(z) \cdot V(z) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{z}{a_i}\right)^{q_i} \text{ for } |z| \leq 1, \\ \text{with } U(z) \neq 0, V(\xi) \neq 0 \text{ for } |\xi| < 1 \text{ and } \xi = 1, q_1 \geq 0, \\ 0 < |a_i| < 1. \\ \text{Let } w \in \mathbb{S} \text{ be such that } w*w = e. \end{array} \right.$$

We use the conditions (2) and (3) instead of the conditions of the regularity of  $(N, p, \alpha)$ . The conditions (2) and (3) are independent of the conditions of regularity of  $(N, p, \alpha)$  since there are regular  $(N, p, \alpha)$  methods which do not satisfy (2) and (3) and there are also  $(N, p, \alpha)$  methods which satisfy (2) and (3) but are not regular [5].

The conditions (2) and (3) are the exact conditions for  $o(p*\alpha) = o(p*r*\alpha)$  and (2)-(5) guarantee  $s_\lambda(p*\alpha) = s_\lambda(p*r*\alpha)$  (see Lemma C and Lemma 2).

Theorem 2. Let  $r \in \ell$  be such that  $R(0) \neq 0$ ,  $R(1) \neq 0$ . Suppose that the conditions (2)-(5) hold and  $g(p) > 0$ . Then

$$O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda \subseteq O[N, p*r, \alpha]_\lambda.$$

### 5. Structure theorems

Theorem 3. Suppose that the conditions (2)-(6) hold with  $\varrho_i > 0$ ,  $v = w = e$  and  $g(p) > 0$ . If we define  $g := p*r*\alpha s$ , where  $s \in O[N, p, r, \alpha]_\lambda$ , then  $g(g) \geq 1$ . Let  $G$  satisfy

$$(7) \quad G(z) = {}_1G(z) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{z}{a_i}\right)^{\gamma_i}$$

for  $|z| < 1$  with  ${}_1G(a_i) \neq 0$ ,  $\gamma_i \geq \varrho_i$ , i.e. the root  $a_i$  of  $R$  with multiplicity  $\varrho_i$  is a root of  $G$  with multiplicity  $\gamma_i$ ,  $\gamma_i \geq \varrho_i$ . Then  $s \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda$ .

Theorem 4. Suppose that (2)-(6) hold with  $\varrho_i > 0$ ,  $v = w = e$  and  $p \in s_\lambda(p*\alpha)$ , then  $g(1) \geq 1$ . Let  $P$  satisfy

$$(8) \quad P(z) = {}_1P(z) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{z}{a_i}\right)^{\pi_i}$$

for  $|z| < 1$  with  ${}_1P(a_i) \neq 0$ ,  $\pi_i \geq 0$ , i.e. the root  $a_i$  of  $R$  is a root of  $P$  with multiplicity  $\pi_i$ . If

$$D := \left\{ d \in \mathbb{S} \mid a_n d_n = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i^{-n} \sum_{j=\pi_i+1}^{\pi_i+\rho_i} c_{ij} \binom{n+j-1}{n}, c_{ij} \in \mathbb{C} \right\},$$

then  $O[N, p \cdot r, \alpha]_\lambda = \{s \mid s = t + d, t \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda, d \in D\}$ .

If  $R$  has no zero, then  $D = \emptyset$  and we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 1.** If the conditions (2)-(6) hold with  $R(z) \neq 0$  for  $|z| \leq 1$  and let  $p \in s_\lambda(p \cdot \alpha)$ , then

$$O[N, p \cdot r, \alpha]_\lambda = O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda.$$

**Theorem 5.** If the conditions (2)-(6) hold with  $\rho_i = 0$  and  $\rho(p) > 0$ , then

$$O[N, p \cdot r, \alpha]_\lambda = \{s \mid \alpha s = w \cdot at, t \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda\}.$$

**Theorem 6.** If the conditions (2)-(6) hold and  $p$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 4, then

$$\begin{aligned} O[N, p \cdot r, \alpha]_\lambda &= \{s \mid \alpha s = (w \cdot at) + (w \cdot ad), t \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda, d \in D\} = \\ &= \{s \mid \alpha s = (w \cdot \alpha \tau) + \delta, \tau \in O[N, p, \alpha]_\lambda, \delta \in D\}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\lambda = 1$  Theorems 1-6 hold under the conditions (2) and (3) instead of (2)-(6); [5]. In [5] we also proved analogous theorems in the case of ordinary and absolute generalized Nörlund summability.

The case  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\alpha = 1$  was treated by Kuttner and Thorpe [3] under the condition of regularity of  $(N, p, 1)$  which is stronger than (2) and (3); ([5], p.36).

Naturally in special cases conditions (2)-(6) are not independent. Let us denote  $m := p \cdot \alpha$  and suppose  $\Delta m_n \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . Then we have

$$\frac{m_{n-1}}{m_n} = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \frac{\Delta m_\nu}{m_\nu} \frac{\Delta m_{\nu-1}}{\Delta m_\nu}.$$

Hence  $\lim \frac{\Delta m_{n-1}}{\Delta m_n} = 1$  implies  $\lim \frac{m_{n-1}}{m_n} = 1$  if  $(N, l, \Delta m)$  is regular. Since  $\lim |m_n| = \infty$ , this means  $|\Delta m| * l \in O(m)$  (by the well known Toeplitz-theorem [4], p.11).

If  $m$  is a real sequence, then  $\lim \frac{\Delta m_{n-1}}{\Delta m_n} = 1$  implies the existence of a number  $N$  such that all  $\Delta m_n$  with  $n \geq N$  have the same sign. Hence by

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^n |\Delta m_{\nu}| = \sum_{\nu=0}^{N-1} |\Delta m_{\nu}| + \left| \sum_{\nu=N}^n \Delta m_{\nu} \right|$$

and  $\lim |m_n| = \infty$  we get  $|\Delta m| * l \in O(m)$ .

On the other hand  $|\Delta m| * l \in O(m)$  implies  $|\frac{m_{n-\mu}}{m_n}| < M_3$  for all  $n, \mu \geq 0$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} |m_{n-\mu}| &= |(\Delta m * l)_{n-\mu}| \leq (|\Delta m| * l)_{n-\mu} \leq \\ &< (|\Delta m| * l)_n \leq M_3 |m_n|. \end{aligned}$$

Since also  $\frac{m_{n-\mu}}{m_n} = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \frac{\Delta m_{\nu}}{m_n} \frac{\Delta m_{\nu-\mu}}{\Delta m_{\nu}}$

by  $|\frac{\Delta m_{n-\mu}}{\Delta m_n}| < M_4$  and  $|\Delta m| * l \in O(m)$ , so we get  $|\frac{m_{n-\mu}}{m_n}| < M_5$

(uniformly in  $n, \mu$ ).

We remark that if  $p \in s_{\lambda}$  ( $p \neq 0$ ) is not assumed, the conclusion of Theorem 4 may be false even in simple cases. But we cannot use the same counterexample as Kuttner and Thorpe ([3], p.393), since in their example  $p_{2n+1} = 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . If we take  $\alpha = 1$  and  $P(z) := (1-z)^{-1} + (1-z^2)^{-1}$ , then  $p_{2n} = 2$ ,  $p_{2n+1} = 1$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . It follows by

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^n |\Delta p * l|_{\nu}^{\lambda-1} |\alpha p|_{\nu}^{\lambda} \geq n \quad \text{that} \quad p \notin s_{\lambda}(p * l).$$

Let  $R(z) := 1 + 2z$  and  $S(z) := (1 + 2z)^{-1}$ . If we denote  $q := p * r$  and  $w := \Delta q * r * s$  then an easy computation gives  $q_0 = 2$ ,  $q_{2n-1} = 5$ ,  $q_{2n} = 4$ ,  $w_0 = 2$ ,  $w_n = (-1)^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Since  $c_n := \sum_{\nu=0}^n |\Delta q * l|_{\nu}^{\lambda-1} \cdot |w|_{\nu}^{\lambda} \geq \sum_{\nu=0}^n 2^{\lambda-1} \geq n$ ,  $\lambda > 1$ , and  $S_{\lambda}(n+1) \geq (q * l)_n$ , we get  $c \notin o(q * l)$ , that means  $c \notin O[N, p * r, l]_{\lambda}$ .

### 6. Proofs of the theorems

Theorems 1 - 6 are special cases of the general representation theorems proved in [5]. These theorems are of the same structure as Theorems 1 - 6 but they deal with some "abstract" sets  $e(m, r, \alpha)$  and  $e(p * \alpha)$  instead of  $O[N, p, \alpha]_{\lambda}$  and  $s_{\lambda}(p * \alpha)$ . First we state these general theorems and we prove some suitable lemmas on  $s_{\lambda}(p * \alpha)$ .

Let  $e(m)$  be a set of sequences such that

$$e(m) \subseteq \{x \in \$ \mid g(x) \geq 1\} \quad \text{for } m \in \$.$$

(e.g.  $e(m) = o(m)$  or  $e(m) = s_{\lambda}(m)$  under certain conditions on  $m$ ).

We define the set

$$(10) \quad e(m, p, \alpha) := \{s \in \$ \mid p * as \in e(m)\}$$

where  $m, p, \alpha \in \$$  with  $g(p) > 0$ ,  $p_0 \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha_n \neq 0$  for  $n \geq 0$ . (Later we will have  $m = p * \alpha$  and if e.g.  $e(m) = o(p * \alpha)$ , then  $e(m, p, \alpha) = o(N, p, \alpha)$ ).

The following theorems are proved in [5].

Theorem A. If the conditions (1) and (10) hold, then  $s \in e(m, p, \alpha)$  if and only if there exists a  $g \in e(m)$  such that

$$\Delta g(z) := \sum \alpha_{\nu} s_{\nu} z^{\nu} = \frac{\sum g_{\nu} z^{\nu}}{\sum \alpha_{\nu} z^{\nu}} = \frac{G(z)}{F(z)}$$

for  $|z| < \min\{1, g(k)\}$ .

Theorem B. If condition (10) holds,  $r \in \ell$  with  $R(0) \neq 0$  and

$$\{x \mid x = b \cdot r, b \in e(m)\} \subseteq e(m \cdot r)$$

hold, then  $e(m, p, \alpha) \subseteq e(m \cdot r, p \cdot r, \alpha)$ .

For the next theorems we need the following conditions:

(11)  $e(m)$  is a complex vector space.

(12)  $e(m) = e(m \cdot r)$  for any  $r \in \ell$  with  $R(0) \neq 0, R(1) \neq 0$ .

(13)  $e(m) \supseteq \{x \mid x = b \cdot r, b \in e(m), r \in \ell\}$ .

(14)  $e(m) \supseteq \{x \mid x_n = \sum b_{n+v} h_v, b \in e(m), \rho(h) > 1\}$ .

Theorem C. Suppose that the conditions (6), (10)-(14) hold with  $\rho_1 > 0$ ,  $v = w = e$ . If  $g := p \cdot r \cdot a \cdot s$ , where  $s \in e(m \cdot r, p \cdot r, \alpha)$ , then  $\rho(g) \geq 1$ . If  $G$  satisfies (7), then  $s \in e(m, p, \alpha)$ .

Theorem D. If the conditions (6), (10)-(14) hold with  $\rho_1 > 0$ ,  $v = w = e$  and  $p \in e(m)$ , then  $\rho(p) \geq 1$ . If  $P$  satisfies (8) and  $D$  is as in (9), then

$$e(m \cdot r, p \cdot r, \alpha) = \{s \mid as = t + d, t \in e(m, p, \alpha), d \in D\}.$$

Theorem E. If the conditions (6), (10), (12), (13) hold with  $\rho_1 = 0$ , then

$$e(m \cdot r, p \cdot r, \alpha) = \{s \mid as = w \cdot at, t \in e(m, p, \alpha)\}.$$

Theorem F. If the conditions (6), (10) - (15) hold and  $p$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem D, then

$$\begin{aligned} e(m \cdot r, p \cdot r, \alpha) &= \{s \mid as = (w \cdot at) + (w \cdot ad), t \in e(m, p, \alpha), d \in D\} = \\ &= \{s \mid as = (w \cdot at) + \delta, t \in e(m, p, \alpha), \delta \in D\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we want to prove some lemmas on  $s_\lambda(m)$ . We need three known lemmas [5] and the following conditions.

$$(15) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m_{n-1}}{m_n} = 1.$$

There is an  $M_6$  such that for all  $n, \mu$  with  $n \geq \mu \geq 0$

$$(16) \quad \left| \frac{m_{n-1}}{m_n} \right| < M_6.$$

$$(17) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Delta m_{n-1}}{\Delta m_n} = 1.$$

There is an  $M_7$  such that for all  $n, \mu$  with  $n \geq \mu \geq 0$

$$(18) \quad \left| \frac{\Delta m_{n-\mu}}{\Delta m_n} \right| < M_7.$$

Lemma A. Let  $r \in \ell$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m \cdot r}{m} n = R(1)$  if and only if (15) and (16) hold.

Lemma B. If (15) hold and  $\eta > 0$  then there exists an  $M_8$  such that for all  $n, \mu$

$$\left| \frac{m_{n+\mu}}{m_n} \right| < M_8 (1 + \eta)^\mu.$$

Lemma C. Let  $r \in \ell$  with  $R(1) \neq 0$ . Then  $\sigma(m) = \sigma(m \cdot r)$  if and only if (15) and (16) hold.

Lemma 1. The set  $s_\lambda(m)$  where  $\lambda > 1$  is a complex vector space.

The proof follows by Minkowski's inequality.

Lemma 2. If  $r \in \ell$  with  $R(1) \neq 0$  and (15) - (18) hold, then for  $\lambda > 0$   $s_\lambda(m) = s_\lambda(m \cdot r)$ .

Remark. By an easy consideration we get  $s_\lambda(m) = s_\lambda(\tilde{m})$  if  $m_n = \tilde{m}_n$  for  $n \geq N_0$ . Therefore it is no loss of generality to assume  $m_n \neq 0, m \cdot r_n \neq 0, \Delta m_n \neq 0, \Delta m \cdot r_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ .

Proof of Lemma 2: If  $x \in s_\lambda(m)$ , then

$$|\Delta m| \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta m} \right|^\lambda = |\Delta m \cdot r| \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta m \cdot r} \right|^\lambda \cdot \left| \frac{\Delta m \cdot r}{\Delta m} \right|^\lambda.$$

Since  $\lim \frac{\Delta m+r}{\Delta m} n = R(1) \neq 0$  by Lemma A and  $o(m) = o(m+r)$  by Lemma C we get  $x \in s_\lambda(m+r)$ . The other direction is similar. Q.E.D.

**Lemma 3.** Let  $\lambda > 1$  and  $\lim |m_n| = \infty$ . If (16) and (18) hold, then

$$s_\lambda(m) \supset \{x \mid x = b+r, b \in s_\lambda(m), r \in \ell\}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $b \in s_\lambda(m)$  and define  $c := \frac{\Delta b}{\Delta m}$ ,  $y := \frac{\Delta b+r}{\Delta m}$ , then  $y \cdot \Delta m = r + (c \cdot \Delta m)$ . Thus using Hölder's inequality and (18) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |y \cdot \Delta m|^\lambda &\leq (|r| + |c \cdot \Delta m|)^\lambda \leq \\ &\leq (|r| + |\Delta m|)^{\lambda-1} \cdot (|r| + |c^\lambda \cdot \Delta m|) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{M_8}{|\Delta m|^{\lambda-1}} (|r| + 1)^{\lambda-1} \cdot (|r| + |c^\lambda \cdot \Delta m|). \end{aligned}$$

This means  $|\Delta m| \cdot |y|^\lambda \leq M_{10} \cdot (|r| + |\Delta m| \cdot |c|^\lambda)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\nu=0}^n |\Delta m_\nu| \cdot |y|_\nu^\lambda &\leq M_{10} \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^n \sum_{\mu=0}^\nu |r_{\nu-\mu} \cdot \Delta m_\mu| \cdot |c|_\mu^\lambda \leq \\ &\leq M_{10} \cdot \sum_{\mu=0}^n |r_{\nu-\mu}| \sum_{\nu=0}^\mu |\Delta m_\nu| \cdot |c|_\mu^\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Denoting  $\epsilon := \frac{|\Delta m| \cdot |c| + 1}{m}$  we get  $\epsilon \in o(1)$  by  $b \in s_\lambda(m)$  and

$$\frac{1}{|m_n|} \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^n |\Delta m_\nu| \cdot |y|_\nu^\lambda \leq M_{10} \frac{1}{|m_n|} \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^n |r_{n-\nu}| \cdot |m_\nu| \cdot \epsilon_\nu.$$

The right side tends to zero if the limitation method defined by

$$a_{n\nu} := \begin{cases} \left| \frac{r_{n-\nu} m_\nu}{m_n} \right|, & \nu \leq r, \\ 0, & \nu > r, \end{cases}$$

transforms sequences of  $o(1)$  into sequences of  $o(1)$ . By Toeplitz' theorem this holds if and only if  $|m_n| \rightarrow \infty$  and  $|r| * |m| \in O(m)$ . The last condition follows from  $r \in \ell$  and (16). Hence  $b * r \in s_\lambda(m)$ . Q.E.D.

**Lemma 4.** If (15) and (17) holds, then for  $\lambda > 1$   $s_\lambda(m) \supseteq \{x \mid x_n = \sum b_{n+\nu} h_\nu, b \in s_\lambda(m), \varrho(h) > 1\}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $b \in s_\lambda(m)$  and define  $c := \frac{\Delta b}{\Delta m}$ ,  $x_n := \Delta b_{n+\nu} h_\nu$ ,  $y := \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta m}$ . Hence we have  $y_n \cdot \Delta m_n = \sum h_\nu c_{n+\nu} \Delta m_{n+\nu}$ . If  $\eta > 0$  such that  $(1 + \eta) < \varrho(h)$  and using Hölder's inequality and Lemma B we get

$$\begin{aligned} |y_n \cdot \Delta m_n|^\lambda &\leq \left( \sum |h_\nu c_{n+\nu} \Delta m_{n+\nu}| \right)^\lambda \leq \\ &\leq \left( \sum |h_\nu \Delta m_{n+\nu}| \right)^{\lambda-1} \cdot \left( \sum |h_\nu \Delta m_{n+\nu}| \cdot |c_{n+\nu}|^\lambda \right) \leq \\ &\leq |\Delta m_n|^{\lambda-1} \cdot M_8 \cdot \left( \sum |h_\nu| \cdot (1 + \eta)^\lambda \right)^{\lambda-1} \cdot \left( \sum |h_\nu \Delta m_{n+\nu}| \cdot |c_{n+\nu}|^\lambda \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $|\Delta m_n| \cdot |y|_n^\lambda \leq M_1 \sum |h_\nu \Delta m_{n+\nu}| \cdot |c_{n+\nu}|^\lambda$ .

Denoting

$$\epsilon_n := \frac{1}{|m_n|} \cdot \sum_{\mu=0}^n |h_\mu \Delta m_{n+\mu}| \cdot |c_{n+\mu}|^\lambda$$

and

$$\hat{\epsilon}_n := \max_{\nu \geq 0} \epsilon_{n+\nu} \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

we have  $\epsilon \in o(1)$  and  $\hat{\epsilon} \in o(1)$  since  $b \in s_\lambda(m)$ . Also we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\mu=0}^n |\Delta m_\mu| \cdot |y|_\mu^\lambda &\leq M_{11} \sum |h_\nu| \sum_{\mu=0}^n |\Delta m_{\mu+\nu}| \cdot |c_{\mu+\nu}|_\mu^\lambda \leq \\
&\leq M_{11} \sum |h_\nu| \sum_{\mu=0}^{n+\nu} |\Delta m_\mu| \cdot |c|_\mu^\lambda \leq \\
&\leq M_{11} \sum |h_\nu| \cdot |\Delta m_{n+\nu}| \cdot \varepsilon_{n+\nu} \leq \\
&\leq M_{11} \cdot \hat{\varepsilon}_n \cdot |\Delta m_n| \cdot M_8 \cdot \sum |h_\nu| \cdot (1 + \eta)^\nu
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma B. Hence  $x \in s_\lambda(m)$ . Q.E.D.

Lemma 5. If (15) and (17) hold, then for  $\lambda > 0$

$$s_\lambda(m) \subseteq \{x \mid \varphi(x) \geq 1\}.$$

Proof. If  $x \in s_\lambda(m)$ , then

$$|\Delta m|^{\lambda-1} \cdot |\Delta x|^\lambda \leq |\Delta m|^{\lambda-1} \cdot |\Delta x|^\lambda \cdot 1 \in o(m) \subseteq O(m).$$

Hence

$$|\Delta x|^\lambda \leq \frac{M_{12}|m|}{|\Delta m|^{\lambda-1}} := c.$$

By (15) and (17)  $\lim \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_n} = 1$ , hence  $\varphi(c) = 1$  and  $\varphi(\Delta x) \geq 1$ ,  $\varphi(x) \geq 1$ . Q.E.D.

Now the proofs of the Theorems are direct consequences of the Theorems A - F and our Lemmas. Theorem 1 follows from Theorem A. Lemma 5 gives some information on  $s_\lambda(m) \subseteq \{x \mid \varphi(x) \geq 1\}$ . The proof of Theorem 2 follows from Theorem B and Lemmas 2 and 3. The proofs of the Theorems 3 - 6 follow from the corresponding Theorems C - F and Lemmas 1 - 5.

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