

# THE EQUIVALENCE OF TWO MATRICES AS BOUNDED LINEAR OPERATORS ON $\mathcal{I}^p$

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We obtain sufficient conditions for  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  and  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  weighted mean matrices to be equivalent, when considered as bounded operators on  $\mathcal{I}^p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

1.1 Let  $\Sigma a_n$  be an infinite series with partial sum  $s_n$ . If  $p_n \geq 0, p_0 > 0$ ,

$$\Sigma p_n = \infty$$

(so that  $P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \dots + p_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), and  $t_n = \frac{1}{p_n} \sum_{v=0}^n P_v s_v \rightarrow s$

when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then we say that  $s_n \rightarrow s (\bar{N}, p_n)$

It is evident that the method  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  is regular.

**Key Words:** Bounded Linear Operators

A theorem concerning the relations between the methods corresponding to two different sequences  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\{q_n\}$  have been given in Hardy<sup>3</sup> [Theorem 14]

**Theorem 1<sup>3</sup>** — If  $p_n > 0, q_n > 0, \Sigma p_n = \infty, \Sigma q_n = \infty$ , and either (a)

$$q_{n+1}/q_n \leq p_{n+1}/p_n \quad \dots (1)$$

or 
$$(b) p_{n+1}/p_n \leq q_{n+1}/q_n \quad \dots (2)$$

and also 
$$P_n/p_n \leq HQ_n/q_n, \quad \dots (3)$$

then  $\Sigma a_n = s (\bar{N}, p_n)$  implies  $\Sigma a_n = s (\bar{N}, q_n)$ .

Borwein and Cass<sup>2</sup> have proved under certain conditions that  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  and  $C$ , the cesaro matrix of order 1 are equivalent on  $c$ , the space of convergent sequences. Equivalence over  $c$  means that  $\sigma_n \rightarrow s$  if and only if  $t_n \rightarrow s$ ,

where 
$$\sigma_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^n s_k \quad \dots (4)$$

and 
$$t_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_k s_k \quad \dots (5)$$

**Theorem 2<sup>2</sup>** — If  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  is regular,  $p_n > 0$  for all  $n$  and either

$$\{p_n\} \text{ is non decreasing and } n \leq H_1 \frac{P_n}{p_n} \quad \dots (6)$$

$$\text{or } \{p_n\} \text{ is non-increasing and } \frac{P_n}{p_n} \leq H_2 (n+1) \quad \dots (7)$$

then  $(\bar{N}, p_n) \Leftrightarrow (\bar{N}, 1)$ .

Recently in 1994, Rhoades<sup>4</sup> has obtained sufficient conditions for certain weighted mean matrices to be equivalent to  $C$ , the cesoro matrix of order 1, considered as bounded operators on  $\mathcal{P}^p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

**Theorem 3<sup>4</sup>** — Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a positive sequence satisfying the condition

$$(n+1)(a_{n+1} - a_n) \approx (n+1)^\alpha \text{ for some } \alpha \geq 0. \quad \dots (8)$$

Then  $(\bar{N}, a)$  and  $C$  are equivalent over  $\mathcal{P}^p$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ .

The object of this paper is to obtain sufficient conditions for  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  and  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  weighted mean matrices to be equivalent, when considered as bounded operators on  $\mathcal{P}^p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

**Theorem** — Let  $p_n$  and  $q_n$  be two positive sequences satisfying the following conditions

$$(n+1) \left( \frac{p_{n+1}}{q_{n+1}} - \frac{p_n}{q_n} \right) \approx (n+1)^\alpha, \text{ for some } \alpha \geq 0, \quad \dots (9)$$

$$\frac{p_n}{q_n} \cdot \frac{Q_n}{P_n} \leq H \quad \dots (10)$$

$$\frac{Q_n}{n+1} \text{ is non decreasing} \quad \dots (11)$$

$$Q_n = q_0 + q_1 + \dots + q_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  and  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  matrices are equivalent over  $\mathcal{P}^p$  for  $1 < p < \infty$  as bounded linear operators.

When we take  $p_n = a_n$  and  $q_n = 1$  in our theorem, then condition (9) reduces to condition

(8) of Rhoades, condition (10) is implied by (9) and condition (11) of our theorem is automatically satisfied.

Thus Theorem 3 is a particular case of our Theorem.

*Remarks* : In view of our Theorem, Theorem 1<sup>3</sup>, Theorem 14] is proved for  $\ell^p$  spaces,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

*Definition 1.2* — A triangular matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  is said to be factorable if  $a_{nk} = c_n d_k$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq n$ .

For the proof of our Theorem we need the following lemmas.

*Lemma 1*<sup>1</sup> — Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $q$  the conjugate index of  $p$ .

If  $c_n, d_k \geq 0$  and

$$c_n \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q \leq K d_n^{1/(p-1)}$$

for  $n = 0, 1, \dots$  and some constant  $K$ , then  $A$  is a bounded operator on  $\ell^p$ .

*Lemma 2* — Let  $p_n$  and  $q_n$  be two positive sequences satisfying the conditions (9), (10) and (11) of our theorem.

Then, for  $\alpha = 0$ ,

$$(i) P_n \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+1),$$

$$(ii) P_n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iii) P_n \geq H Q_n \log(n+1), \text{ for some constant } H.$$

\*The constant  $H$  may be different at different occurrences

For  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$(iv) P_n \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k k^\alpha$$

$$(v) P_n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

and (vi)  $P_n \geq H n^\alpha Q_n$ , for some constant  $H$ .

$$(vii) \frac{q_n}{P_n} \cdot \frac{P_n}{Q_n} \text{ is bounded for } \alpha \geq 0.$$

**PROOF** : For  $\alpha = 0$ , by condition (9)

$$(k+1) \left( \frac{P_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{P_k}{q_k} \right) \approx 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} = \frac{1}{k+1}$$

Now taking summation

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} \right) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k+1} = \log(n+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_n}{q_n} - \frac{p_0}{q_0} = \log(n+1)$$

This implies

$$\frac{p_n}{q_n} = \log(n+1) \Rightarrow p_n = q_n \log(n+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n p_k = \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n = \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+1)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+2)$$

$$\geq \log 2 \sum_{k=0}^n q_k$$

$$= \log 2 Q_n.$$

Since  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  method is regular, so  $Q_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus

$$\sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+2) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

This proves (i) and (ii).

Again using condition (10) of our theorem and the fact  $\frac{p_n}{q_n} = \log(n+1)$ , we have

$$\log(n+1) \frac{Q_n}{P_n} \leq K$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n \geq HQ_n \log(n+1)$$

This proves (iii)

For  $\alpha > 0$ , by condition (9)

$$(k+1) \left( \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} \right) \approx (k+1)^\alpha$$

$$\frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} \approx (k+1)^{\alpha-1}$$

Now taking summation

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} \right) \approx \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1)^{\alpha-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_{n+1}}{q_{n+1}} - \frac{p_0}{q_0} \approx (n+1)^\alpha$$

This implies

$$\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx n^\alpha \Rightarrow p_n \approx q_n n^\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n p_k \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k k^\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k k^\alpha$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n q_k (k+1)^\alpha \geq 1^\alpha \sum_{k=0}^n q_k = Q_n$$

since  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  method is regular, so  $Q_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus  $\sum_{k=0}^n q_n (k+1)^\alpha \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\Rightarrow P_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This proves (iv) and (v).

Again using condition (10) and  $\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx n^\alpha$ ,

we have  $P_n \geq Hn^\alpha Q_n$ . This proves (vi)

For  $\alpha = 0$  we have

$$\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx \log(n+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_k \approx q_k \log(k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n p_k \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \log(k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n \leq HQ_n \log(n+1) \Rightarrow P_n \leq HQ_n \cdot \frac{p_n}{q_n}$$

This gives  $\frac{q_n}{p_n} \cdot \frac{P_n}{Q_n} \leq K$ .

For  $\alpha > 0$ , we get

$$\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx n^\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow p_k \approx q_k k^\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n p_k \approx \sum_{k=0}^n q_k k^\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n \leq Hn^\alpha Q_n \Rightarrow P_n \leq H \frac{p_n}{q_n} \cdot Q_n$$

This implies  $\frac{q_n}{p_n} \cdot \frac{P_n}{Q_n} \leq K$

so  $\frac{q_n}{p_n} \cdot \frac{P_n}{Q_n}$  is bounded.

This proves (vii).

1.3 Proof of the Theorem : Define

$$t_{n,q} = \frac{1}{Q_n} \sum_{k=0}^n q_k s_k$$

... (12)

$$t_{n,p} = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_k s_k \quad \dots (13)$$

solving (12) for  $s_n$  and then substituting into (13) we have

$$t_{n,p} = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_k}{q_k} (Q_k t_{k,q} - Q_{k-1} t_{k-1,q})$$

By summation by parts,

$$t_{n,p} = \frac{1}{P_n} \left[ \frac{p_n}{q_n} Q_n t_{n,q} + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( \frac{p_k}{q_k} - \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} \right) Q_k t_{k,q} \right]$$

Then  $t_{n,p} = A_n(t_{n,q})$ , where  $A$  is the lower triangular matrix with entries

$$a_{nk} = \begin{cases} \frac{Q_k}{P_n} \left( \frac{p_k}{q_k} - \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} \right) & 0 \leq k < n, \\ \frac{p_n}{q_n} \frac{Q_n}{P_n} & k = n, \\ 0 & k > n. \end{cases}$$

Obviously,  $A = B + D$ , where

$$b_{nk} = \frac{Q_k}{P_n} \left( \frac{p_k}{q_k} - \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} \right), \quad 0 \leq k \leq n \quad \dots (14)$$

and  $D$  is the diagonal matrix with diagonal entries

$$d_{nn} = \frac{p_{n+1}}{q_{n+1}} \frac{Q_n}{P_n}$$

To show that  $A \in B(\mathcal{P})$  it is sufficient to show that  $B \in B(\mathcal{P})$  and that  $D$  is bounded.

In view of condition (10),  $D$  is bounded.

In order to show that  $B$  is bounded, we use Lemma 1.

$$\text{Choose } c_n := \frac{1}{P_n} \text{ and } d_k := Q_k \left( \frac{p_{k+1}}{q_{k+1}} - \frac{p_k}{q_k} \right) \geq 0.$$

Let  $\alpha = 0$ . Then condition (9) of the Theorem implies that  $d_k \approx \frac{Q_k}{(k+1)}$  and by condition (iii) Lemma 2, we have

$$\frac{Q_n}{P_n} \leq \frac{H}{\log(n+1)}$$

By Lemma 1, if we show that

$$c_n \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q \leq K d_n^{1/(p-1)}, \text{ then } B \text{ is bounded.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \frac{c_n}{d_n^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q &\approx \frac{1}{P_n \left[ \frac{Q_n}{n+1} \right]^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{Q_k}{k+1} \right)^q \\ &\approx \frac{1}{P_n \left[ \frac{Q_n}{n+1} \right]^{q-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{Q_k}{k+1} \right)^q \\ &\leq \frac{1}{P_n} \cdot \frac{(n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n^{q-1}} \cdot \frac{Q_n^q}{(n+1)^q} \sum_{k=0}^n 1 \quad (\text{using condition (11)}) \\ &= \frac{Q_n}{P_n} \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)} \cdot (n+1) = \frac{Q_n}{P_n} \leq \frac{H}{\log(n+1)} \leq K, \end{aligned}$$

for some constant  $K$ .

Let  $\alpha > 0$ . Then condition (9) of theorem implies that  $d_k \approx Q_k (k+1)^{\alpha-1}$ . By Lemma 1, if

we show that  $c_n \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q \leq K d_n^{1/p-1}$ , then  $B$  is bounded.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \frac{c_n}{d_n^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q &\approx \frac{1}{P_n [Q_n (n+1)^{\alpha-1}]^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n [Q_k (k+1)^{(\alpha-1)}]^q \\ &\leq \frac{K_1}{P_n Q_n^{q-1}} (n+1)^{(\alpha-1)(q-1)} \cdot \frac{Q_n^q}{(n+1)^q} \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1)^{\alpha q}, \end{aligned}$$

using (11), for some constant  $K_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{K_1 Q_n}{P_n (n+1)^{\alpha q - \alpha + 1}} \cdot (n+1)^{\alpha q + 1} \leq K_1 \frac{Q_n}{P_n} (n+1)^\alpha \\ &\leq \frac{H}{n^\alpha} (n+1)^\alpha \text{ by condition (vi) of Lemma 2.} \\ &\leq K. \end{aligned}$$



Thus  $t_{n,p} \in \ell^p$ , whenever  $t_{n,q} \in \ell^p$

Now we show that  $t_{n,q} \in \ell^p$  whenever  $t_{n,p} \in \ell^p$

By equations (12) and (13), we have

$$t_{n,q} = \frac{1}{Q_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{q_k}{p_k} (P_k t_{k,p} - P_{k-1} t_{k-1,p})$$

By partial summation formula,

$$\begin{aligned} t_{n,q} &= \frac{1}{Q_n} \left[ \frac{q_n}{p_n} P_n t_{n,p} + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( \frac{q_k}{p_k} - \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}} \right) P_k t_{k,p} \right] \\ &= E_n(t_{n,p}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $E$  is lower triangular matrix with entries

$$e_{nk} = \begin{cases} \frac{P_k}{Q_n} \left( \frac{q_k}{p_k} - \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}} \right) & 0 \leq k < n, \\ \frac{q_n}{p_n} \frac{P_n}{Q_n} & k = n, \\ 0 & k > n \end{cases}$$

Alternatively, we can write  $E = F + G$ ,

$$\text{where } f_{nk} = \frac{P_k}{Q_n} \left( \frac{q_k}{p_k} - \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}} \right), \quad 0 \leq k \leq n. \quad \dots (15)$$

and  $G$  is the diagonal matrix with diagonal entries

$$g_{nn} = \frac{q_{n+1}}{p_{n+1}} \frac{P_n}{Q_n}$$

By condition (vii) of Lemma 2,

$$\frac{q_n}{p_n} \cdot \frac{P_n}{Q_n} \text{ is bounded and consequently } G \text{ is bounded.}$$

Next we show that  $F \in B(\ell^p)$

$$\text{Let } c_n := \frac{1}{Q_n},$$

$$d_k := P_k \left( \frac{q_k}{p_k} - \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}} \right)$$

By condition (9),  $d_k \geq 0$ .

Let  $\alpha = 0$ . Using condition (9),  $\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx \log(n+1)$

Now

$$d_k = P_k \left( \frac{p_{k+1} q_k - q_{k+1} p_k}{p_k p_{k+1}} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{P_k}{k+1} \cdot \frac{q_k}{p_k} \cdot \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}}, \text{ using condition (9).}$$

Thus

$$d_k \approx \frac{P_k}{(k+1) \log(k+1) \log(k+2)}$$

By Lemma 1,  $F \in B(p)$  if  $c_n \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q \leq K d_n^{1/(p-1)}$ , i.e.  $\frac{c_n}{d_n^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q \leq K$ .

First of all we estimate

$$d_k^q \approx \left[ \frac{P_k}{(k+1) \log(k+1) \log(k+2)} \right]^q$$

$$\approx \left[ \frac{\sum_{v=0}^k q_v \log(v+1)}{(k+1) \log(k+1) \log(k+2)} \right]^q, \text{ by condition (i) of Lemma 2.}$$

$$\leq \frac{K_2 Q_k^q \log^q(k+1)}{(k+1)^q \cdot \log^q(k+1) \log^q(k+2)} = \frac{K_2 Q_k^q}{(k+1)^q \cdot \log^q(k+2)}$$

for some constant  $K_2$ .

$$\frac{c_n}{d_n^{1/(p-1)}} \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q$$

$$\leq \frac{K_2}{Q_n \frac{p_n^{q-1}}{(n+1)^{q-1} \cdot \log^{q-1}(n+1) \cdot \log^{q-1}(n+2)}} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{Q_k^q}{(k+1)^q \log^q(k+2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{K_2 (n+1)^{q-1} \cdot \log^{q-1} (n+1) \cdot \log^{q-1} (n+2)}{Q_n P_n^{q-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{Q_k^q}{(k+1)^q \log^q (k+2)} \\
&\leq H \frac{(n+1)^{q-1} \cdot \log^{q-1} (n+1) \cdot \log^{q-1} (n+2)}{Q_n Q_n^{q-1} \log^{q-1} (n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{Q_k^q}{(k+1)^q \log^q (k+2)},
\end{aligned}$$

by condition (iii) of Lemma 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq H \frac{(n+1)^{q-1} \cdot \log^{q-1} (n+2)}{Q_n^q} \frac{Q_n^q}{(n+1)^q} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{\log^q (k+2)}, \text{ by condition (11)} \\
&= H \frac{\log^{q-1} (n+2)}{(n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{\log^q (k+2)} \\
&= H \frac{\log^{q-1} (n+2)}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k+2}{(k+2) \log^q (k+2)} \\
&= \frac{HO(1) \log^{q-1} (n+2)}{\log^{q-1} (n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$\leq K$ , for some constant  $K$ .

Let  $\alpha > 0$ . Then  $c_n := \frac{1}{Q_n}$

and 
$$d_k := P_k \left( \frac{q_k}{p_k} - \frac{q_{k+1}}{p_{k+1}} \right)$$

Using condition (9)  $d_k \geq 0$  and  $\frac{p_n}{q_n} \approx n^\alpha$

Now 
$$d_k = P_k \left( \frac{p_{k+1} q_k - q_{k+1} p_k}{p_k p_{k+1}} \right)$$

$$\approx P_k \frac{q_k q_{k+1} (k+1)^{\alpha-1}}{p_k p_{k+1}}, \text{ using condition (9)}$$

$$d_k \approx \frac{P_k}{k^\alpha (k+1)}$$

By Lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{c_n}{d_n^{1/p-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n d_k^q &\approx \frac{1}{Q_n \left[ \frac{P_n}{n^\alpha (n+1)} \right]^{q-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ \frac{P_k}{k^\alpha (k+1)} \right]^q \\
 &\approx \frac{n^{\alpha(q-1)} (n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n P_n^{q-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{P_k^q}{k^{\alpha q} (k+1)^q} \\
 &\leq \frac{Hn^{\alpha(q-1)} (n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n (n^\alpha Q_n)^{q-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{P_k^q}{k^{\alpha q} (k+1)^q}, \text{ by condition (vi) of lemma 2} \\
 &\approx \frac{H(n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n^q} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\left[ \sum_{v=0}^k q_v v^\alpha \right]^q}{k^{\alpha q} (k+1)^q}, \text{ by condition (iv) of lemma 2} \\
 &\leq \frac{H(n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n^q} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{Q_k^q k^{\alpha q}}{k^{\alpha q} (k+1)^q} \\
 &\leq \frac{H(n+1)^{q-1}}{Q_n^q} \frac{Q_n^q}{(n+1)^q} \sum_{k=0}^n 1 \text{ by condition (11) of the theorem} \\
 &\leq K.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $F \in B(l^p)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

This proves the theorem.

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