

## ON STRONGLY DEFERRED CESÀRO MEAN OF DOUBLE SEQUENCES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, the concepts of  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro mean and  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro submethod for double sequences are defined and studied by using deferred double natural density of the subset of natural numbers. Also, we consider the case  $\beta(n) = \lambda(n) - \lambda(n - 1)$ ,  $\gamma(m) = \mu(m) - \mu(m - 1)$  for  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro mean  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$  where  $\lambda := \{\lambda(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\mu = \{\mu(m)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  are strictly increasing sequences of positive integers with  $\lambda(0) = 0$  and  $\mu(0) = 0$ . Finally, we obtain some inclusion results between  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro submethod and  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro mean  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$  of the double sequences.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of statistical convergence was first introduced by Fast [8] and also independently by Buck [3] and Schoenberg [19] for real and complex sequences. Further, this concept was studied by Šalát[18], Fridy [9] and many others. Some equivalence results for Cesàro submethods have been studied by Goffman and Petersen [11], Armitage and Maddox [2] and Osikiewicz [15]. In 1932, Agnew [1] defined the deferred Cesàro mean  $D_{p,q}$  of the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  by

$$(D_{p,q}x)_n := \frac{1}{q(n) - p(n)} \sum_{k=p(n)+1}^{q(n)} x_k$$

where  $\{p(n)\}$  and  $\{q(n)\}$  are sequences of positive natural numbers satisfying

$$p(n) < q(n) \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(n) = \infty.$$

Let  $0 < \alpha < \infty$  be a real number. A sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro summable to  $L \in \mathbb{N}$  if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q(n) - p(n)} \sum_{k=p(n)+1}^{q(n)} |x_k - L|^{\alpha} = 0$$

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exist, where  $\{p(n)\}$ ,  $\{q(n)\}$  are sequences of nonnegative integers satisfying the conditions  $p(n) < q(n)$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(n) = \infty$  [25].

In [21], the first study on double sequences was examined by Bromwich. And than it was investigated by many authors such as Hardy [12], Moricz [13], Tripathy [24], Başarır and Sonalcan [20]. The notion of regular convergence for double sequences was defined by Hardy [12]. After that both the theory of topological double sequence spaces and the theory of summability of double sequences were studied by Zeltser [27]. The statistical and Cauchy convergence for double sequences were examined by Mursaleen and Edely [14] and Tripathy [23] in recent years. Many recent improvements containing the summability by four dimensional matrices might be found in [16]. We begin with some definitions and notations. By the convergence of a double sequence we mean the convergence in Pringsheim's sense [17]. A double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is said to be convergent in the Pringsheim's sense if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists an  $n_0 = n_0(\varepsilon)$  such that  $|x_{kl} - L| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $k, l \geq n_0$  [17]. In this case, we write  $P - \lim_{k, l \rightarrow \infty} x_{kl} = L$ . A double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is bounded if there exist a positive number  $M$  such that  $|x_{kl}| < M$  holds for all  $(k, l) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \mathbb{N}^2$ , i.e., if

$$\|x\|_{(\infty, 2)} := \sup_{k, l} |x_{kl}| < \infty.$$

We will denote the set of all bounded double sequences by  $\mathcal{M}_u$ . Note that, in contrast to the case for single sequences, a convergent double sequence need not be bounded. In [14], let  $K \subset \mathbb{N}^2$  be a two-dimensional set of positive integers and let

$$K(n, m) := \{(k, l) \in K : (k, l) \leq (n, m)\}$$

where  $(k, l) \leq (n, m)$  means that  $k \leq n$ ,  $l \leq m$ .

Then, the upper asymptotic density of the set  $K \subset \mathbb{N}^2$  is defined as

$$\delta^{*(2)}(K(n, m)) := \limsup_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|K(n, m)|}{nm},$$

if the limit exists and finite. The vertical bars above indicate the cardinality of the set  $K(n, m)$ . In case the sequence  $\left(\frac{|K(n, m)|}{nm}\right)$  has a limit in Pringsheim's sense then we say that  $K$  has a double natural density and is defined as

$$\delta_2(K(n, m)) := \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|K(n, m)|}{nm}.$$

Following Mursaleen [14] we say that a double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is statistically convergent to the number  $L$  if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{nm} |\{(k, l) : k \leq n, l \leq m, |x_{kl} - L| \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

In this case, we write  $st_2 - \lim_{k, l \rightarrow \infty} x_{kl} = L$  and we denote the set of all double statistically convergent sequences by  $st_2$ .

Let  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence and  $p$  be a positive real number. Then the double sequence  $x$  is said to be strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable to  $L$  if

$$\lim_{n, m} \frac{1}{nm} \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^m |x_{kl} - L|^p = 0.$$

We denote the space of all strongly  $p$ -Cesàro summable double sequences by  $\omega_p^2$  [5].

**Definition 1.1.** ([6]) Let  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence and  $\beta(n) = q(n) - p(n)$ ,  $\gamma(m) = r(m) - t(m)$ . Then deferred Cesàro mean  $D_{\beta,\gamma}$  of the double sequence  $x$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (D_{\beta,\gamma}x)_{nm} &= \frac{1}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)} \sum_{k=p(n)+1}^{q(n)} \sum_{l=t(m)+1}^{r(m)} x_{kl} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} x_{kl} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{p(n)\}$ ,  $\{q(n)\}$ ,  $\{r(m)\}$  and  $\{t(m)\}$  are sequences of nonnegative integers satisfying the conditions  $p(n) < q(n)$ ,  $t(m) < r(m)$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(n) = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} r(m) = \infty$ . We note that  $D_{\beta,\gamma}$  is clearly regular for any choice of  $\{p(n)\}$ ,  $\{q(n)\}$ ,  $\{r(m)\}$  and  $\{t(m)\}$ .

Throughout this paper  $\beta(n) = q(n) - p(n)$ ,  $\gamma(m) = r(m) - t(m)$  are represented  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  respectively.

Let  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence and a real number  $L$ . Then, the double sequence  $x$  is said to be  $D_{\beta,\gamma}$ -summable to  $L$  if

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} (x_{kl} - L) = 0$$

exists and it is denoted by  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} (D_{\beta,\gamma}x)_{nm} = L$  [6].

Let  $K$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{N}^2$  and denote the set

$$\{(k, l) : p(n) < k \leq q(n), t(m) < l \leq r(m), (k, l) \in K\}$$

by  $K_{\beta,\gamma}(n, m)$ . The deferred double natural density of  $K$  is defined by

$$\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{(2)}(K) := \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)} |K_{\beta,\gamma}(n, m)|$$

whenever the limit exists. The vertical bars indicate the cardinality of the set  $K_{\beta,\gamma}(n, m)$ . Also, because of  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{(2)}(K)$  does not exist for all  $K \subset \mathbb{N}^2$ , it is convenient to use upper deferred asymptotic density of  $K$ , defining by

$$\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{*(2)}(K) = \limsup_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\{(k, l) : p(n) + 1 \leq k \leq q(n), t(m) + 1 \leq l \leq r(m), (k, l) \in K\}|}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)}.$$

It is clear that, for the function  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{*(2)}(K)$  the following axioms are hold:

- i) if  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{(2)}(K)$  exists, then  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{(2)}(K) = \delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{*(2)}(K)$ ,
- ii)  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{(2)}(K) \neq 0$  if and only if  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{*(2)}(K) > 0$  and
- iii) The function  $\delta_{D_{\beta,\gamma}}^{*(2)}(K)$  is monotone increasing.

A double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is said to be deferred statistically convergent to  $L \in \mathbb{N}$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\{(k, l) : p(n) + 1 \leq k \leq q(n), t(m) + 1 \leq l \leq r(m), |x_{kl} - L| \geq \varepsilon\}|}{\beta(n)\gamma(m)} = 0$$

and it is denoted by  $st_2 - \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} (D_{\beta,\gamma}x)_{nm} = L$  [6].

2.  $\alpha$ -STRONGLY DEFERRED CESÁRO MEAN

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence and  $0 < \alpha < \infty$  be a real number. Then, the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro summable to  $L \in \mathbb{N}$  if

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha = 0$$

exists and it is denoted by  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence and  $0 < \alpha < \infty$  be a real number. If  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$  then, the double sequence  $x$  is deferred statistical convergent to  $L$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$  and denote set

$$\{(k, l) : p(n) + 1 \leq k \leq q(n), t(m) + 1 \leq l \leq r(m), |x_{kl} - L| \geq \varepsilon\}$$

by  $K(\varepsilon)$ . Therefore, the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha &\geq \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1 \\ (k,l) \in K(\varepsilon)}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\ &\geq \varepsilon^\alpha \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} |K(\varepsilon)| \end{aligned}$$

holds. After taking limits when  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$  the proof of theorem is obtained.  $\square$

Now we get following

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $q(n) = n$ ,  $r(m) = m$ . If  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$ , then  $st_2 - \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} x_{nm} = L$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let a double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  be bounded. If it is deferred statistical convergent to  $L$ , then  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$ .

*Proof.* We denote the complement of  $K(\varepsilon)$  by

$$K^c(\varepsilon) := \{(k, l) : p(n) < k \leq q(n), t(m) < l \leq r(m), |x_{kl} - L| < \varepsilon\}.$$

We assume  $x = (x_{kl})$  is bounded and deferred statistical convergent to  $L$ . By hypothesis, it is clear that there is a positive real number  $M$  such that  $|x_{kl} - L| \leq M$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left[ \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1 \\ (k,l) \in K(\varepsilon)}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha + \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1 \\ (k,l) \notin K(\varepsilon)}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left[ \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1 \\ (k,l) \in K(\varepsilon)}}^{q(n), r(m)} M^\alpha + \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1 \\ (k,l) \notin K(\varepsilon)}}^{q(n), r(m)} \varepsilon^\alpha \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} [M^\alpha |K(\varepsilon)| + \varepsilon^\alpha |K^c(\varepsilon)|].
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|K(\varepsilon)|}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|K^c(\varepsilon)|}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} = 1,$$

this proves theorem.  $\square$

Our next result is obtained from Theorem 2.3.

**Corollary 2.4.** *Let  $\{q(n)\}$ ,  $\{r(m)\}$  be arbitrary strictly increasing sequences and*

$$\left\{ \frac{p(n)}{\beta(n)} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \left\{ \frac{t(m)}{\gamma(m)} \right\}$$

*are bounded sequence. If  $st_2 - \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} x_{nm} = L$  for a bounded double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$ , then  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left( D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha x \right)_{nm} = L$ .*

Now we have

**Theorem 2.5.** *The  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred convergent double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is an  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro convergent only if*

$$\left\{ \frac{p(n)}{\beta(n)} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \left\{ \frac{t(m)}{\gamma(m)} \right\}$$

*are bounded.*

*Proof.* The technique that was used by Agnew in [1] can be applied for this proof. Let us assume that  $x = (x_{kl})$  is an  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro convergent to  $L$ . In this case, the following equality

$$\frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left[ \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),r(m)} - \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{p(n),r(m)} - \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=1}}^{q(n),t(m)} - \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),t(m)} \right] |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left[ \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),r(m)} - \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),r(m)} - \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),t(m)} + \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),t(m)} \right] |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left[ \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),r(m)} - \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),r(m)} - \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),t(m)} + \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),t(m)} \right] |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \frac{q(n) r(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \frac{1}{q(n) r(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right) \\
&\quad - \frac{p(n) r(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \frac{1}{p(n) r(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right) \\
&\quad - \frac{q(n) t(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \frac{1}{q(n) t(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{q(n),t(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{p(n) t(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \frac{1}{p(n) t(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{p(n),t(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right)
\end{aligned}$$

holds. It can be said that the  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred convergence of the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is the linear combination of the  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro convergence of the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$ . We can consider this linear combination as a matrix transformation. For the regularity of this matrix transformation the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{(q(n) + p(n)) (r(m) + t(m))}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \right\} \quad (1)$$

must be bounded. For the boundedness of (1)

$$\frac{p(n)}{q(n) - p(n)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{t(m)}{r(m) - t(m)}$$

must be bounded since

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{(q(n) + p(n)) (r(m) + t(m))}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \\
&= \frac{(q(n) + p(n)) (r(m) + t(m))}{(q(n) - p(n)) (r(m) - t(m))} \\
&= \frac{(q(n) - p(n) + 2p(n)) (r(m) - t(m) + 2t(m))}{(q(n) - p(n)) (r(m) - t(m))} \\
&= \left( 1 + \frac{2p(n)}{q(n) - p(n)} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{2t(m)}{r(m) - t(m)} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

The assertion completes the proof.  $\square$

Now, in the following theorems  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$ -convergence and  $D_{\beta', \gamma'}^{\alpha}$ -convergence of the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  are compared under the restriction

$$p(n) \leq p'(n) < q'(n) \leq q(n) \quad (2)$$

$$t(m) \leq t'(m) < r'(m) \leq r(m) \quad (3)$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem 2.6.**  $\{p'(n)\}, \{q'(n)\}, \{t'(m)\}$  and  $\{r'(m)\}$  be sequences of positive natural numbers satisfying (2), (3) and the sets  $\{k : p(n) < k \leq p'(n)\}, \{k : q'(n) < k \leq q(n)\}, \{k : t(m) < k \leq t'(m)\}, \{k : r'(m) < k \leq r(m)\}$  are finite for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $D_{\beta', \gamma'}^{\alpha}$ -convergence of a bounded double sequence implies  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$ -convergence.

*Proof.* There is a positive real number  $M$  in the assumption such that  $|x_{kl} - L| \leq M$  which holds for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{p'(n), t'(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{q'(n), r'(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=q'(n)+1 \\ l=r'(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q'(n), t'(m)} \right) |x_{kl} - L|^{\alpha} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{p'(n), r'(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=r'(m)+1}}^{p'(n), r(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=q'(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), t'(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=r'(m)+1}}^{q'(n), r(m)} + \sum_{\substack{k=q'(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{q(n), r'(m)} \right) |x_{kl} - L|^{\alpha} \\ &\leq \frac{8}{\beta'(n) \gamma'(m)} M^{\alpha} O(1) + \frac{1}{\beta'(n) \gamma'(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{q'(n), r'(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

If we take the limit, we obtain the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  which is a  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$ -convergent.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $\{p'(n)\}, \{q'(n)\}, \{t'(m)\}$  and  $\{r'(m)\}$  be sequences of positive natural numbers satisfying (2), (3) and

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta'(n) \gamma'(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} = d > 0.$$

Then, the  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^{\alpha}$ -convergence of the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  implies  $D_{\beta', \gamma'}^{\alpha}$ -convergence.

*Proof.* It is easy to see that the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p(n)+1 \\ l=t(m)+1}}^{q(n), r(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{q'(n), r'(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\ & \geq \frac{\beta'(n) \gamma'(m)}{\beta(n) \gamma(m)} \left( \frac{1}{\beta'(n) \gamma'(m)} \sum_{\substack{k=p'(n)+1 \\ l=t'(m)+1}}^{q'(n), r'(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right) \end{aligned}$$

holds. After taking limit when  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , we get that the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is a  $D_{\beta', \gamma'}^\alpha$  convergent to  $L$ .  $\square$

Recall that if  $F$  is an infinite subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $F$  as the range of a strictly increasing sequence of positive integers, say  $F = \{\lambda(n)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , the Cesàro submethod  $C_\lambda$  is defined as

$$(C_\lambda x)_n = \frac{1}{\lambda(n)} \sum_{k=1}^{\lambda(n)} x_k, \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

where  $\{x_k\}$  is a sequence of a real or complex numbers. Therefore, the  $C_\lambda$ -method yields a subsequence of the Cesàro method  $C_1$ , and hence it is regular for any  $\lambda$ .  $C_\lambda$  is obtained by deleting a set of rows from Cesàro matrix. The basic properties of  $C_\lambda$ -method can be found in [2].

Now, the concept of  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro submethod for a double sequence is defined, and several theorems on this subject are given.

**Definition 2.2.** Let the index sequences  $\lambda(n)$  and  $\mu(m)$  are strictly increasing single sequences of positive integers and  $x = (x_{kl})$  be a double sequence. Then,  $\alpha$ -strongly Cesàro submethod  $(C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha)$  is defined as

$$(C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha x)_{nm} = \frac{1}{\lambda(n)\mu(m)} \sum_{k=1, l=1}^{\lambda(n), \mu(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha.$$

A double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is said to be  $C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -summable to  $L \in \mathbb{N}$  if

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(n)\mu(m)} \sum_{k=1, l=1}^{\lambda(n), \mu(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha = 0$$

exists and it is denoted by  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} (C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha x)_{nm} = L$ .

We now examine inclusion relationships between  $C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$  and  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha$ . Let us denote  $D_{\lambda, \mu}$  denote the  $\alpha$ -strongly deferred Cesàro mean  $D_{\beta, \gamma}^\alpha$  in which  $p(n) = \lambda(n-1)$ ,  $q(n) = \lambda(n)$ ,  $t(m) = \mu(m-1)$  and  $r(m) = \mu(m)$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\{\lambda(n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\{\mu(m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  are increasing sequences of positive integers and  $\lambda(0) = 0$ ,  $\mu(0) = 0$ . If a sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is an  $D_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent to  $L$ , then it is an  $C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent to  $L$ .

*Proof.* We are going to use the same technique used by [1]. Assume that the double sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is a  $D_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent to  $L$ . So, for any  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\lambda(n) \mu(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{\lambda(n), \mu(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \sum_{(i,j)=(0,0)}^{(n-1,m-1)} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda(n) \mu(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(\lambda(i)+1, \mu(j)+1)}^{\lambda(i+1), \mu(j+1)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \right) \\
&= \sum_{(i,j)=(0,0)}^{(n-1,m-1)} \frac{\Delta\lambda(i) \Delta\mu(i)}{\lambda(n) \mu(m) \Delta\lambda(i) \Delta\mu(i)} \sum_{\substack{k=\lambda(i)+1 \\ l=\mu(j)+1}}^{\lambda(i+1), \mu(j+1)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha \\
&= \sum_{(i,j)=(0,0)}^{(n-1,m-1)} b_{nmij} (D_{\lambda, \mu} x)_{ij}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta\lambda(i) = \lambda(i+1) - \lambda(i)$ ,  $\Delta\mu(i) = \mu(j+1) - \mu(i)$ ,

$$(D_{\lambda, \mu} x)_{ij} = \frac{1}{\Delta\lambda(i) \Delta\mu(i)} \sum_{\substack{k=(\lambda(i)+1) \\ l=(\mu(j)+1)}}^{\lambda(i+1), \mu(j+1)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha$$

and

$$b_{nmij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\Delta\lambda(i) \Delta\mu(i)}{\lambda(n) \mu(m)}, & i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1 \text{ and } j = 1, 2, \dots, m-1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since the matrix regular and  $\lim_{i,j \rightarrow \infty} (D_{\lambda, \mu} x)_{ij} = 0$ , then

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda(n) \mu(m)} \sum_{(k,l)=(1,1)}^{\lambda(n), \mu(m)} |x_{kl} - L|^\alpha = 0.$$

It means that the sequence  $x = (x_{kl})$  is a  $C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent to  $L$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $\{\lambda(n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\{\mu(m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  are increasing sequences of positive integers and  $\lambda(0) = 0$ ,  $\mu(0) = 0$ . The  $C_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent sequence can be a  $D_{\lambda, \mu}^\alpha$ -convergent only if

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lambda(n)}{\lambda(n-1)} > 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \liminf_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(m)}{\mu(m-1)} > 1.$$

If we accept that  $p(n) = \lambda(n-1)$ ,  $q(n) = \lambda(n)$ ,  $t(m) = \mu(m-1)$  and  $r(m) = \mu(m)$  in Theorem 2.5 then we have

$$\frac{\lambda(n-1)}{\lambda(n) - \lambda(n-1)} = \frac{1}{\frac{\lambda(n)}{\lambda(n-1)} - 1}$$

and

$$\frac{\mu(m-1)}{\mu(m) - \mu(m-1)} = \frac{1}{\frac{\mu(m)}{\mu(m-1)} - 1}.$$

The proof of Theorem 2.11 becomes clear with this fact. So, it is omitted here.

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