

STATISTICAL CONVERGENCE AND CESÀRO SUMMABILITY OF DIFFERENCE SEQUENCES RELATIVE TO MODULUS FUNCTION

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Abstract. In the present paper, we introduce and study the strong Cesàro summability of difference sequence spaces through fusion of modulus function. On the newly established sequence space, linear structure is imposed and a paranorm is established. Apart from various inclusion relations, a new variant of statistical convergence is investigated.

1. Introduction

Kizmaz [23] in 1981, initiated the theory of difference sequence spaces $E(\Delta)$ as follows

$$E(\Delta) = \{(\xi_k) \in s : (\Delta\xi_k) = (\xi_k - \xi_{k+1}) \in E\}, E \in \{\ell_\infty, c, c_0\}$$

where s, c_0, c and ℓ_∞ denotes the spaces of all, null, convergent and bounded scalar sequences.

Since 1981 to till date, a huge amount of research work has been performed by many more mathematicians with reference to various extensions/generalizations of difference sequence spaces.

Bhardwaj and Gupta [5] investigated a new difference sequence space with C_1 as a underlying space in the following ways:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1(\Delta) &= \{(\xi_k) \in s : (\Delta\xi_k) = (\xi_k - \xi_{k+1}) \in C_1\} \\ &= \left\{ (\xi_k) \in s : \left\langle \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta\xi_i \right\rangle \in c \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where C_1 is a space of Cesàro summable sequence of order 1, i.e.,

$$C_1 = \left\{ (\xi_k) \in s : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \dots + \xi_k}{k} \text{ exists} \right\}.$$

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Pictorial inclusions among various well known sequence spaces $\ell_\infty, c, c_0, C_1, \ell_\infty(\Delta), c(\Delta), c_0(\Delta)$ and $C_1(\Delta)$ is shown as:

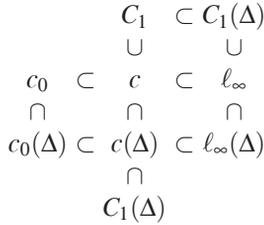


Figure 1.

Thus the space of Cesàro summable difference sequences, i.e., $C_1(\Delta)$ space turned out to be much wider space than these spaces.

In order to generalize the notion of usual convergence, the concept of statistical convergence came into existence, the credit of which goes to Fast [15]. The notion of statistical convergence relies upon the natural density $\delta(M)$, ($M \subseteq \mathbb{N}$) and defined as (see, [30])

$$\delta(M) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{k \in M : k \leq n\})$$

provided the limit exists, where $\text{card}(\cdot)$ means numbers of elements in the enclosed set. It is observed that

- (i) $\delta(M) = 0$ for $M \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ finite.
- (ii) $\delta(M) + \delta(\mathbb{N} - M) = 1$ for all $M \subseteq \mathbb{N}$.

A sequence $\langle \xi_k \rangle$ is statistically convergent to ℓ if for every $\varepsilon \geq 0$, $\delta(\{k \leq n : |\xi_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$, “i.e., $|\xi_k - \ell| \leq \varepsilon$ a.a. k. i.e., $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{k \leq n : |\xi_k - \ell| > \varepsilon\}) = 0$.” And ℓ is referred as statistical limit of $\langle \xi_k \rangle$. By S we will refer the collection of all statistically convergent sequences.

For more insight into sequence spaces/difference sequence spaces and statistical convergence one may peep into [3–12, 14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27, 28, 31–33, 35–41].

The study of sequence spaces is considered to be incomplete without computation of duals. The stepping or introduction of dual spaces is due to Köthe and Toeplitz [25] and for a sequence space E , the following

$$E^\alpha = \left\{ \langle a_k \rangle \in s : \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k \xi_k| < \infty \quad \forall \xi = \langle \xi_k \rangle \in E \right\}$$

and

$$E^\beta = \left\{ \langle a_k \rangle \in s : \sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k \xi_k < \infty \quad \forall \xi = \langle \xi_k \rangle \in E \right\}$$

are called α - and β -duals spaces of E respectively. Also for $E \subseteq F$, we have $F^\Theta \subseteq E^\Theta$ for $\Theta \in \{\alpha, \beta\}$.

We recall [13, 21, 26], a sequence space E is

- (i) perfect if $E^{\alpha\alpha} = E$.
- (ii) Solid (normal) if $\langle \eta_k \rangle \in E$ whenever $|\eta_k| \leq |\xi_k|, k \geq 1$, for $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in E$.
- (iii) Monotone if it contains the canonical pre-image of all its stepspaces.
- (iv) Convergence free if $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in E$ and $\eta_k = 0$ whenever $\xi_k = 0$ implies $\langle \eta_k \rangle \in E$.

Motivating from the definition of absolute value function, i.e., $|a|; a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$|a| = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } a \geq 0, \\ -a, & \text{if } a < 0. \end{cases}$$

Nakano [29] in 1953, structured the image of modulus function. By Ruckle [34] and Maddox [26], a modulus function is a map $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that the following holds

- (M₁) $\phi(\xi) = 0$ iff $\xi = 0$.
- (M₂) $\phi(\xi + \eta) \leq \phi(\xi) + \phi(\eta)$ for all $\xi \geq 0, \eta \geq 0$.
- (M₃) ϕ is monotonically increasing.
- (M₄) $\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0^+} \phi(\xi) = \phi(0)$.

As an example, $\phi_1(\xi) = \frac{\xi}{1 + \xi}$ and $\phi_2(\xi) = \xi^p, (0 < p \leq 1)$ are modulus functions where ϕ_1 is bounded and ϕ_2 is unbounded. It is observed that sum of two modulus functions is again a modulus function. Moreover, composition of a modulus function over itself is also a modulus function.

Aizpuru et al. [1], Altin [2], Connor [12], Ghosh and Srivastva [18], Gupta and Bhardwaj [19], Şengül and Et [36], Verma and Singh [40] and some others have used the idea of modulus function to enrich the theory of statistical convergence and structured some significant sequence spaces.

We here in this paper appeal the approach of statistical convergence to the newly introduced space $C_1(\Delta)$ and have the concept of Cesàro summability of difference sequences with the aid of modulus function.

Throughout the paper, let $\lambda = \langle \lambda_k \rangle$ is a bounded sequence of positive real numbers with $\tau = \inf_{k \geq 1} \lambda_k, \Omega = \sup_{k \geq 1} \lambda_k$ and $C = \max\{1, 2^{\Omega-1}\}$. Also for $a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{C}$, we have $|a_k + b_k|^{\lambda_k} \leq C[|a_k|^{\lambda_k} + |b_k|^{\lambda_k}] \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$, and for any $\mu \in \mathbb{C}, |\mu|^{\lambda_k} \leq \max\{1, |\mu|^{\Omega}\}$ (see, for instance, Maddox [26]).

2. Statistical convergence of Cesàro means of difference sequences

We begin this section by extending the notion of statistical convergence for Cesàro means of difference sequences of scalars and hence having the concept of $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistical convergence. Apart from this, the dual spaces of new originated sequence spaces are computed.

DEFINITION 1. A sequence $\xi = \langle \xi_k \rangle$ is said to be $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically convergent to ℓ if for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$$

where $\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i$ is a sequence of Cesàro means for difference sequence of $\langle \xi_k \rangle$. In this case we write $\xi_k \xrightarrow{SC_1(\Delta)} \ell$. By $SC_1(\Delta)$ we will notate the class of all $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically convergent sequences.

THEOREM 1. $C_1(\Delta) \subset SC_1(\Delta)$, inclusion is proper.

Proof. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta)$ with $\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i \rightarrow \ell$, for some $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$. Then for $\varepsilon > 0$, $\{k \in \mathbb{N} : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}$ is a finite set. As every finite set is of zero natural density, so $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$.

For proper inclusion, consider the following example:

Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle = \{0, -1, -2, -3, -16, -5, -6, -7, -8, -81, -10, -11, \dots\}$, i.e.,

$$\langle \xi_k \rangle = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } k = 1 \\ -(k-1)^2, & \text{if } k = n^2 + 1, n \geq 1 \\ -(k-1), & \text{if } k \neq n^2 + 1, n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then $\langle \mu_k \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i \rangle = \{1, 1, 1, 4, 1, 1, 1, 9, \dots\} \notin c$ but $\langle \mu_k \rangle \in S$.

Hence $\langle \xi_k \rangle \notin C_1(\Delta)$ although it is a member of $SC_1(\Delta)$. \square

REMARK 1. It is to be noted that not all the sequences are $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically convergent, i.e., $SC_1(\Delta) \subsetneq s$.

Proof. For this, let $\langle \xi_k \rangle = \langle k^2 \rangle = \{1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots\}$.

Then $\langle \mu_k \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i \rangle = \langle -k-2 \rangle = \langle -3, -4, -5, -6, \dots \rangle \notin S$, implies that $\langle \xi_k \rangle \notin SC_1(\Delta)$. \square

DEFINITION 2. A sequence $\xi = \langle \xi_k \rangle$ is said to be $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically bounded if there exists $M > 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k| \geq M\}) = 0,$$

and by $SC_1(\Delta, b)$, we have the space of all $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically bounded sequences.

THEOREM 2. Every $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically convergent sequence is $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistically bounded, but not conversely, i.e., $SC_1(\Delta) \subsetneq SC_1(\Delta, b)$.

Proof. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$ with $\xi_k \xrightarrow{SC_1(\Delta)} \ell$. Then for $\varepsilon > 0$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0, \text{ where } \mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i.$$

Using the inclusion $\{k : |\mu_k| \geq \varepsilon + |\ell|\} \subset \{k : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}$, the result follows.

For proper inclusion, consider the sequence $\langle \xi_k \rangle = \langle 0, -1, 2, -3, 4, -5, 6, -7, 8, -9, \dots \rangle$. Then $\langle \mu_k \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i \rangle = \langle (-1)^{k-1} \rangle \notin c$ but $\langle \mu_k \rangle \in \ell_\infty$. Thus $\langle \xi_k \rangle \notin SC_1(\Delta)$ but $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta, b)$. \square

In view of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, the pictorial representation (shown in Figure 1) takes the form as

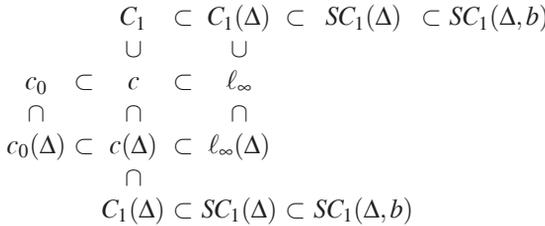


Figure 2.

Here from Figure 2, there is no doubt in declaring that $SC_1(\Delta, b)$ are much wider spaces than most of the already existing spaces.

THEOREM 3. $[SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta = [SC_1(\Delta)]^\alpha = \Gamma$, the space of finitely non-zero scalar sequences.

Proof. Obviously $\Gamma \subset [SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta$. Let, if possible $[SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta \not\subseteq \Gamma$. Then there exist some $\langle a_k \rangle \in [SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta$ such that $\langle a_k \rangle \notin \Gamma$, i.e., $\langle a_k \rangle$ has infinitely many non-zero terms. Then it is easy to construct an increasing sequence $\langle k_i \rangle$ of natural numbers such that $k_i > i^2$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$, such that $a_{k_i} \neq 0$. Consider a sequence $\langle \xi_k \rangle$ as follows

$$\xi_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a_{k_i}}, & \text{if } k = k_i \\ 0, & \text{if } k \neq k_i \end{cases} \quad k \in \mathbb{N}, i \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then

$$\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i = \begin{cases} \frac{-1}{k} \frac{1}{a_{k_i}}, & \text{if } k = k_i \\ 0, & \text{if } k \neq k_i \end{cases}$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - 0| > M\}) \leq \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n} = 0$ so $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$. But $\sum_i a_{k_i} \xi_{k_i} = \sum_i 1 = \infty$, a contradiction to the fact that $\langle a_k \rangle \in [SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta$. Thus $[SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta = \Gamma$. As $\Gamma \subseteq [SC_1(\Delta)]^\alpha$ and $[SC_1(\Delta)]^\alpha \subset [SC_1(\Delta)]^\beta$, hence $[SC_1(\Delta)]^\alpha = \Gamma$. \square

In view of the fact $SC_1(\Delta) \subset SC_1(\Delta, b)$ and $Y^\Theta \subset X^\Theta$ for $(\Theta = \alpha, \beta)$ for $X \subset Y$ we have the following

COROLLARY 1. $[SC_1(\Delta, b)]^\alpha = [SC_1(\Delta, b)]^\beta = \Gamma$.

COROLLARY 2. $SC_1(\Delta)$ and $SC_1(\Delta, b)$ are not perfect spaces.

Proof. As $(\Gamma)^\alpha = s$ so we have $[SC_1(\Delta)]^{\alpha\alpha} = (\Gamma)^\alpha = s \neq SC_1(\Delta)$.

Similarly we have $[SC_1(\Delta, b)]^{\alpha\alpha} \neq SC_1(\Delta, b)$. \square

THEOREM 4. $SC_1(\Delta)$ is not normal (solid) space.

Proof. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle = \langle k \rangle = \langle 1, 2, 3, \dots \rangle$ then $\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i = -1$ and so $\langle \mu_k \rangle \in S$ and this implies $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$. Now if we take $\langle \xi'_k \rangle = \langle (-1)^{k-1} k \rangle = \langle 1, -2, 3, -4, \dots \rangle$. Then

$$\mu'_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi'_i = \begin{cases} \frac{k+2}{k}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \\ -1, & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

and so $\langle \mu'_k \rangle \notin S$, i.e., $\langle \xi'_k \rangle \notin SC_1(\Delta)$ although $|\xi'_k| \leq |\xi_k| \forall k$. \square

COROLLARY 3. $SC_1(\Delta)$ is not convergence free space.

Proof. The result follows from the fact that every convergence free space is normal. \square

THEOREM 5. $SC_1(\Delta)$ is not monotone space.

Proof. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle = \langle k \rangle$. Then as in Theorem 4, $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$. Now take $\langle \xi'_k \rangle = \langle 1, 0, 3, 0, 5, \dots \rangle$. Then

$$\mu'_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi'_i = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \\ -1, & \text{if } k \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

As $\langle \mu'_k \rangle \notin S$ so $\langle \xi'_k \rangle \notin SC_1(\Delta)$. \square

3. Cesàro summability of difference sequences via modulus function

It is well known that for a bounded scalar sequences, both the concepts, i.e., statistical convergence and strongly Cesàro summability coincide. In the present section, we introduce and study the concept of (ϕ, λ) -Cesàro summability of difference sequences where ϕ is a modulus function and have the following sequence space

$$C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda) = \left\{ (\xi_k) \in s : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0 \right. \\ \left. \text{for some } \ell, \text{ where } \mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i \right\}.$$

Here we investigate that for bounded modulus function ϕ , again both the concepts, i.e., $C_1(\Delta)$ -statistical convergence (introduced in section-2) and (ϕ, λ) -Cesàro summability coincide.

THEOREM 6. $C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$ has linear structure when equipped with operation of coordinate wise addition and scalar multiplication over complex field.

Proof. For $\langle \xi_k \rangle, \langle \xi'_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$, there exists $\ell, \ell' \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu'_k - \ell'|)]^{\lambda_k} \tag{1}$$

where $\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i$ and $\mu'_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi'_i$.

Now for $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\left[\phi \left(\left| \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta(a\xi_i + b\xi'_i) - (a.\ell + b.\ell') \right| \right) \right]^{\lambda_k} = \left[\phi \left(|a(\mu_k - \ell) + b(\mu'_k - \ell')| \right) \right]^{\lambda_k} \\ \leq C[\phi(|a||\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} + C[\phi(|b||\mu'_k - \ell'|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ \leq (|a| + 1)^\Omega C(\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|))^{\lambda_k} + (|b| + 1)^\Omega C(\phi(|\mu'_k - \ell'|))^{\lambda_k}.$$

The result follows in view of (1). \square

It is observed that $C_1(\Delta, \phi)$ has paranorm structure q , where

$$q(\xi) = q(\langle \xi_k \rangle) = \sup_n \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k|)]^{\lambda_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{M}}, \text{ where } M = \max_k \{1, \sup \lambda_k\}.$$

THEOREM 7. For any modulus function ϕ , $C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda) \subset SC_1(\Delta)$, inclusion being proper for unbounded modulus function ϕ .

Proof. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0$ for some $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} &\geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon}}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{n} \min \{ \phi(\varepsilon)^\tau, \phi(\varepsilon)^\Omega \} \cdot \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}). \end{aligned}$$

This implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$ and hence $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$.

For proper inclusion, let ϕ be an unbounded modulus function and $\lambda_k = 1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then \exists a positive integral sequence $\{t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < \dots\}$ such that $\phi(t_n) = n^3$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Consider a sequence $\langle \xi_k \rangle$ for which

$$\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i = \begin{cases} t_n, & \text{if } k = n^3 \\ 0, & \text{if } k \neq n^3. \end{cases}$$

Here $\mu_k = \{t_1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, t_8, 0, 0, \dots\}$.

Then $\frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : \phi(|\mu_k - 0|) \geq \varepsilon\}) \leq \frac{n^{\frac{1}{3}}}{n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and hence $\xi_k \xrightarrow{SC_1(\Delta)} 0$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^{n^3} [\phi(|\mu_k - 0|)] &= \frac{\phi(\mu_1) + \phi(\mu_2) + \dots + \phi(\mu_{n^3})}{n^3} \\ &= \frac{\phi(t_1) + \phi(t_2) + \dots + \phi(t_n)}{n^3} \\ &= \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3}{n^3} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^3} \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This implies $\langle \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^{n^3} [\phi(|\mu_k - 0|)] \rangle$ is not convergent and so $\langle \xi_k \rangle \notin C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$. \square

THEOREM 8. For a bounded modulus function ϕ , $SC_1(\Delta) \subset C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$.

Proof. As ϕ is bounded so \exists positive integer K such that $\phi(x) \leq K \forall x \in [0, \infty)$. Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in SC_1(\Delta)$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon}} [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ |\mu_k - \ell| < \varepsilon}} [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon}} K^{\lambda_k} + \frac{1}{n} \max \{ \phi(\varepsilon)^\tau, \phi(\varepsilon)^\Omega \} \cdot n \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} K^\Omega \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) + \max \{ \phi(\varepsilon)^\tau, \phi(\varepsilon)^\Omega \}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the facts $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{card}(\{1 \leq k \leq n : |\mu_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}) = 0$, $\phi(0) = 0$ and continuity of ϕ at 0, we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0$. This implies $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$. \square

In view of Theorem 7 and Theorem 8, we have

THEOREM 9. $SC_1(\Delta) = C_1(\Delta, \phi, \lambda)$ iff ϕ is bounded modulus function.

THEOREM 10. Let ϕ_1, ϕ_2 are modulus functions. Then

- (i) $C_1(\Delta, \phi_1, \lambda) \subseteq C_1(\Delta, \phi_2 \circ \phi_1, \lambda)$.
- (ii) $C_1(\Delta, \phi_1, \lambda) \cap C_1(\Delta, \phi_2, \lambda) \subseteq C_1(\Delta, \phi_1 + \phi_2, \lambda)$.

Proof.

- (i) Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi_1, \lambda)$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_1(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0$, where $\mu_k = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i$, for some $\ell \in \mathbb{C}$. As ϕ_2 is continuous at 0, so for given $\varepsilon > 0$ we can choose $0 < \delta < 1$ such that $\phi_2(x) < \varepsilon$ for all $0 \leq x \leq \delta$. Put $t_k = \phi_1(|\mu_k - \ell|)$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\phi_2 \left(\phi_1 \left| \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i - \ell \right| \right) \right]^{\lambda_k} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} [\phi_2(\phi_1 |\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k \leq \delta}} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k \leq \delta}} \varepsilon^{\lambda_k} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &< \max \{ \varepsilon^\tau, \varepsilon^\Omega \} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k}. \end{aligned}$$

Now for $t_k > \delta$, we use the fact $t_k < \frac{t_k}{\delta} < 1 + \left[\frac{t_k}{\delta}\right]$. As ϕ_2 is increasing function so

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_2(t_k) &\leq \phi_2\left(1 + \left[\frac{t_k}{\delta}\right]\right) \\ &\leq \left(1 + \left[\frac{t_k}{\delta}\right]\right) \phi_2(1) \\ &\leq 2\phi_2(1) \frac{t_k}{\delta}.\end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} [\phi_2(t_k)]^{\lambda_k} &\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} \left(\frac{2\phi_2(1)}{\delta}\right)^{\lambda_k} t_k^{\lambda_k} \\ &\leq \max\left\{1, \left(\frac{2\phi_2(1)}{\delta}\right)^\Omega\right\} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} |t_k|^{\lambda_k} \\ &= \max\left\{1, \left(\frac{2\phi_2(1)}{\delta}\right)^\Omega\right\} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ t_k > \delta}} [\phi_1(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\leq \max\left\{1, \left(\frac{2\phi_2(1)}{\delta}\right)^\Omega\right\} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} [\phi_1(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty\end{aligned}$$

and this proves the result.

(ii) Let $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi_1, \lambda) \cap C_1(\Delta, \phi_2, \lambda)$. So $\exists \ell \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_1(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k} = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_2(|\mu_k - \ell|)]^{\lambda_k}.$$

Now the result follows in view of the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[(\phi_1 + \phi_2) \left(\left| \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i - \ell \right| \right) \right]^{\lambda_k} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [(\phi_1 + \phi_2)|\mu_k - \ell|]^{\lambda_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_1|\mu_k - \ell| + \phi_2|\mu_k - \ell|]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\leq C \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_1|\mu_k - \ell|]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\quad + C \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_2|\mu_k - \ell|]^{\lambda_k} \\ &\longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty\end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[(\phi_1 + \phi_2) \left(\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta \xi_i - \ell \right) \right]^{\lambda_k} = 0.$$

This implies $\langle \xi_k \rangle \in C_1(\Delta, \phi_1 + \phi_2, \lambda)$. \square

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