



## On $\lambda$ - summable entire sequences of fuzzy numbers

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**ABSTRACT:** In this paper the concept of strongly  $(\lambda)_p$  – Cesáro summability of a sequence of fuzzy numbers and strongly  $\lambda$ - statistically convergent sequences of fuzzy numbers are introduced.

**Key Words:** Fuzzy numbers, statistical convergence, entire sequence.

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### 1. Introduction

The concept of fuzzy sets and fuzzy set operations were first introduced by Zadeh[18] and subsequently several authors have discussed various aspects of the theory and applications of fuzzy sets such as fuzzy topological spaces, similarity relations and fuzzy orderings, fuzzy measures of fuzzy events, fuzzy mathematical programming. Matloka[10] introduced bounded and convergent sequences of fuzzy numbers and studied their some properties. Matloka[10] also has shown that every convergent sequence of fuzzy numbers is bounded. Later on sequences of fuzzy numbers have been discussed by Nanda[12], Nuray [14], Kwon[9], Savas[15], Wu and Wang[17], Bilgin[3] Basarir and Mursaleen [2,11], Aytar[1], Fang and Huang[5], and many others. The notion of statistical convergence was introduced by Fast[6] and Schoenberg[16] independently. Over the years and under different names statistical convergence has been discussed in the theory of Fourier analysis, ergodic theory, number theory. Later on it was further investigated from the sequence space point of view and linked with summability theory by Fridy[7], Kwon[9], Nuray[14], Savas[15] and many others. In recent years, generalizations of statistical convergence have appeared in the study of strong integral summability and the structure of ideals of bounded continuous functions on locally compact spaces. Statistical convergence and its generalizations are also connected with subsets of Stone-Čech compactification of the natural numbers. Moreover, statistical convergence is closely related to the concept of convergence in probability. The notion

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depends on the density of subsets of the subset  $N$  of natural numbers. The natural density of a set  $A$  of positive integers is defined by

$$\delta(A) = \lim_n \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : k \in A\}|,$$

where  $|\{k \leq n : k \in A\}|$  denotes the number of elements of  $A \subseteq N$  not exceeding  $n$  [13]. It is clear that any finite subset of  $N$  have zero natural density and  $\delta(A^c) = 1 - \delta(A)$ . If a property  $P(k)$  holds for all  $k \in A$  with  $\delta(A) = 1$ , we say that  $P$  holds for almost all  $k$ , we abbreviate this by "a.a.k". A sequence  $(x_k)$  is said to be statistically convergent to  $L$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta(\{k \in N : |x_k - L| \geq \epsilon\}) = 0$ . In this case we write  $S - \lim x_k = L$ . The existing literature on statistical convergence appears to have been restricted to real or complex sequences, but in [9] Kwon, Nuray [14] and Savas[15] extended the idea to apply to sequences of fuzzy numbers.

Let  $C(R^n) = \{A \subset R^n : A \text{ compact and convex}\}$ . The space  $C(R^n)$  has linear structure induced by the operations  $A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$  and  $\lambda A = \{\lambda a : a \in A\}$  for  $A, B \in C(R^n)$  and  $\lambda \in R$ . The Hausdorff distance between  $A$  and  $B$  of  $C(R^n)$  is defined as

$$\delta_\infty(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} \inf_{b \in B} \|a - b\|, \sup_{b \in B} \inf_{a \in A} \|a - b\| \right\}.$$

It is well known that  $(C(R^n), \delta_\infty)$  is a complete metric space. The fuzzy number is a function  $X$  from  $R^n$  to  $[0, 1]$  which is normal, fuzzy convex, upper semi-continuous and the closure of  $\{x \in R^n : X(x) > 0\}$  is compact. These properties imply that for each  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , the  $\alpha$ -level set  $[X]^\alpha = \{x \in R^n : X(x) \geq \alpha\}$  is a nonempty compact convex subset of  $R^n$ , with support  $X^0 = \{x \in R^n : X(x) > 0\}$ . Let  $L(R^n)$  denote the set of all fuzzy numbers. The linear structure of  $L(R^n)$  induces the addition  $X + Y$  and scalar multiplication  $\lambda X, \lambda \in R$ , in terms of  $\alpha$ -level sets, by  $|X + Y|^\alpha = |X|^\alpha + |Y|^\alpha, |\lambda X|^\alpha = \lambda |X|^\alpha$  for each  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ . Define, for each  $1 \leq q < \infty$ ,

$$d_q(X, Y) = \left( \int_0^1 \delta_\infty(X^\alpha, Y^\alpha)^q d\alpha \right)^{1/q}, \text{ and } d_\infty = \sup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} \delta_\infty(X^\alpha, Y^\alpha),$$

where  $\delta_\infty$  is the Hausdorff metric. Clearly  $d_\infty(X, Y) = \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} d_q(X, Y)$  with  $d_q \leq d_r$ , if  $q \leq r$  [4].

Throughout the paper,  $d$  will denote  $d_q$  with  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ . Let  $w$  be set of all sequences of fuzzy numbers. The generalized de la Vallée-Pousin mean is defined by

$$t_n(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} x_k,$$

where  $\lambda = (\lambda_n)$  is a nondecreasing sequence of positive numbers such that  $\lambda_{n+1} \leq \lambda_n + 1$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 1$ ,  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $I_n = [n - \lambda_n + 1, n]$ . A sequence  $x(x_k)$  is said to be  $(V, \lambda)$ -summable to a number  $L$  [8] if  $t_n(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $(V, \lambda)$  -

summability reduces to  $(C, 1)$  summability when  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n$ . A complex sequence, whose  $k^{th}$  term is  $x_k$ , is denoted by  $\{x_k\}$  or simply  $x$ . Let  $\phi$  be the set of all finite sequences. Let  $\ell_\infty, c, c_0$  be the sequence spaces of bounded, convergent and null sequences  $x = (x_k)$  respectively. In respect of  $\ell_\infty, c, c_0$  we have

$\|x\| = \sup_k |x_k|$ , where  $x = (x_k) \in c_0 \subset c \subset \ell_\infty$ . A sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  is said to be analytic if  $\sup_k |x_k|^{1/k} < \infty$ . The vector space of all analytic sequences will be denoted by  $\Lambda$ . A sequence  $x$  is called entire sequence if  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |x_k|^{1/k} = 0$ . The vector space of all entire sequences will be denoted by  $\Gamma$ . Given a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$  its  $n^{th}$  section is the sequence  $x^{(n)} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, \dots\}$ ,  $\delta^{(n)} = (0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$ , 1 in the  $n^{th}$  place and zero's elsewhere.

## 2. Definitions and Preliminaries

Let  $w$  denote the set of all fuzzy complex sequences  $x = (x_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ . Consider  $\Gamma = \left\{x \in w : \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (|x_k|^{1/k}) = 0\right\}$  and  $\Lambda = \left\{x \in w : \sup_k (|x_k|^{1/k}) < \infty\right\}$ .  $\Gamma$  and  $\Lambda$  are metric spaces with the metric

$$d(x, y) = \inf \left\{ \sup_k (|x_k - y_k|^{1/k}) \leq 1 \right\} \quad (1)$$

for all  $x = \{x_k\}$  and  $y = \{y_k\}$  in  $\Gamma$ .

In the present paper we introduce and examine the concepts of  $\lambda$ - statistical convergence and strongly  $(\lambda)_p$  - Cesáro convergence of sequences of fuzzy numbers. Firstly in section 2, we give the definition of  $\lambda$ - statistical convergence and strongly  $(\lambda)_p$  - Cesáro convergence of sequence of fuzzy numbers. In section 3, we establish some inclusion relation between the sequences  $s(\lambda)$  and  $(\lambda)_p$ . We now give the following new definitions which will be needed in the sequel.

**Definition 2.1** Let  $X = (X_k)$  be a sequence of fuzzy numbers. A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to converge to fuzzy number  $X_0$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a positive integer  $N_0$  such that  $\left(d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0\right) < \epsilon$  for  $k \geq N_0$ .  $X = (X_k)$  is said to be Cauchy sequence if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a positive integer  $N_0$  such that  $\left(d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_\ell\right) < \epsilon$  for  $k, \ell \geq N_0$ .

**Definition 2.2** A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to be analytic if the set  $\left\{|X_k|^{1/k} : k \in N\right\}$  of fuzzy numbers is analytic.

**Definition 2.3** A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to be  $\lambda$ - statistically convergent to a fuzzy number  $X_0$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left(d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0\right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

In this case we shall write  $S_\lambda - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (|X_k|^{1/k}) = X_0$ .

It can be shown that if a sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is convergent to a fuzzy number  $X_0$ , then it is statistically convergent to the fuzzy number  $X_0$ . But the converse does not hold. For example, we define  $X = (X_k)$  such that

$$(|X_k|^{1/k}) = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } k = n^2, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $A$  is a fixed fuzzy number. Then  $X = (X_k)$  is statistically convergent but is not convergent.

**Definition 2.4** A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to be strongly  $\lambda$ -summable if there is a fuzzy number  $X_0$  such that  $\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} (d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 2.5** A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to be strongly  $\lambda_p$ -Cesàro summable if there is a fuzzy number  $X_0$  such that  $\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} (d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0)^p \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The set of all strongly  $\lambda_p$ -Cesàro summable sequences of fuzzy numbers is denoted by  $\lambda_p$ .

**Definition 2.6** A sequence  $X = (X_k)$  of fuzzy numbers is said to be  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent or  $S_\lambda$  to a fuzzy number  $X_0$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left( d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

In this case we shall write  $S_\lambda - \lim (|X_k|^{1/k}) = X_0$ . In the special case  $(\lambda)_n = n$  for all  $n \in N$ , then  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent is same as statistically convergent.

### 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1** (i) If a sequence  $X = (X_k)$  is strongly  $\lambda_p$ -Cesàro summable to  $X_0$ , then it is  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ .

(ii) If  $X = (X_k)$  is a sequence  $\lambda$ -analytic and  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ , then it is strongly  $(\lambda)_p$ -Cesàro summable to  $X_0$ , and hence  $X$  is strongly  $\lambda$ -Cesàro summable to  $X_0$ .

**Proof:** (i) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $X \in (\lambda)_p$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in I_n} (d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0) &\geq \sum_{k \in I_n, d(X_k, X_0) \geq \epsilon} (d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0)^p \\ &\geq \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left( d(|X_k|^{1/k}), X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \epsilon^p. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(X_k)$  is  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $X = (X_k)$  is analytic and  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ .

Since  $X \in \Lambda$ , there exists a constant  $M > 0$  such that  $\left(d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0\right) \leq M$  for all  $k$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given and choose  $N_\epsilon$  such that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left(d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0\right) \geq \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^{1/p} \right\} \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2M^p} \text{ for all } n > N_\epsilon, \text{ and}$$

set  $L_n = \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left(d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0\right) \geq \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^{1/p} \right\} \right|$ . Now for all  $n > N_\epsilon$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right]^p &= \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right]^p + \\ \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \notin I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right]^p &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left( \frac{\lambda_n \epsilon}{2M^p} \right) M^p + \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left( \frac{\lambda_n \epsilon}{2} \right) = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right) \rightarrow X_0(\lambda)_p$ . Further we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right] &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-\lambda_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right] + \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right] &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-\lambda_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right] + \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right] \\ &\leq \frac{2}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $X$  is strongly Cesàro summable to  $X_0$ , since  $X$  is strongly  $\lambda$  Cesàro summable to  $X_0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $(X_k)$  and  $(Y_k)$  be sequence of fuzzy numbers.

(i) If  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right) = X_0$  and  $c \in R$ , then  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(c|X_k|^{1/k}\right) = cX_0$ ; (ii) If  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right) = X_0$  and  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|Y_k|^{1/k}\right) = Y_0$ , then  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|X_k|^{1/k} + |Y_k|^{1/k}\right) = X_0 + Y_0$ .

**Proof:** (i) Let  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  and  $c \in R$ . Let  $\left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k}\right), \left(|Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}\right), X_0^\alpha$  and  $Y_0^\alpha$  be  $\alpha$ -level sets of  $\left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right), \left(|Y_k|^{1/k}\right), X_0$  and  $Y_0$  respectively. Since  $\delta_\infty \left(c|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0\right) = |c| \delta_\infty \left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, X_0^\alpha\right)$ , we have  $d\left(c|X_k|^{1/k}, cX_0\right) = |c| d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0\right)$ . For given  $\epsilon > 0$  we have  $\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left(d\left(c|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0\right)\right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \left(d\left(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0\right)\right) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{|c|} \right\} \right|$ . Hence  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right) = cX_0$ .  
(ii) Suppose that  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|X_k|^{1/k}\right) = X_0$  and  $S_\lambda - \lim \left(|Y_k|^{1/k}\right) = Y_0$ . Firstly we have,  $\delta_\infty \left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k} + |Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, X_0^\alpha + Y_0^\alpha\right) \leq \delta_\infty \left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k} + |Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, \left(|Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}\right) + X_0^\alpha\right) + \delta_\infty \left(|Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k} + X_0^\alpha, X_0^\alpha + Y_0^\alpha\right) = \delta_\infty \left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, X_0^\alpha\right) + \delta_\infty \left(|Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, Y_0^\alpha\right)$ .  
By Minkowski's inequality we get  $d\left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k} + |Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, X_0^\alpha + Y_0^\alpha\right) \leq d\left(|X_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, X_0^\alpha\right) + d\left(|Y_k^\alpha|^{1/k}, Y_0^\alpha\right)$ . Therefore

given  $\epsilon > 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k} + |Y_k|^{1/k}, X_0 + Y_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \leq \\ & \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) + d \left( |Y_k|^{1/k}, Y_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \leq \\ & \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right\} \right| + \\ & \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |Y_k|^{1/k}, Y_0 \right) \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right\} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $S_\lambda - \lim \left( |X_k|^{1/k} + |Y_k|^{1/k} \right) = X_0 + Y_0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3** *If a sequence  $X = (X_k)$  is statistically convergent to  $X_0$  and  $\liminf_{(n)} \left( \frac{\lambda_n}{n} \right) > 0$ , then it is  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ .*

**Proof:** For given  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have  $\left| \left\{ k \in n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right|$   
 $\supset \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right|$ . Therefore  
 $\frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \leq n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right| \geq \frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right|$   
 $\geq \frac{\lambda_n}{n} \frac{1}{(\lambda)_n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \geq \epsilon \right\} \right|$ .

Taking  $\lim$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using  $\liminf_{(n)} \left( \frac{\lambda_n}{n} \right) > 0$ , we get  $X = (X_k)$  is  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to  $X_0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Definition 3.1** *Let  $p = (p_k)$  be any sequence of positive real numbers. Then we define  $(\lambda)_p = \left\{ X = \{X_k\} : \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \right\}$ . Suppose that  $p_k$  is a constant for all  $k$ , then  $(\lambda)_p = \lambda$ .*

**Theorem 3.4** *Let  $0 \leq p_k \leq q_k$  and let  $\left\{ \frac{q_k}{p_k} \right\}$  be bounded. Then  $(\lambda)_p \subset (\lambda)_q$ .*

**Proof:** Let

$$X \in (\lambda)_q \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Let  $t_k = \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k}$  and  $\lambda_k = \frac{p_k}{q_k}$ . Since  $p_k \leq q_k$ , we have  $0 \leq \lambda_k \leq 1$ .

Take  $0 < \lambda < \lambda_k$ . Define  $u_k = t_k$  ( $t_k \geq 1$ );  $u_k = 0$  ( $t_k < 1$ ) and  $v_k = 0$  ( $t_k \geq 1$ );  $v_k = t_k$  ( $t_k < 1$ ).  $t_k = u_k + v_k$ . (i.e)  $t_k^{\lambda_k} = u_k^{\lambda_k} + v_k^{\lambda_k}$ . Now it follows that

$$u_k^{\lambda_k} \leq u_k \leq t_k \quad \text{and} \quad v_k^{\lambda_k} \leq v_k. \tag{3}$$

Since  $t_k^{\lambda_k} = u_k^{\lambda_k} + v_k^{\lambda_k}$ ,  $t_k^{\lambda_k} \leq t_k + v_k^{\lambda_k}$ .

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right)^{q_k} \right]^{p_k/q_k} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k}. \\
&\text{But } \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{q_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \\
&\text{Hence } \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \text{ Hence}
\end{aligned}$$

$$X \in (\lambda)_p \quad (4)$$

From (2) and (4) we get  $(\lambda)_q \subset (\lambda)_p$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5** (a) Let  $0 < \inf p_k \leq p_k \leq 1$ . Then  $(\lambda)_p \subset \lambda$  (b) Let  $1 \leq p_k \leq \sup p_k < \infty$ . Then  $\lambda \subset (\lambda)_p$ .

**Proof:** (a) Let

$$X \in (\lambda)_p \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (6)$$

Since  $0 < \inf p_k \leq p_k \leq 1$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right] \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \quad (7)$$

From (6) and (7) it follows that

$$X \in \lambda \quad (8)$$

Thus

$$(\lambda)_p \subset \lambda. \quad (9)$$

This completes the proof.

**Proof:** (b) Let  $p_k \geq 1$  for each  $k$  and  $\sup p_k < \infty$ . Let  $X \in \lambda$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right] \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (10)$$

Since  $1 \leq p_k \leq \sup p_k < \infty$  we have

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right] \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d \left( |X_k|^{1/k}, X_0 \right) \right]^{p_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (by using 10)}$$

Therefore  $X \in (\lambda)_p$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $0 < p_k \leq q_k < \infty$  for each  $k$ . Then  $(\lambda)_p \subseteq (\lambda)_q$ .*

**Proof:** Let

$$X \in (\lambda)_p. \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0) \right]^{p_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (13)$$

This implies that  $\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0) \right] \leq 1$ , for sufficiently large  $n$ , we get

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0) \right]^{q_k} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0) \right]^{p_k}. \quad (14)$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \left[ d(|X_k|^{1/k}, X_0) \right]^{q_k} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$  (by using 13). Hence

$$X \in (\lambda)_q. \quad (15)$$

From (12) and (15) we get  $(\lambda)_p \subseteq (\lambda)_q$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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