



ON STRONG $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F)$ –CONVERGENCE

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ABSTRACT. In the papers [T. Bilgin, *Studia Univ. Babeş-Bolyai Math.* 46(4), (2001), 39–46] and [T. Bilgin, *Appl. Math. Comput.* 151(3), (2004), 595–600], author defined the spaces of strongly $N_{\theta}(A, f)$ –convergent with respect to a modulus sequences and strongly $N_{\theta}(A, F)$ –convergent with respect to a sequence of modulus functions sequences. In this paper, we introduce strong $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F)$ –convergence with respect to a sequence of modulus functions and give some connections between sets of strongly $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F)$ –convergent with respect to a sequence of modulus functions sequences and $S_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A)$ –convergent sequences.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 1951, Steinhaus [33] and Fast [17] introduced the concept of statistical convergence and later in 1959, Schoenberg [32] reintroduced independently. Bhardwaj and Dhawan [4], Caserta et al. [5], Connor [6], Çakallı [9], Çınar et al. [10], Çolak [11], Et et al. ([13], [15]), Fridy [19], Işık [24], Salat [31], Di Maio and Koćinac [12], Demirci [7] and many authors investigated some arguments related to this notion.

A modulus f is a function from $[0, \infty)$ to $[0, \infty)$ such that

- i) $f(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$,
- ii) $f(x + y) \leq f(x) + f(y)$ for $x, y \geq 0$,
- iii) f is increasing,
- iv) f is continuous from the right at 0.

It follows that f must be continuous in everywhere on $[0, \infty)$. A modulus may be unbounded or bounded.

By a lacunary sequence we mean an increasing integer sequence $\theta = (k_r)$ of non-negative integers such that $k_0 = 0$ and $h_r = (k_r - k_{r-1}) \rightarrow \infty$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$. The intervals determined by θ will be denoted by $I_r = (k_{r-1}, k_r]$ and the ratio $\frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}}$ will be abbreviated by q_r , and $q_1 = k_1$ for convenience.

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In [20], Fridy and Orhan introduced the concept of lacunary statistically convergence in the sense that a sequence (x_k) of real numbers is called lacunary statistically convergent to a real number ℓ , if

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} |\{k \in I_r : |x_k - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0$$

for every positive real number ε .

Lacunary convergence and lacunary statistical convergence were studied in ([1], [8],[16],[18],[20],[22],[23],[25],[35],[29],[37],[38]).

The notion of a modulus was given by Nakano [27]. Maddox [26] used a modulus function to construct some sequence spaces. Afterwards different sequence spaces defined by modulus have been studied by Altın and Et [3], Et et al. [14], Işık [24], Gaur and Mursaleen [21], Nuray and Savaş [28], Pehlivan and Fisher [30], Şengül [34] and everybody else.

2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we will give the definition of lacunary strong $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$ -convergence where $A = (a_{ik})$ is an infinite matrix of complex numbers and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ and give some results related to this concept.

Definition 1. [2] Let $A = (a_{ik})$ be an infinite matrix of complex numbers. If $A_i(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{ik}x_k$ converges for each i then $Ax = (A_i(x))$ such that

$$N_\theta(A, F) = \left\{ x = (x_i) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) = 0 \text{ for some } \ell \right\}$$

where $F = (f_i)$ is a sequence of modulus functions such that $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0^+} \sup_i f_i(u) = 0$.

Definition 2. Let $A = (a_{ik})$ be an infinite matrix of complex numbers, $F = (f_i)$ be a sequence of modulus functions and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. We say that the sequence $x = (x_k)$ is lacunary strong A -convergent of order α to a number ℓ with respect to a sequence of modulus functions (or $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$ -convergent to ℓ) if

$$N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) = \left\{ x = (x_i) : \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) = 0 \text{ for some } \ell \right\}.$$

In this case, we write $x_i \rightarrow \ell(N_\theta^\alpha(A, F))$ or $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) - \lim x_i = \ell$. Note that, if we get $f_i = f$, then $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) = N_\theta^\alpha(A, f)$. If $A = I$ unit matrix, we write $N_\theta^\alpha(F)$ for $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$.

$N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$ are linear spaces. Suppose that $x_i \rightarrow \ell(N_\theta^\alpha(A, F))$ and $y_i \rightarrow \ell'(N_\theta^\alpha(A, F))$ to show it. Then there exist integers T_1 and T_2 such that $|a| \leq T_1$ and $|b| \leq T_2$. We have

$$\frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i \left| A_i(ax + by) - (a\ell + b\ell') \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|a(A_i(x) - \ell) + b(A_i(y) - \ell')|) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} (f_i(|a(A_i(x) - \ell)|) + f_i(|b(A_i(y) - \ell')|)) \\ &\leq T_1 \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) + T_2 \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(y) - \ell'|). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $ax + by \longrightarrow al + bl' (N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F))$.

Definition 3. Let $A = (a_{ik})$ be an infinite matrix of complex numbers, $F = (f_i)$ be a sequence of modulus functions and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. We say that the sequence $x = (x_k)$ is strong A -convergent of order α to a number ℓ with respect to a sequence of modulus functions (or $w^{\alpha}(A, F)$ -convergent to ℓ) if

$$w^{\alpha}(A, F) = \left\{ x = (x_i) : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) = 0 \text{ for some } \ell \right\}.$$

In this case, we write $x_i \rightarrow \ell(w^{\alpha}(A, F))$. Note that, if we get $f_i = f$, then $w^{\alpha}(A, F) = w^{\alpha}(A, f)$. If $A = I$ unit matrix, we write $w^{\alpha}(F)$ for $w^{\alpha}(A, F)$.

Definition 4. [36] Let $A = (a_{ik})$ be an infinite matrix of complex numbers. Then a sequence $x = (x_k)$ is said to be lacunary A -statistical convergence to a number ℓ (or $S_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A)$ -convergent to ℓ) if for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} |\{i \in I_r : |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

The set of all lacunary A -statistical convergence sequences of order α will be denoted by $S_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A)$. If $\theta = 2^r$, we write $S^{\alpha}(A)$ instead of $S_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A)$.

Theorem 5. If $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F) - \lim x_i = \ell_1$ and $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F) - \lim x_i = \ell_2$, then $\ell_1 = \ell_2$.

Proof. Since $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F) - \lim x_i = \ell_1$ and $N_{\theta}^{\alpha}(A, F) - \lim x_i = \ell_2$, we can write

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell_1|) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha}} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell_2|) = 0.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} |\ell_1 - \ell_2| &= |\ell_1 - \ell_2 + A_i(x) - A_i(x)| \\ &\leq |A_i(x) - \ell_1| + |A_i(x) - \ell_2|. \end{aligned}$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|\ell_1 - \ell_2|) &= \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|\ell_1 - \ell_2 + A_i(x) - A_i(x)|) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell_1|) + \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell_2|). \end{aligned}$$

This is possible with $\ell_1 = \ell_2$. □

Theorem 6. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. If $\liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} f_i \frac{f_i(u)}{u} > 0$, then $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) \subseteq N_\theta^\alpha(A)$.*

Proof. If $\liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} f_i \frac{f_i(u)}{u} > 0$, then there exist a number $\beta > 0$ such that $f_i(u) \geq \beta u$ for all $u > 0$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $x \in N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$. It is clear that

$$\frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \geq \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} \beta |A_i(x) - \ell| = \beta \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} |A_i(x) - \ell|.$$

Therefore $x_i \rightarrow \ell(N_\theta^\alpha(A))$.

If $\beta = 0$, then $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) \subseteq N_\theta^\alpha(A)$ may not be provided. Consider $A = I$ and $f_i(x) = x^{\frac{2}{i}}$ ($i \geq 1, x > 0$). Define $x = (x_i)$ by for $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$x_i = \begin{cases} \sqrt{h_r}, & \text{if } i = k_r \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We can write

$$\frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x)|) = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} f_{k_r}(\sqrt{h_r}) = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} h_r^{\frac{1}{k_r}} \rightarrow 0, \quad (\text{as } r \rightarrow \infty)$$

for $\alpha > \frac{1}{k_r}$ and so $x \in N_\theta^{0,\alpha}(A, F) \subseteq N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$. But

$$\frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} |A_i(x)| = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} |x_i| = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sqrt{h_r} \rightarrow 1, \quad (\text{as } r \rightarrow \infty)$$

for $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and

$$\frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} |A_i(x)| = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} |x_i| = \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sqrt{h_r} \rightarrow \infty, \quad (\text{as } r \rightarrow \infty)$$

for $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$. $x \notin N_\theta^{0,\alpha}(A) \subseteq N_\theta^\alpha(A)$ is obtained. As a result $\beta > 0$ must be. □

Theorem 7. *Let (f_i) be pointwise convergent. If $\lim_i f_i(u) > 0$ for $u > 0$, then $N_\theta^\alpha(A, F) \subseteq S_\theta^\alpha(A)$ for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$.*

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $x_i \rightarrow \ell(N_\theta^\alpha(A, F))$. If $\lim_i f_i(u) > 0$, then there exist a number $\rho > 0$ such that $f_i(\varepsilon) > \rho$ for $u > \varepsilon$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) &\geq \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{\substack{i \in I_r \\ |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon}} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} |\{i \in I_r : |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| f_i(\varepsilon) \\ &\geq \rho \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} |\{i \in I_r : |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| \end{aligned}$$

for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. It follows that $x_i \rightarrow \ell(S_\theta^\alpha(A))$. □

Theorem 8. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. If $\lim_i f_i(u) > 0$ for $u > 0$, then $w^\alpha(A, F) \subseteq S^\alpha(A)$.*

Proof. Let $x_i \rightarrow \ell(w^\alpha(A, F))$ be. From Theorem 7, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n^\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) &\geq \frac{1}{n^\alpha} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon}}^n f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{n^\alpha} |\{i \leq n : |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| f_i(\varepsilon) \\ &\geq \rho \frac{1}{n^\alpha} |\{i \leq n : |A_i(x) - \ell| \geq \varepsilon\}| \end{aligned}$$

and so $x_i \rightarrow \ell(S^\alpha(A))$. □

Theorem 9. *i) If $\liminf q_r > 1$, then $w^\alpha(A, F) \subseteq N_\theta^\alpha(A, F)$, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$.*

ii) If $\limsup \frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} < \infty$, then $N_\theta(A, F) \subseteq w^\alpha(A, F)$, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$.

Proof. *i)* Let $x_i \rightarrow \ell(w^\alpha(A, F))$ and $\liminf q_r > 1$. There exist a $\delta > 0$ such that $q_r = \frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}} \geq 1 + \delta$. We have

$$\left(\frac{h_r}{k_r}\right) \geq \frac{\delta}{\delta + 1} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{h_r}{k_r}\right)^\alpha \geq \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta + 1}\right)^\alpha$$

for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. We can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k_r^\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{k_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) &\geq \frac{1}{k_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \\ &= \left(\frac{h_r^\alpha}{k_r^\alpha}\right) \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \\ &\geq \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta + 1}\right)^\alpha \frac{1}{h_r^\alpha} \sum_{i \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|). \end{aligned}$$

$x_i \rightarrow \ell(N_\theta^\alpha(A, F))$ is obtained.

ii) If $\limsup \frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} < \infty$, then there is $M > 0$ such that $\frac{k_r}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} < M$ for $r \geq 1$. Now suppose that $x \in N_\theta^0(A, F)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. We can find $R > 0$ and $K > 0$ numbers such that $\sup_{i \geq R} \tau_i < \varepsilon$ and $\tau_i < K$ for every $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Let t be any integer with $k_{r-1} < t \leq k_r$. For $r > R$ and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{t^\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^t f_i(|A_i(x)|) &\leq \frac{1}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{k_r} f_i(|A_i(x)|) \\ &= \frac{1}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \left(\sum_{I_1} f_i(|A_i(x)|) + \sum_{I_2} f_i(|A_i(x)|) + \dots + \sum_{I_r} f_i(|A_i(x)|) \right) \\ &= \frac{k_1}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \tau_1 + \frac{k_2 - k_1}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \tau_2 + \dots + \frac{k_R - k_{R-1}}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \tau_R + \frac{k_{R+1} - k_R}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \tau_{R+1} + \dots + \frac{k_r - k_{r-1}}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} \tau_r \\ &\leq \left(\sup_{i \geq 1} \tau_i \right) \frac{k_R}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} + \left(\sup_{i \geq R} \tau_i \right) \frac{k_r - k_R}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} < K \frac{k_R}{k_{r-1}^\alpha} + \varepsilon M. \end{aligned}$$

We deduce $x \in w^{0,\alpha}(A, F)$. □

Theorem 10. Let $\theta = (k_r)$ and $\theta' = (s_r)$ be two lacunary sequences such that $I_r \subset J_r$ for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1$ and β_2 be such that $0 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq 1$,

(i) If

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{h_r^{\alpha_1}}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} > 0 \tag{1}$$

then $N_{\theta', \alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A, F) \subset N_{\theta, \alpha_1}^{\beta_1}(A, F)$,

(ii) If the modulus $F = (f_i)$ is bounded and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ell_r}{h_r^{\alpha_2}} = 1 \tag{2}$$

then $N_{\theta, \alpha_1}^{\beta_2}(A, F) \subset N_{\theta', \alpha_2}^{\beta_1}(A, F)$.

Proof. (i) Let $x \in N_{\theta', \alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A, F)$. We can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in J_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_2} &\geq \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_2} \\ &\geq \frac{h_r^{\alpha_1}}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha_1}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus if $x \in N_{\theta', \alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A, F)$, then $x \in N_{\theta, \alpha_1}^{\beta_1}(A, F)$.

(ii) Let $x = (x_k) \in N_{\theta, \alpha_1}^{\beta_2}(A, F)$ and (2) holds. Assume that $F = (f_i)$ is bounded. Therefore $f_i(x) \leq K$, for a positive integer K and all $x \geq 0$. Now, since $I_r \subseteq J_r$

and $h_r \leq \ell_r$ for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in J_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_1} &= \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in J_r - I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_1} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_1} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\ell_r - h_r}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \right)^{\beta_1} K^{\beta_1} + \frac{1}{\ell_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_1} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\ell_r - h_r^{\alpha_2}}{h_r^{\alpha_2}} \right) K^{\beta_1} + \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha_2}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_2} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\ell_r}{h_r^{\alpha_2}} - 1 \right) K^{\beta_1} + \frac{1}{h_r^{\alpha_1}} \left(\sum_{k \in I_r} f_i(|A_i(x) - \ell|) \right)^{\beta_2} \end{aligned}$$

for every $r \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore $N_{\theta, \alpha_1}^{\beta_2}(A, F) \subset N_{\theta', \alpha_2}^{\beta_1}(A, F)$. \square

Now as a result of Theorem 10 we have the following Corollary 11.

Corollary 11. *Let $\theta = (k_r)$ and $\theta' = (s_r)$ be two lacunary sequences such that $I_r \subset J_r$ for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$.*

- (i) *If (1) holds then, $N_{\theta'}(A, F) \subset N_\theta(A, F)$ for $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1$ and $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1$.*
- (ii) *If (2) holds then, $N_\theta(A, F) \subset N_{\theta'}(A, F)$ for $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1$ and $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1$.*

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