

TAUBERIAN THEOREMS

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ABSTRACT

Tauberian constants and estimates are calculated for the difference of two linear transforms from the form (1.1) of the same function satisfying Tauberian conditions.

Applications for number-sequences, and connections with previous results are shown.

1. Introduction. Denote by $T(y)$ ($y \geq 0$) some integral-transform of a function $f(x)$ ($-\infty < x < +\infty$) of the form

$$(1.1) \quad T(y) \equiv T_{\beta}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x)d(1 - \beta(y - x))$$

where $\beta(x)$ is a function of bounded variation on $-\infty < x < +\infty$. In addition to Tauberian theorems, which give information about $\lim_x f(x)$ if $\lim_y T(y)$ exists, it is possible to find estimates concerning $|T_{\beta}(y) - f(x)|$ even if neither the existence of $\lim_y T(y)$ nor that of $\lim_x f(x)$ is assumed. Studies of such problems concerning number-sequences and the usual Abel-transform originated with the paper of Hadwiger [5], concerning integral-transforms with Agnew [2], Delange [3], Rajagopal [10], Jakimowski [8]. In Section II of the present paper we shall obtain a simple proof of estimates of $|T_{\beta}(y) - T_{\gamma}(\eta)|$ where T_{β} and T_{γ} are transforms satisfying certain general conditions, y and η tend to $+\infty$ with a connection on $y - \eta$. Our result contains as special cases many known results.

2. Tauberian Constants. The main result is the following:

THEOREM 1. *Let $f(x)$ ($-\infty < x < +\infty$) be a real or complex-valued, continuous, almost everywhere differentiable function satisfying*

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$$

$$(2.2) \quad f'(x) = O(1) \text{ for } -\infty < x < +\infty$$

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{-\infty}^x f'(t)dt = f(x)$$

$$(2.4) \quad \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow +\infty} |f'(x)| = L < +\infty.$$

Let $\beta(x)$ and $\gamma(x)$ be real functions of bounded variation over $-\infty < x < +\infty$, satisfying

$$(2.5) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \beta(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \gamma(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \beta(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \gamma(x) = 1$$

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{cases} \beta(x) \in L_1(-\infty, 0) & ; & \gamma(x) \in L_1(-\infty, 0) \\ (1 - \beta(x)) \in L_1(0, +\infty); & & (1 - \gamma(x)) \in L_1(0, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

$$(2.7) \quad \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_{-\infty}^u |d\beta(x)| du < +\infty, \quad \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_{-\infty}^u |d\gamma(x)| du < +\infty$$

and let $y = y(t)$ and $\eta = \eta(t)$ be positive increasing function with $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = +\infty$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \eta(t) = +\infty$ and

$$(2.8) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} (y(t) - \eta(t)) = q, \quad -\infty < q < +\infty$$

then

$$(2.9) \quad \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |T_\beta(y) - T_\gamma(\eta)| \leq L \cdot A_q$$

where

$$(2.10) \quad A_q = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\beta(x) - \gamma(x - q)| dx,$$

and A_q is the best possible constant satisfying (2.9), since there exists a real function $f(x)$, with $0 < L < +\infty$ and such, that in (2.9) the equality sign holds.

Before giving the proof we mention some particular examples.

EXAMPLE (i). Let $\{s_k\}$ ($k \geq 1$) ($s_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$) be a real or complex sequence satisfying $ka_k = O(1)$, and define

$$(2.11) \quad \beta(x) = e^{-e^{-x}}, \quad \gamma(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(2.12) \quad f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k + a_{n+1} \frac{x - \log n}{\log(n+1) - \log n}, \quad \log n \leq x < \log(n+1)$$

If we denote $e^\eta = \tau$, $e^{-e^{-\eta}} = \rho$, then it is easy to see that $T_\gamma(\eta) = s_{[\tau]} + o(1)$ and $T_\beta(y) = (1 - \rho) \sum_{k=1}^\infty s_k \rho^k + o(1)$.

Thus we have by Theorem 1

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |s_{[t]} - A(\rho)| \leq L \left(\int_{-\infty}^{-\log \rho} e^{-e^{-x}} dx + \int_{-\log \rho}^{+\infty} (1 - e^{-e^{-x}}) dx \right)$$

where $L = \overline{\lim}_{k \rightarrow \infty} |ka_k|$, $A(\rho)$ is the usual Abel-transform of the series $\{s_k\}$, $\tau \rightarrow +\infty$, $\rho \rightarrow 1$, $\tau(1-\rho) \rightarrow q$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$. This is an equivalent form of a result of Agnew [7].

EXAMPLE. (ii). Let $\{s_k\}, f(x), \gamma(x)$ and L defined as in example (i).

Let for $\alpha > 0$,

$$(2.13) \quad \beta(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ (1 - e^{-x})^\alpha & x \geq 0 \end{cases};$$

If we denote $e^y = u$, $e^n = \tau$, and $f(\log x) = s(x)$ we have

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} T_\gamma(\eta) &= s_{[\tau]} + o(1) \\ T_\beta(y) &= \frac{\alpha}{u^\alpha} \int_0^u s(x)(u-x)^{\alpha-1} dx \equiv C^{(\alpha)}(u) \end{aligned}$$

$C^{(\alpha)}(u)$ being the Cèsaró-transform of order α of the function $s(x)$.

Now by Theorem 1

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |s_{[\tau]} - C^{(\alpha)}(u)| \leq L \cdot A_q^{(\alpha)}$$

where $\tau \rightarrow +\infty$, $u \rightarrow +\infty$, $\tau u^{-1} \rightarrow q > 0$, as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, and

$$A_q^{(\alpha)} = \begin{cases} \int_0^{-\log q} (1 - e^{-x})^\alpha dx + \int_{-\log q}^{+\infty} (1 - (1 - e^{-x})^\alpha) dx & \text{if } q < 1 \\ \log q + \int_0^\infty (1 - (1 - e^{-x})^\alpha) dx & \text{if } q \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

This is a result analogous to a theorem of V. Garten [8] and A. Jakimowski [9].

EXAMPLE (iii). The $[J, f(x)]$ -transformations were defined in [6] as follows: Let $\phi(x)$ be a function of bounded variation in $[0, 1]$, $\phi(0+) = \phi(0) = 0$, $\phi(1-) = \phi(1) = 1$. The $[J, f(x)]$ -transforms of a sequence $\{s_n\}$ ($n \geq 1$) ($s_n = a_1 + \dots + a_n$) is

$$(2.15) \quad F_\phi(x) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty s_k \frac{x^k}{k!} \int_0^1 u^x \left(\log \frac{1}{u}\right)^k d\phi(u)$$

If we denote $x = e^y$, $u = e^{-e^{-v}}$, $\phi(u) = \beta(v)$, we have

$$(2.16) \quad F_\phi(x) = F_\phi(e^y) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty s_k \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{e^{kv}}{k!} e^{-e^v} d(1 - \beta(y - v))$$

Now, if $ka_k = O(1)$, and $B(x) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty s_k (x^k/k!) e^{-x}$ is the usual Borel-transform of the sequence $\{s_k\}$, it is easy to show (see for example my paper [10]) that

$$(2.17) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} |B(x) - s_{[x]}| = 0$$

thus

$$B(e^v) = O(v) \quad \text{as } v \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Therefore, if $\beta(v)$ satisfies the conditions of Theorem 1, it follows by (2.7) that the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} B(e^v) d(1 - \beta(y - v))$$

is absolutely convergent, and thus we may write (2.16) in the equivalent form

$$(2.18) \quad F_\phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} B(e^v) d(1 - \beta(y - v)).$$

Also, by (2.12) and (2.17),

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow +\infty} |B(e^v) - f(v)| = 0;$$

therefore, it is easily seen that

$$(2.19) \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} |F_\phi(x) - T_\beta(y)| = 0,$$

where

$$T_\beta(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(v) d(1 - \beta(y - v)).$$

Now, if $\gamma(x)$ is as in (2.11), $e^\eta = \tau$, and $L = \overline{\lim}_{k \rightarrow +\infty} |ka_k|$, by Theorem 1 and (2.19)

$$(2.20) \quad \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |s_{[t]} - F_\phi(x)| \leq L \cdot A(\phi, q)$$

where $\tau \rightarrow +\infty$, $x \rightarrow +\infty$, $\tau x^{-1} \rightarrow q > 0$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, and

$$A(\phi, q) = \int_{-\infty}^{-\log q} |\phi(\bar{e}^{-e^{-v}})| dv + \int_{-\log q}^{+\infty} |1 - \phi(\bar{e}^{-e^{-v}})| dv$$

This is a more general result than Jakimowski's in [8], namely we do not suppose here that $\phi(x)$ is a monotonic function of x in $[0, 1]$, but only that the conditions of Theorem 1 are satisfied concerning $\beta(x) = \phi(\bar{e}^{-e^{-x}})$. The monotonicity of $\phi(x)$ clearly implies our assumptions.

EXAMPLE. (iv). Let $\beta(x)$ be as in (2.13) and $\gamma(x) = e^{-e^{-x}}$. Then if $e^y = u$, $e^{-e^{-\eta}} = \rho$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_\beta(y) &= C^{(\alpha)}(u) && \text{as in (2.14)} \\ T_\gamma(\eta) &= A(\rho) && \text{as in example (i)} \end{aligned}$$

Now, by Theorem 1

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |C^{(\alpha)}(u) - A(\rho)| \leq L \cdot A(q, \alpha)$$

where $u \rightarrow +\infty$, $\rho \rightarrow 1$, $u(1 - \rho) \rightarrow q > 0$ if $t \rightarrow +\infty$,

$$A(q, \alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-qe^{-x}} dx + \int_0^{\infty} |(1 - e^{-x})^\alpha - e^{-qe^{-x}}| dx.$$

If $q \leq \alpha$ the sign of absolute value in the second integral can be removed, since $e^{-u} \geq 1 - u$ for all $u \geq 0$. In particular, if $\alpha = q = 1$,

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |C^{(1)}(u) - A(\rho)| \leq L \cdot A_1$$

where $u \rightarrow +\infty$, $\rho \rightarrow 1$, $u(1 - \rho) \rightarrow 1$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, and an easy calculation yields

$$A_1 = 1 - C,$$

C being Euler's constant.

Concerning transforms $T_\beta(y)$ with a monotonic increasing function $\beta(x)$ we shall be able to prove the much more general result:

THEOREM 2. *Let $\beta(x)$ be an increasing function satisfying the conditions of Theorem 1 and let $s(x) \equiv f(\log x)$ be a real, or complex valued slowly oscillating function for $x > 0$ (i.e. $s(x) - s(y) \rightarrow 0$, if $x \rightarrow +\infty$, $xy^{-1} \rightarrow 1$). Then for every fixed q , $-\infty < q < +\infty$,*

$$(2.21) \quad \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |f(\eta) - T_\beta(y)| \leq L^* \cdot A_q^*,$$

where $y = y(t) \rightarrow +\infty$, $\eta = \eta(t) \rightarrow +\infty$, $y - \eta \rightarrow q$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$,

$$(2.22) \quad L^* = \lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \overline{\lim}_{y \geq x + \delta \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \right|$$

and

$$(2.23) \quad A_q^* = \int_{-\infty}^q \beta(x) dx + \int_q^{+\infty} (1 - \beta(x)) dx.$$

Moreover, the constant A_q^* in (2.21) is the best possible in the same sense as in Theorem 1.

REMARK. It is well known, that if $f(x)$ satisfies conditions of Theorem 1, then $s(x) \equiv f(\log x)$ is slowly oscillating and L^* in (2.22) is \leq than L in (2.4). By (2.23), A_q^* has the same value as A_q by Theorem 1 for the special case $T_\beta(\eta) = f(\eta)$. Thus, for increasing $\beta(x)$ Theorem 2 is a more general result.

Proofs. In the proof we shall need the following modification of the lemma of Agnew [9].

LEMMA. Let $H(t, x)$ be a real function of the variables

$$t, x(t > 0; -\infty < x < +\infty)$$

satisfying the following conditions

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |H(t, x)| dx \text{ exists for } t > 0,$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^c |H(t, x)| dx = 0 \quad \text{for every } c,$$

and suppose

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |H(t, x)| dx = A < +\infty.$$

Let $g(x)$ be any function of the real variable x , ($-\infty < x < +\infty$) satisfying $g(x) = O(1)$ for $-\infty < x < +\infty$, and suppose

$$\overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow +\infty} |g(x)| = L < +\infty.$$

Then for

$$T(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} H(t, x)g(x)dx$$

we have

$$(2.24) \quad \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |T(t)| \leq L \cdot A,$$

and the constant A is the best possible in the sense that there exists a real function $g(x)$ with $0 < L < +\infty$ such that in (2.24) both sides are equal.

The proof of the lemma is the same as the very similar lemma of Rajagopal [10].

Proof of Theorem 1. By (1.1) we have

$$T_{\beta}(y) - T_{\gamma}(\eta) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x)d\{\gamma(\eta - x) - \beta(y - x)\};$$

by (2.3)

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f'(u)dud\{\gamma(\eta - x) - \beta(y - x)\}.$$

By (2.2), (2.6) and (2.7) we may interchange the order of integrations and by (2.5) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f'(u)\{\beta(y - u) - \gamma(\eta - u)\}du \\ &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f'(u)H(t, u)du, \end{aligned}$$

with $y = y(t)$, $\eta = \eta(t)$. Now it is easy to check that $H(t, u)$ satisfies the conditions of the Lemma; thus we have

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |T_\beta(y) - T_\gamma(\eta)| \leq L \cdot A_q,$$

where

$$A_q = \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\beta(y - u) - \gamma(\eta - u)| du,$$

and by (2.8) and Lebesgue's well known theorem

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\beta(x) - \gamma(x - q)| dx.$$

Q.E.D.

Proof of Theorem 2. First, by a slight modification of a theorem of R. Schmidt [11], for all x, y satisfying $|x - y| \geq \delta > 0$

$$(2.25) \quad |f(x) - f(y)| \leq K_\delta \cdot |x - y|,$$

K being dependent only on δ . Thus the \lim defining L^* in (2.22) certainly exists.

In order to prove our Theorem it is enough to show that (2.21) holds; the fact that A_q^* is the best possible constant satisfying (2.21) follows from the remark after Theorem 2. Let now be $\epsilon > 0$ given; define $\delta > 0$, $x_0 > 0$ such, that for $x \geq x_0$, $y \geq x_0$, $|x - y| \geq \delta$ (by (2.22))

$$(2.26) \quad |f(x) - f(y)| < (L^* + \epsilon) |x - y|,$$

and for $x \geq x_0$, $y \geq x_0$ and $|x - y| \leq \delta$ (since $f(\log x)$ is slowly oscillating)

$$(2.27) \quad |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon.$$

Now

$$(2.28) \quad \begin{aligned} f(\eta) - T_\beta(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (f(\eta) - f(x))d(1 - \beta(y - x)) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{x_0} + \int_{x_0}^{\eta - \delta} + \int_{\eta - \delta}^{\eta + \delta} + \int_{\eta + \delta}^{+\infty} = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 \end{aligned}$$

Let $y, \eta > x_0 + \delta$.

By (2.25)

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= O \left(\int_{-\infty}^{x_0} (\eta - x)d(1 - \beta(y - x)) \right) \\ &= O \left\{ (\eta - y)(1 - \beta(y - x_0)) + \int_{y - x_0}^{+\infty} u d\beta(u) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.5) and (2.6) we obtain easily

$$(2.29) \quad I_1 = o(1) \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow \infty.$$

By (2.26)

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_2| &\leq (L^* + \varepsilon) \int_{x_0}^{\eta - \delta} (\eta - x) d(1 - \beta(y - x)) \leq (L^* + \varepsilon) \int_{y - \eta}^{\infty} d\beta(u) \int_{y - \eta}^u dt \\
 (2.30) \qquad &= (L^* + \varepsilon) \cdot \int_{y - \eta}^{\infty} (1 - \beta(u)) du
 \end{aligned}$$

In the same way

$$(2.31) \qquad |I_4| \leq \left(\int_{-\infty}^{y - \eta} \beta(u) du \right) \cdot (L^* + \varepsilon).$$

By (2.27)

$$(2.32) \qquad |I_3| \leq \varepsilon \int_{y - \eta - \delta}^{y - \eta + \delta} d\beta(u) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary we have by (2.28) – (2.32), as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$, $y - \eta \rightarrow q$,

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} |f(\eta) - T_\beta(y)| \leq L^* \cdot A_4$$

Q.E.D.

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