

## ON ORDINARY LIMITABILITY FACTORS FOR CESARO MEANS

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**Abstract :** This paper deals with the problem of finding necessary and sufficient conditions in order that, for some  $l'$ ,  $f(x)g(x) \sim l'x^{p+q}(C, \mu)$  whenever  $f(x) \sim lx^p(C, \lambda)$  for some  $l$ , where  $\mu \geq \lambda \geq 1$ ,  $p > -1$ ,  $p + q > -1$  and  $f \in L_{loc}^\infty$ . This problem is a generalization of a problem considered earlier,\* in which  $\mu, \lambda$  were replaced by positive integers  $r, k$ ,  $r \geq k$  and  $l$  and  $l'$  were zero.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $f$  be a real function with domain  $\leq [1, \infty)$ . If  $f \in L_{loc}$  (i.e.  $f$  is locally Lebesgue integrable) and  $\lambda > 0$ , we define

$$f_\lambda(x) = I_\lambda f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_1^x (x-t)^{\lambda-1} f(t) dt, \text{ and set } f_o(x) = f(x).$$

we say that  $f(x)$  is Cesaro limitable of order  $\lambda$  in the ordinary sense to  $l$ , written  $f(x) \rightarrow l(C, \lambda)$  if  $\Gamma(\lambda + 1)x^{-\lambda}f_\lambda(x) \rightarrow l$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . More generally, if  $p > -1$ ,  $l \neq 0$ , we write  $f(x) \sim lx^p(C, \lambda)$  if

$$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda+p+1)}{\Gamma(p+1)} x^{-p-\lambda} f_\lambda(x) \rightarrow l \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

If  $p$  is real, we write  $f(x) = o(x^p)(C, \lambda)$  [or  $o(x^p)(C, \lambda)$ ] if  $x^{-p-\lambda}f_\lambda(x) = o(1)$  [or  $o(1)$ ] as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

In (5), we found conditions necessary and sufficient in order that  $f(x)g(x) = o(x^{p+q})(C, r)$  whenever  $f(x) = o(x^p)(C, k)$ , where  $r, k$  are non-negative integers and  $r \geq k$ . (See (5), Theorem 1). This is the integral analogue of a theorem given in (3). The following theorem is a direct consequence of the above Theorem 1.

**THEOREM A :** Let  $r, k \in \mathbb{N}_v$ ,  $r \geq k$ ,  $p > -1$ ,  $p+q > -1$ . Also let  $f \in L_{loc}$  and  $g \in L_{loc}^\infty$  if  $k = 0$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , and  $g^{k-1} \in AC_{loc}$  if  $k \geq 1$ .

Then, conditions necessary and sufficient in order that for some  $l'$ ,  $f(x)g(x) \sim l'x^{p+q}(C, r)$  whenever  $f(x) \sim lx^p(C, k)$  for some  $l$  are :

\* (5), Theorem 1.

- (a) (i)<sub>a</sub>  $\int_1^x |\phi(t)| dt = O(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,
- (ii)<sub>a</sub>  $\phi(x) \rightarrow l''$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  (C, r) for some  $l''$ , where  $\phi(x) = x^{-q}g(x)$ , in the case  $k = 0$ ,  $r \geq 1$  and
- (b) (i)<sub>b</sub>  $\phi(x) = O(1)$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,
- (ii)<sub>b</sub>  $\int_1^x t^{k-q} |g^k(t)| dt = O(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,
- (iii)<sub>b</sub>  $\phi(x) \rightarrow l''$  (C, r) as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,

in the case  $r \geq k \geq 1$ .

In this paper, we generalise Theorem A. We replace the integers  $r, k$  by real numbers  $\mu, \lambda$  respectively, where  $\mu \geq \lambda \geq 1$ . We also drop the restriction  $g^{k-1} \in AC_{loc}$ . We prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM B** : Let  $\mu \geq \lambda \geq 1$ ,  $p > -1$ ,  $p + q > -1$  and  $f \in L_{loc}$ . Then conditions necessary and sufficient in order that, for some  $l'$ ,  $f(x)g(x) \sim l'x^{p+q}$  (C,  $\mu$ ) whenever  $f(x) \sim lx^p$  (C,  $\lambda$ ) for some  $l$  are that, for some  $a$  ( $\geq 1$ ),

(i)  $g \in L^\infty(1, a)$ ,

(ii)  $\frac{1}{u^a} \int_u^u t^{-q} g(t) dt = l_0 \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_u^\infty (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v)$  for all  $u > a$ ,

where  $l_0$  is a constant and  $\int_a^\infty t^\lambda |d\alpha(t)| < \infty$ .

See (1) and (4), where Cesaro summability problems of a similar nature have been considered.

Theorem B is deduced from some theorems stated and proved in section 3.

## 2. Auxiliary Results

We first define the following subspaces of  $L_{loc}$  :

(i)  $(C, \lambda, p, 1) = \{f/f(x) \sim lx^p \text{ (C, } \lambda)\}$  with the norm defined by

$$\|f\| = \sup_{t \geq 1} t^{-p-\lambda} |f_\lambda(t)|.$$

(ii)  $C_\lambda = \{f/f \in (C, \lambda, 0, 1) \text{ for some } l\}$ .

$$(iii) \quad N_\lambda^a = \{f/f \in (C, \lambda, 0, 0), f(t) = 0 \text{ for } t < a, G \in L(a, \infty)\},$$

where  $G(u) = uf(u) - \int_1^u f(t)dt$ , with

$$\|f\| = \sup_{t \geq a} t^{-\lambda} |f_\lambda(t)| = \sup_{t \geq a} \left| \int_1^t u^{-\lambda-1} G_{\lambda-1}(u) du \right|$$

$$(iv) \quad (B, \lambda, p) = \{f/f(x) = O(x^p)(C, \lambda)\}$$

$$(v) \quad B_\lambda = (B, \lambda, 0)$$

$$(vi) \quad C_o[a, \infty) = \{f/f \text{ is continuous for } t \geq a, f(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty\} \text{ with } \|f\| = \sup_{t \geq a} |f(t)|.$$

$$(vii) \quad BV[a, \infty) = \{f/f \text{ is of bounded variation in } [a, \infty)\}.$$

The following lemmas will be used in the proofs of the theorems.

LEMMA 1 : If  $(N_\lambda^a)^*$  denotes the dual space of  $N_\lambda^a$ , then every continuous linear functional  $\Lambda \in (N_\lambda^a)^*$  is given by an equation of the form

$$\Lambda(f) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^\infty f(u) du \int_u^\infty (t-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(t), \text{ where}$$

$$\int_a^\infty t^\lambda |d\alpha(t)| < \infty, \text{ the norm of the functional } \Lambda \text{ being given by}$$

$$\|\Lambda\| = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^\infty t^\lambda |d\alpha(t)|.$$

Proof : Consider the equation  $T_f(t) = y(t) = t^{-\lambda} \int_1^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \dots (2.1)$

Then,  $T_f \in C_o[a, \infty)$  whenever  $f \in N_\lambda^a$ .

Also,  $\|T_f\|_{C_o(a, \infty)} = \sup_{t \geq a} |T_f(t)| = \|f\|_{N_\lambda^a}$  and thus the linear operator

$T : N_\lambda^a \rightarrow C_o[a, \infty)$  defined by (2.1) is a continuous linear operator which maps  $N_\lambda^a$  isometrically onto a subspace of  $C_o[a, \infty)$ . By the Riesz representation theorem, every  $\Lambda \in (C_o[a, \infty))^*$  is given by

$$\Lambda(y) = \int_a^\infty y(t) d\beta(t), y \in C_o[a, \infty), \text{ where } \beta \in BV(a, \infty) \text{ and } \|\Lambda\| = \int_a^\infty |d\beta(t)|.$$

\* See (4), Lemma 2.

Hence, by extending the functional  $\Lambda(y)$ , we can write every  $\Lambda \in (N_\lambda^a)^*$  in the form

$$\Lambda(f) = \int_a^\infty t^{-\lambda} \int_1^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \, d\beta(t), \beta \in BV(a, \infty). \dots\dots *$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } \Lambda(f) &= \int_a^\infty f(u) du \int_u^\infty (t-u)^{\lambda-1} t^{-\lambda} d\beta(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^\infty f(u) du \int_u^\infty (t-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(t) \text{ where} \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha(t) = -\Gamma(\lambda) \int_t^\infty u^{-\lambda} d\beta(u) \text{ and}$$

$$\|\Lambda\| = \int_a^\infty |d\beta(t)| = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^\infty t^\lambda |d\alpha(t)|.$$

Since  $f \in N_\lambda^a$ , the inversion of the order of integration is justified.

**LEMMA 2 :** Suppose  $f.g \in B_\mu$  for some  $\mu$  whenever  $f \in C_\lambda$ .

Then, (i)  $g \in L^\infty(1, \infty)$ ;

(ii) There exist a  $(\geq 1)$  and  $K$  such that if

$$\Lambda(f) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{u} \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt, \text{ then } \Lambda \in (N_\lambda^a)^* \text{ and } \|\Lambda\| \leq K.$$

**Proof :** The necessity of (i) follows trivially since constant functions belong to  $C_\lambda$ .

Now assume that (ii) is false, i.e. It is false that ‘ for some  $a, K, |\Lambda(f)| \leq K \|f\|$  whenever  $f \in N_\lambda^a$ . ..... (2.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, for } \mu \geq 1, \frac{d}{du} (u^{-\mu} I_\mu f(u)g(u)) &= u^{-\mu} I_{\mu-1} f(u)g(u) - \mu u^{-\mu-1} I_\mu f(u)g(u) \\ &= u^{-\mu-1} G_{\mu-1}(u) \dots\dots\dots (2.3) \end{aligned}$$

where  $G(u) = uf(u)g(u) - \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt$ .

We now define by induction an increasing sequence  $\{a_n\}$  tending to  $+\infty$  and a sequence of functions  $\{f_n\}$  as follows :

Let  $a_0 = 1$  and suppose  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  and  $f_1, \dots, f_{n-1}$  have been defined such that  $f_r \in N_\lambda^{r-1}, r = 1, \dots, n-1$ .

Let  $G_r(u) = u f_r(u) g(u) - \int_1^u f_r(t) g(t) dt$  for every  $r$ .

By (2.2) there exists  $f_n \in N_\lambda^{a_n-1}$  such that

$$\|f_n\| < 2^{-n} \text{ and } \Lambda(f_n) > 1 \tag{2.4}$$

$$\text{Let } a_n = 2 a_{n-1} + \sum_{r=1}^n \int_1^\infty |G_r(u)| du \tag{2.5}$$

Note that  $\int_1^\infty |G_r(u)| du < \infty$  since  $g \in L^\infty(1, \infty)$  and  $f_r \in N_\lambda^{a_r-1}$ .

Now define  $f(t) = \sum_{r=1}^\infty f_r(t)$ . Then  $f(t) = 0$  for  $t < 1$ ,

$f \in L_{loc}$  and  $f(t) = \sum_{r=1}^n f_r(t)$  for  $1 \leq t \leq a_n$ .

$$\text{Also, } \lim_{\substack{t_1 \rightarrow \infty \\ t_2 \rightarrow \infty}} |t_2^{-\lambda} f_\lambda(t_2) - t_1^{-\lambda} f_\lambda(t_1)| \leq \lim_{\substack{t_1 \rightarrow \infty \\ t_2 \rightarrow \infty}} \sum_{r=1}^s |t_2^{-\lambda} (f_r)_\lambda(t_2) - t_1^{-\lambda} (f_r)_\lambda(t_1)|$$

$$+ \lim_{\substack{t_1 \rightarrow \infty \\ t_2 \rightarrow \infty}} \sum_{r=s+1}^\infty |t_2^{-\lambda} (f_r)_\lambda(t_2) - t_1^{-\lambda} (f_r)_\lambda(t_1)|$$

$$\leq \lim_{\substack{t_1 \rightarrow \infty \\ t_2 \rightarrow \infty}} \sum_{r=s+1}^\infty \|f_r\| \leq 2 \sum_{r=s+1}^\infty 2^{-r} = 2^{1-s} \text{ for arbitrary } s \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Hence  $t^{-\lambda} f_\lambda(t) \rightarrow$  a finite limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , and thus the function  $f$  constructed belongs to  $C_\lambda$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } & \int_1^{a_n} t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G(u) du = \sum_{r=1}^n \int_1^{a_n} t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du \\ & = \sum_{r=1}^n \int_1^\infty t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du - \sum_{r=1}^n \int_{a_n}^\infty t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du \\ & = \sum_{r=1}^n \int_1^\infty G_r(u) du \int_u^\infty (t-u)^{\mu-2} t^{-\mu-1} dt - \sum_{r=1}^n \int_{a_n}^\infty t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du \\ & = \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{\Gamma(\mu-1)}{\Gamma(\mu+1)} \Lambda(f_r) - \sum_{r=1}^n \int_{a_n}^\infty t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } \left| \sum_{r=1}^n \int_{a_n}^\infty t^{-\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G_r(u) du \right| \leq \sum_{r=1}^n \int_{a_n}^\infty t^{-3} dt \int_1^\infty |G_r(u)| du$$

$$< \frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{r=1}^n \int_1^\infty |G_r(u)| du < 1 \text{ by (2.5).}$$

$$\text{Hence } \int_1^{a_n} t^{\mu-1} dt \int_1^t (t-u)^{\mu-2} G(u) du > \frac{\Gamma(\mu-1)}{\Gamma(\mu+1)} n - 1 \text{ by (2.4)}$$

and by (2.3) it follows that  $\int_1^{a_n} \frac{(a_n - u)^{\mu-1}}{a_n^\mu} f(u)g(u)du \rightarrow +\infty$  when  $\mu > 1$ .

contradicting the fact that  $f.g \in B_\mu$  for some  $\mu$ . Hence the necessity of (ii).

**LEMMA 3 :** If  $p > -1, \lambda' > \lambda$ , then  $(C, \lambda, p, 1) \subset (C, \lambda', p, 1)$  and  $(B, \lambda, p) \subset (B, \lambda', p)$ .

This result is well known. Cf (2), Lemma 3.

**LEMMA 4 :** If  $p > -1, p+q > -1$  and  $g \in (C, \lambda, p, 1)$  [or  $(B, \lambda, p)$ ], then  $h \in (C, \lambda, p+q, 1)$  [or  $(B, \lambda, p+q)$ ], where  $h(x) = x^q g(x)$ .

Cf. (2), Lemma 4.

**LEMMA 5 :** If  $f \in B_\lambda, \lambda \geq 1$ , then there exist constants  $H, K$  such that

- (i)  $\left| \int_1^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} (v-u)^\alpha f(u)du \right| \leq H t^\lambda v^\alpha$  for  $v \geq t, \alpha \geq 0$ .
- (ii)  $\left| \int_1^t (t-u)^\beta [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}] f(u) du \right| \leq K t^{\beta+1} (t^{\lambda-1} + v^{\lambda-1})$  for  $v \geq t, \beta \geq 0$ .

**Proof :** The results are trivial for  $\lambda = 1$ , and hence take  $\lambda > 1$ .

- (i) Let  $\lambda = n + p$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0, 1 < p \leq 2$ , and  $M = \sup_{t \geq 1} t^{-\lambda} |f_\lambda(t)|$ .

By partial integration we have

$$\int_1^t \frac{(t-u)^{\lambda-1} (v-u)^\alpha f(u)du}{(v-u)^\alpha} = (-1)^{n+1} \int_1^t f_{n+1}(u) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u}\right)^{n+1} [(t-u)^{\lambda-1} (v-u)^\alpha] du$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n c_r J_r \text{ where } c_r \text{ is independent of } t \text{ and } v, \dots \dots \dots (2.6)$$

$$\text{and } J_r = \int_1^t (t-u)^{p+r-2} (v-u)^{\alpha-r} f_{n+1}(u)du$$

$$= \frac{(t-1)^r (v-1)^\alpha}{(v-1)^r} \int_1^{b_r} (t-u)^{p-2} f_{n+1}(u)du, \text{ where } 1 \leq b_r \leq t,$$

by the Second Mean Value Theorem.

By Riesz's Mean Value theorem,

$$|J_r| \leq (t-1)^r (v-1)^{\alpha-r} \sup_{1 \leq b \leq b_r} \left| \int_1^b (b-u)^{p-2} f_{n+1}(u)du \right|$$

$$= (t-1)^r (v-1)^{\alpha-1} \sup_{1 \leq b \leq b_r} |\Gamma(p-1) f_{n+p}(b)| \leq \Gamma(p-1) M t^\lambda v^\alpha,$$

since  $\left[ \frac{(t-1)^r}{(v-1)} \right] < 1$ , and  $\lambda, \alpha$  are non-negative.

Hence, (2.6) gives (i)

(ii) Take  $\beta = n+p$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0, 0 < p \leq 1$ . As before, we have

$$= \int_1^t (t-u)^\beta [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}] f(u) du$$

$$= (-1)^{n+1} \int_1^t f_{n+1}(u) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{n+1} \left\{ (t-u)^\beta [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}] \right\} du \dots\dots\dots (2.7)$$

But,  $\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right)^{n+1} \left\{ (t-u)^\beta [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}] \right\} = C_0 (t-u)^{\beta-n-1} [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}]$

$$+ \sum_{r=1}^{n+1} C_r (t-u)^{\beta-n-1+r} (v-u)^{\lambda-1-r} \dots\dots\dots (2.8)$$

As in (i),  $\left| \int_1^t (t-u)^{\beta-n-1+r} (v-u)^{\lambda-1-r} f_{n+1}(u) du \right| \leq \Gamma(\beta-n) M t^{\beta+1} v^{\lambda-1}$

..... (2.9)

Also,  $\left| \int_1^t (t-u)^{\beta-n-1} [(v-u)^{\lambda-1} - v^{\lambda-1}] f_{n+1}(u) du \right|$

$$= [v^{\lambda-1} - (v-u)^{\lambda-1}] \left| \int_1^t (t-u)^{\beta-n-1} f_{n+1}(u) du \right| \text{ where } 1 \leq \eta \leq t$$

$$\leq 2\Gamma(\beta-n) M t^{\beta+1} [t^{\lambda-1} + (\lambda-1)tv^{\lambda-1}]$$

(2.7), (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10) give the required result.

### 3. Theorems and their Proofs

**THEOREM 1:** If  $f, g \in B_\mu$  for some  $u$  whenever  $f \in C_\lambda$ , then there exists a  $(\geq 1)$  such that

(i)  $g \in L^\infty(1, a)$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{u} \int_1^u g(t) dt = 1_0 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_u^\infty (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v)$  for all  $u > a$ ,

where  $1_0$  is a constant, and  $\int_a^\infty v^\lambda |d\alpha(v)| < \infty$ .

**Proof :** The necessity of (i) follows from Lemma 2 (i).

By Lemma 2, there exist  $a_0$  and  $K$  such that

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{u_1} \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt \right| \leq K \|f\| \text{ whenever } f \in N_{\lambda}^{a_0} \dots \dots \dots (3.1)$$

Also, if  $f \in N_{\lambda}^{a_0}$ , then  $\frac{1}{u_1} \int_1^u |f(t)| dt \in V(a_0, \infty)$ .  $\dots \dots \dots (3.2)$

Now, (3.1) implies that there exists  $a \geq a_0$  such that if

$$\Lambda_u(f) = \frac{1}{u_1} \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt, \text{ then, whenever } u > a, \Lambda_u \in (N_{\lambda}^a)^* \dots \dots \dots (3.3)$$

For, if (3.3) is false, by the method used in Lemma 2, we can construct

$$\{b_n\} \uparrow, b_n \rightarrow +\infty \text{ and } f \in N_{\lambda}^{a_0} \text{ such that } \frac{1}{b_{n1}} \int_1^{b_n} f(t)g(t)dt > n,$$

contradicting the fact that  $\frac{1}{u_1} \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt$  is bounded whenever  $f \in N_{\lambda}^{a_0}$ , which is a consequence of (3.2) and  $g \in L(1, \infty)$ .

Hence, (3.3) and Lemma 1 give : Whenever  $u > a$ ,

$$\frac{1}{u_1} \int_1^u f(t)g(t)dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)_a} \int_a^{\infty} f(u)du \int_u^{\infty} (t-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(t), \text{ where}$$

$$\int_a^{\infty} t^{\lambda} |d\alpha(t)| < \infty, \text{ for } f \in N_{\lambda}^a. \dots \dots \dots (3.4)$$

Clearly, the function  $X_{(a,u)}^{\lambda}$  belongs to  $N_{\lambda}^a$ . Hence (3.4) gives

$$\frac{1}{u} \int_a^u g(t)dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)_a} \int_a^u dt \int_t^{\infty} (v-t)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v) \text{ for all } u > a.$$

Since  $\int_a^{\infty} t^{\lambda} |d\alpha(t)| < \infty$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)_a} \int_a^u dt \int_t^{\infty} (v-t)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)_a} \int_a^{\infty} dt \int_t^{\infty} (v-t)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)_u} \int_u^{\infty} dt \int_t^{\infty} (v-t)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v)$$

$$= l_0 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)_a} \int_a^{\infty} (v-u)^{\lambda} d\alpha(v), \text{ where } l_0 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)_a} \int_a^{\infty} (v-a)^{\lambda} d\alpha(v).$$

Hence the result,

**THEOREM 2 :** If  $f \in B_\lambda$  and (i)  $h \in L^\infty(1, a)$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{u} \int_a^u h(t) dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_u^\infty (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v)$ , where  $\int_a^\infty v^\lambda |d\alpha(v)| < \infty$ , then

$$I: \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-\lambda} I_\lambda f(t)h(t) = - \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t^{-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t I_\lambda (vf(v) - f_1(v)) d\alpha(v).$$

**Proof :** Since  $f \in B_\lambda$ , by Lemma 4 we have

$$I_\lambda (vf(v) - f_1(v)) = o(v^{\lambda+1}), \text{ and hence the R.H.S. of I exists, since } \int_a^\infty v^\lambda |d\alpha(v)| < \infty.$$

$$\text{Now (ii) gives } h(u) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_u^\infty (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v) - \frac{u}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_u^\infty (v-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v)$$

for  $u > a$ .

$$\text{Hence } t^{-\lambda} I_\lambda f(t)h(t) = t^{-\lambda} \int_a^t \frac{(t-u)^{\lambda-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} f(u)h(u) du + I_1 + I_2 \dots \dots \dots (3.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } I_1 &= \frac{t^{-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_a^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \int_u^t (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v) - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. uf(u) du \int_u^t (v-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v) \right\} \\ &= \frac{t^{-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_a^t d\alpha(v) \int_a^v (v-u)^\lambda (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t d\alpha(v) \int_a^v (v-u)^{\lambda-1} (t-u)^{\lambda-1} uf(u) du \right\} \dots \dots \dots (3.6) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } I_2 &= \frac{t^{-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_a^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \int_t^\infty (v-u)^\lambda d\alpha(v) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \int_t^\infty (v-u)^{\lambda-1} d\alpha(v) \right\} \\ &= \frac{t^{-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \right) \int_a^\infty d\alpha(v) \int_a^t (t-u)^{\lambda-1} (v-u)^\lambda f(u) du \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t d\alpha(v) \int_a^v (t-u)^{\lambda-1} (v-u)^{\lambda-1} f(u) du \right\}$$

Hence, by Lemma 5(i) we get

$$|I_2| \leq K_1 t^{-\lambda} \int_a^t t^{\lambda} v^{\lambda} |d\alpha(v)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty \dots\dots\dots(3.7)$$

Now, by (3.6) we get  $I_1 = \frac{t^{-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t I_{\lambda} (f_1(v) - vf(v)) d\alpha(v)$

$$= \frac{t^{-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_a^t d\alpha(v) \int_a^v (v-u)^{\lambda} [(t-u)^{\lambda-1} - t^{\lambda-1}] f(u) du \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_a^t d\alpha(v) \int_a^v (v-u)^{\lambda-1} [(t-u)^{\lambda-1} - t^{\lambda-1}] uf(u) du \right\}$$

Hence  $|I_1| = \frac{t^{-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left| \int_a^t I_{\lambda} (f_1(v) - vf(v)) d\alpha(v) \right|$

$$\leq K_2 t^{-\lambda} \int_a^t v^{\lambda+1} (v^{\lambda-1} + t^{\lambda-1}) |d\alpha(v)| \quad \text{by Lemma 5 (ii)}$$

$$\leq K_2 t^{-\lambda} \int_a^w v^{\lambda+1} (v^{\lambda-1} + t^{\lambda-1}) |d\alpha(v)| + 2K_2 \int_w^t v^{\lambda} |d\alpha(v)|, \text{ where } a < w < t, \text{ and}$$

Hence  $\lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |I_1| = \frac{t^{-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left| \int_a^t I_{\lambda} (f_1(v) - vf(v)) d\alpha(v) \right| = 0 \dots\dots\dots (3.8)$

Now, (i) implies that  $t^{-\lambda} \int_a^t \frac{(t-u)^{\lambda-1}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} f(u)h(u)du \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence, (3.5), (3.7) and (3.8) give I.

**THEOREM 3 :** Conditions necessary and sufficient in order that  $f.g \in C_{\lambda}$  whenever  $f \in C_{\lambda}$  are that, for some  $a (\geq 1)$

(i)  $g \in L^{\infty}(1, a)$ ,

(ii)  $\frac{1}{u} \int_a^u g(t)dt = l_0 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_a^{\infty} (v-u)^{\lambda} d\alpha(v)$  for all  $u \geq a$

where  $l_0$  is a constant and  $\int_a^{\infty} t^{\lambda} |d\alpha(t)| < \infty$ .

**Proof :** If  $f.g \in C_{\lambda}$  whenever  $f \in C_{\lambda}$ , then  $f.g \in B_{\lambda}$  whenever  $f \in C_{\lambda}$ , and by Theorem 1, (i) and (ii) are necessary.

If (i) and (ii) hold, then  $g(u) = l_0 + h(u)$ , where  $h(u)$  is as in Theorem 2.

Hence  $t^{-\lambda} I_{\lambda} f(t)g(t) = l_0 t^{-\lambda} f_{\lambda}(t) + t^{-\lambda} I_{\lambda} f(t)h(t) \rightarrow$  a finite limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  whenever  $f \in C_{\lambda}$ , by Theorem 2.

**THEOREM 4 :** If  $\mu \geq \lambda \geq 1, p+q > -1, p > -1$  then conditions necessary and sufficient in order that, for some  $l'$ ,

$f, g \in (C, \mu, p+q, l')$  whenever  $f \in (C, \lambda, p, l)$  for some  $l$  are that for some  $a (\geq 1)$ ,

(i)  $g \in L^{\infty}(1, a)$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{u^a} \int_a^u t^{-q} g(t) dt = l_0 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)u} \int_a^{\infty} (v-u)^{\lambda} d\alpha(v)$  for all  $u > a$ ,

where  $l_0$  is constant,  $\int_a^{\infty} t^{\lambda} |d\alpha(t)| < \infty$ .

**Proof :** Since  $p > -1, p+q > -1$  we can consider  $x^{-p}f(x)$  and  $x^{-q}g(x)$  instead of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  in the previous theorem, and use Lemma 4.

Hence Theorem 1 gives the necessity of (i) and (ii).

Again by Theorem 3, (i), (ii) and  $f \in (C, \lambda, p, l)$  imply that  $f, g \in (C, \lambda, p+q, l')$  for some  $l'$ , and hence  $f, g \in (C, \mu, p+q, l')$ , by Lemma 3.

This completes the proof.

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