

**SOME PROPERTIES OF THE EULER SUMMABILITY  
METHOD IN COMPLETE ULTRAMETRIC FIELDS**

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we study some properties of the Euler method of summability in complete, non-trivially valued, ultrametric fields of characteristic zero and prove few Tauberian theorems of Euler method on such a field.

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**1. Introduction and Preliminaries**

Throughout the present paper,  $K$  denotes a complete, non-trivially valued, ultrametric field of characteristic zero ( $Q_p$ , the  $p$ -adic field for a prime  $p$ , is one such field). Infinite matrices, sequences and series considered in the sequel have entries in  $K$ . Given an infinite matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$ ,  $a_{nk} \in K$ ,  $n, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and a sequence  $x = \{x_k\}$ ,  $x_k \in K$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , by the  $A$ -transform of  $x = \{x_k\}$ , we mean the sequence  $Ax = (Ax)_n$ , where  $(Ax)_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}x_k$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , it being assumed that the series on the right converge. If  $\{(Ax)_n\}$

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converges to  $s$ , we say that  $x = \{x_k\}$  is summable  $A$  or  $A$ -summable to  $s$ . If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (Ax)_n = s$  whenever  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = s$ , we say that  $A$  is regular. The following theorem, which gives necessary and sufficient conditions for  $A = (a_{nk})$  to be regular in terms of the entries of the matrix, is well-known (see [4] for a proof using ‘Uniform Boundedness Principle’ and [5] for a proof using ‘Sliding Hump Method’).

**Theorem 1.1.**  $A = (a_{nk})$  is regular if and only if

- (i)  $\sup_{n,k} |a_{nk}| < \infty$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{nk} = 0, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ; and
- (iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk} = 1$ .

An infinite series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k, x_k \in k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  is said to be  $A$ -summable to  $s$  if  $\{s_n\}$  is  $A$ -summable to  $s$ , where  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n x_k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

In the present paper, we prove some interesting properties of the Euler method of summability introduced earlier by Natarajan [9].

General references for the study of summability methods in the classical case are [3], [10], while, for analysis in ultrametric fields, see [2].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $r \in K$  be such that  $|1 - r| < 1$ . The Euler method of order  $r$  or the  $(E, r)$  method is given by the infinite matrix  $e_{nk}(r)$  which is defined as follows:

$$\text{If } r \neq 1, \text{ then } e_{nk}^{(r)} = \begin{cases} {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k}, & \text{for } k \leq n \\ 0, & \text{for } k > n \end{cases}$$

$(e_{nk}^{(r)})$  is called the  $(E, r)$  matrix.

**Remark 1.1.** Note that  $r \neq 0$ , since  $|1 - r| < 1$ .

The following results are needed in the sequel.

**Theorem 1.2.** ([9], Theorem 1.2) The  $(E, r)$  method is regular.

**Theorem 1.3.** ([9], Theorem 1.3)  $(e_{nk}^{(r)})(e_{nk}^{(s)})$  is the  $(E, rs)$  matrix.

**Corollary 1.1.** ([9], Corollary 1.4) The  $(E, r)$  matrix is invertible and its inverse is the  $(E, \frac{1}{r})$  matrix.

## 2. Main Results

In this section, we prove some interesting properties of the Euler method.

**Theorem 2.1** (Limitation theorem). *If  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$  is  $(E, r)$  summable, then  $\{x_k\}$  is bounded.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{\sigma_n^{(r)}\}$  be the  $(E, r)$  transform of  $\{s_n\}$ , where  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n x_k$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , i.e.,

$$\sigma_n^{(r)} = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} s_k, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

By hypothesis  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n = \sigma$  (say). So  $\{\sigma_n\}$  is bounded, i.e., there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $|\sigma_n| \leq M$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Note that, in view of Corollary (1.1),

$$s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right)^{n-k} \sigma_k, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } |s_n| &\leq \max_{0 \leq k \leq n} |{}^n c_k| \frac{1}{|r|^k} \frac{|r-1|^{n-k}}{|r|^{n-k}} |\sigma_k| \\ &\leq M, \end{aligned}$$

since  $|{}^n c_k| \leq 1$ ,  $|r-1| < 1$ ,  $|r| = |(r-1)+1| = \max(|r-1|, 1) = 1$ . Consequently,  $|x_k| = |s_k - s_{k-1}| \leq \max(|s_k| - |s_{k-1}|) \leq M$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  so that  $\{x_k\}$  is bounded. □

**Remark 2.1.** We recall that the classical Mazur-Orlicz theorem says that if a conservative matrix sums a bounded divergent sequence, then it sums an unbounded one. It was pointed out in [8] that the above theorem fails to hold in the ultrametric case, a counterexample being any regular  $(N, p_n)$  method. Theorem (??) shows that any  $(E, r)$  method is also a counter example to show that the Mazur-Orlicz theorem fails to hold in the ultrametric set up.

**Definition 2.1.** Given a sequence  $\{x_k\}$ , define the sequence  $\{\bar{x}_k\}$  by

$$\bar{x}_0 = 0, \quad \bar{x}_k = x_{k-1}, \quad k \geq 1.$$

$A = (a_{nk})$  is said to be left translative if the  $A$ -summability of  $\{x_k\}$  to  $s$  implies the  $A$ -summability of  $\{\bar{x}_k\}$  to  $s$ .  $A$  is said to be right translative if the  $A$ -summability of  $\{\bar{x}_k\}$  to  $s$  implies the  $A$ -summability of  $\{x_k\}$  to  $s$ . If  $A$  is both left and right translative,  $A$  is said to be translative.

**Theorem 2.2.**  $(E, r)$  is translative.

*Proof.* Let  $\{\sigma_n(r)\}$  be the  $(E, r)$  transform of  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{\tau_n(r)\}$  be the  $(E, r)$  transform of  $\{\bar{x}_k\}$ . We shall now prove that

$$\sigma_n(r) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right) \tau_n(r) + \frac{1}{r} \tau_{n+1}(r), \quad (2.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e., } \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} x_k &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right) \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} \bar{x}_k \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{r} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} {}^{(n+1)} c_k r^k (1-r)^{n+1-k} \bar{x}_k, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e., } \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} x_k &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} x_{k-1} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{r} \sum_{k=1}^n {}^{(n+1)} c_k r^k (1-r)^{n+1-k} x_{k-1}, \text{ since } \bar{x}_0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

For  $0 \leq j \leq n$ , coefficient of  $x_j$  on the left side of (2.1) =  ${}^n c_j r^j (1-r)^{n-j}$ . Also coefficient of  $x_j$  on the right side of (2.1)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right) {}^n c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j-1} + \frac{1}{r} {}^{(n+1)} c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j} \\ &= -\frac{1-r}{r} {}^n c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j-1} + \frac{1}{r} {}^{(n+1)} c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j} \\ &= -\frac{1}{r} {}^n c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j} + \frac{1}{r} {}^{(n+1)} c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j} \\ &= -{}^n c_{(j+1)} r^j (1-r)^{n-j} + {}^{(n+1)} c_{(j+1)} r^j (1-r)^{n-j} \\ &= \left\{ {}^{(n+1)} c_{(j+1)} - {}^n c_{(j+1)} \right\} r^j (1-r)^{n-j} \\ &= {}^n c_j r^j (1-r)^{n-j}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (2.1) holds. Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n(r) = s$ . Taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.1), we see that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n(r) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right) s + \frac{1}{r} s = s,$$

so that  $(E, r)$  is right translative. Now,

$$\tau_n(r) = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} \bar{x}_k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} x_{k-1}, \text{ since } \bar{x}_0 = 0 \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} {}^n c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j-1} s_j \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} {}^n c_{(j+1)} r^{j+1} (1-r)^{n-j-1} \left( \sum_{k=0}^j {}^j c_k \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{r}\right)^{j-k} \sigma_k(r) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r(1-r)^{n-k-1} \sigma_k(r) \left( \sum_{j=k}^{n-1} (-1)^{j-k} {}^n c_{(j+1)} {}^j c_k \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

That is  $\tau_n(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r(1-r)^{n-k-1} \sigma_k(r) \left( \sum_{j=k}^{n-1} (-1)^{j-k} {}^n c_{(j+1)} {}^j c_k \right)$ .

Using the identity  $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( \sum_{j=k}^{n-1} (-1)^{j-k} {}^n c_{(j+1)} {}^j c_k \right) z^k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} z^k$ , we see that

$$\sum_{j=k}^{n-1} (-1)^{j-k} {}^n c_{(j+1)} {}^j c_k = 1, \quad 0 \leq k \leq (n-1). \tag{2.2}$$

In view of (2.2), we have,  $\tau_n(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r(1-r)^{n-k-1} \sigma_k(r)$ .

Since  $|1-r| < 1$ , all the conditions of theorem (1.1) are fulfilled and so  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_k(r) = s$  implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n(r) = s$ . Thus  $(E, r)$  is left translative. This completes the proof of the theorem. □

**Definition 2.2.** The infinite matrix methods  $A = (a_{nk})$ ,  $B = (b_{nk})$  are said to be ‘consistent’ if no sequence is summable to different values by  $A$  and  $B$ , i.e., if a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is  $A$  summable to  $\ell$  and  $B$  summable to  $m$ , then  $\ell = m$ .

As in the case of regular  $(N, p_n)$  methods (see [11], Theorem 4.1), we have the following result.

**Theorem 2.3.** Any two Euler methods are consistent.

*Proof.* Consider the Euler methods  $(E, r)$  and  $(E, s)$ . We then have  $|1 - r|, |1 - s| < 1$ . Let  $\{\sigma_n(r)\}, \{\tau_n(s)\}$  be the  $(E, r), (E, s)$  transforms of  $\{x_n\}$  respectively. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n(r) = \sigma$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n(s) = \tau$ . We claim that  $\sigma = \tau$ .

Now,  $\sigma_n(r) = (E, r)(\{x_n\})$  and  $\tau_n(s) = (E, s)(\{x_n\})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \sigma_n(r) &= (E, r)(E, s)^{-1}(\tau_n(s)) \\ &= ((E, r) \left( E, \frac{1}{s} \right) (\tau_n(s))), \text{ using Corollary (1.1)} \\ &= \left( E, \frac{r}{s} \right) (\tau_n(s)), \text{ using theorem (1.3)} \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note that } \left| 1 - \frac{r}{s} \right| &= \left| \frac{s - r}{s} \right| = |s - r|, \text{ since } |s| = 1, \text{ using } |1 - s| < 1 \\ &= |(1 - r) - (1 - s)| \\ &\leq \max(|(1 - r)|, |(1 - s)|) \\ &< 1, \end{aligned}$$

so that  $\left( E, \frac{r}{s} \right)$  is regular, in view of definition (1.1) and theorem (1.2). Using (2.3), it follows that  $\sigma = \tau$ , completing the proof. □

**Remark 2.2.** In view of Theorem 2.3, we are able to define a parameterless Euler method  $E$  of summability as follows.

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is summable  $E$  to  $\sigma$  if there exists  $r \in K, |1 - r| < 1$  such that  $\{x_n\}$  is  $(E, r)$  summable to  $\sigma$ .

We shall now prove a few Tauberian theorems for the method  $(E, r)$  modelled on those proved for  $(N, p_n)$  methods by Natarajan [7].

**Theorem 2.4.** *If  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$  is  $(E, r)$  summable to  $\sigma$  and if  $a_n \rightarrow \ell, n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$  converges to  $\sigma$ .*

*Proof.* In view of theorem (1) of [7], it suffices to prove that the sequence  $\{k\}$  of integers is not  $(E, r)$  summable. Let  $\{\sigma_n(r)\}$  be the  $(E, r)$  transform of  $\{k\}$ , i.e.,  $\sigma_n(r) = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1 - r)^{n-k} k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \sigma_{n+1}(r) - \sigma_n(r) &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} {}^{(n+1)} c_k r^k (1 - r)^{n+1-k} k - \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1 - r)^{n-k} k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} {}^{(n+1)} c_k r^k (1 - r)^{n+1-k} k - \sum_{k=1}^n {}^n c_k r^k (1 - r)^{n-k} k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n {}^{(n+1)}c_k r^k (1-r)^{n+1-k} k + r^{n+1}(n+1) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} k - r^n n
 \end{aligned}$$

Using  $|1-r| < 1$ ,  $|r| = 1$ ,  $|k| \leq 1$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , we have,

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n {}^{(n+1)}c_k r^k (1-r)^{n+1-k} k \right| \leq \text{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left| {}^{(n+1)}c_k \right| |r|^k |1-r|^{n+1-k} |k| < 1;$$

Similarly,  $\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} {}^n c_k r^k (1-r)^{n-k} k \right| < 1;$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |r^{n+1}(n+1) - r^n n| &= |nr^n(r-1) + r^{n+1}| \\
 &= \text{Max} \{ |n||r|^n|r-1|, |r|^{n+1} \} \\
 &= 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

so that  $|\sigma_{n+1}(r) - \sigma_n(r)| = 1$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Thus  $\{\sigma_n(r)\}$  is not a Cauchy sequence and hence diverges, i.e.,  $\{k\}$  is not  $(E, r)$  summable, completing the proof. □

Using Theorem (3) of [7], we have,

**Theorem 2.5.** *If  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$  is  $(E, r)$  summable to  $\sigma$  and if  $a_{n+1} - a_n \rightarrow \ell$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$  converges to  $\sigma$ .*

As in the case of regular  $(N, p_n)$  method ([7], Theorem 5), we have the following theorem too.

**Theorem 2.6.** *If  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$  is  $(E, r)$  summable, then the following Tauberian conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $a_n \rightarrow \ell$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ;
- (ii)  $a_{n+1} - a_n \rightarrow \ell'$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

If, further,  $a_n \neq 0$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , each of

- (iii)  $\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \rightarrow 1$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; and
- (iv)  $\frac{a_{n+2} + a_n}{a_{n+1}} \rightarrow 2$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$

is a weaker Tauberian condition for the  $(E, r)$  summability of  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k$ .

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