

## Double sequences of interval numbers defined by Orlicz functions

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ABSTRACT. We define and study  $\lambda_2$ -convergence of double sequences of interval numbers defined by Orlicz function and  $\lambda_2$ -statistical convergence of double sequences of interval numbers. We also establish some inclusion relations between them.

### 1. Introduction

The idea of statistical convergence for ordinary sequences was introduced by Fast [7] in 1951. Schoenberg [17] studied statistical convergence as a summability method and listed some elementary properties of statistical convergence. Both of these authors noted that if a bounded sequence is statistically convergent, then it is Cesàro summable. Recently Mursaleen [15] defined and studied  $\lambda$ -statistical convergence for sequences as follows. Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_i)$  be a non-decreasing sequence of positive numbers tending to infinity such that  $\lambda_{i+1} \leq \lambda_i + 1$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 1$ . Then a sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be  $\lambda$ -statistically convergent to a number  $L$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_i} |\{k \in I_i : d(x_k, L) \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0,$$

where  $I_i = [i - \lambda_i + 1, i]$ .

Recall (see [10]) that an Orlicz function  $M$  is a continuous, convex, non-decreasing function, defined for  $u \geq 0$ , such that  $M(0) = 0$  and  $M(u) > 0$  if  $u > 0$ . An Orlicz function  $M$  is said to satisfy  $\Delta_2$ -condition for all values of  $u$  if there exists a number  $K > 0$  such that  $M(2u) \leq KM(u)$ ,  $u \geq 0$ .

Interval arithmetic was first suggested by Dwyer [2] in 1951. Development of interval arithmetic as a formal system and evidence of its value as a computational device was provided by Moore [12] in 1959 and Moore and

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Yang [13] in 1962. Furthermore, Moore and others (see [3], [8], [12] and [11]) have developed applications to differential equations.

Chiao [1] introduced sequences of interval numbers and defined the usual convergence of sequences of interval numbers. Şengönül and Eryılmaz [18] introduced and studied bounded and convergent sequence spaces of interval numbers and showed that these spaces are complete metric spaces. Recently, Esi in [4] and [5] defined and studied  $\lambda$ -statistical and lacunary statistical convergence of interval numbers, respectively.

We denote the set of all real valued closed intervals by  $\mathbb{IR}$ . Any element of  $\mathbb{IR}$  is called an interval number and is denoted by  $\bar{A} = [x_l, x_r]$ . Let  $x_l$  and  $x_r$  be the smallest and the greatest points of an interval number  $\bar{A}$ , respectively. For interval numbers  $\bar{A}_1 = [x_{1_l}, x_{1_r}]$ ,  $\bar{A}_2 = [x_{2_l}, x_{2_r}]$  and a number  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A}_1 = \bar{A}_2 &\iff x_{1_l} = x_{2_l}, x_{1_r} = x_{2_r}, \\ \bar{A}_1 + \bar{A}_2 &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x_{1_l} + x_{2_l} \leq x \leq x_{1_r} + x_{2_r}\}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\alpha\bar{A} = \begin{cases} \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha x_{1_l} \leq x \leq \alpha x_{1_r}\} & \text{if } \alpha \geq 0, \\ \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha x_{1_r} \leq x \leq \alpha x_{1_l}\} & \text{if } \alpha < 0. \end{cases}$$

The set of all interval numbers  $\mathbb{IR}$  is a complete metric space with the distance

$$d(\bar{A}_1, \bar{A}_2) = \max\{|x_{1_l} - x_{2_l}|, |x_{1_r} - x_{2_r}|\}$$

(see [14]). In the special case  $\bar{A}_1 = [a, a]$  and  $\bar{A}_2 = [b, b]$  we obtain the usual metric of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Now we give the definition of a convergent sequence of interval numbers (see [1]).

**Definition 1.1.** A sequence  $(\bar{A}_k)$  of interval numbers is said to be *convergent* to an interval number  $\bar{A}_0$  if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a positive integer  $k_0$  such that  $d(\bar{A}_k, \bar{A}_0) < \varepsilon$  for all  $k \geq k_0$ . We denote it by  $\lim_k \bar{A}_k = \bar{A}_0$ .

Thus,  $\lim_k \bar{A}_k = \bar{A}_0$  if and only if  $\lim_k x_{k_l} = x_{0_l}$  and  $\lim_k x_{k_r} = x_{0_r}$ .

In this paper, we introduce and study the concepts of  $\lambda_2$ -summable and statistically  $\lambda_2$ -convergent double sequences of interval numbers, and relations between them.

## 2. Definitions

Recall that a double sequence  $(a_{k,i})$  of real numbers is said to be *convergent in the Pringsheim sense* to a number  $L$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists an index  $n$  such that  $|a_{k,i} - L| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $k, i > n$  (see [16]). We transfer

this definition to the double sequences of interval numbers in the following way.

**Definition 2.1.** An interval valued double sequence  $(\overline{A}_{k,l})$  is said to be *convergent in the Pringsheim sense* to an interval number  $\overline{A}_0$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) < \varepsilon \text{ for } k, l > n.$$

In this case we write  $P\text{-}\lim \overline{A}_{k,l} = \overline{A}_0$ .

We denote by  $\overline{c}^2$  the set of all convergent in the Pringsheim sense double sequences of interval numbers.

**Definition 2.2.** An interval valued double sequence  $(\overline{A}_{k,l})$  is said to be *bounded* if there exist an interval number  $\overline{A}_0$  and a positive number  $B$  such that  $d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{0}) \leq B$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We will denote the set of all bounded double sequences of interval number by the symbol  $\overline{\ell}_\infty^2$ . It should be noted that, similarly to the case of double number sequences,  $\overline{c}^2$  is not the subset of  $\overline{\ell}_\infty^2$ .

Let a double sequence  $\lambda_2 = (\lambda_{i,j})$  of positive real numbers tend to infinity and satisfy

$$\lambda_{i+1,j} \leq \lambda_{i,j} + 1, \quad \lambda_{i,j+1} \leq \lambda_{i,j} + 1,$$

$$\lambda_{i,j} - \lambda_{i+1,j} \leq \lambda_{i,j+1} - \lambda_{i+1,j+1}, \quad \lambda_{1,1} = 1.$$

Put

$$I_{i,j} = \{(k, l) : i - \lambda_{i,j} + 1 \leq k \leq i, \quad j - \lambda_{i,j} + 1 \leq l \leq j\}.$$

**Definition 2.3.** An interval valued double sequence  $(\overline{A}_{k,l})$  is said to be  *$\lambda_2$ -summable* if there exists an interval number  $\overline{A}_0$  such that

$$P\text{-}\lim_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) = 0.$$

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function, let  $(\overline{A}_{k,l})$  be an interval valued double sequence, and let  $p = (p_{k,l})$  be a double sequence of positive real numbers. Let  $\lambda_2 = (\lambda_{i,j})$  be the double sequence defined above. We

define

$$\begin{aligned} [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p] &= \left\{ (\overline{A}_{k,l}) : P\text{-}\lim_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} = 0, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for some } r > 0 \text{ and } \overline{A}_0 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \\ [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]_0 &= \left\{ (\overline{A}_{k,l}) : P\text{-}\lim_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{0})}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} = 0, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for some } r > 0 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]_\infty &= \left\{ (\overline{A}_{k,l}) : \sup_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{0})}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} < \infty, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for some } r > 0 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\overline{0} = [0, 0]$ .

If we consider various assignments of  $M$ ,  $\lambda_2$  and  $p$  in Definition 2.4, then we obtain different special sets of sequences. For example, if  $p_{k,l} = 1$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , then these sets reduce to the sets denoted, respectively, by  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M]$ ,  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M]_0$  and  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M]_\infty$ . In the special case  $\lambda_{i,j} = ij$  ( $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ ), we write  $[\overline{c}^2, M]$  instead of  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M]$ .

For  $M(x) = x$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p] &= \left\{ (\overline{A}_{k,l}) : P\text{-}\lim_{i,j} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} [d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0)]^{p_{k,l}} = 0 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for some } \overline{A}_0 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

and similarly,  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p]_0$  and  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p]_\infty$ .

### 3. Main theorems

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $0 < p_{k,l} < q_{k,l}$  and  $\left(\frac{q_{k,l}}{p_{k,l}}\right)$  is bounded, then  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p] \subset [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, q]$ .*

*Proof.* If we take  $\left[ M \left( \frac{d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} = w_{k,l}$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , then using the same technique employed in the proof of Theorem 2.9 from [9] we get the result.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *The following statements are valid.*

- (i) *If  $0 < \inf_{k,l} p_{k,l} \leq 1$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $[\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p] \subset [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M]$ .*
- (ii) *If  $1 \leq p_{k,l} \leq \sup_{k,l} p_{k,l} = H < \infty$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $[\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M] \subset [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]$ .*

*Proof.* (i) follows from Theorem 3.1 with  $q_{k,l} = 1$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$  and (ii) follows from Theorem 3.1 with  $p_{k,l} = 1$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$

The proof of the following result is a routine work, so we omit it.

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function such that  $\Delta_2$ -condition is satisfied. Then we have  $[\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p]_0 \subset [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]_0$ ,  $[\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p] \subset [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]$  and  $[\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, p]_\infty \subset [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]_\infty$ .*

The following definition was presented by Esi [6] for a single sequence of interval numbers. A sequence of interval numbers  $(\bar{A}_k)$  is said to be *statistically  $\lambda$ -convergent* to an interval number  $\bar{A}_0$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_n} |\{k \in I_n : d(\bar{A}_k, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0,$$

where the vertical bars indicate the number of elements in the enclosed set.

Now, we will give definitions of statistical convergence and statistical  $\lambda_2$ -convergence for double sequences of interval numbers.

**Definition 3.1.** A double sequence  $(\bar{A}_{k,l})$  of interval numbers is said to be *statistically convergent* to an interval number  $\bar{A}_0$  provided that for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$P\text{-}\lim_{i,j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{ij} |\{(k,l) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}; k \leq i, l \leq j : d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

We denote the set of all statistically convergent double sequences of interval numbers by  $\bar{s}^2$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A double sequence  $(\bar{A}_{k,l})$  of interval numbers is said to be *statistically  $\lambda_2$ -convergent* to an interval number  $\bar{A}_0$  if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$P\text{-}\lim_{i,j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} |\{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} : d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

We denote the set of all statistically  $\lambda_2$ -convergent double sequences of interval numbers by  $\bar{s}_{\lambda_2}^2$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function. If  $0 < h \leq \inf_{k,l} p_{k,l} \leq \sup_{k,l} p_{k,l} = H < \infty$ , then  $[\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p] \subset \overline{s}_{\lambda_2}^2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\overline{A}_{k,l}) \in [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]$ . Then there exists  $r > 0$  such that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \rightarrow 0$$

in the Pringsheim sense if  $i, j \rightarrow \infty$ . If  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon}} \left[ M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon}} \min \left\{ M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^h, M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^H \right\} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} |\{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} : d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| \min \left\{ M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^h, M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^H \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(\overline{A}_{k,l}) \in \overline{s}_{\lambda_2}^2$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function and let  $0 < h \leq \inf_{k,l} p_{k,l} \leq \sup_{k,l} p_{k,l} = H < \infty$ . Then  $\overline{s}_{\lambda_2}^2 \cap \overline{\ell}_{\infty}^2 \subset [\overline{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\overline{A}_{k,l}) \in \overline{s}_{\lambda_2}^2 \cap \overline{\ell}_{\infty}^2$ . Then there is a constant  $N > 0$  such that  $d(\overline{A}_{k,l}, \overline{A}_0) \leq N$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , for an arbitrarily fixed  $r > 0$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{(k,l) \in I_{i,j}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) < \varepsilon}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon}} \left[ M \left( \frac{d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0)}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) < \varepsilon}} \left[ M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right) \right]^{p_{k,l}} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} \\ d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon}} \max \left\{ M \left( \frac{N}{r} \right)^h, M \left( \frac{N}{r} \right)^H \right\} \\
&\leq \max \left\{ M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^h, M \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right)^H \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\lambda_{i,j}} |\{(k,l) \in I_{i,j} : d(\bar{A}_{k,l}, \bar{A}_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| \max \left\{ M \left( \frac{N}{r} \right)^h, M \left( \frac{N}{r} \right)^H \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(\bar{A}_{k,l}) \in [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p]$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

The following corollary follows directly from Theorems 3.4 and 3.5.

**Corollary 3.6.** *If  $0 < h \leq \inf_{k,l} p_{k,l} \leq \sup_{k,l} p_{k,l} = H < \infty$ , then  $\bar{s}_{\lambda_2}^2 \cap \bar{\ell}_\infty^2 = [\bar{V}_{\lambda_2}^2, M, p] \cap \bar{\ell}_\infty^2$ .*

If we take  $\lambda_{i,j} = ij$  and  $p_{k,l} = 1$  for all  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$  in Theorems 3.4, 3.5 and Corollary 3.6, then we get

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $M$  be an Orlicz function. Then the following statements hold.*

- (i)  $[\bar{c}^2, M] \subset \bar{s}^2$ .
- (ii)  $\bar{s}^2 \cap \bar{\ell}_\infty^2 \subset [\bar{c}^2, M]$ .
- (iii)  $[\bar{c}^2, M] \cap \bar{\ell}_\infty^2 = \bar{s}^2 \cap \bar{\ell}_\infty^2$ .

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