



## A Generalised Statistical Convergence

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**Abstract :** The object of this present paper is to define and study generalised statistical convergence for the sequences in any locally convex Hausdorff space  $X$  whose topology is determined by a set  $Q$  of continuous seminorms  $q$  and their relation with the nearly convergent sequence space using a bounded modulus function along with regular and almost positive method.

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### 1 Introduction and notations

The notion of statistical convergence was introduced by Fast [1] and subsequently has been investigated widely, whose basic idea depends on concept of density of a certain subset  $E \subseteq N$ , the set of natural number (see for example ([2, 3])); also for recent works see ([4-8]). Recall that the natural density of  $E$  is

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denoted by  $\delta(E)$  and is defined by Freedman and Sember [9] as

$$\delta(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \chi_E(k) \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\chi_E$  is the characteristic function of  $E$ . A real sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be statistical convergent to  $l$ , denoted by  $\text{st-lim } x_k = l$ , or  $x_k \rightarrow l$  (stat), if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , the set  $E = \{k \leq n : |x_k - l| \geq \epsilon\}$  has natural density zero.

The concept of statistical convergence has been extended by Maddox [10] for the sequences in any locally convex Hausdorff space  $X$  whose topology is determined by a set  $Q$  of continuous seminorms  $q$  in the following way.

The sequence  $x = (x_k) \in X$  is called statistically convergent to  $l \in X$  if for all  $q \in Q$  and all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$n^{-1} |\{k \leq n : q(x_k - l) \geq \epsilon\}| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (1.2)$$

where vertical bar denotes the cardinality of the set enclosed, and when this happens, we write this as

$$x_k \rightarrow l(S) \quad (1.3)$$

Let  $\mathcal{A} = (A^i)$  be the sequence of matrices  $A^i = (a_{nk}(i))$  of complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$  and for a sequence  $x = (x_k)$  we write

$$A_n^i(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i)x_k$$

if it exists for each  $n$  and  $i \geq 0$ . The sequence  $x$  is said to be summable to the value  $s$  by the method  $\mathcal{A}$  if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^i(x) = s \text{ uniformly in } i.$$

The method  $\mathcal{A}$  is *conservative* [11] if and only if the following conditions hold:

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad \|\mathcal{A}\| &= \sup_{i, n \geq 0} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{nk}(i)| < \infty \\ (ii) \quad \exists a_k \in \mathbb{C} : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{nk}(i) &= a_k \text{ uniformly in } i \\ (iii) \quad \exists a \in \mathbb{C} : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i) &= a \text{ uniformly in } i \end{aligned}$$

The method  $\mathcal{A}$  is *regular*, if further  $a_k = 0, a = 1$ . We write

$$\alpha(\mathcal{A}) = a - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k. \quad (1.4)$$

The method  $\mathcal{A}$  is called *co-null* if  $\alpha(\mathcal{A}) = 0$ ; otherwise *co-regular*. We write

$$a_{nk}^+(i) = \max(a_{nk}(i), 0), \quad a_{nk}^-(i) = \max(-a_{nk}(i), 0)$$

so that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{nk}(i)| = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^-(i)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^-(i)$$

The method  $\mathcal{A}$  is called *almost positive* if and only if

$$\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^-(i) = 0, \text{ uniformly in } i. \tag{1.5}$$

This definition is parallel to the definition for almost positive matrices given in [12]. Clearly a regular method  $\mathcal{A}$  is *almost positive* if and only if

$$\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{nk}(i)| = 1 \text{ uniformly in } i.$$

Before we can begin, it is necessary to introduce some most important definitions and notations. We first propose a density using the concept and axiomatic definition of lower asymptotic density presented by Freedman and Sember [9].

Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be almost positive and regular. Then for  $E \subseteq N$ , we write

$$\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E) = \liminf_n \inf_i \sum_k a_{nk}(i) \chi_E(k) \tag{1.6}$$

It is easily verified that  $\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$  in (1.6), satisfies all the axioms provided by Freedman and Sember [9] to be a *lower asymptotic density*. So the *upper asymptotic density* associated by  $\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$  is denoted as  $\bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$  and is given by

$$\bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E) = 1 - \underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E') = \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_k a_{nk}(i) \chi_E(k) \tag{1.7}$$

where  $E'$  is the complement of  $E$ . When the above lower and upper asymptotic density coincide, we write it as  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$ , that is,  $\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E) = \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E) = \bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$ , then it is easily seen that,

$$\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E) = \lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i) \chi_E(k) \tag{1.8}$$

exists uniformly in  $i$  and  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E)$  is said to be a *generalised density* obtained from  $\mathcal{A}$  or just  $\mathcal{A}$ -density.

In this case,  $0 \leq \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E) \leq 1$ . Let  $E_{\epsilon} = \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq \epsilon\}$ ;  $q \in Q$ . Thus using the concept of Maddox [10] on statistical convergence of a sequence  $x = (x_k) \in X$  is said to be  $\mathcal{A}$ -statistical convergent to  $l \in X$  provided that for every  $\epsilon > 0, \delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E_{\epsilon}) = 0$ .

In that case we write this as

$$x_k \rightarrow l(\mathcal{A} - \text{stat}) \quad (1.9)$$

and we denote  $S_{\mathcal{A}}$  as the set of all  $\mathcal{A}$ -statistical convergent sequences in  $X$ . Now we write  $x_k \xrightarrow[E_{\epsilon}]{} l$  to mean that for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists integer  $n_0 > 0$  such that  $q(x_k - l) < \epsilon$  whenever  $k \geq n_0, k \notin E_{\epsilon}, q \in Q$ .

In the case  $\mathcal{A} = A = (C, 1)$ , (the Cesaro matrix of order one), and  $q(x) = |x|$  the  $\mathcal{A}$ -statistical convergence reduces to usual definition of statistical convergence. Let  $W$  be set of all real sequences  $x = (x_k) \in X$ . For any density  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}$ , let

$$W_{\delta_{\mathcal{A}}} = \left\{ x_k \in W : \text{there exist } l \in X \text{ and } E_{\epsilon} \subseteq N \text{ with } \bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{A}}(E_{\epsilon}) = 0 \text{ and } x_k \xrightarrow[E_{\epsilon}]{} l \right\}.$$

Then  $W_{\delta_{\mathcal{A}}}$  is called the space of  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}$ -nearly convergent sequences and if  $x \in W_{\delta_{\mathcal{A}}}$ , then we denote

$$x_k \rightarrow l(\delta_{\mathcal{A}} - \text{nearly}). \quad (1.10)$$

The above definitions can be considered for real sequence  $x = (x_k)$  by using the fact  $q(x) = |x|$ , in the set  $E_{\epsilon}$

Before we state the theorem of Maddox on *characterisation* of statistical convergence in Hausdorff space we give the following definition.

Recall [10, 13] that a modulus function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies

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

A modulus function may be unbounded or bounded; for example:  $f(x) = x^p$  where  $0 < p < 1$  is unbounded, but  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$  is bounded. Now suppose that we are given a modulus function  $f$ . For  $(x_k) \in X$  we say that  $x = (x_k) \in W_{\mathcal{A}}(f)$  if and only if there exist  $l \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i) f(q(x_k - l)) = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i, \quad q \in Q. \quad (1.11)$$

When (1.11) holds we write

$$x_k \rightarrow l(W_{\mathcal{A}}(f)). \quad (1.12)$$

We also represent (1.11) as  $f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0(\mathcal{A})$ . The sequences which satisfy (1.12), we call them as  $W_{\mathcal{A}}(f)$ -convergent sequences.

Maddox [10] proved the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1** ([10]). *Let  $f$  be a bounded modulus function. A sequence  $x \in X$  is statistically convergent to  $l \in X$  if and only if*

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

and for all  $q \in Q$ .

## 2 Main Results

Now we shall first prove a theorem to generalize the above result of Maddox, and then we shall correlate it to nearly convergent sequences in any locally convex Hausdorff space  $X$  whose topology is determined by a set  $Q$  of continuous seminorms  $q$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $f$  be a bounded modulus function and let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be regular and almost positive. Then for  $x = (x_k), l \in X, x_k \rightarrow l(\mathcal{A}\text{-stat})$  if and only if*

$$f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0(\mathcal{A}) \tag{2.1}$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $x_k \rightarrow l(\mathcal{A}\text{-stat})$ , that is,  $\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) = 0$  uniformly in  $i$  for  $x_k, l \in X$  where  $E_\epsilon = \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq \epsilon\}$ .

Now since  $\mathcal{A}$  is almost positive, (2.1) is equivalent to:

$$\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l)) = 0, \quad \text{uniformly in } i. \tag{2.2}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l)) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l))\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l))\chi_{E'_\epsilon}(k) \\ &\leq \sup f \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \right\} + \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)\chi_{E'_\epsilon}(k) \right\} f(\epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

uniformly in  $i$ .

Conversely let

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i)f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly in  $i$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l)) &\geq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l))\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \\ &\geq f(\epsilon) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \end{aligned}$$

As  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly in  $i$ , so  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}^+(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly in  $i$ , i.e.,

$$\delta_{\mathcal{A}}(E_\epsilon) = 0.$$

Hence  $x_k \rightarrow l(\mathcal{A}\text{-stat})$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be regular and almost positive. Then  $x_k \rightarrow 0(\mathcal{A}\text{-stat})$  if and only if*

$$\lim_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{nk}(i) \frac{|x_k|}{1 + |x_k|} = 0 \text{ uniformly in } i.$$

*Proof.* Taking  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$  and  $q(x) = |x|$  in Theorem 2.1 with  $l = 0$  we obtain the corollary.  $\square$

We now establish an important relation for  $\delta_{\mathcal{A}}$ -nearly convergent sequences, with  $W_{\mathcal{A}}(f)$ -convergent sequences over certain class of matrices in our next theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $f$  be a bounded modulus function. Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be coregular and  $\mathcal{B} = \left(\frac{a_{nk}(i) - a_k}{\alpha(\mathcal{A})}\right) = (b_{nk}(i))$  be almost positive. Then for  $x = (x_k), l \in X$ ,  $x_k \rightarrow l(\delta_{\mathcal{B}}\text{-nearly})$  if and only if  $f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow o(\mathcal{B})$ .*

*Proof.* Necessity: By hypothesis,  $\mathcal{B}$  is regular and almost positive. Let  $x_k \rightarrow l(\delta_{\mathcal{B}}\text{-nearly})$ , i.e., there exists a set  $E_\epsilon \subseteq N$  such that  $x_k \xrightarrow{E_\epsilon} l$  and  $\bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E_\epsilon) = 0$ .

We have, as  $\mathcal{B}$  is almost positive,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E_\epsilon) &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \\ &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i)\chi_{E_\epsilon}(k). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

As  $x_k \xrightarrow{E_\epsilon} l$ , then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that

$$q(x_k - l) < \epsilon, \quad k \geq n_0, k \notin E_\epsilon. \quad (2.4)$$

Write

$$1 = \chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) + \chi_{E'_\epsilon}(k) = \chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) + \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) + \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G'}(k)$$

where  $G = \{k \in N | q(x_k - l) \geq \epsilon\}$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G'}(k) \\ &= \sum_1 + \sum_2 + \sum_3. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

Now by (2.3) and since  $f(q(x_k - l)) \leq \sup f$  for  $x_k \in X$  as  $f$  is bounded

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_1 &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \\ &\leq \sup f \{ \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E_\epsilon}(k) \} = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Again using (2.4) for the second sum, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_2 &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \\ &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k \geq n_0} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \\ & \quad + \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k < n_0} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \\ &\leq f(\epsilon) \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k \geq n_0} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \\ & \quad + \sup f \left\{ \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k < n_0} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G}(k) \right\} \\ &< f(\epsilon) \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \\ & \quad + \sup f \left\{ \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k < n_0} b_{nk}^+(i) \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

The first term in (2.7) refers to just  $f(\epsilon)$  and the last term to zero. Therefore

$$\limsup_n \sup_i \sum_2 < f(\epsilon). \quad (2.8)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_3 &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G'}(k) \\ &< f(\epsilon) \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_\epsilon \cap G'}(k) \\ &\leq f(\epsilon) \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_\epsilon}(k) \\ &< f(\epsilon) \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \\ &= f(\epsilon). \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

As  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary and  $f(\epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ , from (2.5)-(2.9), it follows that

$$\limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) = 0$$

which ensures

$$\limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}(i) f(q(x_k - l)) = 0.$$

Sufficiency: Define

$$E_\alpha = \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq \alpha > 0\}.$$

So

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \geq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \chi_{E_\alpha}(k) \geq f(\alpha) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E_\alpha}(k).$$

Now

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E_\alpha}(k) \leq \frac{1}{f(\alpha)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) f(q(x_k - l)) \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly in  $i$  (by hypothesis). Hence for  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\delta}_B(E_\alpha) &= \limsup_n \sup_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E_\alpha}(k) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$



Let

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq 1\} \\ E_2 &= \left\{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq \frac{1}{2}\right\} \\ &\vdots \\ E_j &= \left\{k \in N : q(x_k - l) \geq \frac{1}{j}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

By (2.10)

$$\bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E_1) = \bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E_2) = \dots = 0.$$

Hence

$$\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E'_1) = \underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E'_2) = \dots = 1.$$

Note that  $E'_1 \supset E'_2 \supset \dots \supset E'_j \supset \dots$ . Choose

$$\nu_1 \in E'_1 = \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) < 1\}.$$

Since

$$\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E'_1) = \liminf_n \inf_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_1}(k) = 1$$

choose integer  $\nu_2 > \nu_1, \nu_2 \in E'_2 = \{k \in N : q(x_k - l) < \frac{1}{2}\}$  such that for  $n > \nu_2$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_2}(k) > \frac{1}{2}.$$

Similarly, there exists  $\nu_3 > \nu_2, \nu_3 \in E'_3$  such that for  $n > \nu_3$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_3}(k) > \frac{2}{3}.$$

Continuing in the same manner, there exist  $\nu_j > \nu_{j-1} \in E'_j$  such that for  $n > \nu_j$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_j}(k) > \frac{j-1}{j}.$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \{n \in N : 1 \leq n \leq \nu_1 \vee (\nu_j \leq n \leq \nu_{j+1} \wedge n \in E'_j, j = 1, 2, \dots)\} \\ &= \{n \in N : 1 \leq n \leq \nu_1\} \cup_{j=1}^{\infty} \{n \in E'_j | \nu_j \leq n \leq \nu_{j+1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Claim 1:

$$\underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(G) = \liminf_n \inf_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_G(k) = 1. \tag{2.11}$$

Since  $G \supset E'_j \forall j$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_G(k) &> \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_j}(k) \\ \Rightarrow \liminf_n \inf_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_G(k) &> \liminf_n \inf_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_{E'_j}(k) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\liminf_n \inf_i \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}^+(i) \chi_G(k) \leq 1.$$

It follows that the claim (2.11) is established.

Claim 2: If  $E = G'$  then

$$x_n \xrightarrow[E]{} l \text{ and } \bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E) = 0. \quad (2.12)$$

By (2.11)

$$\bar{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E) = 1 - \underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(E') = 1 - \underline{\delta}_{\mathcal{B}}(G) = 0.$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , we choose a positive integer  $j$  (keep it fixed) such that  $\frac{1}{j} < \epsilon$ . If  $\nu_j \leq n \leq \nu_{j+1}$  and  $n \notin E$ , then  $n \in [\nu_j, \nu_{j+1}] \cap G$  which implies that  $n \notin E_j$  by the definition of  $G$ . Consequently

$$q(x_n - l) < \frac{1}{j} < \epsilon. \quad (2.13)$$

Now we consider the case when  $n \in [\nu_{j+k}, \nu_{j+k+1}]$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \notin E$ . Proceeding as above it can be shown that if  $\nu_{j+k} \leq n \leq \nu_{j+k+1}$  and  $n \notin E$  then

$$q(x_n - l) < \frac{1}{j+k} < \frac{1}{j} < \epsilon. \quad (2.14)$$

As (2.14) holds for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , it follows from (2.13) and (2.14) that

$$q(x_n - l) < \epsilon \text{ for } n \geq n_j \text{ and } n \notin E$$

which ensures (2.12). So sufficiency follows.  $\square$

By taking  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$  and  $q(x) = |x|$  in Theorem 2.3, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be coregular and  $\mathcal{B} = \left( \frac{a_{nk}(i) - a_k}{\alpha(\mathcal{A})} \right) = (b_{nk}(i))$  be almost positive. Then  $x_k \rightarrow l$  ( $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}$ -nearly) if and only if

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{nk}(i) \frac{|x_k - l|}{1 + |x_k - l|} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ uniformly in } i.$$

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $f$  be a bounded modulus function with  $x = (x_k), l \in X$ . Let  $\mathcal{A} = (a_{nk}(i))$  be regular and almost positive. Then  $S_{\mathcal{A}} = W_{\mathcal{A}}(f) = W_{\delta_{\mathcal{A}}}$ .*

*Proof.* The proof follows immediately from Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.3.  $\square$

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