

136. Remarks on the Cesàro Summability of Divergent Series.

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The object of this paper is to prove a converse of Cauchy's theorem concerning limit and give alternate proofs of Doetsch's theorem¹⁾ and the well-known Cesàro-Tauberian theorem due to Hardy and Landau.

1. Theorem I. If

$$(1) \quad na_n \geq (n-1)a_{n-1}, \quad n > 1,$$

then

$$(2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n} = L$$

implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$.

Proof. Since the sequence (na_n) is monotone increasing, its limit exists. If the limit of (na_n) is finite, then $a_n \rightarrow 0$, consequently L must be 0. In this case the theorem is evident. If $L \neq 0$, the limit of (na_n) can not be finite. Thus we have to discuss the case, where na_n tends to infinity.

Plainly we can suppose that a_n is positive for all n . For any positive number ϵ , there is an integer n_0 such that

$$(3) \quad \left| \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n} - L \right| < \epsilon,$$

for $n \geq n_0$. Let p be a fixed positive integer, then

$$\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n + a_{n+1} + \dots + a_{n+\lceil \frac{n}{p} \rceil}}{n + \lceil \frac{n}{p} \rceil} < L + \epsilon,$$

for $n \geq n_0$, where $[x]$ denotes the integral part of x .

From (3), we have

1) Doetsch: Über die Cesàrosche Summabilität bei Reihen und eine Erweiterung des Grenzwertbegriffs bei integrablen Funktionen. Math. Zeit. **11** (1921). See Nikola Obreschkoff: Über einige Sätze für Summierung von divergenten Reihen. Tôhoku Math. Journ. **32** (1930).