86. Weyl's Type Criterion for General Distribution Mod 1

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1. In 1916, Weyl [6] has proposed the following necessary and sufficient condition for uniform distribution mod 1 of the real number sequences which is now called Weyl's criterion: The sequence $(x_n), (n=1,2,3,\cdots)$ is uniformly distributed mod 1, if and only if

$$\lim_{N o\infty}rac{1}{N}\sum\limits_{n=1}^N e^{2\pi i
u x_n}\!=\!0$$

for any natural number v.

Schoenberg [5], in 1928, first generalized the concept of uniform distribution mod 1 to that of general distribution mod 1 (or asymptotic distribution mod 1) and obtained many interesting results including generalizations of Weyl's criterion. Later many mathematicians have also proposed various forms of criteria for general distribution mod 1 (cf. [3]). But their criteria were not of exponential sum type. Among them, Helmberg [2] has made an interesting contribution to this field with view points concerning mainly numerical computations of the integrals of type: $\int_0^{\infty} f(x)dx$. Recently the first author found a natural generalization of Weyl's criterion (Theorem 1) which seems new to the authors. In this note, we give this criterion for generally distributed mod 1 sequences with some applications: estimations of some trigonometric sums, a generalization of Erdös-Turán's theorem and a generalization of LeVeque's inequality. The proof of these results and other results in various directions will be given elsewhere.

2. Definition. Let $\mu(x)$ be a distribution function with $\mu(0)=0$, $\mu(1)=1$, $d\mu(x)=w(x)dx$ where w(x) is the density function of $\mu(x)$ satisfying the following conditions: (a) w(x) is piecewise continuous on [0,1] and $0 < w(x) < +\infty$. (b) The number of the discontinuity points of w(x) is finite. (c) $\{z \in [0,1] | \lim_{x \to z=0} w(x) = 0 \text{ or } \lim_{x \to z+0} w(x) = 0\} < \infty$, where A denotes the number of elements of the set A. Then, the real number sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is called μ -distributed mod 1, if

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^N \chi([0,x):\{x_n\}) = \mu(x)$$

for each $x \in [0, 1]$, where $\chi([0, x): u)$ is the indicator function of [0, x) and $\{x\}$ denotes the fractional part of x.

3. Results. Then we have the main theorem.

Theorem 1. The sequence (x_n) is μ -distributed mod 1, if and only if

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