

# THE ABSOLUTE CONVERGENCE OF FOURIER SERIES

BY MIN-TEH CHENG

1. **Introduction.** In this note we suppose throughout that the functions  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$  and  $f$  are integrable and periodic with period  $2\pi$ .  $f(x)$  is said to be a Young's continuous function [9], if there exist two functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  of the Lebesgue class  $L^2(-\pi, \pi)$ , satisfying

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_1(\xi) f_2(\xi + x) d\xi.$$

The necessary and sufficient condition for the absolute convergence of a trigonometric series in the whole interval is that the series be a Fourier series of a Young's continuous function [3], [4]. One object of this paper is to obtain Young's functions with conditions imposing more on  $f_1$  and less on  $f_2$ . Indeed, we shall prove

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $f_1 \in \text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$ ,  $\alpha p > \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $2 \geq p > 1$ ,  $\alpha \leq 1$  and  $f_2 \in \text{Lip}(1/2p, q)$  for  $q > 1$ , then the Fourier series*

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_1(\xi) f_2(\xi + x) d\xi$$

*converges absolutely in the whole interval.*

The notation  $\varphi \in \text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$  means that

$$(1.1) \quad \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\Delta\varphi|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p} = O(h^\alpha)$$

as  $h \rightarrow +0$  and  $\Delta\varphi$  denotes one of the three differences [5]

$$\check{\varphi}(\theta) - \varphi(\theta - h), \quad \varphi(\theta + h) - \varphi(\theta), \quad \varphi(\theta + h) - \varphi(\theta - h).$$

If  $f(\theta) \in \text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$  and

$$(1.2) \quad f(\theta) \sim \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_m e^{im\theta},$$

then the series

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_m|^k$$

is convergent for  $k > p/(p + \alpha p - 1)$ , if

$$0 < \alpha \leq 1, \quad 1 < p \leq 2.$$

Received April 15, 1942.