THE ABSOLUTE SUMMABILITY OF POWER SERIES AND FOURIER SERIES

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1. Introduction. Let

(1.0)
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n z^n \qquad (z = r e^{i\theta})$$

be a power series regular for r < 1. Various authors [2], [3], [4] have investigated the problems concerning the absolute convergence and the absolute summability of the series $\sum c_n e^{ni\theta}$, when f(z) possesses the property

(1.1)
$$M_{p}(r, f') = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |f'(re^{i\theta})|^{p} d\theta\right)^{1/p} = O((1-r)^{-1+k})$$

as $r \to 1 - 0$, where $p \ge 1$, 0 < k < 1. The purpose of the present paper is to study the same problems on the function f(z) which satisfies, instead of (1.1), the condition

(1.2)
$$M_{p}(r, f') = O\left((1-r)^{-1+1/p}\left(\log\frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{-q}\right) \qquad (q > 1).$$

We prove that, if 1 and <math>f(z) satisfies (1.2), then the series $\sum c_n e^{ni\theta}$ is absolutely convergent (Theorem 1). This is an extension of a theorem in [3] (Theorem 2 below). That the theorem ceases to be true for the case p > 2 is shown by the function

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1} e^{a i n \log n} z^n \qquad (a > 0),$$

which satisfies (1.2) for p > 2, but the series $\sum n^{-1}$ is divergent. We can however prove in this case that $\sum c_n e^{ni\theta}$ is absolutely summable (C, α) for every $\alpha > \frac{1}{2} - 1/p$ (Theorem 4).

If $u(\theta)$ is an integrable function, periodic with period 2π , let its Fourier series be

$$\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos n\theta + b_n \sin n\theta).$$

Set $c_0 = \frac{1}{2}a_0$, $c_n = a_n - ib_n$ (n > 0) in (1.0); then f(z) is regular for r < 1. It can be proved that if $u(\theta)$ satisfies

(1.3)
$$\left(\int_{0}^{2\pi} |u(\theta+h) - u(\theta)|^{p} d\theta\right)^{1/p} = O\left(h^{1/p}\left(\log\frac{1}{h}\right)^{-q}\right) \quad (p > 1, q > 1)$$

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