AN EXTENSION OF RESULTS IN THE UNIQUENESS THEORY OF DOUBLE TRIGONOMETRIC SERIES

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1. Introduction. It is the purpose of this paper to extend the results obtained by Cheng [2] in the uniqueness theory of double trigonometric series summed in a circular manner.

Whenever convenient, vectoral notation will be used and will be signified by capital letters thus:

$$M = (m, n),$$
 $X = (x, y),$ $MX = mx + ny,$ $|M| = (m^2 + n^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$

A double trigonometric series

(1)
$$\sum_{M} a_{M} e^{iMX},$$

where the a_M are arbitrary complex numbers which are o(1), that is $a_M \to 0$ as $|M| \to \infty$, will be said to converge circularly at the point X to L(X) if the circular partial sums of rank R

(2)
$$S_R(X) = \sum_{|M| \le R} a_M e^{iMX}$$

converge to the finite value L(X). The series will be (C, 1) circularly summable to L(X) if the (C, 1) circular mean of rank R,

$$\sigma_{R}(X) = \frac{2}{R^{2}} \int_{0}^{R} S_{u}(X) u \, du \equiv \frac{S_{R}^{(1)}(X)}{R^{2}},$$

converges to the finite value L(X). The series will be of type (U) if

$$\sum_{1 \le |M| \le R} \frac{a_M e^{iMX}}{|M^2|}$$

converges uniformly in X.

In this paper the fundamental square

$$\{(x, y); 0 \le x \le 2\pi, 0 \le y \le 2\pi\}$$

will be designated by Ω .

All sets Z of capacity zero will be considered closed sets.

2. Statement of main results. In his work on uniqueness theory Cheng [2] obtained results which are tantamount to the following:

(a) If the double trigonometric series (1.1) is of type (U) and is (C, 1) circularly summable to zero everywhere, then the series vanishes identically.

(b) If the double trigonometric series (1.1) is of type (U) and is (C, 1) cir-

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