

ON THE SUMMATION OF MULTIPLE FOURIER SERIES¹⁾

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1. Generalities. Let $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(x)$ be a real valued integrable function periodic with period 2π in $0 \leq x_i \leq 2\pi$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Following S. Bochner [1] and K. Chandrasekharan [2], we define the 'spherical means' $f(x, t)$ of a function $f(x)$ at a point $x = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$, for $t > 0$,

$$(1.1) \quad f(x, t) = \frac{\Gamma(k/2)}{2(\pi)^{k/2}} \int_{\sigma} f(x_1 + t\xi_1, \dots, x_k + t\xi_k) d\sigma_{\xi},$$

where σ is the sphere $\xi_1^2 + \dots + \xi_k^2 = 1$ and $d\sigma_{\xi}$ is its $(k-1)$ -dimensional volume element. $f(x, t)$ considered as a function of the single variable t exists for almost all t , and integrable in every finite t -interval.

If $p > 0$, we define

$$(1.2) \quad f_p(x, t) = \frac{2}{B(p, k/2) t^{2p+k-2}} \int_0^t (t^2 - s^2)^{p-1} s^{k-1} f(x, s) ds,$$

which called the spherical mean of order p of the function $f(x)$. At a point x , we write $f_p(x, t) = f_p(t)$ for $p \geq 0$, where we assume that $f_0(x, t) = f(x, t)$. The following properties of $f_p(t)$ are known [2].

$$(1.3) \quad \int_0^u t^{k-1} |f(x, t)| dt = O(u^k), \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$(1.4) \quad \int_0^u t^{k-1} |f(x, t)| dt = o(1), \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow 0.$$

$$(1.5) \quad f_p(u) = O(1), \quad \text{for } p \geq 1, \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow \infty.$$

Further, if we define, for $p \geq 0$ [2],

$$(1.6) \quad \varphi_p(t) = t^{2p+k-2} f_p(t) B(p, k/2) / 2^p \Gamma(p),$$

then we have, for $p + q \geq 1$,

$$(1.7) \quad \varphi_{p+q}(t) = \frac{1}{2^{q-1} \Gamma(q)} \int_0^t (t^2 - s^2)^{q-1} s \varphi_p(s) ds.$$

It is clear for (1.7) that if $p \geq 1$ then $\varphi_p(t)$ is absolutely continuous in every finite interval excluding the origin.

Next, let us write the Fourier series of $f(x)$ in the form,

1) The problem considered here was suggested by Professor G. Sunouchi.