## NOTES ON FOURIER ANALYSIS (XVIII): ABSOLUTE SUMMABILITY OF SERIES WITH CONSTANT TERMS.\*>

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The object of this paper is to prove some theorems concering absolute summability systematically. In § 1, key theorems are proved, from which theorems of the remaining sections are derived. One of the key theorems reads as follows: when  $(x_n)$  is a given sequence and  $(y_n)$  is defined by

 $y_n = a_{n,0} x_0 + a_{n,1} x_1 + \dots + a_{n,m} x_m + \dots$ where  $(a_{n,k})$  is an infinite matrix, then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_{n+1, m} - a_{n, m}| < M \ (m=1, 2, \dots)$$

is the necessary and sufficient condition that any  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |x_n| < \infty$  implies  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\Delta y_n| < \infty$ . By this and the similar key theorems we prove theorems of Mercerian type (in § 3), inclusion relation between absolute Riesz summations of different types (in § 4) and Tauberian theorems (in § 5).

§ 1. Key theorems. Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of real number and its linear transformation be

(1) 
$$y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k} x_k.$$

**Theorem 1.** In order that  $any \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |x_n| < \infty$  implies  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\Delta y_n| < \infty$ , it is necessary and sufficient that

(2) 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_{n+1,m}-a_{n,m}| < M.$$

Proof. Necessity. We have

$$\Delta y_n = y_{n+1} - y_n = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (a_{n+1, m} - a_{n, m}) x_m$$

which is a linear functional on (1). If we put  $x \equiv (x_n) \varepsilon(1)$ ,  $\Delta y_n \equiv U_n(x)$ , then  $W(x) \equiv \sum_{\substack{n=0\\n \equiv 0}}^{\infty} |U_n(x)|$  satisfies the assumption of the Bosanquet-Kestelman theorem [2]. Hence we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |U_n(x)| \leq M ||x||.$$

If we put  $x_n = 1(n=m)$ ,  $x_n = 0$   $(n \neq m)$ , then we get (2). Thus the necessity

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