

## 175. On the Absolute Nörlund Summability of a Fourier Series<sup>\*</sup>

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1.1. *Definitions.* Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series and  $\{s_n\}$  the sequence of its partial sums. Let  $\{p_n\}$  be a sequence of constants, real or complex and let us write

$$P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \cdots + p_n; \quad P_{-1} = p_{-1} = 0.$$

The sequence to sequence transformation:

$$(1.1.1) \quad t_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_{n-\nu} s_\nu / P_n; \quad P_n \neq 0,$$

defines the sequence  $\{t_n\}$  of Nörlund means<sup>1)</sup> of the sequence  $\{s_n\}$ , generated by the sequence of coefficients  $\{p_n\}$ . The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be summable  $(N, p_n)$  to the sum  $s$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n$  exists and is equal to  $s$ , and is said to be absolutely summable  $(N, p_n)$ , or summable  $|N, p_n|$ , if  $\{t_n\} \in BV$ , that is,  $\sum_n |t_n - t_{n-1}| \leq K$ .<sup>2)</sup>

1.2. Let  $f(t)$  be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$ , and integrable in the sense of Lebesgue over  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . We assume, without any loss of generality, that the constant term in the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  is zero, so that

$$(1.2.1) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = 0$$

and

$$(1.2.2) \quad f(t) \sim \sum_n (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) = \sum_n A_n(t).$$

We write throughout:

$$\phi(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{f(x+t) + f(x-t)\};$$

$$c_{n,k} = \{\sin(n-k)t\} / (n-k);$$

$$R_n = (n+1)p_n / P_n;$$

$$T_n = 1/R_n = P_n(n+1)^{-1}/p_n;$$

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1) Nörlund [3].

2) Mears [1].