

161. On the Gibbs Phenomenon for Quasi-Hausdorff Means

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1. The Hausdorff transformation is defined as transforming the sequence $\{s_\nu\}$ into the sequence $\{h_n\}$ by means of the equation

$$h_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} s_\nu \int_0^1 r^\nu (1-r)^{n-\nu} d\psi(r),$$

where the weight function $\psi(r)$ is of bounded variation in the interval $0 \leq r \leq 1$. This transformation is regular if and only if

$$\psi(1) - \psi(0) = 1,$$

and if $\psi(r)$ is continuous at $r=0$. We may assume that $\psi(0)=0$, then the above conditions become

$$\psi(1) = 1, \quad \psi(+0) = \psi(0) = 0.$$

Corresponding to any fixed number r with $0 < r \leq 1$, if we put $\psi(x) = e_r(x)$, where

$$e_r(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq x < r \\ 1 & \text{for } r \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

then the Hausdorff transformation reduces to the Euler transformation, i.e.

$$\sigma_n(r) = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} r^\nu (1-r)^{n-\nu} s_\nu.$$

The case $r=1$ corresponds to the ordinary convergence. For the fundamental properties of the Hausdorff and Euler transformations, see, e.g., G. H. Hardy ([1], Chapters VIII and XI).

Let $\phi(t)$ denote the function of period 2π and equal to $\frac{1}{2}(\pi-t)$ in the interval $0 < t < 2\pi$. Then $\phi(t)$ has a simple discontinuity at the origin: its Fourier series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nt}{n}. \quad (1)$$

O. Szász [12, 13] investigated the Gibbs phenomenon of this series for the Hausdorff and Euler means. Here we put $s_0 = s_0(t) = 0$ and $s_\nu = s_\nu(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{\sin nt}{n}$. He proved the following

THEOREM 1. *For the regular Hausdorff means of (1) we have*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n(t_n) = \int_0^1 d\psi(r) \int_0^\tau \frac{\sin ry}{y} dy,$$

as $nt_n \rightarrow \tau$ with $0 \leq \tau \leq +\infty$.

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