

## ON STRONG SUMMABILITY OF A FOURIER SERIES

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Let  $s_n(x) = a/2 \sum_{\nu=1}^n (a_\nu \cos \nu x + b_\nu \sin \nu x)$  be the partial sum of the Fourier series of an integrable periodic function  $f(t)$  of period  $2\pi$ , and let  $\phi(t) = \{f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2s\} / 2$ . We shall establish the following result (Hardy-Littlewood [1]<sup>1</sup>).

**THEOREM.** *If*

$$(1) \quad \int_0^t |\phi(u)| \{1 + \log^+ |\phi(u)|\} du = o(t), \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

then  $\sum_{\nu=0}^n |s_\nu(x) - s|^2 = o(n \log \log n)$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

To prove this theorem we require the following lemmas.

**LEMMA 1.** *If*

$$(2) \quad \int_0^t |\phi(u)| du = o(t), \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

then

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^n |s_\nu(x) - s|^2 = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\phi(t)}{t^2} dt \int_{1/n}^t \phi(u) \frac{\sin n(u-t)}{u-t} du + o(n).$$

**PROOF.** By (2), for  $\nu \leq n$ ,

$$s_\nu(x) - s = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{1/n}^\delta \phi(t) \frac{\sin \nu t}{t} dt + o(1).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\nu=0}^n |s_\nu(x) - s|^2 &= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_{1/n}^\delta \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\phi(u)\phi(t)}{ut} \left\{ \sum_{\nu=1}^n \sin \nu t \sin \nu u \right\} dudt + o(n) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{1/n}^\delta \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\phi(u)\phi(t)}{ut} \frac{\sin n(u-t)}{u-t} dudt \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{1/n}^\delta \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\phi(u)\phi(t)}{ut} \frac{\sin n(u+t)}{u+t} dudt + o(n) \\ &= J_1 + J_2 + o(n). \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>1</sup> Numbers in brackets refer to the references listed at the end of the paper.