

# ON THE STRONG SUMMABILITY OF POWER SERIES AND FOURIER SERIES

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Let

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n z^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n r^n e^{in\theta}$$

be a function analytic for  $r = |z| < 1$ . If for some  $\lambda > 0$ , the integral

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^{\lambda} d\theta$$

remains bounded when  $r \rightarrow 1$ , the function  $f(z)$  is said to belong to the class  $H^{\lambda}$ . If  $\lambda > 1$ , a necessary and sufficient condition for the function  $f(z)$  to belong to the class  $H^{\lambda}$ , is that the real part of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\theta}$$

is the Fourier series of a function of the class  $L^{\lambda}$ .

H.C. Chow [1] proved that, if  $f(z) \in H^{\lambda}$  ( $1 < \lambda \leq 2$ ), then for almost every  $\theta$

$$\sum_{v=0}^n |\sigma_v^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - f(e^{i\theta})|^q = o(n)$$

where  $\alpha > 1/\lambda$ ,  $0 < q \leq \lambda/(\lambda - 1)$  and  $\sigma_n^{\alpha}(\theta)$  is the  $n$ -th  $(C, \alpha)$ -means of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\theta}.$$

In the present note, we shall prove a more precise theorem:

**THEOREM.** *If  $f(z) \in H^{\lambda}$  ( $1 \leq \lambda < 2$ ), then*

$$\sum_{v=0}^n |\sigma_v^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - f(e^{i\theta})|^q = o(n), \quad \text{a. e.}$$

where  $\alpha = 1/\lambda$ ,  $0 < q < \lambda/(\lambda - 1)$ .

The proof of this theorem depends closely upon the argument of Zygmund [2]. The following lemmas are proved in the cited Zygmund's paper. For the sake of simplicity, we write by  $f(\theta)$  the real part of  $f(e^{i\theta})$ .

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $f(\theta)$  be a function of the class  $L^{\lambda}$  ( $\lambda \geq 1$ ), and let  $U(r, \theta)$  be the Poisson integral of  $f(\theta)$ . If*

$$\left| \int_0^{\theta} |f(t)|^{\lambda} dt \right| \leq \mu |\theta| \quad \text{for } |\theta| \leq \pi,$$

then

$$(1) \quad |U(r, \theta)| \leq C \left\{ \mu \left( 1 + \frac{|\theta|}{\delta} \right) \right\}^{1/\lambda},$$

and

$$(2) \quad \left| \int_0^\theta |U(rt)|^\lambda dt \right| \leq C\mu|\theta|,$$

where  $\delta = 1 - r$ .

LEMMA 2. Let  $\mathfrak{E}$  be an arbitrary perfect set of positive measure and of period  $2\pi$ , and let  $\varphi(\theta)$  denote the function equal to 0 in  $\mathfrak{E}$  and to  $d$  if  $\theta$  belongs to an interval contiguous to  $\mathfrak{E}$  and of length  $d$ . Then for almost every point  $\theta \in \mathfrak{E}$  the integral

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi(\theta + u)}{|u|^{a+1}} du$$

is finite for any positive number  $a$ .

LEMMA 3. Let  $U(r, \theta)$  and  $V(r, \theta)$  be the Poisson integral of  $f(\theta)$  and the harmonic function conjugate to  $U(r, \theta)$  respectively. If  $f \geq 0$ , then

$$\left| \frac{d}{d\psi} U(r, \psi) \right| \leq \frac{C}{\delta} U(r, \psi), \quad \left| \frac{d}{d\psi} V(r, \psi) \right| \leq \frac{C}{\delta} U(r, \psi),$$

where  $\delta = 1 - r$ .

PROOF OF THE THEOREM. Let  $\mathfrak{E}$  be a perfect set situated in the interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$  such that

$$\left| \int_\theta^{\theta+h} |f(u)|^\lambda du \right| \leq \mu|h| \quad \text{for } \theta \in \mathfrak{E} \text{ and } |h| \leq \pi.$$

We can assume for simplicity that the point  $\theta = 0$  belongs to  $\mathfrak{E}$ , and we investigate for  $\theta = 0$ .

Let

$$f(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^n c_\nu z^\nu,$$

and  $\sigma_n^\alpha(\theta)$  be the  $n$ -th  $(C, \alpha)$ -means of the power series of  $f(e^{i\theta})$ . Further let

$$t_n^\alpha(\theta) \equiv \sigma_n^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - \sigma_n^\alpha(\theta) = \frac{1}{\alpha A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \nu c_\nu e^{i\nu\theta},$$

and

$$t_n^\alpha = t_n^\alpha(0), \quad \sigma_n^\alpha = \sigma_n^\alpha(0).$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \alpha A_\nu^\alpha t_\nu^\alpha z^\nu = \frac{zf'(z)}{(1-z)^\alpha},$$

and applying the Hausdorff-Young theorem,

$$\left\{ \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \alpha^q (A_{\nu}^{\alpha})^q |t_{\nu}^{\alpha}|^q r^{\nu q} \right\}^{1/q} \leq \left\{ \frac{r^p}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \frac{f'(re^{i\psi})}{1-re^{i\psi}} \right|^p d\psi \right\}^{1/p},$$

where  $z = re^{i\psi}$  and  $p = q/(q-1)$ .

Let  $\delta = 1 - r$ , and by lemma 3

$$\left\{ \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (A_{\nu}^{\alpha})^q |t_{\nu}^{\alpha}|^q r^{\nu q} \right\}^{1/q} \leq \frac{C}{\delta} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{U^p(r, \psi)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi \right\}^{1/p}$$

where

$$\Delta_r(\psi) = (1 - 2r \cos \psi + r^2)^{1/2}.$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume  $f(\theta) \geq 0$ .

If  $P_r(\psi)$  is the Poisson kernel, then

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{U^p(r, \psi)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(u) P_r(\psi - u) du \right\}^{1/\alpha} d\psi.$$

Since  $1/\alpha = \lambda \geq 1$ , applying Jensen's inequality, the last term is less than

$$\begin{aligned} & C \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(u) P_r(\psi - u) du d\psi \\ & \leq C \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(u) du \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi, \end{aligned}$$

which we decompose into four integrals, extended over the four squares

$$0 \leq \pm \psi \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \pm u \leq \pi.$$

It is sufficient to consider one of them, since the other may be estimated similarly. For instance, let us consider the integral

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad S(r) &= \int_0^{\pi} f(u) du \int_0^{\pi} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi \\ &= \int_0^{\delta} \int_0^{\pi} + \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \int_0^{u/2} + \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \int_{u/2}^{\pi} \\ &= S_1(r) + S_2(r) + S_3(r), \end{aligned}$$

say. If we put

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi = \int_0^{2\delta} + \int_{2\delta}^{\pi} = A(r, u) + B(r, u),$$

then, by the inequalities

$$\Delta_r(\psi) \geq \delta, \quad \Delta_r(\psi) \geq C\psi \quad (0 \leq \psi \leq \pi)$$

and lemma 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} A(r, u) &\leq C\mu^{\alpha(p-1/\alpha)} \delta^{-\alpha p} \int_0^{\delta} P_r(\psi - u) d\psi \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{-\alpha p}. \end{aligned}$$

Since in the interval  $0 \leq \mu \leq \delta$ ,  $2\delta \leq \psi \leq \pi$ ,

$$P_r(\psi - u) \leq P_r\left(\frac{1}{2}\psi\right) \leq C\delta\psi^{-2},$$

we have, again making use of lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} B(r, u) &\leq C \int_{2\delta}^{\pi} \frac{(\mu\psi^{\delta-1})^{\alpha(p-1/\alpha)} \delta\psi^{-2}}{\psi^{p\alpha}} d\psi \\ &\leq C \mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{2-\alpha p} \int_{2\delta}^{\infty} \psi^{-3} d\psi \\ &\leq C \mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{2-\alpha p} \delta^{-2} \leq C \mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{-\alpha p}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad S_1(r) &\leq C \mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{-\alpha p} \int_0^{\delta} f^{\lambda}(u) du \\ &\leq C \mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{-\alpha p} \mu^{\delta} \leq C \mu^{\alpha p} \delta^{1-\alpha p}. \end{aligned}$$

The inner integral of  $S_2(r)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{u/2} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi \\ &\leq P_r\left(\frac{1}{2}u\right) \int_0^{u/2} \frac{U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi)}{\Delta_r^{\alpha p}(\psi)} d\psi, \\ &\leq P_r\left(\frac{1}{2}u\right) \left\{ \int_0^{u/2} U^{\lambda}(r, \psi) d\psi \right\}^{p\alpha-1} \left\{ \int_0^{u/2} \frac{1}{\Delta_r^{p\alpha/(2-p\alpha)}(\psi)} d\psi \right\}^{2-p\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

by Hölder's inequality. From lemma 1, the last expression does not exceed

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C\delta u^{-2} (\mu u)^{p\alpha-1} \left( \int_0^{\delta/2} + \int_{\delta/2}^{u/2} \right)^{2-p\alpha} \\ &\leq C \mu^{p\alpha-1} \delta u^{p\alpha-3} \left( \delta^{\frac{2-2p\alpha}{2-p\alpha}} \right)^{2-p\alpha} \\ &\leq C \mu^{p\alpha-1} \delta^{3-2p\alpha} u^{p\alpha-3}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\theta = 0$  is the Lebesgue point of  $f^{\lambda}(u)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad S_2(r) &\leq C \mu^{p\alpha-1} \delta^{3-2p\alpha} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\lambda}(u)}{u^{3-p\alpha}} du \\ &\leq C \mu^{p\alpha-1} \delta^{3-2p\alpha} \mu \delta^{-2+p\alpha} \\ &\leq C \mu^{p\alpha} \delta^{1-p\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Concerning the integral  $S_3(r)$ , we have

$$S_3(r) = C \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\lambda}(u)}{\Delta_r^{p\alpha}(u/2)} du \int_{u/2}^{\pi} U^{p-1/\alpha}(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u) d\psi$$

$$\leq C \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} U(r, \psi) P_r(\psi - u) d\psi \right\}^{p-1/\alpha}$$

(since  $0 < 1/\alpha \leq 1$  by Hölder's inequality)

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} U^{p-1/\alpha}(r^2, u) du \\ &\leq C \left( \int_{\mathfrak{E}(\delta)} + \int_{\mathfrak{F}(\delta)} \right) = J(r) + K(r), \end{aligned}$$

say, where  $\mathfrak{E}(\delta)$  is the portion of  $\mathfrak{E}$  contained in the interval  $(\delta, \pi)$  and  $\mathfrak{F}(\delta) = (\delta, \pi) - \mathfrak{E}(\delta)$ . Since

$$U(r^2, u) \leq C\mu^{\alpha} \quad \text{for } u \in \mathfrak{E}(\delta),$$

we obtain by lemma 1

$$\begin{aligned} J(r) &\leq C\mu^{\alpha(p-1/\alpha)} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \mu \delta^{1-\alpha p} \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p} \delta^{1-\alpha p}. \end{aligned}$$

The set  $\mathfrak{F}(\delta)$  consists of an enumerable sequence of intervals  $d_i = (a_i, b_i)$ , and hence, applying lemma 1 to the function  $U(r^2, u)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} K(r) &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \sum_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} \left( 1 + \frac{d_i}{\delta} \right)^{p\alpha-1} du \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \left\{ \sum_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du + \sum_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} \left( \frac{d_i}{\delta} \right)^{p\alpha-1} du \right\} \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \left\{ \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du + \delta^{(p\alpha-1)} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u) \varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du \right\} \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \left\{ \mu \delta^{1-p\alpha} + \delta^{1-p\alpha} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u) \varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du \right\} \\ &\leq C\mu^{\alpha p} \delta^{1-\alpha p} + C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{1-p\alpha} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u) \varphi^{\alpha p-1}(u)}{u^{\alpha p}} du. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (A_{\nu}^{\alpha})^q |t_{\nu}^{\alpha}|^q r^{\nu q} \right\}^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\delta} \left\{ C\mu^{p\alpha} \delta^{1-p\alpha} + C\mu^{\alpha p-1} \delta^{1-p\alpha} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u) \varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u)}{|u|^{p\alpha}} du \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

or, more generally

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} (A_{\nu}^{\alpha})^q |t_{\nu}^{\alpha}(\theta)| r^{\nu q} \leq \left\{ C_1 \mu^{p\alpha} \delta^{1-p\alpha-p} + C_2 \mu^{p\alpha-1} \delta^{1-p\alpha-p} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{f^{\wedge}(u+\theta) \varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u+\theta)}{|u|^{p\alpha}} du \right\}^{q/p}.$$

Since  $p\alpha - 1 > 0$ , by lemma 2

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u+\theta)}{|u|^{p\alpha}} du < \infty,$$

and we can prove (see Zygmund [2])

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi^{p\alpha-1}(u+\theta) f^{\wedge}(u+\theta)}{|u|^{p\alpha}} du < \infty.$$

Put  $r = 1 - 1/(n+1)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{\nu}^{\alpha q} |\sigma_n^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - \sigma_n^{\alpha}(\theta)|^q &\leq C e^q \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{\nu}^{\alpha q} |\sigma_n^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - \sigma_n^{\alpha}(\theta)|^q r^{\nu q} \\ &\leq \left\{ C_1 \mu^{p\alpha} n^{p(\alpha+1)-1} + C_2 \mu^{p\alpha-1} n^{p(\alpha+1)-1} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi^{p-1}(u+\theta) f^{\wedge}(u+\theta)}{|u|^{p\alpha}} du \right\}^{q/p} \\ &= O(n^{q(\alpha+1-1/p)}) = O(n^{q\alpha+1}), \end{aligned}$$

by lemma 2.

Therefore by Abel's transformation,

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^n |\sigma_n^{\alpha-1}(\theta) - \sigma_n^{\alpha}(\theta)|^q = O(n), \quad \text{a. e.}$$

in which we can replace  $O(n)$  by  $o(n)$ , using the argument due to Zygmund [2]. Thus we have proved the theorem completely.

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