

19. A New Convergence Criterion of Fourier Series

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§ 1. The object of this paper is to prove the following two theorems:

Theorem 1. *If (i) f is even, (ii) $\int_0^t f(u)du = o(t)$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ and (iii) for some $\delta > 0$, there is an $\eta (1 > \eta > 0)$ such that*

$$\Theta(t) = \int_t^\delta |d\theta(u)| = O(t^{-\eta}) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

where $\theta(u) = u^{-\eta} f(u)$, then the Fourier series of f converges at the origin.

Theorem 2. *If f is continuous and is of bounded variation and if there is an $\eta > 0$ such that (i) $t^{-\eta} \omega(t) > A > 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ and (ii)*

$$\Theta(t) = \int_t^\delta |d\theta(u)| = O(t^{-\eta} \omega(t)) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

uniformly for all x , where $\theta(u) = u^{-\eta} \varphi_x(u)$, then

$$|s_n(x; f) - f(x)| \leq A\omega(1/n) \quad \text{for all } x.$$

§ 2. Proof of Theorem 1. It is sufficient to prove that

$$s_n = \int_0^\delta f(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt = o(1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where δ is a fixed constant. We write $s_n = \int_0^{k/n} + \int_{k/n}^\delta = I_1 + I_2$, where k is fixed but a large number. Then $I_1 = o(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By the assumption, $f(u)$ is of bounded variation on the interval $(k/n, \delta)$, and then $|I_2| \leq V/n$, where V is the total variation of the function $f(t)/t$ on the interval $(k/n, \delta)$. Hence it is sufficient to show that $V = o(n)$. Since $f(t)/t = \theta(t)/t^{1-\eta}$, the required relation is that, for any given ε and a suitable k ,

$$\int_{k/n}^\delta \left| d\left(\frac{\theta(t)}{t^{1-\eta}}\right) \right| \leq \varepsilon n.$$

Now $d\Theta(t) = |d\theta(t)|$ and $|\theta(t)| = \left| \int_t^\delta d\theta(t) \right| \leq \Theta(t)$ since we can suppose that $f(\delta) = 0$ and then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{k/n}^\delta \left| d\left(\frac{\theta(t)}{t^{1-\eta}}\right) \right| &\leq \int_{k/n}^\delta \frac{|d\theta(t)|}{t^{1-\eta}} + \int_{k/n}^\delta \frac{|\theta(t)|}{t^{2-\eta}} dt \\ &\leq \left[\frac{\Theta(t)}{t^{1-\eta}} \right]_{k/n}^\delta + A \int_{k/n}^\delta \frac{\Theta(t)}{t^{2-\eta}} dt \leq A \frac{n}{k} < \varepsilon n. \end{aligned}$$

This gives the required relation. Thus we get the theorem.

We have the following corollary which is a generalization of a theorem of Tomic [1].

Corollary 1. *If f is even, positive and continuous at the origin and there is an $\eta > 0$ such that $t^{-\eta}f(t)$ is decreasing on the right neighbourhood of the origin, then the Fourier series of f converges at the origin.*

For, $\theta(t) = t^{-\eta}f(t)$ is decreasing and then

$$\theta(t) = \theta(t) - \theta(\delta) = t^{-\eta}f(t) - \delta^{-\eta}f(\delta) = O(t^{-\eta}),$$

since f is bounded in the neighbourhood of the origin. Hence the condition (iii) is satisfied. Thus we get the theorem.

§ 3. Proof of Theorem 2. We can suppose that f is not constant, since the theorem is trivial when f is constant. We write

$$\begin{aligned} s_n(x; f) - f(x) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi_x(t) D_n(t) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\int_0^\delta + \int_\delta^\pi \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} (I_1 + I_2). \end{aligned}$$

If $\omega(h_n) = o(h_n)$ as $h_n \rightarrow 0$, then f is constant, so that $1/n = O(\omega(1/n))$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence $I_2 \leq V/n = O(1/n) = O(\omega(1/n))$, where V is the total variation of $\varphi_x(t)/2 \sin t/2$ over (δ, π) . We write $I_1 = \int_0^{1/n} + \int_{1/n}^\delta = I_{11} + I_{12}$, then

$$|I_{11}| \leq \int_0^{1/n} |\varphi_x(t) D_n(t)| dt \leq An \int_0^{1/n} |\varphi_x(t)| dt \leq A\omega(1/n)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_{12} &= \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\varphi_x(t)}{2 \sin t/2} \sin(n+1/2)tdt \\ &= \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\varphi_x(t)}{t} \sin(n+1/2)tdt + \int_{1/n}^\delta \varphi_x(t) \left[\frac{1}{2 \sin t/2} - \frac{1}{t} \right] \sin(n+1/2)tdt \\ &= I_{121} + I_{122}, \end{aligned}$$

where $I_{122} = O(1/n) = O(\omega(1/n))$, since I_{122} is the n -th Fourier coefficient of bounded variation whose total variation is less than a constant. $|I_{121}| \leq V_1/n$ where V_1 is the total variation of the function $\varphi_x(u)/u = \theta(u)/u^{1-\eta}$ over the interval $(1/n, \delta)$. It is sufficient to show that $V_1 = O(n\omega(1/n))$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{1/n}^\delta \left| d \left(\frac{\theta(t)}{t^{1-\eta}} \right) \right| \leq \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{|d\theta(t)|}{t^{1-\eta}} + \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{|\theta(t)|}{t^{2-\eta}} dt \\ &\leq \left[\frac{\theta(t)}{t^{1-\eta}} \right]_{t=1/n}^\delta + \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{\theta(t)}{t^{2-\eta}} dt + \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{|\theta(t)|}{t^{1-\eta}} dt \\ &\leq A + An\omega(1/n) + An^{1-\eta} \leq An\omega(1/n) \end{aligned}$$

which is the required. Thus we get the theorem.

As a special case, we get the following corollary which is a generalization of Tomic's theorem [1]:

Corollary 2. *If f is continuous and is of bounded variation and if, for any x , there is an $\eta > 0$ such that $t^{\eta} \varphi_x(t)$ is positive, decreasing (or negative increasing) in the right neighbourhood of $t=0$, then $|s_n(x; f) - f(x)| \leq A\omega(1/n)$.*

Reference

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