

## MULTIPLIERS FOR $|C, 1|$ SUMMABILITY OF FOURIER SERIES

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**In the present paper we improve the conditions of all previously known theorems on the absolute  $(C, 1)$  summability factors of Fourier series.**

1. Let the formal expansion of a function  $f(x)$ , periodic with period  $2\pi$  and integrable in the sense of Lebesgue over  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , in a Fourier-trigonometric series be given by

$$(1.1) \quad f(x) \sim \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(x).$$

We write

$$\phi(u) = f(x + u) + f(x - u) - 2f(x)$$

and throughout this paper  $A$  will denote a positive constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

Whittaker [5], in 1930, proved that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(x)/n^\alpha, \quad \alpha > 0,$$

is summable  $|A|$  almost everywhere.

Later, Prasad [4] demonstrated that the series

$$\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} A_n(x)/\mu_n,$$

where

$$\mu_n = \left( \prod_{\nu=1}^{k-1} \log^\nu n \right) (\log^k n)^{1+\varepsilon}, \quad \log^k n_0 > 0, \quad \varepsilon > 0,$$

and

$$\log^k n = \log(\log^{k-1} n), \dots, \log^2 n = \log \log n;$$

is summable  $|A|$  almost everywhere.

Chow [2], on the other hand, has shown that the series  $\sum \lambda_n A_n(x)$  is summable  $|C, 1|$  almost everywhere, provided  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a convex sequence satisfying the condition  $\sum n^{-1} \cdot \lambda_n < \infty$ .

Cheng [1], in 1948, established the following:

**THEOREM A.** *If*

$$\Phi(t) \equiv \int_0^t |\phi(u)| du = O(t)$$

as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , then the series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n(x)/(\log n)^{1+\delta}, \quad \delta > 0,$$

is summable  $|C, \alpha|$ ,  $\alpha > 1$ .

In a recent paper, Hsiang [3] has proved the following theorems:

**THEOREM B.** *If*

$$(1.2) \quad \Phi(t) = O(t) \quad (t \rightarrow +0),$$

then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(x)/n^\alpha$  is summable  $|C, 1|$  for every  $\alpha > 0$ .

**THEOREM C.** *If*

$$(1.3) \quad \Phi(t) = O\left\{t/\prod_{\nu=1}^k \log^\nu(1/t)\right\}$$

as  $t \rightarrow +0$ , then the series

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(x) / \left(\prod_{\nu=1}^{k-1} \log^\nu n\right) (\log^k n)^{1+\varepsilon}$$

is summable  $|C, 1|$  for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

In the present paper we prove the following theorem, which includes the theorem of Cheng and both the theorems of Hsiang:

**THEOREM.** *If*

$$(1.5) \quad \varphi(t) \equiv \int_t^\delta \frac{|\phi(u)|}{u} du = O\{(\log^k(1/t))^\eta\} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow +0,$$

$0 < \delta \leq \pi$ , then the series (1.4) is summable  $|C, 1|$  for  $0 < \eta < \varepsilon$ .

The conditions of our theorem are less stringent than those of Cheng and Hsiang.

2. The proof of the theorem is based on the following lemmas:

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $S_n(x)$  be the  $n$ th partial sum of the series (1.1), then under the condition (1.5), we have*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{\nu=0}^n |S_\nu(x) - f(x)| = O\{n(\log^k n)^\eta\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\varepsilon_\nu = \text{sign} [S_\nu(x) - f(x)]$ , so that  $\varepsilon_\nu = \pm 1$  and it depends only upon  $x$  and  $\nu$ , and is independent of  $t$ . Also, we write

$$K_n(t) = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \varepsilon_\nu \sin \nu t .$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\nu=0}^n |S_\nu(x) - f(x)| &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\phi(t)}{t} K_n(t) dt + o(n) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^{1/n} + \int_{1/n}^\delta + \int_\delta^\pi \right] + o(n) \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + o(n) , \end{aligned}$$

say. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} (2.3) \quad I_1 &\leq \int_0^{1/n} |\phi(t)| \cdot O(n^2) dt \\ &= O(n^2) \int_0^{1/n} -t\varphi'(t) dt , \quad \varphi'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}\varphi(t) . \\ &= O(n^2) [-t\varphi(t)]_0^{1/n} + O(n^2) \int_0^{1/n} \varphi(t) dt \\ &= O\{n(\log^k n)^\nu\} . \end{aligned}$$

Also, for  $nt \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.4) \quad I_2 &\leq \int_{1/n}^\delta \frac{|\phi(t)|}{t} \cdot n dt \\ &= O\{n(\log^k n)^\nu\} . \end{aligned}$$

Since, by Riemann-Lebesgue theorem,

$$\int_\delta^\pi \frac{\phi(t)}{t} \sin ntdt = o(1) ,$$

we have

$$(2.5) \quad I_3 = O(n) .$$

Combining (2.1), (2.2),  $\dots$ , (2.5), the lemma follows.

LEMMA 2. *Let*

$$t_n(x) = \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=1}^n \nu A_\nu(x) .$$

*Then*

$$T_n(x) \equiv \sum_{\nu=1}^n |t_\nu(x)| = O\{n(\log^k n)^\nu\}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} (\mu_n)^{-1} \cdot n^{-1} |t_n(x)| < \infty .$$

*Proof.* Let

$$\sigma_n(x) = \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=0}^n S_\nu(x) .$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n(x) - f(x) &= \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \{S_\nu(x) - f(x)\} \\ \implies |\sigma_n(x) - f(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=0}^n |S_\nu(x) - f(x)| \\ (2.6) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= O\{(\log^k n)^\eta\} \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 1.

Therefore, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(x) &= \sum_{\nu=1}^n |t_\nu(x)| \\ (2.7) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \sum_{\nu=1}^n |S_\nu(x) - \sigma_\nu(x)| \\ &\leq \sum_{\nu=1}^n |S_\nu(x) - f(x)| + \sum_{\nu=1}^n |\sigma_\nu(x) - f(x)| \\ &= O[n(\log^k n)^\eta] \end{aligned}$$

by (2.6) and Lemma 1.

Finally, by Abel's transformation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=m}^M (\mu_n)^{-1} \cdot n^{-1} |t_n(x)| &= \sum_{n=m}^{M-1} T_n(x) \Delta\{(\mu_n)^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}\} \\ &\quad - (\mu_{m-1})^{-1} (m-1)^{-1} T_{m-1}(n) + \mu_M^{-1} \cdot M^{-1} T_M(x) \\ &= \sum_{n=m}^{M-1} \Delta\{(\mu_n)^{-1}\} \cdot n^{-1} T_n(x) \\ &\quad + \sum_{m=m}^{M-1} (\mu_{n+1})^{-1} \cdot n^{-1} (n+1)^{-1} T_n(x) + O(1) \\ (2.8) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \sum_{n=m}^{M-1} \Delta\{(\mu_n)^{-1}\} \cdot (\log^k n)^\eta \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=m}^{M-1} (\mu_{n+1})^{-1} (n+1)^{-1} (\log^k n)^\eta + O(1) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=m}^{M-1} \frac{A \cdot (\log^k n)^\eta}{n \left( \prod_{\mu=1}^{k-1} \log^\mu n \right) (\log^k n)^{1+\varepsilon}} + O(1) \\ &= O(1) , \end{aligned}$$

for  $m \rightarrow \infty$  and  $M \rightarrow \infty$ .

In view of (2.7) and (2.8) the lemma is proved.

**3. Proof of the theorem.** Let  $\tau_n(x)$  denotes the  $n$ th Cesàro mean of the sequence  $\{n(\mu_n^{-1}) \cdot A_n(x)\}$ .

By Abel's transformation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tau_n(x) &= \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=n_0}^n \nu(\mu_\nu)^{-1} \cdot A_\nu(x) \\
 (3.1) \quad &= \frac{1}{(n+1)} \sum_{\nu=n_0}^{n-1} \Delta(\mu_\nu)^{-1} \cdot (\nu+1)t_\nu(x) + (\mu_n)^{-1}t_n(x) \\
 &= J_1^{(n)}(x) + J_2^{(n)}(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

say. Now, by Lemma 2, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=m_0}^m J_1^{(n)}(x)/n &\leq \sum_{n=m_0}^m n^{-1}(n+1)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=n_0}^{n-1} \Delta(\mu_\nu)^{-1}(\nu+1)|t_\nu(x)|, \quad \log^k m_0 > 0 \\
 (3.2) \quad &\leq A \sum_{\nu=m_0}^m \Delta(\mu_\nu)^{-1}(\nu+1)|t_\nu(x)| \sum_{n=\nu+1}^m n^{-1}(n+1)^{-1} \\
 &\leq A \sum_{\nu=m_0}^m \Delta(\mu_\nu)^{-1}|t_\nu(x)| \\
 &= A \sum_{\nu=m_0}^{m-1} \Delta^2[(\mu_\nu)^{-1}] \cdot T_\nu(x) + \Delta(\mu_m^{-1})T_m(x) + O(1) \\
 &= O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.3) \quad \sum_{n=m_0}^m J_2^{(n)}(x)/n &\leq \sum_{n=m_0}^m (\mu_n)^{-1} \cdot n^{-1}t_n(x)| \\
 &= O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1), (3.2), and (3.3), we have

$$\sum_{n=m_0}^m \frac{|\tau_n(x)|}{n} = O(1).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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