

# ON A SEQUENCE OF FOURIER COEFFICIENTS

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $f(t)$  be an integrable function with period  $2\pi$  and let

$$(1.1) \quad f(t) \sim \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) \equiv \frac{1}{2}A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(t).$$

Then the conjugate series of (1.1) is given by

$$(1.2) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n \cos nt - a_n \sin nt) \equiv \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n(t).$$

Throughout this paper we use the following notations:

$$\varphi(t) = \varphi_x(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2s,$$

where  $s$  is an assigned finite number;

$$\psi(t) = \psi_x(t) = f(x+t) - f(x-t) - l,$$

where  $l$  is an assigned finite number;

$$\theta(t) = \theta_x(t) = f(x+t) - f(x-t);$$

$$\Phi_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-u)^{\alpha-1} \varphi(u) du \quad (\alpha > 0);$$

$\Psi_\alpha(t)$ ,  $\Theta_\alpha(t)$  have similar meanings. We always suppose  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $0 < \xi < \pi$ , and write  $\alpha(n, k) = \delta(1)$ , for any function  $\alpha$  of  $n$  and  $k$ , when and only when

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha(n, k) = 0.$$

Recently, B. Singh [4] proved the following

**THEOREM A.** *If  $\Psi_1(t) = o(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , and*

$$\int_y^\xi \frac{|\psi(t+y) - \psi(t)|}{t} dt = o(1) \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0,$$

*then*

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\nu=1}^n \nu B_\nu(x) \rightarrow \frac{l}{\pi} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

*that is, the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is evaluable  $(C, 1)$  to the value  $l/\pi$ .*

The conditions of Theorem A are of Lebesgue type for the convergence

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of the conjugate series (1.2). Therefore, we shall consider, under the conditions of Gergen type [1], the summability  $(C, 1)$  of the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$ . Under the conditions of this type, G. Sunouchi [5] and S. Izumi [2] proved the following theorems.

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $\gamma \geq \beta > 0$  and  $\Delta = \gamma/\beta$ . If*

$$(1.3) \quad \Phi_{\beta}(t) = o(t^{\gamma}) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{y \rightarrow 0} \int_{(ky)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{|\varphi(t+y) - \varphi(t)|}{t} dt = 0,$$

then the Fourier series (1.1) converges to the value  $s$  at  $t=x$ .

**THEOREM C.** *Let  $\Delta \geq 1$ . If*

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

and (1.4) holds, then the Fourier series (1.1) converges to the value  $s$  at  $t=x$ .

Concerning Theorem A, we shall prove the following theorems.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $\gamma \geq \beta > 0$  and  $\Delta = \gamma/\beta$ . If*

$$(1.5) \quad \Psi_{\beta}(t) = o(t^{\gamma}) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{y \rightarrow 0} \int_{(ky)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{|\psi(t+y) - \psi(t)|}{t} dt = 0,$$

then the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is evaluable  $(C, 1)$  to the value  $l/\pi$ .

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $\Delta \geq 1$ . If*

$$(1.7) \quad \int_0^t |\psi(u)| du = o(t/\log t^{-1}) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

and (1.6) holds, then the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is evaluable  $(C, 1)$  to the value  $l/\pi$ .

Following the method of R. Mohanty and M. Nanda [3], we get the following convergence criteria for the conjugate series (1.2) as corollaries of Theorems 1 and 2.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $\gamma \geq \beta > 0$  and  $\Delta = \gamma/\beta$ . If*

$$\Theta_{\beta}(t) = o(t^{\gamma}) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$(1.8) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{y \rightarrow 0} \int_{(ky)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{|\theta(t+y) - \theta(t)|}{t} dt = 0,$$

then the conjugate series (1.2), at  $t=x$ , converges to the value

$$(1.9) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\rightarrow 0}^{\pi} \theta(t) \cot \frac{t}{2} dt$$

provided that the integral exists as a Cauchy integral at the origin.

**THEOREM 4.** Let  $\Delta \geq 1$ . If

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

and (1.8) holds, then the conjugate series (1.2), at  $t=x$ , converges to the value (1.9) provided that the integral exists as a Cauchy integral at the origin.

## 2. Preliminary Lemmas.

**LEMMA 1.** Under the conditions of Theorem 1, we have, for integer  $\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq [\beta] + 1$ ,

$$(2.1) \quad \Psi_\nu(t) = o(t^{1+(\nu-1)\Delta}).$$

This is due to S. Izumi [2; Lemma 1].

**LEMMA 2.** Let  $0 < \tau \leq 1$  and let  $0 \leq u < v < \infty$ . Then we have

$$(2.2) \quad \int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} e^{nt} dt = o(n^{-\tau}).$$

This is due to G. Sunouchi [6; Lemma 1].

**LEMMA 3.** Let  $\sigma(n, t) = \frac{\sin nt}{nt^2} - \frac{\cos nt}{t}$ . Then we have

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \sigma(n, t) = O\left(\sum_{j=-1}^m n^j / t^{m-j+1}\right) \quad (m=0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

and, for  $0 < \tau \leq 1$ ,  $0 < u < v < \infty$ ,

$$(2.4) \quad \int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \sigma(n, t) dt = O\left(\sum_{j=-1}^m n^j \tau u^{j-m-1}\right) \quad (m=0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

*Proof.* By Leibniz formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \sigma(n, t) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (m-j+1)! \frac{n^j}{t^{m-j+2}} \sin(nt+j\pi/2) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (m-j)! \frac{n^j}{t^{m-j+1}} \cos(nt+j\pi/2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$\frac{d^m}{dt^m} \sigma(n, t) = O\left(\sum_{j=0}^m n^{j-1}/t^{m-j+2}\right) + O\left(\sum_{j=0}^m n^j/t^{m-j+1}\right) = O\left(\sum_{j=-1}^m n^j/t^{m-j+1}\right),$$

which is (2.3). Now, using the second mean value theorem, we have

$$\int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} \frac{e^{int}}{t^{m-j+1}} dt = \frac{1}{u^{m-j+1}} \int_u^{v'} (t-u)^{\tau-1} e^{int} dt \quad (u < v' < v)$$

$$= O(1/n^\tau u^{m-j+1})$$

by (2.2). Hence, from (2.5),

$$\int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \sigma(n, t) dt = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (m-j+1)! n^j \int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} \frac{\sin(nt+j\pi/2)}{t^{m-j+2}} dt$$

$$- \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (m-j)! n^j \int_u^v (t-u)^{\tau-1} \frac{\cos(nt+j\pi/2)}{t^{m-j+1}} dt$$

$$= O\left(\sum_{j=0}^m n^{j-\tau-1} u^{j-m-2}\right) + O\left(\sum_{j=0}^m n^{j-\tau} u^{j-m-1}\right) = O\left(\sum_{j=-1}^m n^{j-\tau} u^{j-m-1}\right)$$

which is the result required.

The following three Lemmas can be proved analogously to the proofs of Singh's lemmas [4; Lemmas 1, 2 and 3].

LEMMA 4. *If  $\Psi_1(t) = o(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , then, for every positive integer  $k$ ,*

$$\int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \left( \frac{1}{t^2} - \frac{1}{t(t+\pi/n)} \right) \psi(t) \sin nt \, dt = o(n^{1/\Delta}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

LEMMA 5.  *$\Psi_1(t) = o(t)$ , then, for every positive integer  $k$ ,*

$$\int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\eta} \frac{\psi(t)}{t} e^{int} dt = o(1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta} < \eta \leq (k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta} + \pi/n$ .

LEMMA 6. *If  $\Psi_1(t) = o(t)$  and (1.6) holds, then*

$$\int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{\psi(t)}{t(t+\pi/n)} e^{int} dt = \bar{o}(n^{1/\Delta}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

LEMMA 7. *If  $\sum u_n$  is Abel evaluable, then a necessary and sufficient condition that it should be convergent is that the sequence  $\{nu_n\}$  is evaluable (C, 1) to the value zero.*

This Lemma is well-known as Tauber's second theorem.

**3. Proof of Theorem 1.** From the method of Mohanty and Nanda [3], we have

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\nu=1}^n \nu B_\nu(x) - \frac{l}{\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \{f(x+t) - f(x-t) - l\} g(n, t) dt + o(1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \phi(t) g(n, t) dt + o(1) = \frac{1}{\pi} P + o(1),$$

say, where

$$g(n, t) = -\frac{1}{n} \frac{d}{dt} \{\cos t + \cos 2t + \cdots + \cos nt\}$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{4n} \frac{\sin nt}{\sin^2 t/2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos nt}{\tan t/2} \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \sin nt.$$

Now, we have, when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \int_0^\pi \psi(t) \left\{ \frac{\sin nt}{4n \sin^2 t/2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos nt}{\tan t/2} \right\} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \psi(t) \sin nt \, dt \\
 (3.1) \quad &= \int_0^\pi \psi(t) \left\{ \frac{\sin nt}{nt^2} - \frac{\cos nt}{t} \right\} dt + o(1) \\
 &= \left( \int_0^{k\pi/n} + \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} + \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \right) \psi(t) \sigma(n, t) \, dt + o(1) \\
 &= P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + o(1),
 \end{aligned}$$

say, where

$$\sigma(n, t) = \frac{\sin nt}{nt^2} - \frac{\cos nt}{t}.$$

Since, when  $0 < nt < C$ ,  $C$  being a positive constant,

$$\sigma(n, t) = O(n^2 t)$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt} \sigma(n, t) = 2 \frac{\cos nt}{t^2} - 2 \frac{\sin nt}{nt^3} + \frac{n \sin nt}{t} = O(n^2),$$

we have, by (2.1),

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 &= [\Psi_1(t) \sigma(n, t)]_0^{k\pi/n} - \int_0^{k\pi/n} \Psi_1(t) \frac{d}{dt} \sigma(n, t) \, dt \\
 &= o\left(\frac{k\pi}{n} \cdot n^2 \cdot \frac{k\pi}{n}\right) + o\left(\int_0^{k\pi/n} n^2 t \, dt\right) = o(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemmas 4, 5 and 6, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_3 &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t)}{t^2} \sin nt \, dt - \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \cos nt \, dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t) \sin nt}{t(t+\pi/n)} \, dt - \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \cos nt \, dt + o(1) \\
 &= - \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \cos nt \, dt + \bar{o}(1) \\
 &= - \left( \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta} + \pi/n} + \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta} + \pi/n}^{\xi + \pi/n} - \int_{\xi}^{\xi + \pi/n} \right) \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \cos nt \, dt + \bar{o}(1) \\
 &= - \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta} + \pi/n}^{\xi + \pi/n} \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \cos nt \, dt + \bar{o}(1) \\
 &= \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \frac{\psi(t+\pi/n)}{t+\pi/n} \cos nt \, dt + \bar{o}(1) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^\xi \left\{ \frac{\psi(t+\pi/n)}{t+\pi/n} - \frac{\psi(t)}{t} \right\} \cos nt \, dt + \bar{o}(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we have, again using Lemma 6,

$$\begin{aligned}
|P_3| &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left| \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{\psi(t+\pi/n)-\psi(t)}{t+\pi/n} \cos nt \, dt \right| + \frac{\pi}{2n} \left| \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{\psi(t) \cos nt}{t(t+\pi/n)} \, dt \right| + \bar{o}(1) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{|\psi(t+\pi/n)-\psi(t)|}{t} \, dt + \frac{\pi}{2n} \left| \int_{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}}^{\xi} \frac{\psi(t) \cos nt}{t(t+\pi/n)} \, dt \right| + \bar{o}(1) \\
&= \bar{o}(1) + \frac{1}{2n} \bar{o}(n) + \bar{o}(1) = \bar{o}(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, when  $\Delta=1$ , we have  $P=\bar{o}(1)$ , since  $P_2$  does not appear in  $P$ . When  $\Delta>1$ , we shall prove  $P_2=\bar{o}(1)$ . Let  $\beta$  be not an integer and let  $[\beta]=\mu$ . Then, by integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_2 &= \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \psi(t) \sigma(n, t) \, dt \\
&= \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^{\mu+1} (-1)^{\nu+1} \Psi_{\nu}(t) \frac{d^{\nu-1}}{dt^{\nu-1}} \sigma(n, t) \right]_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} + (-1)^{\mu} \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \Psi_{\mu+1}(t) \frac{d^{\mu+1}}{dt^{\mu+1}} \sigma(n, t) \, dt \\
&= P_{21} + (-1)^{\mu} P_{22},
\end{aligned}$$

say, where, by (2.1) and (2.3),

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{21} &= o\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\mu+1} n^{-\{1+(\nu-1)\Delta\}/\Delta} \sum_{j=1}^{\nu-1} n^{j+(\nu-j)/\Delta} \right) + o\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\mu+1} n^{-1-(\nu-1)\Delta+\nu} \right) \\
&= o\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\mu+1} \sum_{j=1}^{\nu-1} n^{(j+1-\nu)(1-1/\Delta)} \right) + o\left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{\mu+1} n^{(\nu-1)(1-\Delta)} \right) = o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, omitting the constant factor, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{22} &= \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \frac{d^{\mu+1}}{dt^{\mu+1}} \sigma(n, t) \, dt \int_0^t \Psi_{\beta}(u) (t-u)^{\mu-\beta} \, du \\
&= \int_0^{k\pi/n} \Psi_{\beta}(u) \, du \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} (t-u)^{\mu-\beta} \frac{d^{\mu+1}}{dt^{\mu+1}} \sigma(n, t) \, dt \\
&\quad + \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \Psi_{\beta}(u) \, du \int_u^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} (t-u)^{\mu-\beta} \frac{d^{\mu+1}}{dt^{\mu+1}} \sigma(n, t) \, dt \\
&= P_{221} + P_{222},
\end{aligned}$$

say. Then we have, by (1.5) and (2.4),

$$P_{221} = o\left( \int_0^{k\pi/n} n^{\beta+1} u^{\tau} \, du \right) = o(n^{\beta+1-(\tau+1)}) = o(1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{222} &= o\left( \sum_{j=1}^{\mu+1} n^{j-\mu+\beta-1} \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} u^{\tau+j-\mu-2} \, du \right) \\
&= o\left( \sum_{j=1}^{\mu+1} n^{j-\mu+\beta-1-(\tau+j-\mu-1)/\Delta} - \sum_{j=1}^{\mu+1} n^{j-\mu+\beta-1-(\tau+j-\mu-1)} \right) \\
&= o\left( \sum_{j=1}^{\mu+1} n^{(j-\mu-1)(1-1/\Delta)} \right) + o(1) = o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we get  $P_2=o(1)$  and the proof of theorem is complete when  $\beta$  is not

an integer. When  $\beta$  is an integer, the proof is similar to the above argument. For the proof, it is sufficient to prove that  $P_2=o(1)$ . By integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P_2 &= \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^{\beta} (-1)^{\nu+1} \Psi_{\nu}(t) \frac{d^{\nu-1}}{dt^{\nu-1}} \sigma(n, t) \right]_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} + (-1)^{\beta+1} \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \Psi_{\beta}(t) \frac{d^{\beta}}{dt^{\beta}} \sigma(n, t) dt \\ &= o(1) + (-1)^{\beta+1} P'_2, \end{aligned}$$

where, by (1.5) and (2.3),

$$\begin{aligned} P'_2 &= o\left( \sum_{j=-1}^{\beta} n^j \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} t^{\tau-\beta+j-1} dt \right) \\ &= o\left( \sum_{j=-1}^{\beta} n^{j-(\tau-\beta+j)/\Delta} \right) + o\left( \sum_{j=-1}^{\beta} n^{j-\tau+\beta-j} \right) \\ &= o\left( \sum_{j=-1}^{\beta} n^{j-\beta-(j-\beta)/\Delta} \right) + o(n^{\beta-\tau}) = o(1), \end{aligned}$$

which is the result required and the proof of theorem is complete.

**4. Proof of Theorem 2.** The method of proof is similar to that of Theorem 1. Since (1.7) implies that  $\Psi_1(t)=o(t)$ , for the proof, it is sufficient to prove that  $P_2=o(1)$ , where  $P_2$  is found in (3.1). Integration by parts gives

$$\begin{aligned} P_2 &= \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \psi(t) \sigma(n, t) dt \\ &= O\left( \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} |\psi(t)| t^{-1} dt \right) \\ &= O\left( \left[ t^{-1} \int_0^t |\psi(u)| du \right]_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} + \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} t^{-2} \left( \int_0^t |\psi(u)| du \right) dt \right) \\ &= o(1) + o\left( \int_{k\pi/n}^{(k\pi/n)^{1/\Delta}} \frac{t}{\log(1/t)} \cdot \frac{1}{t^2} dt \right) \\ &= o(1) + o\left( \log \frac{(1/\Delta) \log(k\pi/n)}{\log(k\pi/n)} \right) = o(1), \end{aligned}$$

which is the result required and theorem is proved.

**5. Proof of Theorems 3 and 4.** The existence of the integral (1.9) as a Cauchy integral at the origin implies the Abel summability of the conjugate series (1.2) at  $t=x$ . (See [7; p. 55].) By Theorems 1 and 2, we find that the conditions of Theorems 3 and 4 imply the summability  $(C, 1)$  of the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  to the value zero. Now, the convergence of the conjugate series (1.2) at  $t=x$  is a consequence of Lemma 7.

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