

120. *Lacunary Fourier Series. II*

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1. M. E. Noble [1] has proved the following

**Theorem N.** *If the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  has a gap  $0 < |n - n_k| \leq N_k$  such that*

$$\lim N_k / \log n_k = \infty$$

*and  $f(t)$  satisfies a Lipschitz condition of order  $\alpha$ , where  $\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 1$ , in some interval  $|x - x_0| \leq \delta$ . Then*

$$\sum (|a_{n_k}| + |b_{n_k}|) < \infty,$$

*where  $a_{n_k}, b_{n_k}$  are non-vanishing Fourier coefficients of  $f(t)$ .*

As a continuation of the first paper [2] we treat absolute convergence of the Fourier series with a certain gap and satisfying some continuity condition at a point (Theorems 3 and 4).

We need following theorems and lemmas in [2].

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $(\delta_m)$  be a sequence tending to zero and let  $n = [4em/\delta_m]$ . Then there exists a trigonometrical polynomial  $T_n(x)$  of degree not exceeding  $n$  with constant term 1 such that<sup>1)</sup>*

- (i)  $|T_n(x)| \leq A/\delta_m,$  for all  $x,$
- (ii)  $|T_n(x)| \leq An/\delta_m e^m,$  for  $\delta_m \leq |x| \leq \pi,$
- (iii)  $|T'_n(x)| \leq An/\delta_m,$  for all  $x,$
- (iv)  $|T'_n(x)| \leq A(n^2/\delta_m e^m + 1/x^2),$  for  $\lambda\delta_m \leq |x| \leq \pi, \lambda > 1,$ <sup>2)</sup>
- (v)  $|T''_n(x)| \leq An^2/\delta_m,$  for all  $x,$

where  $A$  denotes an absolute constant.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta < \min(1 - \alpha, (2 - \alpha)/3)$ . If*

$$k^{2/(2-\alpha-3\beta)} < n_k < e^{2k/(2+\alpha+\beta)},$$

$$|n_{k\pm 1} - n_k| > 4ekn_k^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{h^{\beta}} \int_0^{\pi} |f(t) - f(t \pm h)| dt = O(h^{\alpha}),$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} |f(t) - f(t \pm h)| dt = O(1), \quad \text{unif. in } \tau \geq h^{\beta},$$

then

$$(3) \quad a_{n_k} = O(n_k^{-\alpha}), \quad b_{n_k} = O(n_k^{-\alpha}).$$

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $(\delta_m)$  be a sequence tending to zero and let  $n = [4me^{1-m\delta'/m/\delta_m}/\delta_m]$ . Then there exists a trigonometrical polynomial*

1)  $A$  denotes an absolute constant which is not the same in different occurrences.

2)  $\lambda$  may be taken as near 1 as we like when  $m$  is sufficiently large.

$T_n(x)$  of degree not exceeding  $n$  with constant term 1, satisfying the conditions (i), (iii), (v) in Lemma 1 and

$$(ii') \quad |T_n(x)| \leq A n / \delta_m e^{(1-m\delta'/\delta_m)(m-1)}, \quad \delta_m \leq |x| \leq \pi,$$

$$(iv') \quad |T'_n(x)| \leq A(n^2/\delta_m e^{(1-m\delta'/\delta_m)(m-1)} + 1/x^2), \quad \lambda \delta_m \leq |x| \leq \pi, \quad \lambda > 1.$$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta < (2-\alpha)/3$ , and

$$\gamma > 2/\min(1-\beta, 2-\alpha-3\beta)$$

(or especially  $0 < \beta < (1-\alpha)/2$  and  $\gamma > 2/(1-\beta)$ ). If the Fourier coefficients of  $f(t)$  vanish except for  $n = [k^\tau]$  ( $k=1, 2, 3, \dots$ ) and the conditions (1) and (2) of Theorem 1 are satisfied, then (3) holds.

**2. Theorem 3.** Let  $1/2 < a < \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta < (2-\alpha)/3$ , and  $\beta/2 < \alpha - a \leq (2-\alpha-\beta)/4$ . If

$$k^{1/(2\alpha-2a-\beta)} < n_k < e^{2k/(2+a+\beta)},$$

$$|n_{k\pm 1} - n_k| > 4ekn_k^\beta$$

and

$$(4) \quad \frac{1}{h^\beta} \int_0^{n^\beta} |f(t) - f(t \pm h)|^2 dt = O(h^{2\alpha}) \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0,$$

$$(5) \quad \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau |f(t) - f(t \pm h)|^2 dt = O(1) \quad \text{unif. in } \tau > h^\beta$$

then

$$(6) \quad \sum (|a_{n_k}| + |b_{n_k}|) < \infty,$$

where  $a_{n_k}, b_{n_k}$  are the non-vanishing Fourier coefficients of  $f(t)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\delta_k = 1/n_k^\beta$  and choose a sequence  $M_k = [4ek/\delta_k]$  and let  $T_{M_k}(x)$  be the trigonometrical polynomial of Lemma 1. Let us put

$$g_k(x) = f\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4n_k}\right) - f\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4n_k}\right)$$

then

$$g_k(x) \sim \sum_0^\infty 2 \sin \frac{n\pi}{4n_k} \cdot (b_n \cos nx - a_n \sin nx).$$

Then the  $n$ th Fourier coefficients  $\alpha_n, \beta_n$  of  $g_k(x)T_{M_k}(x)$  are given by

$$\alpha_{n_p} = 2 \sin \frac{n_p \pi}{4n_k} b_{n_p}, \quad \beta_{n_p} = -2 \sin \frac{n_p \pi}{4n_k} a_{n_p}, \quad (n_k \leq n_p \leq 2n_k).$$

On the other hand, by Theorem 1 we have

$$a_{n_k} = O(1/n_k^\alpha), \quad b_{n_k} = O(1/n_k^\alpha).$$

Since  $\sum 1/n_k^{2\alpha} < \infty$ ,  $f(x)$  belongs to the  $L^2$ -class. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n_k}^{2n_k} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) &\leq \sum_{n_k}^{2n_k} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \sin^2 \frac{n\pi}{4n_k} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n_k}^{2n_k} (\alpha_n^2 + \beta_n^2) \leq \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\pi}^\pi g_k^2(x) T_{M_k}^2(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \int_0^\pi + \int_{-\pi}^0 \right] g_k^2(x) T_{M_k}^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{4\pi} [I_1 + I_2]. \end{aligned}$$

By integration by parts

$$I_1 = \left[ T_{M_k}^2(x) \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \right]_0^\pi - 2 \int_0^\pi T_{M_k}(x) T'_{M_k}(x) dx \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \\ = I_{11} - 2I_{12},$$

where

$$I_{11} = T_{M_k}^2(\pi) \int_0^\pi g_k^2(t) dt \leq A \left( \frac{M_k}{\delta_k e^{2k}} \right)^2 = O\left( \frac{1}{n_k^{2\alpha}} \right)$$

by Lemma 1, (ii), and for  $\lambda > 1$

$$I_{12} = \left[ \int_0^{\lambda\delta_k} + \int_{\lambda\delta_k}^\pi \right] T_{M_k}(x) T'_{M_k}(x) dx \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \\ = I_{121} + I_{122} = O(1/n_k^{2\alpha}).$$

For,

$$|I_{121}| \leq \frac{AM_k}{\delta_k^2} \int_0^{\lambda\delta_k} dx \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \\ \leq \frac{AM_k}{\delta_k} \int_0^{\lambda\delta_k} dx \left[ \frac{1}{\delta_k} \int_0^{\lambda\delta_k} g_k^2(t) dt \right] \\ \leq AM_k/n_k^{2\alpha} \leq A/n_k^{2\alpha}.$$

By Lemma 1, (i), (iii) and condition (4) and

$$|I_{122}| \leq \frac{AM_k}{\delta_k e^{2k}} \int_{\lambda\delta_k}^\pi \left( \frac{M_k^2}{\delta_k e^{2k}} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) dx \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \\ \leq \frac{AM_k^3}{\delta_k^2 e^{2k}} \int_{\lambda\delta_k}^\pi dx \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt + \frac{AM_k}{\delta_k e^{2k}} \int_{\lambda\delta_k}^\pi \frac{dx}{x} \left[ \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x g_k^2(t) dt \right] \\ \leq \frac{AM_k^3}{\delta_k^2 e^{2k}} + \frac{AM_k}{\delta_k e^{2k}} \log \frac{1}{\delta_k} \leq \frac{A}{n_k^{2\alpha}}$$

by Lemma 1, (ii) and (iv).

Thus we have proved that

$$\sum_{n_k}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) = O(n_k^{-2\alpha}).$$

Consequently

$$\sum_{n_k}^{\infty} (|a_n| + |b_n|) = O(2^{(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)m})$$

and then summing up both sides we get

$$\sum (|a_n| + |b_n|) < \infty.$$

Thus Theorem 3 is proved.

In a similar manner we can prove the following theorem, using Lemma 2 and Theorem 2.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $1/2 < a < \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta < (1 - \alpha)/2$ ,  $\gamma > 1/(2\alpha - 2a - \beta)$ , and  $\beta/2 < \alpha - a < (1 + \beta)/4$ .

If  $n_k = [k^\gamma]$  ( $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ), and the conditions (4) and (5) are satisfied then (6) holds.

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