

On some Theorems concerning the Summability

$|\bar{N}, p_n|$

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1. Definitions and notations

Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series with the sequence of partial sums $\{s_n\}$. Let $\{p_n\}$ be a sequence of constants, real or complex, and let us write

$$P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \cdots + p_n, \quad P_{-1} = p_{-1} \equiv 0.$$

The sequence-to-sequence transformation:

$$t_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_{n-\nu} s_\nu \quad (P_n \neq 0) \quad (1)$$

defines the sequence $\{t_n\}$ of Nörlund means of the sequence $\{s_n\}$, generated by the sequence of coefficients $\{p_n\}$. The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable (N, p_n) to the sum s if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n$ exists and is equal to s , and is said to be absolutely summable (N, p_n) , or summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ if the sequence $\{t_n\}$ is of bounded variation, that is

$$\sum_n |t_n - t_{n-1}| < \infty,$$

or symbolically $\{t_n\} \in BV$.

In the special case in which $p_n = 1$, the (N, p_n) mean reduces to the familiar $(C, 1)$ mean.

Also, the sequence-to-sequence transformation:

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2}(s_{n-1} + s_n), \quad n \geq 0, \quad s_{-1} \equiv 0 \quad (2)$$

defines the sequence $\{y_n\}$ of the (Y) -means of the sequence $\{s_n\}$.

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable (Y) to the sum s if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ exists and is equal to s , and is said to be absolutely summable (Y) , or summable $|Y|$ if the sequence $\{y_n\}$ is of bounded variation.

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Now, we define the sequence-to-sequence transformation:

$$\bar{t}_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_\nu s_\nu \quad (P_n \neq 0). \quad (3)$$

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be summable (\bar{N}, p_n) to the sum s if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{t}_n$ exists and is equal to s , and is also said to be absolutely summable (\bar{N}, p_n) , or summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ if the sequence $\{\bar{t}_n\}$ is of bounded variation, that is

$$\sum_n |\bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1}| < \infty,$$

or symbolically $\{\bar{t}_n\} \in BV$.

The product of the (\bar{N}, p_n) matrix with a $(C, 1)$ matrix defines the matrix $(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (C, 1)$. Thus the $(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (C, 1)$ matrix is given by

$$d_{nk} = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{\nu=k}^n \frac{p_\nu}{\nu+1}.$$

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be absolutely summable $(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (C, 1)$, or summable $|(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (C, 1)|$ if the sequence $\{u_n\}$ is of bounded variation, where

$$u_n = \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} s_k = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \frac{p_\nu}{\nu+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\nu} s_k.$$

Then, the absolutely summable $(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (Y)$, or summable $|(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (Y)|$ is defined in the same way.

Let $f(t)$ be a periodic function with period 2π and integrable in the sense of Lebesgue over $(0, 2\pi)$ and let its Fourier series be

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

We write

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{f(x+t) + f(x-t)\}; \quad \varphi^*(t) = \varphi(t) - s;$$

$$A_n^*(t) = \frac{1}{n} (s_n - s), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

where $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n A_k(t)$ and s is an appropriate number independent of n .

Finally, as usual, K denotes a positive constant not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

2. Introduction

Concerning the $|N, p_n|$ -summability of the series associated with a Fourier series, that is $\sum A_n^*(x)$, H. P. Dikshit proved the following:

Theorem D. *If $|\varphi^*(t)|/t$ is integrable in $(0, \pi)$ and $\{p_n\}$ is a positive sequence such that $\{(n+1)p_n/P_n\} \in BV$, $\{P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n P_k/(k+1)\} \in BV$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^*(x)$ is summable $|N, p_n|$.*

In the part I of this note, we shall show that the same holds true in the summability $|\overline{N}, p_n|$ of such a Fourier series.

U. Kakkar⁴⁾ has obtained a number of results concerning the absolute summability of the iteration product.

In the part II of this note, we shall give that some analogous results are true in the summability $|\overline{N}, p_n|$.

3. Part I

We state our result as follows:

Theorem 1. *If $|\varphi^*(t)|/t$ is integrable in $(0, \pi)$ and $\{p_n\}$ is a positive sequence such that*

$$\{(n+1)p_n/P_n\} \in BV, \quad \{P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n P_k/(k+1)\} \in BV,$$

then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^*(x)$ is summable $|\overline{N}, p_n|$.

We require the following lemma for the proof of our theorem 1.

Lemma. *If $\{p_n\}$ is a positive sequence such that $\{(n+1)p_n/P_n\} \in BV$, $\{P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n P_k/(k+1)\} \in BV$, then uniformly in $0 < t \leq \pi$,*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_{k-1}}{k} \sin(k+1/2)t \right| < K.$$

For the proof, reader should refer to the authur's note [5] in the "References" shown below.

Proof of theorem 1. For $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^*(x)$ we have

$$\bar{t}_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_k s_k^* = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n (P_n - P_{k-1}) A_k^*(x),$$

where

$$s_k = \sum_{n=1}^k A_n^*(x).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1} &= \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n (P_n - P_{k-1}) A_k^*(x) - \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (P_{n-1} - P_{k-1}) A_k^*(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n A_k^*(x) - \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n P_{k-1} A_k^*(x) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_k^*(x) + \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} P_{k-1} A_k^*(x) \\ &= A_n^*(x) + \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{1}{P_n} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} P_{k-1} A_k^*(x) - \frac{1}{P_n} P_{n-1} A_n^*(x) \\ &= \frac{p_n}{P_n} A_n^*(x) + \frac{p_n}{P_{n-1} P_n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} P_{k-1} A_k^*(x). \end{aligned}$$

But, It is easy to see that ⁶⁾

$$A_n^*(x) = \frac{1}{k\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi^*(t) \frac{\sin(k+1/2)t}{\sin t/2} dt.$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1} &= \frac{p_n}{P_n} \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi^*(t) \frac{\sin(n+1/2)t}{\sin t/2} dt + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi^*(t) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{p_n}{P_{n-1} P_n} P_{k-1} \frac{1}{k} D_k(t) dt \\ &\equiv I + J, \text{ say,} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$D_k(t) = \frac{\sin(k+1/2)t}{\sin t/2} = \frac{1}{2} + \cos t + \cos 2t + \dots + \cos kt.$$

Obviously, in order to prove the theorem 1, we have to establish that

$$\sum_n |\bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1}| \leq \sum_n |I| + \sum_n |J| < \infty.$$

Under the hypotheses of the theorem, we have

$$\sum_n |I| \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_n \frac{p_n}{nP_n} \int_0^\pi \frac{|\varphi^*(t)|}{t} \frac{t}{\sin t/2} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq K \sum_n \frac{p_n}{nP_n} \\ &\leq K \sum_n \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \left| \frac{(n+1)p_n}{P_n} \right| \\ &\leq K \sum_n \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \\ &< \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Let us write

$$g(n, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{p_n}{nP_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{P_{k-1}}{k} \sin(k + 1/2)t.$$

Then, we have, by lemma,

$$|g(n, t)| < \infty, \quad \text{uniformly in } 0 < t \leq \pi.$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |J| \leq \int_0^{\pi} \frac{|\varphi^*(t)|}{t} \frac{t/2}{\sin t/2} |g(n, t)| dt < \infty.$$

Consequently, collecting the above estimations we obtain

$$\sum_n |\bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1}| < \infty,$$

that is,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^*(x) \text{ is summable } |\bar{N}, p_n|.$$

This completes the proof of our theorem 1.

4. Part II

O. Szász²⁾ obtained a number of results concerning (Y) -summability. Recently K. Ishiguro has also obtained some results for (Y) -summability.

In what follows, we shall prove a result concerning the summability $|\bar{N}, p_n|$.

Theorem 2. *If $\{p_n\}$ is a non-negative sequence of bounded variation and if $\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{\nu}|/P_{\nu} < \infty$, then the sequence $\{\alpha_{\nu}\}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|$.*

Proof of theorem 2. We have, by the definition,

$$\bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1} = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_{\nu} \alpha_{\nu} - \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} p_{\nu} \alpha_{\nu}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{P_n} p_n \alpha_n - \left(\frac{1}{P_n} - \frac{1}{p_n} \right) \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} p_\nu \alpha_\nu \\
&\equiv I_1 - I_2, \text{ say.}
\end{aligned}$$

But, by the hypotheses we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |I_1| \leq K \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|\alpha_n|}{P_n} < \infty.$$

While, for every $m \geq 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=1}^m |I_2| &\leq \sum_{n=1}^m \left| \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{1}{P_n} \right| \left| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} p_\nu \alpha_\nu \right| \\
&\leq K \sum_{n=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{1}{P_n} \right) \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} |\alpha_\nu| \\
&\leq K \sum_{\nu=0}^{m-1} |\alpha_\nu| \sum_{n=\nu+1}^m \left(\frac{1}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{1}{P_n} \right) \\
&= K \sum_{\nu=0}^{m-1} |\alpha_\nu| \left(\frac{1}{P_\nu} - \frac{1}{P_m} \right) \\
&\leq K \sum_{\nu=0}^{m-1} \frac{|\alpha_\nu|}{P_\nu} \\
&< \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\sum_n |I_2| < \infty.$$

Consequently, collecting our estimations we have

$$\sum_n |\bar{t}_n - \bar{t}_{n-1}| = \sum_n |I_1 - I_2| < \infty.$$

That is, the sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|$.

This completes the proof of our theorem 2.

Next, in analogy to U. Kakkar's results,⁴⁾ we shall give some results concerning the iteration product, for the convenience of the reader and for the sake of completeness.

Theorem 3. *If $\{p_n\}$ is a non-negative sequence of bounded variation and sequence $\{a_n\}$ is summable $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ then*

$$|(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (Y)| \iff |\bar{N}, p_n|.$$

The result follows from the identity

$$y_n = s_n - \frac{1}{2}a_n.$$

Theorem 4. *If $\{p_n\}$ is a non-negative sequence of bounded variation and $\sum |a_n|/P_n$ is convergent, then*

$$|(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (Y)| \iff |\bar{N}, p_n|.$$

The result follows from the Theorems 2 and 3.

Theorem 5. *Let $\{p_n\}$ be a non-negative sequence of bounded variation and*

$$\sum |s_\nu|/\{(\nu+1)P_\nu\} < \infty.$$

Then,

$$|(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot T(y)| \iff |(\bar{N}, p_n) \cdot (C, 1)|,$$

where T is the transformation from the sequence $\{y_n\}$ to $\{v_n\}$ and

$$v_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}y_0 + y_1 + \dots + y_n \right).$$

Proof of theorem 5. By the definition, we have, obviously, $y_n = s_n - \frac{1}{2}a_n$, so that,

$$\begin{aligned} v_n + \frac{s_n}{2(n+1)} &= \frac{y_0 + 2y_1 + \dots + 2y_n}{2(n+1)} + \frac{s_n}{2(n+1)} \\ &= \frac{s_0 + (s_0 + s_1) + (s_1 + s_2) + \dots + (s_{n-1} + s_n) + s_n}{2(n+1)} \\ &= \frac{s_0 + s_1 + \dots + s_n}{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\sigma_n \equiv \frac{s_0 + s_1 + \dots + s_n}{n+1} = v_n + \frac{s_n}{2(n+1)}.$$

Obviously T is absolutely regular (*i. e.*, transforms every absolutely convergent sequence into a sequence absolutely convergent to the same limit). Hence to prove the result we have to show that the sequence $\{s_n/(n+1)\}$ is $|\bar{N}, p_n|$ summable. Now the result directly follows from the application of our theorem 2 with $\alpha_\nu = s_\nu/(\nu+1)$.

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