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Summability of Fourier Series

by Karamata Method. (**)

1. - Let $f(t)$ be a periodic function with period 2π , and integrable in the sense of LEBESGUE over $(-\pi, \pi)$. Let its FOURIER series be given by

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

We write

$$\varphi(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x).$$

We define the numbers $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} n \\ \nu \end{smallmatrix} \right]$ by

$$(1.1') \quad x(x+1)(x+2)\dots(x+n-1) = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \left[\begin{smallmatrix} n \\ \nu \end{smallmatrix} \right] x^{\nu},$$

where $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$; $0 \leq \nu \leq n$, and the numbers $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} n \\ \nu \end{smallmatrix} \right]$ are absolute values of STIRLING numbers of first kind.

Definition. The series $\sum a_n$, with the sequence of partial sum $\{S_{\nu}\}$, is said to be summable by KARAMATA method- K^{λ} , $\lambda > 0$, if the sequence

$$(1.2) \quad S_n^{\lambda} = \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda)}{\Gamma(\lambda+n)} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \left[\begin{smallmatrix} n \\ \nu \end{smallmatrix} \right] \lambda^{\nu} S_{\nu} \right\}$$

converges.

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The methods- K^λ were introduced by KARAMATA [4], who has shown that the methods are regular for $\lambda > 0$. AGNEW [1] applied these methods to FOURIER series and pointed out that even K^1 method is not FOURIER effective for continuous functions. For the first time in 1965, VLADATA-VUČKOVIĆ [7] has proved a positive result concerning the FOURIER effectiveness of these methods by proving:

Theorem. If

$$(1.3) \quad \varphi(t) = o(1/\log(1/t)),$$

as $t \rightarrow +0$, then the FOURIER series (1.1) is K^λ -summable at the point x to the sum $f(x)$, for every $\lambda > 0$.

HARDY [2] and IYENGAR [3] have proved that the condition (1.3) implies BOREL and harmonic summabilities, respectively. So the preceding theorem shows that the K^λ methods behave essentially as BOREL and harmonic methods regarding their FOURIER effectiveness. SAHNEY [5] and SIDDIQI [6] have generalised the results of HARDY [2] and IYENGAR [3], respectively. An analogous generalisation for K^λ -method is therefore expected. With this point of view we prove the following

Theorem. If

$$(1.4) \quad \Phi(t) = \int_0^t |\varphi(u)| \, du = o(t/\log(1/t)),$$

as $t \rightarrow +0$, then the Fourier series (1.1) is K^λ -summable at the point x to the sum $f(x)$, for every $\lambda > 0$.

2. - We need the following lemma to prove our theorem.

Lemma [7]. For $\lambda > 0$ and $0 < t < \pi/2$, we have

$$\frac{|\operatorname{Im} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n)|}{\Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n) \cdot \sin(t/2)} = \frac{|\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\sin(t/2)} + O(1)$$

uniformly in t , where Im denotes the imaginary part.

3. - Proof of the Theorem.

Let $S_\nu(x)$ denote the ν -th partial sum of the FOURIER series (1.1). We have

$$S_\nu(x) - f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi(t) \frac{\sin(\nu + (1/2)t)}{\sin(t/2)} dt + o(1).$$

Let $S_n^\lambda(x)$ denote the transform (1.2) of $\{S_\nu(x)\}$. Then following VLADATA-VUČKOVIĆ [7], we have

$$S_n^\lambda(x) - f(x) = \{\Gamma(\lambda)/(2\pi)\} \int_0^\pi \varphi(t) K_n(t) dt,$$

where

$$K_n(t) = \left\{ \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} \lambda^\nu \sin(\nu + (1/2)t) \right\} / \{\Gamma(\lambda + n) \sin(t/2)\}.$$

By (1.1')

$$K_n(t) = \frac{\text{Im} \{e^{it/2} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n) / \Gamma(\lambda e^{it})\}}{\Gamma(\lambda + n) \sin(t/2)},$$

where Im denotes the imaginary part.

Let δ be a positive number such that

$$1 - \cos t > (1/3) t^2 \quad \text{for } 0 < t < \delta,$$

and A denote a constant independent of n and t and not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

For $\delta < t < \pi$, $\varphi(t)$ is bounded and

$$|K_n(t)| \leq A n^{-\lambda(1 - \cos \delta)} / \sin(\delta/2).$$

Hence

$$\left| \frac{\Gamma(\lambda)}{2\pi} \int_\delta^\pi \varphi(t) K_n(t) dt \right| \leq A \frac{n^{-\lambda(1 - \cos \delta)}}{\sin(\delta/2)} = o(1), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore

$$|S_n^{\lambda}(x) - f(x)| \leq A \int_0^{\delta} |\varphi(t) K_n(t)| dt + o(1).$$

As

$$\frac{|\operatorname{Im} \{e^{it/2} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n) / \Gamma(\lambda e^{it})\}|}{\sin(t/2)} \leq \frac{A |\operatorname{Im} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n)|}{\sin(t/2)} + A |\operatorname{Re} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n)|,$$

where Re means the real part, we obtain

$$|K_n(t)| \leq \frac{A \{ \Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n) / \Gamma(\lambda + n) \} |\operatorname{Im} \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n)|}{\Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n) \sin(t/2)} + A \frac{\Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n)}{\Gamma(\lambda + n)},$$

and, for $0 < t < \delta$,

$$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n)}{\Gamma(\lambda + n)} \leq A n^{-\lambda(1-\cos t)} = A e^{-\lambda(1-\cos t) \log n}$$

$$\leq A e^{-(1/3) \lambda t^2 \log n}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{\delta} |\varphi(t) K_n(t)| dt \leq \\ & \leq A \int_0^{\delta} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{\sin(t/2)} |\operatorname{Im} \{ \Gamma(\lambda e^{it} + n) / \Gamma(\lambda \cos t + n) \}| e^{-\lambda(1-\cos t) \log n} dt \\ & \quad + A \int_0^{\delta} |\varphi(t)| e^{-(1/3) t^2 \log n} dt, \end{aligned}$$

the second integral on the right is $O(1/\sqrt{\log n})$; so $o(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Finally, from the lemma (cf. n. 2), we obtain

$$(3.1) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} & |S_n^{\lambda}(x) - f(x)| \leq \\ & \leq A \int_0^{\delta} \frac{|\varphi(t)| |\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\sin(t/2)} e^{-\lambda(1-\cos t) \log n} dt + o(1) \\ & = O(1) \int_0^{\delta} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} \frac{|\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\exp\{\lambda(1-\cos t) \log n\}} dt + o(1) \end{aligned} \right. \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus in order to prove the Theorem it remains to show that the integral on the right of (3.1) is $o(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We set

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\delta \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} \frac{|\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\exp\{\lambda(1 - \cos t) \log n\}} dt = \\ & = \left[\int_0^{1/\log n} \dots + \int_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^\alpha} \dots + \int_{1/(\log n)^\alpha}^\delta \dots \right] = K_1 + K_2 + K_3 \end{aligned}$$

say, where $0 < \alpha < 1/2$.

From the hypothesis (1.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= \int_0^{1/\log n} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} \cdot O(\lambda t \log n) dt = O(\lambda \log n) \int_0^{1/\log n} |\varphi(t)| dt = \\ &= O(\lambda \log n) [o(t/\log(1/t))]_0^{1/\log n} = o(1), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Next, by the second mean value theorem and the hypothesis (1.4) we have, for $0 < \alpha < \alpha' < 1/2$,

$$\begin{aligned} K_2 &= \int_{1/(\log n)}^{1/(\log n)^\alpha} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} \frac{|\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\exp\{\lambda(1 - \cos t) \log n\}} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\exp\{\lambda \log n \cdot 2 \sin^2(1/(2 \log n))\}} \int_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^{\alpha'}} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} O(1) dt = O(1) \int_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^{\alpha'}} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} dt \\ &= O(1) \left[o\left(\frac{1}{\log(1/t)}\right) \right]_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^{\alpha'}} + O(1) \int_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^{\alpha'}} o\left(\frac{1}{t \log(1/t)}\right) dt \\ &= o\left(\frac{1}{\log \log n}\right) + o\left[\log \log(1/t)\right]_{1/\log n}^{1/(\log n)^{\alpha'}} \\ &= o(1) + o(\log \alpha') = o(1), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Lastly, applying the second mean value theorem and by the continuity

part of the integral $\int |\varphi(t)| dt$, we have, for $1/(\log n)^\alpha < \delta' < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} K_3 &= \int_{1/(\log n)^\alpha}^{\delta} \frac{|\varphi(t)|}{t} \frac{|\sin(\lambda \sin t \log n)|}{\exp\{\lambda(1 - \cos t) \log n\}} dt \\ &= \frac{(\log n)^\alpha}{\exp\{\lambda \log n \cdot 2 \sin^2[1/(2(\log n)^\alpha)]\}} \int_{1/(\log n)^\alpha}^{\delta'} |\varphi(t)| O(1) dt \\ &= \frac{(\log n)^\alpha}{\exp(\log n)^{1-2\alpha}} O(1) = o(1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ since } 0 < \alpha < 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the Theorem.

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