

### 83. An Aspect of Local Property of $|N, p_n|$ Summability of a Factored Fourier Series

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1. A series  $\sum a_n$  with partial sums  $s_n$  is summable to sum  $s$  by the Nörlund method  $(N, p_n)$  if

$$(1.1) \quad t_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} s_k \right\} \rightarrow s,$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $P_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_\nu$  and  $p_\nu > 0$  [2]. The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be absolutely summable  $(N, p_n)$ , or summable  $|N, p_n|$ , if the sequence  $\{t_n\}$  is of bounded variation [4]. The conditions for the regularity of the summability  $(N, p_n)$  defined by (1.1) are

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n/P_n = 0, \text{ and } \sum_{\nu=0}^n |p_\nu| = o(P_n).$$

In the special case in which

$$p_n = \binom{n+\alpha-1}{\alpha-1} = \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha)}{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha)} \quad (\alpha > 0),$$

the Nörlund mean reduces to the familiar Cesàro mean of order  $\alpha$  [2]. And for the value for which

$$p_n = \frac{1}{n+1}; \quad P_n \sim \log n,$$

the Nörlund mean reduces to the harmonic mean [6].

Let  $f(t)$  be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$  and integrable  $(L)$  over  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . Without any loss of generality, we may assume that the constant term in the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  is zero, that is,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = 0,$$

and

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

We use the following notations:—

$$\phi(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{ f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x) \},$$

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

$$\Phi_0(t) = \phi(t),$$

$$\phi_\alpha(t) = \Gamma(\alpha+1) t^{-\alpha} \Phi_\alpha(t) \quad (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1).$$

2. In 1957 Prasad and Bhatt [5] established the following theorem: