

78. On the Borel Summability of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha} \exp(in^{\beta}\theta)$

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0. In the previous paper [1] we proved that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha} \sin(n^{\beta}\theta)$ is convergent if $1 < \beta < 2\alpha$. We now consider the Borel summability and apply a Tauberian theorem (cf. [2] Theorem 156) to show that this series converges for all $\theta > 0$ when $\alpha = 1/2$, $\beta < 5/4$.

In fact we prove

Theorem (cf. [2] Notes, Chapter IX). *If $\beta < \alpha + 3/4$ then*

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha} \exp(in^{\beta}\theta) \quad (i^2 = -1)$$

is Borel summable for all $\theta > 0$.

Corollary. *If $\alpha \geq 1/2$ and $1 < \beta < 5/4$, then (1) converges for all $\theta > 0$.*

1. Main lemma. For $1 < \beta < 3/2$, $\theta > 0$ and positive integers m , set

$$(2) \quad F(t) = \left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right) \theta m^{\beta-2} t^2 + \beta \theta m^{\beta-1} t = At^2 + Bt, \quad \text{say.}$$

Let μ be such that as $m \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(3) \quad \mu/m^{1/2+\delta} \rightarrow 1 \quad \left(0 < \delta < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta}{3}\right).$$

Lemma.

$$(4) \quad \int_{-\mu}^{\mu} \frac{t}{m} \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2m}\right) \sin(F(t) - 2k\pi t) dt = O\left(\frac{m^{-1/4+(3/2)\delta}}{\sqrt{|k - B/2\pi|}}\right),$$

where k is a positive integer, and $B/2\pi \notin \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof. We write

$$(4) = m^{-1} \left(\int_{-\mu}^0 + \int_0^{\mu} \right) = m^{-1} (J_1 + J_2), \quad \text{say.}$$

We only consider J_2 here since J_1 similarly estimated.

By changing variable and by the second mean value theorem, we have

$$J_2 = \frac{1}{2m} \int_0^{\xi} \sin(Au + (B - 2k\pi)\sqrt{u}) du.$$

Then by van der Corput's lemma (cf. [3] Lemma 4.4), we have

$$J_2 = O\left(m^{-1/4+(3/2)\delta} / \sqrt{\left|k - \frac{B}{2\pi}\right|}\right), \quad \text{where } \frac{B}{2\pi} \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$