

72. Fourier Series. XVI. The Gibbs Phenomenon of Partial Sums and Cesàro Means of Fourier Series. 1

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1. There are many literatures concerning the Gibbs phenomenon of partial sums and Cesàro means of Fourier series of functions at jump points but a few concerning that at the points of discontinuity of the second kind (see B. Kuttner [1-4], O. Szász [5], S. Izumi and M. Satô [6] and K. Ishiguro [7, 8]). In our paper [6] we have proved

Theorem 1. *Suppose that*

$$f(t) = a\psi(t - \xi) + g(t)$$

where $\psi(t)$ is a periodic function with period 2π such that

$$\psi(t) = (\pi - t)/2 \quad (0 < t < 2\pi)$$

and

$$-a\pi/2 \leq \liminf_{t \rightarrow \xi} f(t) \leq \limsup_{t \rightarrow \xi} f(t) \leq a\pi/2.$$

If

$$\int_0^t g(\xi + u) du = o(|t|),$$

and

$$\int_0^t (g(x+u) - g(x-u)) du = o(|t|)$$

uniformly for all x in a neighbourhood of ξ , then the Gibbs phenomenon of $f(t)$ appears at $t = \xi$, and the Gibbs set contains the interval $[-a(H+1)\pi/4, a(H+1)\pi/4]$.

Theorem 2. *There is a function which does not present the Gibbs phenomenon at $t = \xi$ and has $t = \xi$ as the second kind discontinuity.*

We shall here prove

Theorem 3. *If*

$$(1) \quad \int_0^h (f(x+u) - f(x-u)) du = o\left(h / \log \frac{1}{h}\right), \quad \text{uniformly in } x,$$

then the partial sums of Fourier series of $f(t)$ do not present the Gibbs phenomenon at all points.

Using Theorem 3, we give a simple proof of Theorem 2. Further, as a particular case, we get the following theorem.

Theorem 4. *If $f(t)$ is continuous at a point x (or in an interval (α, β) or in $(0, 2\pi)$), and (1) holds, then the Fourier series of $f(t)$ converges uniformly at x (or in a closed interval contained in (α, β) or in $(0, 2\pi)$).*

This is a theorem of R. Salem [9] (the interval case) and one of us [10] (the point case), and proof of Theorem 3 gives a simple proof of Theorem 4.

Concerning Cesàro means

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_n^r(x, f) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x+t)K_n^r(t) dt, K_n^r(t) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n A_{n-k}^{r-1} D_k(t) / A_n^r, \end{aligned}$$

we prove

Theorem 5. *If*

$$(3) \quad \int_0^h (f(x+u) - f(x-u)) du = o(h), \quad \text{uniformly in } x,$$

then Cesàro means of Fourier series of $f(t)$ of positive order do not present the Gibbs phenomenon at $t=0$.

From this we get the following theorem due to K. Ishiguro [8]:

Theorem 6. *If* $f(t) = a\psi(t) + g(t)$

where a is a constant and $g(t)$ satisfies the condition (3) in Theorem 5 and further

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) \leq a\pi/2, \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) \geq -a\pi/2$$

then the Cesàro means $\sigma_n^r(x, f)$ of the Fourier series of $f(t)$ present the Gibbs phenomenon at $t=0$ for $r < r_0$ and not for $r \geq r_0$, r_0 being the Cramér constant.

Theorem 7. *There is a function $f(t)$ such that the partial sums $s_n(x, f)$ present the Gibbs phenomenon, but not the Cesàro means $\sigma_n^r(x, f)$ for any positive order r .*

On the other hand, B. Kuttner [1] has proved

Theorem 8. *For any r ($0 < r < 1$), there is a function $f(t)$ such that Cesàro means $\sigma_n^r(x, f)$ present the Gibbs phenomenon.*

His example is an unbounded function. We prove

Theorem 9. *There is a bounded function $f(t)$ such that the Cesàro means $\sigma_n^r(x, f)$ present the Gibbs phenomenon for any r , $0 \leq r < 1$, at a point $x=0$.*

2. Proof of Theorem 3. We shall use the notations in [11]. Let $s_n(x, f)$ be the n th partial sum of Fourier series of $f(t)$ and let

$$\varphi_x(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t).$$

Then

$$s_n(x, f) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi_x(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt + o(1),$$

where the term $o(1)$ tends to zero uniformly as $n \rightarrow \infty$. After R. Salem (cf. [10]) we write

$$s_n(x, f) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \int_0^{\pi/n} \frac{\varphi_x(t+k\pi/n)}{t+k\pi/n} \sin nt dt + o(1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{[n/2]} \int_0^{\pi/n} \left[\frac{\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/n)}{t+2k\pi/n} - \frac{\varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/n)}{t+(2k+1)\pi/n} \right] \sin nt \, dt + o(1) \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{[n/2]} \int_0^{\pi/n} \varphi_x(t+2k\pi/n) \left[\frac{1}{t+2k\pi/n} - \frac{1}{t+(2k+1)\pi/n} \right] \sin nt \, dt \\
&+ \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{[n/2]} \int_0^{\pi/n} \frac{\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/n) - \varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/n)}{t+(2k+1)\pi/n} \sin nt \, dt + o(1) \\
&= I + J + o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

In order to prove the theorem it is sufficient to prove that $\liminf_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \geq 0$ implies

$$(4) \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty, x \rightarrow 0} s_n(x, f) \geq 0.$$

We can suppose $f(x) \geq 0$ by the local property of the partial sums. Then $I \geq 0$ and hence it is sufficient to prove that $J = o(1)$.*) By the second mean value theorem, for $0 \leq \eta_k < \xi_k \leq \pi/n$,

$$\begin{aligned}
J &= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{[n/2]} \frac{n}{(2k+1)\pi} \int_{\eta_k}^{\xi_k} [\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/n) - \varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/n)] \, dt \\
&= o\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{n}{k} \frac{1}{n \log n}\right) = o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

For, if we write

$$\begin{aligned}
J' &= \int_{\eta}^{\xi} [\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/n) - \varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/n)] \, dt \\
&= \int_{\eta}^{\xi} [f(x+t+2k\pi/n) - f(x+t+(2k+1)\pi/n)] \, dt \\
&\quad + \int_{\eta}^{\xi} [f(x-t-2k\pi/n) - f(x-t-(2k+1)\pi/n)] \, dt \\
&= J'_1 + J'_2,
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
J' &= \int_{\eta}^{\xi} [f(x+2k\pi/n+t) - f(x+2k\pi/n-t)] \, dt \\
&\quad - \int_{\eta}^{\xi} [f(x+(2k+1)\pi/n+t) - f(x+2k\pi/n-t)] \, dt \\
&= \left[\int_0^{\xi} - \int_0^{\eta} \right] [f(x+2k\pi/n+t) - f(x+2k\pi/n-t)] \, dt \\
&\quad - \left[\int_0^{\xi} - \int_0^{\eta} \right] [f(x+(2k+1)\pi/n+t) - f(x+2k\pi/n-t)] \, dt,
\end{aligned}$$

where each integral is of order $o(1/n \log n)$ by the condition (1), uniformly in $k \leq n$. Accordingly $J'_1 = o(1/n \log n)$, and similarly $J'_2 = o(1/n \log n)$; and hence $J' = o(1/n \log n)$ uniformly in $k \leq n$.

3. Proof of Theorem 2. It is sufficient to prove that there is

*) Proof of $J = o(1)$ is the same as in [10].

a function satisfying the condition (1) and having a point of discontinuity of the second kind.

We can take an even function $f_k(x)$ such that

$$f_k(0)=1, f_k(x)>0 \quad (0 \leq x < b_k), f_k(x)=0 \quad (x \geq b_k)$$

and

$$(5) \quad \left| \int_0^t (f_k(x+u) - f_k(x-u)) du \right| \leq t / \left(\log \frac{1}{t} \right)^2$$

for all t and x . For, if we take $f_k(x)$ such that the graph of $f_k(x)$ is concave in the interval $(0, b_k)$ and touches x -axis at $x=b_k$ and y -axis at $y=1$ and the integral of $f_k(x)$ on the interval $(0, t)$ $(0 < t < b_k)$ minus $tf_k(t)$ is less than $1/2t(\log 1/t)^2$, then the condition (5) is satisfied.

Let (a_k) and (b_k) be sequences rapidly tending to zero such that

$$a_{k+1} < a_k/4, \quad 4b_k < a_k, \quad a_{k+1} + 2b_{k+1} < a_k - 2b_k,$$

and let

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{f_k(x+a_k+b_k) - f_k(x+a_k-b_k)\}.$$

Then

$$\int_0^t [f(x+u) - f(x-u)] du = o\left(t / \log \frac{1}{t}\right), \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

uniformly in x ; and hence $f(x)$ has $x=0$ as a point of discontinuity of the second kind and the Gibbs phenomenon does not appear at $x=0$ by Theorem 3.

4. Proof of Theorem 5. Without any loss of generality we can suppose $f(0)=0$. As is well known [11, p. 184],

$$\sigma_n^r(x, f) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi_x(t) K_n^r(t) dt$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K_n^r(t) &= \frac{\sin [(n+(r+1)/2)t - r\pi/2]}{A_n^r (2 \sin t/2)^{1+r}} + \frac{r}{n+1} \frac{1}{(2 \sin t/2)^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4A_n^r} \sum_{\nu=n+1}^{\infty} A_{\nu+1}^{r-2} \frac{\cos (\nu-n)t}{(2 \sin t/2)^2} \\ &= L_n^{(1)}(t) + L_n^{(2)}(t) + L_n^{(3)}(t), \end{aligned}$$

say. Putting $N=n+(r+1)/2$ and $\alpha=(2-r/2)\pi/N$,

$$\int_0^\pi \varphi_x(t) K_n^r(t) dt = \int_0^\alpha + \int_\alpha^\pi = I + J.$$

We have $I \geq 0$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \int_\alpha^\pi \varphi_x(t) L_n^{(1)}(t) dt + \int_\alpha^\pi \varphi_x(t) L_n^{(2)}(t) dt + \int_\alpha^\pi \varphi_x(t) L_n^{(3)}(t) dt \\ &= J_1 + J_2 + J_3, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1 &= \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} \varphi_x(t) \frac{\sin(Nt - r\pi/2)}{A_n^r (2 \sin t/2)^{1+r}} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{A_n^r} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi_x(t)}{t^{1+r}} \sin(Nt - r\pi/2) dt + o(1) \\
&= \frac{1}{A_n^r} \sum_{k=1}^{[(N-1)/2]} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+\pi/N} \left\{ \frac{1}{(t+2k\pi/N)^{1+r}} - \frac{1}{(t+(2k+1)\pi/N)^{1+r}} \right\} \\
&\quad \cdot \varphi_x(t+2k\pi/N) \sin(Nt - r\pi/2) dt \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{A_n^r} \sum_{k=1}^{[(N-1)/2]} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+\pi/N} \frac{\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/N) - \varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/N)}{(t+(2k+1)\pi/N)^{1+r}} \\
&\quad \cdot \sin(Nt - r\pi/2) dt + o(1) \\
&= J_{11} + J_{12} + o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

It is sufficient to prove that $f(t) \geq 0$ implies $\sigma_n^r(x, f) \geq o(1)$ where $o(1)$ is the term tending to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Evidently $J_{11} \geq 0$. By the second mean value theorem

$$|J_{12}| \leq A \sum_{k=1}^{[(N-1)/2]} \frac{N}{k^{1+r}} \left| \int_{\xi_k}^{\eta_k} (\varphi_x(t+2k\pi/N) - \varphi_x(t+(2k+1)\pi/N)) dt \right|$$

where $\alpha \leq \xi_k < \eta_k \leq \alpha + \pi/N$. By the condition (3), the right is $o(1)$, and then $J_1 \geq o(1)$. We have also $J_2 \geq 0$. It remains to prove that $J_3 \geq o(1)$. Now we put

$$\begin{aligned}
J_3 &= \frac{1}{4A_n^r} \sum_{\nu=n+1}^{\infty} A_n^{r-2} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi} \frac{\varphi_x(t) \cos(\nu-n)t}{(2 \sin t/2)^2} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{4A_n^r} \left(\sum_{\nu=n+1}^{n+n_0} + \sum_{\nu=n+n_0+1}^{\infty} \right) = J_{31} + J_{32}
\end{aligned}$$

for an n_0 . For a large but fixed n_0 , $J_{31} \geq o(1)$ and $J_{32} = o(1)$ by the condition (3), using the estimation as in J_1 . Thus the theorem is proved.

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