

150. Absolute Nörlund Summability Factor of Fourier Series

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1. Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ be an infinite series and let (s_n) be the sequence of its partial sums. Let $(p_n) = (p_0, p_1, \dots)$ be a sequence of positive numbers and $P_n = p_0 + p_1 + \dots + p_n$ ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots$), $p_{-1} = P_{-1} = 0$. We write

$$t_n = P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} s_k = P_n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n P_{n-k} a_k \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

which is called the n th Nörlund mean of the series $\sum a_n$ or the sequence (s_n) . If the sequence (t_n) is of bounded variation, then the series $\sum a_n$ is called to be absolutely summable (N, p_n) or summable $|N, p_n|$ and we write $\sum a_n \in |N, p_n|$.

Let f be an integrable function over the interval $(0, 2\pi)$ and be periodic with period 2π . We denote its Fourier series by

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

The sequence (m_n) is called the absolute Nörlund summability factor or the $|N, p_n|$ summability factor of the Fourier series of f at the point x if $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

We suppose always that all m_n are non-negative.

S. V. Kolhekar [1] has proved the

Theorem A. *Let (m_n) be a monotone decreasing sequence satisfying the condition*

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m_n n^{-1} \log n < \infty$$

and let (p_n) be a monotone increasing sequence such that

$$(2) \quad p_n/P_n = O(1/n), \quad \Delta(P_n/p_n) = O(1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then, if

$$(3) \quad \Phi(t) = \int_0^t |\varphi(u)| du = O(t) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

where $\varphi(u) = \varphi_x(u) = f(x+u) + f(x-u) - 2f(x)$, then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

We define a function $m(t)$ continuous on the interval $(1, \infty)$ such that $m(n) = m_n$ for $n=1, 2, \dots$ and $m(t)$ is linear for every non-integral t . Similarly $p(t)$ is defined by the sequence (p_n) and we put $P(t) = \int_0^t p(u) du$.

L. Leindler [2] has proved the following

Theorem B. *Let (m_n) and (p_n) be monotone decreasing sequences.*

If

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m_n P_n^{-1} < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi(t) = O\left(m\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) / P\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)\right) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m_n P_n^{-1} \log \log n < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi(t) = O\left(t / \log \frac{1}{t}\right) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

2. We have the following generalizations.

Theorem 1. *Let (m_n) be a monotone decreasing sequence satisfying the condition (1) and let (p_n) be a monotone increasing sequence such that*

$$(4) \quad \sum_{n=j+1}^{\infty} \frac{p_{n-j} - p_{n-j-1}}{P_{n-1}} \leq \frac{A}{j} \quad \text{for all } j \geq 1.$$

If the condition (3) is satisfied, then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

The condition (2) implies the condition (4) and then Theorem 1 is a generalization of Theorem A.

Theorem 2. *Let (m_n) and (p_n) be monotone decreasing sequences satisfying the condition*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m_n P_n^{-1} \log n < \infty.$$

If the condition (3) is satisfied, then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

3. We can generalize Theorem 1 in the following form.

Theorem 3. *Let (m_n) be a monotone decreasing sequence and (p_n) be a monotone increasing sequence satisfying the condition (4). If*

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{\Phi(t)}{t^2} m\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) \log \frac{2\pi}{t} dt < \infty$$

and

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{\Phi(t)}{t^2} dt \int_0^t \frac{m(1/u)}{u} du < \infty,$$

then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

This theorem has the following corollaries.

Corollary 1. *Suppose that (m_n) is a monotone decreasing sequence and that (p_n) is a monotone increasing sequence satisfying the condition (4). If*

$$\Phi(t) \leq At / \left(\log \frac{1}{t}\right)^{\alpha} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

for an $\alpha, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, and

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{m_n (\log n)^{1-\alpha}}{n} < \infty \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{m_n \log \log n}{n} < \infty$$

according as $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ or $\alpha = 1$, then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

Corollary 2. Suppose that (m_n) is a monotone decreasing sequence and that (p_n) is a monotone increasing sequence satisfying the condition (4). If

$$(5) \quad \int_0^\pi \Phi(t)t^{-2}dt < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^\infty (m_n/n) < \infty,$$

then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

The first condition of (5) is satisfied when $\Phi(t) \leq At \left(\log \frac{1}{t} \right)^\alpha$ ($\alpha > 1$)

as $t \rightarrow 0$ or $\Phi(t) \leq A t m(1/t)$ as $t \rightarrow 0$.

Theorem B is generalized as follows:

Theorem 4. Suppose that (m_n) and (p_n) are monotone decreasing sequences. If

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{\Phi(t)}{t^2} dt \int_0^t \frac{m(1/v)}{v^2 P(1/v)} dv < \infty,$$

then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

As a corollary of Theorem 4, we get

Corollary 3. Suppose that (m_n) and (p_n) are monotone decreasing sequences. If

$$\Phi(t) \leq At \left(\log \frac{1}{t} \right)^\alpha \quad \text{as} \quad t \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^\infty m_n P_n^{-1} (\log n)^{1-\alpha} < \infty$$

for $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ or if

$$\int_0^\pi \Phi(t)t^{-2}dt < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^\infty m_n P_n^{-1} < \infty,$$

then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

3. We shall consider the case that φ is of bounded variation. In this direction we know the following theorem due to R. Mohanty [3]:

Theorem C. If

$$\int_0^\pi t^{-\alpha} |d\varphi(t)| < \infty \quad \text{for an } \alpha, 0 < \alpha < 1,$$

then $\sum n^\alpha A_n(x) \in |C, \beta|$ for every $\beta > \alpha$.

We generalize this theorem in the following form.

Theorem 5. Suppose that (p_n) and (m_n) are sequences satisfying the following conditions: (i) $p_n \downarrow$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, (ii) $m_n \uparrow$ and $m_n/n \downarrow$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and (iii) $\sum_{k=n}^\infty \frac{m_k}{kP_k} \leq A \frac{m_n}{P_n}$. If $\int_0^\pi m(1/t) |d\varphi(t)| < \infty$, then $\sum m_n A_n(x) \in |N, p_n|$.

We shall prove here only this theorem and the others will be proved in another paper.

4. **Proof of Theorem 5.** We can suppose that $A_0(x) = 0$. By the definition

$$A_j(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi(t) \cos jt \, dt = -\frac{1}{j\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin jt \, d\varphi(t)$$

and then

$$t_n - t_{n-1} = \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{j=1}^n (P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n) m_j A_j(x),$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |t_n - t_{n-1}| \leq \int_0^{\pi} |d\varphi(t)| \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_j}{j} \sin jt \right| \right).$$

It is sufficient to prove that the integrand is less than $A m(1/n)$ on $(0, \pi)$. Putting $s = [1/t]$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_j}{j} \sin jt \right| = \sum_{n=1}^s + \sum_{n=s+1}^{\infty} = U + V.$$

Since $P_{n-j}/P_n \uparrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for each j ,

$$U \leq t \sum_{n=1}^s \sum_{j=1}^n m_j \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} = t \sum_{j=1}^s m_j \sum_{n=j}^s \left(\frac{P_{n-j}}{P_n} - \frac{P_{n-j-1}}{P_{n-1}} \right)$$

$$= t \sum_{j=1}^s m_j \frac{P_{s-j}}{P_s} \leq A m_s.$$

Now

$$V = \sum_{n=s+1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_j}{j} \sin jt \right| \leq \sum_{n=s+1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=1}^s \right| + \sum_{n=s+1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=s+1}^n \right|$$

$$= W + X$$

where

$$W \leq t \sum_{n=s+1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^s m_j \left(\frac{P_{n-j}}{P_n} - \frac{P_{n-j-1}}{P_{n-1}} \right) = t \sum_{j=1}^s m_j \left(1 - \frac{P_{s-j}}{P_s} \right) \leq A m_s$$

and

$$X \leq \sum_{n=s+1}^{2(s+1)-1} \left| \sum_{j=s+1}^{[n/2]} \right| + \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=s+1}^{n/2} \right| + \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=[n/2]+1}^n \right|$$

$$= X' + Y + Z.$$

$X' \leq A m_s$ similarly as above. Writing $[n/2] = N$,

$$Y = \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=s+1}^N \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_j}{j} \frac{\cos(j-1/2)t - \cos(j+1/2)t}{2 \sin t/2} \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \left(\left| \frac{P_n p_{n-N} - P_{n-N} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_N}{N} \frac{\cos(N+1/2)t}{2 \sin t/2} \right| \right.$$

$$+ \left| \sum_{j=s+1}^{N-1} \Delta \left(\frac{m_j}{j} \frac{P_n p_{n-j} - P_{n-j} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \right) \frac{\cos(j+1/2)t}{2 \sin t/2} \right|$$

$$+ \left. \left| \frac{P_n p_{n-s-1} - P_{n-s-1} p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \frac{m_{s+1}}{s+1} \frac{\cos(s+1/2)t}{2 \sin t/2} \right| \right)$$

$$= Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3,$$

where

$$Y_1 \leq \frac{A}{t} \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \frac{m_n}{n} \left(\frac{P_{n-N}}{P_n} - \frac{P_{n-N-1}}{P_{n-1}} \right) \leq \frac{A}{t} \frac{m_s}{s} + \frac{A}{t} \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \Delta \left(\frac{m_n}{n} \right) \leq A m_s,$$

$$Y_2 \leq \frac{A}{t} \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \sum_{j=s+1}^{N-1} \frac{m_j}{j} \left(\frac{p_{n-j-1}}{P_{n-1}} - \frac{p_{n-j}}{P_n} \right) + \Delta \left(\frac{m_j}{j} \right) \left(\frac{P_{n-j-1}}{P_n} - \frac{P_{n-j-2}}{P_{n-1}} \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{A}{t} \sum_{j=s+1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2j}^{\infty} \leq \frac{A}{t} \sum_{j=s+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{m_j}{j} \frac{p_{j-1}}{P_{2j-1}} + \Delta \left(\frac{m_j}{j} \right) \right) \leq A m_s$$

and similarly $Y_3 \leq A m_s$. Finally we shall estimate Z using the following lemma due to E. Hille and J. D. Tamarkin [4]:

Lemma. *If the sequence q_n is positive and non-increasing, then*

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n q_j \sin jt \right| \leq A Q(1/t) \quad \text{and} \quad A q_1/t$$

for any n and $t \in (0, \pi)$, where $Q(r) = \sum_{j < r} q_j$ for $r > 1$.

Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{j=N+1}^n \frac{m_j}{j} p_{n-j} \sin jt - \frac{p_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{j=N+1}^n \frac{m_j}{j} P_{n-j} \sin jt \right| \\ &\leq A P_s \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \frac{m_n}{n P_{n-1}} + \frac{A}{t} \sum_{n=2(s+1)}^{\infty} \frac{m_n p_n}{n P_n} \leq A m_s. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have proved the theorem.

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