

## On the generalized Nörlund summability of a sequence of Fourier coefficients

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $f(t)$  be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$  on  $(-\infty, \infty)$  and Lebesgue integrable over  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . Then the conjugate series of the Fourier series

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

of  $f$  is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n \cos nt - a_n \sin nt) \equiv \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n(t).$$

Since Fejer [3] found the relations between the “jump” of  $f(t)$  at  $t = x$  and the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$ , there are many results which show how the behaviour of  $f(t)$  in the neighborhood of  $t = x$  controls the convergence of the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  to the jump in the sense of summability. To state the most recent result of Khare and Tripathi [5], we need the following definitions.

Given two sequences  $p = \{p_n\}$  and  $q = \{q_n\}$ , the convolution  $(p * q)$  is defined by

$$(p * q)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k q_{n-k}.$$

Let  $\{s_n\}$  be a sequence. When  $(p * q)_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ , the generalized Nörlund transform of the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is the sequence  $\{t_n^{p,q}\}$  obtained by putting

$$t_n^{p,q} = \frac{1}{(p * q)_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k s_k.$$

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n^{p,q}$  exists and is equal to  $s$ , then the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is said to be summable  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  to the value  $s$ .

If  $s_n \rightarrow s$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) induces  $t_n^{p,q} \rightarrow s$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), then the method  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  is called to be regular. The necessary and sufficient condition for  $(N, p_n, q_n)$

method to be regular is  $\sum_{k=0}^n |p_{n-k} q_k| = O(|(p * q)_n|)$  and  $p_{n-k} = o(|(p * q)_n|)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for every fixed  $k \geq 0$  (see Borwein [2]).

The method  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  reduces to the Nörlund method  $(N, p_n)$  if  $q_n = 1$  for all  $n$  and to the Riesz method  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  if  $p_n = 1$  for all  $n$ . We know that  $(N, p_n)$  mean or  $(\bar{N}, q_n)$  mean includes as a special case Cesàro and harmonic means or logarithmic mean, respectively.

The method  $(N, p_n, q_n)(C, 1)$  is obtained by superimposing the method  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  on the Cesàro mean  $(C, 1)$  of order one (see Astrachan [1]).

Throughout this paper, we shall use the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_x(t) &= \{f(x+t) + f(x-t) - l\}, \\ \Psi_x(t) &= \int_0^t |\psi_x(u)| du, \end{aligned}$$

for any fixed  $x$  ( $-\infty < x < \infty$ ) and a constant  $l$  depending on  $x$ . For two sequence  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\{q_n\}$ , we define  $P(t)$  ( $0 \leq t < \infty$ ) and  $R_n$  ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) by

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{[t]} p_k \quad \text{and} \quad R_n = (p * q)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k,$$

where  $[t]$  denotes the integral part of  $t$ .

**Theorem KT** (Khare and Tripathi [5]). *Let  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  be regular Nörlund method defined by a non-negative, non-increasing sequence  $\{p_n\}$  and a non-negative, non-decreasing sequence  $\{q_n\}$ . If the condition*

$$(1.1) \quad \int_{\pi/n}^{\delta} \frac{|\psi_x(t)|}{t} P\left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right) dt = o(R_n q_n^{-1}) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

*holds for a number  $\delta$ ,  $0 < \delta < \pi$ , then the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is summable  $(N, p_n, q_n)(C, 1)$  to  $l/\pi$ .*

In this paper, by generalizing a result of Hirokawa and Kayashima [4], we shall give a theorem which contains Theorem KT.

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**2. Statement of our result.** We define another function  $R_n(t)$  ( $0 \leq t < n + 1$ ) with a non-negative integer  $n$  by

$$R_n(t) = \int_0^t r_n(u)du,$$

where  $r_n(u) = p_k q_{n-k}$  for  $k \leq u < k + 1$  ( $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ ).

**Theorem.** Let  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  be a regular Nörlund method defined by a non-negative, non-increasing sequence  $\{p_n\}$  and a non-negative, non-decreasing sequence  $\{q_n\}$ .

If the condition

$$(2.1) \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \Psi_x(t) \left| \frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} \right| dt = o(R_n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

holds for a number  $\delta$ ,  $0 < \delta < \pi$ , then the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is summable  $(N, p_n, q_n)(C, 1)$  to  $l/\pi$ .

Now we shall show that Theorem contains Theorem KT. First of all, we remark

$$\frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} < 0$$

for any  $t$ ,  $0 < \pi/t < n + 1$ , because

$$(2.2) \frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} = \frac{(-\pi/t)r_n(\pi/t) - R_n(\pi/t)}{t^2}.$$

Since the condition (1.1) implies  $\Psi_x(t) = o(t)$  ( $t \rightarrow 0$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \Psi_x(t) \left| \frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} \right| dt \\ &= \left[ -\Psi_x(t) \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t} \right]_{\pi/n}^\delta + \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \frac{|\psi_x(t)|}{t} R_n \left( \frac{\pi}{t} \right) dt \\ &= o \left( R_n(n) - R_n \left( \frac{\pi}{\delta} \right) \right) \\ &+ o \left( q_n \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \frac{|\psi_x(t)|}{t} P \left( \frac{\pi}{t} \right) dt \right) = o(R_n), \end{aligned}$$

by virtue of the fact that  $R_n(\pi/t) \leq q_n P(\pi/t)$ . Hence the conditions (1.1) is implied in the condition (2.1).

From Theorem we immediately obtain the following corollary with another conditions (2.3) and (2.4) which are considered by Singh [9] with respect to convergence of conjugate series.

**Corollary.** Let  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  be a regular Nörlund method defined by a non-negative, non-increasing sequence  $\{p_n\}$  and a non-negative,

non-decreasing sequence  $\{q_n\}$  such that

$$(2.3) \quad q_n \int_1^n \frac{\lambda(u)}{u} du = O(R_n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $\lambda(u)$  is a positive function of  $u$ . If the condition

$$(2.4) \quad \int_0^t |\psi_x(u)| du = o \left( \frac{t\lambda(\pi/t)}{P(\pi/t)} \right) \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

holds, then the sequence  $\{nB_n(x)\}$  is summable  $(N, p_n, q_n)(C, 1)$  to  $l/\pi$ .

*Proof.* Since the sequence  $\{p_k q_{n-k}\}_{k=0}^n$  is a non-increasing sequence of  $k$ , we have

$$0 \leq \frac{\pi}{t} r_n \left( \frac{\pi}{t} \right) \leq R_n \left( \frac{\pi}{t} \right) \quad \left( 0 < \frac{\pi}{t} < n + 1 \right).$$

Hence we obtain

$$\frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} = O \left( \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t^2} \right),$$

from (2.2). If the conditions (2.3) and (2.4) hold, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \Psi_x(t) \left| \frac{d R_n(\pi/t)}{dt} \right| dt \\ &= o \left( \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \frac{t\lambda(\pi/t)}{P(\pi/t)} \cdot \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t^2} dt \right) \\ &= o \left( \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \frac{\lambda(\pi/t)R_n(\pi/t)}{tP(\pi/t)} dt \right) \\ &= o \left( \int_{\pi/\delta}^n \frac{\lambda(y)R_n(y)}{yP(y)} dy \right) \\ &= o \left( \sum_{k=2}^n \int_{k-1}^k \frac{\lambda(y)R_n(y)}{yP(y)} dy \right) \\ &= o \left( \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{R_n(k)}{P(k-1)} \int_{k-1}^k \frac{\lambda(y)}{y} dy \right) \\ &= o \left( q_n \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{P_{k-1}}{P(k-1)} \int_{k-1}^k \frac{\lambda(y)}{y} dy \right) \\ &= o \left( q_n \int_1^n \frac{\lambda(y)}{y} dy \right) = o(R_n), \end{aligned}$$

which is the condition (2.1). □

**3. Proof of Theorem.** We need the following lemma for the proof of Theorem.

**Lemma.** Let  $\{p_n\}$  be a non-negative, non-increasing sequence and  $\{q_n\}$  be a non-negative, non-decreasing sequence. If we put

$$K_n(t) = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} q_k \left\{ \frac{\sin kt}{kt^2} - \frac{\cos kt}{t} \right\},$$

then we have

$$(3.1) \quad K_n(t) = O(n) \quad \left(0 < t \leq \frac{\pi}{n}\right)$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad K_n(t) = O\left(\frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{tR_n}\right) \quad \left(\frac{\pi}{n} < t \leq \pi\right).$$

*Proof.* If  $0 < t \leq \pi/n$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(t) &= O\left(\frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k(k^2t)\right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{n}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k\right) = O(n), \end{aligned}$$

which is (3.1).

To prove (3.2), we first put

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k \frac{\sin kt}{kt^2}, \\ I_2 &= \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k \frac{\cos kt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(3.3) \quad |K_n(t)| \leq |I_1| + |I_2|.$$

By virtue of the fact that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k \cos kt = O\left(R_n\left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)\right) \quad \left(\frac{\pi}{n} < t \leq \pi\right)$$

(see [6]), we immediately obtain

$$(3.4) \quad |I_2| = O\left(\frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{tR_n}\right)$$

for any  $t$  ( $\pi/n < t \leq \pi$ ). Next, by dividing  $I_1$  into two parts  $I_{11}$  and  $I_{12}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} I_{11} &= \frac{1}{tR_n} \sum_{k=0}^{\tau-1} p_kq_{n-k} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t}, \\ I_{12} &= \frac{1}{tR_n} \sum_{k=\tau}^{n-1} p_kq_{n-k} \frac{\sin(n-k)t}{(n-k)t}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tau = [\pi/t]$ , we have

$$(3.5) \quad |I_1| \leq |I_{11}| + |I_{12}|.$$

If  $\pi/n < t \leq \pi$ , then

$$(3.6) \quad I_{11} = O\left(\frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{tR_n}\right)$$

By Abel's transformation, we have

$$I_{12} = O\left(\frac{1}{t^2R_n} \left\{ \sum_{k=\tau}^{n-2} (p_kq_{n-k} - p_{k+1}q_{n-k-1}) \right. \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\left. + p_{n-1}q_1 + p_\tau q_{n-\tau} \right\}) \\ &= O\left(\frac{p_\tau q_{n-\tau}}{t^2R_n}\right) = O\left(\frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{tR_n}\right), \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n \sin \frac{kt}{k} \right| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} + 1$$

for any positive integer  $n$  (see [10]). Thus (3.2) evidently follows from (3.3)-(3.7).  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem.** From the method of Mohanty and Nanda [7], we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n kB_k(x) - \frac{l}{\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\delta \psi_x(t) \left\{ \frac{\sin nt}{nt^2} - \frac{\cos nt}{t} \right\} dt + o(1). \end{aligned}$$

by Riemann-Lebesgue's theorem. Since the method  $(N, p_n, q_n)$  is regular, in order to prove Theorem, it is sufficient to show that

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k}q_k \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\delta \psi_x(t) \left\{ \frac{\sin kt}{kt^2} - \frac{\cos kt}{t} \right\} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\delta \psi_x(t) K_n(t) dt = o(1). \end{aligned}$$

Now we write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\delta \psi_x(t) K_n(t) dt &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{\pi/n} + \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \right) \psi_x(t) K_n(t) dt \\ &= I_3 + I_4, \end{aligned}$$

say. If the condition (2.1) is satisfied, we obtain

$$\Psi_x(t) = o(t) \quad (t \rightarrow 0)$$

from (3.1) (see [8]). Hence we have

$$I_3 = O(n) \left( \int_0^{\pi/n} |\psi_x(t)| dt \right) = o(1).$$

Next, we obtain by (3.2)

$$\begin{aligned} I_4 &= O\left(\frac{1}{R_n} \int_{\pi/n}^\delta |\psi_x(t)| \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t} dt\right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{R_n} \left[ \Psi_x(t) \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t} \right]_{\pi/n}^\delta \right) \\ &\quad + O\left(\frac{1}{R_n} \int_{\pi/n}^\delta \Psi_x(t) \left| \frac{d}{dt} \frac{R_n(\pi/t)}{t} \right| dt\right) \\ &= o\left(\frac{R_n(\pi/\delta)}{R_n} + \frac{R_n(n)}{R_n}\right) + o(1) = o(1) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, these complete the proof of Theorem.  $\square$

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