

and curvature types of triply infinite families of curves. The results are summarized in the following table; the two types compared are named in the left-hand column; their intersection is identified in the center; and the number, that is, the infinitude, of (projectively different) common families is given at the right.

Dynamical Sectional:	Special central fields or General cones	$\infty^{f(1)}$
Dynamical Curvature:	Any central field	$\infty^{f(2)}$
Sectional Curvature:	General cones and Quadric surfaces	$\infty^{f(1)+2}$

The 2 in the exponent of ∞ refers of course to two arbitrary constants, while (according to a notation which I proposed in this Bulletin in 1912, in a review of Riquier's treatise on partial differential equations) $f(1)$ means an arbitrary function of one independent variable, and $f(2)$ an arbitrary function of two independent variables.

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ON NEVANLINNA'S WEAK SUMMATION METHOD†

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1. *Introduction.* Our principal object in this note is to discuss the function

$$(1) \quad \rho_n(\beta) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left| \int_0^1 \beta (\log C)^\beta (1-t)^{-1} (\log C / (1-t))^{-\beta-1} \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{\sin(2nt+1)s}{\sin s} dt \right| ds,$$

which, for $\beta > 0$ and the "dummy" constant $C \geq e^{\beta+1}$, plays a role in the theory of summation of Fourier series by Nevanlinna's weak method‡ analogous to the role the Lebesgue constants

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‡ F. Nevanlinna, *Über die Summation der Fourier'schen Reihen und Integrale*, Översikt av Finska Vetenskaps-Societetens Förhandlingar, vol. 64 (1921-22), A, No. 3, 14 pp. A. F. Moursund, *On the Nevanlinna and Bosanquet-Linfoot summation methods*, Annals of Mathematics, (2), to appear.

$$(2) \quad \rho_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left| \frac{\sin(2n+1)s}{\sin s} \right| ds, \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots),$$

play in the theory of convergence of such series.† Nevanlinna's weak method is essentially the same as the Bosanquet-Linfoot method of zero order.‡

Our principal results concerning the function $\rho_n(\beta)$ are given by the following theorems.

THEOREM 1. For each $n \geq 0$, the function $\rho_n(\beta) \rightarrow \rho_n$ as $\beta \rightarrow 0$.

THEOREM 2. When $\beta > 1$, the function $\rho_n(\beta)$ is uniformly bounded with respect to n for all $n \geq 0$.

THEOREM 3. For $0 < \beta < 1$,

$$\rho_n(\beta) = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \frac{(\log C)^\beta}{1 - \beta} (\log n)^{1-\beta} + O(1),$$

and

$$\rho_n(1) = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \log C \log \log n + O(1).$$

2. *Nevanlinna's Weak Summation Method.* Applied to the Fourier series generated by a Lebesgue integrable function $f(x)$, Nevanlinna's weak method consists in forming from the well known expression for the sum of n terms of the series the N_β transform

$$(3) \quad N_\beta S_n(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) dt \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(s) \frac{\sin(2nt+1)(x-s)/2}{\sin(x-s)/2} ds,$$

where

† L. Fejér, *Lebesguesche Konstanten und Divergente Fourierreihen*, Journal für Mathematik, vol. 138 (1910), pp. 22–53. Fejér shows in that paper that $\rho_n \sim (4/\pi^2) \log n + O(1)$. T. H. Gronwall, *Über des Lebesgueschen Konstanten bei den Fourierschen Reihen*, Mathematische Annalen, vol. 72 (1912), pp. 244–261. G. Szegő, *Über die Lebesgueschen Konstanten bei den Fourierschen Reihen*, Mathematische Zeitschrift, vol. 9 (1921), pp. 163–166.

‡ L. S. Bosanquet and E. H. Linfoot, *On the zero order summability of Fourier series*, Journal of the London Mathematical Society, vol. 6 (1931), pp. 117–126. L. S. Bosanquet and E. H. Linfoot, *Generalized means and the summability of Fourier series*, Quarterly Journal of Mathematics (Oxford Series), vol. 2 (1931), pp. 207–229. Moursund, loc. cit.

$$N_\beta(t) = \beta(\log C)^\beta(1-t)^{-1}(\log C/(1-t))^{-\beta-1},$$

with $\beta > 0$ and $C \geq e^{\beta+1}$, and in taking the limit

$$(4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_\beta S_n(x).$$

Bosanquet and Linfoot have given an example, which will serve equally well for Nevanlinna's weak method, of a continuous function $f(x)$ whose Fourier series diverges at $x=0$ when summed by their zero order method with $0 < \beta \leq 1$.† For $\beta > 1$, Nevanlinna's method, and consequently the Bosanquet-Linfoot zero order method, is Lebesgue effective.‡

3. *The Function $\rho_n(\beta)$.* Upon changing the order of integration in (3), we see that, for the values of β for which the function

$$(5) \quad \rho_n(\beta, x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) \frac{\sin(2nt+1)(x-s)/2}{\sin(x-s)/2} dt \right| ds$$

becomes infinite with n , functions continuous on $(-\pi, \pi)$ can be constructed for which (i) the limit (4) does not exist at the point x , (ii) the limit (4) exists at x but does not exist uniformly in any neighborhood of that point.§ Setting $x=0$ in (5) we obtain, after slight simplification, the function $\rho_n(\beta)$ defined in the introduction.

4. *Lemmas.* In the statements and proofs of our lemmas and theorems, $\beta > 0$, $C \geq e^{\beta+1}$, and $n \geq 0$ unless otherwise stated. Proofs which the reader can readily supply are merely indicated or omitted entirely.

LEMMA 1. For $2ns \geq \pi$

$$\left| \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) \frac{\sin}{\cos} \right\} 2nst dt \left| \leq \int_{1-\pi/(2ns)}^1 N_\beta(t) dt \right. \\ \left. = (\log C)^\beta (\log 2Cns/\pi)^{-\beta}. \right\|$$

† Loc. cit., first paper.

‡ A. F. Moursund, *On a method of summation of Fourier series*, Annals of Mathematics, (2), vol. 33 (1932), pp. 773-784.

§ E. W. Hobson, *The Theory of Functions of a Real Variable*, 2d ed., vol. 2 Chapter 7.

|| See Moursund, second loc. cit., pp. 779-780. Lemma 5.1 holds for $N_\beta(t)$ is non-negative and monotone increasing on $(0, 1)$.

LEMMA 2. $\rho_n(\beta) = \rho_n^*(\beta) + O(1)$, where

$$(6) \quad \rho_n^*(\beta) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{1/2} \frac{1}{s} \left| \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) \sin 2nst \, dt \right| ds,$$

and the $O(1)$ terms are uniformly bounded with respect to β , C , and n . †

LEMMA 3. For $v > 0$,

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\log C}{v} + 1 + t \right)^{-\beta-1} \cos e^{-tv} \, dt = \frac{1}{\beta} + O\left(\frac{1}{v}\right).$$

PROOF. We write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\beta} - \int_0^\infty &= \int_0^\infty \left[(1+t)^{-\beta-1} - \left(\frac{\log C}{v} + 1 + t \right)^{-\beta-1} \cos e^{-tv} \, dt \right] \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty \left\{ \left[(1+t)^{-\beta-1} - \left(\frac{\log C}{v} + 1 + t \right)^{-\beta-1} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{\log C}{v} + 1 + t \right)^{-\beta-1} e^{-2tv}/2 \right\} dt \\ &\leq (\beta+1) \int_0^\infty dt \int_0^{\log C/v} (1+t+u)^{-\beta-2} \, du + \int_0^\infty e^{-2tv}/2 \, dt \\ &\leq (\beta+1) \frac{\log C}{v} \int_0^\infty (1+t)^{-\beta-2} \, dt + \frac{1}{4v} = \frac{\log C}{v} + \frac{1}{4v}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4. For r sufficiently large,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 N_\beta(1-t) \cos rt \, dt &= \beta(\log C)^\beta \{ (\log r)^{-\beta}/\beta + O(\log r)^{-\beta-1} \} > 0, \\ \int_0^1 N_\beta(1-t) \sin rt \, dt &= O[(\log r)^{-\beta-1}]. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. The lemma, except for the term $O[(\log r)^{-\beta-1}]$ in the first part, follows immediately from a theorem concerning Fourier coefficients due to U. S. Haslam-Jones. ‡ Upon inspection of

† It can be shown by using Lemma 1 that the $O(1)$ terms are $o(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

‡ U. S. Haslam-Jones, *A note on the Fourier coefficients of unbounded functions*, Journal of the London Mathematical Society, vol. 2 (1927), pp. 151-154 (Theorem 2).

the proof given by Haslam-Jones, the reader will see how, with the aid of Lemma 3, our result can be obtained.

LEMMA 5.

$$|\sin r| = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos 2mr}{4m^2 - 1}. \dagger$$

LEMMA 6. For $M \geq e$ and $n \geq M$,

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4m^2 - 1} \int_M^n \frac{1}{r} (\log r)^{-\beta} \cos 2mr \, dr \leq \frac{1}{2M}.$$

PROOF. It can be shown by means of the second mean value theorem that each of the integrals $\leq 1/M$. The lemma follows, because

$$\sum \frac{1}{4m^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

5. *Proof of Theorems.* In this paragraph we prove our theorems.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. Integrating by parts, we have

$$\rho_n(\beta) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left| 1 + (\log C)^\beta \frac{2ns}{\sin s} \int_0^1 (\log C/(1-t))^{-\beta} \right. \\ \left. \times \cos (2nt + 1)s \, dt \right| ds,$$

and the theorem follows by elementary theorems concerning limits.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. When $n \leq \pi$, we have at once $\rho_n^*(\beta) \leq 2$; and when $n > \pi$, we have for $\beta > 1$, using Lemma 1,

$$\rho_n^*(\beta) \leq O(1) + \frac{2}{\pi} (\log C)^\beta \int_{\pi/(2n)}^{1/2} \frac{1}{s} (\log 2Cns/\pi)^{-\beta} ds = O(1).$$

The theorem follows by Lemma 2.

PROOF OF THEOREM 3. By Lemma 2,

$$\rho_n(\beta) = \rho_n^*(\beta) + O(1).$$

† Szegö, loc. cit., uses this Fourier series expansion in obtaining his formula for ρ_n .

Using Lemmas 4, 5, and 6, we have, for a fixed sufficiently large M and $n > M$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_n^*(\beta) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\int_0^{M/(2n)} + \int_{M/(2n)}^{1/2} \right] \frac{1}{s} \left| \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) \sin 2nst \, dt \right| ds \\
 &= O(1) + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_M^n \frac{1}{r} \left| \int_0^1 N_\beta(t) \sin rt \, dt \right| dr \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_M^n \frac{1}{r} \left| \sin r \int_0^1 N_\beta(1-t) \cos rt \, dt \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \cos r \int_0^1 N_\beta(1-t) \sin rt \, dt \right| dr + O(1) \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_M^n \frac{|\sin r|}{r} dr \int_0^1 N_\beta(1-t) \cos rt \, dt + O(1) \\
 &= \frac{2\beta(\log C)^\beta}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{2}{\pi} \int_M^n \frac{1}{r} \cdot \frac{(\log r)^{-\beta}}{\beta} dr \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4m^2 - 1} \int_M^n \frac{(\log r)^{-\beta}}{\beta} \cos 2mr \, dr \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_M^n \frac{|\sin r|}{r} O[(\log r)^{-\beta-1}] dr \right\} + O(1) \\
 &= \frac{4}{\pi^2} (\log C)^\beta \int_M^n \frac{1}{r} \cdot (\log r)^{-\beta} dr + O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

The lemma follows when we carry out the integration.

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