

Convergence criteria for Fourier series

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The following convergence criterion of Fourier series is due to M. Izumi, S. Izumi and the author:

THEOREM. Let $\Delta \geq 1$. If

$$(i) \int_0^t \phi(u)du = o(t), \text{ and}$$

$$(ii) \int_{t^{-1/\Delta}}^{\delta} |d(u^{-\alpha}\phi(u))| \leq At^{-\alpha} \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

for an α , $0 < \alpha < 1$ and for a δ , $0 < \delta < \pi$, then the Fourier series of $\phi(t)$ is convergent at the origin.

The object of this paper is to generalize the above theorem in the Hardy-Littlewood direction.

1.

Let $\phi(t)$ be an even periodic function which is integrable L and let

$$\phi(t) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nt.$$

Sunouchi [4] generalized the Young-Pollard [3] convergence criterion as follows:

THEOREM A. *The Fourier series of $\phi(t)$ converges at the point $t = 0$ to the value zero, provided that there is a $\Delta \geq 1$ such that*

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$$(1.1) \quad \int_0^t \phi(u) du = o(t^\Delta)$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \int_0^t |d(u^\Delta \phi(u))| = o(t), 0 \leq t \leq \eta.$$

Recently we [2] proved the following theorem:

THEOREM B. *Let $\Delta \geq 1$. If the condition (1.1) holds and*

$$(1.3) \quad \int_{t^{1/\Delta}}^\delta |d(u^{-a} \phi(u))| = o(t^{-a}) \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

for an a , $0 < a < 1$ and for a δ , $0 < \delta < \pi$, then the Fourier series of ϕ is convergent at the origin.

Hardy and Littlewood [1] generalized the condition (1.1) for the case $\Delta = 1$ in the form

$$\phi_\beta(t) = o(t^\gamma), \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

for any $\beta > 0$, where $\phi_\beta(t)$ is the β -th integral of $\phi(t)$.

Corresponding to this result we prove the following theorem, which generalizes Theorem B in the Hardy-Littlewood direction.

THEOREM. *Let $\Delta = \gamma/\beta \geq 1$ and $1 > \beta > 0$. If*

$$(1.4) \quad \phi_\beta(t) = o(t^\gamma)$$

where $\phi_\beta(t)$ is the β -th integral of $\phi(t)$, and further if

$$(1.5) \quad \int_{t^{1/\Delta}}^\delta |d(u^{-\eta} \phi(u))| = o(t^{-\eta}), 1 > \eta > 0,$$

and $\Delta > 1$, then the Fourier series of $\phi(t)$ converges at $t = 0$.

2.

Proof of the theorem. To prove our theorem we need to show that

$$\int_0^\delta \phi(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt = o(1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty .$$

Putting $n^{-1/\Delta} = \alpha$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\delta \phi(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt &= \int_0^\alpha \phi(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt + \int_\alpha^\delta \phi(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt \\ &= I + J , \end{aligned}$$

say.

Putting $\theta(t) = t^{-\eta}\phi(t)$, then $\theta(t) = o(t^{-\eta\Delta})$ by (1.5). Since

$$\theta(t) = \int_t^\delta \frac{\sin nu}{u^{1-\eta}} du = o\left(\frac{1}{nt^{1-\eta}}\right) \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0 ,$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} J &= [\theta(t)\theta(t)]_\alpha^\delta - \int_\alpha^\delta \theta(t)d\theta(t) \\ &= o\left(\frac{1}{n(1-\eta)(1-1/\Delta)}\right) + o\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_\alpha^\delta \frac{|d\theta(t)|}{t^{1-\eta}}\right) \\ &= o\left(\frac{1}{n(1-\eta)(1-1/\Delta)}\right) = o(1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty . \end{aligned}$$

We shall now estimate I .

Putting $\Phi(t) = \int_0^t \phi(u)du$ and integrating by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \left[\Phi(t) \frac{\sin nt}{t}\right]_0^\alpha - \int_0^\alpha \Phi(t) \frac{nt\cos nt - \sin nt}{t^2} dt \\ &= I_1 + I_2 , \end{aligned}$$

say. Since

$$\Phi(t) = o(t^{1+\gamma-\beta}) = o(t)$$

by (1.4), we get

$$I_1 = o(1) .$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_0^\alpha \frac{nt \cos nt - \sin nt}{t^2} dt \int_0^t \phi_\beta(t)(t-u)^{-\beta} du \\ &= \int_0^\alpha \phi_\beta(u) du \int_u^\alpha \frac{nt \cos nt - \sin nt}{t^2} (t-u)^{-\beta} dt \end{aligned}$$

where the inner integral becomes

$$n^{1+\beta} \int_{nu}^{n\alpha} \frac{\tau \cos \tau - \sin \tau}{\tau^2} (\tau - nu)^{-\beta} d\tau = o\left(\frac{n^\beta}{u}\right).$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= o\left(n^\beta \int_0^\alpha \frac{\phi_\beta(u)}{u} du\right) \\ &= o\left(n^\beta \int_0^\alpha \frac{u^\gamma}{u} du\right) \\ &= o(1). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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