

*A THEOREM ON THE ABSOLUTE RIESZ SUMMABILITY
FACTORS OF A FOURIER SERIES*

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1.1. Definition. Let $\lambda = \lambda(\omega)$ be a differentiable and monotonic increasing function of ω in (K, ∞) , K being a positive constant, and let $\lambda(\omega)$ tend to infinity with ω . Let $\sum a_n$ be a given infinite series, and let

$$C_r(\omega) = \sum_{n \leq \omega} \{\lambda(\omega) - \lambda(n)\}^r a_n, \quad r > 0.$$

The series $\sum a_n$ is said to be *summable* $|R, \lambda, r|$, $r > 0$, if the integral

$$\int_A^\infty \left| d \frac{C_r(\omega)}{\{\lambda(\omega)\}^r} \right|,$$

where A is a finite positive number, is convergent (cf. [5] and [6]). Now, for $r > 0$ and $m < \omega < m+1$,

$$\frac{d}{d\omega} \left[\frac{C_r(\omega)}{\{\lambda(\omega)\}^r} \right] = \frac{r\lambda'(\omega)}{\{\lambda(\omega)\}^{r+1}} \sum_{n \leq \omega} \{\lambda(\omega) - \lambda(n)\}^{r-1} \lambda(n) a_n.$$

Hence $\sum a_n$ is summable $|R, \lambda, r|$, $r > 0$, if

$$\int_A^\infty \frac{\lambda'(\omega)}{\{\lambda(\omega)\}^{r+1}} \left| \sum_{n \leq \omega} \{\lambda(\omega) - \lambda(n)\}^{r-1} \lambda(n) a_n \right| d\omega < \infty.$$

Summability $|R, \lambda, 0|$, by definition, is the same as absolute convergence.

1.2. Let $f(t)$ be a periodic function with period 2π and integrable (L) over $(-\pi, \pi)$. Without any loss of generality, the constant term in the Fourier series of $f(t)$ can be taken to be zero, so that

$$(1.2.1) \quad f(t) \sim \sum_1^\infty (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) = \sum_1^\infty A_n(t)$$

and

$$(1.2.2) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = 0.$$

Here and elsewhere $\log_2 n$ means $\log \log n$; and k is a suitable constant as required by the hypotheses of the theorem. Throughout the present paper we use the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \{f(x+t) + f(x-t)\}; \\ \theta(\omega, t) &= \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^\Delta] (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} \cos nt; \\ \eta(\omega, t) &= \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^\Delta] (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} n^{-1} \sin nt; \\ g(\omega, t) &= \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-\varepsilon} \theta(\omega, u) du; \\ h(\omega, t) &= \int_t^\pi (\log_2(k/u))^{-\varepsilon} \theta(\omega, u) du; \\ \Phi_\alpha(t) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-u)^{\alpha-1} \varphi(u) du \quad (\alpha > 0); \\ \Phi_0(t) &= \varphi(t); \\ \Phi_\alpha(t) &= \Gamma(\alpha+1) t^{-\alpha} \Phi_\alpha(t) \quad (\alpha \geq 0). \end{aligned}$$

Concerning the absolute Riesz summability factors of a Fourier series, Mohanty and Misra [4] proved:

If $\Phi_\alpha(t)$ is of bounded variation in $(0, \pi)$, then the series $\sum_2^\infty A_n / \log n$ is summable $|R, \exp[(\log w)^\Delta], 1|$, where $\Delta = 1 + 1/\alpha$ and $0 < \alpha < 1$.

The author [1] studied the summability of the series $\sum_2^\infty A_n / (\log n)^\zeta$, $\zeta > 0$, whenever $\Phi_1(t)$ is of bounded variation in $(0, \pi)$.

1.3. The object of the present paper is to prove the following

THEOREM. *If $\varphi(t) (\log_2(k/t))^\varepsilon$, $\varepsilon \geq 1$, is of bounded variation in $(0, \pi)$, then the series*

$$\sum_3^\infty (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} A_n(x)$$

is summable

$$|R, \exp[(\log \omega)^\Delta], 1|$$

for any positive Δ .

1.4. For the proof of our theorem, we require the following inequalities (cf. [1]-[3]):

$$(1.4.1) \quad \theta(\omega, t) = O \left\{ \frac{\omega \exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\};$$

$$(1.4.2) \quad \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} n^{-1} \exp [(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1} = O \left\{ \frac{\exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\};$$

$$(1.4.3) \quad \eta(\omega, t) = O \{ \exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \omega^{-1} t^{-1} \};$$

$$(1.4.4) \quad g(\omega, t) = O \left\{ \frac{\omega t \exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} (\log_2 (k/t))^{-\epsilon}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\};$$

$$(1.4.5) \quad g(\omega, t) = O \left\{ \frac{\exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} (\log_2 (k/t))^{-\epsilon}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\};$$

$$(1.4.6) \quad h(\omega, t) = O \{ \exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \omega^{-1} t^{-1} \}.$$

Proof of (1.4.1). Let $m-1 \leq \omega < m$. Then

$$\theta(\omega, t) = \sum_{n=3}^m \exp [(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1} \cos nt.$$

Hence

$$|\theta(\omega, t)| \leq \sum_3^m \exp [(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1}.$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_3^m \exp [(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1} &< \int_3^\omega \exp [(\log x)^d] (\log_2 x)^{\epsilon-1} dx + \\ &\quad + \exp [(\log m)^d] (\log_2 m)^{\epsilon-1} \\ &= O \left\{ \frac{\omega (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \int_3^\omega \frac{\exp [(\log x)^d] (\log x)^{d-1}}{x} dx \right\} + \\ &\quad + O \{ \exp [(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \} \\ &= O \left\{ \frac{\omega (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \exp [(\log \omega)^d]}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\theta(\omega, t) = O \left\{ \frac{\omega (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \exp [(\log \omega)^d]}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}.$$

Proof of (1.4.2). Let $m-1 \leq \omega < m$. We have

$$\sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} n^{-1} (\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1} \exp [(\log n)^d] \leq (\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} n^{-1} \exp [(\log n)^d]$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} n^{-1} \exp[(\log n)^d] &< \int_3^{\omega} x^{-1} \exp[(\log x)^d] dx + m^{-1} \exp[(\log m)^d] \\
 &= \int_3^{\omega} x^{-1} \exp[(\log x)^d] (\log x)^{d-1} \frac{1}{(\log x)^{d-1}} dx + m^{-1} \exp[(\log m)^d] \\
 &= O \left[\frac{\exp[(\log x)^d]}{(\log x)^{d-1}} \right]_3^{\omega} + O \left\{ \int_3^{\omega} \frac{\exp[(\log x)^d]}{x (\log x)^d} dx \right\} + O \left\{ \omega^{-1} \exp[(\log \omega)^d] \right\} \\
 &= O \left\{ \frac{\exp[(\log \omega)^d]}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} n^{-1} \exp[(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{s-1} = O \left\{ \frac{\exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{s-1}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}.$$

Proof of (1.4.3). By Abel's lemma, we have, for $m-1 \leq \omega < m$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta(\omega, t) &= \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{s-1} n^{-1} \sin nt \\
 &= O \left\{ \exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{s-1} \omega^{-1} t^{-1} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (1.4.4). We have, by (1.4.1),

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(\omega, t) &= \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-s} \theta(\omega, u) du \\
 &= O \left\{ \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-s} \frac{\omega \exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{s-1}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} du \right\} \\
 &= O \left\{ \frac{\omega t \exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{s-1} (\log_2(k/t))^{-s}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (1.4.5). Applying second mean-value theorem, we have, by (1.4.2),

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(\omega, t) &= (\log_2(k/t))^{-s} \int_{\zeta}^t \theta(\omega, u) du \quad (0 \leq \zeta \leq t) \\
 &= O \left\{ (\log_2(k/t))^{-s} \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{s-1} n^{-1} \right\} \\
 &= O \left\{ \frac{\exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{s-1} (\log_2(k/t))^{-s}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (1.4.6). Using the second mean-value theorem, we have, by (1.4.3),

$$\begin{aligned} h(\omega, t) &= (\log_2(k/\pi))^{-\varepsilon} \int_{\xi}^{\pi} \theta(\omega, u) du \quad (t \leq \xi \leq \pi) \\ &= -(\log_2(k/\pi))^{-\varepsilon} \eta(\omega, \xi) \\ &= O\{\exp[(\log \omega)^4](\log_2 \omega)^{\varepsilon-1} \omega^{-1} t^{-1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

1.5. For the proof of our theorem, we require the following lemmas:

LEMMA 1. *If the Fourier series of the even function $(\log_2|k/t|)^{-\varepsilon}$, $\varepsilon \geq 1$, defined outside $(-\pi, \pi)$ by periodicity, be $\sum a_n \cos nt$, then*

$$\sum |a_n| (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} < \infty.$$

Proof. The technique of proof is due originally to Mohanty [3]. Let

$$(\log_2|(k/t)|)^{-\varepsilon} \sim \sum a_n \cos nt.$$

We have

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon} \cos nt dt \quad (n \geq 1).$$

Integrating by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= -\frac{2\varepsilon}{n\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log(k/t))^{-1} \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt \\ &= -\frac{2\varepsilon}{n\pi} \left(\int_0^{1/n} + \int_{1/n}^{\pi} \right) \\ &= -\frac{2\varepsilon}{n\pi} (I_1 + I_2). \end{aligned}$$

Now, since $|\sin nt| \leq nt$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_0^{1/n} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log(k/t))^{-1} \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt \\ &= O \left\{ (\log_2 n)^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log n)^{-1} \int_0^{1/n} \frac{|\sin nt|}{t} dt \right\} \\ &= O\{(\log_2 n)^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log n)^{-1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_{1/n}^{\pi} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log(k/t))^{-1} \frac{\sin nt}{t} dt \\ &= O \left\{ n (\log_2 n)^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log n)^{-1} \left| \int_{1/n}^{\eta} \sin nt dt \right| \right\} \quad \left(\frac{1}{n} \leq \eta \leq \pi \right) \\ &= O \{ (\log_2 n)^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log n)^{-1} \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$|a_n| = O \{ n^{-1} (\log_2 n)^{-\varepsilon-1} (\log n)^{-1} \}.$$

Hence the result of the lemma.

LEMMA 2. *The integral*

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_A^{\infty} \Delta \omega^{-1} (\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \left| \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} a_n \right| d\omega$$

is convergent, or, what is the same thing, $\sum a_n (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1}$, where a_n is defined as in Lemma 1, is summable $|R, \exp[(\log \omega)^d], 1|$.

Proof. The series $\sum a_n (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1}$, as can be seen by Lemma 1, is absolutely convergent. Hence, by the first theorem of consistency for absolute Riesz summability, the result follows.

1.6. Proof of the theorem. We have

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(x) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \varphi(t) \cos nt dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\varphi(t) (\log_2(k/t))^{\varepsilon} \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-\varepsilon} \cos nu du \right]_0^{\pi} - \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} d\{ \varphi(t) (\log_2(k/t))^{\varepsilon} \} \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-\varepsilon} \cos nu du \\ &= \varphi(\pi) (\log_2(k/\pi))^{\varepsilon} a_n - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} d\{ \varphi(t) (\log_2(k/t))^{\varepsilon} \} \times \\ &\quad \times \int_0^t (\log_2(k/u))^{-\varepsilon} \cos nu du. \end{aligned}$$

The series $\sum_3^{\infty} (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} A_n(x)$ is summable $|R, \exp[(\log \omega)^d], 1|$ if

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_A^{\infty} \Delta \omega^{-1} (\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \times \\ &\quad \times \left| \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^d] (\log_2 n)^{\varepsilon-1} A_n(x) \right| d\omega < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the value of $A_n(x)$ as obtained above, we have

$$I \leq |\varphi(\pi)(\log_2(k/\pi))^\epsilon| \int_A^\infty \Delta\omega^{-1}(\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \times \\ \times \left| \sum_{3 \leq n \leq \omega} \exp[(\log n)^d](\log_2 n)^{\epsilon-1} a_n \right| d\omega + \\ + \int_0^\pi |d\{\varphi(t)(\log_2(k/t))^\epsilon\}| \int_A^\infty \Delta\omega^{-1}(\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] g(\omega, t) d\omega.$$

In view of Lemma 2, the first term on the right-hand side of this inequality is finite. And since, by hypothesis,

$$\int_0^\pi |d\{\varphi(t)(\log_2(k/t))^\epsilon\}| < \infty,$$

it is enough to show that

$$J = \int_A^\infty \omega^{-1}(\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] |g(\omega, t)| d\omega = O(1),$$

uniformly for $0 < t < \pi$.

Writing $\tau = (\log(k/t))^{\epsilon+d-2}$, we have

$$J = \int_A^\infty = \int_A^{k/t} + \int_{k/t}^{(k/t)^\tau} + \int_{(k/t)^\tau}^\infty = J_1 + J_2 + J_3.$$

Now, by (1.4.4), we obtain

$$J_1 = O \left\{ \int_A^{k/t} \omega^{-1}(\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \times \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{\omega t \exp[(\log \omega)^d](\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\epsilon}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} d\omega \right\} \\ = O \left\{ (\log_2(k/t))^{\epsilon-1} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\epsilon} t \int_A^{k/t} d\omega \right\} \\ = O \{ (\log_2(k/t))^{-1} \} = O(1).$$

Using (1.4.5), we have

$$J_2 = O \left\{ \int_{k/t}^{(k/t)^\tau} \omega^{-1}(\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \times \right. \\ \left. \times \frac{\exp[(\log \omega)^d](\log_2 \omega)^{\epsilon-1} (\log_2(k/t))^{-\epsilon}}{(\log \omega)^{d-1}} d\omega \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O\left\{(\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon} \int_{k/t}^{(k/t)\tau} (\log_2 \omega)^{\varepsilon-1} \omega^{-1} d\omega\right\} \\
&< O\left[(\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon} \{\log_2((k/t)\tau)\}^{\varepsilon-1} \int_{k/t}^{(k/t)\tau} \omega^{-1} d\omega\right] \\
&= O\left[(\log_2(k/t))^{-\varepsilon} \{\log_2((k/t)\tau)\}^{\varepsilon-1} \log \tau\right] \\
&= O\left[(\log_2(k/t))^{1-\varepsilon} \{\log_2((k/t)\tau)\}^{\varepsilon-1}\right] = O(1).
\end{aligned}$$

We now proceed to show that $J_3 = O(1)$.

We have $|g(\omega, t)| \leq |g(\omega, \pi)| + |h(\omega, t)|$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
J_3 \leq \int_{(k/t)\tau}^{\infty} \omega^{-1} (\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] |g(\omega, \pi)| d\omega + \\
+ \int_{(k/t)\tau}^{\infty} \omega^{-1} (\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] |h(\omega, t)| d\omega.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by virtue of Lemma 2, the first term on the right-hand side of this inequality is evidently $O(1)$.

By (1.4.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
J_3 &\leq O(1) + \\
&+ O\left\{\int_{(k/t)\tau}^{\infty} \omega^{-1} (\log \omega)^{d-1} \exp[-(\log \omega)^d] \exp[(\log \omega)^d] (\log_2 \omega)^{\varepsilon-1} \omega^{-1} t^{-1}\right\} \\
&= O(1) + O\left\{t^{-1} \int_{(k/t)\tau}^{\infty} \omega^{-2} (\log \omega)^{d-1} (\log_2 \omega)^{\varepsilon-1} d\omega\right\} \\
&= O(1) + O\left\{t^{-1} \int_{(k/t)\tau}^{\infty} \frac{(\log \omega)^{d-1} (\log_2 \omega)^{\varepsilon-1}}{\omega^{\varepsilon'}} \frac{1}{\omega^{2-\varepsilon'}} d\omega\right\} \\
&= O(1) + O\left[\frac{t^{-1} \{\log((k/t)\tau)\}^{d-1} \{\log_2((k/t)\tau)\}^{\varepsilon-1}}{\{(k/t)\tau\}^{\varepsilon'}} \frac{1}{\{(k/t)\tau\}^{1-\varepsilon'}}\right] \\
&= O(1) + O\left[\frac{\{\log((k/t)\tau)\}^{d-1} \{\log_2((k/t)\tau)\}^{\varepsilon-1}}{\tau}\right] \\
&= O(1) + O(1) = O(1),
\end{aligned}$$

where ε' is arbitrary, and such that $0 < \varepsilon' < 1$.

Thus the theorem has been completely proved.

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