

ON CONVERGENCE IN MEAN OF FOURIER SERIES

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Let the function $M(u)$ be defined for $0 \leq u < +\infty$ and satisfy the following conditions:

1) $M(0) = 0$; $M(u)$ is ≥ 0 , convex and steadily increasing for $0 \leq u < +\infty$.

$$2) \lim_{u \rightarrow +0} \frac{M(u)}{u} = 0, \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{M(u)}{u} = +\infty.$$

3) There exist two constants $a \geq 0$ and $K > 0$ such that for $u \geq a$ we have

$$M(2u) \leq KM(u) \quad (1)$$

Then we say (cf. (1)) that the function $M(u)$ belongs to the class Ω and write $M \in \Omega$. It is known (2,3) that every function $M(u)$ belonging to the class Ω can be represented in the form

$$M(u) = \int_0^u \varphi(t) dt \quad (0 \leq u < +\infty) \quad (2)$$

where the function $\varphi(t)$ satisfies the following conditions:

$\alpha)$ $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\varphi(t) > 0$ for $0 < t < +\infty$;

$\beta)$ $\varphi(t)$ is non-decreasing and continuous from the right for $0 \leq t < +\infty$;

$\gamma)$ $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi(t) = +\infty$.

Besides, if $M \in \Omega$, there exists only one function $\varphi(t)$ satisfying formula (2) and conditions $\alpha)$, $\beta)$, $\gamma)$. If $M \in \Omega$, we denote by L^M the class of all functions $f(x)$ measurable on $[0, 2\pi]$ and satisfying the condition

$$\int_0^{2\pi} M(|f(x)|) dx < +\infty \quad (3)$$

Theorem. Let $M \in \Omega$. Then, in order that for every function $f \in L^M$ we should have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} M(|f - s_n(f)|) dx = 0 \quad (4)$$

where $s_n(f)$ denote the partial sums of the Fourier series of $f(x)$, it is necessary that condition

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{M(2u)}{M(u)} > 2 \quad (5)$$

hold. If the function $\varphi(t)$ from formula (2) satisfies, besides α , β , γ), the condition that

$\delta) \varphi'(t)$ exist and be non-increasing for $0 < t < +\infty$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi'(t) = 0$,

then the fulfilment of condition (5) is also sufficient in order that for every function $f \in L^M$ we should have (4).

Proof. We need the following lemma.

Lemma 1. If $M \in \Omega$ and

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{M(2u)}{M(u)} = 2 \quad (6)$$

then for every λ , $1 \leq \lambda < +\infty$, we have

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\varphi(\lambda u)}{\varphi(u)} = 1 \quad (7)$$

We omit the proof for lack of space.

It is known⁽²⁾ that in L^M a norm can be defined, which makes L^M a space of type (B). Let us assume that this norm is introduced as

in⁽²⁾, and denote the norm of $f \in L^M$ by $\|f\|_M$. Let $D_n(t) = \frac{\sin(2n+1)\frac{t}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{t}{2}}$

be the Dirichlet kernel. It is proved in⁽¹⁾, pp. 196—200, that for every function $M \in \Omega$ we have

$$\|D_n(t)\|_M \geq \frac{1}{250} \max_{z_\varphi(z) \geq 1} \varphi(z) \log \frac{n}{z \varphi(z)} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots) \quad (8)$$

Let us now suppose that the function $M \in \Omega$ is such that for every $f \in L^M$ the relation (4) holds. Then (⁽¹⁾, p. 197, Lemma 5) there exists a constant $A > 0$ such that

$$\|D_n(t)\|_M \leq A \min_{0 < \zeta < \infty} \frac{n + M(\zeta)}{\zeta} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots) \quad (9)$$

We define for $n=1, 2, \dots$ the number ζ_n by the relation

$$M(\zeta_n) = n \quad (10)$$

Then, by (9)

$$\|D_n(t)\|_M \leq 2A \frac{n}{\zeta_n} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots) \quad (11)$$

Suppose now that (5) does not hold. Then we have (6). For every λ , $1 \leq \lambda < +\infty$, we can define a sequence $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ of positive numbers, depending on λ , such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = +\infty$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(\lambda u_k)}{\varphi(u_k)} = 1 \quad (12)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{4} u_k \varphi(u_k) \leq M(u_k) \leq u_k \varphi(u_k) \quad (k=1, 2, \dots) \quad (13)$$

For, if λ , $1 \leq \lambda < +\infty$, is fixed, there exists, by Lemma 1, a sequence $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = +\infty$, $\varphi(\lambda u_k) \leq 2\varphi(u_k/2)$ and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(\lambda u_k)}{\varphi\left(\frac{u_k}{2}\right)} = 1 \quad (14)$$

Clearly

$$M(u_k) \geq M(u_1) - M\left(\frac{u_k}{2}\right) \geq \frac{u_k}{2} \varphi\left(\frac{u_k}{2}\right) \geq \frac{1}{4} u_k \varphi(\lambda u_k) \geq \frac{1}{4} u_k \varphi(u_k) \quad (15)$$

so that $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ satisfies the first of the inequalities (13).

The second one of the inequalities (13) follows from the inequality $M(u) \leq u\varphi(u)$ which is true for every u , $0 \leq u < +\infty$, and (12) follows from (14). We now put

$$B = 16e^{1000A}, \quad \lambda = 2B \quad (16)$$

where A is the constant from (11). Let us further so define a sequence $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ that $1 \leq u_1 < u_2 < \dots \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = +\infty$ and (12) and (13) be satisfied.

Let n_k ($k=1, 2, \dots$) be the least positive integer such that $\zeta_{n_k} \geq Bu_k$. We can evidently suppose that u_1 is so large that $u_1 \varphi(u_1) \geq 1$ and $\varphi(\zeta_{n_1-1}) \geq 1$. Then, for $k=1, 2, \dots$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{n_k} - \zeta_{n_1-1} &\leq (\zeta_{n_k} - \zeta_{n_k-1}) \varphi(\zeta_{n_k-1}) \leq \int_{\zeta_{n_k-1}}^{\zeta_{n_k}} \varphi(t) dt = \\ &= M(\zeta_{n_k}) - M(\zeta_{n_k-1}) = n_k - (n_k - 1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and hence $\zeta_{n_k} \leq \zeta_{n_k-1} + 1 \leq Bu_k + 1 \leq 2Bu_k$. We obtain the inequality

$$Bu_k \leq \zeta_{n_k} \leq 2Bu_k = \lambda u_k \quad (k=1, 2, \dots) \quad (17)$$

Now we have $\lambda > 2$, so that by (12) for $k \geq k_0$ the inequality $\varphi(2u_k)/\varphi(u_k) \leq 2$ holds. It follows that for $k \geq k_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B} \varphi\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right) &\leq 2u_k \varphi(2u_k) = 2u_k \varphi(n_k) \frac{\varphi(2u_k)}{\varphi(u_k)} \leq 4u_k \varphi(u_k) \leq \\ &\leq 16M(u_k) \leq 16M\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right) \leq \frac{16}{B} M(\zeta_{n_k}) = \frac{16}{B} n_k \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Clearly

$$\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B} \varphi\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right) \geq u_k \varphi(u_k) \geq u_1 \varphi(u_1) \geq 1 \quad (k=1, 2, \dots) \quad (19)$$

By (8), (18) and (19) we obtain for $k \geq k_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_{n_k}(t)\|_M &\geq \frac{1}{250} \max_{z\varphi(z) \geq 1} \varphi(z) \log \frac{n_k}{z\varphi(z)} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{1}{250} \varphi\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right) \log \frac{n_k}{\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B} \varphi\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right)} \geq \frac{1}{250} \varphi\left(\frac{\zeta_{n_k}}{B}\right) \log \frac{n_k}{\frac{16}{B} n_k} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{1}{250} \varphi(u_k) \log \frac{B}{16} = 4A\varphi(u_k) \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

In virtue of (11) and (17)

$$\|D_{n_k}(t)\|_M \leq 2A \frac{M(\zeta_{n_k})}{\zeta_{n_k}} \leq 2A \frac{\zeta_{n_k} \varphi(\zeta_{n_k})}{\zeta_{n_k}} \leq 2A\varphi(\lambda u_k) \quad (21)$$

Combining (20) and (21) we obtain

$$4A\varphi(u_k) \leq 2A\varphi(\lambda u_k) \quad (k \geq k_0)$$

and hence

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(\lambda u_k)}{\varphi(u_k)} \geq 2$$

which contradicts (12). The necessity of condition (5) is thus proved.

In order to prove the sufficiency of the conditions of the theorem, we shall need the

Lemma 2. If $H \in \Omega$ and (5) holds, then

$$0 < \lim_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{M(u)}{u \int_1^u \frac{\varphi(t)}{t} dt} \leq \overline{\lim}_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{M(u)}{u \int_1^u \frac{\varphi(t)}{t} dt} < +\infty \quad (22)$$

The proof of the lemma is omitted.

Now, from ((¹), p. 192, Theorem 9) it follows easily that, if $M \in \Omega$, φ satisfies the condition δ) and (22) holds, then for every $f \in L^M$ we have (4). Our theorem is proved.

Remark. Let $M \in \Omega$ and let $N(v)$ be the function conjugate to $M(u)$ in the sense of W. H. Young (see (²) or (¹), pp. 186—191). It can be proved that if $M(u)$ satisfies (5) then $N \in \Omega$, and if, furthermore, φ satisfies δ), then for every $f \in L^N$ we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} N(|f - s_n(f)|) dx = 0.$$

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