

## A THEOREM ON LOCALIZATION OF $|N, p_n|$ SUMMABILITY OF A FACTORED FOURIER SERIES

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### ABSTRACT

In the present paper, our object is to investigate a suitable type of factor so that the summability  $|N, p_n|$  of the factored Fourier series becomes a local property. It may be observed that for  $p_n = 1/(n+1)$ , our theorem reduces to the results of a well known theorem due to Lal (1963) on the absolute harmonic summability of the factored Fourier series.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $\Sigma u_n$  be an infinite series with the sequence  $\{S_n\}$  of its partial sums. Let  $\{p_n\}$  be sequence of constants with  $p_n > 0$  and

$$P_n = \sum_{m=0}^n p_m.$$

The sequence-to sequence transformation given by

$$t_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} S_k \tag{1.1}$$

defines the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Nörlund mean or the  $n^{\text{th}}$   $(N, p_n)$  mean of the sequence  $\{S_n\}$  of partial sums of the series  $\Sigma u_n$ .

If  $t_n$  tends to a fixed and finite sum  $S$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then the series  $\Sigma u_n$  or the sequence  $\{S_n\}$  of its partial sums is said to be summable  $(N, p_n)$  to the sum  $S$  [Hardy [2]]. The conditions for the regularity of the summability  $(N, p_n)$  defined by (1.1) are

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (p_n / P_n) \text{ and } \sum_{v=0}^n |p_v| = o(p_n).$$

For  $p_n = 1/(n+1)$ ,  $P_n \sim \log n$ ,

the Nörlund mean  $(N, p_n)$  reduces to the harmonic mean  $(N+1/(n+1))$  [Riesz [5]].

The series  $\Sigma u_n$  is said to be absolutely summable  $(N, p_n)$  or simply summable  $|N, p_n|$  if the sequence  $\{t_n\}$  is of bounded variation. Mears [4].

Let  $f(t)$  be a  $2\pi$ -periodic and Lebesgue integrable function of  $t$  in the interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . Without any loss of generality, we may assume that the constant term in

the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  is zero, i.e.  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = 0$ ,

and then

$$f(t) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(t).$$

We use the following notations :

$$\phi(t) = [f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)]/2,$$

$$\Phi_{\alpha}(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma\alpha} \int_0^t (t-u)^{\alpha-1} \phi(u) du, \quad (\alpha > 0)$$

$$\Phi_0(t) = \phi(t),$$

$$\phi_n(t) = \Gamma(\alpha+1) t^{-\alpha} \Phi_{\alpha}(t), \quad (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1)$$

$$\Delta p_n = p_n - p_{n+1}.$$

Lal [3] has discussed the localization problem for  $|N, 1/(n+1)|$  summability of the factored Fourier series by proving the following

**Theorem A.** If  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a convex sequence such that the series  $\sum n^{-1} \lambda_n$  is convergent, then the summability  $|N, 1/(n+1)|$  of the series  $\sum (A_n(t) \log(n+1) \lambda_n / n)$  at a point can be ensured by a local property.

Applying the absolute Nörlund summability method, which is more general than  $|N, 1/(n+1)|$  summability, the object of this paper is to investigate a suitable type of factor so that the summability  $|N, p_n|$  of the factored Fourier series becomes a local property.

In what follows we establish the following main

**Theorem.** If  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\{\Delta p_n\}$  are both non-negative, monotonic, non-increasing and  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a convex sequence such that  $\sum p_n \lambda_n$  is convergent, then  $|N, p_n|$  summability of  $\sum A_n(t) \lambda_n P_n p_n$  depends only on the behaviour of the generating function  $f(t)$  in the immediate neighbourhood of the points  $t=x$ , provided

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m-2} |p_{k+1}^2 \lambda_{k+1}| = o(1) \quad (1.2)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m-2} P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \Delta \lambda_{k+1} = o(1). \quad (1.3)$$

**2. Proof of the Main Theorem.** To prove our theorem we require the following

**Lemma (Basanquet and Kastelman [1] Theorem 1).**

Suppose that  $f_n(x)$  is measurable in  $(a,b)$  where  $b-a \leq \infty$  for  $n=1,2,\dots$ . Then a necessary and sufficient condition that, for every function  $\lambda(x)$  integrable (L) over  $(a,b)$  the functions  $f_n(x)\lambda(x)$  should be integrable (L) in  $(a,b)$  and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \int_a^b \lambda(x) f_n(x) dx \right| \leq K,$$

is that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f_n(x)| \leq K,$$

where  $K$  is an absolute constant, for almost every  $x$  in  $(a,b)$ .

Since

$$t_n = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n P_{n-v} u_v = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{v=0}^n P_v u_{n-v}, \quad (2.1)$$

where

$$u_n = A_n(t) p_n P_n \lambda_n,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} t_n - t_{n-1} &= \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} (P_v/P_n - P_{v-1}/P_{n-1}) u_{n-v} \\ &= \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} (P_n P_v - P_v P_n) u_{n-v} \\ &= \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} (P_n P_{n-v-1} - P_{n-v-1} P_n) u_{v+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

For the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  at  $t=x$

$$A_n(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \phi(t) \cos nt dt,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} t_n - t_{n-1} &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \phi(t) \left\{ \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \cos(k+1)t \right\} dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \phi(t) K(n,t) dt, \text{ say} \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |t_n - t_{n-1}| \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\delta} \phi(t) K(n,t) dt \right| + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \phi(t) K(n,t) dt \right|.$$

In order to prove the theorem, it is now required prove that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \phi(t) K(n,t) dt \right| < \infty \quad (2.4)$$

But by virtue of the lemma, it is a sufficient for our purpose to show that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |K(n,t)| dt \leq A, \quad (2.5)$$

for  $0 < \delta \leq t \leq \pi$ , where  $A$  is a positive constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^m |K(n, t)| &= \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \cos(k+1)t \right| \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} M(n, k, t) \right|, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Applying Abel's transformation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} M(n, k, t) &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left[ \Delta \{ (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \} \sum_{v=0}^k \cos(v+1)t \right] \\ &\quad + (P_n P_0 - P_0 P_n) P_n P_n \lambda_n \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} \cos(v+1)t. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Therefore, for  $0 < \delta \leq t \leq \pi$ , we have

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} M(n, k, t) \right| \leq A \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left[ \Delta \{ (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \} \right] + A P_n^2 P_n \lambda_n. \quad (2.8)$$

Clearly

$$\sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \cdot A P_n^2 P_n \lambda_n \leq A \sum_{n=2}^m P_n \lambda_n = o(1) \quad (2.9)$$

as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , since  $\sum P_n \lambda_n$  has been assumed to be convergent, so that the sequence of its partial sums is bounded.

Further

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left| \Delta \{ (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \} \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left| \Delta (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \right| + \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left| (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-2} P_n) \Delta (P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \right| \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left| \Delta (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n) P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \right| \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} (P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{n=k+2}^m \frac{|\Delta (P_n P_{n-k-1} - P_{n-k-1} P_n)|}{P_n P_{n-1}} \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} (P_{k+1} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{n=k+2}^m \left[ \frac{|\Delta P_{n-k-1}|}{P_{n-1}} + \frac{P_{n-k-1} P_n}{P_n P_{n-1}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} (p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{n=k+2}^m |\Delta p_{n-k-1}| \right] + o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} (P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{n=k+2}^m \frac{p_n}{P_n p_{n-1}} \right] \\
&= o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \right] \\
&= o(1), \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

Again

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{k=0}^{n-2} |(P_n p_{n-k-2} - P_{n-k-2} p_n) \Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \\
&\leq \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (P_n - P_{n-k-2}) p_n |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| + \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (p_{n-k-2} - p_n) P_n |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})|
\end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n p_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (P_n - P_{n-k-2}) \Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \sum_{n=k+2}^m (P_n - P_{n-k-2}) \Delta(1/p_{n-1}) \\
&\leq A \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| P_{k+2} \sum_{n=k+2}^m \Delta(1/p_{n-1}) \\
&= o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \right] \\
&= o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} p_{k+1}^2 \lambda_{k+1} \right] + o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \Delta \lambda_{k+1} \right] + o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} P_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \Delta p_{k+1} \right] \\
&= o(1) + o(1), \text{ (using (1.2) and (1.3))} \\
&= o(1)
\end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , since  $(P_n - P_{n-k-2})$  decreases as  $n$  increases.

Also

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_n p_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (p_{n-k-2} - p_n) P_n |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (p_{n-k-2} - p_n) \Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1}) \\
&\leq \sum_{n=2}^m \frac{1}{P_{n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} (p_{n-k-2} - p_{n-k-1}) (k+2) |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} (k+2) |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \sum_{n=k+2}^m \left( \frac{p_{n-k-2} - p_{n-k-1}}{P_{n-1}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} \frac{k+2}{P_{k+1}} |\Delta(P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1})| \sum_{n=k+2}^m (p_{n-k-2} - p_{n-k-1}) \\
&= o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} \frac{(k+2)p_{k+1}}{P_{k+1}} (p_{k+1}^2 \lambda_{k+1}) \right] + o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} P_{k+1} p_{k+1} \Delta \lambda_{k+1} \right] + o \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} P_{k+1} \Delta p_{k+1} \lambda_{k+1} \right] \\
&= o(1) \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty \text{ in (2.13); [sinc } np_n \leq P_n]. \tag{2.14}
\end{aligned}$$

Now the required result in (2.5) follows with the help of the results from (2.6) to (2.14) and this completes the proof of our main theorem.

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