

ON TYPICAL MEANS OF FOURIER SERIES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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1. Introduction

Let $f(x)$ be continuous in $(-\pi, \pi)$ and periodic with period 2π and let

$$f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} (a_v \cos vx + b_v \sin vx) = \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} A_v(x),$$

$$R_{\lambda}^{\alpha}(x) = \sum_{v \leq \lambda} \left(1 - \frac{v}{\lambda}\right)^{\alpha} A_v(x).$$

The aim of this paper is to prove the following theorem.

THEOREM. *Let $\alpha > 0$, $a > 0$, $\phi_x(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)$, and let $\omega_2(h)$ be the modulus of smoothness of $f(x)$ so that*

$$\omega_2(h) = \sup_{|t| \leq h} \|\phi_x(t)\| = \sup_{|t| \leq h} \max_x |\phi_x(t)|.$$

Then

$$R_{\lambda}^{\alpha}(x) - f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{\phi_x(t/\lambda)}{t^2} dt + O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right)$$

uniformly for all values of x .

It was proved in [2] and [3] that this theorem is true when α is a positive integer and any real number greater than 3.

It follows from this theorem that the Fourier series of the continuous and periodic function $f(x)$ is uniformly summable Riesz of any positive order to $f(x)$.

2. A lemma

For the proof of the above theorem, we require the following lemma.

LEMMA. *Let $\alpha > 0$, and let*

$$h_{\alpha}(z) = \int_0^1 (1-u)^{\alpha-1} e^{izu} du.$$

Then for $z = x + iy$, $x/|z| \geq c > 0$.

$$(1) \quad h_\alpha(z) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)e^{i(z-\pi\alpha/2)}}{z^\alpha} + \frac{i}{z} + \frac{\alpha-1}{z^2} - \frac{i(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)}{z^3} + O\left(\frac{1}{|z|^4}\right)$$

as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$.

PROOF. We have

$$(2) \quad h_\alpha(z) = \left(\int_0^{i\delta} + \int_{i\delta}^{1+i\delta} + \int_{1+i\delta}^1 \right) (1-u)^{\alpha-1} e^{izu} du = A + B + C, \text{ say}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} A &= i \int_0^\delta (1-iu)^{\alpha-1} e^{-zu} du \\ &= i \int_0^\delta e^{-zu} du + (\alpha-1) \int_0^\delta u e^{-zu} du - \frac{(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)i}{2!} \int_0^\delta u^2 e^{-zu} du \\ &\quad + O\left(\int_0^\delta u^3 e^{-xu} du\right) \\ (3) \quad &= i \int_0^\infty e^{-zu} du + (\alpha-1) \int_0^\infty u e^{-zu} du - \frac{(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)i}{2!} \int_0^\infty u^2 e^{-zu} du \\ &\quad + O(e^{-\delta x/2}) + O\left(\frac{1}{x^4}\right) \\ &= \frac{i}{z} + \frac{\alpha-1}{z^2} - \frac{(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)i}{z^3} + O\left(\frac{1}{|z|^4}\right). \end{aligned}$$

By a change of variable,

$$(4) \quad B = e^{-\delta z} \int_0^1 (1-i\delta-u)^{\alpha-1} e^{izu} du = e^{-\delta z} \int_0^1 O(e^{-yu}) du = O(e^{-\delta x}) = O\left(\frac{1}{|z|^4}\right),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} C &= (-i)^x e^{iz} \int_0^\delta u^{\alpha-1} e^{-zu} du \\ &= (-i)^x e^{iz} \int_0^\infty u^{\alpha-1} e^{-zu} du + O\left(\int_\delta^\infty u^{\alpha-1} e^{-xu} du\right) \\ (5) \quad &= \frac{(-i)^x e^{iz}}{z^\alpha} \int_0^\infty u^{\alpha-1} e^{-u} du + O(e^{-\delta x/2}) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)e^{i(z-\pi\alpha/2)}}{z^\alpha} + O\left(\frac{1}{|z|^4}\right). \end{aligned}$$

(1) follows from (2), (3), (4) and (5).

3. Proof of the theorem

Let

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

$$\gamma_\alpha(t) = t^{-\alpha} C_\alpha(t).$$

Then (see [1] page 568)

$$R_\lambda^\alpha(x) - f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \gamma_{1+\alpha}(t) \phi_x \left(\frac{t}{\lambda} \right) dt.$$

It follows from the lemma that, for $t \geq a$,

$$\gamma_{1+\alpha}(t) = \frac{\cos \left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \right)}{t^{1+\alpha}} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)t^2} + O \left(\frac{1}{t^4} \right).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} R_\lambda^\alpha(x) - f(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\pi} \left(\int_0^a \gamma_{1+\alpha}(t) \phi_x \left(\frac{t}{\lambda} \right) dt + \int_a^\infty \frac{\cos \left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \right)}{t^{1+\alpha}} \phi_x \left(\frac{t}{\lambda} \right) dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_a^\infty \frac{\phi_x \left(\frac{t}{\lambda} \right)}{t^2} dt + \int_a^\infty O \left(\frac{1}{t^4} \right) \phi_x \left(\frac{t}{\lambda} \right) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\pi} (I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\gamma_{1+\alpha}(t) = O(1)$ for $0 < t \leq a$, we have

$$I_1 = O \left(\omega_2 \left(\frac{a}{\lambda} \right) \right) = O \left(\omega_2 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \right).$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \sum_{v=0}^\infty \int_a^{a+\pi} \cos \left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \right) \left[\frac{\phi_x \left(\frac{t+2v\pi}{\lambda} \right)}{(t+2v\pi)^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{\phi_x \left(\frac{t+\overline{2v+1}\pi}{\lambda} \right)}{(t+\overline{2v+1}\pi)^{\alpha+1}} \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v=0}^\infty \int_a^{a+\pi} \frac{\cos \left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \right)}{(t+\overline{2v+1}\pi)^{\alpha+1}} \left[\phi_x \left(\frac{t+2v\pi}{\lambda} \right) - 2\phi_x \left(\frac{t+\overline{2v+1}\pi}{\lambda} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \phi_x \left(\frac{t+\overline{2v+2}\pi}{\lambda} \right) \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_a^{a+\pi} \cos\left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right) \phi_x\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) \left[\frac{1}{t^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{1}{2(t+\pi)^{\alpha+1}} \right] dt \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} \int_a^{a+\pi} \cos\left(t - \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}\right) \phi_x\left(\frac{t+2v\pi}{\lambda}\right) \left[\frac{1}{(t+2v-1\pi)^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{2}{(t+2v\pi)^{\alpha+1}} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{(t+2v+1\pi)^{\alpha+1}} \right] dt \\
 & = J_1 + J_2 + J_3,
 \end{aligned}$$

say. The expression in the square brackets in J_1 is equal to

$$\phi_y\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda}\right) + \phi_z\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda}\right),$$

where

$$y = x + \frac{t+(2v+1)\pi}{\lambda} \quad \text{and} \quad z = x - \frac{t+(2v+1)\pi}{\lambda}.$$

Hence it does not exceed in modulus $2\omega_2(\pi/\lambda)$. Whence it follows that

$$J_1 = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).$$

It is clear that

$$J_2 = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{a+\pi}{\lambda}\right)\right) = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).$$

Next, the expression in the square brackets in J_3 is $O(1/v^{\alpha+3})$ uniformly in $a \leq t \leq a+\pi$. Also, uniformly in $a \leq t \leq a+\pi$,

$$\phi_x\left(\frac{t+2v\pi}{\lambda}\right) = O\left(v^2\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).$$

Hence

$$J_3 = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).$$

Again, uniformly in $t \geq a$,

$$\phi_x\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) = O\left(t^2\omega\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right),$$

so that

$$I_4 = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\int_a^\infty \frac{dt}{t^2}\right) = O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_\lambda^\alpha(x) - f(x) & = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\pi} I_3 + O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right) \\
 & = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_a^\infty \frac{\phi_x(t/\lambda)}{t^2} dt + O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

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