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### ON ALMOST $(N, p, q)$ SUMMABILITY OF DERIVED FOURIER SERIES

4.1 Let  $\sum a_n$  be an infinite series with  $\{S_n\}$  as the sequence of its  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sums. Lorentz (1948) has given the following definition :

A bounded sequence  $\{S_n\}$  is said to be almost convergent to a limit  $S$ , if

$$(4.1.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{v=m}^{n+m} S_v = S$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Let  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\{q_n\}$  be the two sequence of non- zero real constants and

$$(4.1.2) \quad P_n = p_0 + p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n, P_{-1} = p_{-1} = 0$$

$$(4.1.3) \quad Q_n = q_0 + q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_n, Q_{-1} = q_{-1} = 0$$

Given two sequence  $\{p_n\}, \{q_n\}$ , convolution  $p * q$  is defined by

$$R_n = (p * q)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k q_{n-k}.$$

It is familiar and can be easily verified that the operation of convolution is commutative and associative and

$$(p * 1)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k$$

We define that the series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be almost generalized Nörlund  $(N, p, q)$  summable to  $S$  ( Qureshi [36] (1981) if

$$(4.1.4) \quad t_{n,m} = \frac{1}{R_n} = \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v S_{v,m}$$

tends to  $S$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , uniformly with  $m$  where

$$(4.1.5) \quad S_{v,m} = \frac{1}{v+1} = \sum_{k=m}^{v+m} S_k.$$

### PARTICULAR CASES :

Four important particular cases of almost  $(N, p, q)$  means are.

1. Almost  $(N, p, q)$  method reduces to almost Norlund method  $(N, p_n)$  if  $q_n = 1$  for all  $n$ .
2. Almost  $(N, p, q)$  method reduces to almost Riesz method  $(\bar{N}, p_n)$  if  $p_n = 1$  for all  $n$ .
3. In the special case when  $p_n = \left(n + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}\right)$ ,  $\alpha < 0$ , the method  $(N, p_n)$  reduces to the well known method of summability  $(C, \alpha)$ .
4.  $P_n = (n+1)^{-1}$  of the Nörlund mean is known as harmonic mean and is written as  $\left(N, \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$ .

Let  $f(t)$  be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$  and integrable in the sense of Lebesgue over an interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$ .

Let its Fourier series be given by

$$(4.1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} f(t) &\sim \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(t) \end{aligned}$$

and then the conjugate series of (4.1.6) is given by

$$(4.1.7) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n \cos nt - a_n \sin nt) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n(t).$$

The series

$$(4.1.8) \quad f'(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(b_n \cos nt - a_n \sin nt)$$

which is obtained by differentiating term by term is called the first derived series or the derived Fourier series of  $f(t)$ .

We shall use the following notations:

$$(4.1.9) \quad \phi(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)$$

$$(4.1.10) \quad \psi(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t)$$

$$(4.1.11) \quad g(t) = f(x+t) - f(x-t) - 2tf'(x)$$

$$(4.1.12) \quad G(t) = \int_0^t |dg(u)|$$

$$(4.1.13) \quad N_{n,m}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\cos mt - \cos(v+m+1)t}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}}$$

$$\tau = \left[ \frac{1}{t} \right] = \text{the integral part of } \frac{1}{t}.$$

## 4.2 KNOWN RESULT :

Pandey (1983) established a result on Nörlund summability of fourier series of the following form.

**THEROREM A :**  $\Phi(t) = O \left[ t \alpha(t) \right]$ , as  $t \rightarrow +0$ , where  $\alpha(t)$  is a monotonic non-decreasing function of  $t$  such that

$$(4.2.1) \quad \alpha\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = O(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$(4.2.2) \quad \int_{\frac{1}{n}}^s \alpha(t) p_{\tau} \frac{dt}{\tau} = O(P_n), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

then the Fourier series (4.1.6) of  $f(t)$  at  $t = x$  is summable  $(N, p_n)$  to  $f(x)$ ,

where  $\{p_n\}$  is a real non-negative and non-decreasing sequence such that

$$p_n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

He also proved:

**THEOREM B :** If the sequence  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\alpha(t)$  be the same as in the theorem A, then i

$$(4.2.3) \quad \psi(t) = o\left[\frac{1}{t} \alpha(t)\right] \text{ as } t \rightarrow +\infty$$

then the conjugate series of Fourier series (4.1.7) is summable

$$(N, P_n) \text{ to } \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \psi(t) \cot \frac{t}{2} dt, \text{ at every point where this integral exists.}$$

### 4.3 MAIN THEOREM :

The object of this chapter is to improve theorem B for almost  $(N, p, q)$  summability of derived Fourier series of Fourier series in the following form :

#### THEOREM :

Let  $\{p_n\}$  and  $\{q_n\}$  be the monotonic non-increasing sequence of real con-

stants such that  $R_n = \sum_{v=0}^n p_v q_{n-v} \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$

$$(4.3.1) \quad \text{If } G(t) = \int_0^t |dg(u)| = o\left[\frac{\alpha\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)t}{R\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)}\right] \text{ as } t \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$(4.3.2) \quad \int_{(n+m)}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} \frac{|dg(t)|}{t^2} = o(n), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where  $0 < \delta < \frac{1}{2}$  uniformly with respect to  $m$  and  $\alpha(t)$  is a positive function of  $t$  such that

$$(4.3.3) \quad \alpha(n) \log n = O[R_n] \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

and

$$(4.3.4) \quad \sum_{v=0}^n \left( \frac{p_{n-v} q_v}{(v+1)} \right) = O\left(\frac{R_n}{n}\right)$$

then the derived Fourier series (4.1.8) is almost  $(N, p, q)$  summable of  $f(x)$  at the point  $t = x$

#### 4.4 LEMMAS :

For the proof of our theorem following lemmas are required :

##### Lemma (4.4.1) :

$$\text{For } 0 < t < \frac{1}{n+m}$$

we have

$$N_{n,m}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\cos mt - \cos(v+m+1)t}{2(v+1) \sin^2\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\sin\left(m + \frac{v+1}{2}\right)t \sin\left(\frac{v+1}{2}\right)t}{(v+1) \sin^2\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}$$

$$N_{n,m}(t) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{(2m+v+1) \left| \sin \frac{t}{2} \right| (v+1) \left| \sin \frac{t}{2} \right|}{(v+1) \sin^2\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v (2m + v + 1)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \left| \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \right| (2m+n+1)$$

$$= O(n+m) \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v$$

$$\text{or } |N_{n,m}(t)| = O(n+m).$$

**LEMMA (4.4.2) :**

$$\text{For } \frac{1}{n+m} < t < \pi$$

$$N_{n,m}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\sin\left(m + \frac{v+1}{2}\right)t \sin\left(\frac{v+1}{2}\right)t}{(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}}$$

$$|N_{n,m}(t)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\sin\left(m + \frac{v+1}{2}\right)t \sin\left(\frac{v+1}{2}\right)t}{(v+1) \sin^2 \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n \frac{p_{n-v} q_v}{(v+1)} \frac{1}{\sin^2 \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}$$

$$= O\left(\frac{1}{t^2}\right) \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n \left(\frac{p_{n-v} q_v}{(v+1)}\right)$$

$$|N_{n,m}(t)| = O\left(\frac{1}{t^2 n}\right). \quad (\text{by 4.3.4}).$$

#### 4.5 PROOF OF THE THEOREM :

Denoting by  $S_n(x)$  the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the series (4.1.8) at the point  $t = x$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.5.1) \quad S_n(x) &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) (x-u)}{\sin \frac{1}{2} (x-u)} \right\} f(u) du \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(u) \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) (x-u)}{\sin \frac{1}{2} (x-u)} \right\} du \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \{f(x+t) - f(x-t)\} \left\{ \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) t}{\sin \frac{1}{2} t} \right\} dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now integrating by parts the right hand side (4.5.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_n(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) t}{\sin \frac{1}{2} t} d \{f(x+t) - f(x-t)\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) t}{\sin \frac{1}{2} t} dg(t) + f'(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$S_n(x) - f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) t}{\sin \frac{1}{2} t} dg(t)$$

So that

$$S_{v,m} - f'(x) = \frac{1}{v+1} \sum_{n=m}^{v+m} \{S_n - f'(x)\}$$



$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(v+1)} \sum_{n=m}^{v+m} \left\{ \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)t}{\sin \frac{1}{2}t} dg(t) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(v+1)} \int_0^\pi \sum_{n=m}^{v+m} \frac{\sin\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)t}{\sin \frac{1}{2}t} dg(t)$$

$$S_{v,m} - f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi(v+1)} \int_0^\pi \frac{\cos mt - \cos(v+m+1)t}{2\sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} dg(t).$$

Now by (4.1.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} t_{n,m} - f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n P_{n-v} q_v \frac{\cos mt - \cos(v+m+1)t}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} dg(t) \\ &= \int_0^\pi N_{n,m}(t) dg(t). \end{aligned}$$

In order to prove the theorem, we have to show that under our assumption

$$\int_0^\pi N_{n,m}(t) dg(t) = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Now we have

$$\int_0^\pi N_{n,m}(t) dg(t) = \left\{ \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+m}} + \int_{\frac{1}{n+m}}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} + \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^\pi \right\} N_{n,m}(t) dg(t)$$

$$(4.5.2) \quad = I_1 + I_2 + I_3.$$

Now, we take

$$I_1 = \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+m}} N_{n,m}(t) dg(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|I_1| &= O \left[ \int_0^{n+m} |N_{n,m}(t)| |dg(t)| \right] \\
&= O(n+m) \left[ \int_0^{n+m} |dg(t)| \right] \text{ by Lemma (4.4.1)} \\
&= O(n+m) O \left[ \frac{\alpha(n+m)}{(n+m) R_{(n+m)}} \right] \text{ by (4.3.1)} \\
&= O \left[ \frac{\alpha(n+m)}{R_{(n+m)}} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$(4.5.3) \quad |I_1| = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Nextly we consider

$$\begin{aligned}
I_2 &= \int_{\frac{1}{n+m}}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} N_{n,m}(t) dg(t) \\
|I_2| &= O \left[ \int_{\frac{1}{n+m}}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} |N_{n,m}(t)| |dg(t)| \right] \\
&= O \left[ \int_{\frac{1}{n+m}}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} \frac{|dg(t)|}{t^2 n} \right] \text{ by lemma (4.4.2)} \\
&= O \left[ \frac{1}{n} \int_{\frac{1}{n+m}}^{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}} \frac{|dg(t)|}{t^2} \right] \\
&= O \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) o(n) \text{ by (4.3.2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$(4.5.4) \quad |I_2| = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Lastly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_3| &= \left[ \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} |N_{n,m}(t)| |dg(t)| \right] \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{|\cos mt - \cos(v+m+1)t|}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} |dg(t)| \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \left[ \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} \frac{\cos mt}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} |dg(t)| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} \frac{\cos(v+m+1)t}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} dg(t) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.5.5) \quad |I_3| = I_{3.1} - I_{3.2} \text{ (say).}$$

Now by using second value theorem, we have

$$I_{3.1} \leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{v=0}^n \frac{p_{n-v} q_v}{2(v+1)} \frac{1}{2 \sin^2 \left( \frac{1}{2(n+m)^\delta} \right)}$$

$$\int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\epsilon} \cos mt dg(t)$$

Where  $\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta} < \epsilon < \pi$  and  $0 < \delta < \frac{1}{2}$

$$= O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) (n+m)^{2\delta} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{2(n+m)^\delta}}{\sin \frac{1}{2(n+m)^\delta}} \right]^2 \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\epsilon} dg(t)$$

$$(4.5.6) \quad |I_{3.1}| = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Now,

$$I_{3.2} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} \sum_{v=0}^n p_{n-v} q_v \frac{\cos(v+m+1)t}{2(v+1) \sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} dg(t)$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2 \sin^2 \left( \frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta} \right)} \int_{\frac{1}{(n+m)^\delta}}^{\pi} dg(t)$$

$$(4.5.7) \quad I_{3.2} = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Hence

$$(4.5.8) \quad I_3 = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Now by combining (4.5.2), (4.5.3), (4.5.4) and (4.5.8) we have

$$\int_0^\pi N_{n,m}(t) dg(t) = o(1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly with respect to  $m$ .

Thus the theorem is established.