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# Unrestricted Cesàro summability of $d$ -dimensional Fourier series and Lebesgue points

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**ABSTRACT.** We generalize the classical Lebesgue's theorem to multi-dimensional functions. We prove that the Cesàro means of the Fourier series of the multi-dimensional function  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  ( $1 < p \leq \infty$ ) converge to  $f$  at each strong Lebesgue point.

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*Dedicated to Professor Francesco Altomare, on occasion of his 70th birthday, with esteem and friendship.*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1904, Fejér [3] investigated the arithmetic means of the partial sums of the trigonometric Fourier series of a one-dimensional function  $f$ , the so called Fejér means and proved that if the left and right limits  $f(x-0)$  and  $f(x+0)$  exist at a point  $x$ , then the Fejér means

$$\sigma_n f(x) := \sum_{k=-n}^n \left(1 - \frac{|k|}{n}\right) \widehat{f}(k) e^{ikx}$$

converge to  $(f(x-0) + f(x+0))/2$ . Here,  $\widehat{f}(k)$  denotes the  $k$ -th Fourier coefficient. One year later, Lebesgue [11] extended this theorem and obtained that every one-dimensional integrable function is Fejér summable at each Lebesgue point, thus almost everywhere. Some years later, M. Riesz [15] generalized this theorem for the Cesàro means of one-dimensional integrable functions (the definition can be found later).

The Cesàro summability is investigated in a great number of papers (see e.g. Gát [4, 5, 6], Goginava [7, 8, 9], Simon [17, 18], Nagy, Persson, Tephnadze and Wall [13, 14] and Weisz [19, 20]). In this short note, we generalize the result of Lebesgue and Riesz to this summability of multi-dimensional functions. We generalize the Lebesgue points and introduce the so called strong Lebesgue points. It is known that almost every point is a strong Lebesgue point of  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ . We introduce the strong Hardy-Littlewood maximal function  $M_s f$  and show that the Cesàro means of  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$  can be estimated by  $M_s f$  pointwise. Our main result is the following. If  $M_s f(x)$  is finite and  $x$  is a strong Lebesgue point of  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n^\alpha f(x) = f(x),$$

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where  $\sigma_n^\alpha f$  denotes the  $n$ -th Cesàro means of the Fourier series of  $f$ . This implies the convergence of the Cesàro means almost everywhere as well as covers the one-dimensional results mentioned above. Note that  $L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  with  $1 < p \leq \infty$ . The results are not true for  $L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  if  $d > 1$ . Similar theorems are known for the  $\theta$ -means generated by a single function  $\theta$  (see Feichtinger and Weisz [2] and the references therein). However, those results and proofs do not contain the results for Cesàro means. For the multi-dimensional Cesàro means, we need new ideas.

## 2. STRONG MAXIMAL FUNCTION AND STRONG LEBESGUE POINTS

Let us fix  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . For a set  $\mathbb{Y} \neq \emptyset$ , let  $\mathbb{Y}^d$  be its Cartesian product  $\mathbb{Y} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Y}$  taken with itself  $d$  times. We briefly write  $L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  instead of the  $L_p(\mathbb{T}^d, \lambda)$  space equipped with the norm

$$\|f\|_p := \left( \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} |f|^p d\lambda \right)^{1/p} \quad (1 \leq p < \infty),$$

with the usual modification for  $p = \infty$ , where  $\lambda$  is the Lebesgue measure. We identify the torus  $\mathbb{T}$  with  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . Set  $\log^+ u := \max(0, \log u)$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , a measurable function  $f$  is in the set  $L_p(\log L)^k(\mathbb{T}^d)$  if

$$\|f\|_{L_p(\log L)^k} := \left( \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} |f|^p (\log^+ |f|)^k d\lambda \right)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

For  $k = 0$ , we get back the  $L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  spaces. We have for all  $k \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $1 \leq p < r \leq \infty$  that

$$L_p(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\log L)^{k-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\log L)^k(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_r(\mathbb{T}^d).$$

For  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , the strong Hardy-Littlewood maximal function is defined by

$$M_s f(x) := \sup_{h \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^d (2h_j)} \int_{-h_1}^{h_1} \dots \int_{-h_d}^{h_d} |f(x-t)| dt.$$

For  $d > 1$ , it is known that there is a function  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  such that  $M_s f = \infty$  almost everywhere (see Jessen, Marcinkiewicz and Zygmund [10] and Saks [16]). Thus, in contrary to the one-dimensional case,  $M_s$  cannot be of weak type  $(1, 1)$  if  $d > 1$ . However, we know the following weak type inequality. If  $f \in L(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then

$$(2.1) \quad \sup_{\rho > 0} \rho \lambda(M_s f > \rho) \leq C + C \left\| |f| (\log^+ |f|)^{d-1} \right\|_1.$$

Moreover, for  $1 < p \leq \infty$ , we have

$$(2.2) \quad \|M_s f\|_p \leq C_p \|f\|_p \quad (f \in L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)).$$

In this paper, the constants  $C$  and  $C_p$  may vary from line to line. If  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^d (2h_j)} \int_{-h_1}^{h_1} \dots \int_{-h_d}^{h_d} f(x-t) dt = f(x)$$

for almost every  $x \in \mathbb{T}^d$ . Here  $h \rightarrow 0$  means that  $h_j \rightarrow 0$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . Note that this result does not hold for all  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  if  $d > 1$  (see Jessen, Marcinkiewicz and Zygmund [10] and Saks [16]).

Motivated by this convergence result, a point  $x \in \mathbb{T}^d$  is called a strong Lebesgue point of  $f \in L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  if

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^d (2h_j)} \int_{-h_1}^{h_1} \dots \int_{-h_d}^{h_d} |f(x-t) - f(x)| dt = 0.$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Almost every point  $x \in \mathbb{T}^d$  is a strong Lebesgue point of  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ .*

This is not true for  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  if  $d > 1$ . Note that  $L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  for all  $1 < p \leq \infty$ . For the results of this section, see Chang and Fefferman [1], Zygmund [21] or Weisz [19, 20].

### 3. RECTANGULAR CESÀRO SUMMABILITY

For  $\alpha \neq -1, -2, \dots$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$A_n^\alpha := \binom{n + \alpha}{n} = \frac{(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) \cdots (\alpha + n)}{n!}.$$

Then  $A_0^\alpha = 1$ ,  $A_n^0 = 1$  and  $A_n^1 = n + 1$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). The  $k$ -th Fourier coefficient of a  $d$ -dimensional integrable function  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  is defined by

$$\widehat{f}(k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} f(x) e^{-ik \cdot x} dx \quad (k \in \mathbb{Z}^d),$$

where  $u \cdot x := \sum_{k=1}^d u_k x_k$  for  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Since the Fourier series of  $f$  has bad convergence properties (see e.g. Weisz [20]), we consider the Cesàro summability.

Let  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$ ,  $n = (n_1, \dots, n_d) \in \mathbb{N}^d$  and  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d) \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$ . The  $n$ -th rectangular Cesàro means  $\sigma_n^\alpha f$  of the Fourier series of  $f$  and the Cesàro kernel  $K_n^\alpha$  are introduced by

$$\sigma_n^\alpha f(x) := \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^d A_{n_i-1}^\alpha} \sum_{|k_1| \leq n_1} \cdots \sum_{|k_d| \leq n_d} \prod_{i=1}^d A_{n_i-1-|k_i|}^\alpha \widehat{f}(k) e^{ik \cdot x}$$

and

$$K_n^\alpha(t) := \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^d A_{n_i-1}^\alpha} \sum_{|k_1| \leq n_1} \cdots \sum_{|k_d| \leq n_d} \prod_{i=1}^d A_{n_i-1-|k_i|}^\alpha e^{ik \cdot t},$$

respectively. It is easy to see that

$$\sigma_n^\alpha f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} f(x - t) K_n^\alpha(t) dt$$

and

$$K_n^\alpha = K_{n_1}^{\alpha_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes K_{n_d}^{\alpha_d},$$

where the functions  $K_{n_i}^{\alpha_i}$  are the one-dimensional Cesàro kernels. The Cesàro means are also called  $(C, \alpha)$ -means. If all  $\alpha_i = 1$ , then we get back the rectangular Fejér means. For the one-dimensional Cesàro kernels, it is known (see Zygmund [21]) that

$$(3.3) \quad K_n^\alpha(t) \leq C \min \left( n, \frac{1}{n^\alpha |t|^{\alpha+1}} \right)$$

and

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |K_n^\alpha| d\lambda \leq C,$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $t \in (-\pi, \pi)$ .

4. UNRESTRICTED CONVERGENCE AT LEBESGUE POINTS

Before proving the main results of this paper, we introduce the Herz space  $E_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with the norm

$$\|f\|_{E_\infty} := \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k_1+\dots+k_d} \|f1_{P_k}\|_\infty < \infty,$$

where

$$P_k := P_{k_1} \times \cdots \times P_{k_d} \quad (k \in \mathbb{Z}^d)$$

and

$$P_i = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 2^{i-1}\pi \leq |x| < 2^i\pi\} \quad (i \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

Obviously,  $L_1(\mathbb{R}^d) \supset E_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . First, we will estimate pointwise the maximal operator

$$\sigma_*^\alpha f := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} |\sigma_n^\alpha f|$$

by the strong Hardy-Littlewood maximal function. To this end, we introduce the functions

$$h^{\alpha_j}(t) := \min \{1, |t|^{-\alpha_j-1}\} \quad (t \in \mathbb{R})$$

and

$$h^\alpha := h^{\alpha_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes h^{\alpha_d}.$$

We get from (3.3) that

$$(4.4) \quad \frac{1}{n_j} \left| \left( 1_{(-\pi, \pi)} K_{n_j}^{\alpha_j} \right) \left( \frac{t}{n_j} \right) \right| \leq \frac{C}{n_j} \min \left\{ n_j, \frac{n_j}{|t|^{\alpha_j+1}} \right\} = Ch^{\alpha_j}(t) \quad (t \in \mathbb{R}).$$

It is easy to see that

$$(4.5) \quad \|h^\alpha\|_{E_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \prod_{j=1}^d \|h^{\alpha_j}\|_{E_\infty(\mathbb{R})} \leq C_\alpha.$$

**Theorem 4.2.** *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . If  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$  and  $x \in \mathbb{T}^d$ , then*

$$\sigma_*^\alpha f(x) \leq CM_s f(x).$$

*Proof.* Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma_n^\alpha f(x)| &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x-t) (1_{(-\pi, \pi)} K_n^\alpha)(t) dt \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t)| |(1_{(-\pi, \pi)} K_n^\alpha)(t)| dt, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$P_{k_j}(n_j) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 2^{k_j-1}\pi/n_j \leq |x| < 2^{k_j}\pi/n_j\} \quad (j = 1, \dots, d).$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\sigma_n^\alpha f(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^\infty \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^\infty \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t)| dt \\
 &\quad \times \sup_{t \in P_{k_1}(n_1) \times \cdots \times P_{k_d}(n_d)} \left| (1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha)(t) \right| \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^\infty \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^\infty \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t)| dt \\
 (4.6) \quad &\quad \times \sup_{t \in P_{k_1} \times \cdots \times P_{k_d}} \left| (1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha) \left( \frac{t_1}{n_1}, \dots, \frac{t_d}{n_d} \right) \right|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, by (4.4),

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\sigma_n^\alpha f(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^\infty \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^\infty 2^{k_1+\dots+k_d} M_s f(x) \sup_{t \in P_k} |h^\alpha(t)| \\
 &= C \|h^\alpha\|_{E_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} M_s f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality (4.5) finishes the proof. □

Inequalities (2.1) and (2.2) imply:

**Corollary 4.1.** *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . If  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then*

$$\sup_{\rho > 0} \rho \lambda(\sigma_*^\alpha f > \rho) \leq C + C \|f\|_{L_1(\log L)^{d-1}}.$$

If  $1 < p \leq \infty$  and  $f \in L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then

$$\|\sigma_*^\alpha f\|_p \leq C_p \|f\|_p.$$

The usual density argument due to Marcinkiewicz and Zygmund [12] implies:

**Corollary 4.2.** *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . If  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n^\alpha f = f \quad \text{a.e.}$$

In this paper,  $n \rightarrow \infty$  means that  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . Now, we prove that the convergence in Corollary 4.2 holds at each strong Lebesgue point, whenever the corresponding strong Hardy-Littlewood maximal function is finite.

**Theorem 4.3.** *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . If  $M_s f(x)$  is finite and  $x$  is a strong Lebesgue point of  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n^\alpha f(x) = f(x).$$

*Proof.* Let

$$G(u) := \int_{-u_1}^{u_1} \cdots \int_{-u_d}^{u_d} |f(x-t) - f(x)| dt \quad (u \in \mathbb{R}_+^d).$$

Since  $x$  is a strong Lebesgue point of  $f$ , for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find an integer  $m \leq 0$  such that

$$(4.7) \quad \frac{G(u)}{\prod_{j=1}^d (2u_j)} \leq \epsilon \quad \text{if } 0 < u_j \leq 2^m \pi, j = 1, \dots, d.$$

Since

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} K_n^\alpha(t) dt = 1,$$

we have

$$|\sigma_n^\alpha f(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x-t) - f(x)| |(1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha)(t)| dt := A_1(x) + A_2(x),$$

where

$$A_1(x) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_1 \rfloor} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_d \rfloor} \times \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t) - f(x)| |(1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha)(t)| dt$$

and

$$A_2(x) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d} \sum_{k_{\pi_1}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_1} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_j}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_j} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_{\pi_{j+1}}=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_d}=-\infty}^{\infty} \times \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t) - f(x)| |(1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha)(t)| dt.$$

Here  $\{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d\}$  is a permutation of  $\{1, \dots, d\}$  and  $1 \leq j \leq d$ . As in (4.6),

$$\begin{aligned} A_1(x) &\leq C \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_1 \rfloor} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_d \rfloor} \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t) - f(x)| dt \\ &\times \sup_{t \in P_{k_1} \times \cdots \times P_{k_d}} \left| (1_{(-\pi, \pi)^d} K_n^\alpha) \left( \frac{t_1}{n_1}, \dots, \frac{t_d}{n_d} \right) \right| \\ &\leq C \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_1 \rfloor} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_d \rfloor} G \left( \frac{2^{k_1} \pi}{n_1}, \dots, \frac{2^{k_d} \pi}{n_d} \right) \left( \prod_{j=1}^d n_j \right) \sup_{t \in P_k} |h^\alpha(t)|. \end{aligned}$$

Inequalities (4.7), (4.5) and  $2^{k_j}/n_j \leq 2^m$  imply

$$A_1(x) \leq C \epsilon \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_1 \rfloor} \cdots \sum_{k_d=-\infty}^{m+\lfloor \log_2 n_d \rfloor} 2^{k_1+\dots+k_d} \sup_{t \in P_k} |h^\alpha(t)| \leq C \epsilon \|h^\alpha\|_{E_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq C_\alpha \epsilon.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} A_2(x) &\leq C \sum_{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d} \sum_{k_{\pi_1}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_1} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_j}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_j} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_{\pi_{j+1}}=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_d}=-\infty}^{\infty} \\ &\times \int_{P_{k_1}(n_1)} \cdots \int_{P_{k_d}(n_d)} |f(x-t) - f(x)| dt \left( \prod_{j=1}^d n_j \right) \sup_{t \in P_k} |h^\alpha(t)| \\ &\leq C_p \sum_{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d} \sum_{k_{\pi_1}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_1} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_j}=m+\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_j} \rfloor+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_{\pi_{j+1}}=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{k_{\pi_d}=-\infty}^{\infty} \\ &\times 2^{k_1+\dots+k_d} \sup_{t \in P_k} |h^\alpha(t)| \left( M_s f(x) + |f(x)| \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M_s f(x)$  and  $f(x)$  are finite, the fact  $\lfloor \log_2 n_{\pi_j} \rfloor \rightarrow \infty$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  imply that  $A_2(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

In the one-dimensional case, if  $x$  is a strong Lebesgue point, then  $M_s f(x)$  is finite and  $L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) = L_1(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , hence we get back the results due to Lebesgue [11] and Riesz [15] mentioned in the introduction. Recall that  $L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d) \supset L_p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  for  $1 < p \leq \infty$  and  $d > 1$ . Since by Theorem 2.1 and (2.1) almost every point is a strong Lebesgue point and the strong maximal operator  $M_s f$  is almost everywhere finite for  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , Theorem 4.3 implies Corollary 4.2. If  $f$  is continuous at a point  $x$ , then  $x$  is also a strong Lebesgue point. So we obtain:

**Corollary 4.3.** *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . If  $M_s f(x)$  is finite and  $f \in L_1(\log L)^{d-1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$  is continuous at a point  $x$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n^\alpha f(x) = f(x).$$

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