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ABSTRACT

For the class of Fourier series with δ -quasimonotone coefficients, it is proved that $\|S_n - \sigma_n\| = o(1)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$, if and only if $a_n \log n = o(1)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. This generalizes the theorem of Garrett, Rees and Stanojevic [3], and Telyakovskii and Fomine [6] for quasi-monotone, and monotone coefficients respectively.

1. A sequence $\{a_n\}$ of positive numbers is said to be quasi-monotone if $\Delta a_n \geq -\alpha \frac{a_n}{n}$ for some positive α , where $\Delta a_n = a_n - a_{n+1}$. It is obvious that every null monotonic decreasing sequence is quasi-monotone. The sequence $\{a_n\}$ is said to be δ -quasi-monotone if $a_n \rightarrow 0$, $a_n > 0$ ultimately and $\Delta a_n \geq -\delta_n$, where $\{\delta_n\}$ is a sequence of positive numbers. Clearly a null quasi-monotone sequence is δ -quasi-monotone with $\delta_n = \alpha \frac{a_n}{n}$.

2. The problem of L^1 -convergence of Fourier cosine series

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

has been settled for various special class of coefficients, (See e.g. Young [7], Kolmogorov [4], Fomine [1], Garrett and Stanojevic [2], Telyakovskii and Fomine [6], etc).

Recently, Garrett, Rees and Stanojevic [3] proved the following theorem which is too a generalization of a result of Telyakovskii and Fomine ([6], Theorem 1).

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THEOREM A. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ be a Fourier series with quasi-monotone coefficients. Then

$$||S_n - \sigma_n|| = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty,$$

if and only if

$$(a_n + b_n) \log n = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Where σ_n is the Fejér sum, $|| \cdot ||$ is the L^1 -norm and

$$S_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx).$$

We propose to generalize this result by replacing the quasi-monotonicity of the coefficients by its δ -quasi-monotonicity.

3. We prove the following theorem

THEOREM. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$

be a Fourier series with δ -quasi-monotone coefficients with $\sum n \delta_n < \infty$. Then

$$||S_n - \sigma_n|| = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty,$$

if and only if

$$(a_n + b_n) \log n = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where S_n and σ_n are the same as in Theorem A.

4. For the proof of the theorem we require the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1. [5] If the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is δ -quasi-monotone and $\sum a_n \Delta \Phi_n$ converges, then $a_n \Phi_n \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, Φ_n being a positive monotone increasing sequence.

LEMMA 2. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a δ -quasi-monotone sequence with $\sum n \delta_n < \infty$. If $a_n \log n = o(1)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k |\Delta a_k| \log k = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof. From

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \Delta (ka_k) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} + a_n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j} ,$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k \Delta a_k \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k - a_n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j} \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{k+1} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\{a_n\}$ is δ -quasi-monotone, we have

$$|\Delta a_n| \leq \Delta a_n + 2\delta_n ,$$

where δ_n is a sequence of positive numbers. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k |\Delta a_k| \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} &\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k (\Delta a_k + 2\delta_k) \\ &\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k \Delta a_k \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} \\ &+ \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k \delta_k \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} \leq \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k - a_n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j} &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{k+1} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} + \\ \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k \delta_k \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j} . \end{aligned}$$

By hypotheses, each term on the right hand side in $o(1)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.

5. *Proof of the theorem.* We shall carry out the proof for the cosine series only, the proof for the sine series being essentially the same. Since σ_n is the Fejër sum and S_n is the n^{th} partial sum of the cosine series, following [3], we obtain,

$$\| | S_n - \sigma_n | \| = \frac{1}{n+1} \| | \sum_{k=1}^n k a_k \cos kx | \|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k \Delta a_k [D_k(x) - \frac{1}{2}] \right\| \\ &+ \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{k+1} [D_k(x) - \frac{1}{2}] \right\| \\ &+ a_n \left\| D_n(x) - \frac{1}{2} \right\|, \end{aligned}$$

where $D_n(x)$ is the Dirichlet's Kernel. Since $\left\| D_n(x) - \frac{1}{2} \right\| = O(\log n)$ for some $B > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} B \left\| S_n - \sigma_n \right\| &\leq \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k |\Delta a_k| \log k + \\ &\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_{k+1} \log k + a_n \log n. \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 2, it follows that

$$\left\| S_n - \sigma_n \right\| = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For the "only if" part, again following [3], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| S_n - \sigma_n \right\| + \left\| \sigma_n - f \right\| &\geq \left\| S_n - f \right\| \\ &\geq C \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_{n+k}}{k} \\ &\geq C \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{a_k}{k}, \end{aligned}$$

where C is a positive constant, since $f \in L^1$, we have that $\left\| \sigma_n - f \right\| = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty$. Assume $\left\| S_n - \sigma_n \right\| = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty$. Then

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{a_k}{k} = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty,$$

which by Cauchy convergence of infinite series, gives

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{k} < \infty.$$

Then, by the fact that $\{a_n\}$ is δ -quasi-monotone such that $\sum \delta_n \log n < \infty$, we get

$$a_n \log n = o(1), n \rightarrow \infty,$$

by an appeal to lemma 1, taking $\Phi_n = \log n$.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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