

## On the theorem of N. Singh and K. M. Sharma

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**Abstract.** *A new short proof of the Theorem of N. Singh and K. M. Sharma (see [7]) is given.*

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### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

The problem of  $L^1$ -convergence, via Fourier coefficients, consists of finding the properties of Fourier coefficients such that the cosine series

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx \tag{1}$$

is a Fourier series of some  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$  and

$$\|S_n - f\| = o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{if and only if} \quad a_n \log n = o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{2}$$

Here,  $S_n$  denotes the  $n$ -th partial sum of the series (1) and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the  $L^1$ -norm.

Several authors have studied the question of  $L^1$ -convergence of the series (1).

The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  that satisfies the condition  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1) |\Delta^2 a_n| < \infty$ , where

$$\Delta^2 a_n = \Delta(\Delta a_n) = \Delta a_n - \Delta a_{n+1} = a_n - 2a_{n+1} + a_{n+2}, \quad \text{for all } n,$$

is called quasi-convex.

A classical result concerning the integrability and  $L^1$ -convergence of a series (1) is the following well-known theorem of Kolmogorov (see [5]).

**Theorem 1** [see [4]]. *If  $\{a_n\}$  is a quasi-convex null-sequence, then the series (1) is the Fourier series of some  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$  and (2) holds.*

The following class  $S$  of  $L^1$ -convergence, was defined by Telyakovskii [9]. A null-sequence  $\{a_n\}$  belongs to the class  $S$  if there exists a monotonically decreasing

sequence  $\{A_n\}$  such that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n < \infty$  and  $|\Delta a_n| \leq A_n$ , for all  $n$ .

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**Theorem 2** [see [8]]. Let  $\{a_n\} \in S$ . Then the series (1) is the Fourier series of some  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$  and (2) holds.

The difference of noninteger order  $k \geq 0$  of the sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is defined as follows:

$$\Delta^k a_n = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m-k-1}{m} a_{n+m} \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots) \quad (3)$$

where

$$\binom{m+\alpha}{m} = \frac{(1+\alpha) \cdots (m+\alpha)}{m!}.$$

It is obvious that if  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then series (3) is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Delta^k a_n = 0$ .

C. N. Moore in [6] generalized quasi-convexity of null-sequences  $\{a_n\}$  in the following way

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^k |\Delta^{k+1} a_n| < \infty, \quad \text{for some } k > 0. \quad (M)$$

It is well-known [3] that if  $\{a_n\}$  is a null-sequence satisfying the condition (M), then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r |\Delta^{r+1} a_n| < \infty, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq r < k. \quad (4)$$

More recently, N. Singh and K. M. Sharma [7] proved the following generalized theorem of Kolmogorov.

**Theorem 3** [see [7]]. Let  $k$  be a real number such that  $k > 0$ . If

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ ,
- (ii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^k |\Delta^{k+1} a_n| < \infty$ ,

then the series (1) is the Fourier series of some  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$  and (2) holds.

## 2. Proof of Theorem 3

Applying *Theorem 2*, it suffices to show that the conditions (i) and (ii) of *Theorem 3* imply condition *S*. Firstly, we suppose that for some  $k$ ,  $0 < k \leq 1$ , the series in (M) converges.

For  $0 < k \leq 1$ , we construct the sequence

$$A_n = \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \binom{i-n+k-1}{i-n} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i|.$$

Then, we need the following properties for binomial coefficients  $\binom{\alpha+n}{\alpha}$  (see [2], page 885 and [5], page 68):

$$\text{a) } \alpha > -1 \Rightarrow \binom{\alpha + n}{\alpha} = \frac{(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2) \cdots (\alpha + n)}{n!} > 0,$$

$$\text{b) } \binom{\alpha + n}{\alpha} = \frac{n^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} + O(1), \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

$$\text{c) } \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{i + \alpha}{\alpha} = \binom{n + \alpha + 1}{n}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \binom{i - n + k - 1}{i - n} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| \sum_{n=0}^i \binom{i - n + k - 1}{i - n} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| \sum_{n=0}^i \binom{n + k - 1}{n} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{i + k}{k} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(k + 1)} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i^k |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| + O\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i|\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since series (3) is convergent, by condition (M), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| &= |\Delta^{k+1} a_0| + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| \\ &\leq \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m - k - 2}{m} a_m + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^k |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n < \infty$  and  $A_n \downarrow 0$ .

Then (see [1], Lemma 1)

$$\Delta a_n = \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \binom{i - n + k - 1}{i - n} \Delta^{k+1} a_i,$$

and hence

$$|\Delta a_n| \leq \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \binom{i - n + k - 1}{i - n} |\Delta^{k+1} a_i| = A_n, \quad \text{for all } n.$$

If  $k > 1$ , by Bosanquet result (4), we obtain  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |\Delta^2 a_n| < \infty$ , i.e.  $\{a_n\} \in S$ .

Finally,  $\{a_n\} \in S$ , for all  $k > 0$ .

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