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**On the Absolute Cesàro Summability  
Factors of a Fourier Series. (\*\*)**

**1. - Definitions and notations.**

Let  $\sum a_n$  be a given infinite series. Let  $S_n = S_n^0$  denote its  $n$ -th partial sum, let  $S_n^k$  and  $t_n^k$  denote respectively the  $n$ -th CESÀRO means of order  $k$  ( $k > -1$ ) of the sequences  $\{S_n\}$  and  $\{n a_n\}$ . The series  $\sum a_n$  is said to be absolutely summable  $(C, k)$ , or summable  $|C, k|$ , if the sequence  $\{S_n^k\}$  is of bounded variation, that is to say, the infinite series

$$\sum |S_n^k - S_{n-1}^k|,$$

is convergent <sup>(1)</sup>.

We use the following well known identities for  $k > -1$  <sup>(2)</sup>:

$$(1) \quad t_n^k = n (S_n^k - S_{n-1}^k),$$

$$(2) \quad t_n^k = \frac{1}{A_n^k} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{k-1} \nu a_\nu,$$

where

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n^k x^n = (1-x)^{-k-1} \quad (|x| < 1),$$

$$(3) \quad A_n^k = \binom{n+k}{n} \sim \frac{n^k}{\Gamma(k+1)} \quad (k \neq -1, -2, \dots).$$

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<sup>(1)</sup> FEKETE [5], KOGBETLIANTZ [7].

<sup>(2)</sup> KOGBETLIANTZ [7], [8].

We write

$$\Delta^0 u_n = u_n, \quad \Delta u_n = \Delta^1 u_n = u_n - u_{n+1},$$

and, for positive integers  $\sigma$  and  $\varrho$ ,

$$(4) \quad \Delta^\sigma (\Delta^\varrho u_n) = \Delta^{\sigma+\varrho} u_n.$$

We also have, for positive integral  $\sigma$ ,

$$(5) \quad \Delta^\sigma u_n = \sum_{\nu=n}^{\infty} A_{\nu-n}^{-\sigma-1} u_\nu,$$

and we write this in general for all  $\sigma > 0$ , provided the series on the right converges.

We have, for positive integral  $\sigma$ ,

$$(6) \quad \Delta^\sigma (\delta_n u_n) = \sum_{\varrho=0}^{\sigma} \binom{\sigma}{\varrho} \Delta^\varrho \delta_n \Delta^{\sigma-\varrho} u_{\varrho+n}.$$

Let  $f(t)$  be a periodic function with period  $2\pi$ , and integrable (L) over  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . Without any loss of generality, we may assume that the constant term in the FOURIER series of  $f(t)$  is zero, that is

$$(7) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = 0,$$

and that the FOURIER series of  $f(t)$  is given by

$$(8) \quad \sum (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt) = \sum c_n(t).$$

We use the following further notations:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \{f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)\}, \\ (9) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-u)^{\alpha-1} \varphi(u) du \quad (\alpha > 0), \\ \Phi_0(t) = \varphi(t) \\ \varphi_\alpha(t) = \Gamma(\alpha+1) t^{-\alpha} \Phi_\alpha(t) \quad (\alpha \geq 0), \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$(10) \quad K_n^\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \varepsilon_\nu \nu \cos \nu t,$$

$$(11) \quad \{F(t)\}_e = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)^e F(t).$$

2. — Generalising the previous works of PRASAD <sup>(3)</sup>, IZUMI and KAWATA <sup>(4)</sup>, CHENG <sup>(5)</sup>, and PATI <sup>(6)</sup>, in 1959, PATI and SINHA <sup>(7)</sup> proved the following theorem concerning absolute CESÀRO summability factors of FOURIER series:

Theorem A <sup>(8)</sup>. Let  $h$  be a non-negative integer and let sequence  $\{\varepsilon_n\}$  be a monotonic non-increasing sequence when  $h = 0$ , and a hyper-convex sequence of order  $h - 1$  when  $h \geq 1$ , such that

$$(i) \quad \sum n^{-1} \varepsilon_n < \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum n^h A^{h+1} \varepsilon_n < \infty.$$

Then, if

$$\int_0^t |\varphi_h(u)| = O(t),$$

as  $t \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\sum \varepsilon_n c_n(x)$  is summable  $[C, h + 1 + \delta]$ ,  $\delta > 0$ .

The object of the present paper is to obtain an extension of Theorem A by replacing  $h$  in the order of absolute CESÀRO summability of  $\sum \varepsilon_n c_n(x)$  by  $k$ , which now need not be the same as  $h$ .

3. — We establish the following theorem.

Theorem. Let  $h$  and  $k$  be non-negative integers and let

$$(12) \quad \int_0^t |\varphi_h(u)| du = O(t),$$

<sup>(3)</sup> PRASAD [12].

<sup>(4)</sup> IZUMI and KAWATA [6].

<sup>(5)</sup> CHENG [4].

<sup>(6)</sup> PATI [9].

<sup>(7)</sup> PATI and SINHA [10].

<sup>(8)</sup> A more compact proof of this is recently given by PATI and AHMAD [11].

as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $\sum \varepsilon_n c_n(x)$  is summable  $|C, k+1+\delta|$ , for every  $\delta > 0$ , where the sequence  $\{\varepsilon_n\}$  satisfies the following conditions:

Case (a),  $k > h$ :

$$(i) \quad \sum n^k |\Delta^{k+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum n^{-1} |\varepsilon_n| < \infty.$$

Case (b),  $k = h$ :

$$(i) \quad \sum n^h \log n |\Delta^{h+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \varepsilon_n \log n = O(1).$$

Case (c),  $k < h$ :

$$(i) \quad \sum n^{h-k-1} |\varepsilon_n| < \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum n^h |\Delta^{k+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty.$$

4. - We need the following lemmas.

Lemma 1<sup>(9)</sup>. Let  $C_n^k$  denote the  $n$ -th CÉSÀRO sum of order  $k$  ( $k \geq 0$ ) corresponding to the infinite series  $(\sum_1^\infty \sin nt)_{h+1}$ ,  $h \geq 0$ .

Then

$$(i) \quad C_n^k = O(n^{k+h+2}) \quad \text{for } 0 < t \leq n^{-1},$$

$$(ii) \quad C_n^k = O(n^{h+1} t^{-k-1}) + O(n^k t^{-h-2}) \quad \text{for } n^{-1} < t \leq \pi.$$

Lemma 2<sup>(10)</sup>. Let  $\{\lambda_n\}$  be a positive monotonic non-decreasing sequence. If  $p \geq 0$ ,  $\varepsilon_n \lambda_n = O(1)$ , and  $\sum n^p \lambda_n |\Delta^{p+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty$ , then  $\sum n^q \lambda_n |\Delta^{q+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty$ , for every  $q$  such that  $0 \leq q \leq p$ .

Lemma 3<sup>(11)</sup>. Let (12) hold. Then

$$\int_{n^{-1}}^{\pi} t^{h-\alpha} |\varphi_h(t)| dt = O(n^{\alpha-h-1}) \quad \text{for } \alpha > h+1,$$

$$= O(\log n) \quad \text{for } \alpha = h+1,$$

$$= O(1) \quad \text{for } \alpha < h+1.$$

<sup>(9)</sup> PATI and SINHA [10].

<sup>(10)</sup> PATI and AHAMAD [11], cf. BOSANQUET [1].

<sup>(11)</sup> PATI and SINHA [10].

Lemma 4 <sup>(12)</sup>. If  $S_{n,\varrho}^k$  denotes the  $n$ -th CESÀRO sum of order  $k$  corresponding to the series  $\sum (-1)^n n^\varrho$ , then

$$S_{n,\varrho}^k = O(n^k) \quad \text{for } k \geq \varrho.$$

Lemma 5 <sup>(13)</sup>. If  $k > -1$ ,  $\varrho \geq 0$ ,  $p \geq 0$ , necessary and sufficient conditions for  $\sum \varepsilon_n a_n$  to be summable  $|C, \varrho|$ , whenever  $S_n^k = O(n^p)$ , are:

- (i)  $\sum n^{k-\varrho+p} |\varepsilon_n| < \infty$ ,
- (ii)  $\sum n^{-1+p} |\varepsilon_n| < \infty$ ,
- (iii)  $\sum n^{k+p} |A^{k+1} \varepsilon_n| < \infty$ .

Lemma 6 <sup>(14)</sup>. If  $\sigma > -1$  and  $\sigma - \delta > 0$ , then

$$\sum_{n=\mu}^{\infty} \frac{A_{n-\mu}^\delta}{n A_n^\sigma} = \frac{1}{\mu A_\mu^{\sigma-\delta-1}}.$$

Lemma 7 <sup>(15)</sup>. If  $0 < k \leq 1$  and  $1 \leq \nu \leq n$ , then

$$\left| \sum_{\mu=1}^{\nu} A_{n-\mu}^{k-1} C_\mu \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq m \leq \nu} \left| \sum_{\mu=1}^m A_{m-\mu}^{k-1} C_\mu \right|.$$

### 5. - Proof of the Theorem.

By virtue of the identity (1) and the consistency theorem for absolute CESÀRO summability, we need only prove that, for  $k+1 < \alpha < k+2$ ,

$$\sum n^{-1} |\zeta_n^\alpha| < \infty,$$

where

$$\zeta_n^\alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \varphi(t) K_n^\alpha(t) dt.$$

<sup>(12)</sup> PATI and SINHA [10].

<sup>(13)</sup> BOSANQUET and CHOW [2].

<sup>(14)</sup> CHOW [3], Lemma 1.

<sup>(15)</sup> BOSANQUET [1].

Integrating by parts  $h$  times, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_n^\alpha &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \sum_{\varrho=1}^h (-1)^{\varrho-1} \Phi_\varrho(t) (K_n^\alpha(t))_{\varrho-1} \right]_0^\pi + (-1)^h \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi t^h \varphi_h(t) (K_n^\alpha(t))_h dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} I + \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^h}{h+1} \int_0^\pi \varphi_h(t) \overline{K}_n^\alpha(t) dt, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence it is sufficient for our purpose to show that

$$(13) \quad \sum n^{-1} |I| < \infty,$$

and

$$(14) \quad \sum n^{-1} \left| \int_0^\pi \varphi_h(t) \overline{K}_n^\alpha(t) dt \right| < \infty.$$

Proof of (13). We have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \left[ \sum_{\varrho=1}^h (-1)^{\varrho-1/2} \Phi_\varrho(t) \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \varepsilon_\nu \nu^\varrho \cos \nu t \right]_0^\pi = \\ &= \frac{\Phi_\varrho(\pi)}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\varrho=1}^h (-1)^{\varrho-1/2} \sum_{\nu=1}^n (-1)^\nu A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \varepsilon_\nu \nu^\varrho, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varrho$  is an odd positive integer.

Hence proving (13) is the same as proving the summability  $|C, \alpha|$ ,  $\alpha > k + 1$  of  $\sum (-1)^\nu \varepsilon_\nu \nu^{\varrho-1}$ , where  $\varrho$  is an odd integer such that  $1 \leq \varrho \leq h$ . This is verified by virtue of Lemma 4 and Lemma 5, and hypotheses on  $\{\varepsilon_n\}$ .

Proof of (14). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{K}_n^\alpha(t) &= \frac{t^h}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \varepsilon_\nu (\sin \nu t)_{h+1} \\ &= \frac{t^h}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n \Delta^{k+1} (A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1} \varepsilon_\nu) C_\nu^k \\ &= \frac{t^h}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{r=0}^k \binom{k+1}{r} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} \Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r} C_\nu^k + \frac{t^h}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-k-2} \varepsilon_{\nu+k+1} C_\nu^k \\ &= \frac{t^h}{A_n^\alpha} (M_1 + M_2), \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, it is sufficient to show that <sup>(16)</sup>

$$(15) \quad J_1 = \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \int_0^{\nu^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |M_1| dt \leq K,$$

$$(16) \quad J_2 = \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |M_1| dt \leq K,$$

$$(17) \quad J_3 = \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \int_0^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |M_2| dt \leq K.$$

Proof of (15). For  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \int_0^{\nu^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |C_\nu^k| dt \\ &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{h+k+2} \int_0^{\nu^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| dt \\ &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{k+1} \leq K \sum \nu^{k+1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \sum_{n=\nu}^{\infty} \frac{A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1}}{n A_n^\alpha} \\ &\leq K \sum \nu^{k-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \leq K, \end{aligned}$$

by virtue of Lemma 2, Lemma 6, and hypotheses.

Proof of (16). For  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |C_\nu^k| dt \\ &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| (\nu^k t^{-h-2} + \nu^{h+1} t^{-k-1}) dt \\ &= J_{21} + J_{22}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{21} &= K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^k \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^{-2} |\varphi_h(t)| dt \\ &\leq K \text{ (by Lemma 3), as in } J_1. \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>(16)</sup>  $K$  is a positive constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

Again, for  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$  and  $k > h$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{22} &= K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{h+1} \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^{h-k-1} |\varphi_h(t)| dt \\ &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-1-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{h+1} \quad (\text{by Lemma 3}) \\ &\leq K, \quad \text{as in } J_1. \end{aligned}$$

For  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$  and  $k = h$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{22} &\leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{h+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{h+1} \log(\nu + 1) \\ &\leq K \sum \nu^{h-r} \log(\nu + 1) |\Delta^{h+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \leq K, \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2, Lemma 6 and hypothesis.

And for  $r = 0, 1, \dots, k$  and  $k < h$ , we have

$$J_{22} \leq K \sum (n A_n^\alpha)^{-1} \sum_{\nu=1}^n A_{n-\nu}^{\alpha-r-1} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \nu^{h+1} \leq K \sum \nu^{h-r} |\Delta^{k+1-r} \varepsilon_{\nu+r}| \leq K,$$

by Lemma 2, Lemma 6 and hypotheses.

Proof of (17). We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2 &= \sum_{\nu=1}^n \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu+k+1} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\nu} A_{n-\mu}^{\alpha-k-2} C_\mu^k + \varepsilon_{n+k+2} \sum_{\mu=1}^n A_{n-\mu}^{\alpha-k-2} C_\mu^k \\ &= O\left(\sum_{\nu=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{\nu+k+1}| \max_{1 \leq m \leq \nu} |C_m^{\alpha-1}|\right) + O(\varepsilon_{n+k+2} |C_n^{\alpha-1}|). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, it is sufficient to show that

$$\begin{aligned} J_{31} &= \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{\nu+k+1}| \int_0^{\nu^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| \max |C_m^{\alpha-1}| dt \leq K, \\ J_{32} &= \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{\nu=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{\nu+k+1}| \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| \max |C_m^{\alpha-1}| dt \leq K, \\ J_{33} &= \sum n^{-1-\alpha} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| \int_0^{n^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |C_n^{\alpha-1}| dt \leq K, \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
J_{34} &= \sum n^{-1-\alpha} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| \left| \int_{n^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| |C_n^{\alpha-1}| dt \right| \leq K. \\
J_{31} &\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{v=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \nu^{\alpha+h+1} \int_0^{\nu^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| dt \\
&\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{v=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \nu^\alpha \leq K \sum |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \leq K,
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2 and hypotheses.

Since, by Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| \nu^{h+1} t^{-\alpha} dt &= O(\nu^\alpha) & (\alpha > h+1), \\
&= O(\nu^{h+1}) & (\alpha < h+1),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{32} &\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{v=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \left| \int_{\nu^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| [\nu^{h+1} t^{-\alpha} + \nu^{\alpha-1} t^{-h-2}] dt \right| \\
&\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} \sum_{v=1}^n |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \{ \nu^\alpha + \nu^{h+1} \} \leq K \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \{ 1 + \nu^{h-\alpha+1} \} \\
&\leq K \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| + K \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} \nu^{h-k} |\Delta \varepsilon_{v+k+1}| \leq K,
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2 and hypotheses.

$$J_{33} \leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| n^{\alpha+h+1} \int_0^{n^{-1}} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| dt \leq K \sum n^{-1} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| \leq K,$$

by hypotheses.

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{34} &\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| \left| \int_{n^{-1}}^{\pi} t^h |\varphi_h(t)| (n^{h+1} t^{-\alpha} + n^{\alpha-1} t^{-h-2}) dt \right| \\
&\leq K \sum n^{-1-\alpha} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| (n^\alpha + n^{h+1}) \leq K \sum n^{-1} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| + \sum n^{h-k-1} |\varepsilon_{n+k+2}| \leq K,
\end{aligned}$$

by hypotheses.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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