

L-CONVERGENCE OF CERTAIN COSINE SUMS

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Abstract. The purpose of this paper is to obtain a generalization of a theorem of Garrett and Stanojevic (1975), concerning L-convergence of certain cosine sums.

1. A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is called convex if $\Delta^2 a_n \geq 0$, where $\Delta^2 a_n = \Delta a_n - \Delta a_{n+1}$ and $\Delta a_n = a_n - a_{n+1}$.

It is said to be quasi-convex if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1) |\Delta^2 a_k| < \infty$$

In view of the well-known result that every bounded convex sequence $\{a_k\}$ satisfies the condition $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1) \Delta^2 a_k < \infty$ (Bary 1964), it follows that such a sequence is necessarily quasi-convex. The converse is not true.

The concept of a null quasi-convex sequence has been further generalized by Telyakovskii (1973) in the following manner:

A sequence $\{a_k\}$ is said to satisfy condition S if

- (1) $a_k = o(1)$, $k \rightarrow \infty$,
- (2) numbers A_k exist such that $A_k \downarrow 0$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k < \infty$,
- (3) $|\Delta a_k| \leq A_k$ for all k

By taking $A_k = \sum_{m=k}^{\infty} |\Delta^2 a_m|$ we observe that every null quasi-convex sequence $\{a_k\}$ belongs to class S. As regards converse, it is clear from the example $a_k = \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}$, that a sequence $\{a_k\} \in S$ need not necessarily be quasi-convex.

2. Let $g(x) = 1/2 a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx$, and

$$g_n(x) = 1/2 \sum_{k=0}^n \Delta a_k + \sum_{k=1}^n (\sum_{j=k}^n \Delta a_j) \cos kx.$$

Concerning the convergence of $g_n(x)$ in L-norm, Garrett and Stanojevic (1975), proved the following:

Theorem

If $\{a_n\}$ is a null quasi-convex sequence, then $g_n(x)$ converges to $g(x)$ in L-norm.

The object of this note is to generalize this theorem by using a less restrictive condition. We prove the following:

Theorem

If $\{a_n\} \in S$, then $g_n(x)$ converges to $g(x)$ in L-norm.

3. We need the following lemma (Sidon 1939), for the proof of our theorem:

Assume that the numbers α_i , $i=0, 1, \dots, k$, satisfy the condition $|\alpha_i| \leq 1$. Then the following estimate is valid:

$$\int_0^{\pi} \left| \sum_{i=0}^k \alpha_i \frac{\sin(i + \frac{1}{2})x}{\sin x/2} \right| dx \leq C(k+1),$$

where C is an absolute constant.

4. *Proof of the theorem:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } D_n(x) &= 1/2 + \cos x + \cos 2x + \dots + \cos nx \\ &= \frac{\sin(n+1/2)x}{2 \sin x/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Using summation by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [1/2 a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \cos kx] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [1/2 a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} D_k(x) \Delta a_k + a_n D_n(x) - 1/2 a_0] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} D_k(x) \Delta a_k + a_n D_n(x)] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} D_k(x) \Delta a_k, \text{ since } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n D_n(x) = 0 \text{ if } x \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, summation by parts gives

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= 1/2 \sum_{k=0}^n \Delta a_k + \sum_{k=1}^n (\sum_{j=k}^n \Delta a_j) \cos kx \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n D_k(x) \Delta a_k. \end{aligned}$$

Again using summation by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n+1}^m D_k(x) \Delta a_k &= \sum_{n+1}^m A_k D_k(x) \Delta \frac{a_k}{A_k} \\ &= \sum_{n+1}^{m-1} T_k(x) \Delta A_k + A_m T_m(x) - A_{n+1} T_n(x), \end{aligned}$$

where $T_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n D_k(x) \Delta \frac{a_k}{A_k}$

Taking $\alpha_k = \Delta \frac{a_k}{A_k}$, we observe by

virtue of the above Lemma that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{n+1}^m D_k(x) \Delta a_k \right| dx &\leq \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{n+1}^{m-1} T_k(x) \Delta A_k \right| dx \\ &+ A_m \int_0^\pi |T_m(x)| dx + A_{n+1} \int_0^\pi |T_n(x)| dx \leq \\ \sum_{n+1}^{m-1} \Delta A_k \int_0^\pi |T_k(x)| dx &+ A_m \int_0^\pi |T_m(x)| dx + \\ A_{n+1} \int_0^\pi |T_n(x)| dx &\leq C \sum_{n+1}^{m-1} (k+1) \Delta A_k + \\ C(m+1) A_m + C(n+1) A_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Making $m \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{n+1}^\infty D_k(x) \Delta a_k \right| dx &\leq C \sum_{n+1}^\infty (k+1) \Delta A_k + \\ C(n+1) A_{n+1} &\text{ since } mA_m \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi |g(x) - g_n(x)| dx &= \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{n+1}^\infty D_k(x) \Delta a_k \right| dx \\ &\leq C \sum_{n+1}^\infty (k+1) \Delta A_k + C(n+1) A_{n+1}, \end{aligned}$$

and, therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\pi |g(x) - g_n(x)| dx &\leq C \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n+1}^\infty (k+1) \Delta A_k \\ &+ C \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1) A_{n+1} = o(1), \end{aligned}$$

since $\sum_{k=1}^\infty (k+1) \Delta A_k < \infty$. This proves the theorem.

5. Let $S_n(x)$ denote the n -th partial sum of $1/2 a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k \cos kx$. Then it is easy to see that $g_n(x) = S_n(x) - a_{n+1} D_n(x)$. Since $\int_0^\pi |D_n(x)| dx \sim \frac{2}{\pi} \log n$, we deduce the following corollary which is Theorem 4 of Telyakovskii (1973).

Corollary:

If $a_n \log n \rightarrow 0$, $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $\{a_n\} \in S$, then $\{S_n(x)\}$ converges in L -norm to $g(x)$ iff $a_n \log n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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