

APPROXIMATION OF $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ FUNCTION BY $(N, p, q)C_1$ MEANS OF ITS FOURIER SERIES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, the degree of approximation of a function belonging to $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ class by product summability method $(N, p, q)C_1$ of its Fourier series has been determined.

1. INTRODUCTION

Hardy [7] established a theorem on (C, α) , $(\alpha > 0)$ summability of the series. Harmonic summability is weaker than (C, α) summability. Iyengar [10] proved a theorem on harmonic summability of a Fourier series. The result of Iyengar [10] has been generalized by several researchers like Siddiqi [21], Pati [16], Singh [26], Rajagopal [20], Hirokawa [8], Hirokawa and Kayashima [9], Tripathi and Singh [28] and Singh [25] for Nörlund means. In 1959 Varshney [29], for the first time, studied the sequence $\{nB_n(x)\}$ by product summability of the form $(H, 1)C_1$. Later on $(N, p_n)C_1$ summability of sequence $\{nB_n(x)\}$ has been studied by number of researchers like Sharma ([23] & [24]), Prasad [17], Dwivedi [6], Dikshit [5] and Lal [12]. Working in the same direction, in 1996, Bhatt and Kathal [2] obtained interesting results on $(C, 1)$ $(E, 1)$ summability of Fourier series and its conjugate series. These results are recently generalized by Lal & Verma [14]. Here $(N, p, q)C_1$ summability is considered. $(N, p, q)C_1$ summability reduces to $(N, p_n)C_1$ if $q_n = 1 \forall n$ and $(\bar{N}, q_n)C_1$ if $p_n = 1 \forall n$. The degree of approximation by Cesàro means, Nörlund means, (N, p, q) means and matrix means of a function $f \in Lip\alpha$, $Lip(\alpha, p)$, $Lip(\xi(t), p)$ and $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ has been studied by number of researchers like Alexits [1], Sahney

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and Goel [22], Chandra [4], Qureshi [18], Qureshi & Nema [19] and Khan [11]. But till now no work seems to have been done to obtain the degree of approximation of the function $f \in W(L^p, \xi(t))$ by product summability means of the form $(N, p, q)C_1$. In an attempt to make an advance in this direction, in this paper, we study the degree of approximation of a function belonging to $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ class by $(N, p, q)C_1$ means of its Fourier series.

2. DEFINITIONS AND NOTATIONS

Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n$ be an infinite series whose n^{th} partial sum is S_n . Write

$$(2.1) \quad \sigma_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{v=0}^n S_v = (C, 1)$$

means of the sequence $\{S_n\}$.

For any two sequences $\{p_n\}$ and $\{q_n\}$ of real numbers such that $p_0 > 0$, $q_0 > 0$, we write

$$t_n^{p,q} = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k S_k$$

where $R_n = (p * q)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k \neq 0 \forall n$. The generalized Nörlund transform (N, p, q) of the sequence $\{S_n\}$ is the sequence $\{t_n^{p,q}\}$. If $t_n^{p,q} \rightarrow S$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then the sequence $\{S_n\}$ is said to be summable by generalized Nörlund method (N, p, q) to S (Borwein [3]) and is denoted by $t_n^{p,q} \rightarrow S(N, p, q)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

The (N, p, q) transform of the $(C, 1)$ transform defines the $(N, p, q)C_1$ transform of the partial sum $\{S_n\}$ of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n$. Thus if

$$(2.2) \quad t_n^{p,q,C_1} = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k \sigma_k = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k} q_k}{k+1} \sum_{v=0}^k S_v$$

tends to S as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n$ or $\{S_n\}$ is said to be summable by $(N, p, q)C_1$ to S . It is denoted by $t_n^{p,q,C_1} \rightarrow S((N, p, q)C_1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

The necessary and sufficient conditions for the (N, p, q) method to be regular are

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{k=0}^n |p_{n-k}q_k| = O(R_n)$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad p_{n-k} = o(R_n), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ for every fixed } k > 0, \text{ for which } q_k \neq 0.$$

Cesàro summability of order 1 or $(C, 1)$ summability is also regular. Let us verify the regularity conditions of $(N, p, q)C_1$ method.

$$t_n^{p,q,C_1} = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \sum_{v=0}^k S_v = \sum_{k=0}^n C_{n,k} \sigma_k$$

where

$$C_{n,k} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{R_n} \left(\frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \right) \sum_{v=0}^k 1, & k \leq n \\ 0, & k > n \end{cases}$$

and so

$$C_{n,k} = \frac{1}{R_n} \left(\frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \right) (k+1) = \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{R_n} \quad \text{for } k \leq n.$$

Now,

- (i) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |C_{n,k}| = \frac{1}{R_n} (\sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k}q_k) = 1,$
- (ii) $C_{n,k} = \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, for fixed k , by (2.4),
- (iii) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |C_{n,k}| = 1.$

Thus $s_n \rightarrow s$ implies $\sigma_n \rightarrow s$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Consequently $t_n^{p,q,C_1} \rightarrow s$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence $(N, p, q)C_1$ summability method is regular.

Some important particular cases $(N, p, q)C_1$ means are

- (i) $(N, p_n)C_1$, if $q_n = 1 \forall n$,
- (ii) $(\bar{N}, q_n)C_1$, if $p_n = 1 \forall n$,
- (iii) $(C, \alpha)C_1$, if $p_n = \binom{n + \alpha - 1}{\alpha - 1}$, $\alpha > 0$, $q_n = 1 \forall n$.

Let $f(t)$ be a periodic function with period 2π , integrable in the sense of Lebesgue over $(-\pi, \pi)$. The Fourier series of $f(t)$ is given by

$$(2.5) \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt).$$

We define the norm $\| \cdot \|_p$ by

$$\| f \|_p = \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} ; p \geq 1,$$

and let the degree of approximation $E_n(f)$ be given by (Zygmund [30])

$$E_n(f) = \text{Min} \| f - t_n \|_p ,$$

where $t_n(x)$ is some n^{th} degree trigonometric polynomial.

A function $f \in \text{Lip}\alpha$ if $f(x+t) - f(x) = O(t^\alpha)$, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. $f \in \text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$ if $\left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |(x+t) - f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} = O(t^\alpha)$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $p \geq 1$ (def. 5.38 of McFadden [15]).

Given a positive increasing function $\xi(t)$ and an integer $p > 1$, we find that $f \in \text{Lip}(\xi(t), p)$ if $\left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |(x+t) - f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} = O(\xi(t))$. When $\xi(t) = t^\alpha$, the class $\text{Lip}(\xi(t), p)$ coincides with $\text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$. $f \in W(L^p, \xi(t))$ (Lal [13]) if $\left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |(x+t) - f(x)|^p \sin^{\beta p} t dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} = O(\xi(t))$, $\beta \geq 0$. In case $\beta = 0$, we notice that $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ coincides with $\text{Lip}(\xi(t), p)$.

We shall use the following notations:

$$(2.6) \quad \phi(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x)$$

$$(2.7) \quad (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k} q_k}{k+1} \frac{\sin^2(k+1)\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}}$$

3. MAIN THEOREM

Quite good amount of work is known on degree of approximation of function belonging to $\text{Lip}\alpha$, $\text{Lip}(\alpha, p)$, $\text{Lip}(\xi(t), p)$, $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ class by Cesàro's means, Nörlund means, (N, p, q) means and matrix summability method. The

purpose of this paper is to determine the degree of approximation of a function $f \in W(L^p, \xi(t))$ class by $(N, p, q)C_1$ means of its Fourier series. In fact, in this paper, we shall prove following theorem:

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\{p_n\}$ be a non-negative, non-increasing sequence and $\{q_n\}$ be a non-negative, non-decreasing sequence such that*

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} = O\left(\frac{R_n}{n+1}\right).$$

If $f : R \rightarrow R$ is 2π -periodic, Lebesgue integrable on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and $W(L^p, \xi(t))$ class function then the degree of approximation of function f by $t_n^{p,q,C_1} = \frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k}q_k\sigma_k$ i.e. $(N, p, q)C_1$ -summability means of the Fourier series (2.5) is given by

$$(3.1) \quad \|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)\|_p = O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right),$$

provided $\xi(t)$ satisfies the following conditions:

$$(3.2) \quad \left\{ \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left(\frac{t|\phi(t)|}{\xi(t)} \right)^p \sin^{\beta p} t \, dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} = O\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)$$

$$(3.3) \quad \left\{ \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left(\frac{t^{-\delta}|\phi(t)|}{\xi(t)} \right)^p dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} = O\left((n+1)^\delta\right)$$

where δ is an arbitrary number such that $q(1-\delta) - 1 > 0$, conditions (3.2) and (3.3) hold uniformly in x .

4. LEMMAS

For the proof of our theorem following lemmas are required

Lemma 4.1. *Let $(NC)_1^{p,q}(t)$ be given by (2.7), then*

$$(NC)_1^{p,q}(t) = O(n+1), \text{ for } 0 < t \leq \frac{1}{n+1}.$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
(NC)_1^{p,q}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \frac{\sin^2(k+1)\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} (k+1)^2 \frac{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}} \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k}q_k (k+1) \\
&\leq \frac{(n+1)}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k}q_k \\
&= \frac{(n+1)}{2\pi} \\
&= O(n+1)
\end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 4.2. *Let $(NC)_1^{p,q}$ be given by (2.7) then*

$$(NC)_1^{p,q}(t) = O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)t^2}\right), \quad \text{for } \frac{1}{n+1} < t \leq \pi.$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
(NC)_1^{p,q}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \frac{\sin^2(k+1)\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \frac{(1 - \cos(k+1)t)}{\sin^2\frac{t}{2}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \frac{\pi^2}{t^2} \quad \left(\because \frac{1}{\sin\frac{t}{2}} \leq \frac{\pi}{t}, \text{ by Jordan's lemma}\right) \\
&= \frac{\pi}{4R_n t^2} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k}q_k}{k+1} \\
&= \frac{\pi}{4R_n t^2} O\left(\frac{R_n}{n+1}\right), \text{ by the hypothesis of the theorem} \\
&= O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)t^2}\right),
\end{aligned}$$

□

5. PROOF OF THE THEOREM

Following Titchmarsh [27], the n^{th} partial sum S_n of the Fourier series (2.5) at $t = x$ is given by

$$S_n(x) - f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \phi(t) \frac{\sin\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)t}{\sin \frac{t}{2}} dt.$$

The $(C, 1)$ is transform i.e. σ_n of $S_n(x)$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n (S_k(x) - f(x)) = \frac{1}{2(n+1)\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\phi(t)}{\sin \frac{t}{2}} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \sin\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)t \right) dt$$

or

$$\sigma_n(x) - f(x) = \frac{1}{2(n+1)\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin^2(n+1)\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} \phi(t) dt.$$

Denoting (N, p, q) transform of σ_n i.e. the $(N, p, q)C_1$ transform of $S_n(x)$ by t_n^{p,q,C_1} , we have

$$\frac{1}{R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} q_k \{\sigma_k(x) - f(x)\} = \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2\pi R_n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_{n-k} q_k}{k+1} \frac{\sin^2(k+1)\frac{t}{2}}{\sin^2 \frac{t}{2}} \phi(t) dt$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x) &= \int_0^\pi (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) \phi(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) \phi(t) dt + \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^\pi (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) \phi(t) dt \\ (5.1) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= I_1 + I_2, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

Applying Hölder's inequality and the fact that $\phi(t) \in W(L^p, \xi(t))$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I_1| &\leq \left\{ \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left(\frac{t|\phi(t)|}{\xi(t)} \right)^p \sin^{\beta p} t dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left\{ \frac{\xi(t)}{t \sin^\beta t} (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) \right\}^q dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right) \left[\int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left(O(n+1) \frac{\xi(t)}{t^{\beta+1}} \right)^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma (4.1) and cond. (3.2)

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O(1) \left[\int_0^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left(\frac{\xi(t)}{t^{\beta+1}} \right)^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= O \left(\xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) \left[\int_{\epsilon}^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \frac{dt}{t^{q(\beta+1)}} \right],
\end{aligned}$$

by the mean value theorem, where $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O \left(\xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) \left[\left\{ \frac{t^{-q(\beta+1)+1}}{-q(\beta+1)+1} \right\}_{\epsilon}^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= O \left(\xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) [(n+1)^{(\beta+1)q-1}]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= O \left(\xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) (n+1)^{(\beta+1-\frac{1}{q})} \right) \\
(5.2) \quad &= O \left((n+1)^{(\beta+\frac{1}{p})} \cdot \xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) \quad \left(\text{as } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, as above, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|I_2| &\leq \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} (NC)_1^{p,q}(t) \phi(t) dt \\
&\leq \left\{ \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left(\frac{t^{-\delta} |\phi(t)|}{\xi(t)} \sin^{\beta} t \right)^p dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left(\frac{\xi(t) (NC)_1^{p,q}(t)}{t^{-\delta} \sin^{\beta} t} \right)^q dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \left\{ \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left(\frac{t^{-\delta} |\phi(t)|}{\xi(t)} \right)^p dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\xi(t)}{t^{-\delta+\beta}} \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)t^2} \right\}^q dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{by lemma (4.2) \& cond. (3.3).} \\
&= O(n+1)^{\delta-1} \left[\int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \left(\frac{\xi(t)}{t^{2+\beta-\delta}} \right)^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \left(O(n+1)^{\delta-1} \xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) \left[\int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi} \frac{dt}{t^{q(2+\beta-\delta)}} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \left(O(n+1)^{\delta-1} \xi \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right) \left[\frac{t^{-q(2+\beta-\delta)+1}}{-q(2+\beta-\delta)+1} \right]_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^{\pi}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= O\left((n+1)^{\delta-1} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right) \left((n+1)^{q(2+\beta-\delta)-1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= O\left((n+1)^{\beta+1-\frac{1}{q}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right) \\
(5.3) \quad &= O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right) \quad \left(\text{as } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1\right).
\end{aligned}$$

By (5.1), (5.2), and (5.3), we have

$$|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)| = O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
\|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)\|_p &= O\left[\int_0^{2\pi} \left\{(n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right\}^p dx\right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right) \left(\int_0^{2\pi} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \\
&= O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right).
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

6. COROLLARIES

The following corollaries can be derived from the theorem.

Corollary 1. *If $\beta = 0$ and $\xi(t) = t^\alpha$, then the degree of approximation of a function $f \in Lip(\alpha, p)$ is given by $|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)| = O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{p}}}\right)$*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)| &= O\left((n+1)^{\beta+\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \xi\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right) \\
&= O\left((n+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)^\alpha\right) \\
&= O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{p}}}\right),
\end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. □

Corollary 2. *If $p \rightarrow \infty$ in Corollary 1, then we have, for $0 < \alpha < 1$,*

$$|t_n^{p,q,C_1}(x) - f(x)| = O\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^\alpha}\right).$$

Remarks:

- (1) An independent proof of Corollary 1 can be developed along the same lines as the theorem.
- (2) Results similar to the main theorem and Corollaries 1 and 2 may be derived for $f \in Lip(\alpha, p)$ and $Lip\alpha$ for $(N, p_n) C_1$ taking $q_n = 1 \forall n$.

Example 6.1. Consider the infinite series.

$$(6.1) \quad 1 + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(-1)^n.$$

The n^{th} partial sum of (1) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} s_n &= 1 + 4 \sum_{k=1}^n k(-1)^k \\ s_n &= (2n+1)(-1)^n \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\sigma_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n (2k+1)(-1)^k = (-1)^n.$$

Therefore the series (6.1) is not $(C, 1)$ summable. Since $\{(-1)^n\}$ is (N, p, q) summable therefore, the series (6.1) is $(N, p, q) C_1$ summable. Hence the product summability $(N, p, q) C_1$ is more powerful than the individual methods (N, p, q) and $(C, 1)$. Consequently $(N, p, q) C_1$ mean gives better approximation than individual methods (N, p, q) and $(C, 1)$.

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