

## CONVERGENCE AND INTEGRABILITY OF DOUBLE TRIGONOMETRIC SERIES WITH COEFFICIENTS OF BOUNDED VARIATION

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ABSTRACT. We prove that if  $c(j, k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\max(|j|, |k|) \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| < \infty,$$

then the series  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$  converges both pointwise for every  $(x, y) \in (T \setminus \{0\})^2$  and in the  $L^p(T^2)$ -metric for  $0 < p < 1$ , where  $T$  is the one-dimensional torus. Both convergence statements remain valid for the three conjugate series under these same coefficient conditions.

**1. Introduction.** We will consider double trigonometric series of the form

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$$

where  $\{c(j, k) : -\infty < j, k < \infty\}$  is a null sequence of complex numbers. Here and in the sequel,

$$(x, y) \in T^2 := \{(x, y) \in R^2 : 0 \leq x, y < 2\pi\}$$

the two-dimensional torus, whereas  $T := \{x \in R : 0 \leq x < 2\pi\}$ .

The pointwise *convergence* of series (1.1) is usually defined *in Pringsheim's sense* (see, e.g. [5, Vol. 2, Chapter 17]). This means that we form the symmetric partial sums

$$s_{MN}(x, y) := \sum_{j=-M}^M \sum_{k=-N}^N c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \quad (M, N \geq 0)$$

and then let both  $M$  and  $N$  tend to  $\infty$ , independently of one another, and assign the limit  $f(x, y)$  (if it exists) to series (1.1) as its sum.

Following Hardy [1], series (1.1) is said to be *regularly convergent* if

- (i) it converges in Pringsheim's sense, and
- (ii) the single series

$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$$

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As is known, if (i) and (ii) are satisfied, then the sum  $f(x, y)$  of series (1.1) can be computed in the way of iterated summations, too:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The notion of regular convergence was rediscovered in [2] where it was defined by the following equivalent condition (and called “convergence in a restricted sense”): the sums

$$\sum_{M_1 \leq |j| \leq M_2} \sum_{N_1 \leq |k| \leq N_2} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $\max(M_1, N_1) \rightarrow \infty$ , independently of the choices of  $M_2$  and  $N_2$  where  $0 \leq M_1 \leq M_2$  and  $0 \leq N_1 \leq N_2$ .

Now we introduce an even stronger notion of convergence, we may call it *strongly regular convergence*, which requires that the sums (with  $M_1 \leq M_2$  and  $N_1 \leq N_2$ )

$$(1.2) \quad s(Q; x, y) := \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_1}^{N_2} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \rightarrow 0$$

in each of the following limiting cases:

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{cases} \text{(i)} & M_1 \rightarrow \infty, \text{ while } M_2, N_1, \text{ and } N_2 \text{ are arbitrary.} \\ \text{(ii)} & M_2 \rightarrow -\infty, \text{ while } M_1, N_1, \text{ and } N_2 \text{ are arbitrary.} \\ \text{(iii)} & N_1 \rightarrow \infty, \text{ while } N_2, M_1, \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are arbitrary.} \\ \text{(iv)} & N_2 \rightarrow -\infty, \text{ while } N_1, M_1, \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are arbitrary.} \end{cases}$$

Here and in the sequel,  $Q$  denotes the set of the lattice points of the plane contained in the rectangle  $\{(j, k): M_1 \leq j \leq M_2 \text{ and } N_1 \leq k \leq N_2\}$ .

After these convergence notions, we repeat the definitions of the three conjugate series to (1.1):

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (-i \operatorname{sgn} j)c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$$

(conjugate with respect to  $x$ ),

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (i \operatorname{sgn} k)c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$$

(conjugate with respect to  $y$ ),

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (-i \operatorname{sgn} j)(-i \operatorname{sgn} k)c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)}$$

(conjugate with respect to  $x$  and  $y$ ).

If series (1.4)–(1.6) converge in Pringsheim’s sense, then their sums are denoted by  $\tilde{f}^{(1,0)}(x, y)$ ,  $\tilde{f}^{(0,1)}(x, y)$ , and  $\tilde{f}^{(1,1)}(x, y)$ , respectively, and are called the corresponding conjugate functions to  $f(x, y)$  (see, e.g., [3]).

**2. Main results.** Let  $\{c(j, k): -\infty < j, k < \infty\}$  be a double sequence. We remind the reader that its differences are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{10}c(j, k) &= c(j, k) - c(j + 1, k), \\ \Delta_{01}c(j, k) &= c(j, k) - c(j, k + 1), \\ \Delta_{11}c(j, k) &= c(j, k) - c(j + 1, k) - c(j, k + 1) + c(j + 1, k + 1), \end{aligned}$$

and  $\{c(j, k)\}$  is said to be of bounded variation if

$$(2.1) \quad C_{11} := \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| < \infty.$$

We will prove the following convergence statements.

**THEOREM.** Let  $\{c(j, k): -\infty < j, k < \infty\}$  be a double sequence of complex numbers that is of bounded variation and such that

$$(2.2) \quad c(j, k) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \max(|j|, |k|) \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then series (1.1)

(i) converges pointwise in the strongly regular sense to some function  $f(x, y)$  for every  $(x, y) \in (T \setminus \{0\})^2$ ;

(ii) converges in the  $L^p(T^2)$ -metric to  $f$  for every  $0 < p < 1$ :

$$(2.3) \quad \left\| \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_1}^{N_2} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} - f(x, y) \right\|_p \rightarrow 0$$

as  $M_2, N_2 \rightarrow \infty$  and  $M_1, N_1 \rightarrow -\infty$ . In particular, we have  $f \in L^p(T^2)$  for every  $0 < p < 1$ .

(iii) Analogous conclusions can be drawn for the conjugate series (1.4)–(1.6) and the corresponding conjugate functions  $\tilde{f}^{(1,0)}$ ,  $\tilde{f}^{(0,1)}$ ,  $\tilde{f}^{(1,1)}$ , respectively.

Here and in the sequel,  $\|\cdot\|_p$  denotes the  $L^p(T^2)$ -norm defined by

$$\|g\|_p := \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |g(x, y)|^p dx dy \right]^{1/p}.$$

Our Theorem can be considered the extension of a theorem of Uljanov [4] from single to double trigonometric series.

**3. Auxiliary results.** We present two lemmas.

LEMMA 1. *If  $\{c(j, k)\}$  satisfies conditions (2.1) and (2.2), then for every  $k$ ,*

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{10}c(j, k)| \leq C_{11} (< \infty),$$

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{10}c(j, k)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } |k| \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(3.3) \quad \sup_k \sum_{|j| > M} |\Delta_{10}c(j, k)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } M \rightarrow \infty.$$

We note that analogous statements are available for the series  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(j, k)|$  under the same conditions.

PROOF. By (2.2),

$$\Delta_{10}c(j, k_0) = \sum_{k=k_0}^{\infty} \Delta_{11}c(j, k),$$

whence

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{10}c(j, k_0)| \leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=k_0}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)|$$

and (3.1) follows.

Again by (2.2),

$$\Delta_{10}c(j, k_0) = - \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k_0-1} \Delta_{11}c(j, k),$$

whence

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{10}c(j, k_0)| \leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k_0-1} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)|.$$

Clearly (3.2) follows from (2.1), (3.4), and (3.5).

Finally, (3.3) is a consequence of (3.2) (applied for large values of  $|k|$ ) and (3.1) (applied for small values of  $|k|$ ).

LEMMA 2. *If  $\{c(j, k)\}$  satisfies conditions (2.1) and (2.2), then the sequences*

$$(3.6) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i)} \quad \{(-i \operatorname{sgn} j)c(j, k)\}, \\ \text{(ii)} \quad \{(-i \operatorname{sgn} k)c(j, k)\}, \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \{(-i \operatorname{sgn} j)(-i \operatorname{sgn} k)c(j, k)\} \end{array} \right.$$

*also satisfy these same conditions.*

PROOF. It suffices to prove (i), since (ii) is a symmetric counterpart of (i), while (iii) follows from a repeated application of (i) and (ii). In the case of (i), the fulfillment of (2.2) is obvious. Inequality (2.1) follows from Lemma 1:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}[(-i \operatorname{sgn} j)c(j, k)]| \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{j=-\infty}^{-2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \right\} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(-1, k)| + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(1, k)|. \end{aligned}$$

**4. Proof of the Theorem.** We will use the notation  $w(x) = 1 - e^{-ix}$ . Then

$$(4.1) \quad |w(x)| = 2 \sin \frac{x}{2} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x < 2\pi$$

and

$$w(x)w(y) = 1 - e^{-ix} - e^{-iy} + e^{i(x+y)}.$$

*Part 1: Pointwise convergence.* Performing an ‘‘Abel transformation-like’’ rearrangement yields, for any  $M_1 \leq M_2$  and  $N_1 \leq N_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (4.2) \quad w(x)w(y) & \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_1}^{N_2} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ &= \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \sum_{k=N_1-1}^{N_2-1} \Delta_{11}c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ & \quad + \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N_2)e^{i(jx+N_2y)} \\ & \quad - \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N_1-1)e^{i(jx+(N_1-1)y)} \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=N_1-1}^{N_2-1} \Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)e^{i(M_2x+ky)} \\ & \quad - \sum_{k=N_1-1}^{N_2-1} \Delta_{01}c(M_1-1, k)e^{i((M_1-1)x+ky)} \\ & \quad + c(M_2, N_2)e^{i(M_2x+N_2y)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using (4.1) and notation (1.2),

$$|s(Q; x, y)| \leq \frac{1}{4 \sin \frac{x}{2} \sin \frac{y}{2}} \left\{ \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \sum_{k=N_1-1}^{N_2-1} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \left[ |\Delta_{10}c(j, N_2)| + |\Delta_{10}c(j, N_1 - 1)| \right] \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{k=N_1-1}^{N_2-1} \left[ |\Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)| + |\Delta_{01}c(M_1 - 1, k)| \right] + |c(M_2, N_2)| \right\}.$$

Making use of Lemma 1, we can see that each term in the braces on the right-hand side tends to zero as any one of the limiting cases (i)–(iv) in (1.3) is realized. Thus, the sum  $f(x, y)$  of series (1.1) certainly exists for all  $0 < x, y < 2\pi$ .

*Part 2:  $L^p(T^2)$ -convergence.* It is plain that

$$(4.3) \quad |f(x, y) - s(Q; x, y)| \leq \left| \sum_{j=-\infty}^{M_1-1} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right| \\ + \left| \sum_{j=M_2+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right| \\ + \left| \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{N_1-1} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right| \\ + \left| \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_2+1}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \right| \\ =: \sum_1 + \sum_2 + \sum_3 + \sum_4, \quad \text{say.}$$

Similarly to (4.2), for any  $M > M_2$  and  $N > 0$ ,

$$(4.4) \quad w(x)w(y) \sum_{j=M_2+1}^M \sum_{k=-N}^N c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ = \sum_{j=M_2}^{M-1} \sum_{k=-N-1}^{N-1} \Delta_{11}c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} + \sum_{j=M_2}^{M-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N)e^{i(jx+Ny)} \\ - \sum_{j=M_2}^{M-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, -N-1)e^{i(jx-(N+1)y)} \\ + \sum_{k=-N-1}^{N-1} \Delta_{01}c(M, k)e^{i(Mx+ky)} \\ - \sum_{k=-N-1}^{N-1} \Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)e^{i(M_2x+ky)} + c(M, N)e^{i(Mx+Ny)}.$$

Letting  $M, N \rightarrow \infty$ , by Lemma 1 we get that

$$\begin{aligned} w(x)w(y) & \sum_{j=M_2+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ & = \sum_{j=M_2}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \Delta_{11}c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} - \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)e^{i(M_2x+ky)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\sum_2 \leq \frac{1}{|w(x)w(y)|} \left\{ \sum_{j=M_2+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)| \right\}.$$

By (4.1), for  $0 < p < 1$ ,

$$(4.5) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{w(x)w(y)} \right\|_p = \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dx dy}{4^p \sin^p \frac{x}{2} \sin^p \frac{y}{2}} \right]^{1/p} < \infty.$$

So, by (2.1) and the counterpart of (3.2) (when the roles of  $j$  and  $k$  are interchanged), we obtain that

$$(4.6) \quad \left\| \sum_2 \right\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } M_2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

In a similar way, we can deduce that

$$(4.7) \quad \left\| \sum_1 \right\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } M_1 \rightarrow -\infty.$$

Estimating  $\sum_4$ , let  $N > N_2$ . Then, following the pattern occurring in (4.2),

$$\begin{aligned} (4.8) \quad w(x)w(y) & \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_2+1}^N c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ & = \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \sum_{k=N_2}^{N-1} \Delta_{11}c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\ & \quad + \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N)e^{i(jx+Ny)} \\ & \quad - \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N_2)e^{i(jx+N_2y)} \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=N_2}^{N-1} \Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)e^{i(M_2x+ky)} \\ & \quad - \sum_{k=N_2}^{N-1} \Delta_{01}c(M_1-1, k)e^{i((M_1-1)x+ky)} + c(M_2, N)e^{i(M_2x+Ny)}. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , by Lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 w(x)w(y) \sum_{j=M_1}^{M_2} \sum_{k=N_2+1}^{\infty} c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} &= \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} \Delta_{11}c(j, k)e^{i(jx+ky)} \\
 &- \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \Delta_{10}c(j, N_2)e^{i(jx+N_2y)} \\
 &+ \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} \Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)e^{i(M_2x+ky)} \\
 &- \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} \Delta_{01}c(M_1 - 1, k)e^{i((M_1-1)x+ky)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_4 \leq \frac{1}{|w(x)w(y)|} &\left\{ \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} |\Delta_{11}c(j, k)| + \sum_{j=M_1-1}^{M_2-1} |\Delta_{10}c(j, N_2)| \right. \\
 &\left. + \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(M_2, k)| + \sum_{k=N_2}^{\infty} |\Delta_{01}c(M_1 - 1, k)| \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (2.1), (3.2), and its counterpart, we get that

$$(4.9) \quad \left\| \sum_4 \right\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N_2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

A similar argument gives that

$$(4.10) \quad \left\| \sum_3 \right\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N_1 \rightarrow -\infty.$$

Combining (4.3), (4.6), (4.7), (4.9), and (4.10) yields (2.3).

*Part 3: Convergence of the conjugate series.* This immediately follows from (i) and (ii) of the Theorem, via Lemma 2.

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