

## THE EXTENSIONS OF THE FERENC MÓRICZ THEOREMS

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ABSTRACT. We study the integrability of the  $r$  times differentiated complex trigonometric series using modified trigonometric sums and obtain a new necessary and sufficient condition for  $L^1$ -convergence of the  $r$ th derivative of the Fourier series. Some results of F. Móricz are deduced as corollaries.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A complex null sequence  $\{c_k\}$  satisfying  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_k - c_{-k})| \log k < \infty$  is called weakly even and is denoted by  $\{c_k\} \in W$ . If a null sequence  $\{c_k\}$  satisfies  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_k - c_{-k})| k^r \log k < \infty$  for some  $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , then we write that  $\{c_k\} \in W_r$ , where  $W_0 = W$ . If there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $n^{-\beta} a_n \downarrow 0$ , then the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is called a quasi-monotone sequence and is denoted by  $a_n \curvearrowright 0$ .

The partial sums of the complex trigonometric series  $\sum_{|n| \leq \infty} c_n e^{int}$  will be denoted by  $s_n(c, t) = \sum_{|k| \leq n} c_k e^{ikt}$ ,  $t \in T = \mathbb{R}/2\pi Z$ . If a trigonometric series is the Fourier series of some  $f \in L^1$ , we shall write  $c_n = \hat{f}(n)$  for all  $n$  and  $s_n(c, t) = s_n(f, t) = s_n(f)$ .

Let  $D_n(t)$  and  $\tilde{D}_n(t)$  denote the Dirichlet and the conjugate Dirichlet kernel respectively. Let  $E_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n e^{ikt}$  and  $E_{-n}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n e^{-ikt}$ . Then the  $r$ th derivatives  $D_n^{(r)}(t)$  and  $\tilde{D}_n^{(r)}(t)$  of  $D_n(t)$  and  $\tilde{D}_n(t)$  can be written as

$$(1.1) \quad D_n^{(r)}(t) = E_n^{(r)}(t) + E_{-n}^{(r)}(t),$$

$$(1.2) \quad i\tilde{D}_n^{(r)}(t) = E_n^{(r)}(t) - E_{-n}^{(r)}(t),$$

where  $E_n^{(r)}(t)$  denotes the  $r$ th derivative of  $E_n(t)$ .

Č. V. Stanojević and V. B. Stanojević [5] introduced the following modified complex trigonometric sum:

$$u_n(c, t) = s_n(c, t) - (c_n E_n(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}(t)).$$

The complex form of the  $r$ th derivative of this sum, obtained by Sheng [4], is

$$(1.3) \quad u_n^{(r)}(c, t) = s_n^{(r)}(c, t) - (c_n E_n^{(r)}(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t)).$$

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S. Kumari and B. Ram [2] introduced another set of modified cosine and sine sums as

$$f_n(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=k}^n \Delta(a_j/j) k \cos kx$$

and

$$g_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=k}^n \Delta(a_j/j) k \sin kx.$$

The complex form of the  $r$ th derivative of these modified sums is

$$(1.4) \quad g_n^{(r)}(c, t) = s_n^{(r)}(c, t) + \frac{i}{n+1} [c_{n+1} E_n^{(r+1)}(t) - c_{-(n+1)} E_{-n}^{(r+1)}(t)].$$

*Remark 1.* If  $|n|^r c_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ ), then  $\|g_n^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}\|_1 \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Observe that by partial summation, we have

$$E_n^{(r+1)}(t) = -i \sum_{k=0}^n E_k^{(r)}(t) + i(n+1) E_n^{(r)}(t)$$

and similarly for  $E_{-n}^{(r+1)}(t)$ . Also from (1.3) we note that

$$u_{n+1}^{(r)}(c, t) = s_n^{(r)}(c, t) - c_{n+1} E_n^{(r)}(t) - c_{-(n+1)} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} u_{n+1}^{(r)}(c, t) - g_n^{(r)}(c, t) &= -c_{n+1} \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n E_k^{(r)}(t) \\ &\quad - c_{-(n+1)} \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n E_{-k}^{(r)}(t). \end{aligned}$$

If we assume  $|n|^r c_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ ), then by partial summation and the well-known properties of Fejér kernels, it follows that  $\|g_n^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}\|_1 \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).

Concerning the  $L^1$ -convergence of complex trigonometric series, F. Móricz [3] improved the result of Č. V. Stanojević and V. B. Stanojević [5] by assuming a weaker condition. The aim of this paper is to give sufficient conditions for the integrability of the  $r$ -times differentiated trigonometric series using complex trigonometric sums (1.3) and (1.4) and to obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for the  $L^1$ -convergence of the  $r$ th derivative of the Fourier series. The case  $r = 0$  of our theorems yields the results of F. Móricz [3].

## 2. RESULTS

Let  $1 < p \leq 2$  be a real number. Denote by  $q$  the conjugate exponent to  $p$ , i.e.,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ , by  $I_m$  the dyadic interval  $[2^{m-1}, 2^m)$  for  $m \geq 1$ , and by  $\|\cdot\|_1$  the  $L^1(-\pi, \pi)$ -norm.

We prove the following theorems for the sum (1.3):

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\{c_k\} \in W_r$  and

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{m(1/q+r)} \left( \sum_{k \in I_m} |\Delta c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} < \infty,$$

for some  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $r \geq 0$ . Then

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n^{(r)}(c, t) = f^{(r)}(t)$  for all  $0 < |t| \leq \pi$ ,
- (ii)  $f^{(r)}(t) \in L^1(T)$  and  $\|u_n^{(r)}(c) - f^{(r)}\|_1 = o(1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,
- (iii)  $\|s_n^{(r)}(f) - f^{(r)}\|_1 = o(1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  if and only if  $|n|^r \hat{f}(n) \log |n| = o(1)$  as  $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\{c_k\} \in W_r$  and

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{m(1/q+r)} \left( \sum_{k \in I_m} |\Delta(c_k + c_{-k})|^p \right)^{1/p} < \infty,$$

for some  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $r \geq 0$ . Then statements (i)–(iii) of Theorem 1 hold.

Taking  $r = 0$  in Theorems 1 and 2 we obtain Theorems 3 and 2 of F. Móricz [3] respectively.

Considering the sums (1.4) instead of (1.3) and in view of the preceding Remark in Section 1, statement (ii) in Theorems 1 and 2 can be replaced by:

- (ii')  $f^{(r)}(t) \in L^1(T)$  and  $\|g_n^{(r)}(c) - f^{(r)}\|_1 \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).

Thus we have the following results:

**Theorem 3.** Under the hypothesis of Theorem 1, statements (i), (ii') and (iii) hold.

**Theorem 4.** Under the hypothesis of Theorem 2, statements (i), (ii') and (iii) hold.

### 3. LEMMAS

**Lemma 1** (Sheng [4]).  $\|D_n^{(r)}\|_1 = (4/\pi)n^r \log n + O(n^r)$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $r \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .

**Lemma 2** (Sheng [4]).  $\|\tilde{D}_n^{(r)}\|_1 = O(1)(n^r \log n)$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $r \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .

**Lemma 3** (Sheng [4]). Let  $r$  be a non-negative integer and  $x \in [\pi/n, \pi]$ , where  $n \geq 1$ . Then

$$D_n^{(r)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \frac{(n+1/2)^k \sin[(n+1/2)x + k\pi/2]}{(\sin x/2)^{r+1-k}} \Phi_k(x) + \frac{(n+1/2)^r \sin[(n+1/2)x + r\pi/2]}{2 \sin x/2},$$

where each  $\Phi_k$  denotes an appropriate bounded function dependent on  $r$  but independent of  $n$ .

**Lemma 4** (Sheng [4]). For each non-negative integer  $n$ ,

$$\|c_n E_n^{(r)} + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}\|_1 = o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty,$$

holds if and only if  $|n|^r c_n \log |n| = o(1)$ ,  $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $\{c_n\}$  is a complex sequence.

**Lemma 5.** Let  $\{c_k\}$  be a sequence of complex numbers. Then for any  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $n \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq 0$

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{1}{n} \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k D_k^{(r)}(x) \right| dx \leq A_{pr} n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p},$$

where  $A_{pr}$  is a constant depending upon  $p$  and  $r$ .

This lemma is an extension of Lemma 2.3 of Bojanic and Stanojević [1].

*Proof.* We write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{n} \int_0^\pi \left| \sum_{k=0}^{2n-1} c_k D_k^{(r)}(x) \right| dx &= \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\pi/n} \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k D_k^{(r)}(x) \right| dx \\
 (3.2) \qquad \qquad \qquad &+ \frac{1}{n} \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k D_k^{(r)}(x) \right| dx \\
 &= I_1 + I_2, \quad \text{say.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|D_k^{(r)}\|_1 = O(k^{r+1})$ , for the first integral in (3.2), we have

$$I_1 = O(1) \left\{ n^{r-1} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k| \right\},$$

and now by Hölder’s inequality, we have

$$I_1 = O(1) \left\{ n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \right\}.$$

We now estimate  $I_2$

$$I_2 = \frac{1}{n} \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k D_k^{(r)}(x) \right| dx.$$

From Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k \left( \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \frac{(k+1/2)^\lambda \sin[(k+1/2)x + \lambda\pi/2]}{(\sin x/2)^{r+1-\lambda}} \Phi_\lambda \right) \right| dx \\
 &+ \frac{1}{n} \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k \frac{(k+1/2)^r \sin[(k+1/2)x + r\pi/2]}{2 \sin x/2} \right| dx \\
 &\leq \Phi_{2n-1}^{(1)}(x) + \Phi_{2n-1}^{(2)}(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi_{2n-1}^{(1)}(x) &= \sum_{\lambda=1}^r \Phi_{2n-1,\lambda}^{(1)}(x), \\
 \Phi_{2n-1,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k \frac{(k+1/2)^\lambda \sin[(k+1/2)x + \lambda\pi/2]}{(\sin x/2)^{r+1-\lambda}} \Phi_\lambda(x) \right| dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Phi_\lambda$  are bounded, it can be shown by Hölder’s inequality that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi_{2n-1,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) &= O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \left( \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \frac{dx}{(\sin x/2)^{(r+1-\lambda)p}} \right)^{1/p} \right. \\
 &\quad \cdot \left. \left( \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k (k+1/2)^\lambda [\sin(k+1/2)x + \lambda\pi/2] \right|^q dx \right)^{1/q} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\pi/n}^{\pi} \frac{dx}{(\sin x/2)^{(r+1-\lambda)p}} &\leq \pi^{(r+1-\lambda)p} \int_{\pi/n}^{\pi} \frac{dx}{x^{(r+1-\lambda)p}} \\ &\leq \frac{\pi}{(r+1-\lambda)p-1} n^{(r+1-\lambda)p-1}, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{2n-1,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) &\leq \left( \frac{\pi}{(r+1-\lambda)p-1} \right)^{1/p} n^{r-\lambda-1/p} \\ &\quad \cdot \left( \int_0^{\pi} \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k \left( k + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\lambda} \sin[(k+1/2)x + \lambda\pi/2] \right|^q dx \right)^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, by using Hausdorff-Young inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k (k+1/2)^{\lambda} \sin[(k+1/2)x + \lambda\pi/2] \right|^q dx \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq 2 \left( \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k (k+1/2)^{\lambda}|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq 2^{1+\lambda} n^{\lambda} \left( \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\Phi_{2n-1,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) \leq A_{pr}^{(0)} n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Therefore

$$\Phi_{2n-1}^{(1)}(x) \leq A_{pr}^{(1)} n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Similarly,

$$\Phi_{2n-1}^{(2)}(x) \leq A_{pr}^{(2)} n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Combining the above estimates, we get

$$I_1 + I_2 \leq A_{pr} n^r \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 5.

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $r$  be a non-negative integer and  $0 < \varepsilon < \pi$ . Then there exists  $A_{r\varepsilon} > 0$  such that for all  $\varepsilon \leq |t| \leq \pi$  and all  $n \geq 1$ ,*

$$|E_n^{(r)}(t)|, |E_{-n}^{(r)}(t)| \leq A_{r\varepsilon} n^r / |t|$$

and

$$|D_n^{(r)}(t)|, |\tilde{D}_n^{(r)}(t)| \leq 2A_{r\varepsilon} n^r / |t|.$$

*Proof.* The case  $r = 0$  is trivial. For  $r \geq 1$ , we have

$$-i^r E_n^{(r)}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n k^r e^{ikt} = \sum_{k=0}^n (\Delta k^r) E_k(t) + (n+1)^r E_n(t),$$

and so

$$|E_n^{(r)}(t)| \leq (A_{0\varepsilon}/|t|) \left\{ \left( \sum_{k=0}^n |\Delta k^r| \right) + (n+1)^r \right\} \leq A_{r\varepsilon} n^r / |t|$$

for some constant  $A_{r\varepsilon}$ . Since

$$E_{-n}^{(r)}(t) = (-1)^r E_n^{(r)}(-t),$$

we obtain  $|E_{-n}^{(r)}(t)| \leq A_{r\varepsilon} n^r / |t|$ . The other two inequalities follow from the equations (1.1) and (1.2).

#### 4. PROOFS OF THE THEOREMS

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Performing Abel's transformation on the  $r$ th derivative of the partial sums of a general trigonometric series, it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} s_n^{(r)}(c, t) &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta c_k D_k^{(r)}(t) + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta(c_{-k} - c_k) E_{-k}^{(r)}(t) \\ &\quad + c_n E_n^{(r)}(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t). \end{aligned}$$

By the use of Lemma 6 and Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta c_k D_k^{(r)}(t)| &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A_{r+1}}{|t|} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n k^r |\Delta c_k| \right) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A_{r+1}}{|t|} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} k^r |\Delta c_k| \right) \quad \text{for } n = 2^m - 1 \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A_{r+1}}{|t|} \sum_{j=1}^m 2^{j(1/q+r)} \left( \sum_{k \in I_j} |\Delta c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_{-k} - c_k)| |E_{-k}^{(r)}(t)| &\leq \frac{A_{r+1}}{|t|} \left\{ \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} k^r |\Delta(c_{-k} - c_k)| \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{A_{r+1}}{|t|} \left\{ \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} k^r \log k |\Delta(c_{-k} - c_k)| \right\} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_{r+1}$  is a suitable constant. Also  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{c_n E_n^{(r)}(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t)\} = 0$  for  $0 < |t| \leq \pi$ , as  $\{c_k\}$  is a null sequence. These imply that  $f^{(r)}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta c_k D_k^{(r)}(t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta(c_{-k} - c_k) E_{-k}^{(r)}(t)$  exists for  $0 < |t| \leq \pi$ , and thus the proof of (i) is completed.

Furthermore, from the above and (1.3), for  $t \neq 0$ , we have

$$f^{(r)}(t) - u_n^{(r)}(c, t) = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta c_k D_k^{(r)}(t) + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta(c_{-k} - c_k) E_{-k}^{(r)}(t).$$

This implies that

$$\|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c)\|_1 \leq \left\| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta c_k D_k^{(r)} \right\|_1 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_{-k} - c_k)| \|E_{-k}^{(r)}\|_1.$$

Lemma 1, Lemma 2 and Lemma 5 imply that

$$\begin{aligned} \|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c)\|_1 &\leq A_{pr} \sum_{m=j}^{\infty} 2^{m(1/q+r)} \left( \sum_{k \in I_m} |\Delta c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ &\quad + O \left( \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_{-k} - c_k)| k^r \log k \right) = o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

by the hypothesis of the theorem; here  $j = j(n)$  denotes the integer for which  $2^{j-1} \leq n < 2^j$ . Since  $u_n^{(r)}(c, t)$  is a polynomial, it follows that  $f^{(r)} \in L^1(T)$ , which proves assertion (ii).

We further notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \|f^{(r)} - s_n^{(r)}(f)\|_1 &= \|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c) + u_n^{(r)}(c) - s_n^{(r)}(f)\|_1 \\ &\leq \|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}\|_1 + \|u_n^{(r)}(c) - s_n^{(r)}(f)\|_1 \\ &= \|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c)\|_1 + \|\hat{f}(n)E_n^{(r)} + \hat{f}(-n)E_{-n}^{(r)}\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{f}(n)E_n^{(r)} + \hat{f}(-n)E_{-n}^{(r)}\|_1 &= \|u_n^{(r)}(c) - s_n^{(r)}(f)\|_1 \\ &\leq \|f^{(r)} - s_n^{(r)}(f)\|_1 + \|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c)\|_1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|f^{(r)} - u_n^{(r)}(c)\|_1 = o(1)$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , by (ii), and  $\|\hat{f}(n)E_n^{(r)} + \hat{f}(-n)E_{-n}^{(r)}\|_1 = o(1)$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , if and only if  $n^r \hat{f}(n) \log n = o(1)$ ,  $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ , by Lemma 4, then assertion (iii) follows.

*Proof of Theorem 2.* As before, an application of Abel's transformation yields

$$\begin{aligned} s_n^{(r)}(c, t) &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta c_k D_k^{(r)}(t) + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta(c_{-k} - c_k) E_{-k}^{(r)}(t) \\ &\quad + c_n E_n^{(r)}(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t). \end{aligned}$$

Then making use of (1.1) and (1.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} s_n^{(r)}(c, t) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta(c_k + c_{-k}) D_k^{(r)}(t) + i \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta(c_{-k} - c_k) \tilde{D}_k^{(r)}(t) \\ &\quad + c_n E_n^{(r)}(t) + c_{-n} E_{-n}^{(r)}(t). \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the arguments are similar to the proof of Theorem 1, and therefore we omit them.

*Proofs of Theorems 3 and 4.* We observe that under the assumptions of Theorems 1 and 2,  $\{c_k\} \in W_r$  and (2.1), respectively (2.2). Thus  $\sum_{|k|=n}^{\infty} |k|^r |\Delta c_k| \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), which together with  $c_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ ) implies that  $|n|^r c_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ ). Hence, by Remark of Section 1, Theorems 3 and 4 follow.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

1. A sequence  $\{c_k\}$  of complex numbers is said to belong to the class  $S_{p\alpha}^*$  of Sheng [4] if

$$(5.1) \quad \{c_k\} \in W_r,$$

(5.2) there exists a sequence  $\{A_k\}$  of positive numbers such that

$$A_k \searrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{\alpha} A_k < \infty \quad \text{for some } \alpha \geq 0$$

and

$$(5.3) \quad \frac{1}{n^{p(\alpha-r)+1}} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{|\Delta c_k|^p}{A_k^p} = O(1) \quad \text{for some } \alpha \geq 0, \quad 1 < p \leq 2.$$

Conditions (5.2) and (5.3) imply (2.1). In fact, by (5.3) and quasi-monotonicity of  $\{A_k\}$ ,

$$\left( \sum_{k \in I_m} |\Delta c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq K 2^{m/p} 2^{m(\alpha-r)} A_{2^{m-1}}$$

with an absolute constant  $K > 0$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{m(1/q+r)} \left( \sum_{k \in I_m} |\Delta c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} &\leq K \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{m/p+m/q} 2^{m\alpha} A_{2^{m-1}} \\ &= 2^{1+\alpha} K \sum_{m=8}^{\infty} 2^m 2^{m\alpha} A_{2^m} < \infty \quad \text{due to (5.2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore Theorem 1 implies the following:

**Theorem A** (Sheng [4]). *Let  $\{c_k\} \in S_{p\alpha}^*$ ,  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $r \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, [\alpha]\}$ . Then, for  $t \neq 0$*

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n^{(r)}(c, t) = f^{(r)}(t)$ ,
- (ii)  $f^{(r)}(t) \in L^1(T)$
- (iii)  $\|s_n^{(r)}(f) - f^{(r)}\|_1 = o(1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  if and only if  $|n|^r \hat{f}(n) \log |n| = o(1)$  as  $|n| \rightarrow \infty$ .

2. The following examples show that Theorems 1 and 2 are not comparable to one another.

**Example 1.** Let a null sequence  $\{c_k\}$  be defined by  $\Delta c_k = 1/2^{mr} m^3$  for  $k = 2^m$ ,  $\Delta c_k = -1/2^{mr} m^3$  for  $k = -2^m$  with  $m \geq 0$ , and let  $\Delta c_k = 0$  otherwise. Then,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_k - c_{-k})| k^r \log k < \infty$  and (2.2) is satisfied, but condition (2.1) is not satisfied. Thus, only Theorem 2 applies in this case.

**Example 2.** Let a null sequence  $\{c_k\}$  be defined by  $\Delta c_k = 1/k^{r+2}$  for  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\Delta c_k = 1/2^{mr}m^3$  for  $k = -2^m$  with  $m \geq 0$  and  $\Delta c_k = 0$  otherwise. Then,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta(c_k - c_{-k})|k^r \log k < \infty$  and (2.1) is satisfied, but condition (2.2) is not satisfied. Thus, only Theorem 1 applies in this case.

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