

WALSH FUNCTIONS AND GENERALIZED ALMOST CONVERGENCE

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1. Introduction

The Rademacher functions are defined by

$$h_0(x) = 1 \left(0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad h_0(x) = -1 \left(\frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1 \right),$$

$$h_0(x+1) = h_0(x), \quad h_n(x) = h_0(2^n x), \quad (n=1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

The Walsh functions are then given by

$$\phi_0(x) = 1, \quad \phi_n(x) = h_1(x), \quad h_2(x), \quad \dots, \quad h_{n_i}(x)$$

for $n = 2^{n_1} + 2^{n_2} + \dots + 2^{n_r}$, where the integers n_i are uniquely determined by $n_{i+1} < n_i$.

Let $f(x)$ be an integrable function in the sense of Lebesgue in $[0, 1]$ and be periodic with period 1. Let the Walsh-Fourier series of $f(x)$ be $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \phi_n(x)$, where

$$(1.1) \quad a_n = \int_0^1 f(x) \phi_n(x) dx.$$

We shall now enumerate important properties and results concerning Walsh-Functions which have been obtained by Fine [1] and which have played a significant role in the theory of Walsh-Fourier series.

For each fixed x and for almost all t , the equation

$$(1.2) \quad \phi_n(x+1) = \phi_n(x) \phi_n(t) \text{ holds,}$$

for each fixed x .

$$(1.3) \quad \int_0^1 f(x+t) dt = \int_0^1 f(t) dt$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad \int_0^1 f(t) \phi_n(x+t) dt = \int_0^1 f(x+t) \phi_n(t) dt.$$

Let

$$J_k(y) = \int_0^y \phi_k(t) dt, \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$J_k^*(y) = k J_k(y).$$

For $k \geq 1$, we write $k = 2^n + k^1$, where

$0 \leq k^1 < 2^n$, $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$, we have also

$$(1.5) \quad J_k(y) = 2^{-(n+2)} \left\{ \phi_k^1(y) - \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} 2^{-r} \phi_{2^r n + k}^+(y) \right\}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$(1.6) \quad 2^{n+2} J_k(y) = 0, \text{ for } y=0, 1,$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad |J_k^*(y)| \leq M \text{ for all } y \text{ and } k.$$

Let $B_k(x)$ denote the sequence $\{ka_k \phi_k(x)\}$, where a_k is Walsh-Fourier coefficient of a function of bounded variation.

The matrix $A=(a_{nk})$ is said to be $(c, F_{\mathcal{B}})_{\text{reg}}$ (see [3]) if and only if

(i) $N(A) < \infty$ and there exists a whole number $r \geq 0$ such that

$$\sup_k \sum_n |\sum_n b_{mn}(i) a_{nk}| < \infty, \quad 0 \leq i < \infty, \quad r \leq m < \infty.$$

(ii) $\lim_m \sum_n b_{mn}(i) a_{nk} = 0$ for each k , uniform in i ,

(iii) $\lim_m \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} = 1$ uniform in i .

2. We shall prove the following theorem

THEOREM. *If $A \in (c, F_{\mathcal{B}})_{\text{reg}}$, then for every $f \in BV[0, 1]$ and for every $x \in [0, 1]$*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} B_k(x) = 0$$

uniformly in i , if and only if

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} J_k^*(t) = 0$$

uniformly in i for every $t \in [\delta, 1]$, $\delta > 0$.

PROOF OF THEOREM. We have by virtue of (1.2) and (1.4)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_k b_{mn}(i) \sum_n a_{nk} B_k(x) \\ &= \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} (ka_k \phi_k(x)) \\ &= \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} \left(k \int_0^1 f(t) \phi_k(t) \phi_k(x) dt \right) \\ & \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} \left(k \int_0^1 f(t) \phi_k(x+t) dt \right) \\ &= \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} \left(k \int_0^1 f(t+x) \phi_k(t) dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} [f(x+t)J_k(t)]_0^1 - \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} \int_0^1 df(x+t)J_k^*(t) \\
&= J_1 - J_2, \text{ say.}
\end{aligned}$$

By virtue of condition (ii) of Theorem S [3], $J_1 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ uniformly in i .

Now, it is sufficient to show that

$$(2.1) \quad J_2 = \int_0^1 df(x+t)K_{n,i}(t) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly in i , where

$$K_{n,i}(t) = \sum_n b_{mn}(i) \sum_k a_{nk} J_k^*(t).$$

Now by virtue of condition (i) of Theorem S [3] we have

$$(2.2) \quad |K_{n,i}(t)| \leq M, \quad i=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

It is easy to show that (2.1) is equivalent to

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{\delta}^1 K_{n,i}(t) df(x+t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

uniformly in i .

Hence by a theorem on the weak convergence of sequences in the Banach space of all continuous function [4, p.134] and the fact that $|K_{n,i}(t)| \leq M$ for all n, i and $t \in [\delta, 1]$, $\delta > 0$. Now, this completes the proof of theorem.

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REMARK. If we choose the matrix $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_0 = (I)$, our theorem reduced to Theorem 1 and for $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_1$ it will become Theorem 2 of A. H. Siddiqi [2].

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