

APPROXIMATION OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS
ON HEXAGONAL DOMAINS

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Abstract. Some approximation properties of hexagonal Fourier series are investigated. The order of approximation by Nörlund means of hexagonal Fourier series is estimated in terms of modulus of continuity.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $C_{2\pi}$ be the Banach space of 2π -periodic continuous functions on the real line, equipped with the norm

$$\|f\|_{C_{2\pi}} := \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 2\pi} |f(x)|.$$

The modulus of continuity of a function $f \in C_{2\pi}$ is defined by

$$\omega(f, \delta) := \sup_{0 < |h| \leq \delta} \|f - T_h(f)\|_{C_{2\pi}}, \quad (\delta > 0),$$

where $T_h(f)(x) := f(x+h)$. For $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, we denote by $H_{2\pi}^\alpha$ the Hölder class of functions $f \in C_{2\pi}$ such that $\omega(f, \delta) \ll \delta^\alpha$, where $A \ll B$ means that there exists a constant $K > 0$ such that $A \leq KB$ holds.

Approximation of functions belonging the space $C_{2\pi}$ by trigonometric polynomials is one of the most important topics in approximation theory and it has a very rich history. Especially, the order of approximation of functions in $H_{2\pi}^\alpha$ classes was studied by several mathematicians. Linear summation methods of Fourier series are mostly used tools in these studies.

Let $f \in C_{2\pi}$ has the Fourier series

$$(1) \quad f(x) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_k e^{ikx},$$

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with partial sums

$$S_n(f)(x) := \sum_{k=-n}^n \widehat{f}_k e^{ikx}, \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots).$$

We denote by $(\sigma_n(f))$ the sequence of Fejér means of (1), *i.e.*,

$$\sigma_n(f)(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n S_k(f)(x).$$

In 1912, S.N. Bernstein obtained the following estimate for the approximation order by Fejér means.

THEOREM A. [2]. *Let $f \in H_{2\pi}^\alpha$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$). Then the estimate*

$$(2) \quad \|f - \sigma_n(f)\|_{C_{2\pi}} \ll \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n^\alpha}, & \alpha < 1 \\ \frac{\log n}{n}, & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$

holds for $n \geq 2$.

S.B. Stechkin extended Bernstein's result as follows.

THEOREM B. [14]. *Let $f \in C_{2\pi}$. Then the estimate*

$$(3) \quad \|f - \sigma_n(f)\|_{C_{2\pi}} \ll \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \omega(f, \frac{1}{k+1})$$

holds for every natural number n .

Let $p = (p_n)_{n=0}^\infty$ be a sequence of positive real numbers and let $P_n = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k$. Nörlund means of the series (1) with respect to the sequence p are defined by

$$N_n(p; f)(x) = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} S_k(f)(x).$$

It is known that Nörlund summability method is regular if and only if $p_n/P_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ [8, p. 64]. It is clear that $N_n(p; f)$ coincides with $\sigma_n(f)$ in the special case $p_n = 1$ ($n = 0, 1, \dots$).

In 1976, A.S.B. Holland, B. Sahney and J. Tzimbalario obtained a more general result than Theorem B.

THEOREM C. [9]. *Let $p = (p_n)_{n=0}^\infty$ be a sequence of positive real numbers such that $np_n \ll P_n$. Then for every $f \in C_{2\pi}$, the inequality*

$$(4) \quad \|f - N_n(p; f)\|_{C_{2\pi}} \ll \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega(f, \frac{1}{k})$$

holds.

It is clear that in the case $p_n = 1$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) (4) reduces to (3). Theorem C also extends a result of B. Sahney and D.S. Goel [13] which states that

$$(5) \quad \|f - N_n(p; f)\|_{C_{2\pi}} \ll \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{P_k}{k^{1+\alpha}}$$

for $f \in H_{2\pi}^\alpha$, where (p_n) is a non-increasing sequence of positive real numbers.

These theorems can be found in the survey [10]. Also, we refer to the monographs [1], [3], [4], [16] and [18] for more information and results about trigonometric approximation theory.

Approximation problems on cubes of the d -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^d are studied by assuming that the functions are 2π -periodic in each of their variables (see, for example [16, Sections 5.3 and 6.3] and [18, vol. II, ch. XVII]). But, in the case of non-tensor product domain, for example for hexagonal domains in the Euclidean plane \mathbb{R}^2 , another definition of periodicity is needed. For such domains the most useful periodicity is the periodicity with respect to the lattices.

Let A be a non-singular $d \times d$ matrix. The discrete subgroup $A\mathbb{Z}^d = \{Ak : k \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}$ of the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^d is called the lattice generated by A , and the matrix A is called the generator matrix of this lattice. The lattice $A^{-tr}\mathbb{Z}^d$, where A^{-tr} is the transpose of the inverse matrix A^{-1} , is called the dual lattice of $A\mathbb{Z}^d$. A bounded set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is said to tile \mathbb{R}^d with the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$ if

$$\sum_{\alpha \in A\mathbb{Z}^d} \chi_\Omega(x + \alpha) = 1$$

holds almost everywhere, that is, for almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ there exists exactly one $\alpha \in A\mathbb{Z}^d$ such that $x + \alpha \in \Omega$. In this case the set Ω is called a spectral set for the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$. One suppose that the spectral set Ω contains 0 as an interior point and tiles \mathbb{R}^d with the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$ without overlapping and without gap, *i.e.*,

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \chi_\Omega(x + Ak) = 1$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\Omega + Ak$ and $\Omega + Aj$ are disjoint if $k \neq j$. For example we can take $\Omega = [-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^d$ for the standard lattice \mathbb{Z}^d (the lattice generated by the identity matrix).

Let Ω be the spectral set of the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$. $L^2(\Omega)$ becomes a Hilbert space with respect to the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_\Omega := \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_\Omega f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx,$$

where $|\Omega|$ is the d -dimensional Lebesgue measure of Ω . A theorem of Fuglede states that the set $\{e^{2\pi i \langle \alpha, x \rangle} : \alpha \in A^{-tr}\mathbb{Z}^d\}$ is an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space $L^2(\Omega)$, where $\langle \alpha, x \rangle$ is the usual Euclidean inner product of α and x [5]. According to this theorem, Fourier series and approximation on the spectral set of the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$ can be studied by using the exponentials $e^{2\pi i \langle \alpha, x \rangle}$ ($\alpha \in A^{-tr}\mathbb{Z}^d$).

A function f is said to be periodic with respect to the lattice $A\mathbb{Z}^d$ if

$$f(x + Ak) = f(x)$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}^d$.

If we consider the standard lattice \mathbb{Z}^d and its spectral set $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^d$, Fourier series with respect to this lattice coincide with usual multiple Fourier series of functions of d -variables.

We refer to [11] for more detailed information about Fourier analysis on lattices.

2. HEXAGONAL FOURIER SERIES

In the Euclidean plane \mathbb{R}^2 , besides the standard lattice \mathbb{Z}^2 and the rectangular domain $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^2$, the simplest lattice is the hexagon lattice and the simplest spectral set is the regular hexagon.

The generator matrix and the spectral set of the hexagonal lattice $H\mathbb{Z}^2$ are given by

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\Omega_H = \left\{ (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : -1 \leq x_2, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x_1 \pm \frac{1}{2}x_2 < 1 \right\}.$$

It is more convenient to use the homogeneous coordinates (t_1, t_2, t_3) that satisfy $t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 0$. If we define

$$(6) \quad t_1 := -\frac{x_2}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}x_1}{2}, \quad t_2 := x_2, \quad t_3 := -\frac{x_2}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}x_1}{2},$$

the hexagon Ω_H becomes

$$\Omega = \left\{ (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : -1 \leq t_1, t_2, -t_3 < 1, t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 0 \right\}.$$

We use bold letters \mathbf{t} for homogeneous coordinates and we denote by \mathbb{R}_H^3 the plane $t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 0$, that is

$$\mathbb{R}_H^3 = \left\{ \mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 0 \right\}.$$

Also we use the notation \mathbb{Z}_H^3 for the set of points in \mathbb{R}_H^3 with integer components, that is $\mathbb{Z}_H^3 = \mathbb{Z}^3 \cap \mathbb{R}_H^3$.

It follows from (6) that the Jacobian determinant of the change of variables $x = (x_1, x_2) \rightarrow \mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, t_3)$ is $dx_1 dx_2 = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} dt_1 dt_2$.

In the homogeneous coordinates, the inner product on $L^2(\Omega)$ becomes

$$\langle f, g \rangle_H = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t}) \overline{g(\mathbf{t})} d\mathbf{t},$$

where $|\Omega|$ denotes the area of Ω , and the orthonormal basis of $L^2(\Omega)$ becomes

$$\left\{ \phi_{\mathbf{j}}(\mathbf{t}) = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3} \langle \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{t} \rangle} : \mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}_H^3, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}_H^3 \right\}.$$

Also, a function f is periodic with respect to the hexagonal lattice (or H -periodic) if and only if $f(\mathbf{t}) = f(\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{s})$ whenever $\mathbf{s} \equiv \mathbf{0} \pmod{3}$, where $\mathbf{t} \equiv \mathbf{s} \pmod{3}$ defined as

$$t_1 - s_1 \equiv t_2 - s_2 \equiv t_3 - s_3 \pmod{3}.$$

It is clear that the functions $\phi_{\mathbf{j}}(\mathbf{t})$ are H -periodic. If the function f is H -periodic then

$$\int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{t} = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t}) d\mathbf{t}, \quad (\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}_H^3).$$

For every natural number n , we define a subset of \mathbb{Z}_H^3 by

$$\mathbb{H}_n := \left\{ \mathbf{j} = (j_1, j_2, j_3) \in \mathbb{Z}_H^3 : -n \leq j_1, j_2, j_3 \leq n \right\}.$$

Note that, \mathbb{H}_n consists of all points with integer components inside the hexagon $n\bar{\Omega}$. Members of the set

$$\mathcal{H}_n := \text{span} \{ \phi_{\mathbf{j}} : \mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{H}_n \}, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

are called hexagonal trigonometric polynomials. It is clear that the dimension of \mathcal{H}_n is $\#\mathbb{H}_n = 3n^2 + 3n + 1$.

The hexagonal Fourier series of an H -periodic function $f \in L^1(\Omega)$ is

$$(7) \quad f(\mathbf{t}) \sim \sum_{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}_H^3} \widehat{f}_{\mathbf{j}} \phi_{\mathbf{j}}(\mathbf{t}),$$

where

$$\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{j}} = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t}) e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{3} \langle \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{t} \rangle} d\mathbf{t}, \quad (\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}_H^3).$$

The n th partial sum of the series (7) is defined by

$$S_n(f)(\mathbf{t}) := \sum_{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{H}_n} \widehat{f}_{\mathbf{j}} \phi_{\mathbf{j}}(\mathbf{t}), \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

The partial sums have the integral representation

$$(8) \quad S_n(f)(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{s}) D_n(\mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s},$$

where

$$D_n(\mathbf{t}) := \sum_{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{H}_n} \phi_{\mathbf{j}}(\mathbf{t})$$

is the Dirichlet kernel of order n .

It is known that ([15], [11]) the Dirichlet kernel can be expressed as

$$(9) \quad D_n(\mathbf{t}) = \Theta_n(\mathbf{t}) - \Theta_{n-1}(\mathbf{t}), \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

where

$$(10) \quad \Theta_n(\mathbf{t}) := \frac{\sin \frac{(n+1)(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(n+1)(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(n+1)(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}}{\sin \frac{(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}}$$

for $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \mathbb{R}_H^3$.

More general information about hexagonal Fourier series can be found in [11] and [17].

3. MAIN RESULT

We denote by $C_H(\overline{\Omega})$ the set of complex valued H -periodic continuous functions defined on \mathbb{R}_H^3 . $C_H(\overline{\Omega})$ becomes a Banach space with respect to the uniform norm

$$\|f\|_{C_H(\overline{\Omega})} = \sup \left\{ |f(\mathbf{t})| : \mathbf{t} \in \overline{\Omega} \right\}.$$

The modulus of continuity of the function $f \in C_H(\overline{\Omega})$ is defined by

$$\omega_H(f, \delta) := \sup_{0 < \|\mathbf{h}\| \leq \delta} \|f - T_{\mathbf{h}}(f)\|_{C_H(\overline{\Omega})},$$

where $T_{\mathbf{h}}(f)(\mathbf{t}) = f(\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{h})$ and

$$\|\mathbf{h}\| := \max \{|h_1|, |h_2|, |h_3|\}$$

for $\mathbf{h} = (h_1, h_2, h_3) \in \mathbb{R}_H^3$. It is known that [17] the modulus of continuity is a non-decreasing function and satisfies

$$(11) \quad \omega_H(f, \lambda\delta) \leq (1 + \lambda) \omega_H(f, \delta)$$

for $\lambda > 0$.

For $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, we define the Hölder class $H^\alpha(\overline{\Omega})$ of H -periodic continuous functions as

$$H^\alpha(\overline{\Omega}) := \left\{ f \in C_H(\overline{\Omega}) : \omega_H(f, \delta) \ll \delta^\alpha, \delta > 0 \right\}.$$

The Fejér means of the series (7) are defined by

$$\sigma_n(f)(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n S_k(f)(\mathbf{t}).$$

The following analogue of Theorem A for hexagonal Fourier series was proved in [6].

THEOREM D. *Let $f \in H^\alpha(\overline{\Omega})$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$). Then the estimate*

$$(12) \quad \|f - \sigma_n(f)\|_{C_H(\overline{\Omega})} \ll \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n^\alpha}, & \alpha < 1 \\ \frac{(\log n)^2}{n}, & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$

holds for $n \geq 2$.

Let $p = (p_n)_{n=0}^\infty$ be a sequence of positive real numbers and $(N_n(p; f))$ be the sequence of Nörlund means of the series (7) with respect to the sequence p , that is

$$(13) \quad N_n(p; f)(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} S_k(f)(\mathbf{t}), \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

By considering (8), we get

$$(14) \quad N_n(p; f)(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{s}) F_n(p; \mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s},$$

where

$$F_n(p; \mathbf{t}) := \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n-k} D_k(\mathbf{t}).$$

The aim of this work is to prove an analogue of Theorem C for hexagonal Fourier series. The main result is the following.

THEOREM 1. *Let $p = (p_n)$ be a non-increasing sequence of positive real numbers. Then the estimate*

$$(15) \quad \|f - N_n(p; f)\|_{C_H(\overline{\Omega})} \ll \frac{1}{P_n} \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right)$$

holds for every $f \in C_H(\overline{\Omega})$ and for every natural number n .

Proof. By (14), definition of $\omega_H(f, \cdot)$, (13) and (10) we have

$$(16) \quad |f(\mathbf{t}) - N_n(p; f)(\mathbf{t})| \ll \frac{1}{P_n} \int_{\Omega} \omega_H(f, \|\mathbf{s}\|) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} (\Theta_k(\mathbf{s}) - \Theta_{k-1}(\mathbf{s})) \right| d\mathbf{s}.$$

Since the function

$$\mathbf{t} \rightarrow \omega_H(f, \|\mathbf{t}\|) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} (\Theta_k(\mathbf{t}) - \Theta_{k-1}(\mathbf{t})) \right|$$

is symmetric with respect to variables t_1, t_2 and t_3 , where $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \Omega$, it is sufficient to estimate the integral

$$I_n := \int_{\Delta} \omega_H(f, \|\mathbf{t}\|) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} (\Theta_k(\mathbf{t}) - \Theta_{k-1}(\mathbf{t})) \right| dt,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &:= \left\{ \mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, t_3) \in \mathbb{R}_H^3 : 0 \leq t_1, t_2, -t_3 \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= \{(t_1, t_2) : t_1 \geq 0, t_2 \geq 0, t_1 + t_2 \leq 1\}, \end{aligned}$$

which is one of the six equilateral triangles in $\overline{\Omega}$. By considering the formula

(10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= \int_{\Delta} \omega_H(f, \|\mathbf{t}\|) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} (\Theta_k(\mathbf{t}) - \Theta_{k-1}(\mathbf{t})) \right| d\mathbf{t} \\ &= \int_{\Delta} \omega_H(f, t_1 + t_2) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \left(\frac{\sin \frac{(k+1)(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(k+1)(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(k+1)(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}}{\sin \frac{(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{\sin \frac{k(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{k(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{k(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}}{\sin \frac{(t_1-t_2)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_2-t_3)\pi}{3} \sin \frac{(t_3-t_1)\pi}{3}} \right) \right| d\mathbf{t}. \end{aligned}$$

If we use the change of variables

$$s_1 := \frac{t_1-t_3}{3} = \frac{2t_1+t_2}{3}, \quad s_2 := \frac{t_2-t_3}{3} = \frac{t_1+2t_2}{3}$$

as in [17], we get

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= 3 \int_{\tilde{\Delta}} \omega_H(f, s_1 + s_2) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \left(\frac{\sin((k+1)(s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin((k+1)s_2\pi) \sin((k+1)(-s_1)\pi)}{\sin((s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(s_2\pi) \sin(-s_1\pi)} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{\sin(k(s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(ks_2\pi) \sin(k(-s_1)\pi)}{\sin((s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(s_2\pi) \sin(-s_1\pi)} \right) \right| ds_1 ds_2, \end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{\Delta}$ is the image of Δ in the plane, that is

$$\tilde{\Delta} := \{(s_1, s_2) : 0 \leq s_1 \leq 2s_2, 0 \leq s_2 \leq 2s_1, s_1 + s_2 \leq 1\}.$$

Since the integrated function is symmetric with respect to s_1 and s_2 , we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= 6 \int_{\Delta^*} (s_1 + s_2)^\alpha \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \left(\frac{\sin((k+1)(s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin((k+1)s_2\pi) \sin((k+1)(-s_1)\pi)}{\sin((s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(s_2\pi) \sin(-s_1\pi)} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{\sin(k(s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(ks_2\pi) \sin(k(-s_1)\pi)}{\sin((s_1-s_2)\pi) \sin(s_2\pi) \sin(-s_1\pi)} \right) \right| ds_1 ds_2, \end{aligned}$$

where Δ^* is the half of $\tilde{\Delta}$:

$$\Delta^* := \{(s_1, s_2) \in \tilde{\Delta} : s_1 \leq s_2\} = \{(s_1, s_2) : s_1 \leq s_2 \leq 2s_1, s_1 + s_2 \leq 1\}.$$

The change of variables

$$s_1 := \frac{u_1-u_2}{2}, \quad s_2 := \frac{u_1+u_2}{2}$$

transforms the triangle Δ^* to the triangle

$$\Gamma := \{(u_1, u_2) : 0 \leq u_2 \leq \frac{u_1}{3}, 0 \leq u_1 \leq 1\},$$

hence we have

$$I_n = 3 \int_{\Gamma} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| p_n + \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2,$$

where

$$D_k^*(u_1, u_2) := \frac{\sin((k+1)u_2\pi) \sin\left((k+1)\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left((k+1)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)} \\ - \frac{\sin(ku_2\pi) \sin\left(k\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(k\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}.$$

By elementary trigonometric identities, we obtain

$$(17) \quad D_k^*(u_1, u_2) = D_{k,1}^*(u_1, u_2) + D_{k,2}^*(u_1, u_2) + D_{k,3}^*(u_1, u_2),$$

where

$$D_{k,1}^*(u_1, u_2) := 2 \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)u_2\pi\right) \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}u_2\pi\right) \sin\left((k+1)\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left((k+1)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)},$$

$$D_{k,2}^*(u_1, u_2) := 2 \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \frac{\sin(ku_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left((k+1)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)},$$

and

$$D_{k,3}^*(u_1, u_2) := 2 \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right) \frac{\sin(ku_2\pi) \sin\left(k\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}.$$

Since

$$\sin 2x + \sin 2y + \sin 2z = -4 \sin x \sin y \sin z$$

for $x + y + z = 0$, we also get the expression

$$(18) \quad D_k^*(u_1, u_2) = H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2) + H_{k,2}(u_1, u_2) + H_{k,3}(u_1, u_2),$$

where

$$H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2) := \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos((2k+1)u_2\pi)}{\sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)},$$

$$H_{k,2}(u_1, u_2) := -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos\left((2k+1)\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)},$$

$$H_{k,3}(u_1, u_2) := \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos\left((2k+1)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right)}{\sin(u_2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right)}.$$

By considering the fact $(n+1)p_n \ll P_n$ and by (11) we get

$$\int_{\Gamma} p_n \omega_H(f, u_1) du_1 du_2 \leq p_n \omega_H(f, 1) \ll \frac{P_n}{n} \omega_H(f, 1) \\ = \frac{P_n}{n} \omega_H\left(f, n\frac{1}{n}\right) \ll \frac{P_n}{n} n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n} P_n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right),$$

since the sequence (P_n/n) non-increasing and $\omega_H(f, \cdot)$ is non-decreasing. Hence,

$$(19) \quad I_n \ll I_n^* + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right),$$

where

$$I_n^* := \int_{\Gamma} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2.$$

If we partition the triangle Γ as $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_1 &:= \left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma : u_1 \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \right\}, \\ \Gamma_2 &:= \left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma : u_1 \geq \frac{1}{n+1}, u_2 \leq \frac{1}{3(n+1)} \right\}, \\ \Gamma_3 &:= \left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma : u_1 \geq \frac{1}{n+1}, u_2 \geq \frac{1}{3(n+1)} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$I_n^* = I_{n,1}^* + I_{n,2}^* + I_{n,3}^*,$$

where

$$I_{n,j}^* := \int_{\Gamma_j} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2, \quad (j = 1, 2, 3).$$

We shall need the well known inequalities

$$(20) \quad \left| \frac{\sin nt}{\sin t} \right| \leq n, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

and

$$(21) \quad \sin t \geq \frac{2}{\pi} t, \quad (0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2})$$

to estimate integrals $I_{n,1}^*$, $I_{n,2}^*$ and $I_{n,3}^*$.

By (17) and (20) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I_{n,1}^* &= \int_{\Gamma_1} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \\ &\leq \int_{\Gamma_1} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n (k+1)^2 p_{n-k} \right) du_1 du_2 \\ &\leq (n+1)^2 P_n \int_{\Gamma_1} \omega_H(f, u_1) du_1 du_2 \\ &= (n+1)^2 P_n \int_0^{1/(3(n+1))} \int_{3u_2}^{1/(n+1)} \omega_H(f, u_1) du_1 du_2 \\ &\leq (n+1)^2 P_n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \int_0^{1/(3(n+1))} \int_{3u_2}^{1/(n+1)} du_1 du_2 \\ &\leq P_n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n} P_n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since the sequence (P_n/n) is non-increasing we get

$$(22) \quad I_{n,1}^* \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}).$$

We write the rectangle Γ_2 as $\Gamma_2 = \Gamma_2' \cup \Gamma_2''$, where

$$\Gamma_2' := \left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma_2 : u_2 \leq \frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n} \right\}$$

and

$$\Gamma_2'' := \left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma_2 : u_2 \geq \frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n} \right\}$$

to estimate $I_{n,2}^*$.

By (21) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Gamma_2'} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_{k,1}^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \leq \\ & \leq \int_0^{\frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n}} \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \omega_H(f, u_1) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \left| D_{k,1}^*(u_1, u_2) \right| \right) du_1 du_2 \\ & \ll P_n \int_0^{\frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n}} \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1^2} du_1 du_2 = \frac{p_n}{3(n+1)} \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1^2} du_1 \\ & = \frac{p_n}{3(n+1)} \int_1^{n+1} \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{t}) dt = \frac{p_n}{3(n+1)} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\int_k^{k+1} \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{t}) dt \right) \\ & \leq \frac{p_n}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}). \end{aligned}$$

For $j = 2, 3$, by (20) and (21),

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Gamma_2'} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_{k,j}^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \leq \\ & \leq \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_0^{\frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n}} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \left| D_{k,j}^*(u_1, u_2) \right| \right) du_2 du_1 \\ & \ll \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_0^{\frac{p_n}{3(n+1)P_n}} \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n k p_{n-k} \right) du_2 du_1 \leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq nP_n \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_0^{\frac{pn}{3(n+1)P_n}} \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} du_2 du_1 \leq p_n \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} du_1 \\
&= p_n \int_1^{n+1} \frac{\omega_H(f, 1/t)}{t} dt = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\int_k^{k+1} \frac{\omega_H(f, 1/t)}{t} dt \right) \\
&\leq p_n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} p_n \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we get

$$(23) \quad \int_{\Gamma'_2} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \ll \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}).$$

To estimate the integrals $I_{n,3}^*$ and

$$\int_{\Gamma''_2} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2$$

we shall use the expression (18) of $D_k^*(u_1, u_2)$.

Lemma 5. 11 of [12] yields

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \cos((2k+1)u_2\pi) \right| \ll P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right)$$

and

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \cos\left((2k+1)\frac{u_1-u_2}{2}\pi\right) \right| \ll P\left(\frac{1}{(u_1-u_2)\pi}\right)$$

for $(u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma''_2 \cup \Gamma_3$, where $P(t) := P_{[t]}$. By Lemmas 5. 11 and 5. 10 of [12], the fact

$$\sin \frac{u_1\pi}{2} \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sin\left(\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right),$$

and (21), we get

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} \cos\left((2k+1)\frac{u_1+u_2}{2}\pi\right) \right| \ll P\left(\frac{1}{u_1\pi}\right)$$

for $(u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma''_2 \cup \Gamma_3$. Hence by considering these inequalities and (21) we obtain

$$(24) \quad \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2) \right| \ll \frac{1}{u_1^2} P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right)$$

and

$$(25) \quad \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,j}(u_1, u_2) \right| \ll \frac{1}{u_1 u_2} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) \quad (j = 2, 3)$$

for $(u_1, u_2) \in \Gamma_2'' \cup \Gamma_3$.

By (21) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Gamma_2''} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \leq \\
& \leq \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)P_n}}^{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} |H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2)| \right) du_2 du_1 \\
& \leq P_n \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)P_n}}^{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}} \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1^2} du_2 du_1 \leq \frac{P_n}{n+1} \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1^2} du_1 \\
& = \frac{P_n}{n+1} \int_1^{n+1} \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{t}) dt \leq \frac{P_n}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}) \\
& \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k}).
\end{aligned}$$

For $j = 2, 3$ by (25) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Gamma_2''} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,j}(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \ll \\
& \ll \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)P_n}}^{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}} \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1 u_2} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) du_2 du_1 \\
& = \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) du_1 \\
& = \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \int_{\frac{3}{2\pi}}^{\frac{3}{2\pi}(n+1)} \omega_H\left(f, \frac{3}{2\pi t}\right) \frac{P(t)}{t} dt \\
& = \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\int_{\frac{3}{2\pi}k}^{\frac{3}{2\pi}(k+1)} \omega_H\left(f, \frac{3}{2\pi t}\right) \frac{P(t)}{t} dt \right) \leq
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\omega_H(f, \frac{1}{k})}{k} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi}(k+1)\right) \\ &\ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, (23) and this inequality give

$$\int_{\Gamma_2''} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} D_k^*(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right),$$

and hence

$$(26) \quad I_{n,2}^* \ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{P_k \omega_H(f, 1/k)}{k}.$$

By (24) and by the inequality

$$\frac{\omega_H(f, \delta_2)}{\delta_2} \leq 2 \frac{\omega_H(f, \delta_1)}{\delta_1} \quad (\delta_1 < \delta_2)$$

which is easily obtained from (11),

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\Gamma_3} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,1}(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \ll \\ &\ll \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \int_{3u_2}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1^2} P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right) du_1 du_2 \\ &\ll \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \int_{3u_2}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, 3u_2)}{u_1 u_2} P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right) du_1 du_2 \\ &= \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\omega_H(f, 3u_2)}{u_2} P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right) \log\left(\frac{1}{3u_2}\right) du_2 \\ &\leq \log(n+1) \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}}^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\omega_H(f, 3u_2)}{u_2} P\left(\frac{1}{2\pi u_2}\right) du_2 \\ &= \log(n+1) \int_{\frac{3}{2\pi}}^{\frac{3}{2\pi}(n+1)} \omega_H\left(f, \frac{3}{2\pi t}\right) \frac{P(t)}{t} dt \\ &\ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right). \end{aligned}$$

By (25), for $j = 2, 3$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Gamma_3} \omega_H(f, u_1) \left| \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n-k} H_{k,j}(u_1, u_2) \right| du_1 du_2 \leq \\
& \leq \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \int_{\frac{1}{3(n+1)}}^{\frac{u_1}{3}} \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1 u_2} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) du_2 du_1 \\
& = \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) \log((n+1)u_1) du_1 \\
& \leq \log(n+1) \int_{\frac{1}{n+1}}^1 \frac{\omega_H(f, u_1)}{u_1} P\left(\frac{3}{2\pi u_1}\right) du_1 \\
& \ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(27) \quad I_{n,3}^* \ll \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} P_k \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right).$$

Combining (16), (19), (22), (26) and (27) give (15). \square

4. CONCLUSIONS

CONCLUSION 1. For $f \in H^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$), Theorem 1 yields the following analogue of (5):

$$\|f - N_n(p; f)\|_{C_H(\bar{\Omega})} \ll \frac{1}{P_n} \log\left(\frac{P_n}{p_n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{P_k}{k^{1+\alpha}}.$$

Note that this estimate was obtained directly in [7].

CONCLUSION 2. In the case $p_n = 1$, ($n = 0, 1, \dots$), (15) reduces to

$$\|f - \sigma_n(f)\|_{C_H(\bar{\Omega})} \ll \frac{\log n}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_H\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right),$$

which is the analogue of (3) for hexagonal Fourier series.

CONCLUSION 3. In the case $p_n = 1$, ($n = 0, 1, \dots$) and $f \in H^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$), (15) gives

$$\|f - \sigma_n(f)\|_{C_H(\bar{\Omega})} \ll \begin{cases} \frac{\log n}{n^\alpha}, & 0 < \alpha < 1 \\ \frac{(\log n)^2}{n}, & \alpha = 1. \end{cases}$$

This estimate yields the same approximation order with (12) in the case $\alpha = 1$.

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