

ON THE BEHAVIOR NEAR THE ORIGIN OF A SINE SERIES WITH COEFFICIENTS OF MONOTONE TYPE

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we have obtained some asymptotic equalities of the sum function of a trigonometric sine series expressed in terms of its special type of coefficients.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let us consider the sine series

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m \sin mx$$

with coefficients tending to zero and such that the sequence $\{a_m\}$ satisfies condition $\Delta a_m = a_m - a_{m+1} \geq 0$ or $\Delta^2 a_m = \Delta a_m - \Delta a_{m+1} \geq 0$ for all m . It is a well-known fact that under such conditions the series (1.1) converges for all x (see [12], page 95). We denote by $g(x)$ its sum.

As usually we write $g(u) \sim h(u)$, $u \rightarrow 0$ if there exist absolute positive constants A and B such that $Ah(u) \leq g(u) \leq Bh(u)$ is in a neighborhood of the point $u = 0$, and write $g(u) \approx h(u)$ if $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(u)}{h(u)} = 1$. Likewise, throughout this paper the constants in the \mathcal{O} -expression denote positive absolute constants and they may be different in different relations.

Several authors have investigated the behavior of the sum $g(x)$ near the origin expressed in terms of the coefficients a_m . Seemingly, the first was Young [11] who consider this problem, and he was concerned solely about estimates of $|g(x)|$ from above. Then Salem ([3], [4], Theorem 1) proved that if the sequence $\{ma_m\}$ is monotone decreasing, then the following order equality holds

$$g(x) \sim \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} ma_m x,$$

where $x \in I_{\ell} := \left(\frac{\pi}{\ell+1}, \frac{\pi}{\ell}\right]$, $\ell = 1, 2, \dots$, $x \rightarrow 0$.

Later on, Aljančić, Bojanić and Tomić ([5], Theorem 2) give asymptotic expression for $g(x)$ as $x \rightarrow 0$, when the coefficients a_m are convex ($\Delta^2 a_m \geq 0$) and can be represent as the values $A(m)$ of a slowly varying (in Karamata's sense) function

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$A(z)$, i.e. for each $t > 0$

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(tz)}{A(z)} = 1.$$

Their result is equivalent to the following statement which can be deduce from one result given by Telyakovskii ([6], Theorem 2) and it is formulated as a corollary in this form:

Corollary 1.1. *Suppose that the coefficients a_m of the series (1.1) are convex and that $a_m = A(m)$, for a slowly varying function $A(z)$. Then the following asymptotic equality holds true:*

$$g(x) \approx a_\ell \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in I_\ell, \quad x \rightarrow 0.$$

Telyakovskii deduced this result after the proof, in the same paper, of the following two theorems:

Theorem 1.1. *Assume that $a_m \downarrow 0$. Then for $x \in I_\ell$ the following estimate is valid*

$$g(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m a_m x + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 a_m\right).$$

Theorem 1.2. *Let $a_m \rightarrow 0$ and let the sequence $\{a_m\}$ be convex. If $x \in I_\ell$, where $\ell \geq 11$, then the following estimate holds true*

$$\frac{a_\ell}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta a_m \leq g(x) \leq \frac{a_\ell}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{6}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta a_m.$$

Note also that the above theorems as well as some of [1] are generalized and extended in [7]-[10].

For an integer $k \geq 0$ and a real sequence $\{a_m\}_{m=0}^\infty$ denote

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_k a_m &= \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i C_k^i a_{m+i} & (\Delta_0 a_m = a_m), \\ \{\Delta\}_k a_m &= \sum_{i=0}^k C_k^i a_{m+i} & (\{\Delta\}_0 a_m = a_m). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.1 ([2]). *A sequence $\{a_m\}_{m=0}^\infty$ is said to be (k, s) -monotone if $a_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and $\Delta_k (\{\Delta\}_s a_m) \geq 0$, for some $k \geq 0, s \geq 0$ and all m .*

It is easy to see that that if a sequence $\{a_m\}$ ($a_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$) is non-increasing, then it is $(1, s)$ -monotone for all $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. The converse statement is not always true. For example, if we consider the sequence $\{a_m\}$ such that $a_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and $a_{2m} = 0, a_{2m+1} \geq a_{2m+3}$ for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, then this sequence is not non-increasing but it is $(1, 1)$ -monotone.

Chronologically this definition arises the following question: What is the behavior near the origin of the series (1.1) with (k, s) -monotone coefficients? The answer to this question is the main goal of this paper. Precisely, we shall answer to this question only considering the cases when the series (1.1) has: $(1, 1)$ -monotone, or $(1, 2)$ -monotone, or $(2, 1)$ -monotone, or $(2, 2)$ -monotone coefficients.

For the proof of our results we need the following two lemmas proved in [2].

Lemma 1.1. Let $\{a_m\}_{m=0}^{\infty}$ be a sequence such that $a_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and $\Delta^k a_m \geq 0$ for some $k \geq 1$ and all m . Then for all $r = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$ and all m the following inequality $\Delta^r a_m \geq 0$ holds.

Lemma 1.2. Let $\{a_m\}_{m=0}^{\infty}$ be a (k, s) -monotone sequence. If $k = 1, s = 1$ or $s = 2$, then

$$g(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} \left(1 - \tan \frac{x}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^s} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \{\Delta\}_s a_{m-1} \sin(m-2+s) \frac{x}{2},$$

almost everywhere.

Lemma 1.3. Let $\bar{B}_m(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m \sin(i-1) \frac{x}{2}$. Then the following estimates hold:

$$|\bar{B}_m(x)| \leq \frac{2\pi}{x}, \quad 0 < x \leq \pi.$$

Proof. After some elementary calculation we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{B}_m(x)| &= \left| \frac{1}{2 \sin \frac{x}{2}} \sum_{i=0}^m \left[\cos(i-2) \frac{x}{2} - \cos \frac{ix}{2} \right] \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\cos \frac{x}{2} + \cos x - \cos(m-1) \frac{x}{2} - \cos \frac{mx}{2}}{2 \sin \frac{x}{2}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{2}{|\sin \frac{x}{2}|} \leq \frac{2\pi}{x}, \quad 0 < x \leq \pi. \end{aligned}$$

□

2. MAIN RESULTS

The following theorem considers sine series with $(1, 1)$ -monotone sequence.

Theorem 2.1. Assume that $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ is a $(1, 1)$ -monotone sequence. Then for $x \in I_{\ell}$ the following estimate is valid

$$(2.1) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{2 \cos \frac{x}{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m \{\Delta\}_1 a_m x + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m \right) \right\}.$$

Proof. By the Lemma 1.2 ($a_0 = 0$) we have

$$(2.2) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{2 \cos \frac{x}{2}} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1} \sin(m-1) \frac{x}{2}.$$

Then the use of Abel's transformation gives

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{p-1} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1}) \bar{B}_m(x) + \{\Delta\}_1 a_{p-1} \bar{B}_p(x) + \{\Delta\}_1 a_0 \sin \frac{x}{2} \right\} \\ (2.3) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1}) \bar{B}_m(x) + \{\Delta\}_1 a_0 \sin \frac{x}{2} := H_{\ell}^{(1)}(x) + H_{\ell}^{(2)}(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$H_{\ell}^{(1)}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\ell+1} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1}) \bar{B}_m(x) + \{\Delta\}_1 a_0 \sin \frac{x}{2},$$

and

$$H_\ell^{(2)}(x) = \sum_{m=\ell+2}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1}) \bar{B}_m(x).$$

Let us estimate first $H_\ell^{(1)}(x)$. Based on Lemma 1.3, our assumption $\Delta(\{\Delta\}_1 a_m) \geq 0$ for all m , the well-known relation $\sin t = t + \mathcal{O}(t^3)$, as $t \rightarrow 0$, and $x \in I_\ell$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_\ell^{(1)}(x) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\ell+1} (\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1} - \{\Delta\}_1 a_m) \bar{B}_m(x) + \{\Delta\}_1 a_0 \sin \frac{x}{2} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\ell} \{\Delta\}_1 a_m [\bar{B}_{m+1}(x) - \bar{B}_m(x)] - \{\Delta\}_1 a_{\ell+1} \bar{B}_{\ell+1}(x) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} \{\Delta\}_1 a_m \sin \frac{mx}{2} + \frac{2\pi}{x} \{\Delta\}_1 a_{\ell+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m \{\Delta\}_1 a_m x + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m\right) + \mathcal{O}(\ell \{\Delta\}_1 a_\ell). \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of monotonicity of $\{\Delta\}_1 a_m$ we obtain

$$\ell \{\Delta\}_1 a_\ell \leq \frac{4}{\ell^3} \left\{ \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2} \right\}^2 \{\Delta\}_1 a_\ell \leq \frac{4}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m.$$

Thus,

$$(2.4) \quad H_\ell^{(1)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m \{\Delta\}_1 a_m x + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m\right).$$

Furthermore, since $x \in I_\ell$ and $|\bar{B}_m(x)| = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{x})$ by the Lemma 1.2, we notice that

$$\begin{aligned} H_\ell^{(2)}(x) &= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{x} \sum_{m=\ell+2}^{\infty} (\{\Delta\}_1 a_{m-1} - \{\Delta\}_1 a_m)\right) \\ &= \mathcal{O}((\ell+1) \{\Delta\}_1 a_{\ell+1}) = \mathcal{O}(\ell \{\Delta\}_1 a_\ell) \\ (2.5) \quad &= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m\right). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, relations (2.2)-(2.5) prove completely estimation (2.1). \square

Corollary 2.1. *Let $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ be a $(1, 1)$ -monotone sequence and the series*

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m(a_m + a_{m+1})$$

converges. Then the following asymptotic equality

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m(a_m + a_{m+1})$$

holds true.

Proof. In accordance with Theorem 2.1 it is enough to prove that

$$\frac{1}{\ell^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } \ell \rightarrow \infty.$$

Indeed, for an arbitrary natural number M we can write

$$\frac{1}{\ell^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m \leq \frac{1}{\ell^2} \sum_{m=1}^M m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m + \sum_{m=M+1}^{\infty} m \{\Delta\}_1 a_m.$$

If a number $\varepsilon > 0$ be chosen, then by hypothesis a number $M = M(\varepsilon)$ exists, such that

$$\sum_{m=M+1}^{\infty} m \{\Delta\}_1 a_m < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Likewise, for all sufficiently large ℓ

$$\frac{1}{\ell^2} \sum_{m=1}^M m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Then obviously, for such ℓ we have

$$\frac{1}{\ell^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} m^3 \{\Delta\}_1 a_m < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

□

The following statements can be proved similarly therefore we will skip their proofs.

Theorem 2.2. *Assume that $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ is a $(1, 2)$ -monotone sequence. Then for $x \in I_{\ell}$ the following estimate is valid*

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^2} \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{\ell} (m+1) \{\Delta\}_2 a_m x + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{\ell^3} \sum_{m=0}^{\ell} (m+1)^3 \{\Delta\}_2 a_m \right) \right\}.$$

Corollary 2.2. *Suppose that $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ is a $(1, 2)$ -monotone sequence and the series*

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+1) (a_m + 2a_{m+1} + a_{m+2})$$

converges. Then the following asymptotic equality

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+1) (a_m + 2a_{m+1} + a_{m+2})$$

holds true.

The proof of the next statement is more complicated and that is why we will sketch it in more details.

Theorem 2.3. *Assume that $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ is a $(2, 2)$ -monotone sequence. Then for $x \in I_\ell$, $\ell \geq 11$ the following estimate is valid*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \\ & \leq g(x) \left(2 \cos \frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \leq \frac{\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{6}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By the Lemma 1.1 the condition $\Delta_2(\{\Delta\}_2 a_m) \geq 0$ implies $\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_m) \geq 0$. Therefore by the Lemma 1.2 we have

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1} \sin mx.$$

Applying Abel's transformation we obtain

$$(2.6) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \tilde{D}_m(x),$$

where $\tilde{D}_m(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sin ix$ is the conjugate Dirichlet kernel.

For $x \in (0, \pi]$ and $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, introduce the functions

$$\varphi_m(x) := -\frac{\cos(m+1/2)x}{2 \sin x/2}$$

and

$$\psi_m(x) := \sum_{i=0}^m \varphi_i(x) = -\frac{\sin(m+1)x}{4 \sin^2(x/2)}.$$

Denoting $H(x) := \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \tilde{D}_m(x)$ one can write

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \tilde{D}_m(x) \\ &+ \sum_{m=\ell}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \left(\frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \varphi_m(x) \right) \\ &= \frac{\{\Delta\}_2 a_\ell}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \tilde{D}_m(x) + \sum_{m=\ell}^{\infty} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \varphi_m(x) \\ (2.7) \quad &= \frac{a_{\ell-1} + 2a_\ell + a_{\ell+1}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + E_\ell(x) + F_\ell(x). \end{aligned}$$

We shall make use of the representation (2.7) for $x \in I_\ell$, and from now and till the end of the proof of our theorem we suppose that $x \in I_\ell$ but we shall not remind of it.

The following estimate is true in view of the monotonous decay of $\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1})$ and the positivity of $\tilde{D}_m(x)$ for $m \leq \ell$:

$$\begin{aligned} E_\ell(x) &\geq \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}) \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \varphi_m(x) \right) \\ (2.8) \quad &= \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}) \left(\frac{\ell}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \psi_{\ell-1}(x) \right) = \frac{\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1})}{4 \sin^2(x/2)} (\ell \sin x - \sin \ell x). \end{aligned}$$

Let us estimate $F_\ell(x)$ from above. Applying Abel's transformation we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|F_\ell(x)| &= \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \sum_{m=\ell}^{n-1} \Delta_2(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \psi_m(x) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{n-1}) \psi_n(x) - \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}) \psi_{\ell-1}(x) \right\} \right| \\
&\leq \sum_{m=\ell}^{\infty} \Delta_2(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) |\psi_m(x) - \psi_{\ell-1}(x)| \\
(2.9) \quad &\leq \frac{\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1})}{4 \sin^2(x/2)} (1 + \sin \ell x).
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.8) and (2.9), in a similiar way as Telyakovskii did [6], for $\ell \geq 11$ we can show that

$$\frac{1}{2} E_\ell(x) + F_\ell(x) > 0.$$

Further, if $m < \ell$, then

$$\tilde{D}_m(x) \geq \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{2}{\pi} ix \geq \frac{m(m+1)}{\ell+1} > \frac{m^2}{\ell}.$$

Therefore,

$$(2.10) \quad \frac{1}{2} E_\ell(x) \geq \frac{1}{2\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}).$$

From (2.10), (2.7), and (2.6) we obtain the estimate of $g(x)$ from below

$$g(x) \geq \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^2} \left(\frac{a_{\ell-1} + 2a_\ell + a_{\ell+1}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}) \right).$$

Since

$$\tilde{D}_m(x) \leq m^2 x \leq \frac{\pi m^2}{\ell},$$

then

$$(2.11) \quad E_\ell(x) \leq \frac{\pi}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}).$$

For the estimate (2.9) we can write

$$|F_\ell(x)| \leq \frac{\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1})}{2 \sin^2(x/2)} \leq \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}) \frac{\pi^2}{2x^2} \leq \frac{(\ell+1)^2}{2} \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1}),$$

and for $\ell \geq 11$

$$\frac{(\ell+1)^2}{2} < \frac{2,4}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2,$$

hence, by reason of the monotonicity of $\Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{\ell-1})$ we get

$$(2.12) \quad |F_\ell(x)| \leq \frac{2,4}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta(\{\Delta\}_2 a_{m-1}).$$

Estimates (2.12), (2.13), and (2.7) give the estimate of $g(x)$ from above

$$g(x) \leq \frac{1}{(2 \cos \frac{x}{2})^2} \left(\frac{a_{\ell-1} + 2a_{\ell} + a_{\ell+1}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{6}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta (\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}) \right).$$

The proof is completed. \square

It follows from Theorem 2.3 that for $x \in I_{\ell}$ in a sufficiently small neighbourhood of the origin we have

$$(2.13) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{2(1 + \cos x)} \left(\frac{\{\Delta\}_{2a_{\ell-1}}}{2} \cot \frac{x}{2} + O \left(\frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta (\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}) \right) \right).$$

Corollary 2.3. *Assume that $\{a_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ is a (2, 2)-monotone sequence. Then the following order equality is true*

$$g(x) \sim (\ell - 1)\{\Delta\}_{2a_{\ell-1}} + \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}.$$

Proof. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cot x = 1$, then it is enough to prove that

$$\frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} (2m - 1)\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}} - (\ell - 1)\{\Delta\}_{2a_{\ell-1}} \leq \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta (\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}})$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta (\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}) \leq \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} (2m - 1)\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}.$$

Indeed, putting $\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}} := b_{m-1}$, we can write

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} m^2 \Delta b_{m-1} &= \frac{1}{\ell} [b_0 + 3b_1 + 5b_2 + \cdots + (2\ell - 3)b_{\ell-2} - (\ell - 1)^2 b_{\ell-1}] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} (2m - 1)b_{m-1} \leq \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} (2m - 1)\{\Delta\}_{2a_{m-1}}, \end{aligned}$$

because by the Lemma 1.1, $b_{m-1} \geq 0$ holds true.

On the other hand we get

$$(\ell - 1)^2 b_{\ell-1} \leq \ell(\ell - 1)b_{\ell-1},$$

therefore the proof of the corollary is completed. \square

Remark 2.1. *Similar statement with Theorem 2.3 holds true for the series (1.1) with (2, 1)-monotone coefficients.*

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