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## NONABSOLUTELY CONVERGENT SERIES

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*Summary.* Assume that for any  $t$  from an interval  $[a, b]$  a real number  $u(t)$  is given. Summarizing all these numbers  $u(t)$  is no problem in case of an absolutely convergent series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ . The paper gives a rule how to summarize a series of this type which is not absolutely convergent, using a theory of generalized Perron (or Kurzweil) integral.

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*Notation.*  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of all integers,  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of all real numbers.  $[a, b]$ ,  $[a, b)$ ,  $(c, d]$  etc. will be bounded intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If a point  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and a set  $T \in \mathbb{R}$  are given, then  $\text{dist}(t; T) = \inf\{|t - s|; s \in T\}$ . If  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an  $n$ -dimensional vector, then  $(x)_j$  denotes the  $j$ -th component of the vector  $x$ .

We will make use of the notion of generalized Perron integral, which was defined in [K] in this way:

A finite sequence  $A = \{\alpha_0, \tau_1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{k-1}, \tau_k, \alpha_k\}$  is a *partition* of the interval  $[a, b]$  if

- (1)  $a = \alpha_0 < \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_{k-1} < \alpha_k = b$  and
- (2)  $\alpha_{i-1} \leq \tau_i \leq \alpha_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$

An arbitrary positive function  $\delta: [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is called a *gauge* on  $[a, b]$ . Given a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$ , a partition  $A$  of the interval  $[a, b]$  is called  $\delta$ -fine if

- (3)  $[\alpha_{i-1}, \alpha_i] \subset [\tau_i - \delta(\tau_i), \tau_i + \delta(\tau_i)], \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$

The set of all  $\delta$ -fine partitions of  $[a, b]$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{A}(\delta; a, b)$  or briefly  $\mathcal{A}(\delta)$ .

It is known that for any gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  the set  $\mathcal{A}(\delta)$  is nonempty (see [K], Lemma 1,1,1).

Assume that a function  $U: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a partition  $A = \{\alpha_0, \tau_1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{k-1}, \tau_k, \alpha_k\}$  are given. The finite sum

$$(4) \quad S(U, A) = \sum_{i=1}^k [U(\tau_i, \alpha_i) - U(\tau_i, \alpha_{i-1})]$$

is called the *integral sum* corresponding to the function  $U$  and the partition  $A$ .

A function  $U: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called *integrable* over  $[a, b]$  if there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a gauge  $\delta: [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}(\delta)$  the inequality

$$|S(U, A) - \gamma| < \varepsilon$$

holds. The number  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  is called the *generalized Perron integral* of  $U$  over the interval  $[a, b]$  and will be denoted by

$$\gamma = \int_a^b DU(\tau, t).$$

In [K] a definition of an integral using the concept of major and minor functions is given, and it is proved that such a definition is equivalent to the definition given above.

The definition using major and minor functions may be formulated in the following way:

A function  $U: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$  if there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  and functions  $M, m: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} (t - \tau)(M(t) - M(\tau)) &\geq (t - \tau)(U(\tau, t) - U(\tau, \tau)) \geq \\ &\geq (t - \tau)(m(t) - m(\tau)) \quad \text{whenever } t, \tau \in [a, b] \text{ and} \\ |t - \tau| &\leq \delta(\tau) \text{ and} \end{aligned}$$

$$(6) \quad \gamma - \varepsilon < m(b) - m(a) \leq M(b) - M(a) \leq \gamma + \varepsilon.$$

Then  $\gamma = \int_a^b DU(\tau, t)$ .

Let a function  $u: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given. The symbol  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  can be met usually in the following situation: there is an at most countable set of indices  $D \subset [a, b]$  such that  $u(t) = 0$  for any  $t \in [a, b] \setminus D$ ; this set  $D$  will be ordered into a sequence in an arbitrary way, say  $D = \{t_1, t_2, \dots\}$ . If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u(t_k)$  is absolutely convergent,

i.e. the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |u(t_k)|$  is convergent, we have  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u(t_k)$ .

However, if the series is not absolutely convergent, then in order to obtain a reasonable theory we have to give a rule how to order the index set  $D$ . In fact, this is the aim of the present paper.

In the following we will deal only with real-valued functions  $u$ ; if  $u$  is an  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued function with  $n > 1$ , then the sum  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  can be defined componentwise:

$$\left( \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) \right)_j = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t))_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

**Definition 1.** Assume that a gauge  $\delta: [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is given. By  $I(\delta; a, b)$  or briefly  $I(\delta)$  we denote the set of all finite nonempty sets  $B \subset [a, b]$  such that the following holds:

(7) If  $t, t' \in B$ ,  $t < t'$  are neighbouring points, i.e.  $(t, t') \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $t' - t < \delta(t) + \delta(t')$ . Denote  $\bar{t} = \min B$ ,  $\bar{t}' = \max B$ ; then  $\bar{t}' - a < \delta(\bar{t})$ ,  $b - \bar{t} < \delta(\bar{t}')$ .

**Lemma 1.** (i) For every gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  the set  $I(\delta)$  is nonempty. (ii) If a gauge  $\delta: [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is given and  $a < c < b$ , then for any two sets  $B_1 \in I(\delta; a, c)$  and  $B_2 \in I(\delta; c, b)$  the set  $B_1 \cup B_2$  belongs to  $I(\delta; a, b)$ .

*Proof.* (i) For every  $t \in (a, b]$  such that  $t < a + \delta(a)$  the set  $\{a\}$  obviously belongs to  $I(\delta; a, t)$ . Denote

$$(8) \quad c = \sup \{t \in (a, b], I(\delta; a, t) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

We have just shown that  $c > a$ . There is  $t_0 \in (a, b]$  such that  $I(\delta; a, t_0) \neq \emptyset$  and  $c - \delta(c) < t_0$ . If  $B \in I(\delta; a, t_0)$  then  $B \cup \{c\} \in I(\delta; a, c)$  because denoting  $\bar{t} = \max B$  we have the estimate  $c - \bar{t} = (c - t_0) + (t_0 - \bar{t}) < \delta(c) + \delta(\bar{t})$ .

Let us assume that  $c < b$ ; then for every  $c' \in (c, b]$  such that  $c' < c + \delta(c)$  we have  $B \cup \{c\} \in I(\delta; a, c')$  and consequently the set  $I(\delta; a, c')$  is nonempty, but this is impossible because of (8). It means that  $c = b$  and  $I(\delta; a, b) \neq \emptyset$ .

(ii) Denote  $t_1 = \max B_1$  and  $t_2 = \min B_2$ , then  $c - t_1 < \delta(t_1)$  and  $t_2 - c < \delta(t_2)$  by (7). Then  $t_2 - t_1 < \delta(t_1) + \delta(t_2)$  and consequently the assumption (7) holds for  $B_1 \cup B_2$  on the interval  $[a, b]$ .

**Definition 2.** Assume that a function  $u: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given. We say that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and that its sum is equal to  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ , if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that for every finite set of indices  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\}$  belonging to  $I(\delta)$  the inequality

$$(10) \quad \left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - u \right| < \varepsilon$$

holds. The series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is defined as the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  with  $u(b) = 0$ , similarly

$$\sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t), \quad \sum_{t \in (a, b)} u(t).$$

**Remark.** For a given series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  and for any set  $B = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \subset [a, b]$  let us denote

$$s(B) = \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n).$$

Then (10) can be written in the form

$$(10)' \quad |s(B) - u| < \varepsilon$$

for every  $B \in I(\delta)$ .

**Lemma 2.** Let a finite set  $B_0 \subset [a, b]$  and a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  be given. Assume that

$$(11) \quad \delta(\tau) \leq \text{dist}(\tau; B_0 \setminus \{\tau\}) \text{ for every } \tau \in [a, b].$$

Then every set  $B \in I(\delta)$  includes  $B_0$ .

*Proof.* The condition (11) can be written also in the form

$$|\tau - \sigma| \geq \delta(\tau) \text{ holds for any } \sigma \in B_0 \text{ and } \tau \in [a, b] \text{ such that } \tau \neq \sigma.$$

Assume that there are  $B \in I(\delta)$  and  $\sigma \in B_0$  such that  $\sigma \notin B$ . Let us find neighbouring points  $t', t'' \in B$  such that  $t' < \sigma < t''$ . Then

$$\delta(t'') + \delta(t') > t'' - t' = (t'' - \sigma) + (\sigma - t') \geq \delta(t'') + \delta(t'),$$

which is a contradiction.

**Proposition 1.** Let real functions  $u, v: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given. Assume that there are points  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k \in [a, b]$  such that

$$(12) \quad u(t) = v(t) \text{ for every } t \in [a, b] \setminus \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}.$$

If at least one of the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$  is convergent, then the other is also convergent and the equality

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) - \sum_{j=1}^k u(s_j) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) - \sum_{j=1}^k v(s_j)$$

holds.

*Proof.* Assume for instance that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = u$  is convergent. Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  such that (10)' holds for every  $B \in I(\delta)$ . Let us define

$$\delta'(\tau) = \min \{ \delta(\tau), \text{dist}(\tau; C \setminus \{\tau\}) \} \text{ where } C = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}.$$

Lemma 2 implies that an arbitrary set  $B = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta')$  includes all the points  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k$ .

From (12) it follows that  $u(t_n) = v(t_n)$  for every  $t_n \in B$  which does not belong to  $C$ . We have an estimate

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) - \left[ \sum_{j=1}^k v(s_j) - \sum_{j=1}^k u(s_j) + u \right] \right| \leq \\ & \leq \left| \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) - \sum_{j=1}^k u(s_j) + \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) \right| + \left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - u \right| = \\ & = \left| \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ t_n \notin C}}^m v(t_n) - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ t_n \notin C}}^m u(t_n) \right| + \left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - u \right| = \left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - u \right| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since the set  $B \in I(\delta')$  was arbitrary, we get the equality

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) = \sum_{j=1}^k v(s_j) - \sum_{j=1}^k u(s_j) + u.$$

The proof of the other implication is analogous.

**Corollary.** Let a function  $u: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given. Then

$$\sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b)} u(t) + u(b) = u(a) + \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$$

provided at least one of the three series is convergent.

**Proof.** By Definition 2 the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is identical with a series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$  where  $v(t) = u(t)$  for  $t \in [a, b)$ ,  $v(b) = 0$ , and the series  $\sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t)$  is defined as a series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} w(t)$  where  $w(t) = u(t)$  for  $t \in (a, b]$ ,  $w(a) = 0$ .

Proposition 1 implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) - u(a) - u(b) &= \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) - v(a) - v(b) = \\ &= \sum_{t \in [a, b]} w(t) - w(a) - w(b), \quad \text{i.e.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) - u(a) - u(b) = \sum_{t \in [a, b)} u(t) - u(a) = \sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t) - u(b)$$

provided at least one of the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} w(t)$  is convergent.

**Proposition 2.** The series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent if and only if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta: [a, b] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that for every two sets  $B_1, B_2 \in I(\delta)$  the inequality

$$(13) \quad |s(B_1) - s(B_2)| < \varepsilon$$

holds.

**Proof.** 1. If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and has the sum  $u$ , then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  such that for every  $B \in I(\delta)$  the inequality  $|s(B) - u| < \varepsilon/2$  holds. Then

$$|s(B_1) - s(B_2)| \leq |s(B_1) - u| + |s(B_2) - u| < \varepsilon$$

for every  $B_1, B_2 \in I(\delta)$ .

2. Assume that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there is a gauge  $\delta_n$  on  $[a, b]$  such that the inequality

$$(14) \quad |s(B_1) - s(B_2)| < \frac{1}{n}$$

holds for every  $B_1, B_2 \in I(\delta_n)$ . We may assume that

$$\delta_1(\tau) \geq \delta_2(\tau) \geq \delta_3(\tau) \geq \dots, \quad \tau \in [a, b].$$

For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let us choose a set  $B_n \in I(\delta_n)$ ; then also  $B_n \in I(\delta_k)$  for every  $k \leq n$ .

For a given  $\eta > 0$  let us find  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $1/n_0 \leq \eta$ . For every  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m > n \geq n_0$  we have an estimate

$$(15) \quad |s(B_n) - s(B_m)| < \frac{1}{n} \leq \eta.$$

This means that  $\{s(B_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ , which has a limit  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ . Passing to the limit with  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (15) we get

$$|s(B_n) - u| \leq \frac{1}{n}.$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Let us find  $n' \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $1/n' \leq \varepsilon/2$ ; then for every  $B \in I(\delta_{n'})$  we have the inequality

$$|s(B) - u| \leq |s(B) - s(B_{n'})| + |s(B_{n'}) - u| < \frac{2}{n'} \leq \varepsilon.$$

Consequently  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = u$ .

**Lemma 3.** Assume that a convergent series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is given; for  $\varepsilon > 0$  let a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  be given such that the inequality (13) holds for every  $B_1, B_2 \in I(\delta; a, b)$ . Then

$$|s(C_1) - s(C_2)| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for every interval } [c, d] \subset [a, b] \quad \text{and every } C_1, C_2 \in I(\delta; c, d).$$

*Proof.* Assume that  $C_1 = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$ ,  $C_2 = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\}$ . Let us choose sets  $B = \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_p\} \in I(\delta; a, c)$  and  $D = \{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_q\} \in I(\delta; d, b)$  (if  $a = c$  or  $d = b$  then  $B = \emptyset$  or  $D = \emptyset$ , respectively). According to Lemma 1 (ii) the sets  $B \cup C_1 \cup D$  and  $B \cup C_2 \cup D$  belong to  $I(\delta; a, b)$ . By (13) we get the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |s(C_1) - s(C_2)| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^k u(s_i) - \sum_{i=1}^m u(t_i) \right| = \\ &= \left| \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k u(s_i) + \sum_{i=1}^p u(\tau_i) + \sum_{i=1}^q u(\sigma_i) \right] - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m u(t_i) + \sum_{i=1}^p u(\tau_i) + \sum_{i=1}^q u(\sigma_i) \right] \right| = \\ &= |s(B \cup C_1 \cup D) - s(B \cup C_2 \cup D)| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.** (i) If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent, then  $\sum_{t \in [c, d]} u(t)$  is convergent for every interval  $[c, d] \subset [a, b]$ .

(ii) For  $\varepsilon > 0$  let a gauge  $\delta$  be given such that  $|s(B) - \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)| < \varepsilon$  holds for every  $B \in I(\delta; a, b)$ . Then  $|s(C) - \sum_{t \in [c, d]} u(t)| \leq \varepsilon$  holds for every  $C \in I(\delta; c, d)$ , where  $[c, d] \subset [a, b]$ .

Proof. This is a consequence of Proposition 2 and Lemma 3.

**Theorem 1.** Assume that a convergent series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is given. Let us define

$$(16) \quad f(a) = u(a), \quad f(\tau) = \sum_{t \in [a, \tau]} u(t) \quad \text{for } \tau \in (a, b].$$

Then the function  $f$  is regulated (i.e. has one-sided limits) and

$$(17) \quad \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau^-} f(s) = f(\tau) - u(\tau), \quad \tau \in (a, b],$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau^+} f(s) = f(\tau), \quad \tau \in [a, b).$$

Proof. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Let us find a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that  $|s(B) - \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)| < \varepsilon$  holds for every  $B \in I(\delta; a, b)$ .

a) Assume that  $\tau \in (a, b]$ . Let  $s \in [a, \tau)$  be such that  $\tau - \delta(\tau) < s$ . Take any set  $B \in I(\delta; a, s)$  such that  $s \in B$ . Since  $\{\tau\} \in I(\delta; s, \tau)$ , by Lemma 1 the set  $B \cup \{\tau\}$  belongs to  $I(\delta; a, \tau)$ . According to Proposition 3 (ii) the following estimate holds:

$$(18) \quad |f(\tau) - u(\tau) - f(s)| \leq |f(\tau) - [u(\tau) + s(B)]| + |f(s) - s(B)| =$$

$$= |f(\tau) - s(B \cup \{\tau\})| + |f(s) - s(B)| \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

b) Assume that  $a \leq \tau < b$ , let  $C \in I(\delta; a, \tau)$  be such a set that  $\tau \in C$  (if  $\tau = a$  then  $C = \{\tau\}$ ). For every  $s \in (\tau, b]$  such that  $s < \tau + \delta(\tau)$  the set  $\{\tau\}$  belongs to  $I(\delta; \tau, s)$  and consequently  $C \in I(\delta; a, s)$ . Then

$$(19) \quad |f(s) - f(\tau)| \leq |f(s) - s(C)| + |f(\tau) - s(C)| \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

The relations (18), (19) imply (17).

**Corollary 1.** If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent, then the set  $\{t \in [a, b]; u(t) \neq 0\}$  is at most countable.

Proof. Since the function  $f$  defined by (16) is regulated, it can be discontinuous only in an at most countable set; according to (17)

$$f(\tau-) \neq f(\tau) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad u(\tau) \neq 0.$$



**Corollary 2.** *If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent then*

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau} u(s) = 0 \quad \text{for every } \tau \in [a, b].$$

*Proof.* Let  $\tau \in (a, b]$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. There is  $\lambda > 0$  such that the following holds: If  $\tau - \lambda < s < \tau$ , then  $|f(\tau-) - f(s)| \leq \varepsilon$ . Then also  $|f(\tau-) - f(s-)| \leq \varepsilon$  for every  $s \in (\tau - \lambda, \tau)$ . Hence

$$|u(s)| = |f(s) - f(s-)| \leq |f(s) - f(\tau-)| + |f(\tau-) - f(s-)| \leq 2\varepsilon,$$

if  $s \in (\tau - \lambda, \tau)$ . This means that  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau-} u(s) = 0$ . Similarly  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau+} u(s) = 0$  for every  $\tau \in [a, b)$ .

**Corollary 3.** *Assume that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent. Let us define*

$$(20) \quad g(a) = 0, \quad g(\tau) = \sum_{t \in [a, \tau]} u(t) \quad \text{for } \tau \in (a, b].$$

*Then the function  $g$  is regulated and*

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau-} g(s) &= g(\tau), \quad \tau \in (a, b], \\ \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau+} g(s) &= g(\tau) + u(\tau), \quad \tau \in [a, b). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By Proposition 1 we have  $g(\tau) = f(\tau) - u(\tau)$  for every  $\tau \in [a, b]$ . If  $\tau \in (a, b]$  then

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau-} g(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau-} f(s) - \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau-} u(s) = f(\tau-) = f(\tau) - u(\tau) = g(\tau);$$

if  $\tau \in [a, b)$  then

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \tau+} g(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau+} f(s) + \lim_{s \rightarrow \tau+} u(s) = f(\tau) = g(\tau) + u(\tau).$$

**Theorem 2.** *Assume that a function  $u: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given. Let us define a function  $U: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by*

$$U(\tau, t) = u(t) \quad \text{for } \tau < t,$$

$$U(\tau, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } \tau = t,$$

$$U(\tau, t) = -u(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau > t.$$

*Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent if and only if  $U(\tau, t)$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ . We have the equality*

$$\int_a^b DU(\tau, t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t).$$

Proof. (i) Assume that the function  $U$  is integrable and denote

$$\gamma = \int_a^b DU(\tau, t).$$

For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$|S(U, A) - \gamma| < \varepsilon$$

holds for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}(\delta; a, b)$ . Let us define

$$\delta'(\tau) = \min \{ \delta(\tau), b - \tau, \tau - a \} \quad \text{for } \tau \in (a, b),$$

$$\delta'(\tau) = \min \{ \delta(\tau), b - a \} \quad \text{for } \tau = a, b.$$

Let an arbitrary finite set  $B = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta')$  be given. By Lemma 2 the set  $B$  contains the points  $a, b$ . Assume that

$$a = t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_m = b.$$

For any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m - 1$  we have by (7)

$$t_{i+1} - t_i < \delta'(t_i) + \delta'(t_{i+1}), \quad \text{i.e. } t_{i+1} - \delta'(t_{i+1}) < t_i + \delta'(t_i).$$

Hence the open interval  $(t_i, t_{i+1}) \cap (t_{i+1} - \delta'(t_{i+1}), t_i + \delta'(t_i))$  is nonempty. Corollary 1 of Theorem 1 implies that there is  $\alpha_i \in (t_i, t_{i+1}) \cap (t_{i+1} - \delta'(t_{i+1}), t_i + \delta'(t_i))$  such that  $u(\alpha_i) = 0$ . Denote  $\alpha_0 = a, \alpha_m = b$ .

The set  $A = \{\alpha_0, t_1, \alpha_1, \dots, t_m, \alpha_m\}$  obviously belongs to  $\mathcal{A}(\delta'; a, b)$ . Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - [u(a) + \gamma] \right| &= \left| \sum_{n=2}^m u(t_n) - \gamma \right| = \\ &= \left| \left[ \sum_{n=2}^m u(t_n) + \sum_{n=1}^{m-1} u(\alpha_n) \right] - \gamma \right| = \\ &= \left| \left[ \sum_{\alpha_{n-1} < t_n} u(t_n) + \sum_{t_n < \alpha_n} u(\alpha_n) \right] - \gamma \right| = |S(U, A) - \gamma| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

According to Definition 2 the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = u(a) + \gamma$ .

Hence  $\gamma = \sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t)$ .

(ii) Assume that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = u$  is convergent. For every gauge  $\delta$  and  $t \in (a, b]$  let us denote by  $I_t(\delta)$  the set of all  $B \in I(\delta; a, t)$  such that  $t \in B$ . For  $t = a$  the set  $I_t(\delta)$  will consist of a single element  $\{a\}$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. There is a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$(22) \quad |s(B) - u| < \varepsilon \quad \text{holds for any } B \in I(\delta; a, b).$$

Let us define  $m(t) = \inf_{B \in I_t(\delta)} s(B)$ ,  $M(t) = \sup_{B \in I_t(\delta)} s(B)$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$ . Let us notice that

$m(a) = u(a)$ ,  $M(a) = u(a)$ . From (22) it follows that  $u - \varepsilon < s(B) < u + \varepsilon$  for every  $B \in I_b(\delta) \subset I(\delta; a, b)$ , and consequently

$$(23) \quad \begin{aligned} u - \varepsilon &\leq m(b) \leq M(b) \leq u + \varepsilon, \\ u - u(a) - \varepsilon &\leq m(b) - m(a) \leq M(b) - M(a) \leq u - u(a) + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $a \leq \tau < t \leq b$  and  $t < \tau + \delta(\tau)$ . For arbitrary  $\lambda > 0$  there are  $B_1, B_2 \in I_\tau(\delta)$  such that

$$s(B_1) < m(\tau) + \lambda, \quad s(B_2) > M(\tau) - \lambda.$$

Since  $\{\tau, t\} \in I(\delta; \tau, t)$ , by Lemma 1 (ii) these sets  $B_1 \cup \{\tau, t\} = B_1 \cup \{t\}$  and  $B_2 \cup \{\tau, t\} = B_2 \cup \{t\}$  belong to  $I(\delta; a, t)$ ; these sets also belong to  $I_\tau(\delta)$  because they contain  $t$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} m(t) &\leq s(B_1 \cup \{t\}) = s(B_1) + u(t) < m(\tau) + \lambda + u(t), \\ M(t) &\geq s(B_2 \cup \{t\}) = s(B_2) + u(t) > M(\tau) - \lambda + u(t). \end{aligned}$$

Since the number  $\lambda > 0$  was arbitrary, we get inequalities

$$(24) \quad m(t) - m(\tau) \leq u(t) = U(\tau, t) - U(\tau, \tau) \leq M(t) - M(\tau).$$

Similarly, if  $a \leq t < \tau \leq b$  where  $\tau - \delta(\tau) < t$ , then for an arbitrary  $\eta > 0$  we can find  $C_1, C_2 \in I_t(\delta)$  such that

$$s(C_1) < m(t) + \eta, \quad s(C_2) > M(t) - \eta.$$

Since  $\{\tau\} \in I(\delta; t, \tau)$ , the sets  $C_1 \cup \{\tau\}, C_2 \cup \{\tau\}$  belong to  $I_\tau(\delta)$  and consequently

$$\begin{aligned} m(\tau) &\leq s(C_1 \cup \{\tau\}) = s(C_1) + u(\tau) < m(t) + \eta + u(\tau), \\ M(\tau) &\geq s(C_2 \cup \{\tau\}) = s(C_2) + u(\tau) > M(t) - \eta + u(\tau). \end{aligned}$$

We get the inequality

$$(25) \quad m(\tau) - m(t) \leq u(\tau) = U(\tau, \tau) - U(\tau, t) \leq M(\tau) - M(t).$$

According to the definition of integral using major and minor functions (see (5), (6)) it follows from (23), (24), (25) that the function  $U$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$  and

$$\int_a^b DU(\tau, t) = u - u(a) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t).$$

**Theorem 3.** Assume that real functions  $u, v: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are given. Let us define a function  $V: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$(26) \quad \begin{aligned} V(\tau, t) &= u(t) + v(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau < t, \\ V(\tau, t) &= 0 \quad \text{for } \tau = t, \\ V(\tau, t) &= -u(\tau) - v(t) \quad \text{for } \tau > t. \end{aligned}$$

Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t) + v(t))$  is convergent if and only if the function  $V$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ . We have the equality

$$\int_a^b DV(\tau, t) = v(a) + \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + u(b).$$

**Proof.** Let us define

$$R(\tau, t) = u(t) + v(t) \quad \text{for } \tau < t,$$

$$R(\tau, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } \tau = t,$$

$$R(\tau, t) = -u(\tau) - v(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau > t.$$

By Theorem 2 the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t) + v(t))$  is convergent if and only if  $R$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ , and

$$(27) \quad \int_a^b DR(\tau, t) = \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t))$$

holds. Using the definition of the generalized Perron integral, it can be easily proved that the function  $V(\tau, t) - R(\tau, t) = v(\tau) - v(t)$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ , and

$$(28) \quad \int_a^b D[V(\tau, t) - R(\tau, t)] = v(a) - v(b).$$

Then the function  $V$  is integrable if and only if  $R$  is integrable. From (27), (28) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b DV(\tau, t) &= \int_a^b DR(\tau, t) + \int_a^b D[V(\tau, t) - R(\tau, t)] = \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + (u(b) + v(b)) \right\} + (v(a) - v(b)) = \\ &= v(a) + \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + u(b). \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 4.** The series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent if and only if the function  $U': [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$U'(\tau, t) = u(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau < t,$$

$$U'(\tau, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } \tau = t,$$

$$U'(\tau, t) = -u(t) \quad \text{for } \tau > t$$

is integrable over  $[a, b]$ ; the equality

$$\int_a^b DU'(\tau, t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$$

is satisfied.

**Theorem 4.** Assume that functions  $u, v: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are given. Let us define a function  $W: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$W(\tau, t) = v(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau < t,$$

$$W(\tau, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } \tau = t,$$

$$W(\tau, t) = -u(\tau) \quad \text{for } \tau > t.$$

If the function  $W$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$ , then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t) + v(t))$  is convergent, and the equality

$$\int_a^b DW(\tau, t) = v(a) + \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + u(b)$$

holds.

Proof. Denote  $\int_a^b DW(\tau, t) = \gamma$ . Since the values  $u(a), v(b)$  have no influence on the values of  $W(\tau, t)$ , we can assume that

$$(29) \quad u(a) = v(b) = 0.$$

For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  such that  $|S(W, A) - \gamma| < \varepsilon$  holds for every  $A \in \mathcal{A}(\delta; a, b)$ . Let us define

$$\begin{aligned} \delta'(\tau) &= \min \{ \delta(\tau), b - \tau, \tau - a \} \quad \text{for } \tau \in (a, b), \\ \delta'(\tau) &= \min \{ \delta(\tau), b - a \} \quad \text{for } \tau = a, b. \end{aligned}$$

Let an arbitrary set  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta'; a, b)$  be given. Lemma 2 implies that this set includes the points  $a, b$ . We can assume that

$$a = t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_m = b.$$

Define  $\alpha_0 = a, \alpha_m = b$ ; for every  $i = 2, 3, \dots, m - 1$  it follows from (7) that there exists a point  $\alpha_i \in (t_i, t_{i+1}) \cap (t_{i+1} - \delta(t_{i+1}), t_i + \delta(t_i))$  similarly as in the proof of Theorem 2. Then  $A = \{\alpha_0, t_1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{m-1}, t_m, \alpha_m\} \in \mathcal{A}(\delta; a, b)$ . Let us note that  $\alpha_0 = t_1 < \alpha_1; \alpha_{m-1} < t_m = \alpha_m; \alpha_{i-1} < t_i < \alpha_i$  for  $i = 2, \dots, m - 1$ . We have the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &> |S(W, A) - \gamma| = |[W(t_1, \alpha_1) - W(t_1, t_1) + \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{m-1} (W(t_i, \alpha_i) - W(t_i, \alpha_{i-1})) + W(t_m, t_m) - W(t_m, \alpha_{m-1})] - \gamma| = \\ &= |[v(t_1) + \sum_{i=2}^{m-1} (v(t_i) + u(t_i)) + u(t_m)] - \gamma| = \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m (u(t_i) + v(t_i)) - \gamma \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t) + v(t)) = (u(a) + v(a)) + \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + \\ &+ (u(b) + v(b)) = v(a) + \sum_{t \in (a, b)} (u(t) + v(t)) + u(b) \end{aligned}$$

(we take (29) into consideration).

If we use the known properties of the integrals of functions  $U$  or  $U'$  as defined in Theorem 2 or Corollary 4, we can obtain several properties of the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ :

**Proposition 4.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  be given. If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (\alpha u(t))$  is convergent and

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (\alpha u(t)) = \alpha \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t).$$

(See [S], Th. 1.5.)

**Proposition 5.** If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$  are convergent, then

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u(t) + v(t)) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) + \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t).$$

(See [S], Th. 1.6.)

**Proposition 6.** If  $c \in (a, b)$  and the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, c]} u(t)$  and  $\sum_{t \in [c, b]} u(t)$  are convergent then

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{t \in [a, c]} u(t) + \sum_{t \in [c, b]} u(t).$$

(See [S], Th. 1.10.)

**Proposition 7.** Assume that for every  $c \in (a, b)$  the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, c]} u(t)$  is convergent and that there exists a finite limit  $\lim_{c \rightarrow b^-} \sum_{t \in [a, c]} u(t) = \alpha$ . Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and  $\alpha = \sum_{t \in [c, b]} u(t)$ .

(See [S], Th. 1.13.)

**Proposition 8.** Assume that for every  $c \in (a, b)$  the series  $\sum_{t \in [c, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and that there exists a finite limit  $\lim_{c \rightarrow a^+} \sum_{t \in [c, b]} u(t) = \beta$ . Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and  $\beta = \sum_{t \in (a, b]} u(t)$ .

(See [S], Remark 1.14.)

**Proposition 9.** Assume that  $\varphi: [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$  is a continuous strictly monotone function such that  $\varphi(a) = c$ ,  $\varphi(b) = d$ , or  $\varphi(a) = d$ ,  $\varphi(b) = c$ . If one of the series  $\sum_{t \in [c, d]} u(t)$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(\varphi(t))$  is convergent, then also the other is convergent and

$$\sum_{t \in [c, d]} u(t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(\varphi(t)).$$

(See [S], Th. 1.24.)

**Theorem 5.** Assume that a convergent series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = u$  is given. Then there is a sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of pairwise different points from  $[a, b]$ , such that

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u(t_n)$$

and  $\{t \in [a, b]; u(t) \neq 0\} \subset \{t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots\}$ .

**Proof.** Let us denote  $M = \{t \in [a, b]; u(t) \neq 0\}$ . Since the set  $M$  is at most countable, there is a sequence  $\{\sigma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  such that  $M \subset \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \dots\}$ . Let us denote  $C_k = \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k\}$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . For any  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  there is a gauge  $\delta_k$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$(30) \quad |s(B) - u| < \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{holds for any finite set } B \in I(\delta_k).$$

Let us choose a set  $B_1 \in I(\delta_1)$ . There is an integer  $p_1$  such that  $B_1 \cap M \subset C_{p_1}$ . Let us define

$$\Delta_2(\tau) = \min \{\delta_2(\tau), \text{dist}(\tau; B_1 \cup C_{p_1} \setminus \{\tau\})\} \quad \text{for any } \tau \in [a, b].$$

Let us choose a set  $B_2 \in I(\Delta_2)$ ; then  $B_2 \subset B_1 \cup C_{p_1}$  holds according to Lemma 2.

Further, if the set  $B_k$  has been defined for an integer  $k$ , we can find an integer  $p_k$  such that  $B_k \cap M \subset C_{p_k}$ , and we will denote

$$\Delta_{k+1}(\tau) = \min \{\delta_{k+1}(\tau), \Delta_k(\tau), \text{dist}(\tau; B_k \cup C_{p_k} \setminus \{\tau\})\}$$

for any  $\tau \in [a, b]$ .

Then let us choose a set  $B_{k+1} \in I(\Delta_{k+1})$ .

In this way we can obtain a sequence  $\{p_k\}$  of integers, a sequence  $\{\Delta_k\}$  of gauges and a sequence of finite sets  $B_1 \subset B_2 \subset \dots \subset B_k \subset B_{k+1} \subset \dots \subset [a, b]$  such that  $B_k \in I(\Delta_k)$  and

$$(31) \quad B_k \cap M \cap C_{p_k} \subset B_{k+1}$$

hold for any integer  $k$ .

Let us denote the elements of  $B_1$  by  $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_{m_1}$ . If  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{m_k}$  have been defined for an integer  $k$ , let us denote the elements of  $B_{k+1} \setminus B_k$  by  $t_{m_k+1} < \dots < t_{m_k+2} < \dots < t_{m_{k+1}}$ . We obtain a sequence of pairwise different points  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $B_k = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{m_k}\}$ . (31) implies that

$$\{t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots\} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} C_{p_k} = M.$$

Let us prove that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u(t_n) = u$ . For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  let us find an integer  $k_0$  such that  $1/k_0 \leq \varepsilon$ . If an arbitrary integer  $N \geq m_{k_0}$  is given, we will find such  $k \geq k_0$  that  $m_k < N \leq m_{k+1}$ . In case that  $N = m_{k+1}$ , the set  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\}$  coincides with  $B_{k+1}$  which belongs to  $I(\Delta_{k+1})$ ; hence

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u(t_n) - u \right| = |s(B_{k+1}) - u| < \frac{1}{k+1} < \frac{1}{k_0} \leq \varepsilon.$$

Now assume that  $N < m_{k+1}$ . Let  $t_r$  be the neighbour of  $t_N$  inside  $B_{k+1} \cap [t_N, b]$ , i.e. a point from  $B_{k+1}$  satisfying  $(t_N, t_r) \cap B_{k+1} = \emptyset$ . Then  $t_r - t_N < \Delta_{k+1}(t_r) + \Delta_{k+1}(t_N)$  according to Definition 1. There is  $c \in (t_N, t_r)$  such that  $t_r - \Delta_{k+1}(t_r) < c < t_N + \Delta_{k+1}(t_N)$ .

It is quite evident that  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\} \cap [a, c] \in I(\Delta_{k+1}; a, c)$ , while  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\} \cap [c, b] = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{m_k}\} \cap [c, b] \in I(\Delta_k; c, b)$ . According to Lemma 1 (ii) we can conclude that  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\} \in I(\Delta_k; a, b)$ ; consequently

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^N u(t_n) - u \right| < \frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{1}{k_0} \leq \varepsilon$$

holds by (30).

**Proposition 10.** Assume that a convergent series of real numbers  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n$  is given.

If  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  is any increasing sequence and we define

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= \alpha_n \quad \text{for } t = t_n, \\ u(t) &= 0 \quad \text{for } t \in [a, b] \setminus \{t_1, t_2, \dots\}, \end{aligned}$$

then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n$ .

**Proof.** Denote  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \alpha$ . Since the sequence  $\{t_n\}$  is increasing in the compact interval  $[a, b]$ , it has a limit  $c \in (a, b]$ . For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is an integer  $N$  such that

$$(32) \quad \left| \sum_{n=1}^m \alpha_n - \alpha \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{holds for any } m \geq N.$$

Let us define

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\tau) &= t_1 - \tau \quad \text{for } \tau \in [a, t_1]; \\ \delta(t_1) &= t_2 - t_1; \\ \delta(\tau) &= \min \{ \tau - t_n, t_{n+1} - \tau \} \quad \text{for } \tau \in (t_n, t_{n+1}), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}; \\ \delta(t_n) &= \min \{ t_{n+1} - t_n, t_n - t_{n-1} \} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2; \\ \delta(c) &= c - t_N; \\ \delta(\tau) &= \tau - c \quad \text{for } \tau \in (c, b]. \end{aligned}$$

Let an arbitrary set  $B \in I(\delta; a, b)$  be given. Since  $\delta(\tau) \leq |\tau - c|$  holds for any  $\tau \in [a, b] \setminus \{c\}$  and  $\delta(\tau) \leq |\tau - t_N|$  holds for any  $\tau \in [a, b] \setminus \{t_N\}$ , the points  $t_N$  and  $c$  belong to  $B$ .

Let us denote  $m = \max \{n \in \mathbb{N}; t_n \in B\}$ . Then  $m \geq N$ . The gauge  $\delta$  is defined so that

$$\delta(\tau) \leq \text{dist}(\tau; \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \setminus \{\tau\})$$



holds for any  $\tau \in [a, t_m]$ . By Lemma 2 the set  $B$  contains all points  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m$ , consequently

$$s(B) = \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) = \sum_{n=1}^m \alpha_n. \quad \text{Since } m \geq N, \quad (32) \text{ yields}$$

$$|s(B) - \alpha| = \left| \sum_{n=1}^m \alpha_n - \alpha \right| < \varepsilon.$$

**Theorem 6.** Let an absolutely convergent series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n$  of real numbers and a sequence of pairwise different points  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  be given. Let us define  $u(t) = \alpha_n$  if  $t = s_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $u(t) = 0$  if  $t \in [a, b] \setminus \{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent, the function  $W: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$W(\tau, t) = u(\tau) \quad \text{if } \tau < t, \quad W(\tau, t) = 0 \quad \text{if } \tau \geq t$$

is integrable over  $[a, b]$ , and

$$\int_a^b DW(\tau, t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n.$$

**Proof.** Denote  $\alpha = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. There is an integer  $n_0$  such that

$$\sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} |\alpha_n| < \varepsilon. \quad \text{Let us define}$$

$$(33) \quad \begin{aligned} \delta(\tau) &= \min \{ |\tau - s_n|; n = 1, 2, \dots, n_0 \} \quad \text{for } \tau \in [a, b] \setminus \{s_n\}_{n=1}^{n_0}; \\ \delta(\tau) &= \min \{ |\tau - s_n|; n = 1, 2, \dots, n_0, n \neq k \} \quad \text{for } \tau = s_k, \\ &k = 1, 2, \dots, n_0. \end{aligned}$$

Let a partition  $A \in \mathcal{A}(\delta; a, b)$  be given,  $A = \{\alpha_0, \tau_1, \dots, \tau_k, \alpha_k\}$ . Lemma 2 implies that the set  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n_0}\}$  is contained in the set  $\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_k\}$ . Moreover, for every  $s_n, n = 1, 2, \dots, n_0$  there is an integer  $i$  such that  $s_n = \tau_i < \alpha_i$  (if  $s_n = \tau_i = \alpha_i < \tau_{i+1}$  then  $s_n \in (\tau_{i+1} - \delta(\tau_{i+1}), \tau_{i+1})$  which contradicts (33)). Denote  $J = \{n \in \mathbb{N}; s_n = \tau_i < \alpha_i \text{ for some } i\}$ ; then  $J \subset \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n_0}\}$ . We have the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} |S(W, A) - \alpha| &= \left| \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ \tau_i < \alpha_i}}^k u(\tau_i) - \alpha \right| = \left| \sum_{n \in J} u(s_n) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \right| = \\ &= \left| \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \notin J}}^{\infty} \alpha_n \right| \leq \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} |\alpha_n| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the function  $W$  is integrable over  $[a, b]$  and  $\int_a^b DW(\tau, t) = \alpha$ . Theorem 4 (with  $u(\tau)$  and 0 instead of  $v(\tau)$  and  $u(\tau)$ ) implies that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and has the sum  $\alpha$ .

**Theorem 7.** Assume that functions  $u, v: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $|u(t)| \leq v(t)$  for  $t \in [a, b]$ . If the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$  is convergent, then

(i) the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent and  $|\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)| \leq \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t)$ ;

(ii) for every sequence of pairwise different points  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  such that  $\{t \in [a, b]; u(t) \neq 0\} \subset \{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots\}$  the equality

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u(s_n) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$$

holds.

**Proof.** (i) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. By Proposition 2 there is a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) - \sum_{j=1}^k v(\tau_j) \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{holds for every two sets} \\ \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\}, \{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_k\} \in (\delta).$$

Let  $B_0 = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta)$  be fixed. Let us denote

$$\delta'(\tau) = \min \{ \delta(\tau), \text{dist}(\tau; B_0 \setminus \{\tau\}) \} \quad \text{for any } \tau \in [a, b].$$

Then by Lemma 2 arbitrary sets  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}, \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_l\} \in I(\delta')$  contain all points from  $B_0$ . We have an estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k u(s_i) - \sum_{j=1}^l u(\sigma_j) \right| &= \left| \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ s_i \notin B_0}}^k u(s_i) - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ \sigma_j \notin B_0}}^l u(\sigma_j) \right| \leq \\ &\leq \left| \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ s_i \notin B_0}}^k u(s_i) \right| + \left| \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ \sigma_j \notin B_0}}^l u(\sigma_j) \right| \leq \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ s_i \notin B_0}}^k v(s_i) + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ \sigma_j \notin B_0}}^l v(\sigma_j) = \\ &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k v(s_i) - \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) \right] + \left[ \sum_{j=1}^l v(\sigma_j) - \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) \right] < 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

According to Proposition 2 the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  is convergent. Since for every finite set  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \subset [a, b]$  the inequality

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^m u(t_n) \right| \leq \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n)$$

holds, we conclude that

$$\left| \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) \right| \leq \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t).$$

(ii) By Theorem 5 there is a sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  of pairwise different points such that

$$\{t \in [a, b]; v(t) \neq 0\} \subset \{t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots\} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v(t_n).$$

Let an arbitrary sequence of pairwise different points  $\{s_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$  be given such that

$$\{t \in [a, b]; u(t) \neq 0\} \subset \{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots\}.$$

For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is such an integer  $N$  that

$$\left| \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) - \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) \right| < \varepsilon$$

holds for any  $m \geq N$ . There is such an integer  $K$  that

$$\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_K\} \cap \{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\}.$$

Let us mention that if  $t \notin \{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  then  $v(t) = 0$ . For any  $k \geq K$  we have

$$[a, b] \setminus (\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\} \cap \{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}) \subset [a, b] \setminus \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t) - \sum_{j=1}^k u(s_j) \right| &= \left| \sum_{t \in [a, b] \setminus \{s_j\}_{j=1}^k} u(t) \right| \leq \sum_{t \in [a, b] \setminus \{s_j\}_{j=1}^k} v(t) = \\ &= \sum_{t \in [a, b] \setminus (\{s_j\}_{j=1}^k \cap \{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty})} v(t) \leq \sum_{t \in [a, b] \setminus \{t_n\}_{n=1}^N} v(t) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) - \sum_{n=1}^N v(t_n) < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} u(s_j) = \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$ .

**Definition 3.** Assume that for every  $\alpha$  from some index set  $C$  a series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t)$  is given. We say that the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t) = u_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in C$  are equiconvergent, if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a gauge  $\delta$  on  $[a, b]$  such that

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^m u^\alpha(t) - u_\alpha \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for every } \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta) \quad \text{and } \alpha \in C.$$

**Theorem 8.** Let for every  $\alpha \in C$  a series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t)$  be given. Assume that there are convergent series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) = v$ ,  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} w(t) = w$  such that  $v(t) \leq u^\alpha(t) \leq w(t)$  for every  $t \in [a, b]$ ,  $\alpha \in C$ . Then the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t)$ ,  $\alpha \in C$  are equiconvergent and there is a sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that

$$\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \{t \in [a, b]; u^\alpha(t) \neq 0 \text{ for some } \alpha \in C\};$$

$$t_n \neq t_m \quad \text{if } n \neq m; \quad \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u^\alpha(t_n) \quad \text{for every } \alpha \in C.$$

**Proof.** Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Let  $\delta_0$  be a gauge such that

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^k v(t_n) - v \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \sum_{n=1}^k w(t_n) - w \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all}$$

$$\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k\} \in I(\delta_0).$$

Let  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_p\} \in I(\delta_0)$  be a fixed set. Let us define

$$\delta(\tau) = \min \{ \delta_0(\tau), \text{dist}(\tau; \{s_1, \dots, s_p\} \setminus \{\tau\}) \} \text{ for } \tau \in [a, b].$$

An arbitrary set  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m\} \in I(\delta)$  includes all the points  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_p$ . Then for every  $\alpha \in C$  we have estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m u^\alpha(t_n) - \sum_{k=1}^p u^\alpha(s_k) &= \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ t_n \notin S}}^m u^\alpha(t_n) \leq \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ t_n \notin S}}^m w(t_n) = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^m w(t_n) - \sum_{k=1}^p w(s_k) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^m w(t_n) - w \right) + \left( w - \sum_{k=1}^p w(s_k) \right) < 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Analogously } \sum_{n=1}^m u^\alpha(t_n) - \sum_{k=1}^p u^\alpha(s_k) \geq \left( \sum_{n=1}^m v(t_n) - v \right) + \left( v - \sum_{k=1}^p v(s_k) \right) > -2\varepsilon.$$

Consequently

$$(34) \quad \left| \sum_{k=1}^m u^\alpha(t_n) - \sum_{n=1}^p u^\alpha(s_k) \right| < 2\varepsilon.$$

Proposition 2 implies that  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t)$  is a convergent series and has a sum  $u_\alpha$ . From

(34) it follows that  $\left| \sum_{n=1}^m u^\alpha(t_n) - u_\alpha \right| \leq 2\varepsilon$ , hence the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t)$ ,  $\alpha \in C$  are equi-convergent.

By Theorem 5 and Corollary 1 there is a sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  such that  $t_n \neq t_m$  for  $n \neq m$ ,

$$(35) \quad \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty v(t_n),$$

$$(36) \quad \{t_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset \{t \in [a, b]; v(t) \neq 0\},$$

and

$$(37) \quad \{t_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset \{t \in [a, b]; w(t) \neq 0\}.$$

Let  $\alpha \in C$ . Then  $u^\alpha(t) = v(t) + (u^\alpha(t) - v(t))$  where  $u^\alpha(t) - v(t) \geq 0$ . By Proposition 5 the series  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u^\alpha(t) - v(t))$  is convergent. Since  $u^\alpha(t) - v(t) \geq 0$  for  $t \in [a, b]$  and  $u^\alpha(t) - v(t) = 0$  for every  $t \in \{t_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  according to (36), (37), Theorem 7 implies that

$$\sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u^\alpha(t) - v(t)) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty (u^\alpha(t_n) - v(t_n)).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t \in [a, b]} u^\alpha(t) &= \sum_{t \in [a, b]} v(t) + \sum_{t \in [a, b]} (u^\alpha(t) - v(t)) = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty v(t_n) + \sum_{n=1}^\infty (u^\alpha(t_n) - v(t_n)) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty u^\alpha(t_n). \end{aligned}$$

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### Souhrn

## NEABSOLUTNĚ KONVERGENTNÍ ŘADY

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Nechť pro každé  $t$  z intervalu  $[a, b]$  je dáno reálné číslo  $u(t)$ . Není problém sečíst všechna tato čísla  $u(t)$  v případě, že řada  $\sum_{t \in [a, b]} u(t)$  je absolutně konvergentní. Článek podává návod, jak sečíst řadu tohoto typu, která však není absolutně konvergentní. Používá se zde teorie zobecněného Perronova (neboli Kurzweilova) integrálu.

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