# FATOU-RIESZ-THEOREMS IN GENERAL SEQUENCE SPACES

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Consider a formal series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  with partial sums  $s_n = \sum_{n=0}^{n} a_k$  and the corresponding power series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ . Throughout we will assume that f is analytic for |z| < 1, i.e. that  $\limsup_{n \to \infty} |a_n|^{1/n} \leq 1$ . A classical theorem of Fatou-Riesz (see (1, 4)) states that if  $\lim_{n \to 0} a_n = 0$  and

$$(F-R)$$
: f is analytic for  $z = 1$ ,  $f(1) = 0$ 

then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent to 0.

Jurkat-Peyerimhoff (2, 3) obtained the following modification for absolute convergence:

If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_{n+1} - a_n| < \infty$  and (F - R) are satisfied then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty$ . If we denote by

$$c_0 = \{a = (a_n)_0^\infty \mid \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0\}$$

the space of null sequences and

$$b_v = \{a = (a_n)_0^{\infty} \mid \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mid a_{n+1} - a_n \mid < \infty\}$$

the space of sequences of bounded variation, then the above theorems may be equivalently formulated in the following way:

If (F-R) holds then  $(a_n)_0^{\infty} \in c_0$  implies  $(s_n)_0^{\infty} \in c_0$ . If (F-R) holds then  $(a_n)_0^{\infty} \in b_v$  implies  $(s_n)_0^{\infty} \in b_v$ .

This formulation leads to the consideration of a general theorem of the following type:

Given a certain sequence space V. If (F-R) holds then  $(a_n)_0^{\infty} \in V$  implies  $(s_n)_0^{\infty} \in V$ .

The main problem now is to decide for which type of sequence spaces this general

theorem is valid. Remarkably enough there is a sufficient condition of a purely algebraic nature which applies to a wide class of sequence spaces.

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We use the notations  $a = (a_n)_0^{\infty}$ ,  $s = (s_n)_0^{\infty}$  (where  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k$ ) and  $e_k = (\delta_{nk})_0^{\infty}$  (having 1 in the k-th position and 0 otherwise). We also consider two-sided infinite sequences  $g = (g_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ . For  $\alpha > 0$  let

$$\mathscr{K}_{\alpha} = \{g = (g_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mid g_n = O(\mid n \mid^{-\alpha}), \mid n \mid \to \infty \}.$$

We consider the convolution product

$$b = g * a, \quad (b_n)_0^\infty = (g_n)_{-\infty}^\infty * (a_n)_0^\infty$$

defined by

$$b_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g_{n-k} a_k, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(the sums being assumed to exist for all n = 0, 1, 2, ...). We will consider a sequence space V which is a linear space over C and in addition satisfies the following axioms:

- $A_0: e_0 \in V$
- B: for each  $a \in V$  there exists  $\alpha > 0$ , such that for every  $g = (g_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty} \in \mathscr{X}_{\alpha}$  the condition  $g * a = b \in V$  is satisfied.

Axiom B states that  $a \in V$  is mapped into V by the convolution product g \* a, as long as  $g_n = O(|n|^{-\alpha})$ .

Here  $\alpha = \alpha(a)$  still may depend on the element *a* considered. However for many spaces *V* of interest there exists a universal  $\alpha_0 = \alpha_0(V)$  for all  $a \in V$ , i.e. all  $g \in \mathscr{X}_{\alpha_0}$  act as convolution operators mapping *V* into itself.

We summarise some simple properties of the space V.

(i) For each  $a = (a_n)_0^{\infty} \in V$  there exists  $\beta = \beta(a) > 0$  such that  $a_n = O(n^{\beta})$ .

This follows from the fact that for  $\alpha = \alpha(a)$  the sum  $b_0 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1+k)^{-\alpha} a_k$  exists (take  $\beta(a) = \alpha(a)$ ).

(ii) There exists  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_1(V) > 0$  such that for

$$a = (a_n)_0^{\infty}$$
  

$$a_n = O(n^{-\alpha_1}) \text{ implies } (a_n)_0^{\infty} \in V.$$

Take  $\alpha_1 = \alpha(e_0)$  and for  $a_n = O(n^{-\alpha_1})$  let

$$g_n = \begin{cases} a_n & n \ge 0\\ 0 & n < 0 \end{cases}; \quad \text{then} \quad a = g * e_0 \in V.$$

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{F}$  the set

$$\{g = (g_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mid g_n \neq 0 \text{ for only finitely many } n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Since  $g \in \mathscr{F}$  implies  $g_n = 0(|n|^{-\alpha})$  for all  $\alpha > 0$  we get (iii)  $g * a \in V$  for  $g \in \mathscr{F}$ ,

i.e. for  $g \in \mathcal{F}$  the convolution operation g \* a maps V into itself.

A particular case is given by (iv) The shift operators

$$\Gamma^{(k)}: a = (a_n)_0^{\infty} \to \Gamma^{(k)} a = (0, 0, ..., 0, a_0, a_1, ...)$$
(a\_0 at k-th position)

$$\Gamma^{(-k)}: a = (a_n)_0^{\infty} \to \Gamma^{(-k)} a = (a_k, a_{k+1}, ...)$$

 $(k \in N \text{ in both cases}) \text{ map } V \text{ into itself.}$ If we consider the axioms

 $A_k: e_k \in V$ 

then we get, from (iv),

(v) If B is assumed, then  $A_0$  and  $A_k$ , k = 1, 2, ... are equivalent.

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We now are able to state our main result

**Theorem 1.** Let V be a linear sequence space over the field C, satisfying the axioms  $A_0$ and B. For  $a = (a_n)_0^{\infty}$  consider the sequence  $s = (s_n)_0^{\infty}$ ,  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k$ , and the power series

 $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n.$ If the condition

(F-R): f is analytic for z = 1, f(1) = 0

is satisfied, then  $(a_n)_0^{\infty} \in V$  implies  $(s_n)_0^{\infty} \in V$ .

We need the following lemma which is essentially known.

Lemma. Given a function f analytic on the arc

 $\{z = e^{i\phi} \mid \phi_1 \leq \phi \leq \phi_2\} \quad (\phi_2 < 2\pi + \phi_1)$ 

having zeros of order  $\geq \gamma \in N$  at  $z_1 = e^{i\phi_1}$  and  $z_2 = e^{i\phi_2}$ . Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}_1}^{\mathcal{S}_2} f(e^{i\phi}) e^{in\phi} d\phi = O(|n|^{-\gamma}) \quad \text{for} \quad |n| \to \infty.$$

**Proof.** There exists R > 1 such that f is analytic in the closed domain  $\{z = re^{i\phi} \mid 1/R \le r \le R, \phi_1 \le \phi \le \phi_2\}.$ 

 $\{z = re^{-\varphi} \mid 1/K \ge r \ge K, \phi_1 \ge \phi \ge \phi_2$ 

For n < 0 we write the integral in the form

$$\frac{1}{i} \int_{e^{i\phi_2}}^{e^{i\phi_2}} f(z) z^{n-1} dz = \frac{1}{i} \int_1^R f(re^{i\phi_1}) e^{in\phi_1} r^{n-1} dr + \int_{\phi^1}^{\phi_2} f(Re^{i\phi}) R^n e^{in\phi} d\phi + \frac{1}{i} \int_R^1 f(re^{i\phi_2}) e^{in\phi_2} r^{n-1} dr = I + II + III.$$

The first integral may be estimated by

$$|I| \leq M \int_{1}^{R} (r-1)^{\gamma} r^{-|n|} dr = O(|n|^{-\gamma})$$

the same estimate being valid for the third integral. The second integral is estimated by

$$|II| \leq MR^{-|n|} = O(|n|^{-\gamma})$$

For n > 0 we proceed in a similar way replacing R by 1/R.

Proof of Theorem 1. Let

$$s(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n z^n = \frac{1}{1-z} f(z)$$

then

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1/2} \frac{s(z)}{z^{n+1}} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1/2} \frac{f(z)}{(1-z)} \cdot \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}$$

Since f is analytic for z = 1 and f(1) = 0, s is analytic for z = 1, and there exists  $0 < \phi_0 < \pi$ , such that s is analytic on the arc  $\{z = e^{i\phi} \mid -\phi_0 \le \phi \le \phi_0\}$ .

Now there exists a polynomial  $P(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{q} p_k z^k$  such that

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1-z} - P(z)$$

at  $z_1 = e^{-i\phi_0}$ ,  $z_2 = e^{+i\phi_0}$  has zeros of order  $\gamma \ge \alpha + \alpha_1$  where  $\alpha = \alpha(a)$  is the exponent from axiom *B* corresponding to the sequence  $a = (a_n)_0^{\infty}$  and  $\alpha_1 = \alpha(e_0)$  from property (ii).

We obtain

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1/2} \frac{f(z)P(z)dz}{z^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1/2} \frac{f(z)g(z)dz}{z^{n+1}} := s_n^{(1)} + s_n^{(2)}.$$

If we let  $p = (\ldots 0, 0, p_0, p_1, \ldots, p_q, 0, o, \ldots)(p_0 \text{ at } 0\text{-th position})$  we get  $(s_n^{(1)})_0^{\infty} = s^{(1)} = p * a$  which implies  $(s_n^{(1)})_0^{\infty} \in V$  by property (iii). In view of property (i) f has distributional boundary values

$$f(e)^{i\phi}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{in\phi}$$

the sum converging in the distributional sense.

We can therefore write

$$s_{n}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\phi^{0}}^{\phi_{0}} f(e^{i\phi})g(e^{i\phi})e^{-in\phi}d\phi + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\phi_{0}}^{2\pi-\phi_{0}} f(e^{i\phi})g(e^{i\phi})e^{-in\phi}d\phi := s_{n}^{(3)} + s_{n}^{(4)}.$$

Since f(z)g(z) is analytic on  $\{z = e^{i\phi} \mid -\phi_0 \leq \phi \leq \phi_0\}$  having zeros of order  $\geq \gamma$  at  $e^{\pm i\phi_0}$  we obtain from the lemma

$$s_n^{(3)} = O(n^{-\gamma}) \qquad n \to \infty$$

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and  $\gamma \ge \alpha_1$  (property (ii)) implies  $(s_n^{(3)})_0^{\infty} \in V$ . In order to estimate  $s_n^{(4)}$  let be

$$h(e^{i\phi}) = \begin{cases} g(e^{i\phi}), & \phi_0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi - \phi_0 \\ 0 & -\phi_0 < \phi < \phi_0 \end{cases}$$

Then h may be represented by a Fourier series

$$h(e^{i\phi})=\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}g_{n}e^{in\phi}.$$

Since g(z) is analytic on the arc  $\{z = e^{i\phi} \mid \phi_0 \le \phi \le 2\pi - \phi_0\}$  having zeros of order  $\ge \gamma$  at  $e^{\pm i\phi_0}$  we obtain from the lemma

$$g_n = O(|n|^{-\gamma}) |n| \rightarrow \infty$$
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Since  $f(e^{i\phi})$  is analytic for  $-\phi_0 \le \phi \le \phi_0$  and  $g(e^{i\phi})$  is analytic for  $\phi_0 \le \phi \le 2\pi - \phi_0$ , the product is the well-defined distribution

$$f(e^{i\phi})h(e^{i\phi}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n e^{in\phi}$$

where

$$b_{n} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} f(e^{i\phi}) h(e^{i\phi}) e^{-in\phi} d\phi = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g_{n-k} a_{k}.$$

So we obtain  $b_n = s_n^{(4)}$  for  $n \ge 0$  and

$$(s_n^{(4)})_0^{\infty} = (g_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty} * (a_n)_0^{\infty}$$

which implies  $(s_n^{(4)})_0^{\infty} \in V$  from axiom B and  $\gamma \ge \alpha(a)$ . From

$$s_n = s_n^{(1)} + s_n^{(3)} + s_n^{(4)}$$

the statement of the theorem now follows.

#### 4.

We give some examples of sequence spaces for which the Fatou-Riesz-theorem is valid.

Axiom  $A_0$  is satisfied in nearly all sequence spaces of interest, although there exist trivial counter-examples where it does not hold (take the space spanned by the sequence (1, 1, 1, ...)). So the essential point is to show the validity of axiom B. In certain cases there exists a universal  $\alpha_0 = \alpha_0(V)$  not depending on a such that B is satisfied. This might be checked in the following way. The convolution b = g \* a may be formally written as

$$S = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g_k \Gamma^{(k)}$$

 $b = S \cdot a$ 

is an infinite linear combination in the shift operators  $\Gamma^{(k)}$ .

In order to show that S is a well-defined map from V into itself if  $g_n = O(|n|^{\alpha_0})$ , one has to show that the operator sum  $S = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g_k \Gamma^{(k)}$  converges in a suitable sense. Usually

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this requires continuity arguments and consequently a topological structure on V.

We give a precise statement in the case of a Banach space.

**Theorem 2.** Let V be a Banach sequence space. Assume that the shift operators  $\Gamma^{(k)}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , are bounded linear maps from V into itself with norms

$$\|\Gamma^{(k)}\| = O(|k|^{\beta}) \quad as \quad |k| \to \infty$$

for some  $\beta > 0$ .

Then axiom B is satisfied in V. If in addition axiom A holds then the Fatou-Riesz-theorem is valid in V.

**Proof.** Choose  $\alpha_0 > \beta + 1$ , then  $|g_n| = O(|n|^{-\alpha_0})$  implies the convergence of S in the operator norm topology.

In the spaces  $c_0$  and  $b_v$  we have  $\|\Gamma^k\| = 1$  and we obtain the known results. We now give some new examples.

(1) Take  $V = l_p$  the (unweighted)  $l_p$ -space,  $1 \le p \le \infty$ , then  $\|\Gamma^{(k)}\| = 1$ , so Theorem 2 shows the validity of the Fatou-Riesz-theorem. (The case  $p = \infty$  was mentioned already by Fatou (1).)

More generally we may take certain weighted  $l_p$ -spaces:

(2) For  $1 \le p \le \infty$  let be

$$V = l_{w}^{p} = \left\{ a = (a_{n})_{0}^{\infty}, ||a||_{p,w} = \left\| \left( \frac{a_{n}}{w_{n}} \right)_{0}^{\infty} \right\|_{p} < \infty \right\}$$

where  $||(a_n)_0^{\infty}||_p$  denotes the usual  $l_p$ -norm, and  $w = (w_n)_0^{\infty}$  is a fixed positive sequence. Then axiom B is satisfied if the following regularity condition for w holds

$$\sup_{k=0, 1, 2, \dots} \frac{w_{n+k}}{w_n} < M \cdot (|k|+1)^{\beta}$$

for some M > 0,  $\beta > 0$  (where  $w_{-n} = w_0$ , n = 1, 2, ...). For we get

$$\|\Gamma^{(-k)}a\|_{p,w} = \left\|\left(\frac{w_{n+k}}{w_n}\frac{a_{n+k}}{w_{n+k}}\right)\right\|_p < \sup_{n=0,1,2,\dots} \frac{w_{n+k}}{w_n} \left\|\frac{a_n}{w_n}\right\|_p < M(|k|+1)^{\beta} \|a\|_{p,w}.$$

(3) Take the space of  $C_1$ -summable series

$$C_1 = \left\{ (a_n)_{0}^{\infty}, \lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma_n \text{ exists} \right\} \text{ where } \sigma_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n s_k.$$

This is a Banach space with norm  $||a|| = \sup |\sigma_n|$ .

Then  $\|\Gamma^{(k)}\| = 0(|k|)$ , as seen by direct calculation.

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Finally we list some open problems.

1. Conditions for the validity of the Fatou-Riesz-theorem are given by the purely algebraic axioms  $A_0$  and B. Do these axioms imply that the space V can be topologised in a suitable way?

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2. Theorem 1 gives only sufficient conditions for the validity of the Fatou-Riesztheorem, and it remains open whether the theorem could be proved in a much wider class of spaces. Consider

$$V_{1} = \left\{ a = (a_{n})_{0}^{\infty}, \quad \limsup_{n \to \infty} |a_{n}|^{1/n} \leq 1 \right\}$$
$$V_{2} = \left\{ a = (a_{n})_{0}^{\infty}, \quad \limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\log |a_{n}|}{\log n} < \infty \right\}$$
$$V_{3} = \left\{ a = (a_{n})_{0}^{\infty}, \quad f(z) = \sum_{0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n} \in H^{p} \right\}$$

(where  $H^p$  denote the Hardy space of order p), then  $a \in V_i$  and (F-R) implies  $s \in V_i$  as seen directly without using Theorem 1, in  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  it holds even without the (F-R) condition.

3. The classical Fatou-Riesz-theorem has the stronger statement:  $\lim a_n = 0$  implies

the uniform convergence of  $s_n(z)$  on any closed arc of |z| = 1 on which  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  is analytic. Does there exist a suitable generalisation in general sequence spaces?

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