

# Reconstruction of Functions on the Basis of Sequences of Linear Functionals

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The question about a reconstruction of functions from a certain class is studied. The reconstruction is realised on the basis of sequences of linear functionals  $l_n(f)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of the form  $l_n(f) = \sum_{k=0}^{m(n)} a_{nk} f(x_{nk})$ . An explicit expression of the reconstructed function is given. © 1995 Academic Press, Inc.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Every function continuous on  $[a, b]$  is uniquely determined by its values at a sequence of points  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$  which are dense in  $[a, b]$ . This is a trivial example showing that there is a sequence of linear functionals, namely  $l_n(f) = f(x_n)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots$ , which presents complete information about  $f \in C[a, b]$ . In particular,  $l_n(f) = 0$  for each  $n$  implies  $f \equiv 0$ .

Clearly the sequence of divided differences  $f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots$  has the same property since the conditions

$$f[x_0] = f[x_0, x_1] = \dots = f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n] = 0$$

are equivalent to  $f(x_0) = f(x_1) = \dots = f(x_n) = 0$ .

Now consider the next more general problem. Suppose that

$$\mathbf{X} := \{(x_{n0}, x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}), n = 0, 1, \dots\}$$

is a given triangular matrix of points in  $[a, b]$  such that  $\max_k |x_{n, k+1} - x_{nk}| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Suppose that  $f[x_{n0}; x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}] = 0$  for each  $n$  and  $f$  from  $C[a, b]$ . Does this imply  $f \equiv 0$ ? The question was studied by Eterman [3] in the case  $\{x_{nk}\}_{k=0}^n$  are the extremal points of the Chebyshev polynomial  $T_n(x)$  (i.e.  $x_{nk} = \cos(k\pi/n)$ ). He proved that  $f \equiv 0$ , provided it has an absolutely convergent Fourier-Chebyshev series. The case  $[a, b] = [0, 1]$ ,  $x_{nk} = k/n$  is a well-known open problem in approximation theory.

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Note that the condition  $f[x_{n0}, x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}] = 0$  is equivalent to  $e_n(f) = 0$ , where  $e_n(f)$  is the error of the best uniform approximation of  $f$  on the discrete set  $\{x_{n0}, x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}\}$  by polynomials from  $\pi_{n-1}$  ( $\pi_n$  denotes the set of all algebraic polynomials of degree  $n$ ). Thus, this observation gives another interesting interpretation of our problem.

The divided difference  $f[x_{n0}, x_{n1}, \dots, x_{nm}]$  is a linear combination of the function values  $f(x_{n0}), f(x_{n1}), \dots, f(x_{nm})$ . We study here sequences of linear functionals of the form

$$l_n(f) = \sum_{k=0}^{m(n)} a_{nk} f(x_{nk}), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

and show some new examples of  $\{a_{nk}\}, \{x_{nk}\}$  which have the property that  $l_n(f) = 0$  implies  $f \equiv 0$ . Moreover, we give an explicit expression of  $f$  on the basis of the information  $\{l_n(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .

## 2. CONSTRUCTION OF THE FUNCTIONALS

Let us denote, as usual, by  $T_n(x)$  and  $U_n(x)$  the Chebyshev polynomials of the first and second kind, respectively.

Recall also their generating functions

$$T(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n(x) t^n = \frac{1-tx}{1-2tx+t^2}, \quad x \in [-1, 1], \quad |t| < 1;$$

$$U(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} U_n(x) t^n = \frac{1}{1-2tx+t^2}, \quad x \in [-1, 1], \quad |t| < 1.$$

With every function  $f \in C[-1, 1]$  we associate its expansions

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(f) T_n(x), \tag{1}$$

where

$$A_0 = A_0(f) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^{-1/2} f(x) dx,$$

$$A_n = A_n(f) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^{-1/2} f(x) T_n(x) dx, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(f) U_n(x), \tag{2}$$

where

$$B_n = B_n(f) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^{1/2} f(x) U_n(x) dx, \quad n=0, 1, \dots$$

Introduce the classes:

$$\mathbf{AT} := \left\{ f: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) \text{ is absolutely convergent} \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{AU} := \left\{ f: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n U_n(x) \text{ is absolutely convergent} \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{AT}_\varepsilon := \{ f: A_n = O(n^{-1-\varepsilon}) \},$$

$$\mathbf{AU}_\varepsilon := \{ f: B_n = O(n^{-1-\varepsilon}) \}.$$

We study here the linear functionals

$$E_n(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^n {}^* (-1)^m f\left(\cos \frac{m\pi}{n}\right), \quad n=1, 2, \dots \quad (3)$$

$$I_n(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} {}^* (-1)^m \sin \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2n} f\left(\cos \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2n}\right), \quad n=1, 2, \dots \quad (4)$$

$$L_n(f) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{[n/2]} {}^* f\left(\cos \frac{2m\pi}{n}\right), \quad n=1, 2, \dots \quad (5)$$

$$M_n(f) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{[(n-1)/2]} {}^* f\left(\cos \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{n}\right), \quad n=1, 2, \dots \quad (6)$$

$$P_{s,n}(f) = \frac{1}{sn} \sum_{m=0}^{[sn/2]} {}^* a_m f\left(\cos \frac{2m\pi}{sn}\right), \quad (7)$$

where  $s \geq 2$  is a positive integer,

$$a_m = \begin{cases} 2(s-1), & \text{if } s|m \\ -2, & \text{if } s \nmid m \end{cases}, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$R_{s,n}(f) = \frac{4}{sn} \sum_{m=0}^{[sn/2]} {}^* \cos \frac{2m\pi}{s} f\left(\cos \frac{2m\pi}{sn}\right), \quad (8)$$

where  $s \geq 2$  is a positive integer,  $n=1, 2, \dots$

The asterisk on the summation sign means that the terms with  $f(1)$  or  $f(-1)$  are to be halved. We shall also use the notation  $\sum^s$ , which means that the summation index skips all multiples of  $s$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $f \in \mathbf{AT}$ ,  $g \in \mathbf{AU}$ , then*

$$E_n(f) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_{(2m+1)n}, \tag{9}$$

$$I_n(g) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m B_{(2m+1)n-1}, \tag{10}$$

$$L_n(f) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_{mn}, \tag{11}$$

$$M_n(f) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m A_{mn}, \tag{12}$$

$$P_{s,n}(f) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{mn}, \tag{13}$$

$$R_{s,n}(f) = A_n + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{(ms \pm 1)n}. \tag{14}$$

*Proof.* Some of these relations are known. See, for example, a simple proof of (9) in [6, p. 93 and p. 174]. We use here another new approach which makes it possible to establish relations of this kind. We give a detailed proof of (9) only.

Denote by  $u$  and  $v$  the zeros of the polynomial  $p(t) = t^2 - 2tx + 1$ , where  $x$  is a parameter from  $[-1, 1]$ . Then  $T(x, t)$  may be written in the form

$$T(x, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{u}{t-u} + \frac{v}{t-v} \right).$$

After the transformation  $x = \cos \theta$ ,  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  the zeros become  $u = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$  and  $v = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$ . Denote

$$x_m := \cos \frac{m\pi}{n}, \quad u_m := \cos \frac{m\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{m\pi}{n}, \quad v_m := \cos \frac{m\pi}{n} - i \sin \frac{m\pi}{n}.$$

Apply first the functional  $E_n$  to the function  $T(\cdot, t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E_n(T(\cdot, t)) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^n (-1)^m T(x_m, t) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} (-1)^m T(x_m, t) + \frac{1}{2n} (T(x_0, t) + (-1)^n T(x_n, t)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} (-1)^m \left( \frac{u_m}{t-u_m} + \frac{v_m}{t-v_m} \right) + \frac{1}{2n} \left( \frac{1}{1-t} + \frac{(-1)^n}{1+t} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} (-1)^m \frac{u_m}{t-u_m}, \end{aligned}$$

because  $v_m = u_{2n-m}$ . The last sum is a rational function with a denominator  $t^{2n} - 1$ , because  $\{u_m\}_{m=0}^{2n-1}$  are the  $2n$ th roots of the unity. Denote by  $\varphi(t)$  the numerator of this rational function. Clearly  $\varphi \in \pi_{2n-1}$ . We have

$$\frac{\varphi(t)}{t^{2n} - 1} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} (-1)^m \frac{u_m}{t - u_m}$$

and therefore

$$\varphi(t) = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{m=0}^{2n-1} (-1)^m u_m \frac{t^{2n} - 1}{t - u_m}.$$

In particular, for  $t = u_l$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u_l) &= -\frac{1}{2n} (-1)^l u_l \left. \frac{t^{2n} - 1}{t - u_l} \right|_{t=u_l} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2n} (-1)^l u_l (2n) u_l^{2n-1} = (-1)^{l+1} = -u_l^n, \\ & \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, 2m-1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varphi(t)$  is determined uniquely by its values at  $\{u_l\}_{l=0}^{2n-1}$ , we obtain  $\varphi(t) = -t^n$ . Hence

$$E_n(T(\cdot, t)) = \frac{t^n}{1 - t^{2n}} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} t^{(2m+1)n}.$$

On the other hand, since  $E_n$  is bounded and therefore continuous functional, it follows from the expression of the generating function of  $T_n(x)$  that

$$E_n(T(\cdot, t)) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} t^j E_n(T_j(x)).$$

Therefore

$$E_n(T_j(x)) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = (2m+1)n; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Finally, applying  $E_n$  to (1) we get

$$E_n(f) = E_n\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k T_k(x)\right) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k E_n(T_k(x)) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_{(2m+1)n}.$$

3. MAIN RESULTS

We solve here the reconstruction problem on the basis of the functionals (3)–(7). Our method uses the properties of the Möbius function  $\mu(n)$ . Let us recall that  $\mu(n)$  is defined in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(1) &= 1; \\ \mu(n) &= 0, \quad \text{if } p^2 | n, \quad p \text{ is prime;} \\ \mu(n) &= (-1)^m, \quad \text{if } n = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_m, \\ & \quad p_i \text{ are distinct primes, } \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

It is known that

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The proof may be found in [7, p. 27].

Introduce the arithmetic function  $\nu$  by the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(1) &= -1; \\ \sum_{d|n} \nu(d)(-1)^{n/d} &= 0, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

For each positive integer  $n$  denote

$$\begin{aligned} a(n) &:= \text{the highest power of 2, which divides } n, \\ r(n) &:= \frac{n}{2^{a(n)}}. \end{aligned}$$

A simple consequence from [1, Lemma 6] is that

$$\nu(n) = -2^{a(n)-1} \mu(r(n)).$$

(under the convention that  $2^{-1} = 1$ ).

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AT}_\varepsilon$ . The functionals  $\{L_n(f)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $A_0$  determine  $f$  uniquely. Moreover*

$$f(x) = A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^\infty (L_j(f) - A_0) \sum_{k|j} \mu(k) T_{jk}(x). \tag{15}$$

*Proof.* Putting  $L_n := L_n(f)$  and  $L_{n0} := L_n - A_0$ , for convenience, one may write (11) as

$$L_{n0} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{mn}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \tag{16}$$

which is an infinite linear system with respect to  $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . We shall show that the homogeneous system  $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{mn} = 0$  admits only the trivial solution.

Let  $M = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_l$  be the product of the first  $l$  primes. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{d|M} \mu(d) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{md} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} \mu(d) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|\delta \\ \delta=(j, M)}} \mu(d) = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ (j, M)=1}}^{\infty} A_{jn} \end{aligned}$$

(we used the change  $md = j$  in the second equality).

Hence

$$0 = A_n + \sum_{\substack{j=p_{l+1} \\ (j, M)=1}}^{\infty} A_{jn},$$

and consequently

$$|A_n| \leq \sum_{\substack{j=p_{l+1} \\ (j, M)=1}}^{\infty} |A_{jn}| \leq \sum_{j=p_{l+1}}^{\infty} |A_j|.$$

Letting  $l \rightarrow \infty$  we conclude that  $A_n = 0$ .

So if the system (16) has a solution it must be unique. We prove next that this solution is given by the expression

$$A_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(k) L_{kn0}.$$

Note first that the series is absolutely convergent. Indeed,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\mu(k)| |L_{kn0}| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |L_{kn0}|$$

and since

$$|L_{kn0}| \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |A_{mkn}| \leq C_1 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(mkn)^{1+\epsilon}} = C_2 \frac{1}{(kn)^{1+\epsilon}},$$

with some constants  $C_1, C_2$ , the series is evidently convergent. Now inserting the expression of  $A_n$  in (16) we get

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(k) L_{kmn0} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} L_{jn0} \sum_{k|j} \mu(k) = L_{n0},$$

which shows that it is a solution. This proof will be complete if we show that the change of the order of the summation is correct. But this is a consequence of the fact that any of the series in the last equality is absolutely convergent. Let us prove, for example, that  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} L_{jn0} \sum_{k|j} \mu(k)$  is absolutely convergent.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |L_{jn0}| \left| \sum_{k|j} \mu(k) \right| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |L_{jn0}| \sum_{k|j} |\mu(k)| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |L_{jn0}| \tau(j) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |L_{jn0}| \tau(nj) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |L_{j0}| \tau(j) \\ &\leq C_1 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(j)}{j^{1+\varepsilon}} = C_1 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{1+\varepsilon/2}} \cdot \frac{\tau(j)}{j^{\varepsilon/2}} \\ &\leq C_2 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{1+\varepsilon/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here we denote by  $\tau(n)$  the number of the divisors of  $n$  and we also use the asymptotic equality  $\tau(j) = O(j^\delta)$ , which holds for any positive integer  $j$  and any  $\delta > 0$  (see [7, p. 34]).  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are constants.

Using the presentation (1) we find

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(k) L_{kn0} \right) T_n(x) \\ &= A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} L_{j0} \sum_{k|j} \mu(k) T_{jk}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AT}_\varepsilon$ . The functionals  $\{M_n(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $A_0$  determine  $f$  uniquely. Moreover*

$$f(x) = A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (M_j(f) - A_0) \sum_{k|j} v(k) T_{jk}(x). \tag{17}$$

*Proof.* Putting  $M_n := M_n(f)$  and  $M_{n0} := M_n - A_0$ , for convenience, one may write (12) as

$$M_{n0} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^m A_{nm}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \tag{18}$$



We shall show that the homogeneous system  $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^m A_{mn} = 0$  admits only the trivial solution.

Let  $M$  be the least common multiple of the first  $l$  positive integers. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{d|M} v(d) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^m A_m dn = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^l A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} + \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^l A_{jn} \sum_{d|j} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} + \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} \\ &= A_n + \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|A_n| = \left| \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} \right|.$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} v(d) (-1)^{j/d} \right| &\leq \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} |v(d)| \leq \sum_{d|j} |v(d)| = \sum_{j=2^{a(j)} r(j)} |v(d)| \\ &= \sum_{c=0}^{a(j)} \sum_{d|r(j)} |v(2^c d)| = \sum_{c=0}^{a(j)} 2^{c-1} \sum_{d|r(j)} |\mu(d)| \\ &\leq 2^{a(j)} \tau(r(j)) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |A_n| &\leq \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} 2^{a(j)} \tau(r(j)) |A_{jn}| \\ &\leq C_1 \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} 2^{a(j)} \tau(r(j)) \frac{1}{(2^{a(j)} r(j) n)^{1+\varepsilon}} \\ &= \frac{C_1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a(j)} \frac{\tau(r(j))}{r(j)^{1+\varepsilon}}. \end{aligned}$$

Because of the inequality

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a(j)} \frac{\tau(r(j))}{r(j)^{1+\varepsilon}} \leq \sum_{a=0}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(r)}{r^{1+\varepsilon}}$$

the series  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a(j)} \tau(r(j))/r(j)^{1+\varepsilon}$  is convergent.

Letting  $l \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain that  $A_n = 0$ .

So, if the system (18) has a solution it must be unique. We prove next that this solution is given by the expression  $A_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v(k) M_{kn0}$ . As in the previous case we show that this series is absolutely convergent. Indeed we have

$$|M_{kn0}| \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |(-1)^m A_{mkn}| = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |A_{mkn}| = \frac{C_1}{(kn)^{1+\varepsilon}}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |v(k) M_{kn0}| &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{a(k)-1} |\mu(r(k))| |M_{kn0}| \\ &\leq \frac{C_1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{a(k)-1} \frac{1}{(2^{a(k)} r(k))^{1+\varepsilon}} \\ &= \frac{C_1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a(k)-1} \frac{1}{(r(k))^{1+\varepsilon}} \\ &\leq \frac{C_2}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \sum_{a=0}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^{1+\varepsilon}} \end{aligned}$$

which yields that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v(k) M_{kn0}$  is absolutely convergent. Now inserting  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v(k) M_{kn0}$  in (18) we get

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^m \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v(k) M_{kmm0} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{jn0} \sum_{k|j} v(k) (-1)^{j/k} = M_{n0}.$$

In order to complete the proof we should show that the change of the order of the summation is correct. Let us establish the absolute convergence of the series  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} M_{jn0} \sum_{k|j} v(k) (-1)^{j/k}$ , for example.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |M_{jn0}| \left| \sum_{k|j} v(k) (-1)^{j/k} \right| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |M_{jn0}| \sum_{k|j} |v(k)| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |M_{jn0}| 2^{a(j)} \tau(r(j)) \\ &\leq \frac{C_3}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\varepsilon a(j)} \frac{\tau(r(j))}{r(j)^{1+\varepsilon}}. \end{aligned}$$

The convergence of the last series was already proved.

Using the presentation (1) we find

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v(k) M_{kn0} \right) T_n(x) \\ &= A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_{j0} \sum_{k|j} v(k) T_{j/k}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.

Note, also, that considering separately the cases of even and odd  $n$ , one can obtain other functionals, as it is done in [1], [3], [5]. For example, the functional  $M_{2n}(f)$  is used for the reconstruction of an even function (see [1, Theorem 4]). Following the proof of Theorem 1, one may get the next known results.

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AT}_e$ . The functionals  $\{E_n(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $f(1)$  determine  $f$  uniquely.*

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AU}_e$ . The functionals  $\{I_n(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $f(1)$  determine  $f$  uniquely.*

We mention these theorems only for completeness. Their proofs may be found in [2], [3], [4].

Next we use a family of functionals, namely  $\{P_{s,n}(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  for the reconstruction of the function.

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AT}_e$  and  $s \geq 2$  be a fixed prime number. The functionals  $\{P_{s,n}(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $f(1)$  determine  $f$  uniquely. Moreover*

$$f(x) = f(1) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P_{s,j}(f) \sum_{\substack{k|j \\ s \nmid k}} \mu(k) (T_{j/k}(x) - 1). \quad (19)$$

*Proof.* Consider the system of equations

$$P_{s,n} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{mn}, \quad (P_{s,n} = P_{s,n}(f)).$$

We shall show that the corresponding homogeneous system has only the trivial solution. In order to do this, consider the infinite sequence  $\mathbf{P}$  of all prime numbers, from which  $s$  is removed.

Let  $M = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_l$  be the product of the first  $l$  primes in  $\mathbf{P}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{d|M} \mu(d) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_m d^n = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{j^n} \sum_{\substack{d|M \\ d|j}} \mu(d) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_{j^n} \sum_{\substack{d|\delta \\ \delta=(j, M)}} \mu(d) = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ (j, M)=1}}^{\infty} A_{j^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Further, the proof follows that one of Theorem 2. Here the solution of the system is obtained in the form

$$A_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(k) P_{s, kn}.$$

Now, using (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(k) P_{s, kn} \right) T_n(x) \\ &= A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P_{s, j} \sum_{\substack{k|j \\ s|k}} \mu(k) T_{j/k}(x). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$f(1) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P_{s, j} \sum_{\substack{k|j \\ s|k}} \mu(k)$$

and hence

$$f(x) = f(1) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P_{s, j}(f) \sum_{\substack{k|j \\ s|k}} \mu(k) (T_{j/k}(x) - 1).$$

The proof is complete.

Next we need some new notations and auxiliary propositions.

Let  $s \geq 2$  be a fixed positive integer. Introduce the following set of positive integers

$$\mathbf{K}_s := \left\{ \{ks \pm 1\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \cup \{1\} \right\}.$$

In other words  $\mathbf{K}_s$  is a union of two arithmetic progressions with difference  $s$ . It is not difficult to see that  $\mathbf{K}_s$  is closed with respect to multiplication,

i.e. the product of two numbers from  $\mathbf{K}_s$  is also its element. For convenience we shall mark  $m$  by  $\sim$  (i.e. we shall write  $\tilde{m}$ ) to denote that the positive integer  $m$  (which may be presented as  $m = ks \pm 1$  for some positive integer  $k$ ) is considered as an element of  $\mathbf{K}_s$ .

We say also that  $\tilde{b}$  divides  $\tilde{a}$  (and denote this by  $\tilde{b}|\tilde{a}$ ) if there exists  $\tilde{c}$ , such that  $\tilde{a} = \tilde{b}\tilde{c}$  (Further,  $\tilde{c}$  would be denoted by  $\tilde{a}/\tilde{b}$ ).

It is easy to see that if  $\tilde{a} \in \mathbf{K}_s$ ,  $\tilde{b} \in \mathbf{K}_s$  and  $a/b \in \mathbf{Z}$ , then  $\tilde{b}|\tilde{a}$ , i.e.  $\tilde{a}/\tilde{b} \in \mathbf{K}_s$  and  $\tilde{a}/\tilde{b} = a/b$ . Further, for the elements of  $\mathbf{K}_s$ , we shall consider operation "division" only in  $\mathbf{K}_s$ .

We call "prime" in  $\mathbf{K}_s$  any element  $\tilde{m}$  which has only two divisors from  $\mathbf{K}_s$  (namely  $\tilde{1}$  and  $\tilde{m}$ ). The rest elements (except  $\tilde{1}$ ) are said to be "composite numbers".

For example:

$$\mathbf{K}_5 = \{ \tilde{1}, \tilde{4}, \tilde{6}, \tilde{9}, \tilde{11}, \tilde{14}, \tilde{16}, \tilde{19}, \tilde{21}, \tilde{24}, \tilde{26}, \dots \}.$$

The elements  $\tilde{4}, \tilde{6}, \tilde{9}, \tilde{11}, \tilde{14}, \tilde{19}, \tilde{21}, \tilde{26}$  have only two divisors. The first composite number is  $\tilde{16} = \tilde{4}^2$ , and the first composite with different prime divisors is  $\tilde{24} = \tilde{4} \times \tilde{6}$ . Introduce the arithmetic function  $\tilde{\mu}$ , defined in  $\mathbf{K}_s$  by the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{1}) &= 1; \\ \sum_{\tilde{d}|\tilde{n}} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) &= 0, \quad \tilde{n} > \tilde{1}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 1. Let  $a$  be a positive integer and  $a \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$ . If  $a = bc$ , then  $b \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$  and  $c \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$ .

Proof. Let  $b = 6b_1 + r_1$  and  $c = 6c_1 + r_2$ ,  $0 \leq r_1 \leq 5$ ,  $0 \leq r_2 \leq 5$ . It is seen from the table that from all combinations for the product  $r_1 r_2$ , the above-mentioned congruence is true only when  $r_1 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$  and  $r_2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$ .

	$r_1: 1$	$2$	$3$	$4$	$5$	
$r_2$	1	1	2	3	4	5
	2	2	4	0	2	4
	3	3	0	3	0	3
	4	4	2	0	4	2
	5	5	4	3	2	1

The proof is complete.

Next we give a lemma which could be recognized as the Fundamental theorem of arithmetics in  $\mathbf{K}_6$ .

LEMMA 2. Each  $\tilde{a} \in \mathbf{K}_6$  has a unique representation as a product of primes up to the order of the factors

$$\tilde{a} = \tilde{p}_1 \tilde{p}_2 \cdots \tilde{p}_m$$

(some of these primes may be equal).

*Proof.* Prove first the existence. Obviously the existence is clear for all primes of  $\mathbf{K}_6$  (i.e.  $\tilde{5}, \tilde{7}, \dots$ ). Next we proceed by induction. Assume also that the existence holds for all elements of  $\mathbf{K}_6$ , which do not exceed  $\tilde{u}$ . Let  $\tilde{v}$  be the next element of  $\mathbf{K}_6$  (we assume that all elements of the set are ordered by size). We shall prove the existence of primes, whose product is  $\tilde{v}$ . Choose the least divisor of  $\tilde{v}$  from the sequence  $\tilde{5}, \tilde{7}, \dots, \tilde{u}, \tilde{v}$ . If it is  $\tilde{v}$  then  $\tilde{v}$  is prime. Otherwise we have  $\tilde{v} = \tilde{p}\tilde{q}$ , where  $\tilde{p}$  is prime and obviously  $\tilde{q} \leq \tilde{u}$ . Then according to the induction hypothesis  $\tilde{q}$  and consequently  $\tilde{v}$  may be presented as a product of primes.

Now we shall prove the uniqueness of the representation (up to the order of the factors). Suppose that for some  $\tilde{a} \in \mathbf{K}_6$

$$\tilde{a} = \tilde{p}_1 \tilde{p}_2 \cdots \tilde{p}_m = \tilde{q}_1 \tilde{q}_2 \cdots \tilde{q}_n,$$

where  $\tilde{p}_i, \tilde{q}_j$ -are primes in  $\mathbf{K}_6$ . Consider  $p_1$  and suppose that it is composite in  $\mathbf{N}$ . Then  $p_1 = p'_1 p''_1$  and we derive from Lemma 1 that  $\tilde{p}'_1 \in \mathbf{K}_6$  and  $\tilde{p}''_1 \in \mathbf{K}_6$ . This contradicts our assumption that  $\tilde{p}_1$  is prime in  $\mathbf{K}_6$ . Hence  $p_1$  is prime in  $\mathbf{N}$ . Using similar arguments we may establish that each of the numbers  $p_i, q_j$  is prime in  $\mathbf{N}$ . Then all  $p_i$  and  $q_j$  in the equality

$$p_1 p_2 \cdots p_m = q_1 q_2 \cdots q_n$$

are primes and from the Fundamental theorem of arithmetics we derive the uniqueness (up to the order of the factors).

LEMMA 3. For the function  $\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n})$ , defined in  $\mathbf{K}_6$  the following equalities are true:

$$\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{1}) = 1;$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n}) = 0, \quad \text{if } \tilde{p}^2 | \tilde{n}, \quad \tilde{p} \text{ is prime};$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n}) = (-1)^m, \quad \text{if } \tilde{n} = \tilde{p}_1 \tilde{p}_2 \cdots \tilde{p}_m, \quad \tilde{p}_i \text{ are distinct primes.}$$

*Proof.* We may conclude from Lemma 2 that for each  $\tilde{n} \in \mathbf{K}_6$  there exists a unique representation of the form

$$\tilde{n} = \tilde{p}_1^{\alpha_1} \tilde{p}_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots \tilde{p}_m^{\alpha_m},$$

where  $\tilde{p}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  are primes,  $1 \leq a_i$ . Here  $a_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ , are the multiplicity of the corresponding prime divisors. The proof goes by induction on  $\tilde{n}$ . Obviously, the statement is true for  $\tilde{1}$  and all primes. Suppose that it is true also for all numbers of  $\mathbf{K}_6$ , less than  $\tilde{n}$ . It is clear that any divisor  $\tilde{d}$  of  $\tilde{n}$  has the form

$$\tilde{d} = \tilde{p}_1^{b_1} \dots \tilde{p}_m^{b_m}, \quad 0 \leq b_i \leq a_i.$$

Note, also, that  $\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) \neq 0$  only when  $b_i = 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n}) &= - \sum_{\substack{\tilde{d} | \tilde{n} \\ \tilde{d} < \tilde{n}}} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) = - \left( \binom{m}{0} - \binom{m}{1} + \binom{m}{2} - \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-1)^{m-1} \binom{m}{m-1} + \varepsilon_m \right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varepsilon_m = \begin{cases} (-1)^m, & \text{if at least one } a_i \geq 2; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n}) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if at least one } a_i \geq 2; \\ (-1)^m, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Denote by  $\tilde{\tau}(\tilde{n})$  the number of divisors (in  $\mathbf{K}_6$ ) of  $\tilde{n}$ . It is easy to see that  $\tilde{\tau}(\tilde{n}) \leq \tau(n)$ .

Further we shall consider only the case  $s = 6$ , i.e. the set  $\mathbf{K}_6$ .

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $f \in \mathbf{AT}_\varepsilon$ . The functionals  $\{R_{6,n}(f)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $f(1)$  determine  $f$  uniquely. Moreover*

$$f(x) = f(1) + \sum_{j=1}^\infty R_{6,j}(f) \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k})(T_{j/k}(x) - 1). \tag{20}$$

(Here the second sum is taken over all divisors of  $j$  which are elements of  $\mathbf{K}_6$ ).

*Proof.* Follow the proof of Theorem 2. From (14) we have the equality

$$R_{6,n} = \sum_{\tilde{m}|\tilde{n}} A_{\tilde{m}\tilde{n}}, \quad (R_{6,n} = R_{6,n}(f)).$$

We shall show that the homogeneous system  $\sum_{\tilde{m}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} A_{\tilde{m}n} = 0$  admits only the trivial solution.

Let  $\tilde{M} = \tilde{p}_1 \tilde{p}_2 \cdots \tilde{p}_l$  be the product of the first  $l$  prime numbers of  $\mathbf{K}_6$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{\tilde{d}|\tilde{M}} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) \sum_{\tilde{m}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} A_{\tilde{m}\tilde{d}n} = \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{\tilde{d}|\tilde{M} \\ \tilde{d}|j}} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) \\ &= \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} A_{jn} \sum_{\substack{d|\tilde{d} \\ \tilde{d}=(j, \tilde{M})}} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{d}) = \sum_{\substack{j=\bar{1} \\ (j, \tilde{M})=\bar{1}}}^{\infty} A_{jn}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|A_n| \leq \sum_{j=\beta_{l+1}}^{\infty} |A_{jn}| \leq \sum_{j=p_{l+1}}^{\infty} |A_j|.$$

Letting  $l \rightarrow \infty$  we derive that  $A_n = 0$ . We used here that there are infinitely many primes (in  $\mathbf{K}_6$ ). This is a consequence of Dirichlet's theorem for the prime numbers in arithmetic progression and from the fact that each prime (in  $\mathbf{N}$ ), belonging to  $\mathbf{K}_6$  is prime, also, for  $\mathbf{K}_6$ . We shall show that  $\sum_{\tilde{k}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) R_{6, \tilde{k}n}$  is a solution of the system.

Since

$$|R_{6, \tilde{k}n}| = \left| \sum_{\tilde{m}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} A_{\tilde{k}\tilde{m}n} \right| \leq \sum_{\tilde{m}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} |A_{\tilde{k}\tilde{m}n}| \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |A_{kmm}| = O(kn)^{-1-\epsilon},$$

then  $\sum_{\tilde{k}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) R_{6, \tilde{k}n}$  is absolutely convergent. Further,

$$\sum_{\tilde{m}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} \sum_{\tilde{k}=\bar{1}}^{\infty} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) R_{6, \tilde{k}\tilde{m}n} = \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} R_{6, jn} \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) = R_{6, n}.$$

We need only show the absolute convergence of  $\sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} R_{6, jn} \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k})$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} |R_{6, jn}| \left| \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) \right| &\leq \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} |R_{6, jn}| \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} |\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k})| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=\bar{1}}^{\infty} |R_{6, jn}| \tilde{\tau}(j) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |R_{6, jn}| \tau(j) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |R_{6, jn}| \tau(jn) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |R_{6, j}| \tau(j) \end{aligned}$$



The convergence of the last series follows from the equality  $|R_{6,j}| = O(j^{-1-\epsilon})$ . We obtained

$$A_n = \sum_{\tilde{k}=1}^{\infty} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) R_{6,\tilde{k}n}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\tilde{k}=1}^{\infty} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) R_{6,\tilde{k}n} \right) T_n(x) \\ &= A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} R_{6,j} \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k}) T_{j/\tilde{k}}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Using again

$$f(1) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} R_{6,j} \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k})$$

we finally get

$$f(x) = f(1) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} R_{6,j}(f) \sum_{\tilde{k}|j} \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{k})(T_{j/\tilde{k}}(x) - 1).$$

It is easy to observe that  $E_n(f) = P_{2,n}(f)$ , i.e. Theorem 4 includes as a special case Eterman's result. Theorem 5 also may be considered as a generalization of this result because of the following. The presented proof may be applied for each particular value of  $s$  for which  $|\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n})| \leq 1$ . These values are  $s=2$ ,  $s=3$ ,  $s=4$ ,  $s=6$ . It is not difficult to see as well that  $E_n(f) = \frac{1}{2} R_{2,n}(f) = R_{4,n}(f)$ . In the study of other cases one needs more precise estimation for the function  $\tilde{\mu}(\tilde{n})$ .

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