

ON FOURIER COEFFICIENTS WITH RESPECT  
TO THE WALSH DOUBLE SYSTEM

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In the present paper we will consider the behavior of Fourier coefficients with respect to the Walsh double system after modification of functions. We prove that for any function  $f(x, y) \in L^p[0, 1]^2$  one can find a function  $g \in L^p[0, 1]^2$  coinciding with  $f(x, y)$  except a set of small measure such that the non-zero coefficients of  $g(x, y)$  are monotonically decreasing over all rays in absolute value.

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**1. Introduction.** We will consider the behavior of Fourier coefficients with respect to the Walsh double system after modification of functions. Note that the well-known classical theorems of N.N. Lusin [1] and D.E. Men'shov [2] are about the “correction of functions”.

Further interesting results in this direction were obtained by many mathematicians, and below we present some results having a direct relation to the present work [3–5].

Let  $\Phi = \{\varphi_k(x)\}$  be the Walsh system and let  $f(x, y) \in L^p$ ,  $p \geq 1$ . We denote by  $c_{k,n}(f)$  the Fourier coefficients of  $f(x, y)$  with respect to the Walsh double system, i.e.

$$c_{k,n}(f) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(t, \tau) \varphi_k(t) \varphi_n(\tau) dt d\tau, \text{ where } k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

The spectrum of  $f(x, y)$  (denoted by  $\text{spec}(f)$ ) is the support of  $c_{k,n}(f)$ , i.e. the index set, where  $c_{k,n}(f)$  is non-zero:  $\text{spec}(f) = \{(k, n), c_{k,n}(f) \neq 0\}$ .

We will say that the sequence  $\{b_{k,n}\}$  ( $b_{k,n} \geq 0$ ) is *monotonically decreasing over all rays*, if  $b_{k_1, n_1} \geq b_{k_2, n_2}$ , when  $k_2 > k_1, n_2 \geq n_1$  and  $b_{k_j, n_j} \neq 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ .

In [4] was proved that for any  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ ,  $p \geq 1$  and each function  $f \in L^p[0, 1]$  one can find a function  $g \in L^p[0, 1]$ ,  $\text{mes}\{x \in [0, 1] ; g \neq f\} < \varepsilon$  such that the

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sequence  $\{|c_k(g)|, k \in \text{spec}(g)\}$  is monotonically decreasing, where  $c_k(g)$  are the Fourier–Walsh coefficients of  $g$ , i.e.  $c_k(g) = \int_0^1 g(t)\varphi_k(t)dt$ ,  $k = 0$ .

In the present work we prove only the following theorem.

**Theorem.** For any  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ ,  $p \geq 1$  and each function  $f(x, y) \in L^p[0, 1]^2$  one can find a function  $g \in L^p[0, 1]^2$ ,  $\text{mes}\{(x, y) \in [0, 1]^2; g \neq f\} < \varepsilon$  such that the sequence  $\{|c_{k,n}(g)|, (k, n) \in \text{spec}(g)\}$  is monotonically decreasing over all rays.

**2. Basic Lemmas.** The Walsh system, an extension of the Rademacher system, may be obtained in the following manner. Let  $r$  be the 1-periodic function, defined on  $[0, 1]$  by  $r(x) = \chi_{[0, 1/2)} - \chi_{[1/2, 1)}$ . The Rademacher system,  $R = \{r_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is defined as follows:  $r_n(x) = r(2^n x)$  for all real numbers  $x$  and  $n = 0, 1, \dots$ , and, in the ordering employed by Paley [6], the  $n^{\text{th}}$  element of the Walsh system  $\{\varphi_n(x)\}$  is given by  $\varphi_n(x) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} r_k^{n_k}(x)$ , where  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} n_k 2^k$  is the unique binary expansion of  $n$ , with each  $n_k$  either 0 or 1.

**Lemma 1.** Let the numbers  $\gamma \neq 0$ ,  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $N > 1$  and  $\Delta = \Delta_1 \times \Delta_2 \subset [0, 1]^2$  be given. Then there exists a set  $E \subset \Delta$ ,  $\text{mes}(E) > (1 - \delta)|\Delta|$  and a double polynomial in the Walsh system of the form

$$Q(x, y) = \sum_{k, n=N}^M c_{k,n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y)$$

satisfying the following conditions:

1.  $|c_{k,n}| < \varepsilon$  for all  $k, n \in [N, M]$ ;
2.  $Q(x, y) = \gamma \chi_{\Delta}(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in E$ ;
3.  $\|Q\|_p < 4\delta^{-\frac{2}{q}} \|\gamma \chi_{\Delta}(x, y)\|_p \left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1\right)$ ;
4. the sequence  $\{|c_{k,n}|\}$  is monotonically decreasing over all rays.

By virtue of the Lemma 3 of [4], one can find measurable sets  $E_j \subset \Delta_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , and polynomials

$$Q_1(x) = \sum_{k=N}^M a_k \varphi_k(x), \quad Q_2(y) = \sum_{n=N}^M b_n \varphi_n(y),$$

where  $|a_k| < \varepsilon$ ,  $|b_n| < 1$  for all  $k, n \in [N, M]$  and non-zero coefficients in  $\{|a_k|\}_{k=N}^M$  and in  $\{|b_n|\}_{n=N}^M$  are in decreasing order,  $Q_1(x) = \gamma \chi_{\Delta_1}(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in E_1$ ,  $\text{mes}(E_1) > \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{2}\right)|\Delta_1|$ ,  $Q_2(y) = \chi_{\Delta_2}(y)$ ,  $\forall y \in E_2$ ,  $\text{mes}(E_2) > \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{2}\right)|\Delta_2|$ ,

$$\|Q_1\|_p < 2\delta^{-\frac{1}{q}} \|\gamma \chi_{\Delta_1}(x)\|_p, \quad \|Q_2\|_p < 2\delta^{-\frac{1}{q}} \|\chi_{\Delta_2}(y)\|_p.$$

We put

$$E = E_1 \times E_2, \quad Q(x, y) = Q_1(x)Q_2(y) = \sum_{k, n=N}^M c_{k,n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y), \quad c_{k,n} = a_k b_n.$$

It is easy to notice that  $E$  and  $Q(x, y)$  will satisfy to the conditions of Lemma 1.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** Let the numbers  $p \geq 1$ ,  $m_0 > 1$ , positive  $\varepsilon$  and  $\delta$  and Walsh double polynomial  $f(x, y)$  be given. Then one can find a set  $E \subset [0, 1]^2$ ,  $mes(E) > 1 - \delta$  and a double polynomial in the Walsh double system of the form

$$Q(x, y) = \sum_{k, n=m_0}^N c_{k, n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y),$$

satisfying the following conditions:

- 1)  $|c_{k, n}| < \varepsilon$  for all  $k, n \in [m_0, N]$ ,
- 2)  $Q(x, y) = f(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in E$ ,
- 3)  $\|Q\|_p < 4\delta^{-\frac{2}{q}} \|f\|_p \left( \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \right)$ ,
- 4) the sequence  $\{|c_{k, n}|\}$  is monotonically decreasing over all rays.

*Proof.* Let

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_{k, n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y) = \sum_{v=1}^{v_0} \gamma_v \chi_{\Delta_v}(x, y), \quad \sum_{v=1}^{v_0} |\Delta_v| = 1,$$

where  $\Delta_v = \Delta_v^{(1)} \times \Delta_v^{(2)}$  and  $\Delta_v^{(j)}$ ,  $v = 1, \dots, v_0$ , are dyadic intervals.

Applying repeatedly Lemma 1, one can find a sequence of measurable sets  $\{E_v\}_{v=1}^{v_0}$ ,  $E_v \subset \Delta_v$ ,  $mes(E_v) > (1 - \delta) |\Delta_v|$  and polynomials

$$Q_v(x, y) = \sum_{k, n=m_{v-1}}^{m_v-1} c_{k, n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y), \quad v = 1, \dots, v_0,$$

which satisfy the following conditions:

the sequence  $\{|c_{k, n}|\}_{k, n=m_{v-1}}^{m_v-1}$  is monotonically decreasing over all rays and  $\max_{k, s \in [m_{n-1}; m_n]} |c_{k, s}| < \min_{k, s \in (m_n; m_{n+1})} |c_{k, s}| < 2^{-n} \varepsilon$

$$Q_v = \begin{cases} \gamma_v & \text{if } x \in E_v, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin \Delta_v, \end{cases}$$

$$\|Q_v\|_p = \left( \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |Q_v(x, y)|^p dx dy \right)^{1/p} < 4\delta^{-\frac{2}{q}} |\gamma_v| |\Delta_v|^{1/p}.$$

We define

$$E = \bigcup_{v=1}^{v_0} E_v, \quad Q(x, y) = \sum_{v=1}^{v_0} Q_v(x, y) = \sum_{k, n=m_0}^N c_{k, n} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_n(y), \quad N = m_{v_0} - 1.$$

It is not hard to notice that the sequence  $\{|c_{k, n}|\}$  monotonically decreases over all rays and

$$Q(x, y) = f(x, y), \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in E, \quad mes(E) > 1 - \delta, \quad \|Q\|_p < 4\delta^{-\frac{2}{q}} \|f\|_p. \quad \square$$

### 3. Proof of Theorem.

Let  $p \geq 1$ ,  $f(x, y)$  be an arbitrary element of  $L^p[0, 1]^2$ , and let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ . It is not hard to choose a sequence  $\{f_n(x, y)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  of polynomials in the Walsh double systems such that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N f_n(x, y) - f(x, y) \right\|_p = 0, \|f_n(x, y)\|_p \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{2}{q}} 2^{-4(n+1)},$$

$$n \geq 2 \left( \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \right).$$

Applying repeatedly Lemma 2, we obtain a sequence of sets  $\{E_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and polynomials in the Walsh double systems  $\{\varphi_k(x)\varphi_s(y)\}$

$Q_n(x, y) = \sum_{k,s=m_{n-1}}^{m_n-1} a_{k,s} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_s(y)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $m_n \nearrow$ , which for all  $n \geq 1$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$Q_n(x, y) = f_n(x, y), \text{ for } (x, y) \in E_n, |E_n| > 1 - \varepsilon 2^{-n}, \|Q_n\|_p \leq 4\varepsilon^{-\frac{2}{q}} 2^{\frac{2}{q}} \|f_n\|_p,$$

the sequences  $\{|a_{k,s}|\}_{k,s=m_n}^{m_{n+1}}$  and  $\{|a_{k,s}|\}_{k,s=m_{n-1}}^{m_n}$  are monotonically decreasing over all rays and  $\max_{k,s \in [m_{n-1}; m_n]} |a_{k,s}| < \min_{k,s \in [m_n; m_{n+1}]} |a_{k,s}| < 2^{-n}$ .

We put

$$g(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty Q_n(x, y) = \sum_{k,s=0}^\infty a_{k,s} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_s(y).$$

Obviously,  $g(x, y) \in L^p[0, 1]^2$ ,

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y), \text{ for } (x, y) \in \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty E_n, \text{ mes}(\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty E_n) > 1 - \varepsilon.$$

It is not hard to see that  $a_{k,n} = c_{k,n}(g) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 g(t, \tau) \varphi_k(t) \varphi_n(\tau) dt d\tau$ ,  $k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $\{|c_{k,n}(g)|, (k, n) \in \text{spec}(g)\}$  decreases over all rays.

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