

On the order of magnitude of the partial sums of rearranged Fourier series of square integrable functions

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Introduction

KOLMOGOROFF [1] was the first to remark that there exists a square integrable function the Fourier series of which diverges almost everywhere in a certain rearrangement of its terms. However, he has never published the proof of this fact. Afterwards ZAHORSKI [2] sketched a proof of this assertion. Recently OLEVSKIĬ [3] and UL'JANOV [4] obtained some more general theorems. Then, using less elementary tools, TAĪKOV [5] obtained a somewhat sharper result, and a direct elementary construction leading to KOLMOGOROFF's assertion was given by TANDORI [6]. In this paper we are going to sharpen this result by refining a method, due to TANDORI [7], concerning the rearrangement of Walsh series.

UL'JANOV has raised the following question [4]: what is the exact Weyl multiplier of unconditional convergence in case of Fourier series? We shall show that it is at least $O(\log \log n)$.¹⁾

Theorem 1. *If $\{q(n)\}$ is any sequence of positive real numbers for which*

$$(1) \quad q(n) = o(\sqrt{\log \log n})$$

is satisfied, then there exists a square integrable function whose Fourier series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

is such that

$$(2) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) q^2(n) < \infty$$

and which can be rearranged into an everywhere divergent series

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (a_{n(j)} \cos n(j)x + b_{n(j)} \sin n(j)x).$$

For the partial sums of the rearranged Fourier series we have following estimate:

¹⁾ In this paper log means logarithm with base 4 (but this is not essential to our results).

Theorem 2. *If $\{\varrho(n)\}$ is any sequence of positive real numbers for which (1) holds, then there exists a square integrable function whose Fourier series*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx)$$

can be rearranged in a such a way that the partial sums $\sigma_N(x)$ of the rearranged series

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (A_{n(j)} \cos n(j)x + B_{n(j)} \sin n(j)x)$$

satisfy

$$(3) \quad \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\sigma_N(x)|}{\varrho(N)} > 0$$

everywhere.

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§ 1. Lemmas

Consider the Fejér kernel

$$K_n(x) = \frac{1}{2(n+1)} \left(\frac{\sin(n+1)\frac{x}{2}}{\sin\frac{x}{2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{k}{n+1} \right) \cos kx.$$

By a simple calculation we obtain the following inequalities

$$(4) \quad K_n(x) \cong \frac{2(n+1)}{\pi^2} \quad \text{if } |x| \cong \frac{\pi}{n+1},$$

$$(5) \quad K_n(x) \cong \frac{n+1}{2}, \quad K_n(x) \cong \frac{\pi^2}{2(n+1)x^2} \quad \text{if } |x| \cong \frac{\pi}{2},$$

and

$$(6) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n^2(x) dx < \pi n.$$

In the following a set E will be said to be *simple* if it is the union of finitely many, non-overlapping, closed intervals $[\alpha_k, \beta_k]$ ($\alpha_k < \beta_k$). For any $\varepsilon > 0$ ($\varepsilon < \min_k (\beta_k - \alpha_k)/2$), we set

$$E^{(\varepsilon)} = \bigcup_k [\alpha_k + \varepsilon, \beta_k - \varepsilon].$$

For a function $a_v \cos vx + b_v \sin vx$ ($\neq 0$) we call v its *frequency*. Two trigonometric polynomials will be called *disjoint* if they have no terms of the same frequency.

C_1, C_2, \dots will denote positive absolute constants.

Lemma 1. Let $\delta (\leq \pi/8)$, $\varepsilon (< \delta)$ and $\eta (\leq 1)$ be positive real numbers, and let n be a natural number such that $n > C_1/\varepsilon\eta$. Then there exists a non-negative trigonometric polynomial $P(x)$ with frequencies 4ν ($\nu = 0, 1, \dots, n$) and having the following properties:

$$(7) \quad P(x) \geq 1 \quad \text{if} \quad |x| \leq \delta - \varepsilon,$$

$$(8) \quad P(x) \leq \eta \quad \text{if} \quad \delta \leq |x| \leq \frac{\pi}{8},$$

and

$$(9) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P^2(x) dx \leq C_2 \delta.$$

Proof. We write

$$a = \frac{\pi}{4(n+1)}, \quad b_k = \frac{k\pi}{2(n+1)} \quad (k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots).$$

Let the integers ϱ and σ be determined by the inequalities

$$b_{\varrho} - a \leq -\delta + \varepsilon < b_{\varrho} \quad \text{and} \quad b_{\sigma} < \delta - \varepsilon \leq b_{\sigma} + a.$$

This choice of ϱ and σ is possible because $n+1 > \pi/2\varepsilon$.

Define the trigonometric polynomial $P(x)$ by

$$P(x) = 2\pi a \sum_{r=\varrho}^{\sigma} K_n(4(x-b_r)).$$

We are going to show that $P(x)$ has the properties (7)–(9). On account of the choice of ϱ and σ and (4) we can easily see that (7) is satisfied.

To prove the inequality (8), suppose $\delta \leq |x| \leq \pi/8$. Using (5), it follows

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &\leq 2\pi a \sum_{r=\varrho}^{\sigma} \frac{\pi^2}{32(n+1)(x-b_r)^2} < \frac{\pi^3 a}{16(n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\varepsilon + b_k)^2} < \\ &< \frac{\pi^3}{32(n+1)} \left(\frac{2a}{\varepsilon^2} + \int_{\varepsilon}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} \right) < \frac{\pi^3}{16\varepsilon(n+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get (8) if $C_1 = \pi^3/16$.

It remains to show that (9) holds. By a simple transformation we get

$$(10) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P^2(x) dx = 4\pi^2 a^2 \sum_{r=\varrho}^{\sigma} \sum_{s=\varrho}^{\sigma} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(x-b_r) K_n(x-b_s) dx.$$

If $r \neq s$, for example $r < s$, then we can write

$$(11) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(x-b_r) K_n(x-b_s) dx = \int_{-\pi}^{b_r-a} + \int_{b_r-a}^{b_r+a} + \int_{b_r+a}^{b_s-a} + \int_{b_s-a}^{b_s+a} + \int_{b_s+a}^{\pi}.$$

Let us denote the integrals on the right-hand side by I_1, I_2, I_3, I_4, I_5 , respectively. Applying (4), (5) and (6), we get

$$(12) \quad I_1 \cong \frac{\pi^2}{4(n+1)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{b_r-a} \frac{dx}{(x-b_r)^2(x-b_s)^2} < \frac{\pi^4}{4(n+1)^2(b_s-b_r)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{b_r-a} \frac{dx}{(x-b_s)^2} < \\ < \frac{\pi^2}{(s-r)^2(b_s-b_r+a)} < \frac{\pi^2}{(s-r)^2 a},$$

$$(13) \quad I_2 \cong \frac{\pi^2}{2(n+1)} \frac{n+1}{2} \int_{b_r-a}^{b_r+a} \frac{dx}{(x-b_s)^2} < \frac{\pi^2}{4} \cdot \frac{2a}{(b_s-b_r-a)^2} = \\ = \frac{8a(n+1)^2}{(2s-2r-1)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{2(2s-2r-1)^2 a},$$

and the same is true for I_5 and I_4 too, respectively. As to I_3 , it is clear that $I_3=0$ if $s=r+1$. In case $s>r+1$ we break up the integral I_3 into the sum of the integrals J_1 and J_2 extended over $(b_r+a, (b_r+b_s)/2)$ and $((b_r+b_s)/2, b_s-a)$, respectively. J_1 may be estimated in the same way as I_1 and I_2 , and we get

$$(14) \quad J_1 < \frac{4\pi^2}{(s-r)^2 a},$$

and the same is true for J_2 .

In virtue of (11), (12), (13) and (14) we obtain that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(x-b_r) K_n(x-b_s) dx < 2(I_1 + I_2 + J_1) < \frac{11\pi^2}{(s-r)^2 a}.$$

Hence, using (6) and (10), it follows that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P^2(x) dx < 4\pi^2 a^2 \sum_{r=q}^{\sigma} \left(\pi n + \frac{22\pi^2}{a} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \right) < \\ < 177\pi^4 a(\sigma-q+1) = 177\pi^4 \left(\frac{b_{\sigma}-b_q}{2} + a \right) = C_2 \delta,$$

if $C_2=177\pi^4$. This completes the proof of Lemma 1.

The following generalization of Lemma 1 can be proved by the same argument.

Lemma 1'. *Let $E \subset [-\pi/8, \pi/8]$ be a simple set, ε and $\eta (\cong 1)$ positive real numbers, and n a natural number such that $n > C_1/\varepsilon\eta$. Then there exists a non-negative trigonometric polynomial $P(x)$ with frequencies $4v$ ($v=0, 1, \dots, n$) such that*

$$(7') \quad P(x) \cong 1 \quad \text{if } x \in E^{(e)},$$

$$(8') \quad P(x) \cong \eta \quad \text{if } x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8} \right] - E,$$

and

$$(9') \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P^2(x) dx \cong C_2 \text{mes}(E)^2)$$

²⁾ $\text{mes}(E)$ denotes the Lebesgue measure of the set E .

Lemma 2. *Let $P(x)$ be the trigonometric polynomial in Lemma 1', and let N be a natural number divisible by 4, $N > 4n + 2$. Furthermore, set*

$$(15) \quad \begin{aligned} Q_1(x) &= \cos Nx \cdot P(x), \\ Q_2(x) &= -C_3 \cos 2x \cdot Q_1(x), \\ Q_3(x) &= C_4 \cos 4Nx \cdot P(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then $Q_1(x)$, $Q_2(x)$ and $Q_3(x)$ are mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials with frequencies $2v$ ($N/2 - 2n - 1 \leq v \leq 2N + 2n$), having the following properties:

$$(16) \quad |Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) + Q_3(x)| \leq C_5 \eta \quad \text{if } x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right] - E,$$

$$(17) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) + Q_3(x))^2 dx \leq C_6 \text{mes}(E).$$

Furthermore, there exists a decomposition of the set $E^{(e)}$ into three simple, mutually disjoint subsets E_1, E_2, E_3 , such that

$$(18) \quad \sum_{k=1}^l Q_k(x) \geq \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{for } x \in E_l \quad (l=1, 2, 3).$$

Proof. It is obvious that $Q_1(x)$, $Q_2(x)$ and $Q_3(x)$ are mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials, since $Q_1(x)$ and $Q_3(x)$ have only terms with frequencies divisible by 4, $Q_2(x)$ has only terms with frequencies divisible by 2, but not by 4, and; furthermore, we have $N + 4n < 4N - 4n$.

In virtue of the fact that $\cos x \geq 1/4$ if $|x| \leq 5\pi/12$, we get the following estimates:

$$Q_1(x) \geq \frac{P(x)}{4} \geq \frac{1}{4}$$

if $x \in \bar{E}_1 = E^{(e)} \cap \left\{ \bigcup_k \left[\frac{1}{N} \left(2k\pi - \frac{5\pi}{12} \right), \frac{1}{N} \left(2k\pi + \frac{5\pi}{12} \right) \right] \right\},$

$$Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) \geq -(C_3 \cos 2x - 1) \cos Nx \cdot P(x) \geq \left(\frac{C_3}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{1}{4}$$

if $x \in \bar{E}_2 = E^{(e)} \cap \left\{ \bigcup_k \left[\frac{1}{N} \left(2k\pi + \frac{7\pi}{12} \right), \frac{1}{N} \left(2k\pi + \frac{17\pi}{12} \right) \right] \right\},$

and $Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) + Q_3(x) \geq (C_4 \cos 4Nx - C_3 - 1) P(x) \geq \frac{C_4}{4} - C_3 - 1$

if $x \in \bar{E}_3 = E^{(e)} \cap \left\{ \bigcup_k \left[\frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} - \frac{5\pi}{48} \right), \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{k\pi}{2} + \frac{5\pi}{48} \right) \right] \right\}.$

Since $5\pi/12 > \pi/2 - 5\pi/48$ and $7\pi/12 < \pi/2 + 5\pi/48$, we have $E^{(e)} = \bar{E}_1 \cup \bar{E}_2 \cup \bar{E}_3$.

Set $E_1 = \bar{E}_1$, $E_2 = \bar{E}_2 - E_1$ and $E_3 = \bar{E}_3 - (E_1 \cup E_2)$. We get (18) with $C_3 = 8$ and $C_4 = 4C_3 + 5$.

The inequalities (16) and (17) are then satisfied with $C_5 = 1 + C_3 + C_4$ and $C_6 = 1 + C_3^2 + C_4^2$. The proof of Lemma 2 is complete.

We shall need Lemma 2 in the following slightly different form too:

Lemma 2'. Let $P(x)$ be an arbitrary trigonometric polynomial with even frequencies ν ($\leq n$) and let N be an even natural number, $N > n + 1$. Furthermore, set

$$(15') \quad \begin{aligned} Q_1(x) &= \cos Nx \cdot P(x), \\ Q_2(x) &= -C_3 \cos x \cdot Q_1(x), \\ Q_3(x) &= C_4 \cos 4Nx \cdot P(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then $Q_1(x)$, $Q_2(x)$ and $Q_3(x)$ are mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials with frequencies ν ($N - n - 1 \leq \nu \leq 4N + n$), having the following properties:

$$(16') \quad |Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) + Q_3(x)| \leq C_5 |P(x)|,$$

$$(17') \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (Q_1(x) + Q_2(x) + Q_3(x))^2 dx \leq C_6 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P^2(x) dx.$$

Furthermore, every measurable set E ($\subset [-\pi/8, \pi/8]$), on which $P(x)$ is positive, can be decomposed into three mutually disjoint measurable subsets E_1, E_2, E_3 , such that

$$(18') \quad \sum_{k=1}^l Q_k(x) \geq \frac{P(x)}{4} \quad \text{for } x \in E_l \quad (l=1, 2, 3).$$

Lemma 3. Let ε ($< \pi/4$) be a positive real number. Then there exist mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ and simple sets $E_k^{(i)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^i; i=1, 2, \dots$) with the following properties:

(i) the frequencies occurring in $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^i$) are even numbers, at most equal to a number $f_i = (C_7/\varepsilon)^4 4^{4^i}$;

$$(ii) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{3^i} R_k^{(i)}(x) \right)^2 dx \leq C_8 \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots;$$

(iii) the sets $E_k^{(i)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^i$) corresponding to the same value of i are disjoint, the set

$$F_i = \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8} \right] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{3^i} E_k^{(i)}$$

consists of at most $2f_i$ disjoint intervals, and

$$(19) \quad \text{mes}(F_i) \leq \varepsilon \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^i} \right);$$

(iv) for any natural number i , the trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(j)}(x)$ with $k=1, 2, \dots, 3^j; j=1, 2, \dots, i$ can be arranged into a sequence

$$U_1^{(i)}(x), U_2^{(i)}(x), \dots, U_{J_i}^{(i)}(x) \quad \text{where } J_i = 3 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^i;$$

such that

$$(20) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\mu_k^{(i)}} U_j^{(i)}(x) \cong \frac{i}{8} \quad \text{for every } x \in E_k^{(i)}$$

with $\mu_k^{(i)}$ not depending on the particular point x in $E_k^{(i)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^i$).

Remark to Lemma 3. On the basis of (i) and (ii), it is obvious that

$$(21) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{j_i} U_j^{(i)}(x) \right)^2 dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{k=1}^{3^j} R_k^{(j)}(x) \right)^2 dx \cong C_8 i$$

holds for $i=1, 2, \dots$

Proof. The construction of the trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ and sets $E_k^{(i)}$ will be accomplished by recurrence with respect to i .

First let $i=1$. Apply Lemma 1 with $\delta=\pi/8$, $\varepsilon/4$ instead of ε , $\eta=1$ and $n=[4C_1/\varepsilon]+1$.³⁾ Then apply Lemma 2 for the obtained trigonometric polynomial and $N=4n+4$. We get the trigonometric polynomials $Q_k(x)$ and simple sets E_k ($k=1, 2, 3$) satisfying (16), (17) and (18). Now write $R_k^{(1)}(x)=Q_k(x)$ and $E_k^{(1)}=E_k$ ($k=1, 2, 3$). It is clear that $R_k^{(1)}(x)$ ($k=1, 2, 3$) have even frequencies at most equal to

$$2(4N+4n) = 40n+32 \cong \frac{C_7}{\varepsilon} 4^4 = f_1,$$

where $C_7=64 C_1 C_5$. The assertions (ii) and (iii) are satisfied with $C_8=C_6\pi/4$, furthermore, the set F_1 consists of at most

$$2 \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{4}{\pi} \text{mes}(E_k^{(1)}) f_1 \cong 2f_1$$

intervals. Writing $U_j^{(1)}(x)=R_j^{(1)}(x)$ and $\mu_j^{(1)}=j$ ($j=1, 2, 3$), we have that (iv) holds to o

Now we suppose that all the trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ and sets $E_k^{(i)}$ with $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ are already determined and satisfy (i)—(iv), and we are going to construct the polynomials and sets corresponding to $i=m+1$ so that the enlarged system still satisfy (i)—(iv).

We begin with applying Lemma 1' by choosing subsequently $E_k^{(m)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$) (instead of E), $\varkappa\varepsilon$ (instead of ε), η and $n > \max(C_1/\varkappa\varepsilon\eta, f_m)$, where the positive numbers \varkappa, η and the natural number n will be determined later on. Denote by $P_k(x)$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$) the corresponding trigonometric polynomials in the sense of Lemma 1'. Next apply Lemma 2 to each of the trigonometric polynomials $P_k(x)$ by choosing for the three functions (15) the following ones:

$$R_{3k-2}^{(m+1)}(x) = \cos N_k x \cdot P_k(x),$$

$$R_{3k-1}^{(m+1)}(x) = -C_3 \cos 2x \cdot R_{3k-2}^{(m+1)}(x),$$

$$R_{3k}^{(m+1)}(x) = C_4 \cos 4N_k x \cdot P_k(x)$$

³⁾ The integer part of a real number α is denoted by $[\alpha]$.

($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$), where the natural numbers N_k are chosen so that

$$\frac{N_1}{2} - 2n - 1 > f_m, \quad \frac{N_{k+1}}{2} - 2n - 1 > 2N_k + 2n$$

($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m - 1$) and, in addition, each N_k be divisible by 4; we can choose for example:

$$(22) \quad N_1 = 8n + 4, \quad N_{k+1} = 4N_k + 8n + 4 \quad (k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m - 1).$$

The condition (22) ensure that the trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(m+1)}(x)$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^{m+1}$) are disjoint from one another and from all the polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ with $i \leq m$. From (22) we get that the frequencies occurring in $R_k^{(m+1)}(x)$ are even numbers, at most equal to

$$(23) \quad 4N_{3^m} + 4n < (1 + 4 + 4^2 + \dots + 4^{3^m}) (16n + 1).$$

In virtue of (17) we get

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{3^{m+1}} R_k^{(m+1)}(x) \right)^2 dx \leq C_6 \sum_{k=1}^{3^m} \text{mes}(E_k^{(m)}) \leq C_8,$$

so that (ii) holds for $i=m+1$ too, with $C_8 = C_6\pi/4$.

By Lemma 2 there exists a decomposition of the set $(E_k^{(m)})^{(\varepsilon)}$ into three mutually disjoint simple subsets, which we denote now by $E_{3k-2}^{(m+1)}$, $E_{3k-1}^{(m+1)}$ and $E_{3k}^{(m+1)}$; thus

$$(24) \quad \sum_{j=1}^l R_{3k-3+j}^{(m+1)}(x) \cong \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{for } x \in E_{3k-3+l}^{(m+1)}$$

($l=1, 2, 3; k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$). It is clear that the simple sets $E_k^{(m+1)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^{m+1}$) are disjoint. Using also the induction hypotheses, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mes}(F_{m+1}) &\leq \text{mes}(F_m) + \text{mes} \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{3^m} (E_k^{(m)} - (E_{3k-2}^{(m+1)} \cup E_{3k-1}^{(m+1)} \cup E_{3k}^{(m+1)})) \right) \leq \\ &\leq \varepsilon \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^m} \right) + 2f_m \cdot 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus if we choose the hitherto indetermined ε such that

$$(25) \quad \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2^{m+3} f_m},$$

then (19) will be satisfied. We can easily see that F_{m+1} consists of at most $2f_{m+1}$ intervals, because

$$2 \sum_{k=1}^{3^{m+1}} \frac{4}{\pi} \text{mes}(E_k^{(m+1)}) f_{m+1} \leq 2f_{m+1}.$$

This proved that (iii) holds.

The arrangement of trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ with $k=1, 2, \dots, 3^i$; $i=1, 2, \dots, m, m+1$ into a sequence, as required by (iv), will be realized as follows. On the basis of induction hypothesis we have a sequence

$$(26) \quad U_1^{(m)}(x), U_2^{(m)}(x), \dots, U_m^{(m)}(x)$$

of all the polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ with $i \leq m$. For every trigonometric polynomial $R_k^{(m)}(x)$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$) we find the place, where it occurs in the sequence (26), and then we insert the trigonometric polynomials

$$R_{3k-2}^{(m+1)}(x), R_{3k-1}^{(m+1)}(x) \text{ and } R_{3k}^{(m+1)}(x)$$

immediately after $R_k^{(m)}(x)$ in (26). In such a way we have ordered into a sequence $\{U_j^{(m+1)}(x)\}$ all the trigonometric polynomials $R_k^{(i)}(x)$ with $i \leq m+1$.⁴⁾

For every k ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^{m+1}$) let $\mu_k^{(m+1)}$ denote the subscript j of that term of the sequence $\{U_j^{(m+1)}(x)\}$ which is equal to $R_k^{(m+1)}(x)$. A simple calculation shows that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\mu_{3k-3+l}^{(m+1)}} U_j^{(m+1)}(x) \cong \sum_{j=1}^{\mu_k^{(m)}} U_j^{(m)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^l R_{3k-3+j}^{(m+1)}(x) - \sum_{j=1}^{3^{m+1}} |R_j^{(m+1)}(x)|,$$

where the last sum is taken for each index j except $j=3k-3+l$ ($l=1, 2, 3$). On the basis of the induction hypothesis, of (16) and (24), we get

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\mu_{3k-3+l}^{(m+1)}} U_j^{(m+1)}(x) \cong \frac{m}{8} + \frac{1}{4} - (3^m - 1)C_5\eta$$

for every $x \in E_{3k-3+l}^{(m+1)}$ ($l=1, 2, 3; k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$), and this will be $\cong (m+1)/8$ if we now fix the value of η as follows:

$$(27) \quad \eta = \frac{1}{8C_5(3^m - 1)}.$$

This proved that (iv) holds for the case $m+1$ too.

Thus we have showed the properties (i)–(iv) with the exception, in (i), of the assertion concerning f_{m+1} , i.e. that $f_{m+1} = (C_7/\varepsilon)^{m+1} 4^{4^{m+1}}$. By (25) and (27), n must be chosen so that

$$n \cong \max \left(\frac{C_1}{\varepsilon\eta}, f_m \right) = \frac{64C_1C_5 \cdot 6^m f_m}{\varepsilon},$$

for example $n = [C_7 6^m f_m / \varepsilon] + 1$, where $C_7 = 64 C_1 C_5$. By (23), the frequencies occurring in $R_k^{(m+1)}(x)$ equal at most

$$\frac{C_7 4^{3^m + 2} 6^m f_m}{\varepsilon} < \frac{C_7^{m+1} 4^{4^{m+1}}}{\varepsilon^{m+1}} = f_{m+1}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3.

⁴⁾ For example, in the case $m=1$ the sequence $\{U_j^{(2)}(x)\}$ will be the following: $R_1^{(1)}(x), R_1^{(2)}(x), R_2^{(2)}(x), R_2^{(1)}(x), R_3^{(2)}(x), R_3^{(1)}(x), R_4^{(2)}(x), R_4^{(1)}(x), R_5^{(2)}(x), R_5^{(1)}(x), R_6^{(2)}(x), R_6^{(1)}(x), R_7^{(2)}(x), R_7^{(1)}(x), R_8^{(2)}(x), R_8^{(1)}(x)$.

Lemma 4. Let M be an arbitrary natural number. Then for every m ($m=1, 2, \dots$) there exist mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials $S_j^{(m)}(x)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_{m+1}$) with the following properties:

(v) the frequencies ν occurring in $S_j^{(m)}(x)$ are such that $M+1 \leq \nu \leq 16M+4^{4m+C_0}$;

$$(vi) \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{J_{m+1}} S_j^{(m)}(x) \right)^2 dx \leq \frac{C_{10}}{m} \quad (m=1, 2, \dots);$$

$$(vii) \quad \sum_{j=\mu_1}^{\mu_2} S_j^{(m)}(x) \leq \frac{1}{32} \quad \text{for every } |x| \leq \frac{\pi}{8},$$

where $\mu_i = \mu_i^{(m)}(x)$ ($i=1, 2$), $1 \leq \mu_1 \leq \mu_2 \leq J_{m+1}$ ($m=1, 2, \dots$).

Proof. Let us fix the natural number m . Apply Lemma 3 with $\varepsilon_1 = 1/m$. We get that there exist mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials $U_j^{(m)}(x)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_m$), the frequencies occurring in $U_j^{(m)}(x)$ are even numbers, at most equal to the number f_m ; furthermore, there exist disjoint simple sets $E_k^{(m)}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, 3^m$) such that (iii), (20) and (21) hold.

Denote by F the simple set which can be obtained from the intervals $[\alpha, \beta]$ of $[-\pi/8, \pi/8] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{3^m} E_k^{(m)}$ by replacing them with $[\alpha - \varepsilon_2, \beta + \varepsilon_2]$, where $\varepsilon_2 = \varepsilon_1/4f_m$. It is clear that F consists of at most $2f_m$ intervals. In virtue of (iii), we have

$$\text{mes}(F) \leq \text{mes} \left(\left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8} \right] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{3^m} E_k^{(m)} \right) + 4f_m \varepsilon_2 \leq \frac{2}{m}.$$

Apply Lemma 1' by choosing F (instead of E), ε_2 (instead of ε), $\eta=1$ and f_{m+1} (instead of n). We get the trigonometric polynomial $P^{(m)}(x)$ with frequencies 4ν ($\nu=0, 1, \dots, f_{m+1}$) such that (7') and (9') hold.

Let N_1 and N_2 be the smallest even integers for which $N_1 - f_m \geq M+1$ and $N_2 - 4f_{m+1} \geq 4N_1 + f_m + 1$. Now apply Lemma 2' to each of the trigonometric polynomials $U_{j_1}^{(m)}(x)/m$ with N_1 , then to the trigonometric polynomial $P^{(m)}(x)/8$ with N_2 by choosing for the three functions (15') the following ones:

$$S_j^{(m)}(x) = \cos N_1 x \cdot \frac{U_j^{(m)}(x)}{m},$$

$$S_{m+j}^{(m)}(x) = -C_3 \cos x \cdot S_j^{(m)}(x),$$

$$S_{2J_{m+1}+j}^{(m)}(x) = C_4 \cos 4N_1 x \cdot \frac{U_j^{(m)}(x)}{m}$$

($j=1, 2, \dots, J_m$), furthermore,

$$S_{3J_{m+1}}^{(m)}(x) = \cos N_2 x \cdot \frac{P^{(m)}(x)}{8},$$

$$S_{3J_{m+2}}^{(m)}(x) = -C_3 \cos x \cdot S_{3J_{m+1}}^{(m)}(x),$$

$$S_{3J_{m+3}}^{(m)}(x) = C_4 \cos 4N_2 x \cdot \frac{P^{(m)}(x)}{8}.$$

By this the trigonometric polynomials $S_j^{(m)}(x)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_{m+1}$) are defined because $3J_m + 3 = J_{m+1}$.

It is obvious that $S_j^{(m)}(x)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_{m+1}$) are mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials with frequencies at most equal to $4N_2 + 4f_{m+1}$. Now, a simple calculation shows

$$4N_2 + 4f_{m+1} \leq 4(4N_1 + 4f_{m+1} + f_m + 2) + 4f_{m+1} \leq 16M + 20(f_{m+1} + f_m + 2) < \\ < 16M + f_{m+2} = 16M + (C_7 m)^{m+2} 4^{4^{m+2}} < 16M + 4^{4^{m+C_9}}.$$

As to (vi), by (9'), (17') and (21) we get that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{J_{m+1}} S_j^{(m)}(x) \right)^2 dx \leq \frac{C_6}{m^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{J_m} U_j^{(m)}(x) \right)^2 dx + \\ + \frac{C_2 C_6}{64} \text{mes}(F) \leq \frac{C_{10}}{m}$$

holds with $C_{10} = C_6(C_8 + C_2/32)$.

To show (vii), in case of $x \in E_k^{(m)}$ we set $\mu_1^{(m)}(x) = 1$ and on the ground of (18') $\mu_2^{(m)}(x) = \mu_k^{(m)}$ or $J_m + \mu_k^{(m)}$ or $2J_m + \mu_k^{(m)}$, respectively ($k=1, 2, \dots, J_m$). Furthermore, in case of $x \in F^{(e_2)}$ we set $\mu_1^{(m)}(x) = 3J_m + 1$ and $\mu_2^{(m)}(x) = 3J_m + 1$ or $3J_m + 2$ or $3J_m + 3$ according to (18'). Thus the indices $\mu_1^{(m)}(x)$ and $\mu_2^{(m)}(x)$ ($1 \leq \mu_1^{(m)}(x) \leq \mu_2^{(m)}(x) \leq J_{m+1}$) are defined for every $|x| \leq \pi/8$ because

$$F^{(e_2)} = \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8} \right] - \bigcup_{k=1}^{3^m} E_k^{(m)}.$$

In virtue of (7'), (18) and (20), the assertion (vii) holds. So the proof is complete.

§ 2. Proof of the theorems

Without any loss of generality we may assume that $\{\varrho(n)\}$ is a non-decreasing sequence. Define the sequence of natural numbers $(C_9 + 1 \leq) m_1 < m_2 < \dots$ such that

$$(28) \quad \frac{\varrho(n)}{\sqrt{\log \log n}} \leq \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{if} \quad n \geq M_k = 4^{4^{m_k + C_9}}$$

($k=1, 2, \dots$); this is possible by virtue of (1). Applying Lemma 4 with M_k , we get the trigonometric polynomials $S_j^{(m_k)}(x)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_{m_k+1}$; $k=1, 2, \dots$). Denote by $T_k(x)$ the sum of the trigonometric polynomials $S_j^{(m_k)}(x - (k)_8 \pi/4)$ ⁵⁾ ($j=1, 2, \dots, J_{m_k+1}$); it is obvious that

$$(29) \quad T_k(x) = \sum_{n=M_{k+1}}^{17M_k} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \quad (k=1, 2, \dots).$$

⁵⁾ $(k)_8$ denotes the remainder of k modulo 8.

Consider the series

$$(30) \quad a) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} T_k(x), \quad b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{m_k}}{k} T_k(x).$$

The trigonometric polynomials $T_k(x)$ and $T_l(x)$ do not overlap for $k \neq l$ because $17M_k \leq M_k^2 \leq M_{k+1}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots$). Therefore, writing every $T_k(x)$ in (30) in extenso, we represent (30) in the form of trigonometric series

$$(31) \quad a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx), \quad b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx),$$

where a_n and b_n are defined by (29), $A_n = a_n \sqrt{m_k}/k$ and $B_n = b_n \sqrt{m_k}/k$ if $M_k + 1 \leq n \leq 17M_k$ ($k=1, 2, \dots$); and a_n, b_n, A_n, B_n equal 0 otherwise.

In virtue of (vi) and (28) the following estimates hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \varrho^2(n) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varrho^2(17M_k) \sum_{n=M_k+1}^{17M_k} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varrho^2(M_k^4) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} T_k^2(x) dx \leq C_{10} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{m_k + C_9 + 1}{k^2 m_k} \leq 2C_{10} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n^2 + B_n^2) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{m_k}{k^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} T_k^2(x) dx \leq C_{10} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty.$$

Hence, (31a) and (31b) are Fourier series of square integrable functions, and, in addition, (31a) satisfies (2).

Write down the mutually disjoint trigonometric polynomials $S_j^{(m_k)}(x)$ in this order:

$$(32) \quad S_1^{(m_1)}(x), \dots, S_{j_{m_1+1}}^{(m_1)}(x); S_1^{(m_2)}(x), \dots, S_{j_{m_2+1}}^{(m_2)}(x); \dots; S_1^{(m_k)}(x), \dots, S_{j_{m_k+1}}^{(m_k)}(x); \dots$$

and label the occurring frequencies, in this order, by the subscript $n(j)$ ($j=1, 2, \dots$). It is clear that for the frequencies $n(j)$ occurring in the trigonometric polynomials $S_1^{(m_k)}(x), \dots, S_{j_{m_k+1}}^{(m_k)}(x)$ of (32) ($k=1, 2, \dots$), we have

$$(33) \quad M_k + 1 \leq n(j) \leq 17M_k.$$

It is obvious that series

$$(34) \quad a) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (a_{n(j)} \cos n(j)x + b_{n(j)} \sin n(j)x),$$

$$b) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (A_{n(j)} \cos n(j)x + B_{n(j)} \sin n(j)x)$$

are well detenedrm arrangements of the non-vanishing terms of (31a) and (31b), respectively.

In virtue of (vii), the partial sums of (34a) diverge everywhere. Thus the proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

As to (3), denote by $\sigma_\lambda(x)$ the λ th partial sum of (34b). For any $x \in [-\pi/8, \pi/8]$ and for $k=1, 2, \dots$ denote by $j_1 = j_{1k}(x)$ the first natural number j , for which the frequency $n(j)$ occurs in $S_{\mu_1}^{(m_k)}(x)$, and by $j_2 = j_{2k}(x)$ the last natural number j , for which the frequency $n(j)$ occurs in $S_{\mu_2}^{(m_k)}(x)$, where the subscripts $\mu_i = \mu_i^{(m_k)}(x)$ ($i=1, 2$) are defined in Lemma 4, by (vii). Thus, we have

$$\sigma_{j_2}(x) - \sigma_{j_1}(x) = \frac{\sqrt{m_k}}{k} \sum_{j=\mu_1}^{\mu_2} S_j^{(m_k)} \left(x - (k)_8 \frac{\pi}{4} \right),$$

and by (33), it is obvious that

$$M_k + 1 \leq j_{1k}(x) \leq j_{2k}(x) \leq 17M_k \quad \left(k=1, 2, \dots; |x| \leq \frac{\pi}{8} \right).$$

Hence, for every $x \in [-\pi/8, \pi/8]$, $j_{1k}(x)$ and $j_{2k}(x)$ tend to ∞ with k . In virtue of (vii) and (28) we obtain

$$\frac{\sigma_{j_2}(x) - \sigma_{j_1}(x)}{\varrho(j_2)} \geq \frac{\sqrt{m_k}}{32k\varrho(17M_k)} \geq \frac{\sqrt{\log \log M_k^4}}{32\sqrt{2} k\varrho(M_k^4)} \geq \frac{1}{32\sqrt{2}}$$

($|x - (k)_8 \pi/4| \leq \pi/8; k=1, 2, \dots$). Thus

$$\max \left(\frac{|\sigma_{j_2}(x)|}{\varrho(j_2)}, \frac{|\sigma_{j_1}(x)|}{\varrho(j_1)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{64\sqrt{2}}.$$

Taking into account the construction of the trigonometric polynomials $T_k(x)$, (31b) satisfies (3) for every $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$. This concludes the proof of Theorem 2.

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