

ON THE DIVERGENCE OF REARRANGED WALSH SERIES

Dedicated to Professor Gen-ichirô Sunouchi on his 60th birthday

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K. Tandori [4] proved the following

THEOREM A. *If $\{\rho(n)\}$ is a sequence of positive numbers with*

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

then there exists a sequence of real numbers $\{a_n\}$ with

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

such that the Walsh series

$$(3) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n w_n(x)$$

can be rearranged into an almost everywhere divergent series.

F. Móricz [1] proved a trigonometric series analogue of Theorem A, and later he sharpened it in [2]. The author proved in [3] the following theorem which includes F. Móricz's results.

THEOREM B. *If $\{\rho(n)\}$ is a sequence of positive numbers with*

$$(4) \quad \rho(n) = o(\sqrt[4]{\log n}),$$

then there exists a sequence of real numbers $\{a_n, b_n\}$ with

$$(5) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \rho^2(n) < \infty$$

such that the trigonometric series

$$(6) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

can be rearranged into an everywhere divergent series.

The aim of the present paper is to sharpen Theorem A or to prove a Walsh series analogue of Theorem B.

THEOREM. *If $\{\rho(n)\}$ is a sequence of positive numbers with (4), then*

there exists a sequence of real numbers $\{a_n\}$ with (2) such that the Walsh series (3) can be rearranged into an almost everywhere divergent series.

COROLLARY. Suppose (4), then there exists a sequence of real numbers $\{a_n\} \in l_2$ such that the Walsh series (3) can be rearranged to satisfy the condition

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{j=1}^N a_{n(j)} w_{n(j)}(x) \right|}{\rho(N)} > 0$$

almost everywhere.

1. Lemmas. First of all let us introduce a function $n = n(k, j)$ ($j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots$). For each k , consider all integers

$$(7) \quad 2^{\nu_0} + 2^{\nu_1} + \dots + 2^{\nu_i}$$

satisfying $(1/2)k(k+1) + 1 \leq \nu_0 < \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_i = (1/2)(k+1)(k+2)$. On account of $(1/2)(k+1)(k+2) - \{(1/2)k(k+1) + 1\} = k$, the number of the integers (7) is $\sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} = 2^k$. And we label (7) as $n(k, j)$ ($j = 1, \dots, 2^k$).

Thus we obtain

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} 2^{(1/2)(k+1)(k+2)} &= n(k, 1) < n(k, 2) < \dots < n(k, 2^k) \\ &= 2^{(1/2)(k+1)(k+2)+1} - 2^{(1/2)k(k+1)+1} \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 1. Set $\psi_1(0; x) = w_0(x) = 1$ and

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) &= \frac{1}{2} \psi_j(k; x)(1 + w_{n(k,j)}(x)), \\ \psi_{2j}(k+1; x) &= \frac{1}{2} \psi_j(k; x)(1 - w_{n(k,j)}(x)) \end{aligned}$$

($j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots$); then the following (i) – (iii) hold.

(i) Each $\psi_j(k; x)$ ($j = 1, \dots, 2^k$) is a linear combination of Walsh functions with even indices $2p$ ($< 2^{(1/2)k(k+1)+1}$).

(ii) $\psi_j(k; x) = 0$ or 1 ($x \in E$)

where E denotes the set of all dyadic irrational numbers.

(iii) Set

$$E_j^{(k)} = \{x \in E(0, 1/2); \psi_j(k; x) = 1\} \quad (j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots),^{1)}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)} \cup E_{2j}^{(k+1)} &= E_j^{(k)} \quad (j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots), \\ E_j^{(k)} \cap E_{j'}^{(k)} &= \phi \quad (1 \leq j < j' \leq 2^k), \quad \bigcup_{j=1}^{2^k} E_j^{(k)} = E(0, 1/2), \\ \text{mes } E_j^{(k)} &= 1/2^{k+1} \quad (j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

¹⁾ $E(0, 1/2)$ means $E \cap (0, 1/2)$.

PROOF. (i): The statement for $k = 0$ holds trivially. Supposing the case $k = k$, we see by (8) and (9) that each $\psi_j(k+1; x)$ ($j = 1, \dots, 2^{k+1}$) is a linear combination of Walsh functions with even indices $2p$ such that

$$2p < 2^{(1/2)k(k+1)+1} + n(k, 2^k) = 2^{(1/2)(k+1)(k+2)+1}.$$

(ii) is obvious by the definition of $\psi_j(k; x)$.

(iii): (9) and (ii) yield

$$E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)} = \{x \in E(0, 1/2); \psi_j(k; x) = 1, w_{n(k,j)}(x) = 1\}$$

and

$$E_{2j}^{(k+1)} = \{x \in E(0, 1/2); \psi_j(k; x) = 1, w_{n(k,j)}(x) = -1\}.$$

Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)} \cup E_{2j}^{(k+1)} &= E_j^{(k)}, E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)} \cap E_{2j}^{(k+1)} = \phi; \\ \bigcup_{j=1}^{2^k} E_j^{(k)} &= E_1^{(0)} = E(0, 1/2), E_j^{(k)} \cap E_{j'}^{(k)} = \phi \quad (1 \leq j < j' \leq 2^k). \end{aligned}$$

In virtue of

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{mes } E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)} &= \int_{E(0, 1/2)} \psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) dx \\ \text{mes } E_{2j}^{(k+1)} &= \int_{E(0, 1/2)} \psi_{2j}(k+1; x) dx \end{aligned} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \text{mes } E_j^{(k)},$$

we get

$$\text{mes } E_j^{(k)} = \frac{1}{2^k} \text{mes } E_1^{(0)} = 1/2^{k+1} \quad (j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots).$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.

LEMMA 2. Set $\Psi_1(0; x) = w_1(x)$ and

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) &= \psi_j(k; x) w_{n(k,j)}(x), \\ \Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) &= -w_1(x) \psi_j(k; x) w_{n(k,j)}(x) \end{aligned}$$

($j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots$); then the following (iv) – (vii) hold.

(iv) Each $\Psi_j(k; x)$ ($j = 1, \dots, 2^k$) is a linear combination of Walsh functions with indices p such that

$$2^{(1/2)k(k+1)} \leq p < 2^{(1/2)(k+1)(k+2)+1}$$

(v) If $1 \leq j < j' \leq 2^{k+1}$, then $\Psi_j(k+1; x)$ and $\Psi_{j'}(k+1; x)$ have no term of the same index.

- (vi) $\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = 1 \quad (x \in E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)})$,
 $\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) + 2\Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) = 1 \quad (x \in E_{2j}^{(k+1)})$,
 $\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = \Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) = 0 \quad (x \in E(0, 1/2) - E_j^{(k)})$.
- (vii) $\int_0^1 \Psi_j^2(k; x) dx = \begin{cases} 1 & (j = 1; k = 0) \\ 1/2^{k-1} & (j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 1, 2, \dots) \end{cases}$.

PROOF. (iv): The statement can be checked directly for $k = 0$, and by using (i), (8) and (10) for $k \geq 1$.

(v): By the definition (10), the indices p_j of the Walsh functions in $\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x)$ are all even, and those in $\Psi_{2j}(k+1; x)$ are all odd ($= 1 + p_j$). Moreover we have

$$n(k, j) \leq p_j < n(k, j) + 2^{(1/2)k(k+1)+1} (\leq n(k, j+1))$$

for $1 \leq j \leq 2^k$, so we get the statement (v).

(vi): If $x \in E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)}$, then

$$1 = \psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = \frac{1}{2} \psi_j(k; x)(1 + w_{n(k, j)}(x)).$$

Hence

$$\psi_j(k; x) = 1, \quad w_{n(k, j)}(x) = -1$$

and

$$\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = 1 \quad (x \in E_{2j-1}^{(k+1)}).$$

In the same way, if $x \in E_{2j}^{(k+1)}$, then

$$\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = -1, \quad \Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) = 1,$$

$$\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) + 2\Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) = 1;$$

and if $x \in E(0, 1/2) - E_j^{(k)}$, then $\psi_j(k; x) = 0$,

$$\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) = \Psi_{2j}(k+1; x) = 0.$$

- (vii): $\int_0^1 \Psi_{2j-1}^2(k+1; x) dx = \int_0^1 \Psi_{2j}^2(k+1; x) dx = \int_0^1 \psi_j^2(k; x) dx$
 $= 2 \text{mes } E_j^{(k)} = 1/2^k$
 $(j = 1, \dots, 2^k; k = 0, 1, \dots).$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.

2. Proof of the theorem. Set $S_0(x) = \Psi_1(0; x)$. When $S_k(x)$ has been determined, we define $S_{k+1}(x)$ by inserting $+\Psi_{2j-1}(k+1; x) + 2\Psi_{2j}(k+1; x)$ after $((3+(-1)^j)/2)\Psi_j(k; x)$ in $S_k(x)$.²⁾ Then for each $x \in E(0, 1/2)$ and

²⁾ For example, $S_1(x) = \Psi_1(0; x) + \Psi_1(1; x) + 2\Psi_2(1; x)$, $S_2(x) = \Psi_1(0; x) + \Psi_1(1; x) + \Psi_1(2; x) + 2\Psi_2(2; x) + 2\Psi_2(1; x) + \Psi_3(2; x) + 2\Psi_4(2; x)$.

k , $S_k(x)$ has a partial sum which equals to $k + 1$. For, taking $j = j(x, k)$ such that $x \in E_j^{(k)}$, we easily get

$$\Psi_1(0; x) + \dots + \frac{3 + (-1)^j}{2} \Psi_j(K; x) = k + 1$$

with the aid of (vi).

Now define a sequence of integers $(0 \leq) m_1 < m_2 < \dots$ such that

$$\frac{\rho(n)}{\sqrt[4]{\log n}} \leq \frac{1}{i} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2^{M_i} (M_i = \frac{1}{2} m_i (m_i + 1) + 1; i = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Define $\{a_n\}$ by setting $a_n = 0$ ($1 \leq n < 2^{M_1}$) and

$$\begin{aligned} T_i(x) &= \frac{1}{m_i + 1} w_{2^{M_i}} \left(x - \frac{1 + (-1)^i}{4} \right) S_{m_i} \left(x - \frac{1 + (-1)^i}{4} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=2^{M_i}}^{2^{M_i+1}} a_n w_n(x) = \sum_{n=2^{M_i}}^{2^{M_i+1}-1} a_n w_n(x) \end{aligned}$$

($i = 1, 2, \dots$). Then it is obvious that the series (3) can be rearranged so as to diverge everywhere on $E(0, 1)$. And we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 T_i^2(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(m_i + 1)^2} \int_0^1 S_{m_i}^2(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(m_i + 1)^2} \left[\int_0^1 \Psi_1^2(0; x) dx + \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{j=1}^{2^{k-1}} \left\{ \int_0^1 \Psi_{2^{j-1}}^2(k; x) dx + 4 \int_0^1 \Psi_{2^j}^2(k; x) dx \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(m_i + 1)^2} \left[1 + m_i \cdot 2^{k-1} \cdot \frac{5}{2^{k-1}} \right] \leq \frac{5}{m_i + 1} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2 \rho^2(n) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{M_i + 1}}{i^2} \sum_{n=2^{M_i}}^{2^{M_i+1}} a_n^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{M_i + 1}}{i^2} \int_0^1 T_i^2(x) dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{10}{i^2} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the assertion of our theorem has been proved. The proof of Corollary can be carried out analogically to that of Theorem 2 in [1].

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