

## MEAN CONVERGENCE OF GENERALIZED WALSH-FOURIER SERIES

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**ABSTRACT.** Paley proved that Walsh-Fourier series converges in  $L^p$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ). We generalize Paley's result to Fourier series with respect to characters of countable direct products of finite cyclic groups of arbitrary orders.

**1. Introduction.** It is known that the Walsh functions are characters of the countable direct product of groups of order 2. In this note we consider characters of  $\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} Z_{p_i}$ , where  $Z_{p_i}$  is a cyclic group of order  $p_i$ ,  $p_i \geq 2$ . Various Fourier properties of this generalized Walsh system have been studied in [8], [7], [9], [5], [3], [4], [2], and others. Many of these results are obtained only for the case where  $\sup_i p_i < \infty$ . In fact, Price [7] showed that some basic properties no longer hold when  $\sup_i p_i = \infty$ . We will show that results concerning mean convergence, however, are still valid even if the orders  $p_i$  are unbounded. The bounded case was first obtained by Watari [9]. See also Gosselin [2].

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Let  $\{p_i\}_{i \geq 0}$  be a sequence of integers,  $p_i \geq 2$ . Let  $G = \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} Z_{p_i}$  be the direct product of cyclic groups of order  $p_i$ , and  $\mu$  the Haar measure on  $G$  normalized by  $\mu(G) = 1$ . Each element of  $G$  can be considered as a sequence  $\{x_i\}$ , with  $0 \leq x_i < p_i$ . Set  $m_0 = 1$ ,  $m_k = \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} p_i$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . We can identify  $G$  with the unit interval  $(0, 1)$ . This identification consists in associating with each  $\{x_i\} \in G$ ,  $0 \leq x_i < p_i$ , the point  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x_i m_{i+1}^{-1} \in (0, 1)$ . If we disregard the countable set of  $p_i$ -rationals, this mapping is one-one, onto and measure preserving.

We define an orthonormal system of functions  $\{\phi_k\}$  on  $G$ . For each  $x = \{x_i\} \in G$ , let  $\phi_k(x) = \exp(2\pi i x_k / p_k)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ . We enumerate the set of all finite products of  $\{\phi_k\}$  using a scheme of Paley. We express each nonnegative integer  $n$  as a finite sum  $n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k m_k$ , with  $0 \leq \alpha_k < p_k$ , and define  $\chi_n = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \phi_k^{\alpha_k}$ . The functions  $\{\chi_n\}$  are the characters of  $G$ , and they form a complete orthonormal system on  $G$ . For the case  $p_i = 2$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots$ ,  $G$  is the dyadic group,  $\{\phi_k\}$  are the Rademacher functions, and  $\{\chi_n\}$  the Walsh functions.

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We consider Fourier series with respect to  $\{\chi_n\}$ . Let  $D_n = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \chi_j$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , be the  $n$ th Dirichlet kernel. For  $f \in L^1(G)$ ,

$$S_n f(x) = \int_G f(t) D_n(x - t) d\mu(t), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

denotes the  $n$ th partial sum of the Fourier series of  $f$ . We have the following uniform estimates on  $\{S_n f\}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *There are absolute constants  $C$  and  $C_p$  such that, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ,*

$$(1) \quad \|S_n f\|_p \leq C_p \|f\|_p, \quad f \in L^p(G), 1 < p < \infty,$$

$$(2) \quad \mu\{|S_n f| > y\} \leq C y^{-1} \|f\|_1, \quad f \in L^1(G), y > 0.$$

These results and the density of the generalized Walsh polynomials imply the mean convergence of  $S_n f$  to  $f$  in  $L^p(G)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

The constants  $C$  and  $C_p$  in the above theorem are independent of the orders  $p_i$  of the cyclic groups.

If  $p_i = 2, i = 0, 1, \dots$ , Theorem 1 is Paley's result for the Walsh-Fourier series [6]. On the other hand, if  $p_0 \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $S_n f$  resembles the  $n$ th trigonometric partial sum. Thus, when restricted to one cyclic group, Theorem 1 can be viewed as a discrete analogue of M. Riesz's theorem for the trigonometric Fourier series [10, I, p. 266].

In what follows  $C$  will denote an absolute constant, which may vary from line to line.

**2. Modified partial sums and conjugate functions.** We will use the following notation. Let  $\{G_k\}$  be a sequence of subgroups of  $G$  defined by

$$G_0 = G, \quad G_k = \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} \{0\} \times \prod_{i=k}^{\infty} Z_{p_i}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Then  $\mu(G_k) = m_k^{-1}$ . Let  $\bar{F}_k$  be the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the cosets of  $G_k$ . On the interval  $(0, 1)$ , atoms of  $\bar{F}_k$  are intervals of the form  $(jm_k^{-1}, (j + 1)m_k^{-1})$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m_k - 1$ . We note that  $\phi_k$  is measurable with respect to  $\bar{F}_{k+1}$ .

It is proved in [8] that

$$(3) \quad D_{m_k}(x) = \begin{cases} m_k & \text{if } x \in G_k, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

From (3) it follows that

$$S_{m_k} f(x) = \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_I f d\mu,$$

where  $I = x + G_k$ .

It is also proved in [8] that if  $n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k m_k$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_k < p_k$ ,

$$(4) \quad D_n = \chi_n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} D_{m_k} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j \right),$$

with the interpretation that  $\sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j = 0$  if  $\alpha_k = 0$ . It is convenient to consider the modified Dirichlet kernel  $D_n^*$  defined by  $D_n^* = \bar{\chi}_n D_n$ . From (4) we have

$$(5) \quad D_{\alpha_k m_k}^* = D_{m_k} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j \right) = D_{m_{k+1}} - D_{(p_k - \alpha_k) m_k},$$

and

$$(6) \quad D_n^* = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} D_{\alpha_k m_k}^*.$$

Let  $S_n^* f(x) = \int_G f(t) D_n^*(x-t) d\mu(t)$  be the  $n$ th modified partial sum. Since  $S_n^* f = \bar{\chi}_n S_n(f \chi_n)$ , Theorem 1 is equivalent to

**THEOREM 1\*.** *There are absolute constants  $C$  and  $C_p$  such that, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ,*

$$(7) \quad \|S_n^* f\|_p \leq C_p \|f\|_p, \quad f \in L^p(G), 1 < p < \infty,$$

$$(8) \quad \mu\{|S_n^* f| > y\} \leq C y^{-1} \|f\|_1, \quad f \in L^1(G), y > 0.$$

We will prove Theorem 1\*. The following facts concerning the modified partial sums will be needed. First of all we have, by (5) and (6),

$$(9) \quad S_n^* f = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* f,$$

with  $S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* f = S_{m_{k+1}} f - S_{(p_k - \alpha_k) m_k} f$ . Moreover, it follows from (5) and (3) that

$$(10) \quad S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* f(x) = \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_I f(t) \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(x-t) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j(x-t) \right) d\mu(t),$$

where  $I = x + G_k$ . Now, for  $f \in L^1(G)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_I f(t) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j(x-t) \right) d\mu(t)$$

resembles the  $\alpha_k$ th partial sum of the trigonometric Fourier series of  $f$  on the coset  $I$ . The relation between the trigonometric partial sum and conjugate function leads to our definition of the conjugate function  $H_k f$  of  $f \in L^1(G)$ . Let  $x = \{x_k\} \in G$ . We define

$$H_k f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_{I \cap \{x_k \neq t_k\}} f(t) \cot(\pi(x_k - t_k)/p_k) d\mu(t),$$

where  $I = x + G_k$ . Since

$$\phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(t) \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha_k-1} \phi_k^j(t) = \begin{cases} \alpha_k & \text{if } t_k = 0, \\ \frac{1}{2} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(t) - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} i \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(t) \cot(\pi t_k/p_k) \\ \quad - \frac{1}{2} i \cot(\pi t_k/p_k) & \text{if } t_k \neq 0, \end{cases}$$

(10) implies

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* f(x) &= \frac{\alpha_k}{\mu(I)} \int_{I \cap \{x_k = t_k\}} f(t) d\mu(t) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(x) \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_{I \cap \{x_k \neq t_k\}} f(t) \phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) d\mu(t) \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_{I \cap \{x_k \neq t_k\}} f(t) d\mu(t) \\ &+ i \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(x) H_k(f \phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x) - i H_k f(x). \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

(9) and (11) will be used later in the proof of Theorem 1\*.

3. A decomposition lemma. For the proof of Theorem 1\* we need a modified form of the Calderón-Zygmund decomposition lemma [1, p. 91]. The following may best be described on the interval (0, 1).

LEMMA 2. Let  $f$  belong to  $L^1(G)$  and  $y > 0$  with  $\|f\|_1 \leq y$ . Let  $\{\alpha_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  be a sequence of integers with  $0 \leq \alpha_k < p_k$ . Then there are  $L^1$  functions  $g$  and  $b$ , and a collection  $C = \{\omega_j\}$  of disjoint intervals such that

(12)  $f = g + b$ .

(13)  $|g| \leq Cy$  a.e.

(14)  $\|g\|_1 \leq C\|f\|_1$ .

(15)  $C = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k$  where each  $\omega_j \in C_k$  is measurable with respect to  $F_{k+1}$  and is a proper subset of a coset of  $G_k$ .

(16)  $b(x) = 0$  if  $x \notin \bigcup_j \omega_j$ .

(17)  $\int_{\omega_j} b d\mu = 0$  for every  $\omega_j \in C$  and  $\int_{\omega_j} b \phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu = 0$  for every  $\omega_j \in C_k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$

(18)  $\int_{\omega_j} |b| d\mu \leq C \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu$  for every  $\omega_j \in C$ .

(19)  $\sum_j \mu(\omega_j) \leq y^{-1} \|f\|_1$ .

PROOF. We first construct the collection  $C$  of disjoint intervals. We divide (0, 1) into two subintervals  $I_1$  and  $I'_1$ , with  $I_1, I'_1 \in F_1$  and  $\mu(I_1) - m_1^{-1} \leq \mu(I'_1) \leq \mu(I_1)$ . If  $(1/\mu(I_1)) \int_{I_1} |f| d\mu > y$ , then  $I_1$  is in  $C$ . Otherwise we repeat the above process with (0, 1) replaced by  $I_1$ . We do the same with  $I'_1$ . Finally we reach a stage where the subinterval  $I$  is an atom of  $F_1$  and  $(1/\mu(I)) \int_I |f| d\mu \leq y$ .

We then divide  $I$  into subintervals  $I_2$  and  $I'_2$ , with  $I_2, I'_2 \in F_2$  and  $\mu(I_2) - m_2^{-1} \leq \mu(I'_2) \leq \mu(I_2)$ , and proceed as before. In this way we obtain a collection  $C = \{\omega_j\}$  of disjoint intervals which has the properties that

$$(20) \quad y < \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu \leq 3y, \quad \omega_j \in C,$$

and

$$(21) \quad |f(x)| \leq y \quad \text{for a.e. } x \notin \bigcup_j \omega_j.$$

The first inequality of (20) implies (19). Set

$$C_0 = \{\omega_j \in C: \omega_j \in F_1\},$$

and

$$C_k = \left\{ \omega_j \in C \setminus \bigcup_{i=0}^{k-1} C_i: \omega_j \in F_{k+1} \right\},$$

$k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\{C_k\}$  satisfies (15).

Next we decompose  $f$  as  $f = g + b$ , with

$$(22) \quad g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \notin \bigcup_j \omega_j, \\ a_{kj} + b_{kj} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(x) & \text{if } x \in \omega_j \in C_k, \end{cases}$$

where  $a_{kj}, b_{kj}$  are constants chosen in such a way that

$$(23) \quad \int_{\omega_j} f d\mu = \int_{\omega_j} (a_{kj} + b_{kj} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}) d\mu,$$

and

$$(24) \quad \int_{\omega_j} f \phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu = \int_{\omega_j} (a_{kj} + b_{kj} \phi_k^{-\alpha_k}) \phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu.$$

Then  $b = g - f$  automatically satisfies (16) and (17). The proof will be completed if we show

$$(25) \quad |g(x)| \leq \frac{C}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu, \quad x \in \omega_j, \omega_j \in C,$$

for then (25) together with (20) and (21) will imply (13), (14) and (18).

To prove (25) we write  $\beta_k = \alpha_k$  if  $0 \leq \alpha_k \leq p_k/2$  and  $\beta_k = \alpha_k - p_k$  if  $p_k/2 < \alpha_k < p_k$ . Then  $-p_k/2 < \beta_k \leq p_k/2$  and  $\phi_k^{\alpha_k} = \phi_k^{\beta_k}$ . Let  $\omega_j \in C_k$ . If  $\omega_j$  is a coset of  $G_{k+1}$ , or if  $\beta_k = 0$ , then  $\phi_k$  is constant in  $\omega_j$ . In this case we set  $a_{kj} = (\mu(\omega_j))^{-1} \int_{\omega_j} f d\mu$  and  $b_{kj} = 0$ . (25) follows immediately.

Now suppose  $\beta_k \neq 0$  and  $\omega_j$  is not a coset of  $G_{k+1}$ , that is  $\mu(\omega_j)m_{k+1} \geq 2$ . Then  $|(\mu(\omega_j))^{-1} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu| \neq 1$ . Solving (23), (24) for  $a_{kj}, b_{kj}$  and substituting into (22) we obtain, for  $x \in \omega_j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) &= \left[ \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} f d\mu - \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{-\beta_k} d\mu \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} f \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} f \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \phi_k^{-\beta_k}(x) \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} f d\mu \phi_k^{-\beta_k}(x) \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ 1 - \left| \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \right|^2 \right]^{-1} \\
 &= \left[ \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} f(y) \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} (\phi_k^{\beta_k}(y) - \phi_k^{\beta_k}(t)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times (\phi_k^{-\beta_k}(x) - \phi_k^{-\beta_k}(t)) d\mu(t) d\mu(y) \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ 1 - \left| \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \right|^2 \right]^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Observe that for  $s, t \in \omega_j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_k^{\beta_k}(s) - \phi_k^{\beta_k}(t)| &\leq |2\pi\beta_k/p_k| |s_k - t_k| \\
 &\leq (2\pi|\beta_k|/p_k)\mu(\omega_j)m_{k+1} = 2\pi|\beta_k|\mu(\omega_j)m_k,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|\phi_k^{\beta_k}(s) - \phi_k^{\beta_k}(t)| \leq 2.$$

Also,

$$\left| \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} \phi_k^{\beta_k} d\mu \right| = \left| \frac{1 - \exp(2\pi i \beta_k \mu(\omega_j) m_k)}{\mu(\omega_j) m_{k+1} (1 - \exp(2\pi i \beta_k / p_k))} \right|.$$

Therefore, for  $x \in \omega_j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |g(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(\omega_j)} \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu \min(4, (2\pi\beta_k \mu(\omega_j) m_k)^2) \\
 (26) \quad &\quad \times \left[ 1 - \left| \frac{1 - \exp(2\pi i \beta_k \mu(\omega_j) m_k)}{\mu(\omega_j) m_{k+1} (1 - \exp(2\pi i \beta_k / p_k))} \right|^2 \right]^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

A direct calculation shows that for any integer  $n \geq 2$  and any number  $\theta$  with  $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ , we have

$$(27) \quad (n\theta)^2 [1 - |(1 - e^{in\theta})/n(1 - e^{i\theta})|^2]^{-1} \leq C$$

for  $n|\theta| \leq \pi/10$ , and

$$(28) \quad [1 - |(1 - e^{in\theta})/n(1 - e^{i\theta})|^2]^{-1} \leq C$$

for  $n|\theta| \geq \pi/10$ . (25) now follows immediately from (26), (27) and (28). This concludes the proof of the lemma.

4. **Proof of Theorem 1\*.** The case  $p = 2$  of (7) is a consequence of Plancherel's formula. It therefore suffices to prove (8), for then (7) will follow by the Marcinkiewicz interpolation theorem [10, II, p. 112] and a duality argument.

For the proof of (8) we note that there is nothing to prove if  $\|f\|_1 > y$ , so we can assume  $\|f\|_1 \leq y$ . Decompose  $f$  as in Lemma 2. Since

$$\mu\{|S_n^* f| > y\} \leq \mu\{|S_n^* g| > y/2\} + \mu\{|S_n^* b| > y/2\},$$

(8) will follow if we can show that each term on the right is bounded by  $Cy^{-1}\|f\|_1$ .

Using the fact that  $\{S_n^*\}$  is uniformly bounded in  $L^2$ , we obtain

$$\mu\{|S_n^* g| > y/2\} \leq Cy^{-2}\|S_n^* g\|_2^2 \leq Cy^{-2}\|g\|_2^2 \leq Cy^{-1}\|f\|_1,$$

by (13) and (14).

To estimate  $|S_n^* b|$  we use the following notation. Let  $\omega_j \in F_{k+1}$ , with  $\omega_j$  contained in the coset  $I$  of  $G_k$ . We consider  $I$  as a circle, and let  $\omega_j^*$  denote the interval inside  $I$  which contains  $\omega_j$  at its center and  $\mu(\omega_j^*) = 3\mu(\omega_j)$ . Let  $\Omega^* = \bigcup_j \omega_j^*$ . We have, by (19),

$$\mu(\Omega^*) \leq 3 \sum_j \mu(\omega_j) \leq 3y^{-1}\|f\|_1.$$

Therefore it suffices to prove

$$(29) \quad \mu\{x \notin \Omega^*: |S_n^* b| > y/2\} \leq Cy^{-1}\|f\|_1.$$

To do this we expand  $S_n^* b$  as in (9) and (11). Moreover, we observe that for  $x \notin \Omega^*$  the first three terms in (11) vanish. This can be seen as follows. Let  $I = x + G_k$  and  $I' = x + G_{k+1}$ . Then neither  $I$  nor  $I'$  is contained in  $\bigcup_j \omega_j$ . For the first term in (11), we have

$$\int_{I \cap \{x_k = t_k\}} b(t) d\mu(t) = \sum_{\omega_j \subset I'} \int_{\omega_j} b d\mu = 0,$$

by (16) and (17). For the second term,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{I \cap \{x_k = t_k\}} b(t) \phi_k^{\alpha k}(t) d\mu(t) &= \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \notin I'} \int_{\omega_j} b(t) \phi_k^{\alpha k}(t) d\mu(t) \\ &= \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} b(t) \phi_k^{\alpha k}(t) d\mu(t) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \notin I'; \omega_j \notin C_k} \int_{\omega_j} b(t) \phi_k^{\alpha k}(t) d\mu(t). \end{aligned}$$

If  $\omega_j \in C_k$ , then  $\int_{\omega_j} b\phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu = 0$ , by (17). If  $\omega_j \subset I$  and  $\omega_j \notin C_k$ , then  $\phi_k^{\alpha_k}$  is constant on  $\omega_j$ , so  $\int_{\omega_j} b\phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu = 0$  by (17). Hence  $\int_{I \cap \{x_k \neq t_k\}} b(t)\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) d\mu(t) = 0$ . Similarly  $\int_{I \cap \{x_k \neq t_k\}} b(t) d\mu(t) = 0$ . Therefore we have

$$(30) \quad S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* b(x) = i\phi_k^{-\alpha_k}(x)H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x) - iH_k b(x), \quad x \notin \Omega^*.$$

Thus, if  $x \notin \Omega^*$ ,

$$|S_n^* b(x)| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |S_{\alpha_k m_k}^* b(x)| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x)| + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |H_k b(x)|.$$

(29) will be proved if we can show

$$(31) \quad \mu \left\{ x \notin \Omega^*: \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x)| > \frac{y}{4} \right\} \leq Cy^{-1} \|f\|_1$$

and

$$(32) \quad \mu \left\{ x \notin \Omega^*: \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |H_k b(x)| > \frac{y}{4} \right\} \leq Cy^{-1} \|f\|_1.$$

We will demonstrate (31). (32) can be proved similarly.

Suppose  $x \notin \Omega^*$ . Let  $I = x + G_k$  and  $I' = x + G_{k+1}$ . Then, as before, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \not\subset I'} \int_{\omega_j} b(t)\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) d\mu(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} b(t)\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) d\mu(t) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \not\subset I'; \omega_j \notin C_k} \int_{\omega_j} b(t)\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) d\mu(t). \end{aligned}$$

Again, if  $\omega_j \subset I$  and  $\omega_j \notin C_k$ ,  $\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) \cot(\pi(x_k - t_k)/p_k)$  is constant on  $\omega_j$ . Therefore the last term on the right vanishes by (17). Moreover, if  $\omega_j \in C_k$ ,  $\int_{\omega_j} b\phi_k^{\alpha_k} d\mu = 0$ , also by (17). Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} b(t)\phi_k^{\alpha_k}(t) \\ &\quad \times \left[ \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k^j)}{p_k}\right) \right] d\mu(t), \end{aligned}$$

where  $t^j = \{t_k^j\}_{k \geq 0}$  is any fixed point in  $\omega_j$ . Thus for any coset  $I$  of  $G_k$ ,

$$\int_{I \cap c_{\Omega^*}} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x)| d\mu(x) \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mu(I)} \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} |b(t)| \int_{I \cap c_{\Omega^*}} \left| \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k^j)}{p_k}\right) \right| d\mu(x) d\mu(t).$$

A simple calculation shows that, for  $t \in \omega_j$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(I)} \int_{I \cap c_{\Omega^*}} \left| \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k)}{p_k}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi(x_k - t_k^j)}{p_k}\right) \right| d\mu(x) \leq C,$$

so we obtain

$$\int_{I \cap c_{\Omega^*}} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})| d\mu \leq C \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} |b| d\mu \leq C \sum_{\omega_j \subset I; \omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu,$$

by (18). Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \left\{ x \notin \Omega^*: \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})(x)| > y/4 \right\} &\leq Cy^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{c_{\Omega^*}} |H_k(b\phi_k^{\alpha_k})| d\mu \leq Cy^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\omega_j \in C_k} \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu \\ &= Cy^{-1} \sum_j \int_{\omega_j} |f| d\mu \leq Cy^{-1} \|f\|_1. \end{aligned}$$

This establishes (31), and hence completes the proof of Theorem 1\*.

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