

# A HARDY–LITTLEWOOD–LIKE INEQUALITY ON COMPACT TOTALLY DISCONNECTED SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we deal with a new system was introduced by Gát (see [Gát1]). This is a common generalization of several well-known systems (see the follows). We prove an inequality of type Hardy-Littlewood with respect to this system.

## INTRODUCTION, EXAMPLES

Let  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ , and let  $m := (m_0, m_1, \dots)$  denote a sequence of positive integers not less than 2. Denote by  $G_{m_j}$  a set, where the number of the elements of  $G_{m_j}$  is  $m_j$  ( $j \in \mathbb{P}$ ). Define the measure on  $G_{m_j}$  as follows

$$\mu_k(\{j\}) := \frac{1}{m_k} \quad (j \in G_{m_k}, k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Define the set  $G_m$  as the complete direct product of the sets  $G_{m_j}$ , with the product of the topologies and measures (denoted by  $\mu$ ). This product measure is a regular Borel one on  $G_m$  with  $\mu(G_m) = 1$ . If the sequence  $m$  is bounded, then  $G_m$  is called bounded Vilenkin space, else its name is unbounded one. The elements of  $G_m$  can be represented by sequences  $x := (x_0, x_1, \dots)$  ( $x_j \in G_{m_j}$ ). It easy to give a base the neighborhoods of  $G_m$  :

$$I_0(x) := G_m,$$

$$I_n(x) := \{y \in G_m \mid y_0 = x_0, \dots, y_{n-1} = x_{n-1}\}$$

for  $x \in G_m$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define  $I_n := I_n(0)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{P}$ . If  $M_0 := 1, M_{k+1} := m_k M_k$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ), then every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  can be uniquely expressed as  $n = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} n_j M_j$ , where  $n_j \in G_{m_j}$  ( $j \in \mathbb{P}$ ) and only a finite number of  $n_j$ 's differ from zero. We use the following notations. Let  $|n| := \max\{k \in \mathbb{N} : n_k \neq 0\}$  (that is,  $M_{|n|} \leq n < M_{|n|+1}$ ) and  $n^{(k)} = \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} n_j M_j$ . Denote by  $L^p(G_m)$  the usual Lebesgue spaces ( $\|\cdot\|_p$  the corresponding norms) ( $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ),  $\mathcal{A}_n$  the  $\sigma$  algebra generated by the sets  $I_n(x)$  ( $x \in G_m$ ) and  $E_n$  the conditional expectation operator with respect to  $\mathcal{A}_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

From now the **boundedness** of the **Vilenkin space**  $G_m$  is supposed.

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The concept of the maximal Hardy space  $H^1(G_m)$  is defined by the maximal function  $f^* := \sup_n |E_n f|$  ( $f \in L^1(G_m)$ ), saying that  $f$  belongs to the Hardy space  $H^1(G_m)$  if  $f^* \in L^1(G_m)$ .  $H^1(G_m)$  is a Banach space with the norm

$$\|f\|_{H^1} := \|f^*\|_1$$

This definition is suitable if the sequence  $m$  is bounded. In this case a good property of the space  $H^1(G_m)$  is the atomic structure [SWS].

A function  $a$  is said to be atom if  $a = 1$  or  $a : G_m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|a(x)| \leq |I_n|^{-1}$ ,  $\text{supp } a(x) \subset I_n$  and  $\int_{I_n} a(x) = 0$ . We say that  $f$  element is of the Hardy space  $H(G_m)$  (or in brief  $H$ ),

if there exists  $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$  ( $j \in \mathbb{P}$ ) that  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_j| < \infty$ , and if exists  $a_j$  ( $j \in \mathbb{P}$ ) atoms, that  $f = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j a_j$ . Moreover,  $H$  is Banach space with the norm

$$\|f\|_H := \inf \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\lambda_i|,$$

where the infimum is taken over all decompositions  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda_i a_i \in H$ . If the sequence  $m$  is bounded (in this paper this is supposed), then  $H = H^1$ , moreover, the two norms are equivalent. (If the sequence  $m$  is not bounded, then the situation changes.)

Next we introduce on  $G_m$  an orthonormal system (see [Gát1]) we call Vilenkin-like system. The complex valued functions which we call the generalized Rademacher functions  $r_k^n : G_m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  have these properties:

- i.  $r_k^n$  is  $\mathcal{A}_{k+1}$  measurable (i.e.  $r_k^n(x)$  depends only on  $x_0, \dots, x_k$  ( $x \in G_m$ )),  $r_k^0 = 1$  for all  $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ii. If  $M_k$  is a divisor of  $n, l$  and  $n^{(k+1)} = l^{(k+1)}$  ( $k, l, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), then

$$E_k(r_k^n \bar{r}_k^l) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n_k = l_k, \\ 0 & \text{if } n_k \neq l_k \end{cases}$$

( $\bar{z}$  is the complex conjugate of  $z$ ).

- iii. If  $M_k$  is a divisor of  $n$  (that is,  $n = n_k M_k + n_{k+1} M_{k+1} + \dots + n_{|n|} M_{|n|}$ ). Then

$$\sum_{n_k=0}^{m_k-1} |r_k^n(x)|^2 = m_k$$

for all  $x \in G_m$ .

- iv. There exists a  $\delta > 1$  for which  $\|r_k^n\|_{\infty} \leq \sqrt{m_k/\delta}$ .

Define the Vilenkin-like system  $\psi := (\psi_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  as follows.

$$\psi_n := \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} r_k^{n^{(k)}}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

(Since  $r_k^0 = 1$ , then  $\psi_n := \prod_{k=0}^{|n|} r_k^{n^{(k)}}$ ). The Vilenkin-like system  $\psi$  is orthonormal (see [Gát2]).

And now let us list some well-known examples to this system.

1. The Vilenkin and the Walsh system. For more on these see e.g. [SWS, AVD]
2. The group of 2-adic ( $m$ -adic) integers (if  $m_k = 2$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  then 2-adic). [HR, SW2, Tai]
3. Noncommutative Vilenkin groups (In this case the group is the cartesian product of common finite groups.) [GT, Gát2]
4. A system in the field of number theory. This system (on Vilenkin groups) was a new tool in order to investigate limit periodic arithmetical functions. [Mau]
5. The UDMD product system (is introduced by F. Schipp on the Walsh-Paley group). [SW2, SW]
6. The universal contractive projections system (UCP) (is introduced by F. Schipp). [Sch4]

For more on these examples and their proves see [Gát1].

Finally, let us introduce the usual definitions of the Fourier-analysis. With notation already adopted for  $f \in L^1(G_m)$  we define the Fourier coefficients and partial sums by

$$\widehat{f}(k) := \int_{G_m} f \overline{\psi}_k d\mu \quad (k \in \mathbb{N})$$

$$S_n f := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \widehat{f}(k) \psi_k \quad (n \in \mathbb{P}, S_0 f := 0).$$

The Dirichlet kernels:

$$D_n(y, x) := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \psi_k(y) \overline{\psi}_k(x) \quad (n \in \mathbb{P}, D_0 := 0).$$

It is clear that

$$S_n f(x) = \int_{G_m} f(x) D_n(y, x) d\mu(x).$$

#### RESULT AND PROOF

**Theorem.** *There exists a  $C > 0$  absolute constant that if  $f \in H(G_m)$ , then*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\widehat{f}(k)| \leq C \|f\|_H.$$

*Proof of the theorem.* Since  $f \in H(G_m)$ , let us form  $f := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k a_k(x)$ , where  $a_k(x)$  are

atoms, and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_k| < \infty$ .

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\widehat{f}(k)| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j \widehat{a}_i(k) \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\lambda_j| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\widehat{a}_j(k)|,$$

that is why it will be sufficient to show that there exists  $C > 0$  absolute constant that for all  $a(x)$  atoms

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\hat{a}(k)| \leq C.$$

Let  $a(x) \in H(G_m)$  be an atom. If  $a \equiv 1$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(k) &= \int_{G_m} \overline{\psi}_k = E_0(\overline{\psi}_k) = E_0\left(\prod_{j=1}^{|k|} \overline{r}_j^{k(j)}\right) = E_0\left(E_{|k|}\left(\prod_{j=1}^{|k|} \overline{r}_j^{k(j)}\right)\right) = \\ &E_0\left(\prod_{j=1}^{|k|-1} \overline{r}_j^{k(j)} E_{|k|}\left(r_{|k|}^0 \overline{r}_{|k|}^{k(|k|)}\right)\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

because  $k^{(|k|)} = k_{|k|} M_{|k|} \neq 0$  if  $k \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $E_k(r_k^n \overline{r}_k^l) = 0$  if  $n_k \neq l_k$ . In this case the statement of the theorem is trivial.

So, assume that  $a \not\equiv 1$ . In this case let  $I_n$  be an interval for which  $|a(x)| \leq |I_n|^{-1}$ ,  $\text{supp } a(x) \subset I_n$  and  $\int_{I_n} a(x) = 0$ .

Since  $\text{supp } a(x) \subset I_n$  then

$$\hat{a}(k) = \int_{G_m} a(x) \overline{\psi}_k(x) = \int_{I_n} a(x) \overline{\psi}_k(x).$$

If  $k = 0, \dots, M_n - 1$  then  $\psi_k(x)$  depend only on the first  $n$  coordinate of  $x$ , hence the function  $\psi_k(x)$  on the set  $I_n$  is invariable

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(k) &= \int_{I_n} a(x) \overline{\psi}_k(x) = c \int_{I_n} a(x) = 0 \\ \implies \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\hat{a}(k)| &= \sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\hat{a}(k)|. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Cauchy–Buniakovski–Schwarz inequality

$$\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\hat{a}(k)| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} |\hat{a}(k)|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} k^{-2}},$$

and from Bessel's inequality

$$\sqrt{\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} |\hat{a}(k)|^2} \leq \|a(x)\|_2,$$

and estimate the approximate sum of the Riemann integral of function  $\frac{1}{x^2}$

$$\sqrt{\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} k^{-2}} \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{M_n}}.$$

These gives

$$\sum_{k=M_n}^{\infty} k^{-1} |\hat{a}(k)| \leq C,$$

by

$$\|a(x)\|_2^2 = \int_{I_n} |a|^2 \leq |I_n|^{-2} |I_n| = |I_n|^{-1} \leq M_{n+1} = m_{n+1} M_n \leq C M_n,$$

because of the boundedness of the sequence  $m$ .

This completes the proof of Theorem.

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