SETS OF UNIQUENESS FOR SOME CLASSES OF TRIGONOMETRICAL SERIES¹

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The group of real numbers modulo 2π is denoted by T. The Fourier coefficients of a distribution μ on T are denoted, as usual, by $\hat{\mu}(n)$. If B is a space of (doubly infinite) sequences we denote by $\mathfrak{F}B$ the space of those distributions μ on T for which $\{\hat{\mu}(n)\} \in B$; and if B is normed we put $\|\mu\|_{\mathfrak{F}B} = \|\{\hat{\mu}(n)\}\|_B$. A closed set E is a set of uniqueness for B if E carries no element of $\mathfrak{F}B$. The purpose of this note is to construct sets of positive measure which are sets of uniqueness for l^p , $1 \leq p < 2$.

LEMMA. Let $\epsilon > 0$, $1 \leq p < 2$. There exists a closed set $E_{\epsilon,p} \subset T$ having the following properties:

(1) measure $(E_{\epsilon,p}) > 2\pi - \epsilon$.

(2) If μ is carried by $E_{\epsilon,p}$ then $\|\mu\|_{\mathfrak{Fl}^{\infty}} \leq \epsilon \|\mu\|_{\mathfrak{Fl}^{p}}$.

PROOF. Let $\gamma > 0$. Put

$$f_{\gamma}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma - 2\pi}{\gamma} & (0 < x < \gamma \mod 2\pi), \\ 1 & (\gamma \leq x < 2\pi \mod 2\pi). \end{cases}$$

Then, by the theorem of Hausdorff-Young (or by direct computation),

$$\|f_{\gamma}\|_{\mathfrak{F}_{l}^{q}} \leq K_{p}\|f_{\gamma}\|_{L^{p}} \sim K_{p}\gamma^{1/p-1}, \text{ where } 1/p + 1/q = 1.$$

Choose an integer N (large) and integers $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N$ "lacunary" enough so that, taking $\gamma = \epsilon/N$, we have

$$\left\|\frac{1}{N}\sum_{1}^{N}f_{\gamma}(\lambda_{j}x)\right\|_{\mathfrak{F}^{q}}\leq 2N^{1/q-1}\|f_{\gamma}\|_{\mathfrak{F}^{q}}.$$

Denote

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1}^{N} f_{\gamma}(\lambda_{j}x);$$

then,

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