

## THE MAXIMAL OPERATOR OF MARCINKIEWICZ–FEJÉR MEANS WITH RESPECT TO WALSH–KACZMARZ–FOURIER SERIES

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*Abstract.* In the paper [4, Theorem 1] Gát, Goginava and the author proved that the maximal operator  $\sigma^{K,*}$  of Marcinkiewicz-Fejér means of Walsh-Kaczmarz-Fourier series, is bounded from the dyadic Hardy space  $H_p$  into the space  $L_p$  for  $p > 2/3$ . Moreover, Goginava and the author showed that  $\sigma^{K,*}$  is not bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  to the space  $L_{2/3}$  [6, Theorem 1]. The main aim of this paper is to show that the maximal operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{K,*} f := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^K f|}{\log^{3/2}(n+1)}$ , is bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  into the space  $L_{2/3}$ . Moreover, we prove that the order of deviant behavior of the  $n$ th Walsh-Kaczmarz-Marcinkiewicz-Fejér mean is exactly  $\log^{3/2}(n+1)$  in the endpoint  $p = 2/3$ .

### 1. Definitions and notation

Now, we give a brief introduction to the theory of dyadic analysis [1, 11, Chapter 1]. Let  $\mathbb{P}$  denote the set of positive integers,  $\mathbb{N} := \mathbb{P} \cup \{0\}$ . Denote  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  the discrete cyclic group of order 2, that is  $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$ , where the group operation is the modulo 2 addition and every subset is open. The Haar measure on  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  is given such that the measure of a singleton is  $1/2$ . Let  $G$  be the complete direct product of the countable infinite copies of the compact groups  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . The elements of  $G$  are sequences of the form  $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k, \dots)$  with coordinates  $x_k \in \{0, 1\}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). The group operation on  $G$  is the coordinate-wise addition, the measure (denoted by  $\mu$ ) is the product measure and the topology is the product topology. The compact Abelian group  $G$  is called the Walsh group. A base for the neighbourhoods of  $G$  can be given in the following way:

$$I_0(x) := G, \quad I_n(x) := I_n(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) := \{y \in G : y = (x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}, y_n, y_{n+1}, \dots)\},$$

( $x \in G, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). These sets are called dyadic intervals. Let  $0 = (0 : i \in \mathbb{N}) \in G$  denote the null element of  $G$ , and  $I_n := I_n(0)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Set  $e_n := (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) \in G$ , the  $n$ th coordinate of which is 1 and the rest are zeros ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in G$  denote

$$r_k(x) := (-1)^{x_k}$$

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the  $k$ th Rademacher function. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $n = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} n_i 2^i$  can be written, where  $n_i \in \{0, 1\}$  ( $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ), i. e.  $n$  is expressed in the number system of base 2. Denote the order of  $n$  by  $|n| := \max\{j \in \mathbb{N} : n_j \neq 0\}$ , that is  $2^{|n|} \leq n < 2^{|n|+1}$ .

The Walsh-Paley system is defined as the product system of Rademacher functions:

$$w_n(x) := \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (r_k(x))^{n_k} = r_{|n|}(x) (-1)^{\sum_{k=0}^{|n|-1} n_k x_k} \quad (x \in G, n \in \mathbb{P}).$$

The Walsh-Kaczmarz functions are defined by  $\kappa_0 = 1$  and for  $n \geq 1$

$$\kappa_n(x) := r_{|n|}(x) \prod_{k=0}^{|n|-1} (r_{|n|-1-k}(x))^{n_k} = r_{|n|}(x) (-1)^{\sum_{k=0}^{|n|-1} n_k x_{|n|-1-k}}.$$

The set of Walsh-Kaczmarz functions and the set of Walsh-Paley functions is the same in dyadic blocks. Namely,

$$\{\kappa_n : 2^k \leq n < 2^{k+1}\} = \{w_n : 2^k \leq n < 2^{k+1}\}$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{P}$  and  $\kappa_0 = w_0$ .

V. A. Skvortsov (see [14, page 142]) gave a relation between the Walsh-Kaczmarz functions and the Walsh-Paley functions by the help of the transformation  $\tau_A : G \rightarrow G$  defined by

$$\tau_A(x) := (x_{A-1}, x_{A-2}, \dots, x_1, x_0, x_A, x_{A+1}, \dots)$$

for  $A \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the definition of  $\tau_A$ , we have

$$\kappa_n(x) = r_{|n|}(x) w_{n-2^{|n|}}(\tau_{|n|}(x)) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in G).$$

The Dirichlet kernels and the Fejér kernels are defined by

$$D_n^\alpha := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \alpha_k, \quad K_n^\alpha(x) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} D_k^\alpha(x),$$

where  $\alpha_n = w_n$  (for all  $n \in \mathbb{P}$ ) or  $\kappa_n$  (for all  $n \in \mathbb{P}$ ),  $D_0^\alpha := 0$ . The  $2^n$ th Dirichlet kernels have a closed form (see e.g. [11, page 7])

$$D_{2^n}^w(x) = D_{2^n}^\kappa(x) = D_{2^n}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \notin I_n, \\ 2^n, & \text{if } x \in I_n. \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

The  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the 2-dimensional cube of measure  $2^{-2k}$  will be denoted by  $F_k$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Denote by  $f = (f^{(n)}, n \in \mathbb{N})$  the one-parameter martingale with respect to  $(F_n, n \in \mathbb{N})$  (for details see, e. g. [17, 18, Chapter 1]). The maximal function of a martingale  $f$  is defined by  $f^* = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |f^{(n)}|$ . For  $0 < p < \infty$  the Hardy martingale space  $H_p(G^2)$  consists of all martingales for which  $\|f\|_{H_p} := \|f^*\|_p < \infty$ .

The Kronecker product  $(\alpha_{n,m} : n, m \in \mathbb{N})$  of two Walsh-(Kaczmarz) system is said to be the two-dimensional Walsh-(Kaczmarz) system. That is,

$$\alpha_{n,m}(x^1, x^2) = \alpha_n(x^1)\alpha_m(x^2).$$

If  $f \in L(G^2)$ , then the number  $\widehat{f}^\alpha(n, m) := \int f \alpha_{n,m}$  ( $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ) is said to be the  $(n, m)$ th Walsh-(Kaczmarz)-Fourier coefficient of  $f$ . We can extend this definition to martingales in the usual way (see Weisz [17, 18, Chapter 1]). Denote by  $S_{n,m}^\alpha$  the  $(n, m)$ th rectangular partial sum of the Walsh-(Kaczmarz)-Fourier series of a martingale  $f$ . Namely,

$$S_{n,m}^\alpha(f; x^1, x^2) := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \widehat{f}^\alpha(k, i) \alpha_{k,i}(x^1, x^2).$$

The Marcinkiewicz-Fejér means of a martingale  $f$  are defined by

$$\sigma_n^\alpha(f; x^1, x^2) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} S_{k,k}^\alpha(f; x^1, x^2).$$

The two-dimensional Dirichlet kernels and Marcinkiewicz-Fejér kernels are defined by

$$D_{k,l}^\alpha(x^1, x^2) := D_k^\alpha(x^1)D_l^\alpha(x^2), \quad K_n^\alpha(x^1, x^2) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} D_{k,k}^\alpha(x^1, x^2).$$

The  $n$ th Marcinkiewicz-Fejér kernel has got a decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} nK_n^K(x^1, x^2) &= 1 + \sum_{j=0}^{|n|-1} 2^j D_{2^j, 2^j}(x^1, x^2) + \sum_{j=0}^{|n|-1} 2^j D_{2^j}(x^1) r_j(x^2) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^2)) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=0}^{|n|-1} 2^j D_{2^j}(x^2) r_j(x^1) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1)) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=0}^{|n|-1} 2^j r_j(x^1 + x^2) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1), \tau_j(x^2)) \\ &\quad + (n - 2^{|n|})(D_{2^{|n|}, 2^{|n|}}(x^1, x^2) + D_{2^{|n|}}(x^1) r_{|n|}(x^2) K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^2)) \\ &\quad + D_{2^{|n|}}(x^2) r_{|n|}(x^1) K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1)) \\ &\quad + r_{|n|}(x^1 + x^2) K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2))) \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

for  $(x^1, x^2) \in G^2$  (see [9, Lemma 2.1]).

For the martingale  $f$  we consider the maximal operators

$$\sigma_n^{\kappa,*} f(x^1, x^2) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} |\sigma_n^\kappa(f; x^1, x^2)|, \quad \tilde{\sigma}_n^{\kappa,*} f(x^1, x^2) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^\kappa(f; x^1, x^2)|}{\log^{3/2}(n+1)}.$$

In 1948 Šneider [15, page 184] introduced the Walsh-Kaczmarz system and showed that the inequality

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{D_n^K(x)}{\log n} \geq C > 0$$

holds a.e. In 1974 Schipp [12, Corollary 3] and Young [16, page 354] proved that the Walsh-Kaczmarz system is a convergence system. Skvortsov in 1981 [14, Theorem 2] showed that the Fejér means with respect to the Walsh-Kaczmarz system converge uniformly to  $f$  for any continuous functions  $f$ . Gát [2, Theorem 1] proved for any integrable functions, that the Fejér means with respect to the Walsh-Kaczmarz system converge almost everywhere to the function. He showed that the maximal operator  $\sigma^{K,*}$  of Walsh-Kaczmarz-Fejér means is of weak type  $(1, 1)$  and of type  $(p, p)$  for all  $1 < p \leq \infty$ . Gát's result was generalized by Simon [13, Theorem 1], who showed that the maximal operator  $\sigma^{K,*}$  is of type  $(H_p, L_p)$  for  $p > 1/2$ .

In the endpoint case  $p = 1/2$  Goginava [5, Theorem 2] proved that the maximal operator  $\sigma^{K,*}$  is not of type  $(H_{1/2}, L_{1/2})$  and Weisz [19, Theorem 5, page 162] showed that the maximal operator is of weak type  $(H_{1/2}, L_{1/2})$ .

In the paper [7, Theorem 3.1, Theorem 3.2] Goginava and the author proved that the maximal operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{K,*}$  defined by

$$\tilde{\sigma}^{K,*} := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^K f|}{\log^2(n+1)}$$

is bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{1/2}$  to the space  $L_{1/2}$ . It was also proved that for any non-decreasing function  $\varphi : \mathbb{P} \rightarrow [1, \infty)$  satisfying the condition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log^2(n+1)}{\varphi(n)} = +\infty \tag{3}$$

then the maximal operator  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^K f|}{\varphi(n)}$  is not bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{1/2}$  to the space  $L_{1/2}$ . In other words the order of deviant behaviour of the  $n$ th Walsh-Kaczmarz-Fejér mean is exactly  $\log^2(n+1)$  in our special sense.

In 1939 for the two-dimensional trigonometric Fourier partial sums  $S_{j,j}(f)$  Marcinkiewicz [8] has proved for  $f \in L \log L([0, 2\pi]^2)$  that the means

$$\sigma_n f = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n S_{j,j}(f)$$

converge a.e. to  $f$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Zhizhiashvili [21, page 1116] improved this result for  $f \in L([0, 2\pi]^2)$ . We mention that the result of Marcinkiewicz and Zhizhiashvili and the boundedness of the maximal operator from  $H_p$  to  $L_p$  ( $2/3 < p < \infty$ ) was proved by Weisz for Walsh-Fourier series [20, Theorem 3].

In [4, Theorem 1] it was proved that the maximal operator

$$\sigma^{K,*} f := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} |\sigma_n^K f| = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} S_{j,j}^K f \right|$$

is bounded from the Hardy space  $H_p$  to the space  $L_p$  for  $p > 2/3$ .

In the paper [6, Theorem 1] Goginava and the author showed that,  $\sigma^{\kappa,*}f$  is not bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  to the space  $L_{2/3}$ .

The main aim of this paper is to investigate that what does happen in the endpoint  $p = 2/3$ . We show that the maximal operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*}f := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^{\kappa}f|}{\log^{3/2}(n+1)}$ , is bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  into the space  $L_{2/3}$ . Moreover, we prove that for any non-decreasing function  $\varphi : \mathbb{P} \rightarrow [1, \infty)$  satisfying the analogue of condition (3), that is

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log^{3/2}(n+1)}{\varphi(n)} = +\infty \tag{4}$$

then the maximal operator  $\sup_{A \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^{\kappa}f|}{\varphi(n)}$  is not bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  to the space  $L_{2/3}$ . That is, the order of deviant behaviour of the  $n$ th Walsh-Kacmarz-Marcinkiewicz-Fejér mean is exactly  $\log^{3/2}(n+1)$  in the endpoint case  $p = 2/3$ . Analogue of this result for Walsh-Marcinkiewicz-Fejér mean is given in [10, Theorem 1, Theorem 2].

### 2. Auxiliary propositions and main results

First, we formulate our main theorems.

**THEOREM 1.** *The maximal operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*}$  is bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  to the space  $L_{2/3}$ .*

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{P} \rightarrow [1, \infty)$  be a non-decreasing function satisfying the condition (4). Then the maximal operator*

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^{\kappa}f|}{\varphi(n)}$$

*is not bounded from the Hardy space  $H_{2/3}$  to the space  $L_{2/3}$ .*

To prove our Theorem 1 we need the following Lemmas [3, page 480–482], [4, Lemma 8, 9, 10]:

**LEMMA 1.** (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([3], page 481)) *Let  $x \in I_N(x_0, \dots, x_{l-1}, x_l = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  and  $j > N$ . Then*

$$\int_{I_N} K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x+t))d\mu(t) \leq \frac{c}{2^j} 1_{I_N(0, \dots, 0, x_l=1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x).$$

**LEMMA 2.** (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([4], Lemma 8)) *Let  $n < 2^{A+1}$ ,  $A > N$  and  $x \in I_N(x_0, \dots, x_m = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $l = 0, \dots, N - 1$ ,  $m = -1, 0, \dots, l$ . Then*

$$\int_{I_N} n |K_n^w(\tau_A(x+t))| d\mu(t) \leq c \frac{2^A}{2^{m+l}},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & I_N(x_0, \dots, x_m = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l = 1, 0, \dots, 0) \\ & := I_N(0, \dots, 0, x_l = 1, 0, \dots, 0), \text{ for } m = -1. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 3. (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([3], page 480)) *Let  $x^1 \in I_N(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  and  $x^2 \in I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_{l-1}^2, x_l^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  for  $0 \leq s \leq l < N$ . Then for  $j > N$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{I_N \times I_N} K_{2j}^w(\tau_j(x^1 + t^1), \tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) d\mu(t^1, t^2) \\ & \leq c \sum_{m=s}^l 2^{-l-m} 1_{I_N(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_m^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2). \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4. (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([3], page 482)) *Let  $(x^1, x^2) \in I_N \times I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_{l-1}^2, x_l^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $l = 0, \dots, N-1$ . Then for  $j > N$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{I_N \times I_N} K_{2j}^w(\tau_j(x^1 + t^1), \tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) d\mu(t^1, t^2) \\ & \leq c \sum_{s=0}^l 2^{-l-s} 1_{I_N(0, \dots, 0, x_s^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2). \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 5. (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([4], Lemma 9)) *Let  $(x^1, x^2) \in I_N(x_0^1, \dots, x_{m^1}^1 = 1, 0, \dots, 0) \times I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_{m^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $m^1 \leq m^2$ ,  $A > N$  and  $n < 2^{A+1}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{I_N \times I_N} n |K_n^w(\tau_A(x^1 + t^1), \tau_A(x^2 + t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \\ & \leq c \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{m^1-1} \sum_{q^2=m^1}^{m^2} \frac{2^A}{2^{m^2+q^2+r}} 1_{I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, x_{r+1}^2, \dots, x_{m^1-1}^2, x_{m^1}^2 = 0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_{m^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{r=m^1}^{m^2-1} \frac{2^A}{2^{m^1+m^2+r}} \sum_{q^2=r}^{m^2} 1_{I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, 0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_{m^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 6. (Gát, Goginava, Nagy ([4], Lemma 10)) *Let  $(x^1, x^2) \in I_N(0, \dots, 0) \times I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_{m^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $A > N$  and  $n < 2^{A+1}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{I_N \times I_N} n |K_n^w(\tau_A(x^1 + t^1), \tau_A(x^2 + t^2))| dt^1 dt^2 \\ & \leq c \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{m^2} \frac{2^A}{2^{m^2+r}} \sum_{q^2=r}^{m^2} 1_{I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, 0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0, x_{m^2}^2 = 1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

A bounded measurable function  $a$  is a  $p$ -atom, if there exists a dyadic two-dimensional cube  $I^2$ , such that

- a)  $\int_{I^2} a d\mu = 0$ ,
- b)  $\|a\|_\infty \leq \mu(I^2)^{-1/p}$ ,
- c)  $\text{supp } a \subseteq I^2$ .

The operator  $T$  is said to be  $p$ -quasi-local, if there exists a constant  $c_p$  such that

$$\int_{I^2} |Ta|^p d\mu \leq c_p < \infty \tag{5}$$

for every  $p$ -atom  $a$ , where the dyadic cube  $I^2$  is the support of the  $p$ -atom  $a$ .

LEMMA 7. (Weisz ([18], Theorem 1.34)) *Suppose that the operator  $T$  is sub-linear and  $p$ -quasi-local for any  $0 < p \leq 1$ . If  $T$  is bounded from  $L_\infty$  to  $L_\infty$ , then*

$$\|Tf\|_p \leq c_p \|f\|_{H_p} \quad \text{for all } f \in H_p.$$

### 3. Proofs of the theorems

First, we prove Theorem 1.

*Proof of Theorem 1.* By the help of Lemma 7 we prove that the operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*}$  is of type  $(H_{2/3}, L_{2/3})$ . The boundedness from the space  $L_\infty$  to the space  $L_\infty$  follows from the inequality

$$\|K_n^\kappa\|_1 \leq c$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (see [4, Corollary 3]). The proof will be complete, if we show that the maximal operator  $\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*}$  is  $2/3$ -quasi-local (see inequality (5)).

Let  $a$  be an arbitrary  $2/3$ -atom with  $\text{supp } a = I^2$ , and  $\mu(I^2) = 2^{-2N}$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $I^2 := I_N \times I_N$ .

It is simple to see that  $\sigma_n^\kappa a = 0$  if  $n \leq 2^N$ . Therefore, we suppose that  $n > 2^N$ .

We write that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{I_N^2} |\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*} a|^{2/3} d\mu &= \int_{I_N \times \overline{I_N}} |\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*} a|^{2/3} d\mu + \int_{\overline{I_N} \times I_N} |\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*} a|^{2/3} d\mu + \int_{\overline{I_N} \times \overline{I_N}} |\tilde{\sigma}^{\kappa,*} a|^{2/3} d\mu \\ &=: I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \end{aligned}$$

By equality (2) and the property a) of an  $2/3$ -atom for any  $(x^1, x^2) \in \overline{I_N^2}$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} n\sigma_n^\kappa a(x^1, x^2) &= \int_{I_N^2} a(t^1, t^2) \left( \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j D_{2^j}(x^1 + t^1) r_j(x^2 + t^2) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) \right. \\ &+ \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j D_{2^j}(x^2 + t^2) r_j(x^1 + t^1) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1 + t^1)) \\ &+ \left. \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j r_j(x^1 + t^1 + x^2 + t^2) K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1 + t^1), \tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (n-2^{|n|})D_{2^{|n|}}(x^1+t^1)r_{|n|}(x^2+t^2)K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^2+t^2)) \\
& + (n-2^{|n|})D_{2^{|n|}}(x^2+t^2)r_{|n|}(x^1+t^1)K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1+t^1)) \\
& + (n-2^{|n|})r_{|n|}(x^1+t^1+x^2+t^2)K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1+t^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2+t^2)) \Big) d\mu(t^1, t^2) \\
& =: L_n^1 a(x^1, x^2) + L_n^2 a(x^1, x^2) + L_n^3 a(x^1, x^2) + L_n^4 a(x^1, x^2) + L_n^5 a(x^1, x^2) + L_n^6 a(x^1, x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

First, we discuss the integral  $I_3$ . On the set  $\overline{I_N} \times \overline{I_N}$  we have that  $L_n^1 a = L_n^2 a = L_n^4 a = L_n^5 a = 0$ . Thus, we write that

$$\sigma_n^\kappa a(x^1, x^2) = \frac{L_n^3 a(x^1, x^2)}{n} + \frac{L_n^6 a(x^1, x^2)}{n}.$$

For a  $2/3$ -atom  $a$  we have that

$$\|a\|_\infty \leq 2^{3N}. \quad (6)$$

This yields

$$\begin{aligned}
I_3 & \leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \int_{\overline{I_N} \times \overline{I_N}} \left( \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \int_{I_N^2} |K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1+t^1), \tau_j(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right. \\
& \left. + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{n-2^{|n|}}{n} \int_{I_N^2} |K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1+t^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2)
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we decompose the set  $\overline{I_N}$  in the following way

$$\overline{I_N} = \bigcup_{s=0}^{N-1} J_N^s, \quad (7)$$

where  $J_N^s := I_N(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{s-1}, x_s = 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ . By this, we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_3 & \leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^{l} \int_{J_N^s \times J_N^l} \left( \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \int_{I_N^2} |K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1+t^1), \tau_j(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right. \\
& \left. + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{n-2^{|n|}}{n} \int_{I_N^2} |K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1+t^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\
& + \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=l+1}^{N-1} \int_{J_N^s \times J_N^l} \left( \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \int_{I_N^2} |K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1+t^1), \tau_j(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right. \\
& \left. + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{n-2^{|n|}}{n} \int_{I_N^2} |K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1+t^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2+t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\
& =: I_3^1 + I_3^2.
\end{aligned}$$



We investigate  $I_3^1$  ( $I_3^2$  can be discussed analogously). Using Lemma 3, Lemma 5 and the inequality

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \right)^p \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k^p \quad (a_k \geq 0, 0 < p \leq 1) \quad (8)$$

we immediately get that

$$\begin{aligned} I_3^1 &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^l \int_{J_N^s \times J_N^l} \left( \sum_{m=s}^l 2^{-l-m} 1_{I_N}(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_m^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) \right) (x^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r=0}^{s-1} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 2^{-l-q^2-r} 1_{I_N}(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, x_{r+1}^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^2=0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) (x^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r=s}^{l-1} 2^{-s-l-r} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 1_{I_N}(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, 0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) (x^2) \Big)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\ &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^l \int_{J_N^s \times J_N^l} \left( \sum_{m=s}^l 2^{(-l-m)2/3} 1_{I_N}(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_m^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) \right) (x^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r=0}^{s-1} \sum_{q^2=s}^l 2^{(-l-q^2-r)2/3} 1_{I_N}(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, x_{r+1}^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^2=0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) (x^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r=s}^{l-1} 2^{(-s-l-r)2/3} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 1_{I_N}(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, 0, \dots, 0, x_{q^2}^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0) (x^2) \Big) d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\ &=: \sum_1 + \sum_2 + \sum_3. \end{aligned}$$

We discuss  $\sum_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_1 &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^l \sum_{x_0^1=0}^1 \cdots \sum_{x_{s-1}^1=0}^1 \sum_{m=s}^l \times \\ &\quad \times \int_{I_N(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1=1, 0, \dots, 0) \times I_N(x_0^1, \dots, x_{s-1}^1, x_s^1=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_m^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0)} 2^{-\frac{2l-2m}{3}} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\ &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} \sum_{s=0}^l 2^s 2^{-2s/3} 2^{-2N} \leq \frac{c}{N} \sum_{l=0}^N 2^{-2l/3} 2^{l/3} \leq c. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_2 &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} \sum_{s=0}^l \sum_{r=0}^{s-1} 2^{-2r/3} \sum_{q^2=s}^l 2^{-2q^2/3} 2^{-(N-s)} 2^{-(N-r)} \\ &\leq \frac{c}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} 2^{2l/3} \leq \frac{c}{N} N \leq c. \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\sum$  follows.  
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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_3 &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} \sum_{s=0}^l 2^{-2s/3} \sum_{r=s}^{l-1} 2^{-2r/3} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 2^{-(N-s)} 2^{-(N-r)} \\ &\leq \frac{c}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} 2^{2l/3} \leq \frac{c}{N} N \leq c. \end{aligned}$$

Second, we discuss the integral  $I_1$  (the discussion of  $I_2$  goes similarly). On the set  $I_N \times \overline{I_N}$  we have that  $L_n^2 a = L_n^5 a = 0$ . That is,

$$\sigma_n^k a(x^1, x^2) = \frac{L_n^1 a(x^1, x^2)}{n} + \frac{L_n^3 a(x^1, x^2)}{n} + \frac{L_n^4 a(x^1, x^2)}{n} + \frac{L_n^6 a(x^1, x^2)}{n}.$$

Moreover, by inequality (6), decomposition (7), Lemma 1, 2, 4 and 6 we have that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \int_{I_N \times J_N^l} \left( \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \int_{I_N} K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) d\mu(t^2) \right. \\ &\quad + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \int_{J_N^l} K_{2^j}^w(\tau_j(x^1 + t^1), \tau_j(x^2 + t^2)) d\mu(t^1, t^2) \\ &\quad + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{n-2^{|n|}}{n} \int_{I_N} |K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^2 + t^2))| d\mu(t^2) \\ &\quad \left. + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{n-2^{|n|}}{n} \int_{I_N^2} |K_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x^1 + t^1), \tau_{|n|}(x^2 + t^2))| d\mu(t^1, t^2) \right)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\ &\leq \frac{c2^{2N}}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \int_{I_N \times J_N^l} \left( \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^{j-l} 1_{I_N(0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \right. \\ &\quad + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=N+1}^{|n|-1} 2^j \sum_{s=0}^l 2^{-l-s} 1_{I_N(0, \dots, 0, x_s^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \\ &\quad + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=-1}^l \frac{2^{|n|}}{2^{l+m}} 1_{I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_{m-1}^2, x_m^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \\ &\quad \left. + \sup_{n>2^N} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{r=0}^l \frac{2^{|n|}}{2^{l+r}} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 1_{I_N(x_0^2, \dots, x_r^2, 0, \dots, 0, x_q^2=1, 0, \dots, 0, x_l^2=1, 0, \dots, 0)}(x^2) \right)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \end{aligned}$$

A simple consideration and inequality (8) yield that

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &\leq \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} \int_{J_N^l} 1_{I_N(0,\dots,0,x_l^2=1,0,\dots,0)}(x^2) d\mu(x^2) \\
 &+ \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-s)2/3} \int_{J_N^l} 1_{I_N(0,\dots,0,x_s^2=1,0,\dots,0,x_l^2=1,0,\dots,0)}(x^2) d\mu(x^2) \\
 &+ \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{m=-1}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-m)2/3} \int_{J_N^l} 1_{I_N(x_0^2,\dots,x_{m-1}^2,x_m^2=1,0,\dots,0,x_l^2=1,0,\dots,0)}(x^2) d\mu(x^2) \\
 &+ \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-r)2/3} \sum_{q^2=r}^l \int_{J_N^l} 1_{I_N(x_0^2,\dots,x_r^2,0,\dots,0,x_q^2=1,0,\dots,0,x_l^2=1,0,\dots,0)}(x^2) d\mu(x^2) \\
 &=: \sum_1 + \sum_2 + \sum_3 + \sum_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_1 &\leq \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} 2^{-N} \leq \frac{c}{N} \leq c, \\
 \sum_2 &\leq \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-s)2/3} 2^{-N} \leq \frac{c}{N} \leq c, \\
 \sum_3 &\leq \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{m=-1}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-m)2/3} 2^{-(N-m)} \leq \frac{c}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} 2^{l/3} \leq \frac{c}{N} \leq c
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_4 \leq \frac{c2^N}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} 2^{(-l-r)2/3} \sum_{q^2=r}^l 2^{-(N-r)} \leq \frac{c}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} 2^{-2l/3} \sum_{r=0}^l (l-r+1) 2^{r/3} \leq \frac{c}{N} \leq c.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.  $\square$

Next, we prove Theorem 2. We use the counterexample function and the idea given in [10, page 642], but we have to make the necessary changes. Let

$$f_A(x^1, x^2) := (D_{2^{A+1}}(x^1) - D_{2^A}(x^1))(D_{2^{A+1}}(x^2) - D_{2^A}(x^2)).$$

A simple calculation yields

$$\widehat{f}_A^k(i, k) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i, k = 2^A, \dots, 2^{A+1} - 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 &S_{i,j}^k(f; x^1, x^2) = \\
 &\begin{cases} (D_i^k(x^1) - D_{2^A}(x^1))(D_j^k(x^2) - D_{2^A}(x^2)), & \text{if } i, j = 2^A + 1, \dots, 2^{A+1} - 1, \\ f_A(x^1, x^2), & \text{if } i, j \geq 2^{A+1}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$f_A^*(x^1, x^2) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |S_{2^n, 2^n}(f_A; x^1, x^2)| = |f_A(x^1, x^2)|$$

and

$$\|f_A\|_{H_{2/3}} = \|f_A^*\|_{2/3} = c2^{-A}. \tag{9}$$

*Proof of Theorem 2.* We can write the  $n$ th Walsh-Kaczmarz-Dirichlet kernel in the following form:

$$D_n^K(x) = D_{2^{|n|}}(x) + r_{|n|}(x)D_{n-2^{|n|}}^w(\tau_{|n|}(x)).$$

Thus, we have for a non-decreasing function  $\varphi$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\sigma}^{K,*} f_A(x^1, x^2) &= \sup_{n \in \mathbb{P}} \frac{|\sigma_n^K(f_A; x^1, x^2)|}{\varphi(n)} \geq \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} \frac{|\sigma_{2^A+2^t}^K(f_A; x^1, x^2)|}{\varphi(2^A+2^t)} \\ &\geq \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} \frac{1}{(2^A+2^t)\varphi(2^A+2^t)} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{2^A+2^t-1} S_{k,k}^K(f_A; x^1, x^2) \right| \\ &= \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} \frac{1}{2^{A+1}\varphi(2^{A+1})} \left| \sum_{k=2^{A+1}}^{2^A+2^t-1} r_A(x^1)D_{k-2^A}^w(\tau_A(x^1))r_A(x^2)D_{k-2^A}^w(\tau_A(x^2)) \right| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2^{A+1}\varphi(2^{A+1})} \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} 2^t |K_{2^t}^w(\tau_A(x^1), \tau_A(x^2))|. \end{aligned}$$

By this and inequality (9) we obtain

$$\frac{\|\tilde{\sigma}^{K,*} f_A\|_{2/3}}{\|f_A\|_{H_{2/3}}} \geq \frac{c}{2^A \varphi(2^{A+1}) 2^{-A}} \left( \int_{G^2} \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} (2^t |K_{2^t}^w(\tau_A(x^1), \tau_A(x^2))|)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \right)^{3/2}.$$

Now, we decompose the set  $G$  as the following disjoint union

$$G = I_A \cup \bigcup_{t=0}^{A-1} J_t^A,$$

where  $J_t^A := \{x \in G : x_{A-1}, \dots, x_{A-t} = 0, x_{A-t-1} = 1\}$  for  $A > t \geq 1$  and  $J_0^A := \{x \in G : x_{A-1} = 1\}$ . Notice that  $\tau_A(J_t^A) = I_t \setminus I_{t+1}$ . It is easy to show that, for  $(x^1, x^2) \in I_s \times I_s$

$$K_{2^s}^w(x^1, x^2) = \frac{(2^s - 1)(2^{s+1} - 1)}{6}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{G \times G} \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} (2^t |K_{2^t}^w(\tau_A(x^1), \tau_A(x^2))|)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\ &\geq \sum_{s=1}^{A-1} \int_{J_s^A \times J_s^A} \max_{t: 1 \leq 2^t \leq 2^A} (2^t |K_{2^t}^w(\tau_A(x^1), \tau_A(x^2))|)^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq \sum_{s=1}^{A-1} \int_{(I_s \setminus I_{s+1}) \times (I_s \setminus I_{s+1})} (2^s K_{2^s}^w(x^1, x^2))^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\
&\geq c \sum_{s=1}^{A-1} \int_{(I_s \setminus I_{s+1}) \times (I_s \setminus I_{s+1})} (2^{3s})^{2/3} d\mu(x^1, x^2) \\
&\geq c(A-1).
\end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\frac{\|\tilde{\sigma}^{k,*} f_A\|_{2/3}}{\|f_A\|_{H_{2/3}}} \geq \frac{c(A+1)^{3/2}}{\varphi(2^{A+1})}$$

for  $A$  big enough.

From now, the proof goes analogously as in the paper [10, page 644] we did. This completes the proof of this theorem.  $\square$

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