

**ON THE RADIAL VARIATION  
OF BOUNDED ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS ON THE DISC**

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## 0. Introduction and statement of results.

Let  $F$  be a bounded analytic function on the disc  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$ . Following [Ru], define

$$W(F, r, \theta) = \int_0^r |F'(\rho e^{i\theta})| d\rho \quad (r < 1) \quad ; \quad V(F, \theta) = W(F, 1, \theta).$$

The quantity  $V(F, \theta)$  corresponds of course to the variation of  $F$  on the radius of  $D$  terminating at the point  $e^{i\theta}$ . It is shown in [R] that the set

$$\{\theta \mid V(F, \theta) < \infty\}$$

may be of measure zero (and of first category). In fact, as shown in [R],  $F$  may be taken to be a Blaschke product or an element of the disc algebra (*i.e.* continuous up to the boundary). The problem left open in [R] is whether  $V(F, \theta)$  may be infinite in *any* direction. The purpose of the note is to disprove this. More precisely

**Theorem 1.** *The set  $\{\theta \mid V(F, \theta) < \infty\}$  is nonempty and in fact is of Hausdorff dimension 1, whenever  $F$  is bounded analytic, *i.e.*  $F \in H^\infty(D)$ .*

Let us recall at this point Zygmund's result [Zyg]

$$W(F, r, \theta) = o\left(\log^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{1-r}\right) \quad r \rightarrow 1$$

almost everywhere in  $\theta$ . This statement is optimal, also assuming  $F \in H^\infty(D)$ .

Our method also yields

**Theorem 2.** *The statement of Theorem 1 holds assuming  $F$  a bounded real harmonic function on  $D$ .*

Theorem 2 has a martingale counterpart for real bounded dyadic martingales, obtained by taking conditional expectations *w.r.t.* the natural filtration on the Cantor group  $G = \{1, -1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Writing

$$F(\varepsilon) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta_k F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{k-1}) \varepsilon_k \quad \varepsilon = (\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots) \in G$$

it is easy to see that at least for some  $\varepsilon \in G$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta_k F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{k-1})| \leq |F(\varepsilon)|$$

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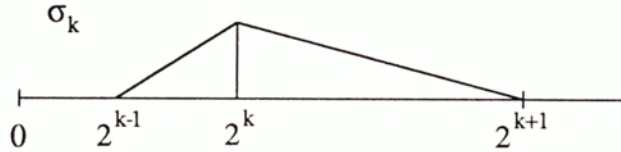
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holds. In fact, N. Makarov showed the author an argument yielding a measure  $\mu = \mu_{F,\varepsilon}$  on  $G$  such that  $\dim \text{supp } \mu > 1 - \varepsilon$  and  $\int \left( \sum_k |\Delta_k F| \right) d\mu < \infty$ , for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

If one tries to exploit the idea of selecting a “good” branch in a tree, which does the trick in the martingale setting, the existence is shown of a path  $\gamma$  is  $D$  connecting 0 with  $\partial D$ , so that  $\int_\gamma |\nabla F| < \infty$ , assuming  $F \in H^\infty(D)$ . The main problem is to replays  $\gamma$  by a straight line segment. Our approach here is Harmonic Analysis, *i.e.* we consider the boundary value  $f(\theta) = F(e^{i\theta})$  of  $F$  which we write as a Fourier series  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \hat{f}(n) e^{in\theta}$ . Roughly speaking, estimating  $V(F, \theta)$  may be achieved from an  $\ell^1$ -estimate on the Littlewood-Paley decomposition, thus

$$\sum_k \left| \sum_n \sigma_k(n) \hat{f}(n) e^{in\theta} \right| \quad (*)$$

where the  $\{\sigma_k\}$  are usual dyadic multipliers.



Bounding expressions of the form  $(*)$  will be our main concern below. A key point is the trivial fact that if  $z_1, z_2$  are complex numbers, one may always find  $\psi$  such that  $|z_1 + e^{i\psi} z_2| = |z_1| + |z_2|$ ; this is also the place where analyticity is exploited.

Finally, let us observe that Theorem 1 (and obviously Theorem 2) are “scalar”. In fact P. Jones [J] constructed a pair  $F_1, F_2 \in H^\infty(D)$  satisfying

$$\int_\gamma (|F_1'(s)| + |F_2'(s)|) ds = \infty$$

whenever  $\gamma$  is a path joining 0 with  $\partial D$ . This construction was useful to settle (negatively) some problems in complex geometry (the existence of a bounded complete  $\mathbb{C}^3$ -manifold).

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## 1. Construction of convolution kernels $K_N$ .

Let  $N = 1, 2, \dots$

Denote  $F_N(t) = \sum_{|n| < N} \frac{N - |n|}{N} e^{2\pi i n t}$  the usual Fejer kernel on  $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ .

Define

$$K_N = F_N * \frac{\chi_1}{10N} * \frac{\chi_1}{10N} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \chi_{[-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}]}.$$

The following properties are easily checked and we omit details

$$(1) \quad K_N \geq 0 \quad , \quad \int K_N = 1$$

$$(2) K_N(t) \sim \frac{1}{N(\|t\|^{2+N-2})}$$

$$(3) |K'_N| \lesssim N K_N \text{ (pointwise)}$$

$$(4) \text{ For } N_1 > N$$

$$\int |(K_N)_\tau - K_N| K_{N_1}(\tau) d\tau \lesssim \frac{N}{N_1} \log \left( 2 + \frac{N_1}{N} \right) K_N \quad (\text{pointwise})$$

$$(5) \text{ For } N_1 > N$$

$$|(K_N * K_{N_1}) - K_N| \lesssim \left( \frac{N}{N_1} \right)^{1/2} K_N \quad (\text{pointwise}).$$

In particular

$$K_N * K_N \lesssim K_N \quad (6)$$

$$(7) \hat{K}_N \geq 0 \text{ and } \hat{K}_N(n) > \frac{1}{20} \text{ for } |n| < \frac{7}{8}N$$

$$(8) \hat{K}_N \text{ is the restriction to } \mathbb{Z} \text{ of a function of } \mathbb{R} \text{ which derivative has variation } \lesssim \frac{1}{N}.$$

## 2. Induction hypothesis.

Define for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$f_{(k)} = f * (K_{2^k} * K_{2^k}) * (K_{2^{k+1}} * K_{2^{k+1}}) * \dots \quad (9)$$

where  $f$  is the (boundary value of) the given  $H^\infty$ -function.

We will construct inductively points  $\theta_k \in \mathbb{T}$  and sequences  $c_j^{(k)}$  ( $j \leq k$ ) of positive numbers (which will stay away from zero), satisfying following inequality

$$\sum_{j=0}^k c_j^{(k)} \left( \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1} \cdot} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) * K_{2^{j-1}} \right| (\theta_k) \leq |f_{(k)}(\theta_k)|. \quad (10)$$

We will show later how to estimate the  $L^1$ -norm of the radial derivative in  $\theta_k$ -direction by the left member of (10).

## 3. Induction step.

One has  $\text{supp } \hat{f} \subset \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $\text{supp } \hat{f}_{(k+1)} \subset \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $\text{supp } \hat{K}_{2^k} \subset \text{supp } \hat{F}_{2^k} \subset ] - 2^k, 2^k[$ . Thus one may write for given  $\theta, \psi$

$$\begin{aligned} \int f_{(k+1)}(\eta) [K_{2^k}(\theta - \eta) (1 + \cos(2\pi 2^k(\theta - \eta) + \psi))] d\eta = \\ (f_{(k+1)} * K_{2^k})(\theta) + \frac{1}{2} e^{i\psi} \left( f_{(k+1)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^k \cdot} K_{2^k} \right) \right)(\theta). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Thus given  $\theta$ , there is  $\psi_\theta$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \int |f_{(k+1)}(\eta)| [K_{2^k}(\theta - \eta) (1 + \cos(2\pi 2^k(\theta - \eta) + \psi_\theta))] d\eta \geq \\ |(f_{(k+1)} * K_{2^k})(\theta)| + \frac{1}{2} \left| \left( f_{(k+1)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^k \cdot} K_{2^k} \right) \right)(\theta) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Multiply both sides of (12) with  $K_{2^k}(\theta_k - \theta)$  and integrate in  $\theta$ . It follows

$$\int |f_{k+1}(\eta)| L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \geq \quad (13)$$

$$|(f_{k+1} * K_{2^k} * K_{2^k})(\theta_k)| + \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( |f_{k+1} * (e^{2\pi i 2^k \cdot} K_{2^k})| * K_{2^k} \right)(\theta_k) \quad (15)$$

denoting

$$L(\theta_k, \eta) = \int K_{2^k}(\theta_k - \theta) K_{2^k}(\theta - \eta) (1 + \cos(2\pi 2^k(\theta - \eta) + \psi_\theta)) d\theta. \quad (16)$$

Clearly

$$L(\theta, \eta) \geq 0, \quad \int_{\mathbf{T}} L(\theta, \eta) d\eta = 1. \quad (17)$$

By induction hypothesis

$$(14) = |f_k(\theta_k)| \geq \sum_{j=0}^k c_j^{(k)} \left( |f_j * (e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1} \cdot} K_{2^{j-1}})| * K_{2^{j-1}} \right)(\theta_k). \quad (18)$$

Denote for simplicity

$$g_j = f_{(j)} * (e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1} \cdot} K_{2^{j-1}}). \quad (19)$$

We claim that

$$\int (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\eta) L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \leq \left(1 + c_0 2^{-\frac{k-j}{2}}\right) (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\theta_k). \quad (20)$$

One has indeed by (17)

$$\begin{aligned} & \int (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\eta) L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta - (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\theta_k) \leq \\ & \int |(|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\eta) - (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\theta_k)| L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \leq \\ & \int \int |g_j|(x) |K_{2^{j-1}}(\eta - x) - K_{2^{j-1}}(\theta_k - x)| L(\theta_k, \eta) dx d\eta. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Now it clearly follows from (16), (6) that

$$L(\theta_k, \eta) \leq 2(K_{2^k} * K_{2^k})(\theta_k - \eta) \leq c_1 K_{2^k}(\theta_k - \eta). \quad (22)$$

Substitute (22) in (21) and apply (4) with  $N = 2^{j-1}$ ,  $N_1 = 2^k$  at the point  $\theta_k - x$

$$\Rightarrow \int |K_{2^{j-1}}(\eta - x) - K_{2^{j-1}}(\theta_k - x)| L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \leq c_2 2^{-\frac{k-j}{2}} K_{2^{j-1}}(\theta_k - x) \quad (23)$$

and

$$(21) \leq c_2 2^{-\frac{k-j}{2}} (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\theta_k)$$

proving inequality (20).

Similarly

$$\int (|g_{k+1}| * K_{2^k})(\eta) L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \leq c_3 (|g_{k+1}| * K_{2^k})(\theta_k). \quad (24)$$

Now collect inequalities (13)-(14)-(15); (18); (20); (24) to get

$$\int |f_{k+1}(\eta)| L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta \geq \int \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^k \left(1 + c_0 2^{-\frac{k-j}{2}}\right)^{-1} c_j^{(k)} (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\eta) + \frac{1}{2c_3} (|g_{k+1}| * K_{2^k})(\eta) \right\} L(\theta_k, \eta) d\eta. \quad (25)$$

Thus putting

$$\left. \begin{aligned} c_j^{(k+1)} &= c_j^{(k)} \left(1 + c_0 2^{-\frac{k-j}{2}}\right)^{-1} & j \geq k \\ c_{k+1}^{(k+1)} &= \frac{1}{2c_3} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (26)$$

(25) implies in particular the existence of a point  $\theta_{k+1} \in \mathbb{T}$  such that

$$|f_{k+1}(\theta_{k+1})| \geq \sum_{j \leq k+1} c_j^{(k+1)} (|g_j| * K_{2^{j-1}})(\theta_{k+1}). \quad (27)$$

It is obvious from the way the  $c_j^{(k)}$  are obtained from (26) that

$$c_j^{(k)} > c_4 > 0 \quad \text{for all } j \leq k.$$

#### 4. Estimating the radial derivative in some direction.

Assume  $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$ . It then follows from the preceding that each of the closed subsets of  $\mathbb{T}$

$$\left\{ \theta \in \mathbb{T} ; \sum_{j=0}^k c_4 \left( \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}} \right) (\theta) \leq 1 \right\} \quad (28)$$

is nonempty. Let  $\theta$  be a common point. Hence

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}} \right) (\theta) < \infty. \quad (29)$$

We claim that

$$\int_0^1 |F'(re^{i\theta})| dr < \infty \quad (30)$$

where

$$F(re^{i\theta}) = (f * P_r)(\theta) \quad P_r = \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r \cos \theta + r^2} \text{ in the Poisson kernel.}$$

From (9), one has

$$f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) = f * X_j$$

where



$$X_j = (K_{2^j} * K_{2^j}) * (K_{2^{j+1}} * K_{2^{j+1}}) * \cdots * (e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}}) \quad (31)$$

hence

$$\widehat{X}_j(n) = \prod_{j' \geq j} \widehat{K}_{2^{j'}}(n)^2 \cdot \widehat{K}_{2^{j-1}}(n - 2^{j-1}). \quad (32)$$

Thus (cf. (7))

$$\widehat{X}_j(n) > c_5 > 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \left[ \frac{1}{4} 2^{j-1}, \frac{3}{2} 2^{j-1} \right]. \quad (33)$$

Considering  $\widehat{X}_j$  as a function on  $\mathbf{R}$ , one gets from (8), (32) and product differentiation rule the estimates(\*)

$$|\partial_n \widehat{X}_j| \lesssim \sum_{j' \geq j-1} \frac{1}{2^{j'}} \sim 2^{-j} \quad (34)$$

$$\text{Var } \partial_n \widehat{X}_j \lesssim \sum_{j' \geq j-1} \text{Var } \partial_n \widehat{K}_{2^{j'}} + 2^j \sum_{j_1, j_2 \geq j} \frac{1}{2^{j_1} 2^{j_2}} \sim 2^{-j}. \quad (35)$$

It follows in particular from (33), (34), (35) that there is a multiplier  $Y_j$  satisfying

$$\widehat{Y}_j = (\widehat{X}_j)^{-1} \quad \text{on} \quad \left[ \frac{1}{4} 2^{j-1}, \frac{3}{2} 2^{j-1} \right] \quad (36)$$

$$|Y_j(t)| \leq \frac{c_6}{2^j (\|t\|^2 + 4^{-j})}. \quad (37)$$

Inequality (30) is equivalent to

$$\int_0^1 \left| \sum_{n \geq 0} n \widehat{f}(n) r^{n-1} e^{2\pi i n \theta} \right| dr < \infty. \quad (38)$$

Consider multipliers  $\{\sigma_{(j)}\}$  satisfying

$$\text{supp } \sigma_{(j)} \subset \left[ \frac{1}{4} 2^{j-1}, \frac{3}{2} 2^{j-1} \right] \quad (39)$$

$$0 \leq \sigma_{(j)}(n) \leq 1, \quad \sum_j \sigma_{(j)}(n) = 1 \quad \forall n \quad (40)$$

$$|\partial_n^{(s)} \sigma_{(j)}| \leq c_7 2^{-js} \quad (s = 1, 2) \quad (41)$$

(obvious derivative estimates).

Estimate the left member of (38) as

$$\sum_j 2^j r^{\frac{1}{10} 2^j} \left| f * \left[ \sum_n \sigma_{(j)}(n) \cdot \frac{n}{2^j} r^{n - \frac{1}{10} 2^j} e^{2\pi i n \theta} \right] \right|. \quad (42)$$

Denoting  $Z = Z_{j,r}$  the expression in (42) between [ ], one has by (39), (41)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} |\partial_n \widehat{Z}| &\leq 2c_7 2^{-j} + 2^{-j} + 2r^{n - \frac{1}{10} 2^j} \log \frac{1}{r} \lesssim 2^{-j} \\ |\partial_n^2 \widehat{Z}| &\lesssim 4^{-j} + r^{n - \frac{1}{10} 2^j} (\log \frac{1}{r})^2 \lesssim 4^{-j} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (43)$$

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(\*)  $\partial_n$  refers to the derivative with  $n$  considered as  $\mathbf{R}$  (rather than  $\mathbf{Z}$ ) variable.

implying again a shape

$$|Z_{j,r}(t)| \leq \frac{c_8}{2^j (\|t\|^2 + 4^{-j})} \quad (\text{independent of } r). \quad (44)$$

Write in account of (39), (36)

$$\begin{aligned} f * Z_{j,r} &= (f * X_j) * Y_j * Z_{j,r} \\ |f * Z_{j,r}| &\leq \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * |Y_j| * |Z_{j,r}| \quad (\text{pointwise}). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

It follows from (37), (44), (2) the pointwise inequality

$$|Y_j| * |Z_{j,r}| \lesssim K_{2^{j-1}}. \quad (46)$$

Hence

$$(42) \lesssim \sum_j 2^j r^{\frac{1}{10} 2^j} \left[ \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}} \right] (\theta) \quad (47)$$

and since

$$\sup_j \int_0^1 \left( 2^j r^{\frac{1}{10} 2^j} \right) dr < \infty$$

(38) is implied by (29).

At this point, we proved the existence of at least one direction where (30) holds.

## 5. Dimension estimates.

The points  $\theta \in \mathbb{T}$  satisfying (30) form a set of dimension 1.

We first explicit more the distribution of “good points” according to previous method.

Observe that for a fixed  $\bar{k}$  the point  $\theta_{\bar{k}}$  is choosen according to the density

$$\Omega_{\bar{k}}(\eta) = \int L_1(\theta_1, \theta_2) L_2(\theta_2, \theta_3) \cdots L_{\bar{k}-1}(\theta_{\bar{k}-1}, \eta) d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \cdots d\theta_{\bar{k}-1} \quad (48)$$

where (cf. (16))

$$L_k(\theta', \theta'') = \int K_{2^k}(\theta' - \theta) K_{2^k}(\theta - \theta'') (1 + \cos(2\pi 2^k(\theta - \theta'')) + \psi_\theta) d\theta. \quad (49)$$

This easily follows from the description of the inductive step above.

Now

$$L_k(\theta', \theta'') \leq 2(K_{2^k} * K_{2^k})(\theta' - \theta'') \quad (50)$$

and substituting in (48)

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{\bar{k}}(\eta) &\leq 2^{\bar{k}-1} \int (K_{2^1} * K_{2^1})(\theta_1 - \theta_2) (K_{2^2} * K_{2^2})(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \cdots (K_{2^{\bar{k}-1}} * K_{2^{\bar{k}-1}})(\theta_{\bar{k}-1} - \eta) d\theta_1 \cdots d\theta_{\bar{k}-1} \\ \Rightarrow \Omega_{\bar{k}} &= |\Omega_{\bar{k}}| \lesssim 2^{\bar{k}}. \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

The average with respect to  $\Omega_{\bar{k}}$  of



$$\sum_{j \leq \bar{k}} \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^{j-1}} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}} \quad (52)$$

remains uniformly bounded.

Choose a fixed parameter  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$  ( $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ) and modify the definition of  $L_k$  as

$$L_k(\theta', \theta'') = \int K_{2^k}(\theta' - \theta) K_{2^k}(\theta - \theta'') \left( 1 + \varepsilon \cos \left( 2\pi \left( 2^k + \left\lceil \frac{2^k}{10} \right\rceil \right) (\theta - \theta'') + \psi_\theta \right) \right) d\theta \quad (53)$$

instead of (49), so that in particular

$$L_k(\theta', \theta'') \leq (1 + \varepsilon)(K_{2^k} * K_{2^k})(\theta' - \theta''). \quad (54)$$

Replace (52) by

$$\sum_{j \leq \bar{k}} \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i \left( 2^{j-1} + \left\lceil \frac{2^{j-1}}{10} \right\rceil \right)} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}}. \quad (55)$$

The effect of  $\varepsilon$  is just a different  $c_4 = c_4(\varepsilon)$  constant (above) and hence a different bound (only depending on  $\varepsilon$ ) for

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} (55) \cdot \Omega_{\bar{k}}. \quad (56)$$

The  $\left\lceil \frac{2^{j-1}}{10} \right\rceil$ -translation is introduced for a technical reason and has no effect in bounding (30) by

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left| f_{(j)} * \left( e^{2\pi i \left( 2^{j-1} + \left\lceil \frac{2^{j-1}}{10} \right\rceil \right)} K_{2^{j-1}} \right) \right| * K_{2^{j-1}} \quad (57)$$

(in particular (33) is preserved).

Denote  $\mu$  the probability measure obtained as  $w^*$ -limit of  $\{\Omega_{\bar{k}}\}$  in  $M(\mathbb{T})(*)$ . From (56)

$$\int (57) d\mu < \infty \quad (58)$$

(54) permits to replace (51) by

$$\Omega_{\bar{k}} \leq (1 + \varepsilon)^{\bar{k}-1}. \quad (59)$$

Fix  $k$  and let  $\gamma$  be a trigonometric polynomial,  $\text{supp } \hat{\gamma} \subset \left[ -\frac{2^k}{20}, \frac{2^k}{20} \right]$ . One then has

$$\left| \int \gamma d\mu \right| \lesssim (1 + \varepsilon)^k \|\gamma\|_{L^1(\mathbb{T})}. \quad (60)$$

To check this fact, one uses formula (48) and (53), with translated frequency  $2^k + \left\lceil \frac{2^k}{10} \right\rceil$ . One finds

$$\left| \int \gamma d\mu \right| \lesssim \int \Omega_k(\eta) [|\gamma| * (K_{2^k} * K_{2^k}) * (K_{2^{k+1}} * K_{2^{k+1}}) * \cdots](\eta) d\eta \quad (61)$$

and hence (60) by (59).

From (60), one deduce that  $\dim \text{supp } \mu \geq 1 - \frac{\log(1+\varepsilon)}{\log 2}$ . Since (58) holds, this clearly completes the proof of Theorem 1.

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(\*) The space of Radon measures on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

## 6. Proof of Theorem 2.

Let  $F$  be a bounded real harmonic function on  $D$  and  $f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n t}$  its boundary value. Thus  $\widehat{f}(-n) = \overline{\widehat{f}(n)}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The only significant change is the replacement of (11) by

$$\int f_{(k+1)}(\eta) [K_{2^k}(\theta - \eta)(1 + \cos(2\pi 2^k(\theta - \eta) + \psi))] d\eta = (f_{(k+1)} * K_{2^k})(\theta) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\psi} \left( f_{(k+1)} * \left( e^{2\pi i 2^k \cdot} K_{2^k} \right) \right) (\theta) \right\} \quad (62)$$

which still allows one to write (12) for a suitable  $\psi = \psi_\theta$ .

In fact, J. Garnette pointed out to the author that Theorem 2 is a formal consequence of Theorem 1, considering the  $H^\infty$  function  $F = e^{f+i\tilde{f}}$ , where  $\tilde{f}$  is the conjugate of  $f$ .

Observe that the conclusion of Theorem 1 also holds if the function is obtained as the Riesz projection of a bounded real harmonic function.

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