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ABSTRACT. We consider convergence of thresholding type approximations with regard to general complete minimal systems  $\{e_n\}$  in a quasi-Banach space X. Thresholding approximations are defined as follows. Let  $\{e_n^*\} \subset X^*$  be the conjugate (d ual) system to the  $\{e_n\}$ ; then define for  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x \in X$  the Thresholding Approximations as  $T_{\epsilon}(x) := \sum_{j \in D_{\epsilon}(x)} e_j^*(x) e_j$  where  $D_{\epsilon}(x) := \{j : |e_j^*(x)| \geq \epsilon\}$ . We study in this paper a generalized version of  $T_{\epsilon}$  th at we call the Weak Thresholding Approximation. We modify the  $T_{\epsilon}(x)$  in the following way. For  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $t \in (0,1)$  we denote  $D_{t,\epsilon}(x) := \{j : t\epsilon \leq |e_j^*(x)| < \epsilon\}$  and consider the Weak Thresholding Approximations  $T_{\epsilon,D}(x) := T_{\epsilon}(x) + \sum_{j \in D} e_j^*(x) e_j$ ,  $D \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}(x)$ . We say that Weak Thresholding Approximations converge to x if  $T_{\epsilon,D(\epsilon)}(x) \to x$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$  for any choice of  $D(\epsilon) \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}(x)$ . We prove that the convergence set  $WT\{e_n\}$  does not depend on parameter  $t \in (0,1)$  and that  $WT\{e_n\}$  is a linear set. We present some applications of general results on convergence of thresholding approximations to A-convergence of both number series and the trigonometric series.

### 1. Introduction

Let X be a quasi-Banach space (real or complex) with the quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  we have  $\|x + y\| \le \alpha(\|x\| + \|y\|)$  and  $\|tx\| = |t| \|x\|$ . It is well-known (see [KBR, Lemma 1.1]) that there is a p, 0 , such that

(1.1) 
$$\left\| \sum_{n} x_{n} \right\| \leq 4^{1/p} \left( \sum_{n} \|x_{n}\|^{p} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Let  $\{e_n\} \subset X$  be a complete minimal system in X with the conjugate (dual) system  $\{e_n^*\} \subset X^*$ . We assume that  $\sup_n \|e_n^*\| < \infty$ . This implies that for each  $x \in X$  we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} e_n^*(x) = 0.$$

Any element  $x \in X$  has a formal expansion

$$(1.3) x \sim \sum_{n} e_n^*(x)e_n,$$

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and various types of convergence of the series (1.3) can be studied. In this paper we deal with greedy type approximations with regard to the system  $\{e_n\}$ .

For any  $x \in X$  we define the greedy ordering for x as the map  $\rho : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\{j : e_j^*(x) \neq 0\} \subset \rho(\mathbb{N})$  and so that if j < k then either  $|e_{\rho(j)}^*(x)| > |e_{\rho(k)}^*(x)|$  or  $|e_{\rho(j)}^*(x)| = |e_{\rho(k)}^*(x)|$  and  $\rho(j) < \rho(k)$ . The m-th greedy approximation is given by

$$G_m(x) := G_m(x, \{e_n\}) := \sum_{j=1}^m e_{\rho(j)}^*(x)e_{\rho(j)}.$$

The system  $\{e_n\}$  is called a quasi-greedy system (see [KT]) if there exists a constant C such that  $||G_m(x)|| \leq C||x||$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Wojtaszchyk [W] proved that these are precisely the systems for which  $\lim_{m\to\infty} G_m(x) = x$  for all x. If a quasi-greedy system  $\{e_n\}$  is a basis then we say that  $\{e_n\}$  is a quasi-greedy basis. It is clear that any unconditional basis is a quasi-greedy basis. We note that there are conditional quasi-greedy bases  $\{e_n\}$  in some Banach spaces [KT, W]. Hence, for such a basis  $\{e_n\}$  there exists a permutation of  $\{e_n\}$  which forms a quasi-greedy system but not a basis. This remark justifies the study of the class of quasi-greedy systems rather than the class of quasi-greedy bases.

Greedy approximations are close to thresholding approximations (sometimes they are called "thresholding greedy approximations"). Thresholding approximations are defined as

$$T_{\epsilon}(x) = \sum_{|e_j^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon} e_j^*(x)e_j, \quad \epsilon > 0.$$

Clearly, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists an m such that  $T_{\epsilon}(x) = G_m(x)$ . Therefore, if  $\{e_n\}$  is a quasi-greedy system then

(1.4) 
$$\forall x \in X \quad \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} T_{\epsilon}(x) = x.$$

Conversely, following Remark from [W, pages 296–297], it is easy to show that the condition (1.4) implies that  $\{e_n\}$  is a quasi-greedy system.

The following weak type greedy algorithm was considered in [T1]. Let  $t \in (0,1]$  be a fixed parameter. For a given system  $\{e_n\}$  and a given  $x \in X$  denote  $\Lambda_m(t)$  any set of m indices such that

$$\min_{j \in \Lambda_m(t)} \|e_j^*(x)e_j\| \ge t \max_{j \notin \Lambda_m(t)} \|e_j^*(x)e_j\|$$

and define

$$G_m^t(x) := G_m^{X,t}(x, \{e_n\}) := \sum_{j \in \Lambda_m(t)} e_j^*(x)e_j.$$

We note that the greedy approximant  $G_m^t(x)$  does not depend on normalization of a system  $\{e_n\}$  and the previously defined greedy approximant  $G_m(x)$  does depend on normalization. Usually we will denote by  $\{e_n\}$  a general system and by  $\{\psi_n\}$  a normalized one or a system which can be assumed normalized without loss of generality.

It was proved in [T1] that in the case of  $X = L_p$ ,  $1 , and <math>\{e_n\}$  is the Haar system  $\mathcal{H}$  we have for any  $f \in L_p$ 

(1.5) 
$$||f - G_m^{L_p, t}(f, \mathcal{H})||_p \le C(p, t)\sigma_m(f, \mathcal{H})_p.$$

This result motivated us to introduce a concept of greedy basis (see [KT]).

**Definition 1.1.** We call a normalized basis  $\Psi$  greedy basis if for every  $x \in X$  there exists a realization  $\{G_m^{X,1}(x,\Psi)\}$  such that

$$||x - G_m^{X,1}(x, \Psi)||_X \le G\sigma_m(x, \Psi)_X$$

holds with a constant independent of x and m.

We note here that the proof of (1.5) from [T1] works for any greedy basis instead of the Haar system  $\mathcal{H}$ . Thus for any greedy basis  $\Psi$  of a Banach space X and any  $t \in (0,1]$  we have for each  $x \in X$ 

(1.6) 
$$||x - G_m^{X,t}(x, \Psi)||_X \le C(t)\sigma_m(x, \Psi)_X.$$

This means that for greedy bases we have more flexibility in constructing near best m-term approximants. Similarly to the above, one can define the Weak Thresholding Approximation. Fix  $t \in (0,1)$ . For  $\varepsilon > 0$  denote

$$D_{t,\varepsilon}(x) := \{ j : t\varepsilon \le |e_i^*(x)| < \varepsilon \}.$$

The Weak Thresholding Approximations are defined as all possible sums

$$T_{\epsilon,D}(x) = \sum_{|e_j^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon} e_j^*(x)e_j + \sum_{j \in D} e_j^*(x)e_j,$$

where  $D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)$ . We say that the Weak Thresholding Algorithm converges for  $x \in X$  and write  $x \in WT\{e_n\}(t)$  if for any  $D(\epsilon) \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}$ 

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} T_{\epsilon, D(\epsilon)}(x) = x.$$

It is clear that the above relation is equivalent to

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} \|x - T_{\epsilon,D}(x)\| = 0.$$

We shall prove in Section 2 (see Theorem 2.1) that the set  $WT\{e_n\}(t)$  does not depend on t. Therefore, we can drop t from the notation:  $WT\{e_n\} = WT\{e_n\}(t)$ .

It turns out that the Weak Thresholding Algorithm has more regularity than the Thresholding Algorithm: we will see that the set  $WT\{e_n\}$  is linear. On the other hand, by "weakening" the Thresholding Algorithm (making convergence stronger) we do not narrow the convergence set too much. It is known that for many natural classes of subsets Y of a Banach space X the convergence of  $T_{\epsilon}(x)$  to x for all  $x \in Y$  is equivalent to the condition  $Y \subseteq WT\{e_n\}$ . In particular, it can be derived from [W, Proposition 3] that the two above conditions are equivalent for Y = X.

# §2. General properties of the Weak Thresholding Algorithm

We suppose that X and  $\{e_n\}$  satisfy the conditions stated in the beginning of the paper.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $t, t' \in (0, 1)$ ,  $x \in X$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1)  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} ||T_{\epsilon,D}(x) x|| = 0;$
- 2)  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} T_{\epsilon}(x) = x$  and

(2.1) 
$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} \| \sum_{j \in D} e_j^*(x) e_j \| = 0;$$

3)  $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} T_{\epsilon}(x) = x$  and

(2.2) 
$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{|a_j| \le 1 (j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}(x))} \| \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} a_j e_j^*(x) e_j \| = 0;$$

4)  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} T_{\epsilon}(x) = x$  and

(2.3) 
$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{|b_j| < \varepsilon(j: |e_j^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon)} \| \sum_{j: |e_j^*(x)| > \varepsilon} b_j e_j \| = 0;$$

5)  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t',\varepsilon}(x)} ||T_{\epsilon,D}(x) - x|| = 0.$ 

Proof. The equivalence of 1) and 2) easily follows from the definitions of  $T_{\epsilon}(x)$  and  $T_{\epsilon,D}(x)$ . The condition 2) follows from 3) since for any  $D \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}(x)$  we can take  $a_j = 1$  for  $j \in D$  and  $a_j = 0$  for  $j \notin D$ . To prove the implication 2)  $\Rightarrow$  3) we use the following lemma essentially proven in [W, Proposition 3]. We note that in the case of Banach space X instead of quasi-Banach space X this lemma is trivial.

**Lemma 2.1.** There exists a constant  $C = C(\alpha)$  such that for any elements  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  of the space X we have

$$\max_{|a_j| \le 1} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x_j \right\| \le C \max_{a_j \in \{0,1\}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x_j \right\|.$$

Proof of Lemma 2.1. Denote

$$M = \max_{a_j \in \{0,1\}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x_j \right\|.$$

Let us estimate the sum  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j x_j$  for  $a_j \in [0,1]$  first. We write a digital expansion of each  $a_j$ , namely,  $a_j = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} a_{j,s} 2^{-s}$ , where  $a_{j,s} \in \{0,1\}$ . Then, using (1.1), we obtain

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j x_j \right\|^p = \left\| \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} 2^{-s} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j,s} x_j \right\|^p$$

$$\leq 4 \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} 2^{-sp} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j,s} x_j \right\|^p \leq 4 \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} 2^{-sp} M^p = (C_1 M)^p.$$

Hence,

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j x_j \right\| \le C_1 \max_{b_j \in \{0,1\}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j x_j \right\|.$$

The case of arbitrary coefficients  $|a_j| \leq 1$  can be easily reduced to the case  $a_j \in [0,1]$  by using a representation  $a_j = a_j^{(1)} - a_j^{(2)}$  with  $a_j^{(1)} \in [0,1]$ ,  $a_j^{(2)} \in [0,1]$  for a real space X and a similar representation  $a_j = a_j^{(1)} - a_j^{(2)} + ia_j^{(3)} - ia_j^{(4)}$  for a complex space X, and Lemma 2.1 follows.

Applying Lemma 2.1 for the set

$$\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} = \{e_j^*(x)e_j : j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)\},\$$

we get

$$\sup_{|a_j| \le 1(j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}(x))} \left\| \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} a_j e_j^*(x) e_j \right\| \le C \left\| \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} \sum_{j \in D} e_j^*(x) e_j \right\|,$$

and therefore 2) implies 3). Thus, we have proved that 2) and 3) are equivalent.

We will prove that the condition 3) follows from 4) by proving that 4) implies 2). Indeed, for any  $D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)$  we set  $b_j = te_j^*(x)$  for  $j \in D$ , and  $b_j = 0$  for  $j \notin D$ . Then we have  $|b_j| < t\varepsilon$ , and, by 4),

$$\sup_{D\subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} \|\sum_{j\in D} b_j e_j\| \to 0$$

as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ , and 2) holds.

Let us show that 3) implies 4). Let  $x \in X$ . Define for u > 0

(2.4) 
$$\Phi(u) := \sup_{|a_j| \le 1 (j \in D_{t,u}(x))} \left\| \sum_{j \in D_{t,u}(x)} a_j e_j^*(x) e_j \right\|.$$

Then by 3) we have  $\lim_{u\to 0} \Phi(u) = 0$ . Let us take  $b_j(j: |e_j^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon)$ ,  $|b_j| < \varepsilon$ , and estimate the sum

$$S = \sum_{j:|e_i^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon} b_j e_j.$$

We have

$$(2.5) S = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} S_s,$$

where

$$S_s = \sum_{j: t^{-(s-1)}\epsilon \le |e_j^*(x)| < t^{-s}\varepsilon} b_j e_j.$$

By (2.4) with  $u = t^{-s}\epsilon$  we get

$$\|S_s\| = \left\| \sum_{j: t^{-(s-1)}\epsilon \le |e_j^*(x)| < t^{-s}\varepsilon} b_j e_j \right\| \le t^{s-1} \Phi(t^{-s}\varepsilon).$$

By (1.1) and (2.5),

(2.6) 
$$||S||^p \le 4 \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} t^{p(s-1)} \Phi(t^{-s} \varepsilon)^p.$$

It follows from the properties of the function  $\Phi$  that the right-hand side of (2.6) tends to 0 as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . Hence, 4) holds.

Finally, note that the condition 4) does not depend on the choice of  $t \in (0,1)$ . This shows that 1) is equivalent to 5) and completes the proof of the theorem.

So, the set  $WT\{e_n\}$  defined in Section 1 is indeed independent of  $t \in (0,1)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** The set  $WT\{e_n\}$  is linear.

*Proof.* It is enough to prove that  $x + y \in WT\{e_n\}$  provided that  $x \in WT\{e_n\}$  and  $y \in WT\{e_n\}$ . By Theorem 2.1 it is sufficient to consider a particular parameter  $t \in (0,1)$ . Let us specify t = 1/2 and prove that

(2.7) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subset D_{1/2,\epsilon}(x+y)} \|T_{\epsilon,D}(x+y) - (x+y)\| = 0.$$

Take  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $D \subseteq D_{1/2,\varepsilon}(x+y)$  and estimate  $||T_{\epsilon,D}(x+y) - (x+y)||$ . Let

$$D_1 = D \cup \{j : |e_j^*(x+y)| \ge \varepsilon\}, \quad D_2 = \mathbb{N} \setminus D_1.$$

Notice that  $j \in D_1$  implies  $|e_j^*(x+y)| \ge \varepsilon/2$  and therefore  $|e_j^*(x)| \ge \varepsilon/4$  or  $|e_j^*(y)| \ge \varepsilon/4$ . We have

(2.8) 
$$T_{\epsilon,D}(x+y) = \sum_{j \in D_1} e_j^*(x+y)e_j.$$

Consider the following sets

$$A(x,\epsilon) := \{j : |e_j^*(x)| \ge \epsilon/4, |e_j^*(y)| < \epsilon/4\},$$

$$A(y,\epsilon) := \{j : |e_j^*(y)| \ge \epsilon/4, |e_j^*(x)| < \epsilon/4\},$$

$$B(\epsilon) := \{j : |e_j^*(x)| \ge \epsilon/4, |e_j^*(y)| \ge \epsilon/4\}.$$

It is clear that  $D_1 \subseteq A(x,\epsilon) \cup A(y,\epsilon) \cup B(\epsilon)$ . It is also clear that

(2.9) 
$$A(x,\epsilon) \cup A(y,\epsilon) \cup B(\epsilon) = D_1 \cup E \cup F$$

where

$$E := \{ j : |e_j^*(x)| \ge \epsilon/4, j \in D_2 \},$$

$$F := \{ j : |e_j^*(y)| \ge \epsilon/4, |e_j^*(x)| < \epsilon/4, j \in D_2 \}.$$

Define the following sums:

$$S_{1} = \sum_{\{j:|e_{j}^{*}(x)| \geq \varepsilon/4\}} e_{j}^{*}(x)e_{j},$$

$$S_{2} = \sum_{\{j:|e_{j}^{*}(y)| \geq \varepsilon/4\}} e_{j}^{*}(y)e_{j},$$

$$S_{3} = \sum_{j\in A(x,\epsilon)} e_{j}^{*}(y)e_{j},$$

$$S_{4} = \sum_{j\in A(y,\epsilon)} e_{j}^{*}(x)e_{j},$$

$$S_{5} = \sum_{j\in E} e_{j}^{*}(x+y)e_{j},$$

$$S_{6} = \sum_{j\in F} e_{j}^{*}(x+y)e_{j}.$$

Then we have

$$S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_4 = \sum_{j \in A(x,\epsilon) \cup A(y,\epsilon) \cup B(\epsilon)} e_j^*(x+y)e_j.$$

Taking into account this fact, (2.8), and (2.9), we see that

$$T_{\epsilon,D}(x+y) - (x+y) = (S_1 - x) + (S_2 - y) + S_3 + S_4 - S_5 - S_6.$$

The terms  $S_1 - x$  and  $S_2 - y$  tend to 0 as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  since  $x \in WT\{e_n\}$  and  $y \in WT\{e_n\}$ . The sums  $S_j$ , j = 3, 4, 5, 6, tend to 0 by the condition 4) of Theorem 2.1. This proves Theorem 2.2.

**Remark 2.1.** Using the same technique as in the proofs of Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 one can show that the linear set  $WT\{e_n\}$  equipped with the quasi-norm

$$|||x||| = \sup_{\varepsilon} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} ||T_{\epsilon,D}(x)||$$

is a quasi-Banach space embedded in X. The system  $\{e_n\}$  is a quasi-greedy system in the space  $(WT\{e_n\}, ||| \cdot |||)$ .

We note that the space  $(WT\{e_n\}, |||\cdot|||)$  needs not to be a Banach space even if X is. Moreover, we will show in Section 3 (see Theorem 3.2) that the quasi-norm  $|||\cdot|||$  is not necessarily equivalent to any norm. Thus it would be unnatural to restrict ourselves to Banach spaces in studying quasi-greedy systems.

Let us now discuss the convergence of  $G_m^{X,t}(x,\Psi)$  for quasi-greedy bases.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\Psi$  be a normalized quasi-greedy basis for a Banach space X. Then for any fixed  $t \in (0,1]$  we have for each  $x \in X$  that

$$G_m^{X,t}(x,\Psi) \to x \quad as \quad m \to \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let

$$G_m^{X,t}(x,\Psi) = \sum_{j \in \Lambda_m(t)} c_j(x) \psi_j = S_{\Lambda_m(t)}(x,\Psi).$$

We denote

$$\alpha := \max_{j \notin \Lambda_m(t)} |c_j(x)|$$

and

$$\Lambda_m^1 := \{j : |c_j(x)| > \alpha\} \subseteq \Lambda_m(t),$$
  
$$\Lambda_m^2 := \{j : |c_j(x)| > t\alpha\} \supset \Lambda_m(t).$$

Thus we have

$$S_{\Lambda_m(t)}(x,\Psi) = S_{\Lambda_m^1}(x,\Psi) + S_{\Lambda_m(t)\setminus\Lambda_m^1}(x,\Psi).$$

The assumption that  $\Psi$  is quasi-greedy implies that

(2.10) 
$$S_{\Lambda^{1}_{-}}(x, \Psi) \to x \text{ as } m \to \infty.$$

We will prove that

$$||S_{\Lambda_m(t)\setminus\Lambda_m^1}(x,\Psi)|| \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad m \to \infty.$$

We note that

(2.11) 
$$S_{\Lambda_m(t)\backslash\Lambda_m^1}(x,\Psi) = S_{\Lambda_m(t)\backslash\Lambda_m^1}(\sum_{i:t\alpha \leq |c_i(x)| \leq \alpha} c_j(x)\psi_j,\Psi).$$

We need a lemma on properties of quasi-greedy systems.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\Psi$  be a normalized quasi-greedy basis. Then for any two finite sets of indices  $A \subseteq B$  and coefficients  $0 < t \le |a_j| \le 1$ ,  $j \in B$ , we have

$$\|\sum_{j\in A} a_j \psi_j\| \le C(X, \Psi, t) \|\sum_{j\in B} a_j \psi_j\|.$$

*Proof.* The proof is based on the following known lemma (see [DKKT]) that is essentially due to Wojtaszczyk [W].

It will be convenient to define the quasi-greedy constant K to be the least constant such that

$$||G_m(x)|| \le K||x||$$
 and  $||x - G_m(x)|| \le K||x||$ ,  $x \in X$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** Suppose  $\Psi$  is a normalized quasi-greedy basis with a quasi-greedy constant K. Then for any real numbers  $a_i$  and any finite set of indecies P we have

$$(4K^2)^{-1} \min_{j \in P} |a_j| \|\sum_{j \in P} \psi_j\| \le \|\sum_{j \in P} a_j \psi_j\| \le 2K \max_{j \in P} |a_j| \|\sum_{j \in P} \psi_j\|.$$

Using this lemma, we get

$$\| \sum_{j \in A} a_j \psi_j \| \le 2K \| \sum_{j \in A} \psi_j \| \le (2K)^2 \| \sum_{j \in B} \psi_j \| \le (2K)^4 t^{-1} \| \sum_{j \in B} a_j \psi_j \|.$$

This proves Lemma 2.2.

We continue the proof of Theorem 2.3. Denote

$$x_{\alpha} := \sum_{j: t\alpha < |c_j(x)| < \alpha} c_j(x) \psi_j.$$

Then by Lemma 2.2 we get from (2.11)

$$||S_{\Lambda_m(t)\setminus\Lambda_m^1}(x,\Psi)|| \le C||x_\alpha||.$$

It remains to remark that  $\alpha \to 0$  as  $m \to \infty$  and  $x_{\alpha} \to 0$  as  $\alpha \to 0$ .

We note that the *m*th greedy approximant  $G_m(x, \{e_n\})$  changes if we renormalize the system  $\{e_n\}$  (replace it by a system  $\{\lambda_n e_n\}$ ). This gives us more flexibility in adjusting a given system  $\{e_n\}$  for greedy approximation. Let us make one simple observation in this direction.

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $\Psi = \{\psi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a normalized basis for a Banach space X. Then the system  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $e_n := 2^n \psi_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  is a quasi-greedy system in X.

*Proof.* For a given  $x \in X$  denote

$$\delta_N(x) := \sup_{n \ge N} |\psi_n^*(x)|.$$

Then

(2.12) 
$$\delta_N(x) \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad N \to \infty.$$

For  $\epsilon > 0$  we denote by  $N(\epsilon) := N(x, \epsilon)$  the smallest integer N satisfying

$$|\psi_n^*(x)| < 2^n \epsilon, \quad n \ge N + 1.$$

By (2.12) we get

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} 2^{N(\epsilon)} \epsilon = 0.$$

Let

$$T_{\epsilon}(x) = \sum_{n \in D_{\epsilon}} e_n^*(x) e_n.$$

Then by the definition of  $e_n$  and the number  $N(\epsilon)$  we obtain that  $D_{\epsilon} \subseteq [1, N(\epsilon)]$ . Therefore, denoting

$$S_N(x, \Psi) := \sum_{n=1}^N \psi_n^*(x) \psi_n$$

we get

$$||S_{N(\epsilon)}(x,\Psi) - T_{\epsilon}(x)|| = ||\sum_{n \leq N(\epsilon): |e_n^*(x)| < \epsilon} e_n^*(x)e_n|| =$$

$$\|\sum_{n \le N(\epsilon): |\psi_n^*(x)| < 2^n \epsilon} \psi_n^*(x) \psi_n\| \le 2^{N(\epsilon)+1} \epsilon \longrightarrow 0$$

as  $\epsilon \to 0$ . This completes the proof of Proposition 2.1.

We apply Proposition 2.1 to the trigonometric system  $\{\psi_n\}_{n\geq 0}$ :  $\psi_0=1, \ \psi_{2n-1}:=e^{int}, \ \psi_{2n}:=e^{-int}, \ n=1,2,\ldots$ . It is known (see [T2]) that the trigonometric system is not a quasi-greedy system for  $L_p(\mathbb{T})$  for  $p\neq 2$ . Proposition 2.1 implies that the system  $\{2^{|n|}e^{int}\}$  is a quasi-greedy system for  $L_p(\mathbb{T}), \ 1< p<\infty$ .

Let us discuss relations between the Weak Thresholding Algorithm  $T_{\epsilon,D}(x)$  and the Weak Greedy Algorithm  $G_m^t(x)$ . We define a modification of  $G_m^t(x)$  that coincides with  $G_m^t(x)$  for a normalized system  $\{e_n\}$  and close to  $G_m(x)$  for a general system when t=1. For a given system  $\{e_n\}$  and  $t \in (0,1]$  we denote for  $x \in X$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  by  $W_m(t)$  any set of m indices such that

(2.13) 
$$\min_{j \in W_m(t)} |e_j^*(x)| \ge t \max_{j \notin W_m(t)} |e_j^*(x)|$$

and define

$$\tilde{G}_m^t(x) := \tilde{G}_m^t(x, \{e_n\}) := S_{W_m(t)}(x) := \sum_{j \in W_m(t)} e_j^*(x) e_j.$$

It is clear that for any  $t \in (0,1]$  and any  $D \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}(x)$  there exist m and  $W_m(t)$  satisfying (2.13) such that

$$T_{\epsilon,D}(x) = S_{W_m(t)}(x).$$

Thus the convergence  $\tilde{G}_m^t(x) \to x$  as  $m \to \infty$  implies the convergence  $T_{\epsilon,D}(x) \to x$  as  $\epsilon \to \infty$  for any  $t \in (0,1]$ . We will now prove that for  $t \in (0,1)$  the inverse is also true.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $t \in (0,1)$  and  $x \in X$ . Then the following two conditions are equivalent:

(2.14) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}(x)} ||T_{\epsilon,D}(x) - x|| = 0;$$

(2.15) 
$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \|\tilde{G}_m^t(x) - x\| = 0$$

for any realization  $\tilde{G}_{m}^{t}(x)$ .

*Proof.* The implication  $(2.15) \Rightarrow (2.14)$  is simple and follows from a remark preceding Proposition 2.2. We prove that  $(2.14) \Rightarrow (2.15)$ . Denote

$$\epsilon_m := \max_{j \notin W_m(t)} |e_j^*(x)|.$$

Clearly  $\epsilon_m \to 0$  as  $m \to \infty$ . We have

(2.16) 
$$\tilde{G}_{m}^{t}(x) = T_{2\epsilon_{m}}(x) + \sum_{j \in D_{m}} e_{j}^{*}(x)e_{j}$$

with  $D_m$  having the following property: for any  $j \in D_m$ 

$$t\epsilon_m \leq |e_i^*(x)| < 2\epsilon_m$$
.

Thus by condition 5) from Theorem 2.1 for t' = t/2 we obtain (2.15). Proposition 2.2 is now proved.

Proposition 2.2 and Theorem 2.1 imply that the convergence set of the Weak Greedy Algorithm  $\tilde{G}_m^t(\cdot)$  does not depend on  $t \in (0,1)$  and coincides with  $WT\{e_n\}$ . By Theorem 2.2 this set is a linear set.

Let us make a comment on the case t=1 that is not covered by Proposition 2.2. It is clear that  $T_{\epsilon}(x) = G_m(x)$  with some m and, therefore,  $G_m(x) \to x$  as  $m \to \infty$  implies  $T_{\epsilon}(x) \to x$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$ . It is also not difficult to understand that in general  $T_{\epsilon}(x) \to x$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$  does not imply  $G_m(x) \to x$  as  $m \to \infty$ . This can be done, for instance, considering the trigonometric system in the space  $L_p$ ,  $p \neq 2$ , and using the Rudin-Shapiro polynomials (see [T2]). However, if for the trigonometric system we put the Fourier coefficients with equal absolute values in a natural order (say, lexicographic), then in the case  $1 by Riesz theorem we obtain convergence of <math>G_m(f)$  from convergence of  $T_{\epsilon}(f)$ . Results from the paper [KS] show that the situation is different for p=1. In this case the natural order does not help to derive convergence of  $G_m(f)$  from convergence of  $T_{\epsilon}(f)$ .

## $\S 3.$ A-convergence of number series

A series  $\sum_n a_n$ ,  $a_n \in \mathbb{C}$ , is said to A-converge to a number  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  if the following conditions hold:

(3.1) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \sum_{n:|a_n| \ge \epsilon} a_n = s;$$

(3.2) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \varepsilon |\{n : |a_n| \ge \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

We shall write it as

$$(A)\sum_{n}a_{n}=s.$$

The notion of A-convergent series has been studied in [U2]; see also [U3]. It is similar to the well-known notion of the A-integral (see, e.g., [U1]). We show that A-convergence can be treated as weak thresholding convergence of number series. Recall that  $c_0$  is the space of sequences convergent to zero. Namely,

$$c_0 = \left\{ x = (x^0, x^1, \dots) : x^n \in \mathbb{C}, \lim_{n \to \infty} x^n = 0 \right\},$$

with the norm of  $x \in c_0$  defined as  $||x|| = \max_n |x_n|$ . It is known that

$$c_0^* = l_1 = \left\{ (x^0, x^1, \dots) : x^n \in \mathbb{C}, \|x\| = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |x^n| < \infty \right\}.$$

Consider the system  $\{e_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subset c_0$  defined as  $e_n^0=e_n^n=1,\ e_n^j=0$  for  $j\neq 0,n$ . It is clear that  $\{e_n\}$  is a minimal system. It is also easy to see that  $\{e_n\}$  is complete in  $c_0$ . For instance, we have for the coordinate vectors  $u_n$   $(u_n^n=1,u_n^j=0,j\neq n),\ n=0,1,\ldots$ :

$$||u_0 - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{n=1}^{m} e_n||_{c_0} \le 1/m;$$

$$u_n = e_n - u_0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

The elements  $e_n^*$  of the conjugate system are  $e_n^* = u_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  Thus, the formal expansion (1.2) takes the form

$$x \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n e_n.$$

Clearly, this expansion converges to x for  $x \in c_0$  satisfying the following condition

$$x^0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n.$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Define the system  $\{e_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subset c_0$  as  $e_n^0=e_n^n=1$ ,  $e_n^j=0$  for  $j\neq 0,n$ . Let  $\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}}a_n$  be a number series,  $\lim_{n\to\infty}a_n=0$ ,  $s\in\mathbb{C}$ ,  $t\in(0,1)$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1) the series  $\sum_n a_n$  A-converges to s;
- 2)  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subset D_{t,\varepsilon}} |T_{\epsilon,D} s| = 0$ , where

$$D_{t,\varepsilon} = \{j : t\varepsilon \leq |a_j| < \varepsilon\}, \quad T_{\epsilon,D} = \sum_{|a_j| \geq \varepsilon} a_j + \sum_{j \in D} a_j;$$

3) the element  $x \in c_0$  defined as  $x = (s, a_1, a_2, ...)$  belongs to  $WT\{e_n\}$ . Proof. We begin with proving that  $1) \Rightarrow 2$ ). Using (3.2) we get for any  $D \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}$ 

(3.3) 
$$\left| \sum_{j \in D} a_j \right| \leq \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j| \leq \sum_{j : |a_j| \geq t\varepsilon} \varepsilon = o(1/\varepsilon)\varepsilon = o(1).$$

Therefore, taking into account (3.1) we get

$$\sup_{D\subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}} |T_{\epsilon,D} - s| = o(1).$$

We now prove the implication  $2) \Rightarrow 1$ ). This implication is a corollary of the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** The property 2) from Theorem 3.1 implies

$$|D_{t,\epsilon}| = o(1/\epsilon), \quad \epsilon \to 0.$$

Proof of Lemma 3.1. Note that we can take  $D' \subseteq D_{t,\epsilon}$  such that

(3.4) 
$$\left| \sum_{j \in D'} a_j \right| \ge \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j|.$$

Indeed, for  $u \in \mathcal{R}$  denote  $u_+ = \max(0, u)$ . For any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $|z| \leq (\Re z)_+ + (-\Re z)_+ + (\Im z)_+ + (\Im z)_+$ . Therefore, at least one of the following inequalities holds:

$$(3.5) \qquad \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} (\Re a_j)_+ \ge \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j|,$$

(3.6) 
$$\sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} (-\Re a_j)_+ \ge \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j|,$$

(3.7) 
$$\sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} (\Im a_j)_+ \ge \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j|,$$

(3.8) 
$$\sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} (-\Im a_j)_+ \ge \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j|,$$

If, say, (3.5) holds, then for  $D' = \{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon} : \Re a_j \geq 0\}$  we have

$$\left| \sum_{j \in D'} a_j \right| \ge \sum_{j \in D'} \Re a_j = \sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} (\Re a_j)_+,$$

and (3.4) holds. Other cases are studied similarly.

Thus, specifying  $D = \emptyset$  and D = D' we get from 2) that

$$\sum_{j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}} |a_j| \to 0 \quad (\varepsilon \to 0).$$

Using that  $|a_j| \geq t\varepsilon$  for  $j \in D_{t,\varepsilon}$  we obtain

$$|D_{t,\varepsilon}| = o(1/\varepsilon) \quad (\varepsilon \to 0).$$

Similarly to the proof of implication  $3) \Rightarrow 4$  in Theorem 2.1 we obtain from here that

$$(3.9) |\{j: |a_j| \ge \epsilon\}| = o(1/\epsilon).$$

So, (3.2) has been proved. The property (3.1) follows directly from 2) (take  $D = \emptyset$ ).

We continue the proof of Theorem 3.1. The equivalence of the conditions 2) and 3) easily follows from the definition of the Weak Thresholding Approximation. Theorem 3.1 is proved.

**Remark 3.1.** In Theorem 3.1 we indexed (enumerated) the elements of the series  $\sum_{n} a_n$  by the set of positive integers. Actually, this is not essential, we can assume that n runs over any countable set.

The following corollary of Theorems 2.2 and 3.1 has been proved in [U2].

**Corollary 3.1.** The set of A-convergent series is linear. Moreover,

$$(A)\sum_{n}(a_{n}+b_{n})=(A)\sum_{n}a_{n}+(A)\sum_{n}b_{n}.$$

**Remark 3.2.** One can see from the proof of Theorem 3.1 that for any  $t \in (0,1)$  the quasinorm  $\||\cdot\||_t$  in the space  $Y = WT\{e_n\} \in c_0$  defined as in Remark 2.1

$$||x||_t = \sup_{\varepsilon} \sup_{D \subset D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} ||T_{\epsilon,D}(x)||$$

is equivalent to the quasi-norm

$$|||x||| = \max(|x^0|, \sup_{\varepsilon} \varepsilon |\{n \ge 1 : |x^n| \ge \varepsilon\}|).$$

Also, a quasi-norm in the space Y can be treated as a quasi-norm in the space of A-convergent series.

**Theorem 3.2.** The quasi-norm  $\||\cdot\||$  in the space  $Y = WT\{e_n\} \in c_0$  is not equivalent to any norm.

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that for any M > 0 there exist a positive integer m and elements  $x_1, \ldots, x_m$  from Y such that

$$||x_j|| \le 1 \quad (j = 1, \dots, m)$$

and

$$\left\| \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} x_j \right\| > M.$$

Take an even  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and set  $x_j^n = 0$  for n > m,  $x_j^n = (-1)^n/k$  for  $1 \le n \le m$  where  $k \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  is defined as  $k \equiv n + j \pmod{m}$ ,  $x_j^0 = \sum_{n=1}^m x_j^n$ . It is easy to see that all the elements  $x_j = (x_j^0, x_j^1, \ldots)$  satisfy (3.10). Further, for the element  $x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m x_j = (x_j^0, x_j^1, \ldots)$  we have

$$|x^n| = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m 1/k \quad (n = 1, \dots, m).$$

Therefore,  $||x||| \ge \sum_{k=1}^{m} 1/k$ , and (3.11) holds for sufficiently large m. The proof of Theorem 3.2 is complete.

### 4. A-convergence of trigonometric series

In this section we use the results of the previous section for studying the A-convergence of trigonometric series. The main results of this section concern the univariate case. However, we begin with the multivariate case. Consider a periodic function  $f \in C(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , defined on the d-dimensional torus  $\mathbb{T}^d$ . Denote the Fourier coefficients of f

$$\hat{f}(k) := (2\pi)^{-d} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} f(x) e^{-i(k,x)} dx.$$

We will discuss the pointwise convergence of the Fourier expansion

(4.1) 
$$f(x) \sim \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \hat{f}(k)e^{i(k,x)}.$$

We can define weak thresholding approximations  $T_{\epsilon,D}(f)$  of the function f with respect to the trigonometric system  $\{e^{i(k,x)}\}$ . Theorem 3.1 and Remark 3.1 give us the following criteria for pointwise A-convergence of (4.1).

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $f \in C(\mathbb{T}^d)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{T}^d$ , and  $t \in (0,1)$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

1) the series  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \hat{f}(k)e^{i(k,x)}$  A-converges to f(x);

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{D \subseteq D_{t,\varepsilon}(x)} |T_{\epsilon,D}(f)(x) - f(x)| = 0.$$

From now on we consider only the univariate case d=1. For a real function  $f \in C(\mathbb{T})$  we can write its Fourier series in the real form:

$$(4.2) f \sim \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} B_n(x),$$

where  $B_0 = \hat{f}(0)$ ,  $B_n(x) = \hat{f}(n)e^{inx} + \hat{f}(-n)e^{-inx}$  for n > 0. The problem of pointwise A-convergence of Fourier series has been studied in [U2]. We will study relations between A-convergence of the complex expansion (4.1) and the real expansion (4.2) of Fourier series. In particular, we will prove that A-convergence of (4.1) implies A-convergence of (4.2). For  $f \in C(\mathbb{T})$  by  $A_c(f)$  ( $A_r(f)$ ) we denote the set of the points  $x \in \mathbb{T}$  at which the series  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n)e^{inx}$  ( $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} B_n(x)$ , respectively) A-converges to f(x).

Let us observe first that if  $A_c(f) \neq \emptyset$  then the following property holds

(4.3) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \epsilon |\{k : |\hat{f}(k)| \ge \epsilon\}| = 0.$$

Indeed, let  $x \in A_c(f)$ . Then by (3.2) we get (4.3).

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $f \in C(\mathbb{T})$ . Then either  $A_c(f) = \emptyset$  or  $A_c(f) = A_r(f)$ . Moreover, if the measure of  $A_r(f)$  is positive then  $A_c(f) = A_r(f)$ .

*Proof.* We prove first that if  $A_c(f) \neq \emptyset$  then  $A_c(f) = A_r(f)$ . Take a point  $x \in A_c(f)$ . The series  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n)e^{inx}$  and  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(-n)e^{-inx}$  A-converge to f(x). By Corollary 3.1, their sum must be A-convergent to 2f(x). This means that

$$(A)\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}_+}2B_n(x)=2f(x),$$

or  $x \in A_r(f)$ .

Conversely take a point  $x \in A_r(f)$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We have

(4.4) 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+: |B_n(x)| > \epsilon} B_n(x) = f(x).$$

Let us write

(4.5) 
$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}: |B_{n}(x)| \geq \varepsilon} B_{n}(x) - f(x) = S_{1} + S_{2},$$

where

$$S_1 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+: |B_n(x)| \geq \varepsilon} B_n(x) - \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}: |\hat{f}(n)| \geq \varepsilon/2} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx},$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}: |\hat{f}(n)| \geq \varepsilon/2} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} - f(x).$$

We need to prove that

$$(4.6) S_2 = o(1).$$

For the  $S_1$  we have the following estimate:

$$(4.7) |S_1| \leq \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+: |B_n(x)| < \varepsilon \\ |\hat{f}(n)| > \varepsilon/2}} |B_n(x)| \leq \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+: |\hat{f}(n)| \geq \varepsilon/2}} \varepsilon = \varepsilon o(1/\varepsilon) = o(1).$$

The relation (4.6) follows from (4.4), (4.5), (4.7). By (4.3) and (4.6)  $x \in A_c(f)$ .

We proceed to the proof of the second part of Theorem 4.2. Taking into account the first part of Theorem 4.2 that has been already proved we conclude that it is sufficient to prove the following statement. If  $A_c(f) = \emptyset$  then  $mes(A_r(f)) = 0$ . We note that in the first part we have proved that if (4.3) is satisfied then  $A_c(f) = A_r(f)$ . Thus, it is sufficient to show that if (4.3) is not satisfied then  $mes(A_r(f)) = 0$ . We will prove that if (4.3) is not satisfied then the following relation

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \epsilon |\{n : |B_n(x)| \ge \epsilon\}| = 0$$

does not hold for almost all points  $x \in \mathbb{T}$ . This follows from the assertion below which is a generalization of the classical Denjoy—Lusin theorem [Z, p. 232].

**Theorem 4.3.** Let X be a quasi-Banach space of sequences  $z := \{z_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  with the following properties:

- 1) if  $z \in X$  and  $|y_n| \le |z_n|$  for all n then  $y := \{y_n\} \in X$  and  $||y|| \le ||z||$ ; 2) if  $z \in X$  and  $z^N \in X$  is defined as:  $z_n^N = z_n$  for  $n \le N$ ,  $z_n^N = 0$  for n > N then

$$||z^M - z^N|| \to 0 \quad (M, N \to \infty).$$

Let  $\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}\hat{f}(n)e^{inx}$  be a trigonometric series,  $|\hat{f}(-n)|=|\hat{f}(n)|$ ,  $x\in\mathbb{T}$ ,  $B_0=\hat{f}(0)$ ,  $B_n(x)=(\hat{f}(n))$  $\hat{f}(n)e^{inx} + \hat{f}(-n)e^{-inx}$  for n > 0, E be a subset of  $\mathbb{T}$  of positive measure. Then if  $\{B_n(x)\}\in$  $X \text{ for all } x \in E, \text{ then } \{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty} := \{\hat{f}(n)\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \in X.$ 

In the case  $X = l_1$  Theorem 4.3 is the Denjoy—Lusin theorem. Applying Theorem 4.3 to the space of sequences  $\{a_n\}$  satisfying (3.2) with the quasi-norm  $\sup_{\varepsilon>0} \varepsilon |\{n: |a_n| \geq \varepsilon\}|$ , we complete the proof of Theorem 4.2.

Proof of Theorem 4.3. By the condition 2), for any  $x \in E$ 

(4.8) 
$$\lim_{M,N\to\infty} \|\{B_n^M(x)\} - \{B_n^N(x)\}\| = 0.$$

Note that the mappings  $x \to \{|B_n^M(x)|\}$  and  $x \to \{|B_n^N(x)|\}$  are continuous. By 1) the mappings  $x \to \|\{|B_n^M(x)|\}\|$  and  $x \to \|\{|B_n^N(x)|\}\|$  are also continuous. Let us define for  $x \in E$ 

$$g_N(x) := \sup_{M>N} \|\{B_n^M(x)\} - \{B_n^N(x)\}\|.$$

These are measurable functions such that for each  $x \in E$  (see (4.8))

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} g_N(x) = 0.$$

By Egorov's theorem we can take a subset  $E_1 \subset E$  of positive measure such that the convergence in (4.8) is uniform. Thus,

(4.9) 
$$\lim_{M,N\to\infty} \sup_{x\in E_1} \|\{B_n^M(x)\} - \{B_n^N(x)\}\| = 0.$$

Consider n with  $|\hat{f}(n)| > 0$ . There exists a point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{T}$  such that  $e^{2\pi i n x_0} = -\hat{f}(-n)/\hat{f}(n)$ , or  $B_n(x_0) = 0$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{T}$  we have  $|B_n(x)| = 2|\sin(n(x-x_0))||\hat{f}(n)|$ . This implies

$$mes\{x \in \mathbb{T} : |B_n(x)|/|\hat{f}(n)| \le 2\sin u\} = 4u \quad (0 \le u \le \pi/2).$$

Therefore,

(4.10) 
$$\int_{E_1} |B_n(x)| \ge C|\hat{f}(n)|,$$

with

$$C = \int_0^{mes E_1} 2\sin(u/4)du.$$

For arbitrary positive integers M and N, M>N we find from (4.10) and the condition 1) of the theorem that

(4.11) 
$$\left\| \int_{E_1} \left( \{ |B_n^M(x)| \} - \{ |B_n^N(x)| \} \right) dx \right\| \ge C \left\| \{ |f_n^M| \} - \{ |f_n^N| \} \right\|.$$

It follows from the inequality (1.1) that

$$\left\| \int_{E_1} \left( \left\{ |B_n^M(x)| \right\} - \left\{ |B_n^N(x)| \right\} \right) dx \right\|^p \le 4 \int_{E_1} \left\| \left\{ |B_n^M(x)| \right\} - \left\{ |B_n^N(x)| \right\} \right\|^p dx.$$

Combining this inequality with (4.11) we obtain

$$\left\|\{|f_n^M|\} - \{|f_n^N|\}\right\|^p \le 4C^{-p} \int_{E_1} \|\{|B_n^M(x)|\} - \{|B_n^N(x)|\}\|^p dx,$$

and, by (4.9),

$$\lim_{M,N\to\infty} \left\| \{ |f_n^M| \} - \{ |f_n^N| \} \right\| = 0.$$

So, the sequence  $\{|\hat{f}(n)^N|\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. It has a limit  $w \in X$ . Consider the linear functional  $e_n^*$  on X:  $e_n^*(y) = y_n$ ,  $y \in X$ . We have

$$w_n = e_n^*(w) = \lim_{N \to \infty} e_n^*(f_n^N) = f_n.$$

Therefore,  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty} = w \in X$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 4.3.

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