

BOUNDS ON MOMENTS OF WEIGHTED SUMS OF FINITE RIESZ PRODUCTS

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ABSTRACT. We establish matching lower and upper bounds for moments of weighted sums of finite Riesz products based on lacunary integer sequences with large enough ratios. Our bounds essentially show that those moments behave as though the products were functions with disjoint supports. Constants depend only on the order of the moments.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ be the one dimensional torus and m be the normalized Haar measure on \mathbb{T} . Let $(n_j)_{j \geq 1}$ be an increasing sequence of positive integers. Riesz products are defined on \mathbb{T} by

$$(1) \quad R_0 \equiv 1 \quad \text{and} \quad R_N(t) := \prod_{j=1}^N (1 + \cos(n_j t)) \quad \text{for } N = 1, 2, \dots$$

To simplify the notation we also put

$$X_0 \equiv 1 \quad \text{and} \quad X_j(t) := 1 + \cos(n_j t), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

It was Frigyes Riesz who first realized the usefulness of these objects treated as probability measures. Suppose $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq 2$ for $j \geq 1$. Then the numbers $\sum_{j=1}^N \varepsilon_j n_j$ are all nonzero for nonzero vectors $(\varepsilon_j)_{j=1}^N \in \{-1, 0, 1\}^N$, due to the fact that for every l , $\sum_{k=1}^l n_k < n_{l+1}$. In particular, the zero mode of R_N has Fourier weight 1 and thus R_N are densities of probability measures μ_N . The weak-* limit of (μ_N) is a singular measure which admits a number of remarkable Fourier-analytic properties. The reader is referred for instance to [10] for more information on properties of Riesz products and general trigonometric polynomials as well as to the short survey [5] of some applications of Riesz products.

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In this article we shall study the sum $\sum_{k=0}^N v_k R_k$ where v_k are vectors in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$. By the triangle inequality, we trivially have

$$(2) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{k=0}^N v_k R_k \right\| dm \leq \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|.$$

Wojciechowski asked for the validity of the reverse bound up to some universal constant (personal communication) and studied this problem in the following probabilistic context. Suppose we replace the functions X_1, X_2, \dots appearing in the definition of the Riesz products with a sequence of independent random variables $\bar{X}_1, \bar{X}_2, \dots$ (defined on some probability space (Ω, \mathbb{P})), each having the same distribution as $1 + \cos(Y)$, where Y is uniform on $[0, 2\pi]$. We then take $\bar{R}_N = \prod_{k=1}^N \bar{X}_k$ and of course $\bar{R}_0 \equiv 1$. Note that the functions X_j defined on the probability space (\mathbb{T}, m) have the same distribution as the random variables \bar{X}_j . Even though the X_j are not independent, we shall see that they behave, in many ways, like independent random variables. Capturing this phenomenon in a quantitative way is one of the main difficulties in our investigation.

In [9], Wojciechowski showed the existence of universal constants c and C as well as real numbers a_1, a_2, \dots such that for every n , $|\sum_{i=0}^k a_i| \leq C$ for all $k \leq n$ and $\mathbb{E}|\sum_{i=0}^n a_i \bar{R}_i| \geq cn$. This result was used in [4] to show the continuity of Fourier multipliers on the homogeneous Sobolev space $\dot{W}_1^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$, generalizing a result of Bonami and Poornima from [1]. Another application of Wojciechowski's result appeared in [3] where the authors gave an alternative proof of the lack of a priori estimates for certain differential operators, first established by Ornstein in [8].

The reverse of (2) for \bar{R}_k was proved by the first named author in [6] for general random variables. Namely, for any sequence $\bar{X}_1, \bar{X}_2, \dots$ of i.i.d. non-negative random variables with mean one and such that $\mathbb{P}(\bar{X}_1 = 1) < 1$, we have

$$(3) \quad \mathbb{E} \left\| \sum_{k=0}^N v_k \bar{R}_k \right\| \geq c_{\bar{X}_1} \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|,$$

for any vectors v_i in an arbitrary normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, with a constant $c_{\bar{X}_1}$ depending only on the distribution of \bar{X}_1 (see Theorem 4 in [6]; see also Theorem 3 therein for non identically distributed sequences (\bar{X}_i)). This clearly implies Wojciechowski's result with $a_i = (-1)^i$ (here $E = \mathbb{R}$). According to a theorem of Y. Meyer (see [7]), under a stronger divergence of the sequence of modes, namely when $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{n_k}{n_{k+1}} < \infty$, for any real numbers a_i , we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left| \sum_{k=0}^N a_k R_k \right| \geq c_S \mathbb{E} \left| \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \bar{R}_k \right|$$

for a positive constant c_S which depends only on the n_k . In [6], this principle was combined with (3) to show the reverse of (2) in the real case and under the above restrictive condition on the modes n_i .

Later the results of [6] have been generalized by Damek et al. in [2], where it was shown that for any $p > 0$ and under the same assumptions on the i.i.d. sequence (\bar{X}_i) , we have

$$\frac{1}{C_{p, \bar{X}_1}} \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|^p \mathbb{E} \bar{R}_k^p \leq \mathbb{E} \left\| \sum_{k=0}^N v_k \bar{R}_k \right\|^p \leq C_{p, \bar{X}_1} \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|^p \mathbb{E} \bar{R}_k^p \quad N \geq 1,$$

with a constant C_{p, \bar{X}_1} depending only on p and the distribution of \bar{X}_1 .

The aim of this article is to prove the following theorem.

Theorem 1. *For every $p \geq 1$ there are positive constants d_p, c_p, C_p depending only on p , such that for any integers n_j satisfying $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq d_p$, $j = 1, 2, \dots$ and for any vectors v_0, v_1, \dots in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$c_p \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p dm \leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{k=0}^N v_k R_k \right\|^p dm \leq C_p \sum_{k=0}^N \|v_k\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p dm,$$

for any $N \geq 1$, where R_k are defined via (1).

The lower bound in the case $p = 1$ answers the original question of Wojciechowski. Let us also note that for $p > 1$, both the upper and the lower bound are non-trivial. Theorem 1 was proved in [2] in the real case ($E = \mathbb{R}$) under the condition $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{n_k}{n_{k+1}} < \infty$ mentioned earlier (again by combining the independent case with the decoupling inequality of Meyer).

The values of the constants d_p, c_p and C_p that can be obtained from our proofs are not optimal. In particular, we have $\lim_{p \rightarrow 1^+} d_p = \infty$ and $\lim_{p \rightarrow 1^+} c_p = 0$, which is inconsistent with the case $p = 1$. Due to these blow-ups as $p \rightarrow 1^+$, our proof in the case $p = 1$ is slightly different from the proof for $p > 1$. We restate the result for $p = 1$ with numerical values of the constants (for explicit bounds on the constants for $p > 1$, see Remark 28).

Theorem 2. *There exist constants $d_1 < 1.2 \cdot 10^9$ and $c_1 > 5.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ such that for any positive integers n_j satisfying $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq d_1$ and for any vectors v_0, v_1, \dots in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^N v_j R_j \right\| dm \geq c_1 \sum_{j=0}^N \|v_j\|$$

for R_k defined in (1).

We conclude with two questions: 1) Can the constant d_p in Theorem 1 be chosen so that it does not depend on p (is universal)? 2) Does Theorem 2 hold with $d_1 = 2$?

The article is organized as follows. In Section 2 we provide two lemmas concerning lower bounds for the p th norm of a sum of two functions. In Section 3 we give some auxiliary lemmas concerning factorization of integrals under the presence of highly oscillating factors. Section 4 is devoted to the proof of Theorem 2. Section 5 deals with the lower estimate for $p > 1$. Finally, in Section 6 we give a proof of the upper bound for $p > 1$.

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2. AUXILIARY GENERAL BOUNDS

The following simple result will lie in the heart of an induction procedure in the case $p = 1$.

Lemma 3. *Let μ be a measure on X and let $f, g: X \rightarrow E$ be measurable functions. Suppose $A \subset X$ is a measurable set such that*

$$\int_A \|f\| d\mu \leq \frac{1}{6} \int_X \|f\| d\mu \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{X \setminus A} \|g\| d\mu \leq \frac{1}{6} \int_X \|f\| d\mu.$$

Then

$$\int_X \|f + g\| d\mu \geq \frac{1}{3} \int_X \|f\| d\mu + \int_X \|g\| d\mu.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \|f + g\| d\mu &\geq \int_A (\|f\| + \|g\| - 2\|f\|) d\mu + \int_{X \setminus A} (\|f\| + \|g\| - 2\|g\|) d\mu \\ &= \int_X \|f\| d\mu + \int_X \|g\| d\mu - 2 \int_A \|f\| d\mu - 2 \int_{X \setminus A} \|g\| d\mu \\ &\geq \frac{1}{3} \int_X \|f\| d\mu + \int_X \|g\| d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

□

The next result will play a role of Lemma 3 for $p > 1$. It is basically [2, Lemma 9].

Lemma 4. *Let μ be a measure on X and let $f, g: X \rightarrow E$ be measurable functions. Suppose that for some $p \geq 1$ and $\gamma > 0$, we have*

$$\int_X \|g\|^{p-1} \|f\| d\mu \leq \gamma \int_X \|f\|^p d\mu.$$

Then,

$$\int_X \|f + g\|^p d\mu \geq \left(\frac{1}{3^p} - 2p\gamma \right) \int_X \|f\|^p d\mu + \int_X \|g\|^p d\mu.$$

Proof. For any real numbers a, b we have $|a + b|^p \geq |a|^p - p|a|^{p-1}|b|$. If, additionally, $|a| \leq \frac{1}{3}|b|$, then $|a + b| \geq |b| - |a| \geq |a| + \frac{1}{3}|b|$ and thus $|a + b|^p \geq |a|^p + \frac{1}{3^p}|b|^p$. Taking $a = \|g\|$, $b = -\|f\|$ and using the inequality $\|f + g\| \geq \left| \|f\| - \|g\| \right|$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \|f + g\|^p d\mu &= \int_X \|f + g\|^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| \leq \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu + \int_X \|f + g\|^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu \\ &\geq \int_X \|g\|^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| \leq \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu + \frac{1}{3^p} \int_X \|f\|^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| \leq \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu \\ &\quad + \int_X \|g\|^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu - p \int_X \|g\|^{p-1} \|f\| \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu \\ &= \int_X \|g\|^p d\mu + \frac{1}{3^p} \int_X \|f\|^p (1 - \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}}) d\mu - p \int_X \|g\|^{p-1} \|f\| \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3}\|f\|\}} d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\int_X \left(\frac{1}{3^p} \|f\|^p + p \|g\|^{p-1} \|f\| \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{\|g\| > \frac{1}{3} \|f\|\}} d\mu \leq \left(\frac{1}{3} + p \right) \int_X \|g\|^{p-1} \|f\| d\mu \leq 2p\gamma \int_X \|f\|^p d\mu.$$

Therefore,

$$\int_X \|f + g\|^p d\mu \geq \int_X \|g\|^p d\mu + \frac{1}{3^p} \int_X \|f\|^p d\mu - 2p\gamma \int_X \|f\|^p d\mu.$$

□

3. EXACT AND APPROXIMATE FACTORIZATION OF INTEGRALS

Our next lemma concerns exact algebraic factorization for integrals of products of trigonometric polynomials.

Lemma 5. *Suppose that g_1, \dots, g_{N-1} are trigonometric polynomials of degree at most d , g_N is an arbitrary continuous function on \mathbb{T} and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq d + 1$ for $j \geq 1$. Then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \prod_{j=1}^N g_j(n_j t) dm = \prod_{j=1}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} g_j(n_j t) dm.$$

Proof. Since trigonometric polynomials are dense in the space $C(\mathbb{T})$ of continuous functions with the sup norm, we may assume that g_N is also a trigonometric polynomial. Let $g_j(t) = \sum_{l=-d_j}^{d_j} a_{j,l} e^{ilt}$, where $d_j = d$ for $j \leq N - 1$. Observe that an integer of the form $\sum_{j=1}^N l_j n_j$, $l_j \in \mathbb{Z}$, $|l_j| \leq d$ for $j \leq N - 1$ is zero if and only if all l_j are zero. Hence

$$\prod_{j=1}^N g_j(n_j t) = \prod_{j=1}^N a_{j,0} + \sum_s b_s e^{im_s t},$$

where m_s are nonzero integers. Therefore

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \prod_{j=1}^N g_j(n_j t) dm = \prod_{j=1}^N a_{j,0} = \prod_{j=1}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} g_j(n_j t) dm.$$

□

Even if the exact factorization does not hold, one can establish approximate factorization in the presence of a highly oscillating factor. This idea is quantified in the following lemma.

Lemma 6. *Suppose that f is a Lipschitz function on \mathbb{T} and g is an integrable function on \mathbb{T} . Then for any integer $n \geq 1$, we have*

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(t)g(nt) dm - \int_{\mathbb{T}} f dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(nt) dm \right| \leq \frac{2\pi}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |f'(t)| dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} |g(nt)| dm.$$

Proof. Let $I_k = [\frac{k}{n}2\pi, \frac{k+1}{n}2\pi]$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$. Observe that for any k , $\int_{\mathbb{T}} g(nt)dm = \frac{1}{|I_k|} \int_{I_k} g(nt)dt$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{I_k} f(t) \left(g(nt) - \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(ns)dm(s) \right) dt \right| &= \frac{1}{|I_k|} \left| \int_{I_k \times I_k} (f(t) - f(s))g(nt)dt ds \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{t,s \in I_k} |f(t) - f(s)| \int_{I_k} |g(nt)|dt \leq \int_{I_k} |f'(u)|du \int_{I_k} |g(nt)|dt \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{n} \int_{I_k} |f'(u)|du \int_{\mathbb{T}} |g(nt)|dm. \end{aligned}$$

Summing the above estimate over $0 \leq k \leq n-1$ yields the lemma. \square

In the context of trigonometric polynomials, in the above lemma we can pass from the bound in terms of f' to the bound in terms of the original factor f . Namely, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 7. *Suppose that f is a vector-valued trigonometric polynomial of order at most d . Then*

$$(4) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f'\|^p dm \leq d^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p dm.$$

Moreover, for any integrable (complex valued) function h on \mathbb{T} , we have

$$(5) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f(t)\|^p h(nt) dm - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} h(nt) dm \right| \leq 2\pi \frac{pd}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} |h(nt)| dm.$$

Proof. Formula (3.11) in [10, Chapter X] gives $f'(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{2d} b_k f(t+t_k)$, where $\sum_{k=1}^{2d} |b_k| = d$ and $t_k = \frac{1}{d}(k - \frac{1}{2})\pi$. Thus $\|f'\|_p \leq \sum_{k=1}^{2d} |b_k| \|f\|_p = d\|f\|_p$ and (4) follows.

To show (5), take $g = \|f\|^p$. Then $|g'| \leq p\|f\|^{p-1}\|f'\|$ (g is in fact almost everywhere differentiable) and

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} |g'| dm \leq p \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p dm \right)^{(p-1)/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f'\|^p dm \right)^{1/p} \leq pd \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p dm,$$

by Hölder's inequality and estimate (4). Thus Lemma 6 yields (5). \square

4. LOWER BOUND FOR $p = 1$

As in the independent case established in [6], the proof is based on a more general lower estimate, which is shown by induction. For technical reasons (that enable the induction procedure) we need to consider a larger class of measures on the torus. Namely, for $k, l \geq 0$ by $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}$ we denote the class of all measures on \mathbb{T} with densities of the form $\frac{d\mu}{dm} = \prod_{j=1}^l g_j(n_j t)$, where g_1, \dots, g_l are nonnegative trigonometric polynomials of degree at most k . Observe that $\mathcal{F}_{0,l}$ consists only of positive multiples of the measure m , $\mathcal{F}_{k,0}$ consists only of m and $\mathcal{F}_{k,l} \subset \mathcal{F}_{k',l'}$ for $k' \geq k$ and $l' \geq l$.

Proposition 8. *There exist positive constants $C_0 \leq 92\pi$ and $\lambda_0 \leq \frac{47}{48}$ with the following property. If $k \geq 2$, $N \geq l \geq 0$, $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq C_0(k+1) + 1$ for $j \geq 1$, then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}$ and any vectors v_0, v_1, \dots, v_N in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^N v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^N (\beta - c_{j-l}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu,$$

where

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{12} 4^{-k} \binom{2k}{k}, \quad \beta = \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{432\alpha}{(1-\lambda_0)(k+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad c_j = \gamma \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \lambda_0^i, \quad j \geq 1.$$

Let us see how this proposition implies Theorem 2.

Proof of Theorem 2. Let k be the smallest integer such that $(1-\lambda_0)^2(k+1) \geq 1728$ and put $C_1 = C_0(k+1) + 1$. We use the notation of Proposition 8. Observe that

$$c_m \leq \frac{\gamma}{1-\lambda_0} = \frac{432\alpha}{(1-\lambda_0)^2(k+1)} \leq \frac{\alpha}{4} = \frac{\beta}{2}.$$

We apply Proposition 8 with $\mu = m$, $l = 0$ and get

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^N v_j R_j \right\| dm \geq \alpha \|v_0\| + \sum_{j=1}^N (\beta - c_j) \|v_j\| \geq \frac{\alpha}{4} \sum_{j=0}^N \|v_j\|.$$

Since $\lambda_0 \leq \frac{47}{48}$ and $C_0 \leq 92\pi$, then $k+1 \leq 1728 \cdot 48^2$, $C_1 \leq 92\pi \cdot 1728 \cdot 48^2 + 1 \leq 1.2 \cdot 10^9$, by Stirling's formula, $\alpha \sim \frac{1}{12\sqrt{\pi k}}$ and it can be checked that $\frac{\alpha}{4} \geq 5.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$. \square

We now formulate several preparatory facts needed in the proof of Proposition 8. The following is an easy corollary of Lemma 7.

Corollary 9. *Let $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}$ and let v_0, v_1, \dots, v_l be vectors in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$. Suppose g is a nonnegative integrable function on \mathbb{T} . If $\varepsilon > 0$, $l \geq 0$ and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq \frac{2}{\varepsilon}\pi(k+1) + 1$ for $j \geq 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} (1-\varepsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(n_{l+1}t) dm &\leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| g(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \\ &\leq (1+\varepsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(n_{l+1}t) dm. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $\delta = \frac{2}{\varepsilon}\pi(k+1) + 1$ and let $h := \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \frac{d\mu}{dm}$. By the assumption $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq \delta$, so h is a (vector valued) trigonometric polynomial of order

$$d \leq (k+1) \sum_{j=1}^l n_j \leq (k+1) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta^{-i} n_{l+1} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\pi} n_{l+1}.$$

The assertion follows by Lemma 7 with $n = n_{l+1}$ and $p = 1$. \square

Lemma 10. *Suppose that $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq k + 2$ for $j \geq 1$. Then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}$ and any v_0, \dots, v_{l+1} in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \geq \frac{1}{2} \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu &\geq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j(t) \cos(n_{l+1}t) \right\| d\mu \\ &\geq \left\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j(t) \cos(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5 yields $\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j(t) \cos(n_{l+1}t) d\mu = 0$ for $j \leq l$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}(t) \cos(n_{l+1}t) d\mu &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) \cos(n_{l+1}t) dm(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

□

The next lemma presents a simple upper estimate for $\sqrt{R_1}$.

Lemma 11. *For any $x \in [-1, 1]$, we have $\sqrt{1+x} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{12}x^2$. In particular,*

$$\sqrt{1 + \cos x} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cos x - \frac{1}{12} \cos^2 x = \frac{23}{24} + \frac{1}{4}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix}) - \frac{1}{48}(e^{2ix} + e^{-2ix}).$$

Proof. We have

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{12}x^2\right)^2 - (1+x) = \frac{1}{12}x^2(1-x) + \frac{1}{144}x^4.$$

□

Remark 12. Even though we will not use this observation, let us point out that the above bound can be used to quantify singular behaviour of Riesz products. Assume $n_{k+1}/n_k \geq 3$ for $k \geq 1$. Then for $N \geq 0$,

$$m \left(R_N \geq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^N \right) \leq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^{N/2}.$$

Indeed, using Lemmas 5 and 11 we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \sqrt{R_N} dm \leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \prod_{k=1}^N \left(\frac{23}{24} + \frac{1}{4}(e^{in_k t} + e^{-in_k t}) - \frac{1}{48}(e^{2in_k t} + e^{-2in_k t}) \right) dm = \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^N.$$

So,

$$m \left(R_N \geq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^N \right) = m \left(\sqrt{R_N} \geq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^{N/2} \right) \leq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^{-N/2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sqrt{R_N} dm \leq \left(\frac{23}{24} \right)^{N/2}.$$

To formulate our next proposition, we set for $l = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$R_{l,l-1} \equiv 1 \quad \text{and} \quad R_{l,k}(t) := \prod_{j=l}^k (1 + \cos(n_j t)) \quad \text{for } k \geq l.$$

Proposition 13. *There exist $C_0 \leq 92\pi$ and $\lambda_0 \leq \frac{47}{48}$ such that the following holds. If $k \geq 2$, $l \geq 0$, $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq C_0(k+1) + 1$, then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}$, v_0, v_1, \dots, v_l in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ and $r \geq l+1$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \sqrt{R_{l+2,r}(t)} d\mu \leq \lambda_0^{r-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu.$$

Proof. Let

$$g(x) := \frac{23}{24} + \frac{1}{4}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix}) - \frac{1}{48}(e^{2ix} + e^{-2ix}).$$

By Lemma 11 we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \sqrt{R_{l+2,r}(t)} d\mu \leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \prod_{j=l+2}^r g(n_j t) d\mu,$$

where we adopt the convention that $\prod_{j=l+2}^{l+1} g(n_j t) \equiv 1$. We will show by induction on r that if $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq 92\pi(k+1) + 1$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \prod_{j=l+2}^r g(n_j t) d\mu \leq \left(\frac{47}{48} \right)^{r-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu.$$

For $r = l+1$ this is obvious, so it is enough to show that if the bound holds for $r \geq l+1$, then it is also satisfied for $r+1$. Let $\tilde{\mu}$ be the measure with the density $\prod_{j=l+2}^r g(n_j t) \frac{d\mu}{dm}$. Then $\tilde{\mu} \in \mathcal{F}_{k,r}$ (here we have used the assumption $k \geq 2$). Hence Corollary 9 used with

$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 = \frac{1}{46}$, and $r, \tilde{\mu}$ instead of l, μ yields

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \prod_{j=l+2}^{r+1} g(n_j t) d\mu \\
& \leq (1 + \varepsilon_0) \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \prod_{j=l+2}^r g(n_j t) d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(n_{r+1} t) dm \\
& = \frac{47}{48} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \prod_{j=l+2}^r g(n_j t) d\mu \\
& \leq \left(\frac{47}{48} \right)^{(r+1)-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary 14. *If $k \geq 2$, $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq C_0(k+1) + 1$ for $j \geq 1$, then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}$, $N \geq l+1$ and v_0, v_1, \dots, v_N in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\|^{1/2} d\mu \\
(6) \quad & \leq \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{1/2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover for any $u > 0$,

$$(7) \quad \int_{A_u} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu,$$

where

$$A_u := \left\{ t \in \mathbb{T} : \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\| \geq \frac{u}{1 - \lambda_0} \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \right\}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\|^{1/2} \leq \sum_{j=l+1}^N \|v_j R_{l+2,j}(t)\|^{1/2}$$

and (6) follows by Proposition 13. By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{1/2} \right)^2 &\leq \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1-\lambda_0} \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|, \end{aligned}$$

hence $A_u \subset B_u$, where

$$B_u := \left\{ t \in \mathbb{T} : \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\|^{1/2} \geq \sqrt{u} \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{1/2} \right\}.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{A_u} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| d\mu \leq \int_{B_u} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j(t) \right\| \frac{\left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\|^{1/2}}{\sqrt{u} \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{1/2}} d\mu$$

and (7) follows by (6). \square

Before we finally give a proof of Proposition 8, we need two more lemmas.

Lemma 15. *For any integers $n, k \geq 1$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos(nt))^k dm = 2^{-k} \binom{2k}{k}$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos(nt))^k (1 + \cos(nt)) dm = 2^{-k} \binom{2k}{k} \frac{1}{k+1}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos(nt))^k dm &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} (2 \sin^2(nt/2))^k dm = 2^k \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sin^{2k} t dm \\ &= 2^{-k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (-1)^k (e^{it} - e^{-it})^{2k} dm = 2^{-k} \binom{2k}{k}, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from $\int_{\mathbb{T}} e^{it} dm = \delta_{0,i}$. Similar calculations show that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos(nt))^k (1 + \cos(nt)) dm &= 2^{k+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sin^{2k} t \cos^2 t dm \\ &= 2^{-k-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (-1)^k (e^{it} - e^{-it})^{2k} (2 + e^{2it} + e^{-2it}) dm \\ &= 2^{-k-1} \left[2 \binom{2k}{k} - \binom{2k}{k-1} - \binom{2k}{k+1} \right] = 2^{-k} \binom{2k}{k} \frac{1}{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

\square

Lemma 16. *Let $k, l \geq 0$, $\varphi_k(t) = \left(\frac{1-\cos(t)}{2}\right)^k$, $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}$ and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq k+1$ for $j \geq 1$. Then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) d\mu = \frac{1}{k+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) d\mu.$$

Proof. Let $d\mu = \prod_{j=1}^l g_j(n_j t) dm$. Lemma 5 yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \\ &= \left(\prod_{j=1}^l \int_{\mathbb{T}} g_j(n_j t) dm \right) \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) dm \\ &= \mu(\mathbb{T}) 2^{-k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) (1 - \cos(n_{l+1}t))^k dm. \end{aligned}$$

By the same token, Lemma 5 also implies that

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) d\mu = \mu(\mathbb{T}) 2^{-k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos(n_{l+1}t))^k dm.$$

The assertion easily follows by Lemma 15. \square

We are now ready to give a proof of Proposition 8.

Proof of Proposition 8. We proceed by induction on $N - l$. If $N - l = 0$, the assertion is obvious, since $\alpha \leq 1$. To show the induction step we may assume that l is fixed and we increased N . We consider two cases.

Case 1. $\alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \leq \gamma \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu.$

By the induction assumption (applied to $N+1$ and $l+1$), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu \\ & \geq \beta \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu \\ & \geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu - \gamma \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu \\ & \quad + \beta \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu \\ & = \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu, \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows by Lemma 10.

Case 2. $\alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu > \gamma \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu.$

Let φ_k be as in Lemma 16 and set $p_k = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k dm,$

$$d\mu_1 := (1 - \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t))d\mu \quad \text{and} \quad d\mu_2 := \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t)d\mu.$$

The induction assumption applied to $l+1$ and $N+1$ with measure $\mu_1 \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}$ yields

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_1 \geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_1 + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu_1.$$

By Lemma 10, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_1 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_1 &\geq \beta \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu - \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2 \\ (8) \quad &+ \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu_1. \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$f = \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \quad \text{and} \quad g = \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} v_j R_j = R_{l+1} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} v_j R_{l+2,j}.$$

Corollary 9 with $\varepsilon = 1/2$ and the assumptions of Case 2 yield

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) dm \geq \frac{\gamma}{2\alpha} p_k \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu.$$

Observe that for $j \geq l+1$ by Lemma 5, $\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu = \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu = \frac{1}{p_k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu_2.$ Hence, recalling the definition of γ , we get

$$(9) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2 \geq \frac{216}{(1 - \lambda_0)(k+1)} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu_2.$$

Let

$$A = \left\{ t \in \mathbb{T} : \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} v_j R_{l+2,j}(t) \right\| \geq \frac{36}{1 - \lambda_0} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \right\}.$$

Then (7) with $u = 36$ implies (note that $\mu_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}$)

$$\int_A \|f\| d\mu_2 \leq \frac{1}{6} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2.$$

We also have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T} \setminus A} \|g\| d\mu_2 \leq \frac{36}{1 - \lambda_0} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu_2.$$

Lemmas 5 and 16 give

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu_2 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos(n_{l+1}t)) \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) dm \\ &= \frac{1}{k+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) dm = \frac{1}{k+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu_2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\int_{\mathbb{T} \setminus A} \|g\| d\mu_2 \leq \frac{36}{(1 - \lambda_0)(k+1)} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_0^{j-l-1} \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l d\mu_2 \leq \frac{1}{6} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2,$$

where the last inequality follows by (9).

Therefore the assumptions of Lemma 3 (with μ_2 instead of μ) are satisfied and

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f + g\| d\mu_2 \geq \frac{1}{3} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2 + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|g\| d\mu_2.$$

Corollary 9 with $\varepsilon = 1/2$ gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| d\mu_2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k(n_{l+1}t) dm = 6\alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu,$$

where the equality follows by Lemma 15.

The induction assumption applied to $l+1, N+1$, measure $\mu_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}$ and $v_0 = v_1 = \dots = v_l = 0$ yields

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|g\| d\mu_2 \geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|v_{l+1} R_{l+1}\| d\mu_2 + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu_2.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2 &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f + g\| d\mu_2 \\
&\geq 2\alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|v_{l+1} R_{l+1}\| d\mu_2 \\
(10) \quad &+ \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu_2.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu \geq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2$, we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|v_{l+1} R_{l+1}\| d\mu_2 \geq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu_2.$$

Thus adding (8) and (10) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\| d\mu &\geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \beta \|v_{l+1}\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1} d\mu \\
&+ \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l-1}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu \\
&\geq \alpha \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\| d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} (\beta - c_{j-l}) \|v_j\| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j d\mu.
\end{aligned}$$

□

5. LOWER BOUND FOR $p > 1$

In this section by $C_i(p)$ and $c_i(p)$ we will denote positive and finite constants, depending only on p . For $f \in L^p(\mathbb{T}, m)$ we will write $\|f\|_p$ for its L_p -norm.

We start by establishing facts needed to derive an analogue of Lemma 10. The next lemma is a rather standard application of Bernstein polynomials, but we prove it for completeness.

Lemma 17. *Let $p \geq 1$ and $f_p(t) = (1 - \frac{1}{2}t^p)^{1/p}$, $t \in [0, 1]$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a polynomial $w_{\varepsilon,p}$ of degree at most $\lceil 4\varepsilon^{-2} \rceil$ such that*

$$f_p(t) \leq w_{\varepsilon,p}(t) \leq (1 + \varepsilon)f_p(t) \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1].$$

Proof. We have $|f'_p(t)| = \frac{1}{2}t^{p-1}(1 - \frac{1}{2}t^p)^{1/p-1} \leq 2^{-1/p} \leq 1$, so f_p is 1-Lipschitz. Let $S_{n,t}$ have the binomial distribution with parameters n and t and define $\tilde{w}_{n,p}(t) := \mathbb{E}f_p(\frac{1}{n}S_{n,t})$.

Then $\tilde{w}_{n,p}$ is a polynomial of degree at most n and

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{w}_{n,p}(t) - f_p(t)| &\leq \mathbb{E} \left| f_p \left(\frac{1}{n} S_{n,t} \right) - f_p(t) \right| \leq \mathbb{E} \left| \frac{1}{n} S_{n,t} - t \right| \leq \frac{1}{n} (\mathbb{E} |S_{n,t} - nt|^2)^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sqrt{nt(1-t)} \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

Define $w_{\varepsilon,p} = \tilde{w}_{n,p} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}$, where $n = \lceil 4\varepsilon^{-2} \rceil$. Observe that

$$f_p(t) \leq w_{\varepsilon,p}(t) \leq f_p(t) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \leq f_p(t) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq (1 + \varepsilon)f_p(t).$$

□

As in the previous section $\varphi_k(t) = \left(\frac{1-\cos t}{2}\right)^k$. The definition of $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$ for $p > 1$ is more technical than the definition of $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}$. For $k, l \geq 1$, we say that a function g on \mathbb{T} belongs to $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$ if it has the form

$$g(t) := \prod_{j=1}^l h_j(n_j t), \quad \text{where } h_j \in \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{2}\varphi_k^p, 1 - \frac{1}{2}\varphi_k^p \right\} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, l.$$

We also set $\mathcal{F}_{k,0}^p := \{1\}$. With a slight abuse of notation we will say that a measure μ on \mathbb{T} belongs to $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$ if it has the form $d\mu = g dm$ for some $g \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$.

Lemma 18. *Suppose that $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq 8$ for all $j \geq 1$ and let $k \geq 1, l \geq 0$. Then for any $g \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$, there exists a trigonometric polynomial h of degree at most $C_1(p)n_l k$ such that $g \leq h^p \leq 2g$.*

Proof. There exist disjoint $I_1, I_2 \subset \{1, \dots, l\}$ such that

$$g := 2^{-|I_1|} \prod_{j \in I_1} \varphi_k^p(n_j t) \prod_{j \in I_2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\varphi_k^p(n_j t) \right).$$

Let $\varepsilon_j := \frac{\ln 2}{p} 2^{j-l-1}$ for $j \in I_2$ and

$$h := 2^{-\frac{|I_1|}{p}} \prod_{j \in I_1} \varphi_k(n_j t) \prod_{j \in I_2} w_{\varepsilon_j,p}(\varphi_k(n_j t)),$$

where $w_{\varepsilon_j,p}$ are polynomials given by Lemma 17. Then h is a trigonometric polynomial of degree at most

$$\deg(h) \leq \sum_{j \in I_1} n_j k + \sum_{j \in I_2} \lceil 4\varepsilon_j^{-2} \rceil n_j k \leq \frac{8p^2}{\ln^2 2} \sum_{j=1}^l 4^{l+1-j} n_j k \leq \frac{64p^2}{\ln^2 2} n_l k.$$

Moreover,

$$g \leq h^p \leq g \prod_{j \in I_2} (1 + \varepsilon_j)^p \leq e^{p \sum_{j \in I_2} \varepsilon_j} g \leq e^{\ln 2 \sum_{j=1}^l 2^{j-l-1}} g \leq 2g.$$

□

Lemma 19. *Let f_1 and f_2 be vector-valued trigonometric polynomials of degree at most d . Then for $n > C_2(p)d$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|^p dm \geq c_2(p) \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f_2(t)(1 + \cos(nt))\|^p dm.$$

Proof. By (5) for $C_2(p) \geq 4\pi p$, we have $\|f_2(t)(1 + \cos(nt))\|_p \sim_p \|f_2\|_p \sim_p \|f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p$, hence it is enough to show that

$$\|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p \geq \tilde{c}_2(p) \|f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p.$$

By the triangle inequality we have

$$\|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p \geq \|f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p - \|f_1\|_p,$$

so we can further assume that $\|f_1\|_p \geq \frac{1}{2} \|f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p \sim_p \|f_2\|_p$. Changing variables and evoking the triangle inequality yields,

$$\begin{aligned} 2\|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p &= \|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p + \|f_1(t + \pi/n) - f_2(t + \pi/n) \cos(nt)\|_p \\ &\geq \|f_1(t) + f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p + \|f_1(t) - f_2(t) \cos(nt)\|_p \\ &\quad - \|f_1(t) - f_1(t + \pi/n)\|_p - \|(f_2(t) - f_2(t + \pi/n)) \cos(nt)\|_p \\ &\geq 2\|f_1\|_p - \|f_1(t) - f_1(t + \pi/n)\|_p - \|f_2(t) - f_2(t + \pi/n)\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Note that by (4) for $i = 1, 2$, we have

$$\|f_i(t) - f_i(t + \pi/n)\|_p = \left\| \int_0^{\pi/n} f'_i(t+s) ds \right\|_p \leq \int_0^{\pi/n} \|f'_i(t+s)\|_p ds = \frac{\pi}{n} \|f'_i\|_p \leq \frac{\pi d}{n} \|f_i\|_p.$$

This essentially finishes the proof. \square

The next lemma is the announced analogue of Lemma 10.

Lemma 20. *Suppose that $k \geq 1$, $l \geq 0$ and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq C_3(p)k$ for $j \geq 1$. Then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$ and any vectors v_0, \dots, v_{l+1} in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$, we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu \geq c_3(p) \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu.$$

Proof. We may assume that $C_3(p) \geq 8$. Let $g = \frac{d\mu}{dm}$ and h be a trigonometric polynomial given by Lemma 18. We have

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p h^p dm.$$

Observe that

$$\sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j h = fh + v_{l+1} \cos(n_{l+1}t) R_l h,$$

where f is a vector-valued trigonometric polynomial. Moreover,

$$\max\{\deg(R_l h), \deg(fh)\} \leq \overline{\deg}(h) + \sum_{j=1}^l n_j \leq (C_1(p) + 2)n_l k$$

and the assertion easily follows by Lemma 19. \square

Lemma 21. *For any $p > 1$, there exists a real polynomial w_p such that $x^{p-1} \leq w_p^p(x)$ for $x \in [0, 2]$ and*

$$\lambda_1(p) := \frac{\int_{\mathbb{T}} w_p^p(X_1) dm}{\left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^p dm\right)^{(p-1)/p}} < 1.$$

Proof. By the Weierstrass approximation theorem, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a polynomial w_p such that $x^{(p-1)/p} \leq w_p(x) \leq x^{(p-1)/p} + \varepsilon$ for $x \in [0, 2]$. It is enough to observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} w_p^p(X_1) dm\right)^{1/p} &\leq \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^{p-1} dm\right)^{1/p} + \varepsilon, \\ \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^p dm\right)^{1/p} &= \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^{p-1} dm\right)^{1/(p-1)} + c_p, \end{aligned}$$

where $c_p > 0$. The assertion follows by taking sufficiently small $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_p$. \square

Lemma 22. *For any $p \geq 1$ there exists a constant $C_4(p)$ such that for any $j, k \geq 1$,*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p \varphi_k^p(n_j t) dm \leq \frac{C_4(p)}{k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm.$$

Proof. Let $l = \lfloor kp \rfloor$. Then $\varphi_{l+1} \leq \varphi_k^p \leq \varphi_l$. Moreover, $X_j^p \leq 2^{p-1} X_j$, so by Lemma 15

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p \varphi_k^p(n_j t) dm \leq 2^{p-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j \varphi_l(n_j t) dm = 2^{p-1} 4^{-l} \binom{2l}{l} \frac{1}{l+1}.$$

On the other hand using again Lemma 15 we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \geq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_{l+1} dm = 4^{-l-1} \binom{2(l+1)}{l+1} \geq \frac{1}{2} 4^{-l} \binom{2l}{l}.$$

Since $\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm = \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^p dm$, it is enough to take $C_4(p) = 2^p / (p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^p dm)$. \square

Lemma 23. *For $p > 1$, there exist constants $C_5(p), C_6(p), C_7(p)$ and $\lambda_2(p) < 1$ with the following property. If $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq C_5(p)k$ for $j \geq 1$, $k \geq 1, l \geq 0$, then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$, any $N \geq l+1$ and any vector valued polynomial f of order at most $2n_l$, we have*

$$(11) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1} t) d\mu \geq \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm$$

and

$$(12) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| R_N^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \leq \frac{C_6(p)}{k^{(p-1)/p}} \lambda_2(p)^{N-l-1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_N^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}.$$

Moreover for any v_{l+1}, \dots, v_N we have

$$(13) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_j \right\|^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \leq \frac{C_7(p)}{k^{(p-1)/p}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}.$$

Proof. Let $g = \frac{d\mu}{dm}$ and h be a trigonometric polynomial given by Lemma 18. Notice that hf is a vector-valued trigonometric polynomial with degree at most $(C_1(p) + 2)n_l k$. Thus by (5) we have for sufficiently large $C_5(p)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu &\geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|fh\|^p \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) dm \geq \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|fh\|^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm. \end{aligned}$$

To establish (12), let us define $d\tilde{\mu} = h^p(t) \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) dm$. By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| R_N^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu &\leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| R_N^{p-1} d\tilde{\mu} \\ &\leq \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p R_{l+2,N}^{p-1} d\tilde{\mu} \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p R_{l+2,N}^{p-1} d\tilde{\mu} \right)^{(p-1)/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Let w_p be given by Lemma 21 and $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_p$ be a small positive number to be chosen later. By (5), if $C_5(p)$ is sufficiently large, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p R_{l+2,N}^{p-1} d\tilde{\mu} &\leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p \prod_{j=l+2}^N w_p^p(X_j) d\tilde{\mu} \\
&\leq (1+\varepsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p \prod_{j=l+2}^{N-1} w_p^p(X_j) d\tilde{\mu} \int_{\mathbb{T}} w_p^p(X_N) dm \leq \dots \\
&\leq (1+\varepsilon)^{N-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\tilde{\mu} \prod_{j=l+2}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} w_p^p(X_j) dm \\
&\leq (1+\varepsilon)^{N-l} \int \|fh\|^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \prod_{j=l+2}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} w_p^p(X_j) dm \\
&\leq 2(1+\varepsilon)^{N-l} \lambda_1(p)^{N-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \prod_{j=l+2}^N \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm \right)^{(p-1)/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the same way we show that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p R_{l+2,N}^{p-1} d\tilde{\mu} \\
&\leq 2(1+\varepsilon)^{N-l} \lambda_1(p)^{N-l-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{l+1}^p \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) dm \prod_{j=l+2}^N \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm \right)^{(p-1)/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

The above estimates together with Lemma 22 yield

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| R_N^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu &\leq 2 \left(\frac{C_4(p)}{k} \right)^{(p-1)/p} (1+\varepsilon)^{N-l} \lambda_1(p)^{N-l-1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l^p d\mu \prod_{j=l+1}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm \right)^{(p-1)/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

Estimate (5) implies however that for sufficiently large $C_5(p)$,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_N^p d\mu \geq \frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{N-1}^p h^p dm \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_N^p dm \geq \dots \geq \frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon)^{N-l} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_l^p g dm \prod_{j=l+1}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_j^p dm.$$

To derive (12) we choose $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_p$ in such a way that

$$\lambda_2(p) := (1+\varepsilon)(1-\varepsilon)^{(1-p)/p} \lambda_1(p) < 1.$$

To show (13) we consider two cases. First assume that $1 < p \leq 2$. By (12), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_j \right\|^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \\
& \leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N \|v_j R_j\|^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \\
& \leq \frac{C_6(p)}{k^{(p-1)/p}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int \varphi_k^p dm \right) \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{p-1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

However

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^{p-1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p} \\
& \leq \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p} \\
& \leq (1 - \lambda_2(p))^{-1/p} \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, if $p > 2$, we have by the triangle inequality in L_{p-1} and (12)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \left\| \sum_{j=l+1}^N v_j R_j \right\|^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \\
& \leq \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \|v_j\| \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| R_j^{p-1} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu \right)^{1/(p-1)} \right)^{p-1} \\
& \leq \frac{C_6(p)}{k^{(p-1)/p}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \|v_j\| \lambda_2(p)^{(j-l-1)/(p-1)} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \right)^{p-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

To finish the proof of (13) in this case it is enough to observe that by Hölder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=l+1}^N \|v_j\| \lambda_2(p)^{(j-l-1)/(p-1)} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \\
& \leq \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{(j-l-1)/(p-1)^2} \right)^{(p-1)/p} \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \\
& \leq \left(1 - \lambda_2(p)^{1/(p-1)^2} \right)^{(1-p)/p} \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^N \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{1/p}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 24. *If $k \geq 2$, $N \geq l \geq 0$, $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq \max\{C_3(p), C_5(p), 8\}k$ for $j \geq 1$, then for any $\mu \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l}^p$ and any vectors v_0, v_1, \dots, v_N in a normed space $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^N v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu \geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^N (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu,$$

where

$$\alpha_p = \frac{1}{16 \cdot 3^p} \int \varphi_k^p dm, \quad \beta_p = \frac{c_3(p)}{2} \alpha_p, \quad \gamma_p = (16p3^p C_7(p))^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \frac{\alpha_p}{k} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{p,j} = \gamma_p \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \lambda_2(p)^i.$$

Proof. We proceed by induction on $N - l$. If $N - l = 0$ the assertion is obvious, since $\alpha_p \leq 1$. To show the induction step we may assume that l is fixed and we increased N . We consider two cases.

Case 1. $\alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu \leq \gamma_p \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu.$

By the induction assumption (applied to $N + 1$ and $l + 1$), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu &\geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \\
&\geq \beta_p \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \\
&\geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu - \gamma_p \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \\
&\quad + \beta_p \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \\
&= \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu,
\end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows by Lemma 20.

Case 2. $\alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu > \gamma_p \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu.$

Let

$$d\mu_1 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t)\right) d\mu \quad \text{and} \quad d\mu_2 = \frac{1}{2} \varphi_k^p(n_{l+1}t) d\mu.$$

The induction assumption applied to $l + 1$ and $N + 1$ with the measure $\mu_1 \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}^p$ yields

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_1 \geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_1 + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu_1.$$

Since $1 - \frac{1}{2} \varphi_k^p \geq \frac{1}{2}$, we get by Lemma 20

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_1 \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{l+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu \geq \frac{1}{2} c_3(p) \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu,$$

hence

$$(14) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_1 \geq \beta_p \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu_1.$$

Define

$$f = \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \quad \text{and} \quad g = \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} v_j R_j.$$

Estimate (11) and the assumptions of Case 2 yield

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu_2 &\geq \frac{1}{8} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \\ &\geq \frac{1}{8} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\frac{\gamma_p}{\alpha_p} \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by (13) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \|g\|^{p-1} d\mu_2 \\ \leq \frac{C_7(p)}{2k^{(p-1)/p}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm \right) \left(\sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} \lambda_2(p)^{j-l-1} \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \right)^{(p-1)/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\| \|g\|^{p-1} d\mu_2 \leq \frac{1}{4p3^p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu_2$$

and Lemma 4 gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_2 = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f + g\|^p d\mu_2 \geq \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3^p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu_2 + \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|g\|^p d\mu_2.$$

Inequality (11) gives

$$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3^p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu_2 \geq \frac{1}{16 \cdot 3^p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|f\|^p d\mu \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_k^p dm = \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu.$$

The induction assumption applied to $l+1$, $N+1$ and measure $\mu_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{k,l+1}^p$ yields

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \|g\|^p d\mu_2 \geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \|v_{l+1} R_{l+1}\|^p d\mu_2 + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu_2.$$

Thus

$$(15) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu_2 \geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu_2.$$

Adding (14) and (15), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{N+1} v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu &\geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \beta_p \|v_{l+1}\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{l+1}^p d\mu \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=l+2}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l-1}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu \\ &\geq \alpha_p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^l v_j R_j \right\|^p d\mu + \sum_{j=l+1}^{N+1} (\beta_p - c_{p,j-l}) \|v_j\|^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_j^p d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

□

Proof of Theorem 1 (lower bound). The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2. Let $k = k(p)$ be the smallest integer such that $\frac{\gamma_p}{1-\lambda_2(p)} \leq \frac{\beta_p}{2}$. Then $c_{p,m} \leq \frac{\gamma_p}{1-\lambda_2(p)} \leq \frac{\beta_p}{2}$ and thus applying Proposition 24 with $l = 0$ and $\mu = m$ yields the result with the constant $c_p = \min(\alpha_p, \beta_p/2)$. □

6. PROOF OF THE UPPER BOUND

All the integrals over the one dimensional torus \mathbb{T} appearing in this section are with respect to its (normalised) Haar measure m . We shall need three preparatory facts. The first two are immediate corollaries to Lemma 7.

Corollary 25. *For $p \geq 1$ and a nonzero integer n , we have*

$$(16) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k(t)^p e^{int} \right| \leq \frac{2\pi p \deg R_k}{|n|} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p, \quad k \geq 0.$$

Corollary 26. *Let $p \geq 1$, $d \geq 2\pi p + 1$ and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq d$, $j \geq 1$. For positive integers $k < l$, we have*

$$(17) \quad 1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \leq \frac{\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k,l}^p X_{l+1}^p}{\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k,l}^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{l+1}^p} \leq 1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}.$$

In particular, for $k \geq 0$, $l \geq 1$,

$$(18) \quad \left(1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}\right)^{l-1} \leq \frac{\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots X_{k+l}^p}{\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+l}^p} \leq \left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}\right)^{l-1}.$$

Proof. Note that

$$\frac{\deg(R_{k,l})}{n_{l+1}} = \frac{n_k + \dots + n_l}{n_{l+1}} \leq \frac{1}{d^{l-k+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{d} < \frac{1}{d-1},$$

hence applying Lemma 7 for $f = R_{k,l}$, $h(t) = (1 + \cos t)^p$ and $n = n_{l+1}$ gives

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k,l}^p X_{l+1}^p - \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k,l}^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{l+1}^p \right| \leq \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k,l}^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{l+1}^p.$$

Iterating (17) yields (18). □

Lemma 27. *Let $p \geq 1$, $d > 2p + 1$ and $n_{j+1}/n_j \geq d$, $j \geq 1$. Then for every $k \geq 0$, $m \geq 1$ and nonnegative integers $l_1, \dots, l_m \leq p$, we have*

$$(19) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p X_{k+1}^{l_1} \dots X_{k+m}^{l_m} \leq (1 + \epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^{l_1} \dots X_{k+m}^{l_m},$$

where $\epsilon = \frac{4\pi d}{d-1} \frac{p(2p+1)}{d-2p-1}$.

Proof. For any t ,

$$\left(1 + \frac{e^{it} + e^{-it}}{2}\right)^l = \frac{1}{2^l} (e^{it/2} + e^{-it/2})^{2l} = \sum_{j=-l}^l \frac{1}{2^l} \binom{2l}{j+l} e^{itj}.$$

Thus,

$$X_k^l(t) = \sum_{j=-l}^l \frac{1}{2^l} \binom{2l}{j+l} e^{itn_k j}.$$

Define

$$(20) \quad f = X_{k+1}^{l_1} \dots X_{k+m}^{l_m} = \sum_j \left[\frac{1}{2^{l_1}} \binom{2l_1}{j_1+l_1} \dots \frac{1}{2^{l_m}} \binom{2l_m}{j_m+l_m} \right] e^{itN_j},$$

where the sum is over all vectors $j = (j_1, \dots, j_m) \in \mathbf{X}_{s=1}^m \{-l_s, \dots, 0, \dots, l_s\}$ and $N_j = n_{k+1}j_1 + \dots + n_{k+m}j_m$.

Take now two such vectors $j \neq j'$ and let r be the last index where they differ, that is the largest $s \leq m$ for which $j_s \neq j'_s$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |N_{j'} - N_j| &\geq n_{k+r}|j'_r - j_r| - n_{k+r-1}|j'_{r-1} - j_{r-1}| - \dots - n_{k+1}|j'_1 - j_1| \\ &\geq n_{k+r} - 2p(n_{k+r-1} + \dots + n_{k+1}) \geq n_{k+r} - 2pn_{k+r} \left(\frac{1}{d} + \dots + \frac{1}{d^{r-1}} \right) \\ &\geq n_{k+r} \left(1 - \frac{2p}{d-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $d > 2p + 1$, then each vector j corresponds to a different value of N_j , that is in the expansion (20) of f all the phases e^{itN_j} are different. Let us write

$$f = b_0 + \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}} b_j e^{itN_j},$$

where $b_j = \frac{1}{2^{l_1}} \binom{2l_1}{j_1+l_1} \dots \frac{1}{2^{l_m}} \binom{2l_m}{j_m+l_m}$ and COMB denotes the set $\mathbf{X}_{s=1}^m \{-l_s, \dots, l_s\} \setminus \{(0, \dots, 0)\}$ of all nonzero vectors j . It is clear that

$$b_0 = \int_{\mathbb{T}} f \quad \text{and} \quad b_j \leq b_0 \text{ for } j \in \text{COMB}.$$

Applying Corollary 25 yields

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p f &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p b_0 + \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}} b_j \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p e^{itN_j} \right| \leq \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p b_0 + \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}} b_j \frac{2\pi p \deg R_k}{|N_j|} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \\ &\leq \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} f \right) \left(1 + 2\pi p \deg R_k \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}} \frac{1}{|N_j|} \right). \end{aligned}$$

To deal with the sum over j , we break COMB into the sets COMB_r , $r = 1, \dots, m$, of the vectors j for which the largest index of a nonzero coordinate is r . We thus get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}} \frac{1}{|N_j|} &\leq \sum_{r=1}^m \sum_{j \in \text{COMB}_r} \frac{1}{n_{k+r} - p(n_{k+1} + \dots + n_{k+r-1})} \\ &\leq \sum_{r=1}^m |\text{COMB}_r| \frac{1}{n_{k+r} \left(1 - \frac{p}{d-1}\right)} \leq \sum_{r=1}^m (2p+1)^r \frac{1}{n_k d^r \left(1 - \frac{p}{d-1}\right)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n_k \left(1 - \frac{p}{d-1}\right)} \frac{2p+1}{d-2p-1} < \frac{2}{n_k} \frac{2p+1}{d-2p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Plugging this back into the previous estimate and noticing that $(\deg R_k)/n_k \leq (n_1 + \dots + n_k)/n_k \leq 1/d^{k-1} + \dots + 1 < d/(d-1)$ yields (19). \square

Proof of the upper bound of Theorem 1. Let $a_k = \|v_k\|$. By the triangle inequality, we have

$$\left\| \sum_{k=0}^N v_k R_k \right\| \leq \sum_{k=0}^N a_k R_k.$$

Therefore, it suffices to show that

$$(21) \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\sum_{k=0}^N a_k R_k \right)^p \leq C_p \sum_{k=0}^N a_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p.$$

For $N = 0$ this is obvious. When $0 < p \leq 1$ this instantly follows from the inequality $(x+y)^p \leq x^p + y^p$, $x, y \geq 0$ (with $C_p = 1$). Let $N \geq 1$. Suppose that for some integer $m \geq 1$, (21) holds when $m-1 < p \leq m$ and we want to show it when $m < p \leq m+1$. Iterating the inequality $(x+y)^p \leq x^p + 2^p(yx^{p-1} + y^p)$, $x, y \geq 0$ (see [2], p. 1705), we find

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\sum_{k=0}^N a_k R_k \right)^p \leq a_N^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_N^p + 2^p \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i R_i \right)^{p-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right).$$

The challenge is to deal with the mixed term

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i R_i \right)^{p-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{p-1},$$

where

$$F_k = \sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i R_{k+1,i}, \quad k \geq 0.$$

We shall make several observations. Firstly, take $\alpha, \beta > 1$ with $1/\alpha + 1/\beta = 1$ and use Hölder's inequality,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{p-1} = \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^{p/\alpha} \left(R_k^{p/\beta} F_k^{p-1} \right) \leq \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right)^{1/\alpha} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{(p-1)\beta} \right)^{1/\beta}$$

(which holds trivially when $\beta = 1$). Choosing β so that $(p-1)\beta = [p] - 1 = m$ gives us the natural power at F_k . Then brutally expanding yields

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{(p-1)\beta} &= \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i R_{k+1,i} \right)^m \\ &= \sum_{m_{k+1} + \dots + m_N = m} \binom{m}{m_{k+1}, \dots, m_N} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \prod_{i=k+1}^N a_i^{m_i} R_{k+1,i}^{m_i}. \end{aligned}$$

The integral $\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \prod_{i=k+1}^N R_{k+1,i}^{m_i}$ is of the form $\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p X_{k+1}^{l_1} \dots X_N^{l_N}$ with the nonnegative integer powers l_{k+1}, \dots, l_N not exceeding $m < p$. Therefore we can apply Lemma 27 to factor R_k^p out,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \prod_{i=k+1}^N R_{k+1,i}^{m_i} \leq (1 + \epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} \prod_{i=k+1}^N R_{k+1,i}^{m_i},$$

provided that $d > 2p + 1$, and then use the multinomial formula again to get back to F_k^m ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^m \leq (1 + \epsilon) \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} F_k^m.$$

Recall that $\epsilon = \frac{4\pi d}{d-1} \frac{p(2p+1)}{d-2p-1}$. We choose d_p large enough to assure that for $d \geq d_p$ we have $\epsilon < 1$. By the inductive assumption,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} F_k^m \leq C_m \sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i^m \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k+1,i}^m$$

with $C_m \geq 1$, provided that $d \geq d_m$. We finally get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{p-1} &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right)^{1/\alpha} \left(2 \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \cdot C_m \sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i^m \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k+1,i}^m \right)^{1/\beta} \\ &\leq 2C_m \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=k+1}^N a_k a_i^{p-1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k+1,i}^m \right)^{1/\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

Lastly, notice that we have $R_{k+1,i}$ to the power of m but we want the p -th power. Since $m < p$, there is some room. Introduce the constant

$$\lambda_p = \left(\frac{(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^m)^{1/m}}{(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_1^p)^{1/p}} \right)^{p-1} < 1.$$

By (18) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_{k+1,i}^m \right)^{1/\beta} &\leq \left(\left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \right)^{i-k} \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^m \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^m \right)^{1/\beta} \\ &\leq \left(\left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \right)^{i-k} \left(\lambda_p^{m/(p-1)} \right)^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \right)^{m/p} \right)^{1/\beta} \\ &= \left[\left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \right)^{1/\beta} \lambda_p \right]^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \right)^{(p-1)/p} \\ &\leq \eta_p^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \right)^{(p-1)/p}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\eta_p = \left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \right) \lambda_p$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p F_k^{p-1} &\leq 2C_m \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=k+1}^N \eta_p^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right) \cdot a_k a_i^{p-1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \right)^{(p-1)/p} \\ &\leq 2C_m \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=k+1}^N \eta_p^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{p} a_k^p + \frac{p-1}{p} a_i^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \right). \end{aligned}$$

Provided that $\eta_p < 1$, the first bit can be easily estimated as desired,

$$\sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=k+1}^N \eta_p^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right) \cdot \frac{1}{p} a_k^p \leq \frac{\eta_p}{p(1-\eta_p)} \sum_{k=0}^N a_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p.$$

The second one requires some more work. With the aid of (17) with $k = 1$ and (18),

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p \leq \left(1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1} \right)^{-(i-k)} \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_i^p,$$

so, provided that $\eta_p < 1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}$, that is $\lambda_p \left(1 + \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}\right) < \left(1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}\right)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=k+1}^N \eta_p^{i-k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p \right) \cdot \frac{p-1}{p} a_i^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_{k+1}^p \cdots \int_{\mathbb{T}} X_i^p &\leq \frac{p-1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^N a_i^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_i^p \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \left[\frac{\eta_p}{1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}} \right]^{i-k} \\ &\leq \left[\frac{p-1}{p} \left(1 - \frac{\eta_p}{1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}} \right)^{-1} \right] \sum_{i=1}^N a_i^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_i^p. \end{aligned}$$

Putting everything together,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^N a_i R_i \right)^{p-1} \leq C \sum_{k=0}^N a_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p,$$

where

$$C = 2C_m \left(\frac{\eta_p}{p(1-\eta_p)} + \frac{p-1}{p} \left(1 - \frac{\eta_p}{1 - \frac{2\pi p}{d-1}} \right)^{-1} \right).$$

Thus,

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\sum_{k=0}^N a_k R_k \right)^p \leq 2^p (1+C) \sum_{k=0}^N a_k^p \int_{\mathbb{T}} R_k^p,$$

which completes the proof. \square

Remark 28. Even though we have not kept track of the values of the constants d_p, c_p and C_p in our arguments, with some extra work it can be shown that for the upper bound in Theorem 1 one can take

$$d_p^{(\text{upper})} = 80p^2 \quad \text{and} \quad C_p = (16p)^{p+1}, \quad p > 1,$$

whereas for the lower bound it is enough to have

$$\begin{aligned} d_p^{(\text{lower})} &= \left(\frac{10^{12}}{p-1} \right)^{\frac{3}{p-1}}, & p \in (1, 2] & \quad \text{and} & \quad d_p^{(\text{lower})} = 10^{10p^2}, \\ c_p &= \left(\frac{p-1}{10^{13}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p-1}}, & & & \quad c_p = 10^{-8p}, & p > 2. \end{aligned}$$

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