

## THE FOURIER SERIES EXPANSIONS OF FUNCTIONS DEFINED ON $S$ -SETS

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### Abstract

Let  $E$  be a compact  $s$ -sets of  $R^n$ . The authors define an orthonormal system  $\Phi$  of functions on  $E$  and obtain that, for any  $f(x) \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , the Fourier series of  $f$ , with respect to  $\Phi$ , is equal to  $f(x)$  at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ . Moreover, for any  $f \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  ( $p \geq 1$ ), the partial sums of the Fourier series, with respect to  $\Phi$ , of  $f$  converges to  $f$  in  $L^p$ -norm.

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### §1. Introduction

In [4, 6], we have studied the convergence of the Fourier series, with respect to an orthonormal system of functions, of each function for any  $f(x) \in L^p(K, \mathcal{H}^s)$  ( $p \geq 1$ ), where  $K$  is a Moran fractal or a generalized Moran fractal. In [8], for any  $f \in L^p(K_1, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , the similar problems are discussed, where  $K_1$  is a self-similar fractal. In this paper, for any  $f \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , where  $E$  is an arbitrary compact  $s$ -set, we can also obtain the similar results.

In §2, we first study the Fourier series expansions of functions defined on differentiable  $s$ -sets. We define a system of functions  $\Phi \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  and  $\Phi$  is orthonormal in the Hilbert space  $L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ . We show that for any  $f(x) \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , the Fourier series of  $f(x)$ , with respect to  $\Phi$ , is equal to  $f(x)$  at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$  and for any  $f \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , the partial sums of the Fourier series of  $f$  converges to  $f$  in  $L^p$ -norm. So the results in [4, 6, 8] are completely contained in the conclusions in this paper.

In §3, as  $E$  is an arbitrary compact  $s$ -set of  $R^n$ , we give the results for the convergence of the Fourier series of functions in  $L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . So, on the problems of the Fourier series expansions of functions defined on  $s$ -sets, we give satisfactory solutions in some sense.

In §4, we especially discuss a class of compact  $s$ -set produced by generalized graph directed constructions.

**Note.** A set  $E \subset R^n$  is said to be an  $s$ -set, if  $E$  is  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -measurable and  $0 < \mathcal{H}^s(E) < \infty$ , where  $\mathcal{H}^s$  denotes  $s$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure. For more details about  $s$ -sets, see [1] or [2].

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## §2. The Fourier Series Expansions of Functions Defined on Differentiable $s$ -Sets

For the sake of completeness, we first give a few definitions (also see [6]).

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $E$  be an  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -measurable set. For each  $x \in E$ , let  $\mathcal{B}(x)$  be a collection of bounded  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -measurable sets with positive measure containing  $x$  such that there is at least a sequence  $\{U_k\} \subset \mathcal{B}(x)$  with  $|U_k| \rightarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow \infty$ ). The whole collection  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{x \in E} \mathcal{B}(x)$  will be called a differentiation basis for  $(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a differentiation basis for  $(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ . For each measurable set  $A$  and for almost every  $x \in E$ , if  $\{U_k\}$  is an arbitrary sequence of  $\mathcal{B}(x)$  contracting to  $x$ , then

$$D(E, x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathcal{H}^s(A \cap U_k)}{\mathcal{H}^s(U_k)} = \mathcal{X}_A(x).$$

We call  $\mathcal{B}$  a density basis, where  $\mathcal{X}$  is the characteristic function.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a differentiation basis for  $(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  and let  $f \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  ( $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ). If

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(U_k)} \int_{U_k} f d\mathcal{H}^s : \{U_k\} \subset \mathcal{B}(x), |U_k| \rightarrow 0 \right\} = f(x)$$

for almost every  $x \in E$ , then we shall say that  $\mathcal{B}$  differentiates  $\int f$ . We write  $D(\int f, x) = f(x)$ .

When  $\mathcal{B}$  differentiates  $\int f$  for each  $f$  in a class  $X$  of functions, we shall also say that  $\mathcal{B}$  differentiates  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4.** Given a differentiation basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , we define the maximal operator associated to the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  by

$$Mf(x) = \sup_{U \in \mathcal{B}(x)} \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(U)} \int_U |f(y)| d\mathcal{H}^s(y) \quad \text{for all } x \in E$$

for every function  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $E$  be an  $s$ -set of  $R^n$ . We say that  $E$  is a differentiable  $s$ -set, if the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) There exist finite disjoint subsets  $A_{i_1}$  of  $R^n$ ,  $i_1 = 1, \dots, m$ , such that

$$E \subset \bigcup_{i_1=1}^m A_{i_1}.$$

For each  $A_{i_1}$ , there are finite disjoint subsets  $A_{i_1 i_2}$ ,  $1 \leq i_2 \leq m_{i_1}$ ,  $m_{i_1} \in N$ , such that

$$A_{i_1 i_2} \subset A_{i_1} \quad \text{and} \quad E \subset \bigcup_{i_1, i_2} A_{i_1 i_2}.$$

In general, as the sets  $A_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}$  are determined, there are finite disjoint subsets  $A_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  such that  $A_{i_1 \dots i_k} \subset A_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}$  and  $E \subset \bigcup_{i_1, \dots, i_k} A_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  where  $i_1 = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $1 \leq i_j \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}$ ,  $1 < j \leq k$ ,  $m_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}} \in N$ .

(b)  $|A_{i_1 \dots i_k}| \rightarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow \infty$ ), where  $|A_{i_1 \dots i_k}|$  denotes the diameter of  $A_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ .

(c)  $\mathcal{H}^s(E \cap A_{i_1 \dots i_k}) > 0$  ( $k \geq 1$ ).

$\{A_{i_1 \dots i_k} : 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_2 \leq m_{i_1}, \dots, 1 \leq i_k \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}, k \geq 1\}$  is said to be a differentiation cover of  $E$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $E$  be a differentiable  $s$ -set of  $R^n$ , and assume that  $E$  is local compact. Then*

(a) *there exists a system of functions  $\Phi = \{g_n(x)\}_{n \geq 1} \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  such that  $\Phi$  is orthonormal in the Hilbert space  $L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ;*

(b) *for any  $f(x) \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,*

$$\sum_{m=1}^n \langle f, g_m \rangle g_m \rightarrow f(x) \quad \text{at } \mathcal{H}^s - \text{a.e. } x \in E,$$

where  $\langle f, g_m \rangle = \int_E f(x) g_m(x) d\mathcal{H}^s(x)$ ;

(c) *for any  $f(x) \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,*

$$\left\| \sum_{m=1}^n \langle f, g_m \rangle g_m - f \right\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

The proof of Theorem 2.1 consists of the following theorems.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Suppose that  $E$  is a differentiable  $s$ -set in  $R^n$  and*

$$\{A_{i_1 \dots i_k} : k \geq 1, 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_j \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}, 1 < j \leq k\}$$

*is a differentiation cover of  $E$ . Write*

$$E_{i_1 \dots i_k} = E \cap A_{i_1 \dots i_k} \quad (k \geq 1), \quad \mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{k \geq 1} \bigcup_{i_1, \dots, i_k} E_{i_1 \dots i_k},$$

$$\mathcal{A}(x) = \{A : A \in \mathcal{A}, x \in A\} \quad \text{for all } x \in E.$$

*Then*

(a)  *$\mathcal{A}$  is a differentiation cover of  $E$ ;*

(b)  *$\mathcal{A}$  is a density basis for  $(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ .*

**Proof.** The proof of (a) is trivial. The proof of (b) can be finished by a method similar to that used in the proof of Theorem 3.3 in [7].

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $E$  be a local compact subset of  $R^n$  and the conditions of Lemma 2.1 are satisfied. Then for any  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,*

$$D\left(\int f, x\right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(U_k)} \int_{U_k} f d\mathcal{H}^s : \{U_k\} \subset \mathcal{A}(x), U_k \rightarrow x \right\} = f(x) \quad (2.1)$$

at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ .

**Proof.** Because  $E$  is a local compact  $s$ -set, and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a density basis and Hausdorff measure is regular, the result similar to Theorem 1.4 in [3, Chp. III] is valid after the measure and Lebesgue integral are respectively replaced by the Hausdorff measure and Hausdorff integral. That is,  $\mathcal{B}$  differentiates  $L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ .

For any  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  and any  $x \in E$ , let

$$f_k(x) = \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{if } |f(x)| < k, \\ 0, & \text{if } |f(x)| \geq k, \end{cases}$$

and  $f = f_k + f^k$ .

Then  $D(\int f_k, x) = f_k(x)$  for  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ .

For  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{H}^s\left(\left\{x \in E : \left|D\left(\int f, x\right) - f(x)\right| > \varepsilon\right\}\right) \\ &= \mathcal{H}^s\left(\left\{x \in E : \left|D\left(\int f^k, x\right) - f^k(x)\right| > \varepsilon\right\}\right) \\ &\leq \mathcal{H}^s\left(\left\{x \in E : D\left(\int f^k, x\right) > \varepsilon/2\right\}\right) + \mathcal{H}^s(\{x \in E : f^k(x) > \varepsilon/2\}) \\ &\leq \mathcal{H}^s(\{x : Mf^k(x) > \varepsilon/2\}) + \mathcal{H}^s(\{x : f^k(x) > \varepsilon/2\}). \end{aligned}$$

The second term in the last member of this chain of inequalities tends to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  by the preceding hypothesis.

On the other hand, without any substantial change in the proof with respect to Theorem 3.4 in [7], we may get that for any  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  and every number  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\mathcal{H}^s(x \in E : Mf(x) > \epsilon) \leq c \frac{\|f\|_1}{\epsilon},$$

where  $c > 0$  is a constant independent of  $\epsilon$  and  $f$ .

So we have that  $\mathcal{H}^s(\{x \in E : Mf^k(x) > \varepsilon/2\}) \leq 2c\|f^k\|_1/\varepsilon$ . But  $\|f^k\|_1 \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , hence  $\mathcal{H}^s(\{x \in E : |D(\int f, x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}) = 0$ .

Noting the arbitrariness of  $\varepsilon$ , we may obtain that  $D(\int f, x) = f(x)$  at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ .

The proof is finished.

Now we begin to define a collection of functions with supports on  $E$ . The meanings of the following sets  $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  and  $E$  are the same as those in Lemma 2.1.

A function with support on  $E$  is defined by

$$g_{-1}(x) = \mathcal{H}^s(E)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{for all } x \in E. \quad (2.2)$$

$m-1$  functions  $g_0^h, 1 \leq h \leq m-1$ , with supports on the sets  $\bigcup_{i_1=1}^{h+1} E_{i_1} \subset E$  are defined as

$$g_0^h(x) = \begin{cases} C_h^{-\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{i_1=1}^h E_{i_1}, \\ -C_h^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{h+1})^{-1} \sum_{i_1=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1}), & \text{if } x \in E_{h+1}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2.3)$$

where  $C_h = \mathcal{H}^s(E_{h+1})^{-1} \sum_{i_1=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1}) \sum_{i_1=1}^{h+1} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1})$ .

Finally, for every  $i_1 \dots i_k, k \geq 1$ , we define  $m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1$  functions  $g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h, 1 \leq h \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1$ , whose supports are  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{h+1} E_{i_1 \dots i_k i} \subset E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ . They are

$$g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h(x) = \begin{cases} C_{i_1 \dots i_k h}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k})^{-\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{i=1}^h E_{i_1 \dots i_k i}, \\ -C_{i_1 \dots i_k h}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k (h+1)})^{-1} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k i}), & \text{if } x \in E_{i_1 \dots i_k (h+1)}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2.4)$$

where  $C_{i_1 \dots i_k h} = \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k})^{-1} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k (h+1)})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{h+1} \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k i}) \sum_{i=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k i})$ .

Let the system  $\Phi$  be

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi = & \{g_{-1}\} \cup \{g_0^h : 1 \leq h \leq m-1\} \\ & \cup \{g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h : k \geq 1, 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_j \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}, 1 < j \leq k, 1 \leq h \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Since  $\mathcal{H}^s(E) < \infty$ , it is easy to show that  $\Phi \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s) \subset L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,  $p \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $E$  be a differentiable  $s$ -set, then there exists a system of functions  $\Phi \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  such that  $\Phi$  is orthonormal in the Hilbert space  $L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\Phi$  be a system of functions in (2.5). Then  $\Phi \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ . The proof of the orthonormality of  $\Phi$  is completely similar to Theorem 2.1 in [4]. The proof is finished.

For any  $f(x) \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , we define its Fourier series, with respect to  $\Phi$ , as

$$f(x) \sim a_{-1}g_{-1}(x) + \sum_{h=1}^{m-1} a_0^h g_0^h(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1 \leq m, \\ 1 \leq i_2 \leq m_{i_1}, \\ \dots \\ 1 \leq i_k \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}}} \sum_{h=1}^{m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1} a_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h(x), \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_{-1} &= \langle f, g_{-1} \rangle = \int_E f(y) g_{-1}(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), \quad a_0^h = \langle f, g_0^h \rangle = \int_E f(y) g_0^h(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), \\ a_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h &= \langle f, g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h \rangle = \int_E f(y) g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), \quad k \geq 1, \end{aligned}$$

$1 \leq h \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1, 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_j \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}, 1 < j \leq k$ , are the Fourier coefficients of  $f$  with respect to  $\Phi$ .

We denote the partial sums of the Fourier series (2.6) by

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{S}_{n+1}^{j_1 \dots j_{n+1}; q} f(x) \\ &= a_{-1}g_{-1}(x) + \sum_{h=1}^{m-1} a_0^h g_0^h(x) + \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \sum_{h=1}^{m_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1} a_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h(x) \\ &+ \sum_{i_1 \dots i_{n+1} \prec j_1 \dots j_{n+1}} \sum_{h=1}^{m_{i_1 \dots i_{n+1}} - 1} a_{i_1 \dots i_{n+1}}^h g_{i_1 \dots i_{n+1}}^h(x) + \sum_{h=1}^q a_{j_1 \dots j_{n+1}}^h g_{j_1 \dots j_{n+1}}^h(x), \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

where  $n \geq 1, 1 \leq j_1 \leq m, 1 \leq j_2 \leq m_{j_1}, \dots, 1 \leq j_{n+1} \leq m_{j_1 \dots j_n}$ , and  $1 \leq q \leq m_{j_1 \dots j_{n+1}} - 1$ , and  $i_1 \dots i_{n+1} \prec j_1 \dots j_{n+1}$  means that if there is an  $h, 1 \leq h \leq n+1$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} i_p &= j_p, \quad \text{if } 1 \leq p < h, \\ i_h &< j_h, \end{aligned}$$

we always suppose  $i_1 \dots i_k \prec j_1 \dots j_k, k \geq 1$ .

**Note.** In (2.7)  $q$  may be zero. If  $q = 0$ , then the last term in the right side of (2.7) is zero.

By using the similar method used in [4], we may obtain the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.3.** *The meanings of  $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  and  $E$  are the same as above. For any  $n \geq 1, 1 \leq j_1 \leq m, 1 \leq j_k \leq m_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}, 1 < k \leq n+1, 1 \leq q \leq m_{j_1 \dots j_{n+1}} - 1$ , write  $\alpha = i_1 \dots i_{n+1}, \beta =$*

$j_1 \cdots j_{n+1}$ . Then for any  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , we have

$$\mathcal{S}_{n+1}^{\beta;q} f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(E_{\alpha i})} \int_{E_{\alpha i}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), & \text{if } x \in E_{\alpha i}, \alpha \prec \beta, 1 \leq i \leq m_{i_1 \cdots i_{n+1}}, \\ \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(E_{\beta})} \int_{E_{\beta}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y) + \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(E_{\beta i})} \int_{E_{\beta i}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y) - \\ - \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{q+1} E_{\beta k}\right)} \int_{\bigcup_{k=1}^{q+1} E_{\beta k}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), & \text{if } x \in E_{\beta i}, 1 \leq i \leq q+1, \\ \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(E_{\beta})} \int_{E_{\beta}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), & \text{if } x \in E_{\beta i}, q+1 < i \leq m_{j_1 \cdots j_{n+1}}, \\ \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}^s(E_{\alpha})} \int_{E_{\alpha}} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y), & \text{if } x \in E_{\alpha}, \alpha \succ \beta. \end{cases}$$

Using Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3 we immediately obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $E$  be a local compact and differentiable  $s$ -set. Then for any  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  the partial sums of its Fourier series, with respect to  $\Phi$ , converge to  $f$  at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ .

**Corollary.** The system  $\Phi$  is  $L^2$ -complete, i.e. if  $f \in L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  is orthogonal to every function in  $\Phi$ , then  $f(x) = 0$  for  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f \in L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  is orthogonal to every function  $g$  in  $\Phi$ , i.e.,  $\int_E fg d\mathcal{H}^s = 0$ . Then it is clear that  $\mathcal{S}_{n+1}^{j_1 \cdots j_{n+1};q} f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in E$  and for every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq j_1 \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq j_2 \leq m_{j_1}, \cdots, 1 \leq j_{n+1} \leq m_{j_1 \cdots j_n}$ ,  $1 \leq q \leq m_{j_1 \cdots j_{n+1}} - 1$ . Then using Theorem 2.3, we have that  $f(x) = 0$  at  $\mathcal{H}^s$ -a.e.  $x \in E$ . The proof is finished.

Since  $\Phi$  is an  $L^2$ -complete system, we can obtain the same results as the classic results of the Hilbert spaces.

**Theorem 2.4.** If  $f(x) \in L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , and  $\{a_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are its Fourier coefficients with respect to  $\Phi$ , then

$$(a) \|f\|_2^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^2 < \infty.$$

$$(b) \left\| \mathcal{S}_{n+1}^{j_1 \cdots j_{n+1};q} f - f \right\|_2 \rightarrow 0.$$

(c) If  $F(x) \in L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ ,  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are its Fourier coefficients with respect to  $\Phi$ , then

$$(f, F) = \int_E f(y) F(y) d\mathcal{H}^s(y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k b_k.$$

(d) If  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is a sequence of real numbers such that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k^2 < \infty$ , then there exists a unique function  $f \in L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , so that  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are its Fourier coefficients with respect to  $\Phi$  and  $f$  satisfies (a) and (b).

**Theorem 2.5.** For convenience, write the system  $\Phi$  in (2.5) as  $\{g_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  and let  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is a sequence of real numbers which satisfies

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k| \|g_k\|_p < \infty. \quad (2.8)$$

Then there is a unique function  $f \in L^p(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  so that  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are its Fourier coefficients, and

$$\left\| \mathcal{S}_{n+1}^{j_1 \cdots j_{n+1};q} f - f \right\|_p \rightarrow 0, \quad (2.9)$$

where the meanings of  $j_1 \cdots j_{n+1}, q$  and  $E$  are the same as above.

Moreover, if  $f \in L^p$ , its Fourier coefficients  $\{a_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  satisfy (2.8), then the Fourier series of the function  $f$  converges to  $f$  in  $L^p$ -norm.

The method used for the proof is similar to Theorem 3.4 in [4].

Therefore, the proof of Theorem 2.1 is finished by Theorem 2.2, Theorem 2.3 and Theorem 2.5.

### §3. The Fourier Series Expansions of Functions Defined on Compact $s$ -Sets

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $E$  be a compact  $s$ -set of  $R^n$ . Then (a), (b) and (c) of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied.

**Proof.** Let  $B_r(x)$  denote the ball of centre  $x$  and radius  $r$  so that  $|B_r(x)| = 2r$ . For each  $x \in R^n$ , write

$$\overline{D}_1^s(E, x) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathcal{H}^s(E \cap B_r(x))}{(2r)^s}. \quad (3.1)$$

Then using the same steps of proving Corollary 2.5 in [1] we can obtain

$$2^{-s} \leq \overline{D}_1^s(E, x) \leq 1 \quad (3.2)$$

at almost all  $x \in E$ . We might as well suppose, for any  $x \in E$ , the inequality (3.2) is satisfied.

Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$  with  $2^{-s} - \varepsilon > 0$ . Then for any  $x \in E$ , by (3.1) and (3.2), there exists  $r_n \downarrow 0$  (means that  $r_n$  converges decreasingly to 0) such that

$$2^{-s} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathcal{H}^s(E \cap B_{r_n}(x))}{(2r_n)^s} \leq 1 \quad (3.3)$$

and so there exists an  $N_x$  such that as  $n > N_x$ ,

$$\mathcal{H}^s(E \cap B_{r_n}(x)) > (2^{-s} - \varepsilon)(2r_n)^s > 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Without loss of generality, we may suppose all the balls  $B_{r_n}(x)$  in (3.3) satisfy the inequality (3.4).

For each  $x \in E$ , let  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_{r_n}(x)$ , where  $B_{r_n}(x)$  satisfies (3.4) and let  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{x \in E} \mathcal{B}(x)$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is an open cover of  $E$ . By the finite covering theorem, there are finite balls  $B_{r_1}(x_1), \dots, B_{r_m}(x_m) \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m B_{r_i}(x_i)$  and we also assume that no one of them is contained in the other. If let

$$B'_1 = B_{r_1}(x_1), B'_2 = B_{r_2}(x_2) - B_{r_1}(x_1), \dots, B'_m = B_{r_m}(x_m) - \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{m-1} B_{r_i}(x_i) \right),$$

then  $B'_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ) are disjoint and  $E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m B'_i$ . (Of course, the ways of dividing  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m B_{r_i}(x_i)$  into finite disjoint sets are not unique, the number of the produced sets may be not equal.)

Write  $E_{i_1} = E \cap B'_{i_1}$ ,  $i_1 = 1, \dots, m$ . Then  $\{E_{i_1} : i_1 = 1, \dots, m\}$  are disjoint and  $E = \bigcup_{i_1=1}^m E_{i_1}$ .

For any  $x \in \overline{E}_{i_1}$  ( $\overline{E}_{i_1}$  denotes the closure of  $E_{i_1}$ ), let

$$\mathcal{B}_{i_1}(x) = \left\{ B \in \mathcal{B}(x) : |B| < 2 \min_{1 \leq i_1 \leq m} \{r_{i_1}\}, x \in B \right\}, \quad \mathcal{B}_{i_1} = \bigcup_{x \in \overline{E}_{i_1}} \mathcal{B}_{i_1}(x).$$

Then  $\mathcal{B}_{i_1}$  is an open cover of  $\overline{E}_{i_1}$ , and so we can choose a finite sub-cover denoted by  $\{B_{r_{i_1 i_2}}(x_{i_1 i_2}) : i_1 = 1, \dots, m, i_2 = 1, \dots, m'_{i_1}\}$ . We can divide  $\{B_{r_{i_1 i_2}}(x_{i_1 i_2}) : 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_2 \leq m'_{i_1}\}$  into disjoint sets  $\{B_{i_1 i_2} : 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_2 \leq m'_{i_1}\}$  such that  $\overline{E}_{i_1} \subset \bigcup_{i_2=1}^{m'_{i_1}} B'_{i_1 i_2}$  and  $B'_{i_1 i_2}$  is a subset of some  $B_{r_{i_1 j}}(x_{i_1 j})$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m'_{i_1}$ ). Let

$$E_{i_1 i_2} = E_{i_1} \cap B'_{i_1 i_2}.$$

Then  $E_{i_1 i_2}$ ,  $i_1 = 1, \dots, m, i_2 = 1, \dots, m'_{i_1}$ , are disjoint and

$$E_{i_1 i_2} \subset E_{i_1}, \quad E_{i_1} = \bigcup_{i_2} E_{i_1 i_2}, \quad E = \bigcup_{i_1, i_2} E_{i_1 i_2}.$$

For any  $x \in \overline{E}_{i_1 i_2}$ , let

$$\mathcal{B}_{i_1 i_2}(x) = \left\{ B \in \mathcal{B}(x) : |B| < 2 \min_{i_1, i_2} (r_{i_1 i_2}), x \in B \right\}, \quad \mathcal{B}_{i_1 i_2} = \bigcup_{x \in \overline{E}_{i_1 i_2}} \mathcal{B}_{i_1 i_2}(x).$$

Similarly, we can obtain finite disjoint sets  $B'_{i_1 i_2 i_3}$  and by letting

$$E_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = E_{i_1 i_2} \cap B'_{i_1 i_2 i_3},$$

we get a cover  $\{E_{i_1 i_2 i_3} : 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_2 \leq m'_{i_1}, 1 \leq i_3 \leq m'_{i_1 i_2}\}$  of  $E$  such that  $\{E_{i_1 i_2 i_3}\}$  are disjoint and

$$E_{i_1 i_2 i_3} \subset E_{i_1 i_2}, \quad E_{i_1 i_2} = \bigcup_{i_3} E_{i_1 i_2 i_3}, \quad E = \bigcup_{i_1, i_2, i_3} E_{i_1 i_2 i_3}.$$

The rest may be deduced by analogy.

In general, we obtain finite disjoint sets  $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  such that

$$E_{i_1 \dots i_k} \subset E_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}, \quad E_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}} = \bigcup_{i_k} E_{i_1 \dots i_k}, \quad E = \bigcup_{i_1, \dots, i_k} E_{i_1 \dots i_k}, \quad (3.5)$$

where  $k > 1, 1 \leq i_1 \leq m, 1 \leq i_j \leq m'_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}, 1 < j \leq k$ .

We might as well suppose  $\mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k}) > 0$  ( $k \geq 1$ ). (If not, we shall give a detailed explanation later in the remark.)

By using the definitions of (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), we may obtain a system of functions  $\Phi \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$  and  $\Phi$  is orthonormal in the Hilbert space  $L^2(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ . (Of course,  $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  in the definitions means those in (3.5).)

In addition, we can see that  $|E_{i_1 \dots i_k}| \rightarrow 0$  ( $k \rightarrow \infty$ ) from the preceding process. So when  $E$  is a compact  $s$ -set, we can also obtain the same results as Theorem 2.1 by using Theorem 2.2, Theorem 2.3 and Theorem 2.5.

The proof is finished.

**Remark.** If  $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  chosen in the proof of Theorem 3.1 satisfies  $\mathcal{H}^s(E_{i_1 \dots i_k}) = 0$ , then we shall not consider this set. Finally, we obtain a subset of  $E$  denoted by  $E_0$  and a sequence of sets  $E'_{i_1 \dots i_k}$  such that  $\{E'_{i_1 \dots i_k} : 1 \leq i_1 \leq n, 1 \leq i_2 \leq n_{i_1}, \dots, 1 \leq i_k \leq n_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}}\}$  are



disjoint and

$$\mathcal{H}^s(E'_{i_1 \dots i_k}) > 0, \quad E_0 = \bigcup_{i_1, \dots, i_k} E'_{i_1 \dots i_k}, \quad E'_{i_1 \dots i_k} \subset E'_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}},$$

$$E_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1}} = \bigcup_{i_k} E'_{i_1 \dots i_k}, \quad \mathcal{H}^s(E_0) = \mathcal{H}^s(E).$$

Now we define a sequence of functions on  $E$  as

$$g_{-1}(x) = \mathcal{H}^s(E)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{for all } x \in E,$$

$$g_0^h(x) = \begin{cases} C_h^{-\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{i_1=1}^h E'_{i_1}, \\ -C_h^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{h+1})^{-1} \sum_{i_1=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{i_1}), & \text{if } x \in E'_{h+1}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $C_h = \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{h+1})^{-1} \sum_{i_1=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{i_1}) \sum_{i_1=1}^{h+1} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{i_1})$ ,  $1 \leq h \leq n-1$ .

$$g_\alpha^h(x) = \begin{cases} C_{\alpha h}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_\alpha)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{i=1}^h E'_{\alpha i}, \\ -C_{\alpha h}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_\alpha)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{\alpha(h+1)})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{\alpha i}), & \text{if } x \in E'_{\alpha(h+1)}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha = i_1 \dots i_k$ ,  $1 \leq i_1 \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq i_j \leq n_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}$ ,  $1 < j \leq k$ ,  $1 \leq h \leq n_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1$  and

$$C_{\alpha h} = \mathcal{H}^s(E'_\alpha)^{-1} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{\alpha(h+1)})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{h+1} \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{\alpha i}) \sum_{i=1}^h \mathcal{H}^s(E'_{\alpha i}).$$

It is easy to show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \{g_{-1}\} \cup \{g_0^h : 1 \leq h \leq n-1\} \\ & \cup \{g_{i_1 \dots i_k}^h : k \geq 1, 1 \leq i_1 \leq n, 1 \leq i_j \leq n_{i_1 \dots i_{j-1}}, 1 < j \leq k, 1 \leq h \leq n_{i_1 \dots i_k} - 1\} \\ & \subset L^\infty(E, \mathcal{H}^s). \end{aligned}$$

By using the similar to preceding steps and noting  $\mathcal{H}^s(E - E_0) = 0$ , we can show that Theorem 3.1 is always valid.

#### §4. Generalized Ratios Graph Directed Constructions

A generalized ratio graph directed construction in  $R^m$  consists of

(1) a finite sequence of nonoverlapping, compact subsets of  $R^m$ :  $J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n$  such that each  $J_i$  has a nonempty interior,

(2) a sequence of directed graph  $\{G_k\}$  with vertex set consisting of the integers  $1, \dots, n$ , and contract maps  $T_{i,j}^{(k)}$  of  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , where  $(i, j) \in G_k$ , with contract ratios no more than  $t_{i,j}^{(k)}$ , such that

- (a) for each  $k$  and  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there is some  $j$  such that  $(i, j) \in G_k$ ,
- (b) for each  $k$  and  $i$ ,  $\{T_{i,j}^{(k)}(J_j) | (i, j) \in G_k\}$  is a nonoverlapping family and

$$J_i \supset \bigcup \{T_{i,j}^{(k)}(J_j) | (i, j) \in G_k\} \quad (4.1)$$

and

(c) if the path component from  $G_1$  to  $G_k$  rooted at the vertex  $i_1$  is a cycle:  $[i_1, \dots, i_q, i_{q+1} = i_1]$ , then

$$\prod_{k=1}^q t_{i_k, i_{k+1}} < 1. \quad (4.2)$$

This construction naturally determines a compact subset  $K$  of  $\mathcal{R}^m$ . This set, which we will term the construction object, is pieced together by the graphs  $G_k$  and applying the maps coded by the edges to the corresponding sets.

For each  $i$ , let  $\mathcal{R}(J_i)$  be the space of compact subsets of  $J_i$  provided with the Hausdorff metric,  $\rho_H$ . By using the similar method of R.D.Mauldin et al.<sup>[5]</sup>, we may show the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.** For each generalized graph directed construction, there exists a unique compact set  $K$ ,

$$K = \bigcap_{m \geq 1} \bigcup \{T_{i_1, i_2}^{(1)} \circ \dots \circ T_{i_m, i_{m+1}}^{(m)}(J_{i_{m+1}}) \mid (i_j, i_{j+1}) \in G_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m\}. \quad (4.3)$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} G(p) &= \{\sigma(1)\sigma(2) \cdots \sigma(p+1) \mid (\sigma(i), \sigma(i+1)) \in G_i; 1 \leq i \leq p\}, \\ G(\infty) &= \{\sigma(1)\sigma(2) \cdots \mid (\sigma(i), \sigma(i+1)) \in G_i; i \geq 1\}, \quad G^* = \bigcup_{p \geq 1} G(p), \end{aligned}$$

for  $\sigma \in G(\infty)$ ,  $\sigma|p = \sigma(1) \cdots \sigma(p+1) \in G(p)$ .

$$t_{\sigma|p} = \prod_{i=1}^p t_{\sigma(i), \sigma(i+1)}^{(i)}. \quad (4.4)$$

$$J(\sigma|p) = T_{\sigma(1), \sigma(2)}^{(1)} \circ T_{\sigma(2), \sigma(3)}^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ T_{\sigma(p), \sigma(p+1)}^{(p)}(J_{\sigma(p+1)}). \quad (4.5)$$

Then

$$K = \bigcap_{p \geq 1} \bigcup_{\sigma \in G(p)} J(\sigma). \quad (4.6)$$

It is easy to see that the generalized graph directed construction object  $K$  includes the Moran fractals, the generalized Moran fractals, the self-affine sets and graph directed construction. By Theorem 3.1, we have

**Theorem 4.2.** If the generalized graph directed construction  $K$  is an  $s$ -set, and  $f \in L^1(E, \mathcal{H}^s)$ , then the Fourier expansion theorem is true.

It is difficulty to prove that the generalized graph directed construction  $K$  is an  $s$ -set in general case. Now we give a class of generalized graph directed constructions for which  $K$  is an  $s$ -set.

**Example** Let  $G$  be a directed graph with vertex set consisting of the integers  $1, 2, \dots, n$ , and  $T_{i,j}^{(1)}, T_{i,j}^{(2)}$  are similarity maps of  $R^m$  with similarity ratios  $t_{i,j}^{(1)}, t_{i,j}^{(2)}$ , respectively, where  $(i, j) \in G$ .

A sequence of similarity maps  $\{\{T_{i,j}^{(k)}\}_{(i,j) \in G}\}$  is produced by  $\{T_{i,j}^{(1)}\}_{(i,j) \in G}, \{T_{i,j}^{(2)}\}_{(i,j) \in G}$ , in non-periodic form. Let

$$N(k) = \#\{h : \{T_{i,j}^{(h)}\}_{(i,j) \in G} = \{T_{i,j}^{(1)}\}_{(i,j) \in G}; \quad h \leq k\}, \quad (4.7)$$

$$a_k = \frac{N(k)}{k}. \quad (4.8)$$

The weighted incidence matrix or construction matrix  $A^{(k)} = A_G^{(k)}$  associated with a graph directed construction is the  $n \times n$  matrix defined by

$$A^{(k)} = [t_{i,j}^{(k)}]_{i,j \leq n}, \quad (4.9)$$

where we make the convention that  $t_{i,j}^{(k)} = 0$  if  $(i, j) \notin G$ . For each  $\beta \geq 0$ , let  $A_\beta^{(k)} = A_{G,\beta}^{(k)}$  be the  $n \times n$  matrix given by  $(t_{i,j}^{(k)})^\beta$ . Also, let  $\Phi^{(k)}(\beta)$  be the spectral radius of  $A_\beta^{(k)}$ . Of course, according to the Frobenius-Perron theorem,  $\Phi^{(k)}(\beta)$  is the largest nonnegative eigenvalue of  $A_\beta^{(k)}$ . Let

$$\Phi(\beta) = (\Phi^{(1)}(\beta))^a (\Phi^{(2)}(\beta))^{1-a}. \quad (4.10)$$

**Theorem 4.3.** *If  $G_k = G$  itself is strongly connected, and satisfies:*

$$(1) \sup_{k \geq 1} k|a - a_k| < c < \infty, \quad (2) t_{i,j}^{(1)} = r t_{i,j}^{(2)}, \quad \text{for any } (i, j) \in G, r < 1,$$

*then the Hausdorff dimension of  $K$  is  $\alpha$ , where  $\Phi(\alpha) = 1$ , and  $K$  is an  $\alpha$ -set.*

**Proof.** It is known the  $\Phi^{(k)}(\beta)$  is continuous,  $\Phi(\beta)$  is continuous, too. By Theorem 2 in [5],  $\Phi^{(k)}(0) > 1$ , and  $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \Phi^{(k)}(\beta) = 0$ . So, there exists a real number  $\alpha$  such that  $\Phi(\alpha) = 1$ .

Since  $A_\alpha^{(k)}$  is irreducible, by the Frobenius-Perron theorem, there is a unique strictly positive column vector  $V$ ,

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.11)$$

with  $\sum_{i=1}^n v_i = 1$  and  $A_\alpha^{(k)} V = \Phi^{(k)}(\alpha) V$ , i.e. for each  $i$ ,

$$v_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(t_{i,j}^{(k)})^\alpha}{\Phi^{(k)}(\alpha)} v_j = \sum_{(i,j) \in G} \frac{(t_{i,j}^{(k)})^\alpha}{\Phi^{(k)}(\alpha)} v_j. \quad (4.12)$$

Let  $w_\sigma = \prod_{i=1}^{|\sigma|-1} w_{\sigma(i), \sigma(i+1)}$ ,  $w_{\sigma(k-1), \sigma(k)} = (\Phi^{(k)})^{-1}$ . Then  $c_1^{-1} \leq w_\sigma \leq c_1$ , where  $c_1 = \left(\frac{\Phi^{(1)}}{\Phi^{(2)}}\right)^c + \left(\frac{\Phi^{(2)}}{\Phi^{(1)}}\right)^c$ .

Define a probability measure  $\hat{\mu}$  on  $G(\infty)$  by setting for each  $\sigma \in G^*$ ,

$$\hat{\mu}(C(\sigma)) = w_\sigma t_\sigma^\alpha v_{\sigma(|\sigma|)}, \quad (4.13)$$

where

$$C(\sigma) = \{\tau \in G(\infty) : \tau|_{|\sigma|} = \sigma\}. \quad (4.14)$$

To see that Kolmogorov's consistency theorem may be applied it is sufficient to note that if  $\sigma \in G^*$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(\sigma(|\sigma|), j) \in G} \hat{\mu}(C(\sigma * j)) &= \sum_{(\sigma(|\sigma|), j) \in G} w_{\sigma * j} t_{\sigma * j}^\alpha v_j \\ &= w_\sigma t_\sigma^\alpha \sum_{(\sigma(|\sigma|), j) \in G} w_{\sigma(|\sigma|), j} t_{\sigma(|\sigma|), j}^\alpha v_j \\ &= w_\sigma t_\sigma^\alpha v_{\sigma(|\sigma|)} = \hat{\mu}(C(\sigma)). \end{aligned}$$

First, we show that  $\mathcal{H}^\alpha(K) < +\infty$ . For each  $p$ , we have

$$\sum_{\sigma \in G(p)} |J_\sigma|^\alpha = \sum_{\sigma \in G(p)} t_\sigma^\alpha |J_{(|\sigma|)}|^\alpha$$

and since  $V$  is strictly positive,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\sigma \in G(p)} \hat{\mu}(C(\sigma)) |J_{(|\sigma|)}|^\alpha / w_\sigma v_{\sigma(|\sigma|)} &= \sup\{|J_{(|\sigma|)}|^\alpha / \{w_\sigma v_{\sigma(|\sigma|)}\}\} \sum_{\sigma \in G(p)} \hat{\mu}(C(\sigma)) \\ &\leq c_1 \sup\{|J_i|^\alpha / v_i\} < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

By the similar methods in [5], we have

$$\limsup\{|J_\sigma| | \sigma \in G(p)\} = 0. \quad (4.15)$$

Thus

$$\mathcal{H}^\alpha(K) \leq c_1 \sup\{|J_i|^\alpha / v_i\} < +\infty. \quad (4.16)$$

In order to show  $0 < \mathcal{H}^\alpha(K)$ , transfer  $\hat{\mu}$  to a probability measure on  $K$ . Let  $g$  be the map of  $G(\infty)$  into  $R^m$  defined for each  $\sigma \in G(\infty)$ , by  $\{g(\sigma)\} = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} J_{\sigma|k}$ . Then  $g$  is a continuous map of  $G(\infty)$  onto  $K$  (see [5]). Let  $\mu = \hat{\mu} \circ g^{-1}$ . We will show that there is some  $c > 0$  such that if  $E$  is a Borel subset of  $R^d$  with  $\text{diam} E < \inf\{|J_i|\}$ , then

$$\mu(E) \leq c|E|^\alpha. \quad (4.17)$$

Of course, this inequality implies  $\frac{1}{c} \leq \mathcal{H}^\alpha(K)$ .

Set  $B = \{\sigma_i | k_i \in G^*; |J_{\sigma_i|k_i}| \leq |E| \leq |J_{\sigma_i|k_i-1}|\text{ and } E \cap J_{\sigma_i|k_i} \neq \emptyset\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(E) &\leq \sum_{\sigma_i | k_i \in B} \hat{\mu}(C(\sigma_i | k_i)) \leq \#B \sup_{\sigma_i | k_i \in B} w_\sigma t_{\sigma_i}^\alpha v_{\sigma_i(k_i)} \\ &\leq \#B \sup_{\sigma_i | k_i \in B} c_1 |E|^\alpha v_{\sigma_i(k_i)} / |J_{\sigma_i(k_i)}| \leq \#B c_1 |E|^\alpha \sup_{1 \leq i \leq n} v_i / |J_i|. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma V in [5],  $c_2 = \#B c_1 \sup_{1 \leq i \leq n} v_i / |J_i| < \infty$ .

Therefore, (4.17) holds and Theorem 4.2 follows.

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