

ON WEAK UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION  
OF SEQUENCES OF INTEGERS

BY

E. ROSOCHOWICZ (POZNAŃ)

In [3] Zame has characterized those subsets  $\mathcal{A}$  of the set of positive integers for which there exists a sequence of integers uniformly distributed modulo  $n$  if and only if  $n \in \mathcal{A}$ . The analogous problem can be posed for weak uniform distribution modulo  $n$ ,  $n \geq 3$  (see [2]), and we solve it here. I was informed that I. Z. Ruzsa also solved this problem using another approach<sup>(1)</sup>.

I am obliged to Dr. E. Dobrowolski for his remarks. In particular, his suggestion of the choice of the function  $f_m$  occurring below essentially simplified my original proof.

We prove the following

**THEOREM.** *Let  $X$  be a set of integers  $\geq 3$  which has the following property:*

*(\*) If  $n \in X$  and  $m$  is a positive divisor of  $n$  with the same prime divisors (i.e.  $\omega(m) = \omega(n)$ ), then  $m \in X$ .*

*Then there exists a sequence  $g_1, g_2, \dots$  of integers which is weakly uniformly distributed modulo  $m$  (WUD(mod  $n$ )) for all integers  $n \in X$  and is not WUD(mod  $k$ ) for all  $k \notin X$  ( $k \geq 3$ ).*

(Here  $\omega(r)$  denotes the number of distinct prime factors of the integer  $r$ .)

**Proof.** We shall use the method employed by Zame [3] who considered the case of uniform distribution (mod  $n$ ), and our fundamental tool will be the following lemma:

**LEMMA.** *Let  $m \geq 1$  and let*

$$2 < n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_m, \quad 2 < k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_m$$

*be integers with the property that for  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$  we have either  $\omega(k_i) \neq \omega(n_j)$  or  $k_i \nmid n_j$  or both. Then:*

---

<sup>(1)</sup> I. Z. Ruzsa, *On sets of weak uniform distribution*, this fasc., pp. 183–187. [Note of the Editors]

(i) There exists an infinite sequence  $x_1^{(m)}, x_2^{(m)}, \dots$  of integers which is WUD(mod  $n_j$ ) but not WUD(mod  $k_j$ ) for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .

(ii) If, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ,  $\psi_i$  is an arbitrary primitive character (mod  $k_i$ ) if  $2 \nmid k_i$ , and (mod  $(k_i/2)$ ) if  $2 \parallel k_i$ , and we put

$$\chi_i = \begin{cases} \psi_i & \text{if } 2 \nmid k_i, \\ \chi_0^{(2)} \psi_i & \text{if } 2 \parallel k_i, \end{cases}$$

where  $\chi_0^{(d)}$  denotes the principal character (mod  $d$ ), then

$$\frac{1}{2^{i+2}} \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_i(x_r^{(m)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_i)}(x_r^{(m)})} \leq \frac{1}{2^i}$$

holds for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .

**Proof of the Lemma.** Let  $t_m = \text{l.c.m.}(n_1, \dots, n_m, k_1, \dots, k_m)$ , and for  $k \mid t_m$  put

$$d_k = \prod_{\substack{p \mid t_m \\ p \nmid k}} p.$$

Let moreover  $A_d$  be the characteristic function of the set of all integers divisible by  $d$ . Note that, for  $d \mid t_m$ ,  $A_d$  can be regarded as a function defined on  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$ . Now for every  $m \geq 1$  we define a positive function  $f_m$  on  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$  by putting

$$f_m = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i A_{d_{k_i}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i A_{d_{k_i}} g_i,$$

where

$$g_i = \begin{cases} \chi_i + \bar{\chi}_i & \text{for } 2 \nmid k_i \text{ and } k_i \neq 3, \\ \chi_i & \text{for } k_i = 3, \\ \chi_0^{(2)} \psi_i - A_2 \psi_i & \text{for } k_i = 6, \\ (\chi_0^{(2)} \psi_i - A_2 \psi_i) + (\chi_0^{(2)} \bar{\psi}_i - A_2 \bar{\psi}_i) & \text{for } 2 \parallel k_i \text{ and } k_i \neq 6 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\gamma_i = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d_{k_i}}{2^i} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{2^j} \right)^{-1}.$$

Let  $\mu_m$  be the normalized Haar measure on  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$ . Then, since  $\chi_i \neq \chi_0^{(k_i)}$  and, for  $2 \parallel k_i$ ,  $\psi_i \neq \chi_0^{(k_i/2)}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ), we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m d\mu_m = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i d_{k_i}^{-1} = 1.$$

Let  $\nu_m$  be the measure on  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$  given by

$$d\nu_m = f_m d\mu_m.$$

Then  $\nu_m$  is a probability measure, and therefore there exists a sequence  $\{x_r^{(m)}\}$  in  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$  which is uniformly distributed with respect to  $\nu_m$ , i.e., such that for every complex-valued function  $g$  on  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$  we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{r=1}^N g(x_r^{(m)}) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} g d\nu_m.$$

We shall now compute the value of the integral

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} g f_m d\mu_m \quad \text{for } g = \chi_0^{(k_i)}, \chi_0^{(n_i)}, \chi_i, \chi^{(n_i)},$$

where  $\chi^{(s)}$  denotes any character (mod  $s$ ).

We need the following observation:

(i) (a) If  $\chi_k$  is a primitive character (mod  $k$ ),  $l|t_m$ , and

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_k} \chi_k \chi^{(l)} \neq 0,$$

then  $k|l$ ,  $\omega(k) = \omega(l)$  and  $\bar{\chi}_k$  induces  $\chi^{(l)}$ .

(b) If  $2||k_i$ ,  $2|l$ , and

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} \psi_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m \neq 0,$$

then  $k_i|l$ ,  $\omega(l) = \omega(k_i)$  and  $\chi^{(l)}$  is induced by  $\bar{\psi}_i$ .

Proof. We start by noticing that

$$(1) \quad A_{d_k} = \prod_{p|d_k} (1 - \chi_0^{(p)}) = \sum_{d|d_k} (-1)^{\omega(d)} \chi_0^{(d)}.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_k} \chi_k \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m \neq 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} \chi_0^{(d)} \chi_k \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m \neq 0$$

for a certain  $d|d_k$ . This shows that for all  $x$  prime to  $t = \text{l.c.m.}(d, k, l)$  we have  $\bar{\chi}_k(x) = \chi^{(l)}(x)$ ; hence  $\bar{\chi}_k$  and  $\chi^{(l)}$  induce the same character (mod  $t$ ). Since  $\chi_k$  is primitive,  $(k, l) = k$ , i.e.,  $k|l$ . Finally, the assumption implies that  $A_{d_k} \chi^{(l)}$  does not vanish identically, so  $(d_k, l) = 1$ , and we infer that every prime divisor of  $l$  divides also  $k$ . Hence we must have  $\omega(k) = \omega(l)$ , and (a) is established.

In case (b) the proof follows the same line.

$$(ii) \quad \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m = 0 \text{ for } \chi^{(l)} \neq \chi_0^{(l)}.$$

This follows from (1).

(iii) If  $2 \nmid k_i$  and

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} g_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m \neq 0,$$

then  $k_i | l$ ,  $\omega(l) = \omega(k_i)$ , and  $\chi^{(l)}$  is induced by either  $\chi_i$  or  $\bar{\chi}_i$ .

This assertion is an immediate consequence of (i).

(iv) If  $2 || k_i$  and  $2 \nmid l$ , then

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} g_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m = 0.$$

For the proof apply the definition of  $g_i$  and the following identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\{x \in \mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z} : 2|x\}} A_{d_{k_i}} \psi_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m &= \int_{\substack{y \in \mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z} \\ y = x + ld_{k_i}k_i/2, 2|x}} A_{d_{k_i}} \psi_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m \\ &= \int_{\{x \in \mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z} : 2 \nmid x\}} A_{d_{k_i}} \psi_i \chi^{(l)} d\mu_m, \end{aligned}$$

where  $2 \nmid ld_{k_i}(k_i/2)$  and  $ld_{k_i}k_i/2$  is the period of the function  $A_{d_{k_i}} \psi_i \chi^{(l)}$ .

From the properties of  $n_j$  and  $k_i$  ( $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ ) and (i)–(iv) we get:

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m + \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_j}} \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{t_m}{k_i} \varphi(k_i) \frac{1}{t_m} + \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j \int_{\{x: d_{k_j}x \in \mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}\}} \chi_0^{(k_i)}(x) \chi_0^{(k_i)}(d_{k_j}) d\mu_m \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i} + \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j \chi_0^{(k_i)}(d_{k_j}) \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{d_{k_j} k_i}, \end{aligned}$$

where if  $\chi_0^{(k_i)}(d_{k_j}) \neq 0$ , i.e.,  $(k_i, d_{k_j}) = 1$ , then  $k_i | (t_m/d_{k_j})$ , and hence

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i} \leq \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m \leq \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i},$$

and similarly

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi(n_j)}{n_j} \leq \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_0^{(n_j)} d\mu_m \leq \frac{\varphi(n_j)}{n_j}.$$

(b) We have

$$\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi d\mu_m = 0$$

for any character  $\chi \pmod{n_j}$ .

(c) If  $2 \nmid k_i$ , then since  $\chi_i$  is a primitive character, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_i d\mu_m &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_j}} g_j \chi_i d\mu_m \\ &\stackrel{(i),(iii),(iv)}{=} \frac{1}{2} \gamma_i \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_i \frac{1}{d_{k_i}} \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{i+2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{2^j} \right)^{-1} \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i}. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Similarly, for  $2 \parallel k_i$  and  $\chi_i = \chi_0^{(2)} \psi_i$ ,  $\psi_i$  being a primitive character  $(\text{mod } (k_i/2))$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_i d\mu_m &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_j}} g_j \chi_i d\mu_m \\ &\stackrel{(i),(iii)}{=} \frac{1}{2} \gamma_i \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} (1 - 2A_2) \chi_0^{(2)} \bar{\psi}_i \psi_i d\mu_m \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \gamma_i \int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} A_{d_{k_i}} \chi_0^{(k_i)} d\mu_m = \frac{1}{2^{i+2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{2^j} \right)^{-1} \frac{\varphi(k_i)}{k_i}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that there exists a sequence  $\{x_r^{(m)}\}$  in  $\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}$  such that

$$(i^*) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi^{(n_j)}(x_r^{(m)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(n_j)}(x_r^{(m)})} = \frac{\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi^{(n_j)} d\mu_m}{\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_0^{(n_j)} d\mu_m} = 0$$

for any  $\chi^{(n_j)} \pmod{n_j}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ ;

$$(ii^*) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_j(x_r^{(m)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_j)}(x_r^{(m)})} = \frac{\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_j d\mu_m}{\int_{\mathbf{Z}/t_m\mathbf{Z}} f_m \chi_0^{(k_j)} d\mu_m} = a_j^{(m)},$$

where

$$\frac{1}{2^{j+2}} \leq \frac{1}{2^{j+2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{2^i} \right)^{-1} \leq a_j^{(m)} \leq \frac{1}{2^{j+1}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{2^i} \right)^{-1} \leq \frac{1}{2^j},$$

$$1 \leq j \leq m.$$

The Lemma is thus proved.

Now we prove the Theorem. Let  $X = \{n_1 < n_2 < \dots\}$  be a set of positive integers  $\geq 3$  satisfying  $(*)$  and let  $X' = \{k_1 < k_2 < \dots\}$  be the sequence of all

the remaining integers  $\geq 3$ . Observe that for any  $i, j$  we have either  $\omega(k_i) \neq \omega(n_j)$  or  $k_i \not\equiv n_j$  or both. Then by the Lemma for every  $m \geq 1$  there exists a sequence  $\{x_r^{(m)}\}$  of integers satisfying (i\*) and (ii\*), where if either  $X$  or  $X'$  is finite, we just take either  $n_1, \dots, n_{m'}, m' = \bar{X}$ , or  $k_1, \dots, k_{m'}, m' = \bar{X}'$ , suitable for each  $m \geq m'$ . (In fact, the Lemma is true for any  $m, m' \geq 1$ ,  $n_1, \dots, n_{m'}$  and  $k_1, \dots, k_{m'}$ .)

We enumerate the non-principal characters  $\chi$  modulo the various  $n_j$  as  $X_1, X_2, \dots$ , i.e.,

$$X_1 = \chi_1^{(n_1)}, \dots, X_{\varphi(n_1)-1} = \chi_{\varphi(n_1)-1}^{(n_1)},$$

where  $\chi_j^{(n_1)}$  are various, non-principal characters (mod  $n_1$ ),

$$X_{\varphi(n_1)} = \chi_1^{(n_2)}, \dots, X_{\varphi(n_1)+\varphi(n_2)-2} = \chi_{\varphi(n_2)-1}^{(n_2)},$$

$\chi_j^{(n_2)}$  are various characters different from  $\chi_0^{(n_2)}$ , and so on. Then for  $1 \leq j \leq m$  we obtain

$$\frac{\sum_{r=1}^N X_j(x_r^{(m)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(j)}(x_r^{(m)})} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $X_0^{(j)}$  is the principal character of the same modulus as  $X_j$ . Thus we have

$$\forall_{i \geq m} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N X_m(x_r^{(i)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(i)})} = 0,$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_m(x_r^{(i)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)})} = a_m^{(i)},$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{m+2}} \leq |a_m^{(i)}| \leq \frac{1}{2^m},$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi(k_m)}{k_m} \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)}) \leq \frac{\varphi(k_m)}{k_m},$$

and similarly

$$\frac{1}{2} R_m \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(i)}) \leq R_m,$$

i.e.,

$$\forall m \forall i \geq m \exists s(i) \forall N \geq s(i) \left| \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N X_m(x_r^{(i)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(i)})} \right| < \frac{1}{2^i},$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{m+3}} \leq \left| \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_m(x_r^{(i)})}{\sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)})} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^{m-1}},$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{\varphi(k_m)}{k_m} \leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{r=1}^N \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)}) \leq 2 \frac{\varphi(k_m)}{k_m},$$

$$\frac{1}{4} R_m \leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(i)}) \leq 2 R_m.$$

Let  $r(i) \stackrel{\text{df}}{=} 2^i s(i+1)$  and let  $2^{i+2} s(i) < s(i+1)$ . Put

$$\{g_r\} = T_1 \cup T_2 \cup \dots,$$

the elements of various finite sequences  $T_1, T_2, \dots$  written in the obvious order where

$$T_i = \{x_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_{r(i)}^{(i)}\}$$

(i.e.  $\{g_r\} = \{x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_{r(1)}^{(1)}, x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_{r(2)}^{(2)}, x_1^{(3)}, \dots\}$ ).

We assert that  $\{g_r\}$  is WUD(mod  $n$ ) for each  $n \in X$ , i.e.,

$$\forall \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N X_m(g_r)}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} = 0.$$

In fact,

$$\left| \frac{\sum_{r=1}^N X_m(g_r)}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} \right| \leq \frac{\sum_{l=1}^{m-1} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(l)} X_m(x_r^{(l)}) \right|}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} + \frac{\sum_{l=m}^{m_N} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(l)} X_m(x_r^{(l)}) \right|}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} + \frac{\left| \sum_{r=1}^M X_m(x_r^{(m_N+1)}) \right|}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)},$$

where

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m_N} r(i) \leq N < \sum_{i=1}^{m_N+1} r(i), \quad M = N - \sum_{i=1}^{m_N} r(i).$$

The first summand on the right-hand side of the above inequality converges to zero; the remaining two will be denoted by II and III, respectively.

For  $l \geq m$  and large  $n$  we have

$$\left| \sum_{r=1}^n X_m(x_r^{(l)}) \right| < \frac{\sum_{r=1}^n X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(l)})}{2^l}.$$

Let

$$f(l) = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{r(l)} X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(l)})}{2^l}.$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{4}R_m s(l+1) \leq f(l) \leq 2R_m s(l+1) \quad \text{and} \quad f(l) \geq f(l-1).$$

Hence

$$\text{II} \leq \frac{\sum_{l=m}^{m_N} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(l)} X_m(x_r^{(l)}) \right|}{\sum_{l=1}^{m_N} \sum_{r=1}^{r(l)} X_0^{(m)}(x_r^{(l)})} < \frac{\sum_{l=m}^{m_N} f(l)}{\sum_{l=1}^{m_N} 2^l f(l)} \leq \frac{m_N f(m_N)}{2^{m_N} f(m_N)} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

For  $M \geq s(m_N+1)$ ,

$$\text{III} = \frac{\left| \sum_{r=1}^M X_m(x_r^{(m_N+1)}) \right|}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} < \frac{1}{2^{m_N+1}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

For  $M < s(m_N+1)$ ,

$$\text{III} \leq \frac{\sum_{r=1}^M 1}{\sum_{r=1}^N X_0^{(m)}(g_r)} < \frac{s(m_N+1)}{2^{m_N} f(m_N)} \leq \frac{1}{2^{m_N-2} R_m} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

To prove the Theorem it remains to show that for  $k \notin X$  the sequence  $\{g_r\}$  is not WUD(mod  $k$ ). If

$$f(i) \stackrel{\text{df}}{=} \sum_{r=1}^{r(i)} \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)}) \cdot 2^{-i},$$

then

$$\frac{2^i f(i)}{2^{m+3}} \leq \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(i)} \chi_m(x_r^{(i)}) \right| \leq \frac{2^i f(i)}{2^{m-1}},$$



and furthermore

$$\frac{f(n-1)}{f(n)} \leq \frac{2s(n)}{\frac{1}{4}s(n+1)} \leq \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}.$$

For  $N_n = \sum_{i=1}^n r(i)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{N_n} \chi_m(g_r)}{\sum_{r=1}^{N_n} \chi_0^{(k_m)}(g_r)} \right| &\geq \frac{\left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(n)} \chi_m(x_r^{(n)}) \right| - \sum_{i=m}^{n-1} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(i)} \chi_m(x_r^{(i)}) \right| - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{r(i)} \chi_m(x_r^{(i)}) \right|}{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{r=1}^{r(i)} \chi_0^{(k_m)}(x_r^{(i)})} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2^m} \frac{2^{n-3}f(n) - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^i f(i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n 2^i f(i)} - o(n) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2^m} \frac{2^{n-3}f(n) - 2^{2-n}f(n) \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^i}{f(n) \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i} - o(n) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^m} \frac{2^{n-3} - 2^{2-n} \cdot 2(2^{n-1} - 1)}{2(2^n - 1)} - o(n) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2^m} \left( \frac{1}{2^4} - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \right) - o(n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^{m+4}} > \frac{1}{2^{m+5}}, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\left| \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{N_n} \chi_m(g_r)}{\sum_{r=1}^{N_n} \chi_0^{(k_m)}(g_r)} \right| > \frac{1}{2^{m+5}}$$

for large  $n$  and  $\{g_r\}$  is not WUD(mod  $k$ ) for  $k \notin X$ .

#### REFERENCES

- [1] P. C. Baayen and Z. Hedrlin, *On the existence of well-distributed sequences in compact spaces*. Indag. Math. 27 (1965), pp. 221–228.

- [2] W. Narkiewicz, *On distribution of values of multiplicative function in residue classes*, Acta Arith. 12 (1967), pp. 269–279.
- [3] A. Zame, *On a problem of Narkiewicz concerning uniform distributions of sequences of integers*, Colloq. Math. 24 (1972), pp. 271–273.

*Reçu par la Rédaction le 28.6.1984*

---