A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON THE STEIN-TOMAS THEOREM

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One World Fractals

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Equivalently, for all $f \in L^p(\mu)$ and q > 2,

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Why σ^{d-1} ? Two reasons:

- $\sigma^{d-1}(B(e,r)) \lesssim r^{d-1}$, for all $e \in S^{d-1}$, r > 0.
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Question

Can more information about the dimensionality of μ give us a better range for the restriction estimate to hold?

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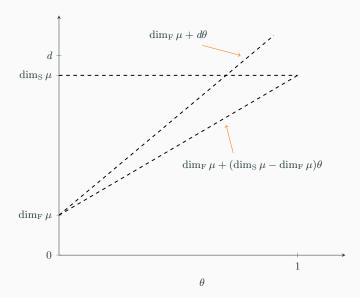
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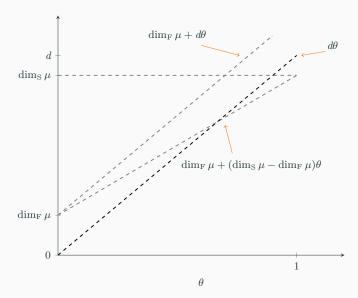
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Restriction for the cone

Let

$$C^{d-1} = \{(t, |t|) : t \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}, |t| \le 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d,$$

be the cone on \mathbb{R}^d and ν^{d-1} the surface measure on C^{d-1} .

Conjecture (cone restriction conjecure)

The estimate $\|\widehat{f\nu^{d-1}}\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d)}\lesssim_{p,q}\|f\|_{L^p(\nu^{d-1})}$ holds for all $f\in L^p(\nu^{d-1})$ if and only if

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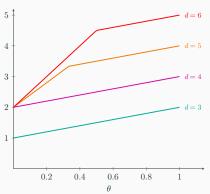
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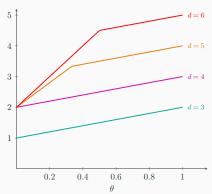


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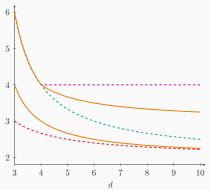
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