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Estimates of the Discrepancy Function in Orlicz spaces close to L^1 .

Let \mathcal{A}_N to be N points in the unit cube in dimension d , and consider the Discrepancy function

$$D_N(\vec{x}) = \#\mathcal{A}_N \cap [\vec{0}, \vec{x}] - N|[\vec{0}, \vec{x}]|$$

Here, $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$ and $[\vec{0}, \vec{x}] = \prod_{t=1}^d [0, x_t)$. We show that necessarily

$$\|D_N\|_{L^1(\log L)^{(d-2)/2}} \gtrsim (\log N)^{d/2}.$$

In dimension $d = 2$, the ‘ $\log L$ ’ term has power zero, which corresponds to a Theorem due to Halasz. (Received November 06, 2006)