

Furstenberg Sets Estimates with Application to Restriction Theory

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A Kakeya set is a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n containing a unit line segment in every direction. More generally, for $0 < s \leq 1$, an s -Furstenberg set is a subset $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ such that for every direction there is a unit line segment whose intersection with E has Hausdorff dimension at least s . Furstenberg set problems ask for lower bounds on $\dim_H(E)$ in terms of s and n .

In this talk I will discuss how such dimension estimates arise naturally in Fourier restriction theory via wave packet decompositions. From this perspective it is natural to consider s -dimensional subsets of line segments, rather than whole segments, because waves may concentrate on sparser subsets of tubes.

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