

## ON SOME ARITHMETIC SETS

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This paper is an continuation of our paper [1].

The arithmetic function  $\partial$  is introduced in [2] for every natural number  $n = \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{\alpha_i}$ , where for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k \geq 1$  :  $p_i$  are prime numbers and  $\alpha_i \geq 1$  and it has the following form:

$$\partial(n) = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_{i-1}^{\alpha_{i-1}} p_i^{\alpha_i-1} p_{i+1}^{\alpha_{i+1}} p_k^{\alpha_k}. \quad (1)$$

Easily it can be seen from (1) that

$$\partial(n) = n \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\alpha_i}{p_i}. \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2) we see also that for every prime number  $p$ :

$$\partial(p) = 1 \quad (3)$$

and

$$\partial(n) \geq n \text{ iff } \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\alpha_i}{p_i} \geq 1.$$

Let

$$C_k = \{x \mid [\frac{\partial(x)}{x}] = k\}.$$

**THEOREM 1:** For every natural number  $k \geq 0$ :

- (a)  $C_k \neq \emptyset$ ,
- (b)  $\text{card} C_k = \aleph_0$ .

**Proof:** From (3) it is clear that for every prime number  $p$ :

$$[\frac{\partial(p)}{p}] = 0.$$

Let us assume that for the natural number  $k$  there is a natural number  $n$  such that:

$$\left[\frac{\partial(n)}{n}\right] = k.$$

Let  $p \notin \underline{set}(n)$ , where for the above natural number  $n$   $\underline{set}(n) = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$ .

Let us construct the natural number  $m = np^p$ . Then from (2)

$$\left[\frac{\partial(m)}{m}\right] = \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\alpha_i}{p_i} + \frac{p}{p}\right] = \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\alpha_i}{p_i}\right] + 1 = k + 1.$$

Therefore, for the natural number  $k + 1$  also there is a natural number  $m$  such that  $m \in C_{k+1}$ .

For every natural number  $n$ :

$$\underline{card}(\underline{set}(n)) < \aleph_0,$$

where as it is well known  $\underline{card}(X)$  is the cardinality of the set  $X$  and  $\aleph_0$  is the cardinality of the set of the natural numbers. Therefore

$$\underline{card}(\mathcal{P} - \underline{set}(n)) = \aleph_0,$$

where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of all prime numbers.

Therefore, there is an infinite number of prime numbers, which can be used in the above construction at the place of the number  $p$ . Hence, for every natural number  $k$ :  $\underline{card}(C_k) = \aleph_0$ .

Following [3], we can formulate and prove the following

**THEOREM 2:** Let  $f(m)$  be one of the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\psi(m)}{\varphi(m)}, \frac{\sigma(m)}{\varphi(m)}, \frac{\sigma^2(m)}{\varphi(m)}, \frac{\psi(m)}{m}, \frac{m}{\varphi(m)}, \frac{\sigma(m)}{m}, \frac{\Phi(m)}{\varphi^2(m)}, \frac{\psi(m).\psi(m)}{Phi(m)}, \\ & \frac{\sigma(m)}{\varphi(m)}, \frac{\sigma(m)}{\psi(m)}, \frac{\Phi(m)}{m.\varphi(m)}, \frac{m.\psi(m)}{\Phi(m)}, \frac{\psi^2(m)}{\Phi(m)}. \end{aligned}$$

For every natural number  $a$  the set

$$F_f(a) = \{x \mid (x \in \mathcal{N}) \& ([f(x)] = a)\},$$

has infinitely many elements  $x$  for which  $\mu(x) \neq 0$ , where  $\mu$  is the Möbius function, where  $\mathcal{N}$  is the set of the natural numbers.

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The authors thank to Prof. ...for his review and for his remark in "Mathematical Reviews" on our paper [1]. really, everywhere in this paper the expression  $\mu(x) = 0$  must be read  $\mu(x) \neq 0$ , because of one and the same misprint. The same correction is necessary for all corresponding places in the paper [3], too. The correct form of Theorem 1 from [3] is the following

Let  $\{p_t\}_{t=1}^{\infty}$  be an increasing sequence of primes and  $\{\theta_t\}_{t=1}^{\infty}$  satisfies the conditions:

- For every  $t \in \mathcal{N}$  we have  $\theta_t \in (1, \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2})$ ;
- For every  $t \in \mathcal{N}$  it is fulfilled

$$\frac{1}{\theta_{t+1}-1} - \frac{1}{\theta_t-1} \geq 1$$

- The sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $+\infty$ , where for  $n \in \mathcal{N}$

$$a_n = \theta_1 \cdot \theta_2 \dots \theta_n.$$

If a multiplicative function  $f$  satisfies the relations

$$f(p_t) = \theta_t, \quad t \in \mathcal{N},$$

then for every  $a \in \mathcal{N}$  the set  $F_f(a)$  has infinitely many elements  $x$ , for which it is fulfilled

$$\mu(x) \neq 0,$$

where  $\mu$  is the classical Möbius function.

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