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Abstract. Let $\mathbb{P} = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_i, \dots\}$ be the set of prime numbers (or more generally a set of pairwise co-prime elements). Let us denote $A_p^{a,b} = \{p^{an+b}m \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}; m \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\}$, where $a \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Then for arbitrary finite set $B, B \subset \mathbb{P}$ holds

$$d\left(\bigcap_{p_i \in B} A_{p_i}^{a_i, b_i}\right) = \prod_{p_i \in B} d\left(A_{p_i}^{a_i, b_i}\right),$$

and

$$d\left(A_{p_i}^{a_i, b_i}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{p_i^{b_i}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^{a_i}}}.$$

If we denote

$$A = \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{p^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p^a}} \mid p \in \mathbb{P}, a \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\},$$

where \mathbb{P} is the set of all prime numbers, then for closure of set A holds

$$\text{cl } A = A \cup B \cup \{0, 1\},$$

where $B = \left\{ \frac{1}{p^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \mid p \in \mathbb{P}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\}$.

1 Introduction

Theorems 1, 2 and 3 introduced in this paper are generalizations of some results from [1] and [2] concerned in sets of natural numbers in form $p^{an+b}m$. In this paper asymptotic densities of sets of natural numbers in form $p^{an}m$, where $p, m \in \mathbb{N}$,

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$p > 1$, p does not divide m , and $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is an increasing sequence of non-negative integers are studied.

The denotation

$$A_p^{a_n} = \{p^{a_n}m \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\}$$

is used.

The above mentioned sets $A_p^{a_n}$ are interesting because of one of their properties: If we take two co-prime numbers p , and q , then for the asymptotic density of intersection of sets $A_p^{a_n}$, and $A_q^{b_n}$ holds

$$d(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) = d(A_p^{a_n})d(A_q^{b_n}).$$

Moreover, if we take arbitrary finite number of pairwise co-prime numbers p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k , and arbitrary increasing sequences of non-negative integers $\{a_1(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{a_2(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \dots, \{a_k(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, then for the asymptotic density of intersection of sets $A_{p_j}^{a_j(n)}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$ holds

$$d\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^k A_{p_j}^{a_j(n)}\right) = \prod_{j=1}^k d(A_{p_j}^{a_j(n)}).$$

Theorem 4 describes the closure of set of asymptotic densities of sets $A_p^{a_n+b}$, where p is prime number, $a \in \mathbb{N}$, and $b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

2 Asymptotic densities of sets $A_p^{a_n}$

At first the asymptotic densities of sets $A_p^{a_n}$ are determined.

Theorem 1. *Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $p > 1$, and let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be an increasing sequence of non-negative integers. If we denote*

$$A_p^{a_n} = \{p^{a_n}m \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\}$$

and $r_p^{a_n} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}$, then

$$d(A_p^{a_n}) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) r_p^{a_n}.$$

Proof. Let us denote $C_j = \{p^{a_j}m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}\}$ for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We can see that the set C_j contains natural numbers in form $p^s m$, where $s \geq a_j$.

Similarly, let us denote $D_j = \{p^{a_j+1}m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}\}$ for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We can see that the set D_j contains natural numbers in form $p^s m$, where $s \geq a_j + 1$.

We denote the difference of set C_j , and D_j by Q_j . It holds that

$$Q_j = C_j \setminus D_j = \{p^{a_j}m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\}. \quad (1)$$

From equation (1) follows

$$A_p^{a_n} = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} Q_j.$$

Hence, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ holds

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \subseteq A_p^{a_n} \subseteq C_{k+1} \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j. \quad (2)$$

We determine asymptotic densities of sets C_j , D_j , and Q_j . Element $p^{a_j}m \in C_j$ fulfills condition $p^{a_j}m \leq n$ if and only if $m \leq \frac{n}{p^{a_j}}$.

Hence, m is the number of elements of set C_j which are less or equal to n . Thus, from above mentioned follows that¹

$$C_j(n) = \left[\frac{n}{p^{a_j}} \right].$$

So we obtain the asymptotic density of set C_j

$$d(C_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_j(n)}{n} = \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}. \quad (3)$$

Similarly,

$$d(D_j) = \frac{1}{p^{a_j+1}}. \quad (4)$$

Since $D_j \subset C_j$, and $Q_j = C_j \setminus D_j$, from equations (3), and (4) we obtain

$$d(Q_j) = d(C_j) - d(D_j) = \frac{1}{p^{a_j}} - \frac{1}{p^{a_j+1}} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}. \quad (5)$$

Sets Q_j are pairwise disjoint (one can easily prove that $Q_i \cap Q_j \neq \emptyset$ implies $i = j$). It means that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ holds

$$d\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j). \quad (6)$$

From (2) we obtain estimations of lower and upper asymptotic density of set $A_p^{a_n}$

$$d\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j\right) \leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq d(C_{k+1}) + d\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j\right).$$

From (6) we obtain

$$\sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j) \leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq d(C_{k+1}) + \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j),$$

and from (3), and (5) follows

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{p^{a_j}} \leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n}) \leq \frac{1}{p^{a_{k+1}}} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}.$$

¹We denote the integral part of real number x by $[x]$, and the number of elements of a set A by $A(n)$.

These inequalities hold for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$. With $k \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$d(A_p^{a_n}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{p^{a_j}} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a_j}} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) r_p^{a_n}.$$

We should note that the sum $r_p^{a_n} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}$ is convergent. The sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is an increasing sequence of non-negative integers, hence $a_j \geq j - 1$ holds for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$. It means that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a_j}} \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{j-1}} = \frac{p}{p-1}. \quad \square$$

Theorem 2. *If $p, q \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, $\gcd(p, q) = 1$, $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, and $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are increasing sequences of non-negative integers, $r_p^{a_n} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}$, and $r_q^{b_n} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{q^{b_j}}$, then*

$$d(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{q}\right) r_p^{a_n} r_q^{b_n} = d(A_p^{a_n}) d(A_q^{b_n}).$$

Proof. Set

$$A_p^{a_n} = \{p^{a_n} m \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\}$$

and

$$A_q^{b_n} = \{q^{b_n} m \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, q \text{ does not divide } m\}.$$

Since $\gcd(p, q) = 1$,

$$A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n} = \{p^{a_j} q^{b_i} m \mid i, j, m \in \mathbb{N}; p, q \text{ does not divide } m\}. \quad (7)$$

Let us denote $C_j = \{p^{a_j} m \mid m \in A_q^{b_n}\}$ for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We can see that the set C_j contains natural numbers in form $p^s q^{b_i} m$, where $s \geq a_j$, $m, i \in \mathbb{N}$, and q does not divide m .

Similarly, let us denote $D_j = \{p^{a_j+1} m \mid m \in A_q^{b_n}\}$ for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We can see that the set D_j contains natural numbers in form $p^s q^{b_i} m$, where $s \geq a_j + 1$, $m, i \in \mathbb{N}$, and q does not divide m .

We denote the difference of set C_j , and D_j by Q_j . It holds that

$$Q_j = C_j \setminus D_j = \{p^{a_j} m \mid m \in A_q^{b_n}; p, q \text{ does not divide } m\}. \quad (8)$$

We can see that the set Q_j contains natural numbers in form $p^{a_j} q^{b_i} m$, where j is fixed, $m, i \in \mathbb{N}$, and neither p nor q does not divide m .

From equations (7), and (8) follows

$$A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n} = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} Q_j. \quad (9)$$

Hence, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ holds

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \subseteq A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n} \subseteq C_{k+1} \cup \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \right). \quad (10)$$

Now, we determine asymptotic densities of sets C_j , D_j , and Q_j . Element $p^{a_j}m \in C_j$ ($m \in A_q^{b_n}$) fulfills condition $p^{a_j}m \leq n$ if and only if $m \leq \frac{n}{p^{a_j}}$.

Hence, the number of elements of the set C_j which are less or equal to n is equal to the number of elements $m \in A_q^{b_n}$ which are less or equal to $\frac{n}{p^{a_j}}$. It means that

$$C_j(n) = A_q^{b_n} \left(\left[\frac{n}{p^{a_j}} \right] \right).$$

So we obtain the asymptotic density of the set C_j

$$d(C_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_j(n)}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A_q^{b_n} \left(\left[\frac{n}{p^{a_j}} \right] \right)}{n} = \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j}}. \quad (11)$$

Similarly,

$$d(D_j) = \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j+1}}. \quad (12)$$

Since $D_j \subset C_j$, and $Q_j = C_j \setminus D_j$, from equations (11), and (12) we obtain

$$d(Q_j) = d(C_j) - d(D_j) = \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j}} - \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j+1}} = d(A_q^{b_n}) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \frac{1}{p^{a_j}}. \quad (13)$$

Sets Q_j are pairwise disjoint (one can easily prove that $Q_i \cap Q_j \neq \emptyset$ implies $i = j$). It means that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ holds

$$d \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \right) = \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j). \quad (14)$$

From (10) we obtain estimations of lower and upper asymptotic density of set $A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}$

$$d \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \right) \leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \leq d(C_{k+1}) + d \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \right).$$

From (14) follows

$$\sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j) \leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \leq d(C_{k+1}) + \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j),$$

and from (11), and (13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j}} &\leq \underline{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \leq \bar{d}(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) \\ &\leq \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_{k+1}}} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{a_j}}. \end{aligned}$$

These inequalities hold for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$. With $k \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$d(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d(A_q^{b_n})}{p^{aj}} = d(A_q^{b_n}) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{aj}}.$$

And according to Theorem 1 holds

$$d(A_p^{a_n} \cap A_q^{b_n}) = d(A_p^{a_n})d(A_q^{b_n}). \quad \square$$

Theorem 3. *Let $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r\}$ be a set of pairwise co-prime natural numbers², where $1 \notin P$, and $\{a_1(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{a_2(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \dots, \{a_r(n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are increasing sequences of non-negative integers. Then*

$$d\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^r A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^r d(A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}) = \prod_{i=1}^r \left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_i^{a_i(j)}} \right).$$

Proof. We can perform the proof of Theorem 3 by induction according to r . The case of $r = 1$ (and $r = 2$) was proved in Theorem 1 (and in Theorem 2). Therefore, we can consider (induction hypothesis) that

$$d\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{r-1} A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} d(A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}) = \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} \left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_i^{a_i(j)}} \right). \quad (15)$$

Since p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r are pairwise co-prime numbers

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^r A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)} = \{p_r^{a_r(j_r)} p_{r-1}^{a_{r-1}(j_{r-1})} \dots p_1^{a_1(j_1)} .m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}, \\ j_i \in \mathbb{N}, p_i \text{ does not divide } m, i = 1, 2, \dots, r\}, \quad (16)$$

and

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{r-1} A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)} = \{p_{r-1}^{a_{r-1}(j_{r-1})} \dots p_1^{a_1(j_1)} .m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}, \\ j_i \in \mathbb{N}, p_i \text{ does not divide } m, i = 1, 2, \dots, r-1\}. \quad (17)$$

For simplicity, let us denote

$$A = \bigcap_{i=1}^r A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}, \quad \text{and} \quad A^* = \bigcap_{i=1}^{r-1} A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}.$$

Further let us denote

$$C_j = \{p_r^{a_r(j)} .m \mid m \in A^*\}, \\ D_j = \{p_r^{a_r(j)+1} .m \mid m \in A^*\}, \\ Q_j = C_j \setminus D_j.$$

²For each $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$, $i \neq j$ holds $\gcd(p_i, p_j) = 1$.

The same way as in previous proofs we can prove following equations

$$\begin{aligned} d(C_j) &= \frac{d(A^*)}{p_r^{a_r(j)}}, \\ d(D_j) &= \frac{d(A^*)}{p_k^{a_r(j)+1}}, \\ d(Q_j) &= d(C_j) - d(D_j) = \frac{d(A^*)}{p_r^{a_r(j)}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right), \\ d\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j\right) &= \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we can prove this relations, following from (16), (17), and holding for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j \subseteq A = \bigcap_{i=1}^r A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)} \subseteq C_{k+1} \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^k Q_j,$$

and estimations

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j) &\leq \underline{d}(A) \leq \bar{d}(A) \leq d(C_{k+1}) + \sum_{j=1}^k d(Q_j), \\ \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d(A^*)}{p_r^{a_r(j)}} &\leq \underline{d}(A) \leq \bar{d}(A) \leq \frac{d(A^*)}{p_r^{a_r(k+1)}} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{d(A^*)}{p_r^{a_r(j)}}. \end{aligned}$$

With $k \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(A) &= d(A^*) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_r^{a_r(j)}} = \\ &= d(A^*) d(A_{p_r}^{a_r(n)}) = \\ &= d\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{r-1} A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}\right) d(A_{p_r}^{a_r(n)}). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, according to (15), and Theorem 1

$$\begin{aligned} d(A) &= d(A_{p_r}^{a_r(n)}) \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} d(A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}) = \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^r d(A_{p_i}^{a_i(n)}) = \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^r \left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_i^{a_i(j)}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

As a special case we can consider sets $A_p^{a_n}$, where $a_n = a(n-1) + b$ is an increasing arithmetical sequence of non-negative integers, p is a prime number, and $a \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. For simplicity, we denote them by $A_p^{a,b}$, i.e.

$$A_p^{a,b} = \{p^{a(n-1)+b}m \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, p \text{ does not divide } m\},$$

Asymptotic density of $A_p^{a,b}$ is equal (according to Theorem 1) to

$$d(A_p^{a,b}) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{a(j-1)+b}} = \frac{\frac{1}{p^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p^a}}.$$

Theorem 4. Let $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_i < \dots$ be the sequence of all prime numbers,

$$A = \{d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) \mid i, a \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}\}$$

and

$$B = \left\{ \frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \right\}.$$

Then for the closure of set A holds

$$\text{cl } A = A \cup B \cup \{0, 1\}.$$

Proof. The strategy of this proof is following: It is obvious that $\text{cl } A \subseteq \langle 0, 1 \rangle$, and $A \subseteq \text{cl } A$. We choose arbitrary $x_0 \in (0, 1), x_0 \notin A, x_0 \notin B$ and we prove that $x_0 \notin \text{cl } A$. Then we prove that $B \subset \text{cl } A$, and $0 \in \text{cl } A, 1 \in \text{cl } A$.

First of all, we are going to prove that there is just a finite number of elements of the set B in an arbitrary interval $(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq (0, 1), 0 < \alpha < \beta < 1$.

Let us denote

$$k_{b,i} = \frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right). \quad (18)$$

Hence, $B = \{k_{b,i} \mid i \in \mathbb{N}, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}\}$. It is obvious that for $b \geq 1$ holds $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} k_{b,i} = 0$, and $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} k_{0,i} = 1$. Therefore, for fixed b just a finite number of elements $k_{b,i}$ belongs to the interval (α, β) .

Moreover, for arbitrary $\alpha > 0$ exists $b_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for every $b > b_0$ and for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$ holds

$$k_{b,i} = \frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) < \frac{1}{p_i^b} < \frac{1}{2^b} < \alpha.$$

Hence, only elements $k_{b,i} \in B$ where $b \leq b_0$ belong to interval (α, β) . Thus, there is just finite number of elements of the set B in the given interval (α, β) .

Let us consider arbitrary $x_0 \in (0, 1), x_0 \notin A, x_0 \notin B$. There must exist some interval (α, β) , where $0 < \alpha < \beta < 1, x_0 \in (\alpha, \beta)$. We know that there exist just a finite number of elements of B in the interval (α, β) .

Hence, $(x_0 \notin B)$ according to above mentioned assumptions)

$$\exists c_1, c_2 \in B : x_0 \in (c_1, c_2), (c_1, c_2) \cap B = \emptyset. \quad (19)$$

For arbitrary $d \in A$ exists (see (18)) $k_{b,i} \in B$:

$$d = d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) = \frac{\frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}} = \frac{k_{b,i}}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}}. \quad (20)$$

We are looking for all elements $d \in A$, which belong to the interval (c_1, c_2) . Doing so, we solve inequalities

$$c_1 < d < c_2.$$

From (20), and from the fact that $p_i \geq 2$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &< \frac{k_{b,i}}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}} < c_2, \\ c_1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}\right) &< k_{b,i} < c_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}\right), \\ c_1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^a}\right) &< k_{b,i} < c_2, \\ \frac{c_1}{2} &< k_{b,i} < c_2, \end{aligned}$$

and from (19)

$$d = d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) \in (c_1, c_2) \Rightarrow k_{b,i} \in \left(\frac{c_1}{2}, c_1\right). \quad (21)$$

As proved above, there is just a finite number of elements $k_{b,i} \in B$ which satisfy the condition $k_{b,i} \in \left(\frac{c_1}{2}, c_1\right)$. Let us denote them (recall that $c_1 \in B$)

$$k_{b_1, i_1} < k_{b_2, i_2} < \dots < k_{b_r, i_r} = c_1.$$

Hence, (see (20) and (21)),

$$d = d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) \in (c_1, c_2) \text{ only if } b \in \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r\}, \text{ and } i \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r\}. \quad (22)$$

Let us determine for which a the elements $d = d(A_{p_{i_j}}^{a, b_j})$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ belong to the interval (c_1, c_2) ?

We can see that

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} d(A_{p_{i_j}}^{a, b_j}) = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_{b_j, i_j}}{1 - \frac{1}{p_{i_j}^a}} = k_{b_j, i_j} \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

Thus, for every $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ holds:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists a_0(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N} :$$

$$\forall a > a_0(\varepsilon) : d(A_{p_{i_j}}^{a, b_j}) < k_{b_j, i_j} + \varepsilon \leq k_{b_r, i_r} + \varepsilon = c_1 + \varepsilon. \quad (23)$$

We can choose ε small enough to $x_0 \in (c_1 + \varepsilon, c_2)$ (see (19)). From (22) and (23) follows that the element $d = d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) \in A$ belongs to the interval $(c_1 + \varepsilon, c_2)$

only if $b \in \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r\}$, $i \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r\}$, and $a \in \{1, 2, \dots, a_0(\varepsilon)\}$. Thus, for every $x_0 \in (0, 1)$, $x_0 \notin A$, $x_0 \notin B$ holds $x_0 \notin \text{cl } A$.

Moreover,

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}} = \frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right) \in B,$$

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(A_{p_i}^{a,0}) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{p_i^0} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}} = 1,$$

and

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} d(A_{p_i}^{a,b}) = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{p_i^b} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{p_i^a}} = 0.$$

Hence, $B \subset \text{cl } A$, $1 \in \text{cl } A$, and $0 \in \text{cl } A$. Thus, $\text{cl } A = A \cup B \cup \{0, 1\}$. □

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