

ON SOME FUNCTIONS OF FAST INCREASE

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ABSTRACT. This article looks at some theorems of functions which satisfy the condition $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \nu}{\ln \phi(\nu)} = 0$. This function is labelled function of fast increase. To show the applicability of such functions, some general results on a sequence s_n of positive integers that satisfy the asymptotic rule $s_n \sim n^r \ln \phi(n)$ where $\phi(\nu)$ is a function of fast increase are derived.

1. INTRODUCTION

Drawing inspiration from functions of slow increase in [1, 2] the function of fast increase is defined as follows.

Definition 1.1. Let $\phi(\nu)$ be a function from $[a, \infty)$ (where $a > 0$) to $(0, \infty)$ and $\phi(\nu) > 0$ with continuous derivative $\phi'(\nu) > 0$ and $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \phi(\nu) = \infty$. The function $\phi(\nu)$ is said to be function of fast increase if $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \nu}{\ln \phi(\nu)} = 0$. i.e.,

to every $\sigma > 0 \exists k_\sigma \ni \nu > k_\sigma$ and $\left| \frac{\ln \nu}{\ln \phi(\nu)} \right| < \sigma$

$$\Leftrightarrow |\ln \nu| < \sigma |\ln \phi(\nu)|, \quad \forall \nu > k_\sigma$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^{\ln \nu} < e^{\sigma \ln \phi(\nu)}, \quad \forall \nu > k_\sigma, \text{ where } (\ln \nu, \ln \phi(\nu) > 0).$$

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Some functions of fast increase are $\phi(\nu) = e^\nu$, $\phi(\nu) = e^{e^\nu}$, $\phi(\nu) = a^\nu$ ($a \geq 2$), and $\phi(\nu) = \frac{\Gamma(\nu)}{\Gamma'(\nu)}$ where $\Gamma(\nu) = \int_0^\infty t^{\nu-1} e^{-t} dt$ etc.

Note. 1) If $\phi(\nu)$ is function of fast increase, then $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} = 0$.

2) Write $F = \{\phi | \phi \text{ is f.f.i.}\}$.

Theorem 1.1. Let $\phi, \psi \in F$ and let $\alpha, d > 0$ be two constants, then $\phi + d$, $\phi - d$, $d\phi$, $\phi\psi$, ϕ^α , $\phi \circ \psi$, e^ϕ and $\phi + \psi$ all lies in F .

The proof is immediate consequence from the definition.

Theorem 1.2. Let $\phi, \psi \in F$ and $\mu(\nu) = \phi(\nu^\alpha)$ and $\eta(\nu) = \phi(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu))$ for each ν and $\alpha > 1$, then $\mu, \eta \in F$.

Proof. (i) As μ satisfies the conditions of a function of fast increase, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(\nu)}{\nu \mu'(\nu)} &= \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu^\alpha)}{\nu \alpha \nu^{\alpha-1} \phi'(\nu^\alpha)} \\ &= \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu^\alpha)}{\nu^\alpha \phi'(\nu^\alpha)} = 0 \quad (\text{since } \nu \rightarrow \infty \text{ then } \nu^\alpha \rightarrow \infty) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\mu = \phi(\nu^\alpha) \in F$.

(ii) As η satisfies the conditions of a function of fast increase, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\eta(\nu)}{\nu \eta'(\nu)} = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu))}{\nu \phi'(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu)) [\alpha \nu^{\alpha-1} \psi(\nu) + \nu^\alpha \psi'(\nu)]} \\ &\leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu))}{\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu) \phi'(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu))} = 0 \quad (\text{since } \nu \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } \psi(\nu) \rightarrow \infty \text{ then } \nu^\alpha \psi(\nu) \rightarrow \infty) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\eta = \phi(\nu^\alpha \psi(\nu)) \in F$. □

Theorem 1.3. Let $\phi, \psi \in F$ such that $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\psi(\nu)} = \infty$ and if $\frac{d}{d\nu} \left(\ln \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\psi(\nu)} \right) > 0$, then $\frac{\phi}{\psi} \in F$.

Proof. Let $\mu = \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\psi(\nu)}$ where $\phi, \psi \in F$ and $\mu' = \frac{\phi'\psi - \phi\psi'}{\psi^2}$. Then

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu}{\nu \mu'} = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\phi}{\psi} \times \psi^2}{\nu (\phi'\psi - \phi\psi')} = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\nu \left(\frac{\phi'\psi - \phi\psi'}{\phi\psi} \right)} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(\ln \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\psi(\nu)} \right) = \frac{\phi'\psi - \phi\psi'}{\phi\psi} > 0 \right).$$

Therefore $\mu = \frac{\phi}{\psi} \in F$. □

Theorem 1.4. Let $\phi(\nu)$ be a function from $[a, \infty)$ ($a > 0$) to $(0, \infty)$ such that $\phi(\nu) > 0$ with continuous derivative $\phi'(\nu) > 0$ and $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \phi(\nu) = \infty$.

(i) Define $\mu(\nu) = \phi(\ln \nu)$, then $\mu \in F \Leftrightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\phi'(\nu)} = 0$

(ii) Define $\eta(\nu) = e^{\phi(\nu)}$, then $\eta \in F \Leftrightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} = 0$.

Proof. (i) Suppose $\mu \in F \Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(\nu)}{\nu \mu'(\nu)} = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\ln \nu)}{\phi'(\ln \nu)} = 0$. If $y = \ln \nu$ and $\nu \rightarrow \infty$ then $y \rightarrow \infty$ then $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(y)}{\phi'(y)} = 0$ or $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\phi'(\nu)} = 0$.

Converse follows from the above proof.

(ii) Suppose $\eta \in F \Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\eta(\nu)}{\nu \eta'(\nu)} = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} = 0$.

Converse follows from the above proof. □

Theorem 1.5. Let ϕ be the function of fast increase if and only if to every $\alpha > 0$ then there exist ν_α such that $\frac{d}{d\nu} \left[\frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu^\alpha} \right] > 0, \forall \nu > \nu_\alpha$.

Proof. We have

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{d}{d\nu} \left[\frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu^\alpha} \right] = \frac{\alpha \phi'(\nu)}{\nu^\alpha} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} \right].$$

Suppose $\phi \in F$. Then $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} = 0$, i.e. for every $\alpha > 0 \exists \nu_\alpha \ni \forall \nu > \nu_\alpha$

and $\left| \frac{\phi}{\nu \phi} \right| < \frac{1}{\alpha}, \forall \nu > \nu_\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{\phi}{\nu \phi} > 0, \forall \nu > \nu_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\nu} \left[\frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu^\alpha} \right] > 0, \forall \nu > \nu_\alpha,$$

from (1.1). Converse follows from the above proof. □

Theorem 1.6. If $\phi \in F$ then $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu^\beta} = \infty, \forall \beta > 0$.

Proof follows from the definition.

Note. We know that every $\phi \in F$ is an increasing function. Moreover by the above theorem it is clear that $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu^\beta} = \infty, \forall \beta > 0$.

This shows that the increasing nature of ϕ is fast.

Corollary 1.1. If $\phi \in F$ then $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu} = \infty$ and $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \phi'(\nu) = \infty$.

The proof is immediate consequence of Theorem 1.6.

Theorem 1.7. If $\phi \in F$, for any then $\alpha \geq -1$ and $\beta \in R^+$, the series $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{\alpha} \phi(j)^{\beta}$ diverges to ∞ .

Proof. Write $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{\alpha} \phi(j)^{\beta} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [j^{\alpha+1} \phi(j)^{\beta}]^{\frac{1}{j}}$. We know that $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j}$ diverges to ∞ .

Given $\alpha \geq -1 \Rightarrow \alpha + 1 \geq 0$ and $\beta \in R^+$, $\Rightarrow \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} j^{\alpha+1} \phi(j)^{\beta} = \infty$.

Therefore $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{\alpha} \phi(j)^{\beta}$ diverges to ∞ . □

Theorem 1.8. Let $\phi \in F$, for any $\alpha \geq -1$ and $\beta \in R^+$ Then

$$\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_a^v x^{\alpha} \phi(x)^{\beta-1} \phi'(x) dx}{\frac{1}{\beta} v^{\alpha} \phi(v)^{\beta}} = 1.$$

Proof. From Theorem 1.7., $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta} v^{\alpha} \phi(v)^{\beta} = \infty$, $\alpha \geq -1$, $\beta \in R^+$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} v^{\alpha} \phi(v)^{\beta} &= \infty \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^{\nu} x^{\alpha} \phi(x)^{\beta-1} \phi'(x) dx &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_a^v x^{\alpha} \phi(x)^{\beta-1} \phi'(x) dx}{\frac{1}{\beta} v^{\alpha} \phi(v)^{\beta}} = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v^{\alpha} \phi(v)^{\beta-1} \phi'(v)}{\nu^{\alpha} \phi(\nu)^{\beta-1} \phi'(\nu) \left[\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu \phi'(\nu)} + 1 \right]} = 1,$$

by L'Hospital's Rule and $\phi \in F$. □

Corollary 1.2. If $\phi \in F$, then the following results holds.

- (i) $\int_a^v x^{\alpha} \phi'(x) dx \sim \nu^{\alpha} \phi(\nu)$.
- (ii) $\int_a^v \frac{\phi'(x)}{x} dx \sim \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\nu}$.

Proof is a particular case of Theorem 1.8.

Theorem 1.9. If $\phi \in F$ and $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\phi(\nu)}{\phi(\nu)} = M$ then $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1n\phi(\nu + k)}{1n\phi(\nu)} = 1$ for every $k \in R$.

Proof. Let $\psi(\nu) = \ln \phi(\nu)$, Suppose $k > 0$, $\exists x \in (\nu, \nu + k)$ such that $\psi(\nu + k) - \psi(\nu) = (k - \nu) \psi'(x)$ (By LMVT)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{\psi(\nu + k)}{\psi(\nu)} - 1 = \frac{k\psi'(x)}{\psi(\nu)} \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(\nu + k)}{\psi(\nu)} - 1 = k \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\phi'(\nu)}{\phi(\nu)} \times \frac{1}{\ln \phi(\nu)} \right) = 0, \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1n\phi(\nu + k)}{1n\phi(\nu)} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $k < 0$, $\exists x \in (\nu + k, \nu)$ such that $\psi(\nu) - \psi(\nu + k) = (\nu - \nu - k) \psi'(x)$ (By LMVT)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(\nu + k)}{\psi(\nu)} - 1 = -k \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\phi'(\nu)}{\phi(\nu)} \times \frac{1}{\ln \phi(\nu)} \right) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1n\phi(\nu + k)}{1n\phi(\nu)} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

□

2. APPLICATIONS OF FUNCTIONS OF FAST INCREASING TO SOME SEQUENCES OF INTEGERS

Definition 2.1. Let $\phi \in F$, (s_n) be a sequence of positive integers and is strictly increasing such that $s_1 \geq 1$ and

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s_n}{n^r \ln \phi(n)} = 1 \text{ for some } r \geq 1$$

i.e. $s_n \sim n^r \ln \phi(n)$, see reference [3].

For example, (i) $(s_n) = n^2$, $\phi(\nu) = e^\nu$ and $r = 1$

(ii) $(s_n) = ne^n$, $\phi(\nu) = e^{e^\nu}$ and $r = 1$

Definition 2.2. Let (s_n) be the sequence defined as above and $\nu > 0$ then $f(\nu) = \sum_{s_k \leq \nu} 1$, i.e. the member of (s_n) and is not exceeding ν .

Theorem 2.1. Let (s_n) be the sequence satisfying and $\phi, \psi \in F$ then

- (i) $s_{n+1} \sim s_n$
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s_{n+1} - s_n}{s_n} = 0$
- (iii) $\ln s_{n+1} \sim \ln s_n$

$$(iv) \quad \psi(s_{n+1}) \sim \psi(s_n)$$

$$(v) \quad \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\nu} = 0.$$

Proof. The proofs are immediate consequence of (2.1) and Theorem 1.9. \square

Theorem 2.2. Let (s_n) be the sequence satisfying 2.1 and $\psi \in F$ and $p \geq 1$ then

$$\psi(s_n) \sim p\psi(n) \Leftrightarrow \psi(f(\nu)) \sim \frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu).$$

Proof. Let $\psi(f(\nu)) \sim \frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu)$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(f(s_n)) \sim \frac{1}{p}\psi(s_n) \Rightarrow \psi(s_n) \sim p\psi(n) \quad (f(s_n) = n).$$

Conversely, let

$$(2.2) \quad \psi(s_n) \sim p\psi(n) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(f(s_n))}{\frac{1}{p}\psi(s_n)} = 1 \quad (\text{since } f(s_n) = n).$$

If $s_n \leq \nu \leq s_{n+1}$ then $\psi(f(s_n)) \leq \psi(f(\nu)) \leq \psi(f(s_{n+1}))$, and $\frac{1}{p}\psi(s_n) \leq \frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu) \leq \frac{1}{p}\psi(s_{n+1})$.

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(f(s_n))}{\frac{1}{p}\psi(s_{n+1})} \leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(f(\nu))}{\frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu)} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(f(s_{n+1}))}{\frac{1}{p}\psi(s_n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{\psi(f(\nu))}{\frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu)} \leq 1 \quad (s_{n+1} \sim s_n)$$

and from (2.2),

$$\Rightarrow \psi(f(\nu)) \sim \frac{1}{p}\psi(\nu).$$

\square

Lemma 2.1. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ be series of positive terms and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1$. If

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ is divergent then $\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k}{\sum_{k=1}^n b_k} = 1$.

Theorem 2.3. Let (s_n) be the sequence satisfying (2.1) $\psi \in F$ space, $p \geq 1$, $\psi(s_n) \sim \psi(n)$ and $\psi'(s_n) \sim \psi'(n)$ then

$$s_n \sim \frac{1}{n}\psi(n) \Leftrightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \Leftrightarrow f(\nu) \sim \int_a^\nu \frac{\psi'(x)}{x} dx \Leftrightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^2}{\nu}.$$

Proof. Suppose $f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \Rightarrow f(s_n) \sim \frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n}$,

$$\Rightarrow n \sim \frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n} \Rightarrow s_n \sim \frac{1}{n} \psi(n) \quad (\text{Since } f(s_n) = n).$$

Conversely, suppose

$$s_n \sim \frac{1}{n} \psi(n) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n}\right)} = 1.$$

If $s_n \leq \nu \leq s_{n+1}$ then $f(s_n) \leq f(\nu) \leq f(s_{n+1})$, and $\frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n} \leq \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \leq \frac{\psi(s_{n+1})}{s_{n+1}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_{n+1})}{s_{n+1}}\right)} \leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu}\right)} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_{n+1})}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n}\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu}\right)} \leq 1 (s_{n+1} \sim s_n) \Rightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\int_a^\nu \frac{\psi'(x)}{x} dx \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \Rightarrow f(\nu) \sim \int_a^\nu \frac{\psi'(x)}{x} dx.$$

Also we have $\int_a^\nu x \psi'(x) dx \sim \nu \psi(\nu)$ and $\psi'(x)$ is increasing

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n k \psi'(k) = \int_a^\nu x \psi'(x) dx + h(n) \\ &\Rightarrow \int_a^\nu x \psi'(x) dx + h(n) \sim \nu \psi(\nu). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 2.1., we can write $\sum_{k=1}^n k \psi'(s_k) \sim \sum_{k=1}^n k \psi'(k)$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n k \psi'(s_k) \sim n \psi(n) \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq s_n} k \psi'(s_k) \sim n \psi(s_n) \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq s_n} k \psi'(s_k) \sim f(s_n) \psi(s_n) \\ (2.3) \quad &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\sum_{s_k \leq s_n} k \psi'(s_k)}{\phi(s_n)}\right)} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

If $s_n \leq \nu \leq s_{n+1}$ then $f(s_n) \leq f(\nu) \leq f(s_{n+1})$, and

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq s_n} k\psi'(s_k) \leq \sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k) \leq \sum_{s_k \leq s_{n+1}} k\psi'(s_k), \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\sum_{s_k \leq s_{n+1}} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(s_n)}\right)} \leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(\nu)}\right)} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_{n+1})}{\left(\frac{\sum_{s_k \leq s_n} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(s_{n+1})}\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(\nu)}\right)} \leq 1 \text{ (since } s_{n+1} \sim s_n \text{) and from (2.3)} \\ &\Rightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{\sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(\nu)} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \sim \frac{\sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k)}{\psi(\nu)} \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^2}{\nu}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.4. Let (s_n) be the sequence satisfying (2.1), $\psi \in F$, $p \geq 1$, $l \geq 1$, $\psi(s_n) \sim l\psi(n)$ and $\psi'(s_n) \sim l\psi'(n)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} s_n \sim \frac{1}{n^p} \psi(n) &\Leftrightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}} \Leftrightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{1}{p l^{1/p}} \int_a^\nu \frac{\psi(x)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \psi'(x)}{x^{1/p}} dx \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k\psi'(s_k) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^{\frac{1}{p}+1}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose $f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}} \Rightarrow f(s_n) \sim \frac{\psi(s_n)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} s_n^{1/p}}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow n \sim \frac{\psi(s_n)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} s_n^{1/p}} \quad (\text{Since } f(s_n) = n) \\ &\Rightarrow s_n \sim \frac{1}{n^p} \psi(n) \quad (\text{Since } \psi(s_n) \sim l\psi(n)). \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, suppose $s_n \sim \frac{1}{n^p} \psi(n)$

$$(2.4) \quad \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_n)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} s_n^{1/p}}\right)} = 1.$$

If $s_n \leq \nu \leq s_{n+1}$ then $f(s_n) \leq f(\nu) \leq f(s_{n+1})$, and $\frac{\psi(s_n)}{s_n} \leq \frac{\psi(\nu)}{\nu} \leq \frac{\psi(s_{n+1})}{s_{n+1}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_n)}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_{n+1})^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} s_{n+1}^{1/p}}\right)} &\leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\psi(\nu)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}}\right)} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(s_{n+1})}{\left(\frac{\psi(s_n)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} s_n^{1/p}}\right)} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &\leq \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(\nu)}{\left(\frac{\psi(\nu)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}}\right)} \leq 1 \text{ (Since } s_{n+1} \sim s_n) \end{aligned}$$

and from (2.4)

$$\Rightarrow f(\nu) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^{1/p}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}}.$$

We have $\int_a^v x^\alpha \psi(x)^{\beta-1} \psi'(x) dx \sim \frac{1}{\beta} v^\alpha \psi(\nu)^\beta$.

By taking $\alpha = \frac{1}{p}$, $\beta = -\frac{1}{p}$ then we get $f(\nu) \sim \frac{1}{p l^{1/p}} \int_a^v \frac{\psi(x)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \psi'(x)}{x^{1/p}} dx$.

The proof that $\sum_{s_k \leq \nu} k \psi'(s_k) \sim \frac{\psi(\nu)^{\frac{1}{p}+1}}{l^{1/p} \nu^{1/p}}$ is the same as in Theorem 2.3. \square

3. CONCLUSIONS

The results discussed in this article are employed in examples to show their applicability in number theory.

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