

Zbl 469.10034**Brillhart, John; Erdős, Paul; Morton, Patrick***On sums of Rudin-Shapiro coefficients. II.* (In English)**Pac. J. Math. 107, 39-69 (1983). [0030-8730]**

This paper is an extension of previous work by the first and third authors on the Rudin-Shapiro sums $s(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor x \rfloor} a(k)$, where $a(k)$ is defined to be plus or minus one according as the number of pairs of consecutive 1's in the binary representation of k is even or odd. [See Ill. J. Math. 22, 126-148 (1978; Zbl 371.10009).] The properties of these sums are developed further by introducing the limit function

$$\lambda(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (s(4^k x) / \sqrt{a^k x}), x > 0,$$

which turn out to be a continuous function from $(0, \infty)$ onto the interval $[\sqrt{(3/5)}, \sqrt{6}]$ and which satisfies the equation $\lambda(4x) = \lambda(x)$. This function is used to represent $s(x)$ as a logarithmic Fourier series:

$$s(x) = \sqrt{x} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n x^{\pi n / \log 2} + a(x), x > 0,$$

Where $a(x)$ is an explicit bounded function of the digits of x to the base 4, which extends $a(k)$ to the set of positive reals. The series (1) is shown to converge for almost all positive real numbers; in particular, it converges for all $x > 0$ which are normal to the base 4. It turns out that $\lambda(x)$ is non-differentiable on this same set. This is then used to show that the Dirichlet series $\eta(\tau) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n)n^{-\tau}$ has a meromorphic continuation to the whole complex plane with infinitely many poles. Finally, $\lambda(x)$ is used to prove that the sequence $\left\{ \frac{s(n)}{\sqrt{n}} \right\}_{n \geq 1}$ has a logarithmic distribution function on the interval $[\sqrt{(3/5)}, \sqrt{6}]$, but that the cumulative distribution function to this sequence does not exist.

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