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Carmichael numbers composed of Piatetski-Shapiro primes in Beatty sequences

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Abstract: The Piatetski-Shapiro sequences are sequences of the form $(\lfloor n^c \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and the Beatty sequence is the sequence of integers $(\lfloor \alpha n + \beta \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty}$. We prove that there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed of entirely the primes from the intersection of a Piatetski-Shapiro sequence and a Beatty sequence for $c \in \left(1, \frac{19137}{18746}\right)$, $\alpha > 1$ irrational and of finite type by investigating the Piatetski-Shapiro primes in arithmetic progressions in a Beatty sequence. Moreover, we also discuss the intersection of a Piatetski-Shapiro sequence and multiple Beatty sequences in arithmetic progressions.

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1 Introduction

The Piatetski-Shapiro sequences are sequences of the form

$$\mathcal{N}^{(c)} := (\lfloor n^c \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad (c > 1, c \notin \mathbb{N}),$$

where $\lfloor t \rfloor$ denotes the integer part of any $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Such sequences have been named in honor of Piatetski-Shapiro [1] who, in 1953, proved that $\mathcal{N}^{(c)}$ contains infinitely many primes provided that $c \in (1, \frac{12}{11})$. The range for c in which it is known that $\mathcal{N}^{(c)}$ contains infinitely many primes has been enlarged many times over the years and is currently known to hold for all $c \in (1, \frac{243}{205})$, thanks to Rivat and Wu [2].

For fixed real numbers α and β , the associated non-homogeneous Beatty sequence is the sequence of integers defined by

$$\mathcal{B}_{\alpha, \beta} := (\lfloor \alpha n + \beta \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty},$$

which are also called generalized arithmetic progressions. If α is irrational, it follows from a classical exponential sum estimate of Vinogradov [3] that $\mathcal{B}_{\alpha, \beta}$ contains infinitely many prime numbers.

Carmichael numbers are the composite natural numbers N with the property that $N \mid (a^N - a)$ for every integer a . In 1994, Alford et al. [4] proved that there exist infinitely many Carmichael numbers. Baker et al. [5] showed that for every $c \in (1, \frac{147}{145})$, there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed entirely of Piatetski-Shapiro primes. Banks and Yeager [6] showed that there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed solely of primes from the Beatty sequence $\mathcal{B}_{\alpha, \beta}$ for $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ with $\alpha > 1$ and α is irrational and of finite type.

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Since both Piatetski-Shapiro sequences and Beatty sequences produce infinitely many primes, Guo [7] investigated the intersection between a Piatetski-Shapiro sequence and a Beatty sequence by defining

$$\pi_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x) := \#\{p \leq x : p \in \mathcal{N}^{(c)} \cap \mathcal{B}_{a,\beta}\}$$

and derived that

$$\pi_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x) = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{c}}}{a \log x} + O\left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{c}}}{\log^2 x}\right),$$

for $c \in (1, \frac{14}{13})$. Later, Guo et al. [8] extend the range of c in this theorem to $(1, \frac{12}{11})$.

Guo and Qi [9] considered the following generalized Piatetski-Shapiro sequences:

$$\mathcal{N}_{a,\beta}^{(c)} := (\lfloor an^c + \beta \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

and proved that there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed solely of primes from the numbers of the set $\mathcal{N}_{a,\beta}^{(c)}$ for $c \in (1, \frac{64}{63})$.

In this article, we are interested in the relation between Carmichael numbers and the Piatetski-Shapiro primes in a Beatty sequence. For $(a, d) = 1$, let

$$\pi_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x; d, a) := \#\{p \leq x : p \in \mathcal{N}^{(c)} \cap \mathcal{B}_{a,\beta} \text{ and } p \equiv a \pmod{d}\}.$$

We prove the following theorem:

Theorem 1.1. *Let $a \geq 1$ and β be real numbers. Let a be irrational and of finite type. Let $c \in \left(1, \frac{12}{11}\right)$ and $\gamma = c^{-1}$.*

$$\pi_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x; d, a) = \alpha^{-1} \gamma x^{\gamma-1} \pi(x; d, a) + \alpha^{-1} \gamma (1 - \gamma) \int_2^x u^{\gamma-2} \pi(u; d, a) du + O\left(x^{\frac{7}{13}\gamma + \frac{11}{26} + \varepsilon}\right),$$

where $\pi(x; d, a) := \#\{p \leq x : p \equiv a \pmod{d}\}$.

Theorem 1.2. *Let $c \in (1, \frac{19137}{18746})$, a be irrational and of finite type. There are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed of entirely the primes from the set $\mathcal{N}^{(c)} \cap \mathcal{B}_{a,\beta}$.*

2 Preliminaries

2.1 Notation

We denote by $\lfloor t \rfloor$ and $\{t\}$ the integral part and the fractional part of t , respectively. As is customary, we put

$$\mathbf{e}(t) := e^{2\pi i t} \quad \text{and} \quad \{t\} = t - \lfloor t \rfloor.$$

Throughout the article, we make considerable use of the sawtooth function defined by

$$\psi(t) := t - \lfloor t \rfloor - \frac{1}{2} = \{t\} - \frac{1}{2}.$$

The notation $\|t\|$ is used to denote the distance from the real number t to the nearest integer; that is,

$$\|t\| := \min_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |t - n|.$$

Let \mathbb{P} denote the set of primes in \mathbb{N} . The letter p always denotes a prime. For a Beatty sequence $(\lfloor an + \beta \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty}$, we denote $\omega = a^{-1}$. We represent $\gamma = c^{-1}$ for the Piatetski-Shapiro sequence $(\lfloor n^c \rfloor)_{n=1}^{\infty}$. We use notation of the form $m \sim M$ as an abbreviation for $M < m \leq 2M$.

Throughout the article, ε always denotes an arbitrarily small positive constant, which may not be the same at different occurrences; the implied constants in symbols O , \ll and \gg may depend (where obvious) on the parameters $\alpha, \beta, c, \varepsilon$ but are absolute otherwise. For given functions F and G , the notations $F \ll G$, $G \gg F$ and $F = O(G)$ are all equivalent to the statement that the inequality $|F| \leq C|G|$ holds with some constant $C > 0$.

2.2 Type of an irrational number

For any irrational number α , we define its type $\tau = \tau(\alpha)$ by the following definition:

$$\tau := \sup \left\{ t \in \mathbb{R} : \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^t \|n\alpha\| = 0 \right\}.$$

Using Dirichlet's approximation theorem, one can see that $\tau \geq 1$ for every irrational number α . Thanks to the work of Khintchine [10] and Roth [11,12], it is known that $\tau = 1$ for almost all real numbers, in the sense of the Lebesgue measure, and for all irrational algebraic numbers, respectively. Moreover, if α is an irrational number of type $\tau < \infty$, then so are α^{-1} and $n\alpha^{-1}$ for all integer $n \geq 1$ [13].

2.3 Technical lemmas

We need the following well-known approximation of Vaaler [14].

Lemma 2.1. *For any $H \geq 1$, there exist numbers a_h, b_h such that*

$$\left| \psi(t) - \sum_{0 < |h| \leq H} a_h e(th) \right| \leq \sum_{|h| \leq H} b_h e(th), \quad a_h \ll \frac{1}{|h|}, b_h \ll \frac{1}{H}.$$

Lemma 2.2. *For an arithmetic function g and $N' \sim N$, we have*

$$\sum_{N < p \leq N'} g(p) \ll \frac{1}{\log N} \max_{N < N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \sum_{N < n \leq N_1} \Lambda(n) g(n) \right| + N^{1/2}.$$

Proof. See the argument on page 48 of [15]. □

Lemma 2.3. *Suppose that*

$$\alpha = \frac{a}{q} + \frac{\theta}{q^2},$$

with $(a, q) = 1$, $q \geq 1$, $|\theta| \leq 1$. Then there holds

$$\sum_{\substack{m \leq N \\ m \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(m) e(ma) \ll \left(Nqd^{-\frac{1}{2}} + N^{4/5} + N^{1/2} q^{1/2} \right) (\log N)^3.$$

Proof. It is a simplified and weakened version of a theorem of Balog and Perelli [16]. □

Lemma 2.4. *Suppose that a is a fixed irrational number of finite type $\tau < \infty$ and $h \geq 1$, m are integers. Then we have*

$$\sum_{\substack{m \leq M \\ m \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(m) e(ahm) \ll h^{1/2} M^{1-1/(2\tau)+\varepsilon} + M^{1-\varepsilon}.$$

Proof. For any sufficiently small $\varepsilon > 0$, we set $q = \tau + \varepsilon$. Since a is of type τ , there exists some constant $c > 0$ such that

$$\|an\| > cn^{-q}, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (2.1)$$

For given h with $0 < h \leq H$, let b/d be the convergent in the continued fraction expansion of ah , which has the largest denominator d not exceeding $M^{1-\eta}$ for a sufficiently small positive number η . Then we derive that

$$\left| ah - \frac{b}{d} \right| \leq \frac{1}{dM^{1-\eta}} \leq \frac{1}{d^2}, \quad (2.2)$$

which combined with (2.1) yields

$$M^{-1+\eta} \geq |ahd - b| \geq \|ahd\| > c(hd)^{-q}.$$

Taking $C_0 := c^{1/q}$, we obtain

$$d > C_0 h^{-1} M^{1/q-\eta/q}. \quad (2.3)$$

Combining (2.2) and (2.3), applying Lemma 2.3 and the fact that $d \leq M^{1-\eta}$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{m \leq M \\ m \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(m) e(ahm) &\ll (Md^{-1/2} + M^{4/5} + M^{1/2}d^{1/2})(\log M)^3 \\ &\ll (h^{1/2}M^{1-1/(2q)+\eta/(2q)} + M^{4/5} + M^{1-\eta/2})(\log M)^3 \\ &\ll h^{1/2}M^{1-1/(2\tau)+\varepsilon} + M^{1-\varepsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.4. \square

The following lemma gives a characterization of the numbers in the Beatty sequence $\mathcal{B}_{a,\beta}$.

Lemma 2.5. *A natural number m has the form $\lfloor an + \beta \rfloor$ if and only if $X_{a,\beta}(m) = 1$, where $X_{a,\beta}(m) := \lfloor -\alpha^{-1}(m - \beta) \rfloor - \lfloor -\alpha^{-1}(m + 1 - \beta) \rfloor$.*

Proof. Note that an integer m has the form $m = \lfloor an + \beta \rfloor$ for some integer n if and only if

$$\frac{m - \beta}{a} \leq n < \frac{m - \beta + 1}{a}. \quad \square$$

Finally, we use the following lemma, which provides a characterization of the numbers that occur in the Piatetski-Shapiro sequence $\mathcal{N}^{(c)}$.

Lemma 2.6. *A natural number m has the form $\lfloor n^c \rfloor$ if and only if $X^{(c)}(m) = 1$, where $X^{(c)}(m) := \lfloor -m^\nu \rfloor - \lfloor -(m + 1)^\nu \rfloor$. Moreover,*

$$X^{(c)}(m) = \gamma m^{\nu-1} + \psi(-(m + 1)^\nu) - \psi(-m^\nu) + O(m^{\nu-2}).$$

Proof. The proof of Lemma 2.6 is similar to that of Lemma 2.5, so we omit the details herein. \square

Lemma 2.7. *For $1 < c < \frac{2817}{2426}$, there holds*

$$\pi^{(c)}(x) = \sum_{p \leq x} X^{(c)}(p) = \frac{x^\nu}{\log x} + O\left(\frac{x^\nu}{\log^2 x}\right). \quad (2.4)$$

Proof. See Theorem 1 of Rivat and Sargos [17]. \square

Lemma 2.8. Suppose that

$$L(H) = \sum_{i=1}^m A_i H^{a_i} + \sum_{j=1}^n B_j H^{-b_j},$$

where A_i, B_j, a_i , and b_j are positive. Assume further that $H_1 \leq H_2$. Then there exists some H with $H_1 \leq H \leq H_2$ and

$$L(H) \ll \sum_{i=1}^m A_i H_1^{a_i} + \sum_{j=1}^n B_j H_2^{-b_j} + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (A_i^{b_j} B_j^{a_i})^{1/(a_i+b_j)}.$$

The implied constant depends only on m and n .

Proof. See Lemma 3 of Srinivasan [18]. □

Lemma 2.9. For real numbers m_1, m_2 , and $N < t \leq N_1$, we have

$$\left| \sum_{N < n \leq N_1} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(hn^\gamma + m_1 n + m_2) \right| \ll N^\varepsilon \left(|h|^{\frac{1}{6}} N^{\frac{\gamma}{6} + \frac{3}{4}} + |h|^{-\frac{1}{3}} N^{1-\frac{\gamma}{3}} + |h|^{\frac{1}{4}} N^{\frac{\gamma}{4} + \frac{5}{8}} + |h|^{-\frac{1}{4}} N^{1-\frac{\gamma}{4}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}} \right).$$

Proof. See [8, Lemma 2.14]. □

3 Proof of Theorem 1.1

For a Beatty sequence

$$\mathcal{B}_{\alpha, \beta} := \lfloor \alpha n + \beta \rfloor,$$

recall that $\omega = \alpha^{-1}$. By the definition of $\pi_{\alpha, \beta}^{(c)}(x)$, we have that

$$\pi_{\alpha, \beta}^{(c)}(x; d, a) = \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \chi_{\alpha, \beta}(p) \chi^{(c)}(p) = S_1 + S_2 + S_3,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \omega \chi^{(c)}(p); \\ S_2 &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} (\gamma p^{\gamma-1} + O(p^{\gamma-2})) (\psi(-\omega(p+1-\beta)) - \psi(-\omega(p-\beta))), \\ S_3 &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} (\psi(-(p+1)^\gamma) - \psi(-p^\gamma)) (\psi(-\omega(p+1-\beta)) - \psi(-\omega(p-\beta))). \end{aligned}$$

A partial summation gives

$$S_1 = \omega \gamma x^{\gamma-1} \pi(x; d, a) + \omega \gamma (1-\gamma) \int_2^x u^{\gamma-2} \pi(u; d, a) du + O(x^{\gamma-1} + 1).$$

By applying Lemma 2.1, we take $H_1 = x^\varepsilon$ and let H_2 be chosen later. With a sufficiently small positive number ε , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi(-\omega(p+1-\beta)) - \psi(-\omega(p-\beta)) \\ &= \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))) + O \left(\sum_{|h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))) \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi(-(p+1)^y) - \psi(-p^y) \\ &= \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^y) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^y)) + O \left(\sum_{|h_2| \leq H_2} b_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^y) + \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^y)) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

We mention that for $j = 1, 2$ there holds

$$a_{h_j} \ll |h_j|^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad b_{h_j} \ll H_j^{-1}.$$

3.1 Upper bounds of S_2

Let $N \leq x$ and $N_1 \leq 2N$. We write $S_2 = S_{21} + O(S_{22})$, where

$$S_{21} := \sum_{\substack{p \leq N \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \gamma p^{y-1} (\psi(-\omega(p+1-\beta)) - \psi(-\omega(p-\beta)))$$

and

$$S_{22} := \sum_{\substack{p \leq N \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \gamma p^{y-2} (\psi(-\omega(p+1-\beta)) - \psi(-\omega(p-\beta))).$$

By (3.1), Lemma 2.2 and a splitting argument, we obtain that $S_{21} = S_{23} + O(S_{24})$, where

$$S_{23} := \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} n^{y-1} \Lambda(n) (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta))) \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$S_{24} := \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1} n^{y-1} \Lambda(n) (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta))). \quad (3.4)$$

First, we estimate S_{23} . Let

$$\theta_{h_1} := \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1) - 1. \quad (3.5)$$

It follows from partial summation and the trivial estimate $\theta_{h_1} \ll 1$ that

$$\begin{aligned} S_{23} &\ll \sum_{0 < h_1 \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} n^{y-1} \Lambda(n) \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta)) \\ &\ll N^{y-1} \sum_{0 < h_1 \leq H_1} h_1^{-1} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1 n) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Hence, we need to bound

$$T := \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1 n). \quad (3.7)$$

By Lemma 2.4, we obtain

$$T \ll h_1^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{1-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}+\varepsilon} + N^{1-\varepsilon}, \quad (3.8)$$

for ε being a small positive number.

Now we work on the bound of S_{24} . The contribution of S_{24} from $h_1 = 0$ is

$$2b_0 \sum_{\substack{n \leq N \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) n^{y-1} \ll \frac{b_0 N^y}{\phi(d)} \ll H_1^{-1} N^y, \quad (3.9)$$

where the function $\phi(d)$ is the Euler function and $b_0 \ll H_1^{-1}$. The contribution from $h_1 \neq 0$ is

$$\ll N^{\gamma-1} H_1^{-1} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \sum_{0 < h_1 \leq H_1} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1 n) \right|. \quad (3.10)$$

The right-hand side of (3.11) can be estimated by the same method of (3.7). Therefore, by inserting (3.8) into (3.6) and (3.11) and combining with (3.9), it follows that

$$S_{21} \ll S_{23} + S_{24} \ll H_1^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{\gamma - \frac{1}{2r} + \varepsilon} + N^{\gamma + \varepsilon} + H_1^{-1} N^{\gamma} \ll N^{\gamma + \varepsilon},$$

where we use $H_1 = N^{\varepsilon}$. Moreover, the bound of S_{22} can be estimated similarly. Hence, we obtain

$$S_2 \ll S_{21} + S_{22} \ll N^{\gamma + \varepsilon}. \quad (3.11)$$

3.2 Upper bounds of S_3

We only give the details of the estimation of S_3 . By (3.1) and (3.2), it is easy to see that

$$S_3 = S_{31} + O(S_{32} + S_{33} + S_{34}), \quad (3.12)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_{31} &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^{\gamma}) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^{\gamma})) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))), \\ S_{32} &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^{\gamma}) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^{\gamma})) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{|h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))), \\ S_{33} &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{|h_2| \leq H_2} b_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^{\gamma}) + \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^{\gamma})) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))), \\ S_{34} &:= \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{|h_2| \leq H_2} b_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^{\gamma}) + \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^{\gamma})) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{|h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))). \end{aligned}$$

3.2.1 Estimation of S_{31}

By Lemma 2.2 and a splitting argument, we estimate S_{31} by considering

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(n+1)^{\gamma}) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^{\gamma})) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta))). \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Define

$$\phi_{h_2}(t) := \mathbf{e}(h_2((t+1)^\nu - t^\nu)) - 1. \quad (3.14)$$

Then we have

$$\phi_{h_2}(t) \ll |h_2|t^{\nu-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \phi_{h_2}(t)}{\partial t} \ll |h_2|t^{\nu-2}.$$

It follows from the aforementioned estimate, (3.5) and partial summation that the formula (3.13) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \ll \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \frac{1}{|h_2|} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \phi_{h_2}(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu) \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n - \beta)) \right| \\ & \ll \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \frac{1}{|h_2|} \left| \int_N^{N_1} \phi_{h_2}(t) dt \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq t \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu) \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n - \beta)) \right| \\ & \ll \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \frac{1}{|h_2|} |\phi_{h_2}(N)| \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu) \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n - \beta)) \right| \\ & \quad + \int_N^{N_1} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \frac{1}{|h_2|} \left| \frac{\partial \phi_{h_2}(t)}{\partial t} \right| \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu) \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n - \beta)) \right| dt \quad (3.15) \\ & \ll N^{\nu-1} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu) \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n - \beta)) \right| \\ & = N^{\nu-1} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \left| \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} a_{h_1} \theta_{h_1} \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu + \omega h_1 n - \omega h_1 \beta) \right| \\ & \ll N^{\nu-1} \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} \frac{1}{|h_1|} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu + \omega h_1 n - \omega h_1 \beta) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu + \omega h_1 n - \omega h_1 \beta) \\ & = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m=1}^d \sum_{N < n \leq N_1} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e} \left(h_2 n^\nu + \omega h_1 n - \omega h_1 \beta + \frac{(n-a)m}{d} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we need to bound

$$T_1 := \sum_{N < n \leq N_1} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e} \left(h_2 n^\nu + \left(\omega h_1 + \frac{m}{d} \right) n + \frac{am}{d} - \omega h_1 \beta \right)$$

By Lemma 2.9, we have

$$T_1 N^{-\varepsilon} \ll |h_2|^{\frac{1}{6}} N^{\frac{\nu}{6} + \frac{3}{4}} + |h_2|^{-\frac{1}{3}} N^{1 - \frac{\nu}{3}} + |h_2|^{\frac{1}{4}} N^{\frac{\nu}{4} + \frac{5}{8}} + |h_2|^{-\frac{1}{4}} N^{1 - \frac{\nu}{4}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}}. \quad (3.16)$$

Recalling $H_1 = N^\varepsilon$ and inserting (3.16) to (3.15), we have

$$S_{31} N^{-\varepsilon} \ll H_2^{\frac{7}{6}} N^{\frac{7\nu}{6} - \frac{1}{4}} + H_2^{\frac{2}{3}} N^{\frac{2\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{5}{4}} N^{\frac{5\nu}{4} - \frac{3}{8}} + H_2^{\frac{3}{4}} N^{\frac{3\nu}{4}} + H N^{\nu - \frac{3}{25}}. \quad (3.17)$$

3.2.2 Estimations of S_{32} and S_{33}

We only give the proof of S_{32} since the bound of S_{33} can be obtained similarly. Let $N \leq x$ and $N_1 \leq 2N$. By Lemma 2.2 and a splitting argument, we can see

$$S_{32} = \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2}(\mathbf{e}(h_2(n+1)^\nu) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu)) \\ \times \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1}(\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n+1-\beta)) - \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta))).$$

By (3.14) and Lemma 2.9, the contribution of S_{32} from $h_1 = 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \ll H_1^{-1} N^{\nu-1} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) (\mathbf{e}(\theta h_2 n^\nu)) \right| \\ & \ll H_1^{-1} N^{\nu-1} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m=1}^d \sum_{N < n \leq N_1} \Lambda(n) \mathbf{e}\left(h_2 n^\nu + \frac{m(n-a)}{d}\right) \right| \\ & \ll N^\varepsilon \left(H_2^{\frac{7}{6}} N^{\frac{7\nu}{6} - \frac{1}{4}} + H_2^{\frac{2}{3}} N^{\frac{2\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{5}{4}} N^{\frac{5\nu}{4} - \frac{3}{8}} + H_2^{\frac{3}{4}} N^{\frac{3\nu}{4}} + H N^{\nu - \frac{3}{25}} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

The contribution of S_{32} from $h_1 \neq 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} a_{h_2}(\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^\nu) - \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^\nu)) \\ & \times \sum_{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1} b_{h_1}(\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))), \end{aligned}$$

which can be get the upper bound (3.18) by the same method of S_{31} . So we have

$$(S_{32} + S_{33})N^{-\varepsilon} \ll H_2^{\frac{7}{6}} N^{\frac{7\nu}{6} - \frac{1}{4}} + H_2^{\frac{2}{3}} N^{\frac{2\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{5}{4}} N^{\frac{5\nu}{4} - \frac{3}{8}} + H_2^{\frac{3}{4}} N^{\frac{3\nu}{4}} + H N^{\nu - \frac{3}{25}}. \quad (3.19)$$

3.2.3 Estimation of S_{34} and conclusions

The contribution of S_{34} from $h_1 = h_2 = 0$ is

$$\sum_{\substack{p \leq N \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} H_2^{-1} H_1^{-1} \ll H_2^{-1} N^{1+\varepsilon}. \quad (3.20)$$

By (3.14) and Lemma 2.9, the contribution of S_{34} from $h_1 = 0$ and $h_2 \neq 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & 2b_0 \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} b_{h_2}(\mathbf{e}(h_2(p+1)^\nu) + \mathbf{e}(h_2 p^\nu)) \\ & \ll H_1^{-1} H_2^{-1} \sum_{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) (\mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu)) \right| \\ & \ll N^\varepsilon \left(H_2^{\frac{1}{6}} N^{\frac{\nu}{6} + \frac{3}{4}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{3}} N^{1 - \frac{\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{1}{4}} N^{\frac{\nu}{4} + \frac{5}{8}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{4}} N^{1 - \frac{\nu}{4}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

where $H_1 = N^\varepsilon$ and $b_{h_j} \ll \frac{1}{H}$. Similarly, by (3.5) and Lemma 2.4, the contribution of S_{34} from $h_1 \neq 0$ and $h_2 = 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & 2b_0 \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \sum_{\substack{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1}} b_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(p-\beta))) \\ & \ll H_1^{-1} H_2^{-1} \sum_{\substack{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1}} \max_{N_1 \leq 2N} \left| \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1 n)) \right| \\ & \ll H_2^{-1} (H_1^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{1-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}+\varepsilon} + N^{1-\varepsilon}) \ll H_2^{-1} N^{1+\varepsilon}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

The contribution of S_{34} from $h_1 \neq 0$ and $h_2 \neq 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{N < n \leq N_1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \Lambda(n) \sum_{\substack{0 < |h_2| \leq H_2}} b_{h_2} (\mathbf{e}(h_2(n+1)^\nu) + \mathbf{e}(h_2 n^\nu)) \\ & \times \sum_{\substack{0 < |h_1| \leq H_1}} b_{h_1} (\mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n+1-\beta)) + \mathbf{e}(\omega h_1(n-\beta))), \end{aligned}$$

which can be estimated similarly. Now the estimation

$$S_{34} N^{-\varepsilon} \ll H_2^{\frac{1}{6}} N^{\frac{\nu}{6}+\frac{3}{4}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{3}} N^{1-\frac{\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{1}{4}} N^{\frac{\nu}{4}+\frac{5}{8}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{4}} N^{1-\frac{\nu}{4}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}} + H_2^{-1} N. \quad (3.23)$$

follows from (3.20), (3.21), and (3.22). In the end, by combining (3.17), (3.19), (3.23), (3.12), and (3.11), one has

$$\begin{aligned} (S_2 + S_3) N^{-\varepsilon} & \ll H_2^{\frac{1}{6}} N^{\frac{\nu}{6}+\frac{3}{4}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{3}} N^{1-\frac{\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{1}{4}} N^{\frac{\nu}{4}+\frac{5}{8}} + H_2^{-\frac{1}{4}} N^{1-\frac{\nu}{4}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}} + H_2^{\frac{7}{6}} N^{\frac{7\nu}{6}-\frac{1}{4}} \\ & + H_2^{\frac{2}{3}} N^{\frac{2\nu}{3}} + H_2^{\frac{5}{4}} N^{\frac{5\nu}{4}-\frac{3}{8}} + H_2^{\frac{3}{4}} N^{\frac{3\nu}{4}} + H N^{\nu-\frac{3}{25}} + H_2^{-1} N. \end{aligned}$$

By using Lemma 2.8, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (S_2 + S_3) N^{-\varepsilon} & \ll N^{\frac{3\nu}{4}} + N^{\nu-\frac{3}{25}} + N^{\frac{5\nu}{4}-\frac{3}{8}} + N^{\frac{7\nu}{6}-\frac{1}{4}} + N^{\frac{\nu}{6}+\frac{3}{4}} + N^{\frac{\nu}{4}+\frac{5}{8}} + N^{\frac{22}{25}} \\ & + N^{\frac{7\nu}{13}+\frac{11}{26}} + N^{\frac{5\nu}{9}+\frac{7}{18}} + N^{\frac{3\nu}{7}+\frac{3}{7}} + N^{\frac{\nu}{2}+\frac{11}{25}} + N^{\frac{\nu}{7}+\frac{11}{14}} + N^{\frac{\nu}{5}+\frac{7}{10}}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that $S_1 \ll x^\nu$, so we need that $S_2 + S_3 \ll x^{\nu-\varepsilon}$. Hence,

$$\nu > \max\left(\frac{9}{10}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{22}{25}, \frac{11}{12}, \frac{7}{8}, \frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{11}{12}$$

and

$$S_2 + S_3 \ll x^{\frac{7\nu}{13}+\frac{11}{26}+\varepsilon}.$$

4 Sketch of proof of Theorem 1.2

We sketch the proof of Theorem 1.2 because the idea of the proof is close to the proof in [9, Section 4]. We only give the changes that are necessary for our Theorem 1.2.

We set

$$\vartheta(x; d, a) := \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \log p$$

and consider a weighted counting function

$$\vartheta_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x; d, a) := \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \in \pi_{a,\beta}^{(c)}(x) \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \log p = \sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ p \equiv a \pmod{d}}} \chi_{a,\beta}(p) \chi^{(c)}(p) \log p.$$

By a similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 1.1, we conclude the following.

Theorem 4.1. Let $\alpha \geq 1$ and β be real numbers. Let $c \in \left(1, \frac{12}{11}\right)$. Then

$$\vartheta_{\alpha,\beta}^{(c)}(x; d, a) = \alpha^{-1}\gamma x^{\gamma-1}\vartheta(x; d, a) + \alpha^{-1}\gamma(1-\gamma)\int_2^x u^{\gamma-2}\vartheta(u; d, a)du + O\left(x^{\frac{7\gamma}{13}+\frac{11}{26}+\varepsilon}\right).$$

The proof of our Theorem 1.2 is similar to [9, Section 4] by switching the conditions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 < c < \frac{14}{13} & \text{into} & 1 < c < \frac{12}{11}, \\ -\frac{13}{35} + \frac{2\gamma}{5} & \text{into} & -\frac{11}{26} + \frac{6\gamma}{13}, \\ \mathcal{N}_{\alpha,\beta}^{(c)} & \text{into} & \pi_{\alpha,\beta}^{(c)} \end{array}$$

and

$$\theta \quad \text{into} \quad \omega.$$

Let $\pi(x, y)$ be the number of those primes for which $p-1$ is free of prime factors exceeding y . Let \mathcal{E} be the set of numbers E in the range $0 < E < 1$ for which

$$\pi(x, x^{1-E}) \geq x^{1+o(1)} \quad (x \rightarrow \infty),$$

where the function implied by $o(1)$ depends only on E . By a similar argument as in [5, Page 64–66], we conclude the following statement.

Lemma 4.2. Let $\alpha \geq 1$ and β be real numbers. Let $c \in \left(1, \frac{38}{37}\right)$. Let B and B_1 be positive real numbers such that $B_1 < B < -\frac{11}{26} + \frac{6\gamma}{13}$. For any $E \in \mathcal{E}$, there is a number x_3 depending on c, B, B_1, E , and ε , such that for any $x \geq x_1$, there are at least $x^{EB+(1-B+B_1)(\gamma-1)-\varepsilon}$ Carmichael numbers up to x composed solely of primes from $\pi_{\alpha,\beta}^{(c)}$.

Taking B and B_1 arbitrarily close to $-\frac{11}{26} + \frac{6\gamma}{13}$, Lemma 4.2 implies that there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed entirely of the primes from $\pi_{\alpha,\beta}^{(c)}$ with

$$\left(-\frac{11}{26} + \frac{6\gamma}{13}\right)E + \gamma - 1 > 0.$$

Taking $E = 0.7039$ from [19], we eventually have $\gamma > \frac{18746}{19137}$.

5 More Beatty sequences

Guo et al. [8] proved that there are infinitely many primes in the intersection of a Piatetski-Shapiro sequence and multiple Beatty sequences with some restrictions; see [8, Theorem 1.3] for more details. We mention that by the similar techniques in the proof of Theorem 1.1 and the proof of [8, Theorem 1.3], Piatetski-Shapiro primes in arithmetic progressions and the intersection of multiple Beatty sequences can also be detected. Therefore, we state the following theorem without proofs.

Theorem 5.1. Suppose that ξ is a positive integer, and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\xi, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_\xi \in \mathbb{R}$. Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\xi > 1$ be irrational and of finite type such that

$$1, \alpha_1^{-1}, \dots, \alpha_\xi^{-1} \quad \text{are linearly independent over } \mathbb{Q}.$$

For $c \in (1, \frac{12}{11})$, the counting function

$$\pi_{\alpha_1, \beta_1; \dots; \alpha_\xi, \beta_\xi}^{(c)}(x; d, a) = \#\{\text{prime } p \leq x : p \equiv a \pmod{d}, p \in \mathcal{B}_{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{B}_{\alpha_\xi, \beta_\xi} \cap \mathcal{N}^{(c)}\}$$

satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{\alpha_1, \beta_1; \dots; \alpha_\xi, \beta_\xi}^{(c)}(x; d, a) &= \alpha_1^{-1} \dots \alpha_\xi^{-1} \gamma x^{\gamma-1} \pi(x; d, a) \\ &\quad + \alpha_1^{-1} \dots \alpha_\xi^{-1} \gamma (1 - \gamma) \int_2^x u^{\gamma-2} \pi(u; d, a) du + O\left(x^{\frac{7}{13}\gamma + \frac{11}{26} + \varepsilon}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where the implied constant depends only on $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\xi$ and c .

Then by the same technique in the proof of Theorem 1.2, we state the following theorem without proofs.

Theorem 5.2. Suppose that ξ is a positive integer, and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\xi, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_\xi \in \mathbb{R}$. Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\xi > 1$ be irrational and of finite type such that

$$1, \alpha_1^{-1}, \dots, \alpha_\xi^{-1} \text{ are linearly independent over } \mathbb{Q}.$$

For $c \in (1, \frac{19137}{18746})$, there are infinitely many Carmichael numbers composed entirely of the primes from the set

$$\mathcal{B}_{\alpha_1, \beta_1} \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{B}_{\alpha_\xi, \beta_\xi} \cap \mathcal{N}^{(c)}.$$

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