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Estimates for sums involving the largest prime factor of an integer and certain related additive functions. (In English)

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Let $P(n)$ denote the largest prime factor of an integer $n \geq 2$ and $\text{lrt } \beta(n) = \sum_{p|n} p$, $B(n) = \sum_{p^a||n} p^a$, where as usual $p^a||n$ means that p^a divides n , but p^{a+1} does not. The additive functions β , B and B_1 have been studied recently in several works, including *K.Alladi* and *P.Erdős* [*Pac. J. Math.* 82, 295-315 (1979; Zbl 419.10042)], *L.-M.DeKoninck* and *A.Ivić* [*Topics in arithmetical functions* (Amsterdam 1980; Zbl 442.10032)] and *A.Ivić* [*Arch. Math.* 36, 57-61 (1980; Zbl 436.10019)]. The purpose of this work is to estimate sums of the form $\sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} f(n)/g(n)$ when $f \neq g$ and $f, g \in \{P(n), \beta(n), B(n), B_1(n)\}$. Some of these sums have been investigated by the aforementioned authors, and for those which were not following asymptotic formulas are obtained:

$$(1) \quad \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} P(n)/B_1(n) = x + O(x \log \log x / \log x),$$

$$(2) \quad \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} B_1(n)/P(n) = e^\gamma x \log \log x + O(x),$$

$$(3) \quad \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} B_1(n)/B(n) = Dx + O(x \log^{-1/3} x),$$

$$(4) \quad \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} B_1(n)/\beta(n) = e^\gamma x \log \log x + O(x),$$

Here γ is Euler's constant, $D > 1$ may be explicitly evaluated, and (1) remains true if $P(n)$ is replaced by either $\beta(n)$ or $B(n)$. The proofs depend on six lemmas and utilize estimates for $\psi(x, y)$, the number of positive integers $\leq x$ all of whose prime factors are $\leq y$. The methods of proof allow one to improve the error term in

$$(5) \quad \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} B(n)/P(n) = x + O(x \log \log x / \log x),$$

to $O(x/\log x)$; (5) was obtained in the aforementioned work of K. Alladi and P. Erdős. The formulas (1)-(4) improve the results of Ch. 6 of the above cited book by J.-M- De Koninck and A. Ivić.

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