THE CONVERGENCE PART OF A KNINTCHINE-TYPE THEOREM IN THE RING OF ADELES

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ABSTRACT. We prove the convergence part of a Khintchine-type theorem for simultaneous Diophantine approximation of zero by values of integral polynomials at the points

$$(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2},$$

where $p_1 \neq p_2$ are primes. It is a generalization of Sprindžuk's problem (1980) in the ring of adeles. We continue our investigation (2013), where the problem was proved at the points in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1}$. We use the most precise form of the *essential and inessential domains method* in metric theory of Diophantine approximation.

1. Introduction

We investigate the convergence part of a Khintchine-type theorem for simultaneous Diophantine approximation of zero by values of integral polynomials P , $\deg P = n$, at the points

$$(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2},$$

where $p_1 \neq p_2$ are primes, and $n \geq 4$. According to contemporary terminology it is *Diophantine approximation in the ring of adeles*. The problem can be viewed as a generalization of Sprindžuk's problem (1980). It arises from studies of real numbers that are *badly*- or *well-approximable* by rational numbers.

Let $P = P(t) = a_n t^n + \dots + a_1 t + a_0 \in \mathbb{Z}[t]$, $a_n \neq 0$, $H = H(P) = \max(|a_n|, \dots, |a_0|)$. Let $p_i \geq 2$, $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}$ be the field of p_i -adic numbers, $|\cdot|_{p_i}$ be the p_i -adic valuation ($i = 1, 2$). Suppose that $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2}$. We define a measure $\overline{\mu}$ in $\mathcal{O}$ as a product of the Lebesgue measure μ_1 in $\mathbb{R}$, the Lebesgue measure μ_2 in $\mathbb{C}$ and the Haar measures μ_{p_i} in $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}$ ($i = 1, 2$),

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i.e., $\bar{\mu} = \mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_{p_1} \mu_{p_2}$. Let $\Psi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, $\Psi \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$ be a monotonic decreasing function, $\Lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4)$, $V = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4)$ are vectors in $\mathbb{R}^4$, and $\lambda_i \geq 0$, $v_i \geq 0$. Consider the system of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} |P(x)| &< H^{-v_1} \Psi(H)^{\lambda_1}, & |P(z)| &< H^{-v_2} \Psi(H)^{\lambda_2}, \\ |P(\omega_1)|_{p_1} &< H^{-v_3} \Psi(H)^{\lambda_3}, & |P(\omega_2)|_{p_2} &< H^{-v_4} \Psi(H)^{\lambda_4}, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathcal{O}$ and $v_1 + 2v_2 + v_3 + v_4 = n - 4$, $\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1$. Let $M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda)$ be a set of the points $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathcal{O}$ for which the system (1) has *infinitely many* solutions in polynomials $P \in \mathbb{Z}[t]$, $\deg P = n$. We prove

THEOREM. *If $n \geq 4$ and $\sum_{H=1}^{\infty} \Psi(H) < \infty$, then $\bar{\mu}(M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda)) = 0$.*

Another words, the theorem asserts that the system (1) has only a finite set of solutions in $P \in \mathbb{Z}[t]$, $\deg P = n$, for almost all points in $\mathcal{O}$ under the formulated condition on the parameters and the function Ψ .

The proof of the theorem is obtained by applying the most precise form of *the essential and inessential domains method* introduced by Sprindžuk (1964). This method is being developed to this day, with most contributions coming from the number theory schools at the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus (Minsk, Belarus) and the University of York (York, UK) [1]–[6], [8], [9].

Here we continue our investigation [6], where the problem was proved in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1}$. We remark that in [10] the convergence part of an S -arithmetic $\mathbb{Z}_s$ -Khintchine-type theorem for product of non-degenerate *analytic* manifolds in $\prod_{j=1}^s \mathbb{Q}_{p_j}$ was proved by applying the *dynamic* version Kleinbock-Margulis lemma (1988).

The divergence part of a Khintchine-type theorem in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_p$ was proved by N. Budarina and E. Zorin (2009). The divergence part of our theorem will be proved in the next paper.

2. Sketch of proof

Our investigation is based on the method [7], the argumentations from [1]–[6], [8], [9] and their development. Here we mark the main moments of proving and indicate the distinctions from [6].

Let $\mathbf{T} = I \times K \times D_{p_1} \times D_{p_2} \subset \mathcal{O}$, where I is an interval in $\mathbb{R}$, K is a circle in $\mathbb{C}$ and D_{p_i} is a disc in $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}$ ($i = 1, 2$), be an *elementary* set in $\mathcal{O}$. We call it as a *parallelepiped*. According to a metric character of the theorem we will prove it for the points of $\mathbf{T}$, $\bar{\mu}(\mathbf{T}) = 1$. Fix $\delta > 0$ and exclude from $\mathbf{T}$ a set of the points $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2)$ which satisfy the inequalities: $|x| < \delta$, $|\operatorname{Im} z| < \delta$ and $|\omega|_{p_i} < \delta$ ($i = 1, 2$). Thus, from now on we will assume that the points $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbf{T}$ satisfy the condition: $|x| \geq \delta$, $|\operatorname{Im} z| \geq \delta$ and $|\omega|_{p_i} \geq \delta$ ($i = 1, 2$). Without loss of generality we assume that δ is arbitrary small.

Introduce a class of polynomials

$$\mathcal{P}_n(Q) = \{P \in \mathbb{Z}[t] : H(P) \leq Q\}, \quad \text{where } Q > Q_0 > 0.$$

The *important* moment of the proof is a reduction to *irreducible* and *leading* polynomials $P \in \mathcal{P}_n(Q)$. Denote a set of such polynomials P as $\mathfrak{P}_n$.

A polynomial P with the leading coefficient a_n will be called *leading* if $|a_n| \leq H(P) < c(n)|a_n|$, where the constant $c(n) \geq 1$ depends only of n , and $|a_n|_{p_i} > p_i^{-n}$ (as [7, Ch. 1, § 5, § 6 and Ch. 2, § 2] or [1]).

Let $\mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ denote a set of polynomials $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n$ satisfying (1) for which $H(P) = H$, where H is a fix number, $0 < Q_0 < H \leq Q$ and Q_0 is sufficiently large. Then the set $\mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ is divided into ε -classes $\mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2,)$ according to the distances between their roots (§ 3, formulas (2), (3) and the text above and below these formulas). Next, we prove the theorem for each ε -class. For this, we introduce the notion of (i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) -linear polynomial, where $i_j \in \{0, 1\}$ ($j = 1, 2, 3, 4$). For example, $(0, 0, 0, 0)$ -linear polynomial, $(1, 1, 1, 1)$ -linear one, $(0, 1, 1, 0)$ -linear one and so on). We have 16 cases of *linearity*. This notion is necessary to obtain the *lower* bounds for the derivatives $|P'(x)|$, $|P'(z)|$ and $|P'(\omega_i)|_{p_i}$ ($i = 1, 2$) of $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$. On the other hand, Lemma 2 § 3 gives the *upper* bounds for them. Fix an admissible vector (i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) . Let $\mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}$ be a class of (i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) -linear polynomials P in $\mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$.

Now, we fix $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}$ and construct a countable covering of $M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda)$ by the system of the small parallelepipeds $\Pi_j(P) \subset \mathbf{T}$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots$), i.e., $M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda) \subseteq \sum_j \Pi_j(P)$. These parallelepipeds $\Pi_j(P)$ are divided into two classes: *the essential* and *the inessential* (analogously to [7, § 10, § 11]).

DEFINITION 1. The parallelepiped $\Pi_j(P)$ is called *essential* if for all polynomials

$$P_j \neq P, \quad P_j \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)},$$

we have

$$\bar{\mu} \left(\Pi_j(P) \cap \Pi_j(P_j) \right) < \frac{1}{2} \mu \Pi_j(P).$$

If there exists

$$P_j \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}, \quad P_j \neq P,$$

such that

$$\bar{\mu} \left(\Pi_j(P) \cap \Pi_j(P_j) \right) \geq \frac{1}{2} \mu \Pi_j(P),$$

then the parallelepiped $\Pi_j(P)$ is called *inessential*.

Next, as well as in [1]–[9] using Lemmas 1–4 § 3 and the classic metric *Borel-Cantelli theorem* [7, Ch. 1, § 3, Lemma 12] we show that the measure of the set of points lying in infinitely many *essential* parallelepipeds $\Pi_j(P)$ equals *zero*, and the same is true for measure of the set of points lying in infinitely many *inessential* parallelepipeds $\Pi_j(P)$.

3. Lemmas on polynomials

Fix $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$. Let P has roots $\alpha_1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ in $\mathbb{C}$ and roots $\gamma_{i1}, \gamma_{i2}, \dots, \gamma_{in}$ in $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}^*$, $i = 1, 2$, where $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}^*$ is the smallest field containing $\mathbb{Q}_{p_i}$ and all algebraic numbers. As usual, $X \ll Y$ is equivalent to $X = O(Y)$. According to Lemma 1 [7, Ch. 1, § 2] and Lemma 4 [7, Ch. 2, § 2] we have

$$|\alpha_j| \ll 1, \quad |\gamma_{i1}|_{p_1} \ll 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |\gamma_{i2}|_{p_2} \ll 1, \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$ be *real* roots of P and $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{(n-k)/2}$ be its *complex* roots. Since P is irreducible, then all of its roots are different. Let $(\alpha_{i1}, \alpha_{i2}, \dots, \alpha_{in})$ be a permutation of $(\alpha_1, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$. Choose real root $\alpha_{i1} = \alpha_1 \in I$, a complex root $\beta_1 = \alpha_{i2} \in K$, and two p_i -adic roots $\gamma_{i1} \in D_{p_1}$, $\gamma_{i2} \in D_{p_2}$. Remember that the definition of the parallelepiped $\mathbf{T} = I \times K \times D_{p_1} \times D_{p_2}$ was introduced at the beginning of § 2. Define the sets

$$S_i(\alpha_{ji}) = \left\{ u \in \mathbb{U} : |u - \alpha_{ji}| = \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} |u - \alpha_k| \right\}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where u represents x or z , and α_{ji} is real or complex root of P , and $\mathbb{U}$ is $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ or $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ as required, and

$$S_{p_i}(\gamma_{ji}) = \left\{ \omega_i \in D_{p_i} \subset \mathbb{Q}_{p_i} : |\omega_i - \gamma_{ij}|_p = \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} |\omega_i - \gamma_{ik}|_{p_i} \right\}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Consider these sets for a fixed vector $(\alpha_{j1}, \alpha_{j2}, \gamma_{j1}, \gamma_{j2})$ and for simplicity assume that $\alpha_{j1} = \alpha_1$, $\alpha_{j2} = \beta_1$, $\gamma_{j1} = \gamma_1$ and $\gamma_{j2} = \gamma_2$. Reorder the other roots of P in the following way:

- (1) $|\alpha_1 - \alpha_2| \leq |\alpha_1 - \alpha_3| \leq \dots \leq |\alpha_1 - \alpha_k|$,
- (2) $|\beta_1 - \beta_2| \leq \dots \leq |\beta_1 - \beta_{(n-k)/2}|$,
- (3) $|\gamma_1 - \gamma_{12}|_{p_1} \leq \dots \leq |\gamma_1 - \gamma_{1n}|_{p_1}$,
- (4) $|\gamma_2 - \gamma_{22}|_{p_2} \leq \dots \leq |\gamma_2 - \gamma_{2n}|_{p_2}$.

Also, for the given polynomial $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ we define numbers $\rho_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ by $|\alpha_{i1} - \alpha_{ij}| = H^{-\rho_{ij}}$, $2 \leq j \leq n$, $\rho_{in} \leq \rho_{i2} \leq \dots \leq \rho_{i2}$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$), where $\alpha_{11} = \alpha_1$, $\alpha_{21} = \beta_1$, $\alpha_{31} = \gamma_1$ and $\alpha_{41} = \gamma_2$. Since all of the roots are bounded (see the beginning § 3), then there exists $\varepsilon_1 > 1$ such that $\rho_{ij} \geq -\varepsilon_1/2$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ and $j = 2, 3, \dots, n$. Choose $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon/T_1$ for some sufficiently large $T_1 > T_0 > 0$. Let $T = [n/\varepsilon_1] + 1$. Define the integers $(k_1, l_j, m_{1j}, m_{2j}) = (t_{1j}, t_{2j}, t_{3j}, t_{4j})$ ($j = 2, 3, \dots, n$) by the relations

$$(t_{ij} - 1)/T \leq \rho_{ij} < t_{ij}/T, \quad t_{i2} \geq t_{i3} \geq \dots \geq t_{in} \geq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (2)$$

Finally, define the numbers q_i, r_i and s_{1i}, s_{2i} ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$) by the formulas

$$q_i = T^{-1} \sum_{t=i+1}^n k_t, \quad r_i = T^{-1} \sum_{t=i+1}^n l_t, \quad s_{1i} = T^{-1} \sum_{t=i+1}^n m_{1t}, \quad s_{2i} = T^{-1} \sum_{t=i+1}^n m_{2t}. \quad (3)$$

Each polynomial $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ is now associated with four vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q} &= (q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{n-1}), \\ \mathbf{r} &= (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{n-1}), \\ \mathbf{s}_1 &= (s_{11}, s_{12}, \dots, s_{1,n-1}), \\ \mathbf{s}_2 &= (s_{21}, s_{22}, \dots, s_{2,n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

The number of these vectors is finite and depends only on n, ρ and T (see [7, Ch. 1, Lemma 24 and Ch. 2, Lemma 12]). Let $\mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ denote the set of polynomials $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ having the *same* four vectors $(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$. Thus, we divide the set $\mathfrak{P}_n(H)$ into ε -classes $\mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$.

Now without loss of generality we assumed that $x \in S_1(\alpha_1) \subset I$, $z \in S_2(\beta_1) \subset K$, $\omega_1 \in S_{p_1}(\gamma_{11}) \subset D_{p_1}$ and $\omega_2 \in S_{p_2}(\gamma_{21}) \subset D_{p_2}$. At many moments of our proof the values of the polynomials $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ will be estimated by means of a Taylor series. To obtain an upper bounds of the terms in the Taylor series and for the other purposes the following two lemmas will be used.

LEMMA 1. *If $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H)$, then according to the notations of §3 we have*

$$|\tilde{u} - \tilde{\alpha}| \leq 2^n |P_n(\tilde{u})| |P'_n(\tilde{\alpha})|^{-1}, \quad |\omega_i - \gamma_{i1}|_{p_i} \leq |P_n(\omega_i)|_{p_i} |P'_n(\gamma_{i1})|_{p_i}^{-1}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$\begin{cases} |\tilde{u} - \tilde{\alpha}| \leq \min_{2 \leq j \leq n} (2^{n-j} (|P_n(\tilde{u})| |P'_n(\tilde{\alpha})|^{-1} \prod_{k=2}^j |\tilde{\alpha} - \alpha_k|)^{1/j}), \\ |\omega_i - \gamma_{i1}|_{p_i} \leq \min_{2 \leq j \leq n} (|P_n(\omega_i)|_{p_i} |P'_n(\gamma_{i1})|_{p_i}^{-1} \prod_{k=2}^j |\gamma_{i1} - \gamma_{ik}|_{p_i})^{1/j}, \quad i = 1, 2, \end{cases}$$

where $\tilde{u}$ represents x or z and $\tilde{\alpha}$ is α_1 or β_1 as required.

Lemma 1 is proved in [1], [2], [9, pp. 36, 131]. □

LEMMA 2. *Let $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} |P^{(l)}(\alpha_1)| &< c(n) H^{1-q_l+(n-l)\varepsilon_1}, \\ |P^{(l)}(\beta_1)| &< c(n) H^{1-r_l+(n-l)\varepsilon_1}, \\ |P^{(l)}(\gamma_{i1})|_{p_i} &< c(n) H^{-s_{il}+(n-l)\varepsilon_1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \quad 1 \leq l \leq n-1, \end{aligned}$$

where the constant $c(n) > 0$ depends only on n .

The first and the second inequalities of lemma are proved in [1], [9, pp. 36–37]. The third and the fourth inequalities of it is proved in [4, Lemma 5]. □

There are various cases for $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ to consider. Sometimes the existence of one case is disproved by finding a contradiction to the final inequality in the following lemma.

LEMMA 3. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in \mathbb{Z}[t]$ be polynomials of degree at most n with no common roots and $\max(H(P_1), H(P_2)) \leq H$ ($H > Q_0$). Let $\delta > 0$ and $\eta_j > 0$, $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval, $\mu_1 I = H^{-\eta_1}$, $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ be circle, $\text{diam } K = H^{-\eta_2}$ and $D_{p_i} \subset \mathbb{Q}_{p_i}$ be a disk, $\mu_{p_i}(D_{p_i}) = H^{-\eta_{i+2}}$, $i = 1, 2$. If there exist $\tau_i > -1$ and $\tau_{i+2} > 0$, $i = 1, 2$ such that for all $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in I \times K \times D_{p_1} \times D_{p_2}$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \max(|P_1(x)|, |P_2(x)|) &< H^{-\tau_1}, \\ \max(|P_1(z)|, |P_2(z)|) &< H^{-\tau_2}, \\ \max(|P_1(\omega_i)|_{p_i}, |P_2(\omega_i)|_{p_i}) &< H^{-\tau_{i+2}}, \quad i = 1, 2, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 + 2\tau_2 + \tau_3 + \tau_4 + 3 + 2 \max(\tau_1 + 1 - \eta_1, 0) \\ + 4 \max(\tau_2 + 1 - \eta_2, 0) \\ + 2 \max(\tau_3 + 1 - \eta_3, 0) \\ + 2 \max(\tau_4 + 1 - \eta_4, 0) < 2n + \delta. \end{aligned}$$

P r o o f of the lemma is analogous to [3]. Distinctions consist only in the sets of $\overline{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$ and in the metrics of the corresponding spaces. Namely, in [3] we have $\overline{X} = (x, z, \omega) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_p$, in our case we have $\overline{X} = (x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2}$.

Briefly, the lemma shows that if the values of two polynomials are small at a given $I \times K \times D_{p_1} \times D_{p_2}$, then the parameters $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_4$ and $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_4$ are connected by the final inequality of lemma. $\square$

LEMMA 4. *Let $P \in \mathbb{Z}[t]$, $\deg P = n \geq 4$ and $v > 0$. Let $G(v)$ be the set of points $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2}$ for which the inequality*

$$|P(x)| \cdot |P(z)| \cdot |P(\omega_1)|_{p_1} \cdot |P(\omega_2)|_{p_2} < H^{-v}, \quad H = H(P),$$

has infinitely many solutions P . Then $\overline{\mu}G(v) = 0$ for $v > n - 3$.

Lemma 4 is proved in [8]. $\square$

LEMMA 5. *Let H be a positive integer. Let us define a set of polynomials with integer coefficients $\mathcal{R}_4(b_4) = \{R(t) \in \mathbb{Z}[t], R(t) = b_4 t^4 + b_3 t^3 + b_2 t^2 + b_1 t + b_0, \text{ where } b_4 \neq 0, |b_i| \leq |b_4| \leq H, i = 0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Let $\zeta_j > 0$, $\varepsilon_j > 0$, $j = 1, 2$. Take a nonempty open interval $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ and a nonempty complex ball $D \subset \mathbb{C}$ such that $I \cap D = \emptyset$. Then the system of inequalities*

$$|R(x)| < \zeta_1 |b_4|^{-\varepsilon_1}, \quad x \in I; \quad |R(z)| < \zeta_2 |b_4|^{-\varepsilon_2}, \quad z \in D, \quad (4)$$

holds for at most cH polynomials in $\mathcal{R}_4(b_4)$, where the constant $c > 0$ depends on ζ_1, ζ_2 , the length of I and the area of D .

Proof. The conditions of the lemma imply that there exist $\tilde{x} \in I$ and $\tilde{z} \in D$ such that (4) is satisfied and $\text{Im}\tilde{z} > \varepsilon$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$, allowing us to write

$$|\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}| > \varepsilon.$$

Let $B(t_0, r)$ denote a ball in the complex plane with a center at t_0 of radius r . Let the coefficient b_3 be fixed. Then

$$b_2\tilde{x}^2 + b_1\tilde{x} + b_0 \in B(x_0, \zeta_1), \quad (5)$$

$$b_2\tilde{z}^2 + b_1\tilde{z} + b_0 \in B(z_0, \zeta_2), \quad (6)$$

where

$$x_0 = -b_4\tilde{x}^4 - b_3\tilde{x}^3, \quad z_0 = -b_4\tilde{z}^4 - b_3\tilde{z}^3.$$

Subtracting the left-hand sides of the expressions (5) and (6), we have

$$b_2(\tilde{x} - \tilde{z})(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}) + b_1(\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}) \in B((x_0 - z_0), \zeta_1 + \zeta_2).$$

Dividing by $(\tilde{x} - \tilde{z})$ leads to

$$b_2(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}) + b_1 \in B((x_0 - z_0)/(\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}), (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)/|\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}|), \quad (7)$$

where $(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)/|\tilde{x} - \tilde{z}| \leq (\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)/\varepsilon$. For all possible values $b_2, b_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, the left-hand side of (7) defines a lattice in $\mathbb{C}$ with a basis $\{\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}, 1\}$ and a determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \text{Re}(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}) & 1 \\ \text{Im}(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \text{Im}(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}), \quad \text{where } |\text{Im}(\tilde{x} + \tilde{z})| > \varepsilon.$$

From well-known estimates for the number of lattice points in a Euclidean circle, we obtain that the number of pairs (b_2, b_1) satisfying (7) is bounded from above by a constant of the order $(\zeta_1 + \zeta_2)^2/\varepsilon^3$. Let us denote this constant as $\mathbf{c}$. The integer coefficient b_0 can be uniquely determined from (4) since the right sides of it are less than $1/2$. Thus, for a fixed coefficient b_4 the number of triples (b_2, b_1, b_0) does not exceed $\mathbf{c}$, and therefore $\#\mathcal{R}_4(b_4) \leq \mathbf{c}H$. $\square$

4. Proof of Theorem

Remember that we consider the points

$$(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbf{T} \quad \text{and} \quad P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2).$$

We prove the theorem for $n \geq 5$. The case $n = 4$ follows from Lemma 1 and the Borel-Cantelli lemma.

DEFINITION 2. Let $i_j \in \{0, 1\}$, $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$. A polynomial $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ is called (i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) -linear if:

- (1) for $(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ the system of inequalities

$$r_{i1} + s_{i2}/T < v_i + 1, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \quad (8)$$

holds, where $(r_{11}, r_{21}, r_{31}, r_{41}) = (q_1, r_1, s_{11}, s_{21})$ which are defined in (2), (3);

- (2) for $(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) = (1, 1, 1, 1)$ the inequality signs in (8) are reversed;
- (3) for $(0, 1, 1, 1)$ the first inequality in (8) has the sign $<$ and the other inequalities have signs $\geq$; and so on. There exist 16 kinds of *linear* polynomials.

Denote by $\mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}$ the class of (i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4) -linear polynomials

$$P \in \mathfrak{P}_n(H, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2).$$

If $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda)$ (see § 1), then there exist infinitely many polynomials satisfying at least one of these 16 kinds of linearity. Let $M_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}(V, \Psi, \Lambda)$ denote the set of $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbf{T}$ for which the system of inequalities (1) holds for infinitely many polynomials $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}$. Clearly that

$$M_n(V, \Psi, \Lambda) = \bigcup_{i_j \in \{0, 1\}, (j=1, 2, 3, 4)} M_n^{(i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4)}(V, \Psi, \Lambda).$$

Two constants

$$d_1 = q_1 + 2r_1 + s_{11} + s_{21} \quad \text{and} \quad d_2 = (k_2 + 2l_2 + m_{12} + m_{22})/T, \quad (9)$$

connected with (2), (3), will be used further in our proof.

The proof consists of a series of propositions with different *linearity* conditions and different *ranges* of $d_1 + d_2$. They are considered separately. Further, we have

$$|P'(\alpha_{i1})| = H|\alpha_{i1} - \alpha_{i2}| \cdots |\alpha_{i1} - \alpha_{in}| = H^{1-r_{ij}}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where

$$(r_{1j}, r_{2j}) = (q_1, r_1) \quad \text{and} \quad |P'(\gamma_{j1})|_{p_i} = H^{-s_{j1}}, \quad j = 1, 2.$$

These relations follow directly from (3).

PROPOSITION 1. *Let $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(0, 0, 0, 0)}$. Then $\overline{\mu}M_n^{(0, 0, 0, 0)}(V, \Psi, \Lambda) = 0$.*

Proof. According to (8) and (9) we have $d_1 + d_2 < n + 1$. The proof includes four cases:

- (1) $n + \varepsilon \leq d_1 + d_2 < n + 1$;
- (2) $5 - \varepsilon \leq d_1 + d_2 < n + \varepsilon$;
- (3) $\varepsilon \leq d_1 + d_2 < 5 - \varepsilon$;
- (4) $d_1 + d_2 < \varepsilon$.

We use scheme of the proofs of Proposition 1, 4, 3, 2 of [2], respectively, but there exist some *distinctions*. The distinctions appear in the sets $\overline{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$ of the corresponding spaces. Namely, in [2] ones have $\overline{X} = (x, z, \omega) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_p$, in our case we have $\overline{X} = (x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2}$.

Note that in:

- (1) we use Lemmas 1–3 and 5 of § 3;
- (2) we use Lemmas 1–5 of § 3 and make a reduction to polynomials of the *third* degree (in [2] the reduced polynomials have the *second* degree);
- (3) we use Lemmas 1–5 of § 3 and make a reduction to polynomials $R(t)$ of the *fourth* degree (in [2] they have the *third* degree);
- (4) we use Lemmas 1–3 and 5 of § 3 and make a reduction to the polynomials of the *third* degree (in [2] they have the *second* degree).

Write some details for (3).

The case of the *essential* parallelepipeds $\sigma_4(P_1), \sigma_4(P_2)$ is considered as in [2, p. 205].

For the *inessential* parallelepipeds $\sigma_4(P_1), \sigma_4(P_2)$ we have

$$R(t) = P_2(t) - P_1(t) = b_4 t^4 + b_3 t^3 + b_2 t^2 + b_1 t + b_0, \quad b_i \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \deg P = 4, \quad (10)$$

$R(t)$ is a *leading* polynomial, i.e., $|b_i| \leq |b_4|$, $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ (as in [2, p. 205]), and $R(t)$ satisfies the system of inequalities

$$|R(x)| \ll 2^{-tV_1}, \quad |R(z)| \ll 2^{-tV_2}, \quad |R(\omega_i)|_{p_i} \ll 2^{-tV_{i+2}}, \quad i = 1, 2, \quad (11)$$

$$|R'(x)| \ll 2^{t(1-q_1+(n-1)\varepsilon_1)}, \quad |R'(z)| \ll 2^{t(1-r_1+(n-1)\varepsilon_1)}$$

at the points $(x, z, \omega_1, \omega_2) \in \sigma_4(R) = \sigma_4(P_1) \cap \sigma_4(P_2)$, where $X \ll Y$ is equivalent to the notation $X = O(Y)$. Here we have $q_1 \geq \varepsilon/3$ and

$$V_1 + 2V_2 + V_3 + V_4 = 1, \quad V_i > 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (12)$$

(see [2, p. 205]). Note that (11) is connected with the system (1) of Theorem (see § 1). Also $R(t)$ can be written as

$$R(t) = b_4(t - \theta_1)(t - \theta_2)(t - \theta_3)(t - \overline{\theta_3}) = b_4 t^4 + b_3 t^3 + b_2 t^2 + b_1 t + b_0, \quad (13)$$

where θ_1, θ_2 are real roots of $R(t)$, $\theta_3, \overline{\theta_3}$ are complex roots of it, and

$$\zeta_3 H(R) \leq |b_4| \leq \zeta_4 H(R), \quad |b_4|_{p_j} > p_j^{-n}, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

and

$$2^t \leq H(R) < 2^{t+1}, \quad (14)$$

where $\zeta_j > 0$ is some absolute constant, $j = 3, 4$. The foundation of this is the same as in [7, Ch. 1, § 6 and Ch. 2, § 2] or [2, p. 205].

Note that the number of polynomials R which satisfy (10)–(14) at the points of $\sigma_4(R)$ is estimated by Lemma 5 as

$$< cH(R). \quad (15)$$

There are two cases for the polynomial (13): (a): $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2$, (b): $\theta_1 = \theta_2$.

Case (a). For the fixed polynomials P_1, P_2 and $R = P_2 - P_1$ we estimate from above the measure $\bar{\mu}(R)$ of the set $\sigma_4(R) = \sigma_4(P_1) \cap \sigma_4(P_2)$, where (11) and (12) hold. We have

$$|R''(\theta_j)| \geq 2|b_4(\theta_j - \theta_3)(\theta_j - \bar{\theta}_3)| \geq 4\zeta_3\delta^2 H(R), \quad j = 1, 2, \quad (16)$$

where $\delta > 0$ is defined in the beginning of § 2. Since $R(t)$ has different roots, we can apply Lemma 1 to it. The third inequality of Lemma 1, when $j = 2$, has the form $|x - \theta_1| \leq 2(|R(x)|/|R''(\theta_1)|)^{1/2}$. Hence the first inequality of (11), (14) and (16) imply $|x - \theta_1| \ll (2^{-tV_1}/H(R))^{1/2}$. Similarly we have

$$|x - \theta_2| \ll (2^{-tV_1}/H(R))^{1/2}.$$

Thus,

$$\max_{i=1,2}(|x - \theta_i|) \ll (2^{-tV_1}/H(R))^{1/2}. \quad (17)$$

Further the first inequality of Lemma 1, the second inequality of (11) and (14) imply

$$|z - \theta_3| \ll 2^{-tV_2}/H(R). \quad (18)$$

Let $\rho_{j1}, \rho_{j2}, \rho_{j3}, \rho_{j4}$ be the p_j -adic roots of $R(t)$, $j = 1, 2$. Then the fourth inequality of Lemma 1, when $j = 2$, and the second condition in (13) imply

$$|\omega_j - \rho_{j1}|_{p_j} \ll (2^{-tV_{j+2}})^{1/2}, \quad j = 1, 2. \quad (19)$$

Now (17)–(19) and the definition of the measure $\bar{\mu}$ in $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_1} \times \mathbb{Q}_{p_2}$ imply $\bar{\mu}(R) \ll 2^{-tA}(H(R))^{-5/2}$, where

$$A = V_1/2 + 2V_2 + V_3/2 + V_4/2 = (V_1 + 2V_2 + V_3 + V_4)/2 + V_2. \quad (20)$$

We estimate $\sum_R \bar{\mu}(R)$, where $R(t)$ is defined in (10)–(14). According to (15), (20) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_R \bar{\mu}(R) &= \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{2^t \leq b_4 < 2^{t+1}} \sum_{b_3, b_2, b_1, b_0} \bar{\mu}(R) \\ &\ll \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{b_4=H(R)} H(R) \cdot 2^{-tV_2} \cdot 2^{-t(V_1+2V_2+V_3+V_4)/2} \cdot (H(R))^{-5/2} \\ &\ll \sum_t 2^{-tV_2} \cdot 2^{-t(V_1+2V_2+V_3+V_4)/2} \sum_{2^t \leq H(R) < 2^{t+1}} (H(R))^{-3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

According to (12) we get

$$\sum_R \bar{\mu}(R) \ll \sum_t 2^{t(-V_2-1/2)} \cdot 2^{-t/2} \ll \sum_t 2^{-t(1+V_2)} < \infty.$$

The Borel-Cantelli Lemma completes the proof of **(a)**.

Case (b). We have

$$\begin{aligned} R(t) &= b_4(t - \theta_1)^2(t - \theta_3)(t - \overline{\theta_3}) \\ &= b_4t^4 + b_3t^3 + b_2t^2 + b_1t + b_0, \quad b_i \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

For the fixed polynomials P_1, P_2 and $R = P_2 - P_1$ with the condition (14) we estimate a measure $\overline{\mu}(R)$ of the set $\sigma_4(R)$ where (11), (12) hold. Now (21), (14) imply

$$|x - \theta_j| \ll (2^{-tV_j}/\delta^2|b_4|)^{1/2} \ll (2^{-tV_j}/H(R))^{1/2}, \quad j = 1, 2$$

($\delta > 0$ is defined in § 2). Similarly, according to (21), (14) we find

$$|z - \theta_3| \ll 2^{-tV_2}/H(R).$$

Also we have in p_j -adic valuation

$$|R(t)|_{p_j} = |b_4|_{p_j}|t - \rho_{j1}|_{p_j}^2|t - \rho_{j3}|_{p_j}|t - \rho_{j4}|_{p_j}.$$

Hence (21), (14) imply

$$|\omega_j - \rho_{j1}|_{p_i} \ll (2^{-tV_{j+2}})^{1/2}, \quad j = 1, 2.$$

Then

$$\overline{\mu}(R) \ll 2^{-tA} (H(R))^{-5/2},$$

where A is defined in (20). Further we argue as in (a). □

PROPOSITION 2. Let $P \in \mathfrak{P}_n^{(1,1,1,1)}$. Then $\overline{\mu}M_n^{(1,1,1,1)}(V, \Psi, \Lambda) = 0$.

Proof. According to (8) and (9) we have $d_1 + d_2 \geq n + 1$. The proof is similar to [2, Proposition 5]. There exists the following distinction: the number of inequalities in all considered systems equals four. The fourth inequality corresponds to the p_2 -adic valuation. □

P r o o f of the theorem is based on Propositions 1, 2. The other cases of *linearity* are the combinations of the two preceding cases with the corresponding coordinates. Namely, the cases $(1, 0, 0, 0)$ -, $(0, 1, 0, 0)$ -, $(0, 0, 1, 0)$ -, $(0, 0, 0, 1)$ -*linearity* are considered in the same manner since they are the permutations of the coordinates. Thus, it is sufficient to investigate only the $(1, 0, 0, 0)$ -*linearity* case (as well as [2, Proposition 6], where for the second coordinate i_2 ($i_2 = 0$) we add the inequality $q_{21} + k_{22}/T < 1 + v_2 + \lambda_2$).

The cases $(1, 1, 0, 0)$ -, $(1, 0, 1, 0)$ -, $(1, 0, 0, 1)$ -, $(0, 1, 1, 0)$ -, $(0, 0, 1, 1)$ -, $(0, 1, 0, 1)$ -*linearity* are considered in the same manner since they are the permutations of the coordinates. Thus, it is sufficient to investigate only the $(1, 0, 0, 1)$ -*linearity* case (as well as [2, Proposition 7], where for the second coordinate i_2 ($i_2 = 0$) we add the inequality $q_{21} + k_{22}/T < 1 + v_2 + \lambda_2$).

The cases $(1, 1, 1, 0)$ -, $(1, 1, 0, 1)$ -, $(1, 0, 1, 1)$ -, $(0, 1, 1, 1)$ -*linearity* are considered in the same manner since they are also the permutations of the coordinates.

Thus, it is sufficient to investigate only the $(1, 1, 1, 0)$ -linearity case. It is a combination of [2, Proposition 6, 7], where for the second coordinate i_2 ($i_2 = 1$) we add the inequality $q_{21} + k_{22}/T \geq 1 + v_2 + \lambda_2$, and for the third coordinate i_3 ($i_3 = 1$) we take $r_1 + l_2/T \geq 1 + v_3 + \lambda_3$.

Theorem is proved. Note that the similar method was used earlier in [5].

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