

A REMARK ON A THEOREM OF THE GOLDBACH–WARING TYPE

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Abstract

Let p_i , $2 \leq i \leq 5$ be prime numbers. It is proved that all but $\ll x^{23027/23040+\varepsilon}$ even integers $N \leq x$ can be written as $N = p_1^2 + p_2^3 + p_3^4 + p_5^4$.

1. Introduction and statement of results

In the thirties, I. M. Vinogradov [10] and Hua [5] established many fundamental theorems in additive prime number theory. Their methods were consecutively applied to various problems in additive number theory. Among others, Prachar established in 1952, [8] the following result:

There exists a constant $c > 0$ such that all but $\ll x(\log x)^{-c}$ even integers N smaller than x are representable as

$$(1.1) \quad N = p_1^2 + p_2^3 + p_3^4 + p_5^4$$

for prime numbers p_i .

In [1] and [2], this theorem was improved as follows:

All but $\ll x^{19193/19200+\varepsilon}$ positive even integers smaller than x can be represented as in (1.1).

Here we improve upon this result by showing the following theorem:

THEOREM. *All but $\ll x^{23027/23040+\varepsilon}$ positive even integers smaller than x can be represented as in (1.1).*

2. Notation and structure of the proof

We will choose our notation similar as in [2]. By k we will always denote an integer $k \in \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$, by p we denote a prime number and L denotes $\log x$. c is an effective positive constant and ε will denote an arbitrarily

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small positive number; both of them may take different values at different occasions. For example, we may write

$$L^c L^c \ll L^c, \quad x^\varepsilon L^c \ll x^\varepsilon.$$

$d(n)$ denotes the number of divisors of n and $[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ denotes the least common multiple of the integers a_1, \dots, a_n . Be further

$$r \sim R \Leftrightarrow R/2 < r \leq R, \quad \sum_{\chi \bmod q}^* = \sum_{\substack{\chi \bmod q \\ \chi \text{ primitive}}}^*, \quad \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq a \leq q \\ (a,q)=1}}^*.$$

We set

$$P = N^{\frac{13}{180} - \varepsilon}, \quad Q = NP^{-1}L^{-E} \quad (E > 0 \text{ will be defined later}),$$

and

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - 1.$$

We define for any characters $\chi, \chi_j \pmod{q}$, $q \leq P$ and a fixed integer N :

$$C_k(a, \chi) = \sum_{l=1}^q \chi(l) e\left(\frac{al^k}{q}\right), \quad C_k(a, \chi_0) = C_k(a, q).$$

$$Z(q, \chi_2, \chi_3, \chi_4, \chi_5) = \sum_{h=1}^q e\left(\frac{-hN}{q}\right) \prod_{k=2}^5 C_k(h, \chi_k),$$

$$Y(q) = Z(q, \chi_0, \chi_0, \chi_0, \chi_0), \quad A(q) = \frac{Y(q)}{\phi^4(q)}.$$

When the variable N is fixed, we will always write $A(q)$ and neglect the dependency of $A(q)$ on N . Otherwise, we will write $A(q, n)$.

$$s(p) = 1 + \sum_{\alpha \geq 1} A(p^\alpha), \quad S_k(\lambda) = \sum_{\sqrt[k]{x}/2^{k+1} < n \leq \sqrt[k]{x}} \Lambda(n) e(n^k \lambda),$$

$$S_k(\lambda, \chi) = \sum_{\sqrt[k]{x}/2^{k+1} \leq n \leq \sqrt[k]{x}} \Lambda(n) \chi(n) e(n^k \lambda), \quad T_k(\lambda) = \sum_{\sqrt[k]{x}/2^{k+1} \leq n \leq \sqrt[k]{x}} e(n^k \lambda),$$

$$W_k(\lambda, \chi) = S_k(\lambda, \chi) - E_0 T_k(\lambda, \chi), \quad E_0 = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \chi = \chi_0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Using the circle method we define the major arcs M and minor arcs m as follows:

$$M = \sum_{q \leq P} \sum_{a=1}^q I(a, q), \quad I(a, q) = \left[\frac{a}{q} - \frac{1}{Qq}, \frac{a}{q} + \frac{1}{Qq} \right],$$

$$m = \left[\frac{1}{Q}, 1 + \frac{1}{Q} \right] \setminus M.$$

Let

$$R(N) = \sum_{\substack{\sqrt[5]{x}/2^{k+1} \leq n_k \leq \sqrt[5]{x}, k \in \{2, \dots, 5\} \\ n_2^2 + \dots + n_5^5 = N}} \Lambda(n_2) \dots \Lambda(n_5).$$

Then we find

$$(2.1) \quad R(N) = \int_{\frac{1}{Q}}^{1 + \frac{1}{Q}} e(-N\alpha) \prod_{k=2}^5 S_k(\alpha) d\alpha$$

$$= \left(\int_M + \int_m \right) e(-N\alpha) \prod_{k=2}^5 S_k(\alpha) d\alpha =: R_1(N) + R_2(N).$$

Arguing as in [2], we see that

$$(2.2) \quad I_2(N) \ll N^\mu L^{-A}$$

for any $A > 0$ and all but $\ll x^{1+2\epsilon} P^{-1/128} < x^{23027/23040+3\epsilon}$ even integers $x/2 \leq N < x$. In the sections 3 and 4 we will show that for any given $A > 0$

$$(2.3) \quad R_1(N) = \frac{1}{120} P_0 \prod_{p \leq P} s(p) + O(x^\mu L^{-A}),$$

where

$$(2.4) \quad x^\mu \ll P_0 := \sum_{\substack{m_1+m_2+m_3+m_4=N \\ x/2^{k(k+1)} < m_k \leq x}} \prod_{k=2}^5 \frac{1}{m_k^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} \ll x^\mu \quad \text{for } N \in (x/2, x].$$

Using that

$$\prod_{p \leq P} s(p) \gg (\log P)^{-960},$$

(see p. lemma 4.5 in [1]), the theorem follows from (2.1)–(2.4).

3. The major arcs

We will make use of the following lemmas:

LEMMA 3.1. *Let $f(x)$, $g(x)$ and $f'(x)$ be three real differentiable and monotonic functions in the interval $[a, b]$. If $|f'(x)| \leq \theta < 1$, $g(x)$, $g'(x) \ll 1$, then*

$$\sum_{a < n \leq b} g(n)e(f(n)) = \int_a^b g(x)e(f(x)) dx + O\left(\frac{1}{1-\theta}\right).$$

PROOF. See lemma 4.8 in [9]. □

LEMMA 3.2. *For primitive characters $\chi_i \pmod{r_i}$, ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) and the principal character $\chi_0 \pmod{q}$ we have*

$$\sum_{\substack{q \leq P \\ r|q}} \frac{|Z(q, \chi_0 \chi_1, \chi_0 \chi_2, \chi_0 \chi_3, \chi_0 \chi_4)|}{\phi^4(q)} \ll r^{-1+\epsilon} (\log P)^c,$$

where $r = [r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4]$.

PROOF. This is lemma 3.3 in [2]. □

LEMMA 3.3.

$$\sum_{q > x} |A(n, q)| \ll x^{-1+\epsilon} d(n).$$

PROOF. The proof follows literally the proof of lemma of (4.12) in [6]. □

LEMMA 3.4. *For $P \leq x^{13/80-\epsilon}$ there is*

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{N \leq x} \left| \prod_{p \leq P} s(p, N) - \sum_{q \leq P} A(q, N) \right| \ll x P^{-1/3+\epsilon},$$

which implies that

$$(3.2) \quad \prod_{p \leq P} s(p, N) = \sum_{q \leq P} A(q, n) + O(x^{-\epsilon})$$

for all but $\ll x^{1+2\epsilon} P^{-1/3}$ even integers N with $1 \leq N \leq x$.

PROOF. This theorem is stated in [2] for all $P \leq x^{7/150-\epsilon}$. The proof shows however that it holds for $P \leq x^{13/80-\epsilon}$ as well. Splitting the summation over n in residue classes modulo q , we obtain

$$S_k \left(\frac{a}{q} + \lambda \right) = \frac{C_k(a, q)}{\phi(q)} T_k(\lambda) + \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \pmod q} C_k(a, \chi) W_k(\lambda, \chi) + O(L^2).$$

Thus we obtain from (2.1)

$$(3.3) \quad R_1(N) = R_1^m(N) + R_1^e(N) + O(x^\mu L^{-A}) \quad (\text{for any } G > 0),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} R_1^m(N) &= \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{k=2}^5 C_k(a, q) T_k(\lambda) e \left(-\frac{a}{q} N - \lambda N \right) d\lambda, \\ R_1^e(N) &= \sum_{k=2}^5 \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq k}}^5 C_l(a, q) T_l(\lambda) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{\chi \pmod q} C_k(a, q) W_k(\lambda, \chi) e \left(-\frac{a}{q} N - \lambda N \right) d\lambda \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{k, l=2 \\ k < l}}^5 \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{m \in \{k, l\}} C_m(a, q) T_m(\lambda) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{\substack{o=2 \\ o \neq k \\ o \neq l}}^5 \sum_{\chi \pmod q} C_o(a, \chi) W_o(\lambda, \chi) e \left(-\frac{a}{q} N - \lambda N \right) d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ \sum_{k=2}^5 \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} C_k(a, q) T_k(\lambda) \\
 &\quad \times \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq k}}^5 \sum_{\chi \bmod q} C_l(a, q) W_l(\lambda, \chi) e\left(-\frac{a}{q} N - \lambda N\right) d\lambda \\
 &+ \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{1 \leq a \leq q}^* \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{k=2}^5 \sum_{\chi \bmod q} C_k(a, \chi) W_k(\chi, \lambda) e\left(-\frac{a}{q} N - \lambda N\right) d\lambda, \\
 &=: S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

We first calculate $R_1^m(N)$. Applying lemma 3.1 yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_k(\lambda) &= \int_{\sqrt[k]{x}/2^{k+1}}^{\sqrt[k]{x}} e(\lambda u^k) du + O(1) = \frac{1}{k} \int_{x/2^{k+1}}^x v^{\frac{1}{k}-1} e(\lambda v) dv + O(1) \\
 &= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x/2^{k+1} < m \leq x} \frac{e(\lambda m)}{m^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} + O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this in $R_1^m(N)$ we see

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1^m(N) &= \frac{1}{120} \sum_{q \leq P} A(q) \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{k=2}^5 \left(\sum_{x/2^{k+1} < m \leq x} \frac{e(\lambda m)}{m^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} \right) e(-N\lambda) d\lambda \\
 &\quad + O\left(\sum_{q \leq P} |A(q)| \prod_{k=2}^5 \int_{1/Qq}^{-1/Qq} \max\left(\left| \sum_{x/2^{k+1} < m \leq x} \frac{e(\lambda m)}{m^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} \right|, 1 \right) d\lambda \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using lemma 3.3 and the trivial bound

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{x/2^{k+1} < m \leq x} \frac{e(\lambda m)}{m^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} \ll \min\left(\sqrt[k]{x}, \frac{1}{x^{1-\frac{1}{k}}|\lambda|} \right),$$

we derive using lemma 3.4,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.5) \quad R_1^m(N) &= \frac{1}{120} \sum_{q \leq P} A(q) \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \prod_{k=2}^5 \left(\sum_{x/2^{k+1} < m \leq x} \frac{e(\lambda m)}{m^{1-\frac{1}{k}}} \right) e(-N\lambda) d\lambda \\
 &+ O\left(\sum_{q \leq P} |A(q)| \int_{1/Qq}^{1/2} \frac{1}{x^{3-\mu} |\lambda|^4} d\lambda \right) + O(x^\mu L^{-A}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{120} P_0 \sum_{q \leq P} A(q) + O((PQ)^3 x^{\mu-3} L^e) + O(x^\mu L^{-A}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{120} P_0 \prod_{1 \leq p \leq P} s(p) + O(x^\mu L^{-A}),
 \end{aligned}$$

for all but $x^{1+2\epsilon} P^{-1/3}$ integers $N \leq x$, where P_0 is defined as in (2.4) and E is chosen sufficiently large in $Q = NP^{-1}L^{-E}$. In the sequel $E = E(G)$ is fixed. Now we estimate the terms S_i , $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Using lemma 3.2 we can estimate S_4 in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|S_4| \\
 &= \left| \sum_{q \leq P} \frac{1}{\phi^4(q)} \sum_{\chi_2 \bmod q} \sum_{\chi_3 \bmod q} \sum_{\chi_4 \bmod q} \sum_{\chi_5 \bmod q} Z(q, \chi_2, \chi_3, \chi_4, \chi_5) \right. \\
 &\times \left. \int_{-1/Qq}^{1/Qq} \prod_{k=2}^5 W_k(\lambda, \chi_j) e(-N\lambda) d\lambda \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{r_2 \leq P} \sum_{r_3 \leq P} \sum_{r_4 \leq P} \sum_{r_5 \leq P} \sum_{[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5] \leq P} \sum_{\chi_2 \bmod r_3}^* \sum_{\chi_3 \bmod r_3}^* \sum_{\chi_4 \bmod r_4}^* \sum_{\chi_5 \bmod r_5}^* \\
 &\times \int_{-1/Q[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5]}^{1/Q[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5]} \prod_{k=2}^5 |W_k(\lambda, \chi_k)| d\lambda \sum_{\substack{q \leq P \\ [r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5] | q}} \frac{|Z(q, \chi_2 \chi_0, \chi_3 \chi_0, \chi_4 \chi_0, \chi_5 \chi_0)|}{\phi^4(q)},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\ll L^c \sum_{r_2 \leq P} \sum_{r_3 \leq P} \sum_{r_4 \leq P} \sum_{r_5 \leq P} [r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5]^{-1+\varepsilon} \\ \times \sum_{\chi_2 \bmod r_2}^* \sum_{\chi_3 \bmod r_3}^* \sum_{\chi_4 \bmod r_4}^* \sum_{\chi_5 \bmod r_5}^* \int_{-1/Q[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5]}^{1/Q[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5]} \prod_{k=2}^5 |W_k(\lambda, \chi_k)| d\lambda.$$

Using $[r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5] \geq r_2^{6\varepsilon} r_3^{1/13-2\varepsilon} r_4^{4/13-2\varepsilon} r_5^{8/13-2\varepsilon}$, we obtain

(3.6) S_4

$$\ll L^c \sum_{r_2 \leq P} r_2^{-\varepsilon} \sum_{\chi_k \bmod r_k}^* \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/r_2 Q} |W_2(\lambda, \chi_2| \\ \times \sum_{r_3 \leq P} r_3^{-1/13+2\varepsilon} \sum_{\chi_3 \bmod r_3}^* \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/r_3 Q} |W_3(\lambda, \chi_l| \\ \times \sum_{r_4 \leq P} r_4^{-4/13+2\varepsilon} \sum_{\chi_4 \bmod r_4}^* \left(\int_{-1/Qr_4}^{1/Qr_4} |W_4(\lambda, \chi_4)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} \\ \times \sum_{r_5 \leq P} r_5^{-8/13+2\varepsilon} \sum_{\chi_5 \bmod r_5}^* \left(\int_{-1/Qr_5}^{1/Qr_5} |W_5(\lambda, \chi_5)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} \\ \ll L^c I_2 I_3 W_4 W_5,$$

where

$$I_k = \sum_{r \leq P} r^{-a_k} \sum_{\chi}^* \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/rQ} |W_k(\lambda, \chi)|, \\ W_k = \sum_{r \leq P} r^{-a_k} \sum_{\chi}^* \left(\int_{-1/Qr}^{1/Qr} |W_k(\lambda, \chi)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2},$$

$$a_k = \begin{cases} \varepsilon, & \text{for } k = 2, \\ \frac{1}{13} - 2\varepsilon, & \text{for } k = 3, \\ \frac{4}{13} - 2\varepsilon, & \text{for } k = 4, \\ \frac{8}{13} - 2\varepsilon, & \text{for } k = 5. \end{cases}$$

Arguing similarly we obtain

$$(3.7) \quad S_1 + S_2 + S_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll L^c \max_{\substack{2 \leq k, l, m, n \leq 5 \\ k+l+m+n=\mu+1}} \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_k(\lambda)| \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_l(\lambda)| \left(\int_{-1/Q}^{1/Q} |T_m(\lambda)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} W_n \\ &+ L^c \max_{\substack{2 \leq k, l, m, n \leq 5 \\ k+l+m+n=\mu+1}} \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_k(\lambda)| \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_l(\lambda)| W_m W_n \\ &+ L^c \max_{\substack{2 \leq k, l, m, n \leq 5 \\ k+l+m+n=\mu+1}} \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_k(\lambda)| I_l W_m W_n. \end{aligned}$$

We have trivially

$$\max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/Q} |T_k(\lambda)| \ll x^{1/k}.$$

Using (3.4) we obtain

$$\left(\int_{-1/Q}^{1/Q} |T_k(\lambda)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2} \ll x^{\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{2}}.$$

Thus we see from (3.3) and (3.5)-(3.7) that the proof of (2.3) reduces to the proof of the following two lemmata:

LEMMA 3.5. *If $P \leq x^{\frac{13}{180} - \varepsilon}$ and $2 \leq k \leq 5$*

$$W_k \ll_B x^{1/k - 1/2} L^{-B}$$

for any $B > 0$.

LEMMA 3.6. *If $P \leq x^{\frac{13}{180}-\epsilon}$ and $2 \leq k \leq 5$*

$$I_k \ll x^{1/k} L^A$$

for a certain $A > 0$.

4. Proof of lemma 3.5

In order to prove the lemma it is enough to show that

$$(4.1) \quad W_{k,R} \ll x^{\frac{1}{k}-\frac{1}{2}} R^{a_k} L^{-B},$$

where

$$W_{k,R} = \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \left(\int_{-1/Qr}^{1/Qr} |W_k(\lambda, \chi)|^2 d\lambda \right)^{1/2}$$

for $R \leq P/2$. Applying lemma 1, [3] we see

$$(4.2) \quad \int_{-1/Qr}^{1/Qr} |W_k(\lambda, \chi)|^2 d\lambda \ll (QR)^{-2} \int_{x/2^{k+2}}^x \left| \sum_{\substack{t < m^k \leq t+Qr \\ x/2^{k+1} < m^k \leq x}} \Lambda(m)\chi(m) - E_0 \sum_{\substack{t < m^k \leq t+Qr \\ x/2^{k+1} < m^k \leq x}} 1 \right|^2 dt.$$

We set $X = \max(x/2^{k+1}, t)$ and $X + Y = \min(x, t + Qr)$. In the sequel we will treat the cases $R > L^D$ and $R \leq L^D$ for a sufficiently large constant $D > 0$ separately. In the first case we apply a slight modification of Heath-Brown's identity ([4])

$$-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) = \sum_{j=1}^K \binom{K}{j} (-1)^{j-1} \zeta'(s) \zeta^{j-1}(s) M^j(s) - \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) (1 - \zeta(s)M(s))^K,$$

with $K = 5$ and

$$M(s) = \sum_{n \leq x^{1/5k}} \mu(n)$$

to the sum

$$\sum_{X < m^k \leq X+Y}$$

Arguing exactly as in part III, [11] we find by applying Heath Brown's identity and Perron's summation formula (see [9], Lemma 3.12) that the inner sum of (4.2) — where always $E_0 = 0$ because of $R > L^D$ and the primitivity of the characters — is a linear combination of $O(L^c)$ terms of the form

$$S_{k, I_{a_1}, \dots, I_{a_{10}}} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-T}^T F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + iu, \chi \right) \frac{(X+Y)^{\frac{1}{k}(\frac{1}{2}+iu)} - X^{\frac{1}{k}(\frac{1}{2}+iu)}}{\frac{1}{2} + iu} du + O(T^{-1}x^{\frac{1}{k}+\varepsilon}),$$

where $2 \leq T \leq x$,

$$F_k(s, \chi) = \prod_{j=1}^{10} f_{k,j}(s, \chi), \quad f_{k,j}(s, \chi) = \sum_{n \in I_{k,j}} a_{k,j}(n) \chi_n n^{-s},$$

$$a_{k,j}(n) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \log n \text{ or } 1, & j = 1, \\ 1, & 1 < j \leq 5, \\ \mu(n), & 6 \leq 10. \end{array} \right\}, \quad I_j = (N_{k,j}, 2N_{k,j}], \quad 1 \leq j \leq 10,$$

$$(4.3) \quad \sqrt[k]{x} \ll \prod_{j=1}^{10} N_{k,j} \ll \sqrt[k]{x}, \quad N_{k,j} \leq x^{1/5k}, \quad 6 \leq j \leq 10.$$

Since

$$\frac{(X+Y)^{\frac{1}{k}(\frac{1}{2}+iu)} - X^{\frac{1}{k}(\frac{1}{2}+iu)}}{\frac{1}{2} + iu} \ll \min(QRx^{\frac{1}{2k}-1}, x^{\frac{1}{2k}}(|u|+1)^{-1})$$

by taking $T = x^{2\varepsilon} P^2(1 + |\lambda|x)$ and $T_0 = x(QR)^{-1}$, we conclude that $S_{I_{a_1}, \dots, I_{a_{11}}}$ is bounded by

$$\ll QRx^{\frac{1}{2k}-1} \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + iu, \chi \right) \right| du + x^{\frac{1}{2k}} \int_{T_0 \leq |u| \leq T} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + iu, \chi \right) \right| \frac{du}{|u|} + x^{\frac{1}{k}} P^{-2},$$

Thus we derive from (4.2) that in order to prove (4.1) it is enough to show that

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \ll x^{1/2k} R^{a_k - \varepsilon} L^{-B},$$

$$(4.5) \quad \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_{T_1}^{2T_1} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \ll x^{1/2k-1} Q R^{1+a_k-\varepsilon} T_1 L^{-B},$$

$$T_0 < |T_1| \leq T.$$

For the proof of (4.4) and (4.5) we will prove two propositions. We will need the estimate

$$(4.6) \quad \sum_{n \leq x} d^k(n) \ll_k x L^{c(k)}.$$

We now establish

PROPOSITION 1. *If there exists N_{k,j_1} and N_{k,j_2} ($1 \leq j_1, j_2 \leq 5$) such that $N_{k,j_1} N_{k,j_2} \geq P^{2-2a_k+3\varepsilon}$ then (4.4) is true.*

PROOF. We suppose without loss of generality $j_1 = 1$, $a_1(n) = \log n$ and $j_2 = 2$, $a_2(n) = 1$. Arguing exactly as in the proof of proposition 1 in [11], we find

$$f_{k,1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \ll L \left(\int_{-x^{1/k}}^{x^{1/k}} \left| L' \left(\frac{1}{2} + it + iv, \chi \right) \right|^4 \frac{dv}{1 + |v|} \right)^{1/4} + L,$$

and so we find by using lemma 3.7 in [2]:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| f_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right|^4 dt \\ & \ll L^4 \int_{-x^{1/k}}^{x^{1/k}} \frac{dv}{1 + |v|} \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_v^{T_0+v} \left| L' \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right|^4 dt + T_0 R^2 L^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll L^5 \max_{|N| \leq x^{1/k}} \int_{N/2}^N \frac{dv}{1+|v|} \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_v^{T_0+v} \left| L' \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right|^4 dt + T_0 R^2 L^4 \\ &+ L^5 \max_{|N| \leq x^{1/k}} N^{-1} \int_0^{T_0} dt \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi \bmod r}^* \int_{\frac{N}{2}+t}^{N+t} \left| L' \left(\frac{1}{2} + iv, \chi \right) \right|^4 dv + T_0 R^2 L^4 \\ &\ll R^2 T_0 L^c, \end{aligned}$$

Using lemma 3.8 in [2], (4.6) and Hölder’s inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \\ &\ll \left(\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| f_{k,1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \right)^{1/4} \\ &\times \left(\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| f_{k,2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \right)^{1/4} \\ &\times \left(\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| \prod_{j=3}^{10} f_{k,j} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \right)^{1/2} \\ &\ll (R^2 T_0)^{1/2} \left(R^2 T_0 + \frac{x^{1/k}}{N_{k,1} N_{k,2}} \right)^{1/2} L^c \ll x^{1/2k} R^{a_k} L^{-B}, \end{aligned}$$

by the definition of T_0 and the condition of the proposition. □

PROPOSITION 2. *Let $J = \{1, \dots, 10\}$. If J can be divided into two non overlapping subsets J_1 and J_2 such that*

$$\max \left(\prod_{j \in J_1} N_{k,j}, \prod_{j \in J_2} N_{k,j} \right) \ll x^{\frac{1}{k}} P^{-2+2a_k-3\epsilon}$$

then (4.4) is true.

PROOF. Let

$$F_{k,i}(s, \chi) = \prod_{j \in J_i} f_{k,j}(s, \chi) = \sum_{n \ll M_i} b_i(n) \chi(n) n^{-s}, \quad b_i(n) \ll d^c(n), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where $M_i = \prod_{j \in J_i} N_{k,j}$, $i = 1, 2$. Applying lemma 3.8 in [2], (4.3) and (4.6) we see

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \\ & \ll \left(\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_{k,1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \right)^{1/2} \\ & \quad \times \left(\sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_{k,2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi \right) \right| dt \right)^{1/2} \\ & \ll (R^2 T_0 + M_1)^{1/2} (R^2 T_0 + M_2)^{1/2} \\ & \ll R^2 T_0 + x^{\frac{1}{2k}} R P^{-1+a_k - \frac{3}{2}\epsilon} T_0^{1/2} + x^{1/2k} L^c. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the proposition because of $R > L^D$. Using proposition 1 and 2, we can prove (4.4) in nearly the same way as (4.4) is proved in [2]. The only difference in the proof is that instead of assuming

$$N_{k,i} N_{k,j} \leq P^{12/7+3\epsilon} \leq x^{2/5k}, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq 5, \quad i \neq j$$

as in [2], we assume in view of proposition 1 that

$$N_{k,i} N_{k,j} \leq P^{2-2a_k+3\epsilon} \leq x^{2/5k}, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq 5, \quad i \neq j.$$

The proof of (4.5) goes along the same lines. (4.1) is now proved in the case $R > L^D$. The case $R \leq L^D$ is treated exactly as in [2]. \square

5. Proof of Lemma 3.6

To prove the lemma it is enough to show that

$$\max_{R \leq P/2} \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \max_{|\lambda| \leq 1/rQ} |W_k(\lambda, \chi_r)| \ll x^{1/k} R^{a_k} L^A.$$

Arguing as in the section before — we do not have to apply Gallagher’s lemma here — we find

$$\begin{aligned} W_k(\lambda, \chi) &\ll L^c \max_{I_{a_1, \dots, I_{a_{2k+1}}}} \left| \int_{-T}^T F\left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi\right) dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \int_{x/2^{k+1}}^x u^{\frac{1}{2k}-1} e\left(\frac{t}{2k\pi} \log u + \lambda u\right) du \right| + x^{1/k} P^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

for $T = P^3$. Estimating the inner integral by the lemmata 4.3 and 4.4 of [9], we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{x/2^{k+1}}^x u^{\frac{1}{2k}-1} e\left(\frac{t}{2k\pi} \log u + \lambda u\right) du \\ &\ll x^{\frac{1}{2k}-1} \min\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{|t|+1}}, \frac{x}{\min_{x/2^{k+1} < u \leq x} |t + 2k\pi\lambda u|}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Taking $T_0 = 4k\pi x(rQ)^{-1}$ we conclude that in order to prove the lemma it is enough to prove that for $P \leq x^{\frac{7}{150}-\epsilon}$ and $2 \leq k \leq 5$ there holds

$$(5.1) \quad \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_0^{T_0} \left| F_k\left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi\right) \right| dt \ll x^{1/2k} R^{a_k} L^c,$$

$$(5.2) \quad \sum_{r \sim R} \sum_{\chi}^* \int_{T_1}^{2T_1} \left| F_k\left(\frac{1}{2} + it, \chi\right) \right| dt \ll x^{1/2k} R^{a_k} T_1 L^c, \quad T_0 < |T_1| \leq T.$$

These estimates are shown in the same way as (4.4) and (4.5). Two propositions analogous to the propositions 1 and 2 are proved:

PROPOSITION 3. *If there exist N_{k,j_1} and N_{k,j_2} ($1 \leq j_1, j_2 \leq 5$) such that $N_{k,j_1}N_{k,j_2} \geq P^{2-2a_k+3\epsilon}$ then (5.1) is true.*

PROPOSITION 4. *Let $J = \{1, \dots, 10\}$. If J can be divided into two non overlapping subsets J_1 and J_2 such that*

$$\max \left(\prod_{j \in J_1} N_{k,j}, \prod_{j \in J_2} N_{k,j} \right) \ll x^{\frac{1}{k}} P^{-2+2a_k-3\epsilon}$$

then (5.1) is true. □

REMARK. Here we do not need to treat the case $R > L^D$ separately because we do not have to save a factor L^{-B} .

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