

## Almost all short intervals containing prime numbers

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**1. Introduction.** In 1937, Cramér [1] conjectured that every interval  $(n, n + f(n) \log^2 n)$  contains a prime for some  $f(n) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

In 1943, assuming the Riemann Hypothesis, Selberg [19] showed that, for almost all  $n$ , the interval  $(n, n + f(n) \log^2 n)$  contains a prime providing  $f(n) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . In the same paper, he also showed that, for almost all  $n$ , the interval  $(n, n + n^{\frac{19}{77} + \varepsilon})$  contains a prime.

In 1971, Montgomery [16] improved the exponent  $\frac{19}{77}$  to  $\frac{1}{5}$ . The zero density estimate of Huxley [7] gives the exponent  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

In 1982, Harman [3] used the sieve method to prove that, for almost all  $n$ , the interval  $(n, n + n^{\frac{1}{10} + \varepsilon})$  contains a prime. Heath-Brown [5] and Harman [4] mentioned that the exponent  $\frac{1}{12}$  can be achieved.

In [11], Jia Chao-hua investigated the problem of the exceptional set of Goldbach numbers in the short interval. As a by-product, he proved that, for almost all  $n$ , the interval  $(n, n + n^{\frac{1}{13} + \varepsilon})$  contains prime numbers. Li Hongze [14] improved the exponent  $\frac{1}{13}$  to  $\frac{2}{27}$ .

Recently, Jia Chao-hua [12] showed that, for almost all  $n$ , the interval  $(n, n + n^{\frac{1}{14} + \varepsilon})$  contains prime numbers. Watt [20] also obtained the same result. Their methods are different. In [12] only classical methods are used and in [20] a new mean value estimate of Watt [21] is used in addition. Li Hongze [15] combined these methods to improve the exponent  $\frac{1}{14}$  to  $\frac{1}{15}$ .

In this paper, we prove the following:

**THEOREM.** *Suppose that  $B$  is a sufficiently large positive constant,  $\varepsilon$  is a sufficiently small positive constant and  $X$  is sufficiently large. Then for positive integers  $n \in (X, 2X)$ , except for  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$  values, the interval  $(n, n + n^{\frac{1}{20} + \varepsilon})$  contains at least  $0.005n^{\frac{1}{20} + \varepsilon} \log^{-1} n$  prime numbers.*

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We apply a mean value estimate of Deshouillers and Iwaniec [2] (see Lemma 2). Using the classical mean value estimate instead of that of Deshouillers and Iwaniec, we can get the exponent  $\frac{1}{18}$ . We refer to [13] and the explanation in [11].

Throughout this paper, we always suppose that  $B$  is a sufficiently large positive constant,  $\varepsilon$  is a sufficiently small positive constant and  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon^2$ ,  $\delta = \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}}$ . We also suppose that  $X$  is sufficiently large and that  $x \in (X, 2X)$ ,  $\eta = \frac{1}{2}X^{-\frac{19}{20}+\varepsilon}$ . Let  $c, c_1$  and  $c_2$  denote positive constants which have different values at different places.  $m \sim M$  means that there are positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $c_1M < m \leq c_2M$ . We often use  $M(s)$  ( $M$  may be another capital letter) to denote a Dirichlet polynomial of the form

$$M(s) = \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m^s},$$

where  $a(m)$  is a complex number with  $a(m) = O(1)$ .

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## 2. Mean value estimate (I)

LEMMA 1. *Suppose that  $X^\delta \ll H \ll X^{\frac{9}{85}}$ ,  $MH = X$ ,  $M(s)$  is a Dirichlet polynomial and*

$$H(s) = \sum_{h \sim H} \frac{\Lambda(h)}{h^s}.$$

Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$ ,  $T_0 = \log^{\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} X$ . Then for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ , we have

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_{\frac{T}{2}}^{2T} |M(b+it)H(b+it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 \log^{-10B} x.$$

Proof. Let  $s = b + it$ . By the zero-free region of the  $\zeta$  function, for  $|t| \leq 2X$  we have

$$(1) \quad \sum_{c_1H < h \leq c_2H} \frac{\Lambda(h)}{h^s} = \frac{(c_2H)^{1-s} - (c_1H)^{1-s}}{1-s} + O(\log^{-\frac{2B}{\varepsilon}} x).$$

So, for  $T_0 \leq |t| \leq 2X$ ,

$$(2) \quad H(s) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x.$$

According to the discussion in [6], there are  $O(\log^2 X)$  sets  $S(V, W)$ , where  $S(V, W)$  is the set of  $t_k$  ( $k = 1, \dots, K$ ) with the property  $|t_r - t_s| \geq 1$  ( $r \neq s$ ). Moreover,

$$V \leq M^{\frac{1}{2}} |M(b + it_k)| < 2V, \quad W \leq H^{\frac{1}{2}} |H(b + it_k)| < 2W,$$

where  $X^{-1} \leq M^{-\frac{1}{2}}V$ ,  $X^{-1} \leq H^{-\frac{1}{2}}W$  and  $V \ll M^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $W \ll H^{\frac{1}{2}} \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x$ . Then

$$(3) \quad \int_T^{2T} |M(b+it)H(b+it)|^2 dt \ll V^2 W^2 x^{-1} \log^2 x |S(V, W)| + O(x^{-2\varepsilon_1}),$$

where  $S(V, W)$  is one of sets with the above properties.

Assume  $X^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \leq H < X^{\frac{1}{k}}$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer,  $k \geq 9$  and  $k\delta \ll 1$ . Applying the mean value estimate (see Section 3 of [9] or Lemma 7 of [11]) to  $M(s)$  and  $H^k(s)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |S(V, W)| &\ll V^{-2}(M+T) \log^d x, \\ |S(V, W)| &\ll W^{-2k}(H^k+T) \log^d x, \end{aligned}$$

where  $d = c/\delta^2$ . Applying the Halász method (see Section 3 of [9] or Lemma 7 of [11]) to  $M(s)$  and  $H^k(s)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |S(V, W)| &\ll (V^{-2}M + V^{-6}MT) \log^d x, \\ |S(V, W)| &\ll (W^{-2k}H^k + W^{-6k}H^kT) \log^d x. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$V^2 W^2 |S(V, W)| \ll V^2 W^2 F \log^d x,$$

where

$$F = \min\{V^{-2}(M+T), V^{-2}M + V^{-6}MT, W^{-2k}(H^k+T), W^{-2k}H^k + W^{-6k}H^kT\}.$$

It will be proved that

$$(4) \quad \min^2\left(\eta, \frac{1}{T}\right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \eta^2 x \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x.$$

We consider four cases.

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-2}M, 2W^{-2k}H^k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} V^2 W^2 F &\ll V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-2}M, W^{-2k}H^k\} \\ &\leq V^2 W^2 (V^{-2}M)^{1-\frac{1}{2k}} (W^{-2k}H^k)^{\frac{1}{2k}} \\ &= V^{\frac{1}{k}} W M^{1-\frac{1}{2k}} H^{\frac{1}{2}} \ll x \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\min^2\left(\eta, \frac{1}{T}\right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \eta^2 x \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x.$$

(b)  $F > 2V^{-2}M, 2W^{-2k}H^k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} V^2 W^2 F &\ll V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-2}T, V^{-6}MT, W^{-2k}T, W^{-6k}H^kT\} \\ &\leq V^2 W^2 (V^{-2})^{1-\frac{3}{2k}} (V^{-6}M)^{\frac{1}{2k}} (W^{-2k})^{\frac{1}{k}} T = M^{\frac{1}{2k}} T. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $k \geq 9$ , we have  $H \geq X^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \geq X^{1-\frac{k}{10}}$ ,  $M^{\frac{1}{2k}} \ll X^{\frac{1}{20}}$ , and so

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \frac{\eta}{T} x^{\frac{1}{20}} T \ll \eta^2 x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-2}M$ ,  $F > 2W^{-2k}H^k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} V^2 W^2 F &\ll V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-2}M, W^{-2k}T, W^{-6k}H^k T\} \\ &\leq V^2 W^2 (V^{-2}M)^{1-\frac{1}{3k}} (W^{-6k}H^k T)^{\frac{1}{3k}} \\ &\ll MH^{\frac{1}{3}} T^{\frac{1}{3k}}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $V \ll M^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . As  $H \geq X^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \geq X^{\frac{19}{20} \cdot \frac{1}{2k} + \varepsilon}$ , we have

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \eta^{2-\frac{1}{3k}} T^{-\frac{1}{3k}} x^{1-\frac{19}{20} \cdot \frac{1}{3k}} T^{\frac{1}{3k}} x^{-\varepsilon_1} \ll \eta^2 x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(d)  $F > 2V^{-2}M$ ,  $F \leq 2W^{-2k}H^k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} V^2 W^2 F &\ll V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-2}T, V^{-6}MT, W^{-2k}H^k\} \\ &\leq V^2 W^2 (V^{-2}T)^{1-\frac{3}{2k}} (V^{-6}MT)^{\frac{1}{2k}} (W^{-2k}H^k)^{\frac{1}{k}} \\ &= M^{\frac{1}{2k}} HT^{1-\frac{1}{k}}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $k \geq 10$ , then  $H \leq X^{\frac{1}{k}} \leq X^{1-\frac{19(k-1)}{10(2k-1)}}$ ,  $M \gg X^{\frac{19(k-1)}{10(2k-1)}}$ , and so

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \eta^{1+\frac{1}{k}} x^{1-\frac{19}{20}(1-\frac{1}{k})} \ll \eta^2 x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

If  $k = 9$ , then  $X^{\frac{1}{10}} \leq H \ll X^{\frac{9}{85}}$ ,  $M \gg X^{\frac{76}{85}}$ , and so

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) V^2 W^2 F \ll \eta^2 (x^{-\frac{19}{20}+\varepsilon})^{-\frac{8}{9}} x^{1-\frac{38}{45}} \ll \eta^2 x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

Combining the above, we obtain (4). Hence, Lemma 1 follows.

LEMMA 2. *Suppose that  $N(s)$  is a Dirichlet polynomial and*

$$L(s) = \sum_{c_1 L < l \leq c_2 L} \frac{1}{l^s}.$$

Let  $T \geq 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{\frac{T}{2}}^{2T} \left| L\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right|^4 \left| N\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right|^2 dt \\ &\ll \left( T + N^2 T^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}} \left( T \min\left(L, \frac{T}{L}\right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + NL^2 T^{-2} \right) T^{\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. First we assume  $c_1L \leq T^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . If  $N \leq T$ , then by the discussion in Section 2 of [2], we have

$$I \ll (T + N^2T^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}}(TL)^{\frac{1}{2}})T^{\varepsilon_1}.$$

If  $N > T$ , the mean value estimate yields

$$I \ll (L^2N + T)(LN)^{\varepsilon_1} \ll (T + N^2T^{\frac{1}{2}})T^{\varepsilon_1}.$$

Now we assume  $T^{\frac{1}{2}} < c_1L \leq 2T$ . By the discussion in Section 2 of [2], we get

$$I \ll \left( T + N^2T^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}} \left( T \cdot \frac{T}{L} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) T^{\varepsilon_1}.$$

Lastly we assume  $2T < c_1L$ . It follows from Theorem 1 on page 442 of [18] that

$$\sum_{c_1L < l \leq c_2L} \frac{1}{l^{\frac{1}{2}+it}} = \frac{(c_2L)^{\frac{1}{2}-it} - (c_1L)^{\frac{1}{2}-it}}{\frac{1}{2} - it} + O\left(\frac{1}{L^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right).$$

Hence,

$$L\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \ll \frac{L^{\frac{1}{2}}}{|t|} + \frac{1}{L^{\frac{1}{2}}} \ll \frac{L^{\frac{1}{2}}}{|t|}$$

and

$$I \ll \frac{L^2}{T^4} \int_T^{2T} \left| N\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right|^2 dt \ll \frac{L^2}{T^4} (N + T) \ll \frac{NL^2}{T^2}.$$

Combining the above, we get Lemma 2.

LEMMA 3. Suppose that  $MNL = X$ ,  $M(s)$ ,  $N(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials, and

$$L(s) = \sum_{l \sim L} \frac{1}{l^s}.$$

Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$ ,  $T_1 = \sqrt{L}$ . Assume further that  $M$  and  $N$  lie in one of the following regions:

- (5) (i)  $M \ll X^{\frac{9}{32}}$ ,  $N \ll M^{\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{1}{10}}$ ;  
(ii)  $X^{\frac{9}{32}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{53}{160}}$ ,  $N \ll X^{\frac{23}{80}}$ ;  
(iii)  $X^{\frac{53}{160}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{13}{32}}$ ,  $N \ll M^{-\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{61}{120}}$ ;  
(iv)  $X^{\frac{13}{32}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{321}{680}}$ ,  $N \ll M^{-2} X^{\frac{21}{20}}$ .

Then for  $T_1 \leq T \leq X$ , we have

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} |M(b+it)N(b+it)L(b+it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 x^{-2\varepsilon_1}.$$

Proof. It is sufficient to show that

$$I = \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} \left| M \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) N \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) L \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 x^{1-2\varepsilon_1}.$$

We shall show that the above inequality holds, providing  $M$  and  $N$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 N &\ll X^{\frac{21}{20}}, & M^2 N^3 &\ll X^{\frac{61}{40}}, & M^6 N^7 &\ll X^{\frac{41}{10}}, \\ N &\ll X^{\frac{23}{80}}, & N^3 &\ll M^2 X^{\frac{3}{10}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the mean value estimate and Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_T^{2T} \left| M \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) N \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) L \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \\ &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \left| M \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^4 \left| N \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_T^{2T} \left| L \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^4 \left| N \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\ll (M^2 N + T)^{\frac{1}{2}} (T + N^2 T^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}} (TL)^{\frac{1}{2}} + NL^2 T^{-2})^{\frac{1}{2}} T^{\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} I &\ll \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) (M^2 N + T)^{\frac{1}{2}} (T + N^2 T^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}} (TL)^{\frac{1}{2}})^{\frac{1}{2}} T^{\varepsilon_1} + \eta^2 T_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} x^{1+\varepsilon_1} \\ &\ll \eta^2 (M^2 N + \eta^{-1})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\eta^{-1} + N^2 \eta^{-\frac{1}{2}} + N^{\frac{5}{4}} (\eta^{-1} L)^{\frac{1}{2}})^{\frac{1}{2}} x^{\varepsilon_1} + \eta^2 x^{1-2\varepsilon_1} \\ &\ll \eta^2 x^{1-2\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

In every region of (5), our conditions are satisfied. So Lemma 3 follows.

LEMMA 4. *Under the assumptions of Lemma 3, (5) being replaced by the region*

$$(6) \quad M \ll X^{\frac{21}{40}}, \quad N \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}},$$

for  $T_1 \leq T \leq X$ , we have

$$\min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} |M(b+it)N(b+it)L(b+it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 x^{-2\varepsilon_1}.$$

Proof. It is sufficient to show that

$$I = \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} \left| M \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) N \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) L \left( \frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 x^{1-2\varepsilon_1}.$$

Using the mean value estimate and Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I &\ll \min^2\left(\eta, \frac{1}{T}\right) \left(\int_T^{2T} \left|M\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)\right|^4 dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_T^{2T} \left|L\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)\right|^4 \left|N\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)\right|^4 dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\ll \min^2\left(\eta, \frac{1}{T}\right) (M^2 + T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(T + N^4 T^{\frac{1}{2}}\right. \\
&\quad \left.+ N^{\frac{5}{2}} \left(T \min\left(L, \frac{T}{L}\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + N^2 L^2 T^{-2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} T^{\varepsilon_1} \\
&\ll \eta^2 (M^2 + \eta^{-1})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\eta^{-1} + N^4 \eta^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{\frac{1}{2}} x^{\varepsilon_1} + \eta^2 M N^{\frac{5}{4}} (\eta^{-1} L)^{\frac{1}{4}} x^{\varepsilon_1} \\
&\quad + N^{\frac{5}{4}} \eta^{2 - \frac{7}{8}} x^{\varepsilon_1} + \eta^2 T_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} x^{1 + \varepsilon_1} \\
&\ll \eta^2 x^{1 - 2\varepsilon_1},
\end{aligned}$$

since  $\min(L, T/L) \leq T^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Thus Lemma 4 follows.

### 3. Mean value estimate (II)

LEMMA 5. *Suppose that  $MHK = X$  and  $M(s)$ ,  $H(s)$  and  $K(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials, and  $G(s) = M(s)H(s)K(s)$ . Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$ ,  $T_0 = \log^{\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} X$ . Assume further that for  $T_0 \leq |t| \leq 2X$ ,  $M(b + it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x$  and  $H(b + it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x$ . Moreover, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  satisfy one of the following three conditions:*

- 1)  $MH \ll X^{\frac{157}{290}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H$ ,  $M^{29}/H \ll X^{10}$ ,  $X^{\frac{3}{10}} \ll M$ ,  $H^{29}/M \ll X^{\frac{31}{5}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{57}{10}} \ll M^{12}H^{11}$ ;
- 2)  $MH \ll X^{\frac{26}{45}}$ ,  $M^{29}H^{19} \ll X^{\frac{59}{4}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{38}{45}} \ll M^2H$ ,  $M^2H^{11} \ll X^{\frac{29}{10}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{57}{2}} \ll M^{58}H^{49}$ ;
- 3)  $MH \ll X^{\frac{25}{44}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{19}{100}} \ll H$ ,  $M^6H \ll X^{\frac{11}{5}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{19}{70}} \ll M$ ,  $MH^8 \ll X^{\frac{23}{10}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{57}{20}} \ll M^6H^5$ .

Then for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ , we have

$$(7) \quad \min^2\left(\eta, \frac{1}{T}\right) \int_T^{2T} |G(b + it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 \log^{-10B} x.$$

Proof. Using the method of Lemma 1, we only show that for  $T = 1/\eta = 2X^{\frac{19}{20} - \varepsilon}$ ,

$$(8) \quad I = \int_T^{2T} |G(b + it)|^2 dt \ll \log^{-10B} x.$$

I. First, we assume condition 1). On applying the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^3(s)$ ,  $H^5(s)$  and  $K^2(s)$ , we get

$$I \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 x^{-1} F \log^c x,$$

where

$$F = \min\{V^{-6}(M^3 + T), V^{-6}M^3 + V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-10}(H^5 + T), \\ W^{-10}H^5 + W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}(K^2 + T), U^{-4}K^2 + U^{-12}K^2T\}.$$

We discuss the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$U^2 V^2 W^2 F \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ \leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{3}{10}} (W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}} (U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = V^{\frac{1}{5}} M^{\frac{9}{10}} H K \ll x \log^{-11B} x.$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$U^2 V^2 W^2 F \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ \leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} (W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}} (U^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}} (U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ = T^{\frac{7}{15}} M H K^{\frac{1}{30}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$U^2 V^2 W^2 F \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ \leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} (W^{-10}T)^{\frac{3}{20}} (W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{60}} (U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = T^{\frac{1}{6}} M K H^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$U^2 V^2 W^2 F \\ \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ \leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} (W^{-10}T)^{\frac{1}{5}} (U^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}} (U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ = T^{\frac{2}{3}} M K^{\frac{1}{30}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$U^2 V^2 W^2 F \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ \leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-6}T)^{\frac{17}{60}} (V^{-18}M^3T)^{\frac{1}{60}} (W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}} (U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = T^{\frac{3}{10}} M^{\frac{1}{20}} H K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$



(f)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}T)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ &= T^{\frac{4}{5}}HK^{\frac{1}{30}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}T)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-10}T)^{\frac{3}{20}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}H^{\frac{1}{12}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}, V^{-18}M^3, W^{-10}, W^{-30}H^5, U^{-4}, U^{-12}K^2\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6})^{\frac{17}{60}}(V^{-18}M^3)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-10})^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-4})^{\frac{1}{2}}T \\ &= TM^{\frac{1}{20}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $M \ll X$ .

II. Next, we assume condition 2). On applying the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)H(s)$ ,  $H^5(s)$  and  $K^2(s)$ , we get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F = \min\{ &V^{-4}W^{-2}(M^2H + T), V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H + V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, \\ &W^{-10}(H^5 + T), W^{-10}H^5 + W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}(K^2 + T), \\ &U^{-4}K^2 + U^{-12}K^2T\}. \end{aligned}$$

We consider several cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{3}{8}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{8}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= V^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{3}{4}}HK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{20}} \\ &= T^{\frac{2}{5}}MHK^{\frac{1}{10}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{2}{3}}K^{\frac{1}{30}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{20}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{2}{5}}M^{\frac{1}{10}}H^{\frac{11}{20}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-10}H^5, \\ &\quad U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{20}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{9}{10}}M^{\frac{1}{10}}H^{\frac{11}{20}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-10}T, \\ &\quad W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{30}}H^{\frac{11}{60}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2H, W^{-10}, W^{-30}H^5, \\ &\quad U^{-4}, U^{-12}K^2\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2})^{\frac{9}{20}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-30}H^5)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4})^{\frac{1}{2}}T \\ &= TM^{\frac{1}{30}}H^{\frac{11}{60}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

III. Lastly, we assume condition 3). On applying the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^3(s)$ ,  $H^4(s)$  and  $K^2(s)$ , we get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F = \min\{ &V^{-6}(M^3 + T), V^{-6}M^3 + V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-8}(H^4 + T), W^{-8}H^4 \\ &+ W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-4}(K^2 + T), U^{-4}K^2 + U^{-12}K^2T\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{4}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= V^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{3}{4}}HK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-8}H^4, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{2}{3}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{24}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}MHK^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, F > 2W^{-8}H^4, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{6}}MKH^{\frac{1}{6}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-6}M^3, F > 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}M^3, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}M^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{2}{3}}MH^{\frac{1}{6}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, F \leq 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}T)^{\frac{5}{24}}(V^{-18}M^3T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{4}}M^{\frac{1}{8}}HK \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, F \leq 2W^{-8}H^4, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}T)^{\frac{5}{24}}(V^{-18}M^3T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{3}{4}}M^{\frac{1}{8}}H \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-8}H^4, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}T, V^{-18}M^3T, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6}T)^{\frac{1}{3}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}H^{\frac{1}{6}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-6}M^3, 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-6}, V^{-18}M^3, W^{-8}, W^{-24}H^4, U^{-4}, U^{-12}K^2\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-6})^{\frac{5}{24}}(V^{-18}M^3)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-8})^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-4})^{\frac{1}{2}}T \\ &= TM^{\frac{1}{8}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $M \ll X^{\frac{2}{5}}$  (the latter follows from  $MH \ll X^{\frac{25}{44}}$  and  $X^{\frac{19}{100}} \ll H$ ).

Combining the above, we obtain (8). Hence, Lemma 5 follows.

LEMMA 6. Under the assumption of Lemma 5,  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:

- (i)  $X^{\frac{19}{70}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3}{10}}, \quad M^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}};$
- (ii)  $X^{\frac{3}{10}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{60}}, \quad M^{-\frac{12}{11}} X^{\frac{57}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}};$
- (iii)  $X^{\frac{19}{60}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{247}{770}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}};$
- (iv)  $X^{\frac{247}{770}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{359}{1100}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1} X^{\frac{25}{44}};$
- (v)  $X^{\frac{359}{1100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{481}{1450}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-6} X^{\frac{11}{5}};$
- (vi)  $X^{\frac{481}{1450}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{443}{1305}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}};$
- (vii)  $X^{\frac{443}{1305}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{55}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}};$
- (viii)  $X^{\frac{19}{55}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, \quad M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}};$
- (ix)  $X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, \quad M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}};$
- (x)  $X^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}.$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{3}{10}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{60}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{12}{11}} X^{\frac{57}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{29}} X^{\frac{31}{145}}; \\ X^{\frac{19}{60}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{55}}, & \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 5 with condition 1).

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{443}{1305}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{55}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}; \\ X^{\frac{19}{55}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}; \\ X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}; \\ X^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 5 with condition 2).

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{19}{70}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3}{10}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}; \\ X^{\frac{3}{10}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{60}}, & \quad M^{\frac{1}{29}} X^{\frac{31}{145}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}; \\ X^{\frac{19}{60}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{247}{770}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}; \\ X^{\frac{247}{770}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{359}{1100}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}} \ll H \ll M^{-1} X^{\frac{25}{44}}; \\ X^{\frac{359}{1100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{481}{1450}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}} \ll H \ll M^{-6} X^{\frac{11}{5}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 5 with condition 3).

Putting together the above regions, we get Lemma 6.

LEMMA 7. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  also satisfy one of the following three conditions:*

- 1)  $MH \ll X^{\frac{7}{10}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H, M^{12}H \ll X^{\frac{63}{10}}, X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll M, H^{19}/M \ll X^{\frac{19}{5}}, X^{\frac{38}{5}} \ll M^{12}H^{11}$ ;
- 2)  $M^2H \ll X^{\frac{52}{45}}, M^{58}H^9 \ll X^{\frac{59}{2}}, X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M, MH^5 \ll X^{\frac{29}{20}}, X^{\frac{57}{4}} \ll M^{29}H^{10}$ ;
- 3)  $MH \ll X^{\frac{51}{70}}, X^{\frac{19}{100}} \ll H, M^6H \ll X^{\frac{63}{20}}, X^{\frac{19}{44}} \ll M, H^7/M \ll X^{\frac{13}{10}}, X^{\frac{19}{5}} \ll M^6H^5$ .

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. We only show that (8) holds for  $T = 1/\eta = 2X^{\frac{19}{20}-\varepsilon}$ .

I. First, we assume condition 1). We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)$ ,  $H^5(s)$  and  $K^3(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$F = \min\{V^{-4}(M^2 + T), V^{-4}M^2 + V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}(H^5 + T), W^{-10}H^5 + W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-6}(K^3 + T), U^{-6}K^3 + U^{-18}K^3T\}.$$

We consider several cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{6}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= W^{\frac{1}{3}}H^{\frac{5}{6}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{17}{60}}(U^{-18}K^3T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ &= T^{\frac{3}{10}}MHK^{\frac{1}{20}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}T)^{\frac{3}{20}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{6}}MKH^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2$ ,  $F > 2W^{-10}H^5$ ,  $2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}T)^{\frac{3}{20}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2$ ,  $F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5$ ,  $2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{7}{15}}M^{\frac{1}{30}}HK \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2$ ,  $F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5$ ,  $F > 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{17}{60}}(U^{-18}K^3T)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ &= T^{\frac{4}{5}}HK^{\frac{1}{20}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2$ ,  $2W^{-10}H^5$ ,  $F \leq 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}T)^{\frac{3}{20}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{2}{3}}H^{\frac{1}{12}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2$ ,  $2W^{-10}H^5$ ,  $2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}, V^{-12}M^2, W^{-10}, W^{-30}H^5, U^{-6}, U^{-18}K^3\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4})^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10})^{\frac{1}{5}}(U^{-6})^{\frac{17}{60}}(U^{-18}K^3)^{\frac{1}{60}}T \\ &= TK^{\frac{1}{20}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $K \ll X$ .

II. Next, assume condition 2). We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)$ ,  $H^5(s)$  and  $K^2(s)H(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$F = \min\{V^{-4}(M^2 + T), V^{-4}M^2 + V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}(H^5 + T), W^{-10}H^5 \\ + W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}W^{-2}(K^2H + T), U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H \\ + U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\}.$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$U^2V^2W^2F \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x.$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$U^2V^2W^2F \\ \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}W^{-2}T, U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT)^{\frac{1}{20}} \\ = T^{\frac{2}{5}}MH^{\frac{11}{20}}K^{\frac{1}{10}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$U^2V^2W^2F \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x.$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$U^2V^2W^2F \\ \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}W^{-2}T, \\ U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT)^{\frac{1}{60}} \\ = T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{11}{60}}K^{\frac{1}{30}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$U^2V^2W^2F \\ \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{20}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ = T^{\frac{2}{5}}M^{\frac{1}{10}}HK \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.$$



(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-10}H^5, F > 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}H^5, U^{-4}W^{-2}T, \\ &\quad U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{7}{20}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{20}}(W^{-10}H^5)^{\frac{1}{10}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{9}{10}}M^{\frac{1}{10}}H^{\frac{1}{2}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, F \leq 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-10}T, W^{-30}H^5T, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{9}{20}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-30}H^5T)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{30}}H^{\frac{2}{3}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-10}H^5, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}, V^{-12}M^2, W^{-10}, W^{-30}H^5, U^{-4}W^{-2}, \\ &\quad U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2H\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4})^{\frac{9}{20}}(V^{-12}M^2)^{\frac{1}{60}}(W^{-30}H^5)^{\frac{1}{30}}(U^{-4}W^{-2})^{\frac{1}{2}}T \\ &= TM^{\frac{1}{30}}H^{\frac{1}{6}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

III. Lastly, we assume condition 3). We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)$ ,  $H^4(s)$  and  $K^3(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F = \min\{ &V^{-4}(M^2 + T), V^{-4}M^2 + V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-8}(H^4 + T), W^{-8}H^4 \\ &+ W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-6}(K^3 + T), U^{-6}K^3 + U^{-18}K^3T\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{6}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= W^{\frac{2}{3}}H^{\frac{2}{3}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-8}H^4, F > 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{5}{24}}(U^{-18}K^3T)^{\frac{1}{24}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{4}}MHK^{\frac{1}{8}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-8}H^4, F \leq 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{6}}MKH^{\frac{1}{6}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{1}{6}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}M^{\frac{1}{12}}HK \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-8}H^4, F > 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-8}H^4, U^{-6}T, U^{-18}K^3T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}H^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-6}T)^{\frac{5}{24}}(U^{-18}K^3T)^{\frac{1}{24}} \\ &= T^{\frac{3}{4}}HK^{\frac{1}{8}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-8}H^4, F \leq 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-8}T, W^{-24}H^4T, U^{-6}K^3\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8}T)^{\frac{1}{8}}(W^{-24}H^4T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-6}K^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= T^{\frac{2}{3}}H^{\frac{1}{6}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-8}H^4, 2U^{-6}K^3$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & U^2V^2W^2F \\ & \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}, V^{-12}M^2, W^{-8}, W^{-24}H^4, U^{-6}, U^{-18}K^3\}T \\ & \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4})^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-8})^{\frac{1}{4}}(U^{-6})^{\frac{5}{24}}(U^{-18}K^3)^{\frac{1}{24}}T \\ & = TK^{\frac{1}{8}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $X^{\frac{3}{5}} \ll MH$  (the latter follows from  $X^{\frac{19}{44}} \ll M$  and  $X^{\frac{19}{100}} \ll H$ ).

Combining the above, we obtain (8). Hence, Lemma 7 follows.

LEMMA 8. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:*

- (i)  $X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{44}}, \quad M^{-\frac{29}{10}}X^{\frac{57}{40}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}};$
- (ii)  $X^{\frac{19}{44}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \quad M^{-\frac{29}{10}}X^{\frac{57}{40}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}};$
- (iii)  $X^{\frac{19}{44}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \quad M^{-\frac{6}{5}}X^{\frac{19}{25}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{7}}X^{\frac{13}{70}};$
- (iv)  $X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}};$
- (v)  $X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \quad M^{-\frac{6}{5}}X^{\frac{19}{25}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{7}}X^{\frac{13}{70}};$
- (vi)  $X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{7}}X^{\frac{13}{70}};$
- (vii)  $X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{53}{110}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-1}X^{\frac{51}{70}};$
- (viii)  $X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{339}{700}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{9}}X^{\frac{59}{18}};$
- (ix)  $X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{339}{700}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1}X^{\frac{51}{70}};$
- (x)  $X^{\frac{339}{700}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{9}}X^{\frac{59}{18}};$
- (xi)  $X^{\frac{339}{700}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-6}X^{\frac{63}{20}};$
- (xii)  $X^{\frac{49}{100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1}X^{\frac{7}{10}}.$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} & X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \quad M^{-\frac{12}{11}}X^{\frac{38}{55}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{19}}X^{\frac{1}{5}}; \\ & X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{110}} \ll H \ll M^{-1}X^{\frac{7}{10}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 7 with condition 1).

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} & X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \quad M^{-\frac{29}{10}}X^{\frac{57}{40}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}}; \\ & X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}}; \\ & X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{12}{11}}X^{\frac{38}{55}}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{53}{110}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll X^{\frac{19}{110}}; \\ X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{49}{100}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{9}} X^{\frac{59}{18}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 7 with condition 2).

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{19}{44}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{133}{290}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{19}{25}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}; \\ X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{40}}, & \quad M^{\frac{1}{19}} X^{\frac{1}{5}} \ll H \ll M^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}; \\ X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{339}{700}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{7}{10}} \ll H \ll M^{-1} X^{\frac{51}{70}}; \\ X^{\frac{339}{700}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{49}{100}}, & \quad M^{-1} X^{\frac{7}{10}} \ll H \ll M^{-6} X^{\frac{63}{20}}, \end{aligned}$$

we apply Lemma 7 with condition 3).

Putting together the above regions, we get Lemma 8.

LEMMA 9. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad X^{\frac{1843}{5280}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{1188}{2975}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{70}{59}} X^{\frac{171}{295}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}; \\ \text{(ii)} \quad X^{\frac{1188}{2975}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}; \\ \text{(iii)} \quad X^{\frac{1063}{2640}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, & \quad M^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{35}{23}} X^{\frac{179}{230}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. First we show that (8) holds for  $T = 1/\eta = 2X^{\frac{19}{20}-\varepsilon}$ , providing  $M$  and  $H$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} MH \ll X^{\frac{25}{44}}, \quad M^{35} H^{23} \ll X^{\frac{179}{10}}, \quad X^{\frac{19}{22}} \ll M^2 H, \\ M^2 H^{13} \ll X^{\frac{31}{10}}, \quad X^{\frac{171}{5}} \ll M^{70} H^{59}. \end{aligned}$$

We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)H(s)$ ,  $H^6(s)$  and  $K^2(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2 V^2 W^2 x^{-1} F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F = \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}(M^2H + T), V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H + V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, \\ W^{-12}(H^6 + T), W^{-12}H^6 + W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}(K^2 + T), \\ U^{-4}K^2 + U^{-12}K^2T\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2 V^2 W^2 F &\ll U^2 V^2 W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2 V^2 W^2 (V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} (U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}} MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-12}H^6, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{24}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}MHK^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-12}H^6, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-12}T, W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-12}T, W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-36}H^6T)^{\frac{1}{36}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{72}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{2}{3}}K^{\frac{1}{36}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}M^{\frac{1}{12}}H^{\frac{13}{24}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-12}H^6, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-12}H^6, \\ &\quad U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{11}{12}}M^{\frac{1}{12}}H^{\frac{13}{24}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-12}H^6, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& U^2V^2W^2F \\
& \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-12}T, \\
& \quad W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\
& \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{11}{24}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{72}}(W^{-36}H^6T)^{\frac{1}{36}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
& = T^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{36}}H^{\frac{13}{72}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& U^2V^2W^2F \ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2H, W^{-12}, W^{-36}H^6, \\
& \quad U^{-4}, U^{-12}K^2\}T \\
& \leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2})^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-12})^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4})^{\frac{3}{8}}(U^{-12}K^2)^{\frac{1}{24}}T \\
& = TK^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1},
\end{aligned}$$

since  $X^{\frac{2}{5}} \ll MH$  (the latter follows from  $X^{\frac{171}{5}} \ll M^{70}H^{59}$ ).

In every region, our conditions are satisfied. So the proof of Lemma 9 is complete.

LEMMA 10. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:*

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(i)} \quad & X^{\frac{37}{100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, \quad M^{-\frac{82}{69}}X^{\frac{133}{230}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{70}{59}}X^{\frac{171}{295}}; \\
\text{(ii)} \quad & X^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{1188}{2975}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{70}{59}}X^{\frac{171}{295}}; \\
\text{(iii)} \quad & X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, \quad M^{-\frac{35}{23}}X^{\frac{179}{230}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{41}{27}}X^{\frac{421}{540}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. First we show that (8) holds for  $T = 1/\eta = 2X^{\frac{19}{20}-\varepsilon}$ , providing  $M$  and  $H$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}
MH & \ll X^{\frac{73}{130}}, \quad M^{41}H^{27} \ll X^{\frac{421}{20}}, \quad X^{\frac{57}{65}} \ll M^2H, \\
M^2H^{15} & \ll X^{\frac{33}{10}}, \quad X^{\frac{399}{10}} \ll M^{82}H^{69}.
\end{aligned}$$

We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)H(s)$ ,  $H^7(s)$  and  $K^2(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
F = \min\{ & V^{-4}W^{-2}(M^2H + T), V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H + V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, \\
& W^{-14}(H^7 + T), W^{-14}H^7 + W^{-42}H^7T, U^{-4}(K^2 + T), \\
& U^{-4}K^2 + U^{-12}K^2T\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-14}H^7, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-14}H^7, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-14}H^7, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-14}H^7, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-14}H^7)^{\frac{1}{14}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{11}{28}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{28}} \\ &= T^{\frac{3}{7}}MHK^{\frac{1}{14}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-14}H^7, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-14}T, W^{-42}H^7T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F > 2W^{-14}H^7, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, W^{-14}T, W^{-42}H^7T, U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-42}H^7T)^{\frac{1}{42}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{13}{28}}(U^{-12}K^2T)^{\frac{1}{84}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{2}{3}}K^{\frac{1}{42}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-14}H^7, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-14}H^7, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{11}{28}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{28}}(W^{-14}H^7)^{\frac{1}{14}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{3}{7}}M^{\frac{1}{14}}H^{\frac{15}{28}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, F \leq 2W^{-14}H^7, F > 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-14}H^7, \\ &\quad U^{-4}T, U^{-12}K^2T\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{11}{28}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{28}}(W^{-14}H^7)^{\frac{1}{14}}(U^{-4}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{13}{14}}M^{\frac{1}{14}}H^{\frac{15}{28}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-14}H^7, F \leq 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}T, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT, W^{-14}T, \\ &\quad W^{-42}H^7T, U^{-4}K^2\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{13}{28}}(V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2HT)^{\frac{1}{84}} \\ &\quad \times (W^{-42}H^7T)^{\frac{1}{42}}(U^{-4}K^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{42}}H^{\frac{5}{28}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}W^{-2}M^2H, 2W^{-14}H^7, 2U^{-4}K^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}W^{-2}, V^{-12}W^{-6}M^2H, W^{-14}, W^{-42}H^7, \\ &\quad U^{-4}, U^{-12}K^2\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}W^{-2})^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-14})^{\frac{1}{14}}(U^{-4})^{\frac{11}{28}}(U^{-12}K^2)^{\frac{1}{28}}T \\ &= TK^{\frac{1}{14}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $X^{\frac{3}{10}} \ll MH$  (the latter follows from  $X^{\frac{57}{65}} \ll M^2H$ ).

In every region, our conditions are satisfied, so the proof of Lemma 10 is complete.

LEMMA 11. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & X^{\frac{1843}{5280}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{37}{100}}, \quad M^{-\frac{70}{59}}X^{\frac{171}{295}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{49}}X^{\frac{57}{98}}; \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & X^{\frac{37}{100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, \quad M^{-\frac{82}{69}}X^{\frac{133}{230}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{49}}X^{\frac{57}{98}}; \\ \text{(iii)} \quad & X^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{58}{49}}X^{\frac{57}{98}}; \\ \text{(iv)} \quad & X^{\frac{1063}{2640}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{45}}, \quad M^{-\frac{29}{19}}X^{\frac{59}{76}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{35}{23}}X^{\frac{179}{230}}; \\ \text{(v)} \quad & X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, \quad M^{-\frac{29}{19}}X^{\frac{59}{76}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{41}{27}}X^{\frac{421}{540}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. Putting together regions in Lemmas 9 and 10, we can get Lemma 11.

LEMMA 12. *Under the assumption of Lemma 5, suppose that  $M$  and  $H$  lie in one of the following regions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & X^{\frac{4331}{9860}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{2691}{5950}}, \quad M^{-\frac{35}{12}}X^{\frac{57}{40}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{10}}X^{\frac{57}{40}}; \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & X^{\frac{2691}{5950}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{29}{10}}X^{\frac{57}{40}}; \\ \text{(iii)} \quad & X^{\frac{233}{480}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \quad M^{-\frac{58}{9}}X^{\frac{59}{18}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{70}{11}}X^{\frac{179}{55}}; \\ \text{(iv)} \quad & X^{\frac{49}{100}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{2944}{5950}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll H \ll M^{-\frac{70}{11}}X^{\frac{179}{55}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .



Proof. First we show that (8) holds for  $T = 1/\eta = 2X^{\frac{19}{20}-\varepsilon}$ , providing that  $M$  and  $H$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} M^2H &\ll X^{\frac{25}{22}}, & M^{70}H^{11} &\ll X^{\frac{179}{5}}, & X^{\frac{19}{44}} &\ll M, \\ MH^6 &\ll X^{\frac{31}{20}}, & X^{\frac{171}{10}} &\ll M^{35}H^{12}. \end{aligned}$$

We apply the mean value estimate and Halász method to  $M^2(s)$ ,  $H^6(s)$  and  $K^2(s)H(s)$  to get

$$I \ll U^2V^2W^2x^{-1}F \log^c x,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F = \min\{ &V^{-4}(M^2 + T), V^{-4}M^2 + V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-12}(H^6 + T), W^{-12}H^6 \\ &+ W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}W^{-2}(K^2H + T), U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H \\ &+ U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following cases:

(a)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-12}H^6, F > 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}W^{-2}T, U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT)^{\frac{1}{24}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}MH^{\frac{13}{24}}K^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-12}H^6, F \leq 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-12}T, W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= WH^{\frac{1}{2}}MK \ll x \log^{-11B} x. \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $F \leq 2V^{-4}M^2, F > 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}M^2, W^{-12}T, W^{-36}H^6T, \\ &U^{-4}W^{-2}T, U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}M^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(W^{-36}H^6T)^{\frac{1}{36}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{11}{24}} \\ &\quad \times (U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT)^{\frac{1}{72}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}MH^{\frac{13}{72}}K^{\frac{1}{36}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{5}{12}}M^{\frac{1}{12}}HK \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, F \leq 2W^{-12}H^6, F > 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-12}H^6, U^{-4}W^{-2}T, \\ &\quad U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2HT\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-12}H^6)^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}T)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{11}{12}}M^{\frac{1}{12}}H^{\frac{1}{2}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(g)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-12}H^6, F \leq 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}T, V^{-12}M^2T, W^{-12}T, W^{-36}H^6T, U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H\} \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4}T)^{\frac{11}{24}}(V^{-12}M^2T)^{\frac{1}{72}}(W^{-36}H^6T)^{\frac{1}{36}}(U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= T^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{36}}H^{\frac{2}{3}}K \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}. \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $F > 2V^{-4}M^2, 2W^{-12}H^6, 2U^{-4}W^{-2}K^2H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U^2V^2W^2F &\ll U^2V^2W^2 \min\{V^{-4}, V^{-12}M^2, W^{-12}, W^{-36}H^6, U^{-4}W^{-2}, \\ &\quad U^{-12}W^{-6}K^2H\}T \\ &\leq U^2V^2W^2(V^{-4})^{\frac{3}{8}}(V^{-12}M^2)^{\frac{1}{24}}(W^{-12})^{\frac{1}{12}}(U^{-4}W^{-2})^{\frac{1}{2}}T \\ &= TM^{\frac{1}{12}} \ll x^{1-\varepsilon_1}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $M \ll X^{\frac{3}{5}}$  (the latter follows from  $M^{70}H^{11} \ll X^{\frac{179}{5}}$ ).

In every region, our conditions are satisfied. So the proof of Lemma 12 is complete.

#### 4. Mean value estimate (III)

LEMMA 13. *Suppose that  $PQRK = X$  and that  $P(s), Q(s), R(s)$  and  $K(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials. Define  $G(s) = P(s)Q(s)R(s)K(s)$ . Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$  and  $T_0 = \log^{\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} X$ . Assume further that for  $T_0 \leq |t| \leq 2X$ ,  $P(b+it)Q(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x$  and  $R(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x$ . Moreover, assume that*

$$X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q$$

and that  $P$  and  $Q$  lie in one of the following regions:

- (i)  $X^{\frac{133}{580}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{19}{80}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P;$
- (ii)  $X^{\frac{19}{80}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{53}{220}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}};$
- (iii)  $X^{\frac{53}{220}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{151}{580}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}};$
- (iv)  $X^{\frac{151}{580}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{17}{55}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}};$
- (v)  $X^{\frac{17}{55}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{58}{67}}X^{\frac{59}{134}};$
- (vi)  $X^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{37}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{58}{67}}X^{\frac{59}{134}};$
- (vii)  $X^{\frac{37}{100}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{49}{100}}.$

Then (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $m = pq$ ,  $h = r$ .

(a) On applying Lemma 8 with region (iv), we see that (7) holds under the conditions

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q \ll (PQ)^{-\frac{1}{5}}X^{\frac{29}{100}},$$

which can be written as

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{1}{6}}X^{\frac{29}{120}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{151}{580}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}}; \\ X^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{1739}{4930}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}}, \end{aligned}$$

the above conditions on  $P$  and  $Q$  are satisfied.

(b) On applying Lemma 8 with region (vi), we see that (7) holds under the conditions

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q \ll (PQ)^{\frac{1}{7}}X^{\frac{13}{70}},$$

which can be written as

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{\frac{1}{6}}X^{\frac{13}{60}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{133}{580}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{19}{80}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P; \\ X^{\frac{19}{80}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{1739}{4930}}, \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}}; \\ X^{\frac{1739}{4930}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{251}{680}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}}, \end{aligned}$$

the above conditions on  $P$  and  $Q$  are satisfied.

(c) On applying Lemma 8 with region (vii), we see that (7) holds under the conditions

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q \ll (PQ)^{-1}X^{\frac{51}{70}},$$

which can be written as

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{1}{2}}X^{\frac{51}{140}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{53}{220}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{251}{680}}, & \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{19}{40}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}}; \\ X^{\frac{251}{680}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{703}{1870}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}}, \end{aligned}$$

the above conditions on  $P$  and  $Q$  are satisfied.

(d) On applying Lemma 8 with regions (viii) and (x), we see that (7) holds under the conditions

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q \ll (PQ)^{-\frac{58}{9}}X^{\frac{59}{18}},$$

which can be written as

$$P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{58}{67}}X^{\frac{59}{134}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{17}{55}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{37}{100}}, & \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{58}{67}}X^{\frac{59}{134}}; \\ X^{\frac{37}{100}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{703}{1870}}, & \quad P^{-1}X^{\frac{53}{110}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{49}{100}}; \\ X^{\frac{703}{1870}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{49}{100}}, \end{aligned}$$

the above conditions on  $P$  and  $Q$  are satisfied.

Putting together the above regions, we get Lemma 13.

LEMMA 14. *Suppose that  $PQRL = X$  and that  $P(s)$ ,  $Q(s)$  and  $R(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials,*

$$L(s) = \sum_{l \sim L} \frac{1}{l^s},$$

and  $F(s) = P(s)Q(s)R(s)L(s)$ . Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$  and  $T_1 = \sqrt{L}$ . Assume further that for  $T_1 \leq |t| \leq 2X$ ,  $P(b+it)Q(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\epsilon}} x$  and  $R(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\epsilon}} x$ . Moreover, assume that

$$X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q$$

and that  $P$  and  $Q$  lie in one of the following regions:

- (i)  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{21}{100}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P;$
- (ii)  $X^{\frac{21}{100}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{13}{60}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{2}{3}}X^{\frac{7}{20}};$
- (iii)  $X^{\frac{13}{60}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{12613}{49300}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{1}{6}}X^{\frac{29}{120}};$
- (iv)  $X^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1}X^{\frac{897}{1972}}.$

Then for  $T_1 \leq T \leq X$ , we have

$$(9) \quad \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} |F(b+it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 \log^{-10B} x.$$

**Proof.** Let  $m = pq$  and  $n = r$ . An application of Lemma 3 yields that (9) holds under one of the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & M \ll X^{\frac{9}{32}}, & N &\ll M^{\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{1}{10}}; \\ (b) \quad & X^{\frac{9}{32}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{53}{160}}, & N &\ll X^{\frac{23}{80}}; \\ (c) \quad & X^{\frac{53}{160}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{13}{32}}, & N &\ll M^{-\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{61}{120}}; \\ (d) \quad & X^{\frac{13}{32}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{19}{45}}, & N &\ll M^{-2} X^{\frac{21}{20}}; \\ (e) \quad & X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, & N &\ll M^{-2} X^{\frac{21}{20}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the same discussion as in Lemma 8 with regions (i) and (ii), we deduce that (9) holds under the condition

$$(f) \quad X^{\frac{19}{45}} \ll M \ll X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \quad M^{-2} X^{\frac{21}{20}} \ll N \ll M^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{9}{64}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P; \\ X^{\frac{9}{64}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{477}{2720}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{9}{32}}, \end{aligned}$$

condition (a) is satisfied.

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{9}{64}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{53}{320}}, & \quad P^{-1} X^{\frac{9}{32}} \ll Q \ll P; \\ X^{\frac{53}{320}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{477}{2720}}, & \quad P^{-1} X^{\frac{9}{32}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{160}}; \\ X^{\frac{477}{2720}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{613}{2720}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{160}}, \end{aligned}$$

condition (b) is satisfied.

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{53}{320}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{13}{64}}, & \quad P^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{160}} \ll Q \ll P; \\ X^{\frac{13}{64}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{613}{2720}}, & \quad P^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{160}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{13}{32}}; \\ X^{\frac{613}{2720}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{817}{2720}}, & \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{13}{32}}, \end{aligned}$$

condition (c) is satisfied.

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{13}{64}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{21}{100}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{13}{32}} &\ll Q \ll P; \\ X^{\frac{21}{100}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{13}{60}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{13}{32}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{7}{20}}; \\ X^{\frac{13}{60}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{817}{2720}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{13}{32}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{19}{45}}; \\ X^{\frac{817}{2720}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{242}{765}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{19}{45}}, \end{aligned}$$

condition (d) is satisfied.

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{13}{60}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{12613}{49300}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{19}{45}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}; \\ X^{\frac{12613}{49300}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{242}{765}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{19}{45}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}; \\ X^{\frac{242}{765}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, \end{aligned}$$

conditions (e) and (f) are satisfied.

Putting together the above regions, we get Lemma 14.

LEMMA 15. *Under the assumption of Lemma 14, assume also that*

$$X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q$$

and that  $P$  and  $Q$  lie in one of the following regions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & X^{\frac{297}{800}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}} &\ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}; \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & X^{\frac{653}{1700}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}; \\ \text{(iii)} \quad & X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then (9) holds for  $T_1 \leq T \leq X$ .

Proof. Let

$$m = pq \quad \text{and} \quad n = r.$$

An application of Lemma 4 yields that (9) holds under the conditions

$$Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{21}{40}}, \quad X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}.$$

In the regions:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{\frac{297}{800}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, & P^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}} &\ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}; \\ X^{\frac{653}{1700}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}; \\ X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} &\ll P \ll X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, & X^{\frac{9}{85}} &\ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}}, \end{aligned}$$

the above conditions on  $P$  and  $Q$  are satisfied.

So the proof of Lemma 15 is complete.

### 5. The remainder term in the sieve method

LEMMA 16. *Suppose that  $M \ll X^{\frac{21}{40}}$ ,  $H \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}$  and that  $a(m) = O(1)$ ,  $b(h) = O(1)$ . Then for real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ , we have*

$$\Sigma = \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ h \sim H}} a(m)b(h) \left( \sum_{x < mhl \leq x + \eta x} 1 - \frac{\eta x}{mh} \right) = O(\eta x \log^{-B} x).$$

Proof. If  $MH \leq X^{\frac{1}{20}}$ , the conclusion is obvious. In the following we suppose

$$(10) \quad MH > X^{\frac{1}{20}}.$$

Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$  and  $MHL = X$ . Suppose that  $M(s)$  and  $H(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials,  $L(s) = \sum_{l \sim L} 1/l^s$  and  $F(s) = M(s)H(s)L(s)$ . Perron's formula yields

$$\sum_{\substack{x < mhl \leq x + \eta x \\ m \sim M, h \sim H}} a(m)b(h) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iX}^{b+iX} F(s) \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s ds + O(x^\varepsilon).$$

If  $s = b + it$  and  $|t| \leq c_1 L$ , by Theorem 1 on page 442 of [18], we have

$$\sum_{c_1 L < l \leq c_2 L} \frac{1}{l^s} = \frac{(c_2 L)^{1-s} - (c_1 L)^{1-s}}{1-s} + O\left(\frac{1}{L}\right).$$

Moreover,

$$\frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s = \eta x^s + O(|s| \eta^2 x), \quad \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s \ll \eta x.$$

Let  $T_1 = \sqrt{L}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_1}^{b+iT_1} F(s) \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s ds \\ &= \frac{\eta}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_1}^{b+iT_1} M(s)H(s) \frac{(c_2 L)^{1-s} - (c_1 L)^{1-s}}{1-s} x^s ds + O(S_1) + O(S_2), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \frac{\eta x}{L} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} |M(b+it)H(b+it)| dt, \\ S_2 &= \eta^2 x \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} |M(b+it)H(b+it)| dt. \end{aligned}$$

A trivial estimate yields

$$S_1 \ll \frac{\eta x}{\sqrt{L}} \ll \eta x^{1-\varepsilon} \quad \text{and} \quad S_2 \ll \eta^2 x \sqrt{L} \ll \eta x^{1-\varepsilon}.$$

By Perron's formula again,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\eta}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_1}^{b+iT_1} M(s)H(s) \frac{(c_2L)^{1-s} - (c_1L)^{1-s}}{1-s} x^s ds \\ &= \eta x \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ h \sim H}} \frac{a(m)b(h)}{mh} + O\left(\frac{\eta x^{1+\varepsilon}}{T_1}\right) + O\left(\frac{\eta x^{1+\varepsilon}}{MH}\right) \\ &= \eta x \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ h \sim H}} \frac{a(m)b(h)}{mh} + O(\eta x^{1-\varepsilon}). \end{aligned}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad \Sigma &= \sum_{\substack{x < mhl \leq x + \eta x \\ m \sim M, h \sim H}} a(m)b(h) - \eta x \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ h \sim H}} \frac{a(m)b(h)}{mh} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iX}^{b-iT_1} F(s)\varrho(s)x^s ds + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b+iT_1}^{b+iX} F(s)\varrho(s)x^s ds + O(\eta x^{1-\varepsilon}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varrho(s) = \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s}.$$

If  $s = b + it$  and  $|\text{Im}(s)| \sim T$ , then  $\varrho(s) \ll \min(\eta, 1/T)$ . We proceed to estimate

$$\Psi = \int_X^{2X} dx \left| \int_{b+iT_1}^{b+iX} F(s)\varrho(s)x^s ds \right|^2.$$

We have

$$\Psi \ll \log^2 x \max_{T_1 \leq T \leq X} \int_X^{2X} dx \left| \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} F(s)\varrho(s)x^s ds \right|^2.$$

Here

$$\int_X^{2X} dx \left| \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} F(s)\varrho(s)x^s ds \right|^2$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_X^{2X} dx \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} ds_1 \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} F(s_1) \overline{F(s_2)} \varrho(s_1) \overline{\varrho(s_2)} x^{s_1 + \bar{s}_2} ds_2 \\
&\ll \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} |ds_1| \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} |F(s_1) F(s_2)| \left| \int_X^{2X} x^{s_1 + \bar{s}_2} dx \right| |ds_2| \\
&\ll x^3 \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} |ds_1| \int_{b+iT}^{b+2iT} \frac{|F(s_1)|^2 + |F(s_2)|^2}{|1 + s_1 + \bar{s}_2|} |ds_2| \\
&\ll x^3 \log x \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} |F(b+it)|^2 dt.
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 4,

$$\Psi \ll x^3 \log^3 x \max_{T_1 \leq T \leq X} \min^2 \left( \eta, \frac{1}{T} \right) \int_T^{2T} |F(b+it)|^2 dt \ll \eta^2 x^{3-\varepsilon_1}.$$

Hence, the measure of the set of  $x$  satisfying

$$\left| \int_{b+iT_1}^{b+iX} F(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds \right| \geq \eta x \log^{-B} x$$

is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ .

In the same way, we can deal with the integral

$$\int_{b-iX}^{b-iT_1} F(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds.$$

So the proof of Lemma 16 is complete.

LEMMA 17. *Suppose that  $a(p)$ ,  $b(q)$ ,  $c(r) = O(1)$  and that*

$$X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll R \ll Q.$$

Moreover, assume that  $P$  and  $Q$  lie in one of the following regions:

- (i)  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{21}{100}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P$ ;
- (ii)  $X^{\frac{21}{100}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{13}{60}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{7}{20}}$ ;
- (iii)  $X^{\frac{13}{60}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{12613}{49300}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}$ ;
- (iv)  $X^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}$ ;
- (v)  $X^{\frac{297}{800}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{653}{1700}}$ ,  $P^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}} \ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}$ ;
- (vi)  $X^{\frac{653}{1700}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll X^{\frac{19}{160}}$ ;
- (vii)  $X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \ll P \ll X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}$ ,  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll Q \ll P^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}}$ .

Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$ ,  $PQRL = X$  and  $T_1 = \sqrt{L}$ . Assume further that for  $T_1 \leq |t| \leq 2X$ ,

$$P(b+it)Q(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x \quad \text{and} \quad R(b+it) \ll \log^{-\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} x.$$

Then for real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ , we have

$$\sum_{p \sim P} \sum_{q \sim Q} \sum_{r \sim R} a(p)b(q)c(r) \left( \sum_{x < pqrl \leq x + \eta x} 1 - \frac{\eta x}{pqr} \right) = O(\eta x \log^{-B} x).$$

*Proof.* Using Lemmas 14, 15 and the discussion in Lemma 16, we get the assertion.

## 6. Asymptotic formula

LEMMA 18. Suppose that  $X^{\frac{76}{85}} \ll M \ll X^{1-\delta}$  and that  $0 \leq a(m) = O(1)$ . If  $m$  has a prime factor  $< X^\delta$ , then  $a(m) = 0$ . Then for real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= \sum_{\substack{x < mp \leq x + \eta x \\ m \sim M}} a(m) \\ &= \eta \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{\log x}\right) \right) \sum_{m \sim M} a(m) \sum_{\substack{x \\ \frac{x}{m} < p \leq \frac{2x}{m}}} 1 + O(\eta x \log^{-B} x). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$  and  $MH = X$ . Suppose that  $M(s)$  is a Dirichlet polynomial,  $H(s) = \sum_{h \sim H} \Lambda(h)/h^s$  and  $G(s) = M(s)H(s)$ . Perron's formula yields

$$\Sigma_1 = \sum_{\substack{x < mh \leq x + \eta x \\ m \sim M}} a(m)\Lambda(h) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iX}^{b+iX} G(s) \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s ds + O(x^\varepsilon).$$

Let  $T_0 = \log^{\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} X$ . By (1) and the discussion in Lemma 16,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_0}^{b+iT_0} G(s) \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s} x^s ds \\ &= \frac{\eta}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_0}^{b+iT_0} M(s) \frac{(c_2 H)^{1-s} - (c_1 H)^{1-s}}{1-s} x^s ds + O(S_1) + O(S_2), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S_1 = \eta x \log^{-\frac{2B}{\varepsilon}} x \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |M(b+it)| dt, \quad S_2 = \eta^2 x \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |M(b+it)| dt.$$

A trivial estimate yields

$$S_1 \ll \eta x \log^{-2B} x \quad \text{and} \quad S_2 \ll \eta x \log^{-2B} x.$$

By Perron's formula again,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\eta}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iT_0}^{b+iT_0} M(s) \frac{(c_2 H)^{1-s} - (c_1 H)^{1-s}}{1-s} x^s ds \\ = \eta x \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m} + O\left(\frac{\eta x \log^2 x}{T_0}\right) + O\left(\frac{\eta x \log^2 x}{M}\right) \\ = \eta x \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m} + O(\eta x \log^{-2B} x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_1 = \eta x \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m} + O(\eta x \log^{-2B} x) \\ + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iX}^{b-iT_0} G(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b+iT_0}^{b+iX} G(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varrho(s) = \frac{(1+\eta)^s - 1}{s}.$$

By Lemma 1 and the discussion in Lemma 16, we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b+iT_0}^{b+iX} G(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds = O(\eta x \log^{-2B} x)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b-iX}^{b-iT_0} G(s) \varrho(s) x^s ds = O(\eta x \log^{-2B} x)$$

for real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_1 &= \eta x \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m} + O(\eta x \log^{-2B} x), \\ \Sigma &= \eta x \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{\log x}\right)\right) \sum_{m \sim M} \frac{a(m)}{m \log(x/m)} + O(\eta x \log^{-B} x) \\ &= \eta \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{\log x}\right)\right) \sum_{m \sim M} a(m) \sum_{\frac{x}{m} < p \leq \frac{2x}{m}} 1 + O(\eta x \log^{-B} x). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 18 is complete.

LEMMA 19. Suppose that  $X^{\frac{9}{85}} \ll HK \ll X^{\frac{76}{85}}$ ,  $MHK = X$  and that  $0 \leq b(h) = O(1)$ ,  $0 \leq g(k) = O(1)$ . If  $h$  has a prime factor  $< X^\delta$ , then  $b(h) = 0$ , and similarly for  $g(k)$ . Suppose that  $H(s)$  and  $K(s)$  are Dirichlet polynomials,  $M(s) = \sum_{m \sim M} \Lambda(m)/m^s$  and  $G(s) = M(s)H(s)K(s)$ . Let  $b = 1 + 1/\log X$  and  $T_0 = \log^{\frac{B}{\varepsilon}} X$ .

If (7) holds for  $T_0 \leq T \leq X$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{x < hkp \leq x + \eta x \\ h \sim H, k \sim K}} b(h)g(k) \\ &= \eta \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{\log x}\right) \right) \sum_{h \sim H, k \sim K} b(h)g(k) \sum_{\substack{\frac{x}{hk} < p \leq \frac{2x}{hk}}} 1 + O(\eta x \log^{-B} x). \end{aligned}$$

**7. Buchstab's function.** We define  $w(u)$  as the continuous solution of the equations

$$(12) \quad \begin{cases} w(u) = 1/u, & 1 \leq u \leq 2, \\ (uw(u))' = w(u-1), & u > 2. \end{cases}$$

$w(u)$  is called *Buchstab's function* and plays an important role in finding asymptotic formulas in the sieve method. In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} w(u) &= \frac{1 + \log(u-1)}{u}, & 2 \leq u \leq 3, \\ w(u) &= \frac{1 + \log(u-1)}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \int_2^{u-1} \frac{\log(t-1)}{t} dt, & 3 \leq u \leq 4, \\ w(u) &= \frac{1 + \log(u-1)}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \int_2^{u-1} \frac{\log(t-1)}{t} dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{u} \int_3^{u-1} \frac{dt}{t} \int_2^{t-1} \frac{\log(s-1)}{s} ds, & 4 \leq u \leq 5. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 20. We have the following bounds:

- (i)  $w(u) \geq 0.5607$  for  $u \geq 2.47$ ,
- (ii)  $w(u) \leq 0.5644$  for  $u \geq 3$ ,
- (iii)  $0.5612 \leq w(u) \leq 0.5617$  for  $u \geq 4$ .

Proof. It is easy to see that  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 1$  for  $1 \leq u \leq 2$ . Then we employ induction.

Suppose that  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 1$  for  $1 \leq k \leq u \leq k+1$ . If  $k+1 \leq u \leq k+2$ ,

then (12) yields

$$(13) \quad uw(u) = (k+1)w(k+1) + \int_k^{u-1} w(t) dt.$$

Hence,  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 1$  for  $k+1 \leq u \leq k+2$ . By induction, we obtain  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 1$  for  $u \geq 1$ .

If  $u > 2$ , (12) yields

$$(14) \quad w'(u) = \frac{w(u-1) - w(u)}{u}.$$

If  $2 \leq u \leq 3$ , by calculation, we have

$$\max_{0 \leq k \leq 10^4} w(2 + 10^{-4}k) \leq 0.56716.$$

From (14) and  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 1$  for  $u \geq 1$ , it follows that  $|w'(u)| \leq \frac{1}{4}$  if  $u > 2$ . Using Lagrange's mean value theorem, we have  $w(u) \leq 0.5672$  for  $2 \leq u \leq 3$ . By induction, we obtain  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 0.5672$  for  $u \geq 2$ .

If  $3 \leq u \leq 4$ , by calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{0 \leq k \leq 10^4} w(3 + 10^{-4}k) &\leq 0.56439, \\ \min_{0 \leq k \leq 10^4} w(3 + 10^{-4}k) &\geq 0.56081. \end{aligned}$$

From (14) and  $0.5 \leq w(u) \leq 0.5672$  for  $u \geq 2$ , it follows that  $|w'(u)| \leq 0.0224$  if  $u > 3$ . The above discussion implies that  $0.5607 \leq w(u) \leq 0.5644$  for  $u \geq 3$ . By the same discussion we can also get  $0.5607 \leq w(u)$  for  $u \geq 2.47$ .

If  $4 \leq u \leq 5$ , by calculation, we have

$$\max_{0 \leq k \leq 10^4} w(4 + 10^{-4}k) \leq 0.5616, \quad \min_{0 \leq k \leq 10^4} w(4 + 10^{-4}k) \geq 0.5613.$$

The above discussion and the fact that  $|w'(u)| \leq 0.0224$  for  $u > 3$  imply that  $0.5612 \leq w(u) \leq 0.5617$  for  $u \geq 4$ .

Gathering together the above discussion, we get Lemma 20.

LEMMA 21. *Suppose that  $\mathcal{E} = \{n : t < n \leq 2t\}$  and  $z \leq t$ . Let*

$$P(z) = \prod_{p < z} p.$$

*Then for sufficiently large  $t$  and  $z$ , we have*

$$S(\mathcal{E}, z) = \sum_{\substack{t < n \leq 2t \\ (n, P(z))=1}} 1 = \left( w\left(\frac{\log t}{\log z}\right) + O(\varepsilon) \right) \frac{t}{\log z}.$$

**Proof.** See Lemma 5 of [10]. If  $(2t)^{\frac{1}{2}} < z \leq t$ , it is the prime number theorem.

**8. Sieve method.** We proceed to show that

$$(15) \quad \pi(x + \eta x) - \pi(x) \geq 0.011\eta x \log^{-1} x$$

for real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ .

Let

$$(16) \quad \mathcal{A} = \{n : x < n \leq x + \eta x\},$$

$$P(z) = \prod_{p < z} p, \quad S(\mathcal{A}, z) = \sum_{\substack{a \in \mathcal{A} \\ (a, P(z))=1}} 1.$$

Then

$$(17) \quad \pi(x + \eta x) - \pi(x) = S(\mathcal{A}, (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}).$$

Buchstab's identity yields

$$(18) \quad S(\mathcal{A}, (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}) = S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, p)$$

$$= S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\frac{9}{85}})$$

$$+ \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < \min(p, (2X/p)^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q).$$

The following lemmas always concern real numbers  $x \in (X, 2X)$ , except for a set the measure of which is  $O(X \log^{-B} X)$ .

Let

$$(19) \quad \mathcal{B} = \{n : x < n \leq 2x\}.$$

LEMMA 22.

$$S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \geq 5.300221\eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

Proof. We have

$$(20) \quad S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) = S(\mathcal{A}, X^\delta) - \sum_{X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, p).$$

Let

$$\tilde{r}(\mathcal{A}, d) = |\mathcal{A}_d| - \frac{\eta x}{d}, \quad W(z) = \prod_{p < z} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) = (1 + O(\varepsilon)) \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\log z},$$

where  $\gamma$  is Euler's constant.

Let  $z = X^\delta$  and  $D = X^{\frac{21}{40}}$ . Applying Iwaniec's sieve method (see Theorem 1 of [8]), we have

$$S(\mathcal{A}, X^\delta) \geq \frac{\eta x}{\log z} f\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) - O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) - R^-,$$

where

$$R^- = \sum_{m \leq X^{\frac{21}{40}}} a(m) \tilde{r}(\mathcal{A}, m).$$

Lemma 16 yields  $R^- = O(\eta x \log^{-5} x)$ . By Theorem 8 on page 181 of [17], we have

$$f\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) = e^{-\gamma} + O(\varepsilon^2),$$

where  $\gamma$  is Euler's constant. Thus,

$$S(\mathcal{A}, X^\delta) \geq \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

In the same way,

$$\begin{aligned} S(\mathcal{A}, X^\delta) &\leq \frac{\eta x}{\log z} F\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) + \sum_{m \leq X^{\frac{21}{40}}} b(m) \tilde{r}(\mathcal{A}, m) \\ &\leq \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x). \end{aligned}$$

So, we have the asymptotic formula

$$(21) \quad S(\mathcal{A}, X^\delta) = \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Now,

$$\sum_{X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, p) = \sum_{x < pq \leq x + \eta x} 1,$$

where  $X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}$  and the least prime factor of  $q$  is greater than  $p$ .

Using Lemmas 18 and 21 and the prime number theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (22) \quad &\sum_{X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, p) \\ &= \eta \sum_{X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{B}_p, p) + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &= \eta x \sum_{X^\delta < p \leq X^{\frac{9}{85}}} \frac{1}{p \log p} w\left(\frac{\log(x/p)}{\log p}\right) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\delta}^{\frac{9}{85}} \frac{1}{t^2} w\left(\frac{1-t}{t}\right) dt + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{85}{9}}^{\frac{1}{8}} w(u-1) du + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \left\{ \frac{1}{\delta} w\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right) - \frac{85}{9} w\left(\frac{85}{9}\right) \right\} + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \eta x \log^{-1} x - \frac{85}{9} w\left(\frac{85}{9}\right) \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x),
\end{aligned}$$

since  $w(1/\delta) = e^{-\gamma} + O(\varepsilon^2)$  (see Lemma 12 on page 179 of [17]). Hence,

$$(23) \quad S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) = \frac{85}{9} w\left(\frac{85}{9}\right) \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

By Lemma 20, we get

$$S(\mathcal{A}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \geq \frac{85}{9} \cdot 0.5612 \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \geq 5.300221 \eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

So the proof of Lemma 22 is complete.

LEMMA 23.

$$\sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \leq 8.234757 \eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

Proof. Buchstab's identity yields

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \\
&= \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\delta}) - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^{\delta} < q < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q).
\end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 16, in the same way as in Lemma 22, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\delta}) \\
&= \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \cdot \frac{1}{p} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x).
\end{aligned}$$



Using Lemmas 18 and 21, in the same way as in Lemma 22, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^\delta < q < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) \\
&= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^\delta < q < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, q) + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^\delta < q < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} \frac{1}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log(x/(pq))}{\log q}\right) \\
&\quad + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{9}{85}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t(1-t)} \int_{\frac{85}{9}(1-t)}^{\frac{1}{5}(1-t)} w(r-1) dr + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \frac{1}{\delta} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{t} w\left(\frac{1}{\delta}(1-t)\right) dt \\
&\quad - \frac{85}{9} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{t} w\left(\frac{85}{9}(1-t)\right) dt + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} - \frac{85}{9} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{t} w\left(\frac{85}{9}(1-t)\right) dt \\
&\quad + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).
\end{aligned}$$

Gathering together the above discussion and applying Lemma 20, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(\mathcal{A}_p, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \\
&= \frac{85}{9} \cdot \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{t} w\left(\frac{85}{9}(1-t)\right) dt + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq 0.5617 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \cdot \log\left(\frac{85}{18}\right) \eta x \log^{-1} x + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &\leq 8.234757 \eta x \log^{-1} x. \end{aligned}$$

So the proof of Lemma 23 is complete.

We now set

$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < \min(p, (\frac{2X}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{94} \sum_{(p,q) \in D_i} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) = \sum_{i=1}^{94} \Omega_i, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p\}, \\ D_2 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{21}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{13}{60}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{3}} X^{\frac{7}{20}}\}, \\ D_3 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{13}{60}} < p \leq X^{\frac{133}{580}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}\}, \\ D_4 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}\}, \\ D_5 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p\}, \\ D_6 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{80}} < p \leq X^{\frac{53}{220}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}\}, \\ D_7 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{80}} < p \leq X^{\frac{53}{220}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{19}{40}}\}, \\ D_8 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{53}{220}} < p \leq X^{\frac{12613}{49300}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{6}} X^{\frac{29}{120}}\}, \\ D_9 &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{53}{220}} < p \leq X^{\frac{12613}{49300}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{110}}\}, \\ D_{10} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{12613}{49300}} < p \leq X^{\frac{151}{580}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\ D_{11} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{12613}{49300}} < p \leq X^{\frac{151}{580}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{110}}\}, \\ D_{12} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{151}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{70}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\ D_{13} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{151}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{70}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{110}}\}, \\ D_{14} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\ D_{15} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{110}}\}, \\ D_{16} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}, p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}\}, \\ D_{17} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3}{10}} < p \leq X^{\frac{17}{55}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{18} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3}{10}} < p \leq X^{\frac{17}{55}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{53}{110}}\}, \\
D_{19} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3}{10}} < p \leq X^{\frac{17}{55}}, p^{-\frac{12}{11}} X^{\frac{57}{110}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}\}, \\
D_{20} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{17}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{60}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{21} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{17}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{60}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{22} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{17}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{60}}, p^{-\frac{12}{11}} X^{\frac{57}{110}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}\}, \\
D_{23} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{60}} < p \leq X^{\frac{247}{770}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{24} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{60}} < p \leq X^{\frac{247}{770}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{25} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{60}} < p \leq X^{\frac{247}{770}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}\}, \\
D_{26} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{247}{770}} < p \leq X^{\frac{359}{1100}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{27} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{247}{770}} < p \leq X^{\frac{359}{1100}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{28} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{247}{770}} < p \leq X^{\frac{359}{1100}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{25}{44}}\}, \\
D_{29} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{359}{1100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{481}{1450}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{30} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{359}{1100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{481}{1450}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{31} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{359}{1100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{481}{1450}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-6} X^{\frac{11}{5}}\}, \\
D_{32} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{481}{1450}} < p \leq X^{\frac{443}{1305}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{33} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{481}{1450}} < p \leq X^{\frac{443}{1305}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{34} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{481}{1450}} < p \leq X^{\frac{443}{1305}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{157}{290}}\}, \\
D_{35} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{443}{1305}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{55}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{36} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{443}{1305}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{55}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{37} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{443}{1305}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{55}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\}, \\
D_{38} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}}\}, \\
D_{39} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{40} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{55}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3441}{9860}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\}, \\
D_{41} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3441}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{1843}{5280}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{42} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3441}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{1843}{5280}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{43} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{1843}{5280}} < p \leq X^{\frac{37}{100}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{67}} X^{\frac{59}{134}}\}, \\
D_{44} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{1843}{5280}} < p \leq X^{\frac{37}{100}}, p^{-\frac{70}{59}} X^{\frac{171}{295}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{45} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{1843}{5280}} < p \leq X^{\frac{37}{100}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\}, \\
D_{46} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{37}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{297}{800}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}}\}, \\
D_{47} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{37}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{297}{800}}, p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{48} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{37}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{297}{800}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\}, \\
D_{49} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{297}{800}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}}\}, \\
D_{50} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{297}{800}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}} < q < X^{\frac{19}{160}}\}, \\
D_{51} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{297}{800}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{52} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{297}{800}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2143}{5620}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{2}{11}} X^{\frac{29}{110}}\}, \\
D_{53} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} < p \leq X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}}\}, \\
D_{54} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} < p \leq X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, p^{-1} X^{\frac{49}{100}} < q < X^{\frac{19}{160}}\}, \\
D_{55} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} < p \leq X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{56} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2143}{5620}} < p \leq X^{\frac{653}{1700}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{57} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{653}{1700}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < X^{\frac{19}{160}}\}, \\
D_{58} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{653}{1700}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}, p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{59} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{653}{1700}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5073}{13120}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{60} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}}\}, \\
D_{61} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, p^{-\frac{82}{69}} X^{\frac{133}{230}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{62} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{5073}{13120}} < p \leq X^{\frac{5541}{13940}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{63} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{5541}{13940}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}}\}, \\
D_{64} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{5541}{13940}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3963}{9860}}, p^{-\frac{58}{49}} X^{\frac{57}{98}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{65} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{3963}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{1063}{2640}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{66} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{1063}{2640}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{45}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{67} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{1063}{2640}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{45}}, p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}} < q < p^{-\frac{35}{23}} X^{\frac{179}{230}}\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{68} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{45}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{44}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{69} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{45}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{44}}, p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}} < q < p^{-\frac{41}{27}} X^{\frac{421}{540}}\}, \\
D_{70} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{45}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{44}}, p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}\}, \\
D_{71} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{44}} < p \leq X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}}\}, \\
D_{72} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{44}} < p \leq X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, p^{-\frac{29}{19}} X^{\frac{59}{76}} < q < p^{-\frac{41}{27}} X^{\frac{421}{540}}\}, \\
D_{73} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{44}} < p \leq X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}\}, \\
D_{74} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{44}} < p \leq X^{\frac{4331}{9860}}, p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{19}{25}} < q < p^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}\}, \\
D_{75} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{4331}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2691}{5950}}, p^{-\frac{35}{12}} X^{\frac{57}{40}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}}\}, \\
D_{76} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{4331}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2691}{5950}}, p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}\}, \\
D_{77} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{4331}{9860}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2691}{5950}}, p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{19}{25}} < q < p^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}\}, \\
D_{78} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2691}{5950}} < p \leq X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}}\}, \\
D_{79} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2691}{5950}} < p \leq X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, p^{-\frac{29}{10}} X^{\frac{57}{40}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}\}, \\
D_{80} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2691}{5950}} < p \leq X^{\frac{897}{1972}}, p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{19}{25}} < q < p^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}\}, \\
D_{81} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < p \leq X^{\frac{133}{290}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{5}} X^{\frac{29}{100}}\}, \\
D_{82} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{897}{1972}} < p \leq X^{\frac{133}{290}}, p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{19}{25}} < q < p^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}\}, \\
D_{83} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{133}{290}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{40}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{\frac{1}{7}} X^{\frac{13}{70}}\}, \\
D_{84} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{19}{40}} < p \leq X^{\frac{53}{110}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{51}{70}}\}, \\
D_{85} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{53}{110}} < p \leq X^{\frac{339}{700}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{9}} X^{\frac{59}{18}}\}, \\
D_{86} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{53}{110}} < p \leq X^{\frac{339}{700}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{51}{70}}\}, \\
D_{87} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{339}{700}} < p \leq X^{\frac{233}{480}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{9}} X^{\frac{59}{18}}\}, \\
D_{88} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{339}{700}} < p \leq X^{\frac{233}{480}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-6} X^{\frac{63}{20}}\}, \\
D_{89} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{233}{480}} < p \leq X^{\frac{49}{100}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{58}{9}} X^{\frac{59}{18}}\}, \\
D_{90} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{233}{480}} < p \leq X^{\frac{49}{100}}, p^{-\frac{58}{9}} X^{\frac{59}{18}} < q < p^{-\frac{70}{11}} X^{\frac{179}{55}}\}, \\
D_{91} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{233}{480}} < p \leq X^{\frac{49}{100}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-6} X^{\frac{63}{20}}\}, \\
D_{92} &= \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{49}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2944}{5950}}, X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p^{-\frac{70}{11}} X^{\frac{179}{55}}\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$D_{93} = \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{49}{100}} < p \leq X^{\frac{2944}{5950}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{7}{10}}\},$$

$$D_{94} = \{(p, q) : X^{\frac{2944}{5950}} < p \leq X^{\frac{1}{2}}, X^{\frac{19}{110}} < q < p^{-1} X^{\frac{7}{10}}\}.$$

## 9. Bounds of the sieve functions

LEMMA 24.

$$\begin{aligned} & \Omega_{16} + \Omega_{19} + \Omega_{22} + \Omega_{25} + \Omega_{28} + \Omega_{31} + \Omega_{34} + \Omega_{37} + \Omega_{40} + \Omega_{42} + \Omega_{45} \\ & \quad + \Omega_{48} + \Omega_{52} + \Omega_{56} + \Omega_{59} + \Omega_{62} + \Omega_{64} + \Omega_{65} + \Omega_{66} + \Omega_{68} + \Omega_{71} \\ & \geq 0.394443\eta x \log^{-1} x. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We have

$$\Omega_{16} = \sum_{X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}} \sum_{p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) = \sum_{x < pqr \leq x + \eta x} 1,$$

where  $X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}$ ,  $p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}$  and the least prime factor of  $r$  is greater than  $q$ .

Let  $h = q$  and  $k = r$ . By Lemma 6 with region (i), (7) holds. Then Lemmas 19 and 21 yield

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{16} &= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}} \sum_{p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, q) + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &= \eta x \sum_{X^{\frac{19}{70}} < p \leq X^{\frac{3}{10}}} \sum_{p^{-\frac{6}{5}} X^{\frac{57}{100}} < q < p^{-\frac{1}{8}} X^{\frac{23}{80}}} \frac{1}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log(x/(pq))}{\log q}\right) \\ & \quad + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{19}{70}}^{\frac{3}{10}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{100} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &= \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{19}{70}}^{\frac{71}{260}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{100} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \right. \\ & \quad + \int_{\frac{71}{260}}^{\frac{3}{10}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{100} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\ & \quad \left. + \int_{\frac{71}{260}}^{\frac{3}{10}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + O(\varepsilon) \right) \\ & \geq (0.000516 + 0.010796 + 0.011351)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\ & = 0.022663\eta x \log^{-1} x. \end{aligned}$$

Using the above discussion and Lemma 20, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Omega_{19} + \Omega_{22} + \Omega_{25} + \Omega_{28} + \Omega_{31} + \Omega_{34} + \Omega_{37} + \Omega_{40} + \Omega_{42} + \Omega_{45} \\
& + \Omega_{48} + \Omega_{52} + \Omega_{56} + \Omega_{59} + \Omega_{62} + \Omega_{64} + \Omega_{65} + \Omega_{66} + \Omega_{68} + \Omega_{71} \\
& = \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{3}{10}}^{\frac{19}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{110} - \frac{12}{11}t}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right. \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{60}}^{\frac{247}{770}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{247}{770}}^{\frac{359}{1100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{25}{44} - t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{359}{1100}}^{\frac{481}{1450}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{11}{5} - 6t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{481}{1450}}^{\frac{443}{1305}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{157}{290} - t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{443}{1305}}^{\frac{19}{55}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{29}{110} - \frac{2}{11}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{55}}^{\frac{2143}{5620}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t}^{\frac{29}{110} - \frac{2}{11}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{2143}{5620}}^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t}^{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{3963}{9860}}^{\frac{4331}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon) \Big) \\
& \geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{3}{10}}^{\frac{19}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{110} - \frac{12}{11}t}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \right. \\
& + \int_{\frac{3}{10}}^{\frac{19}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \Big)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{19}{60}}^{\frac{247}{770}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{60}}^{\frac{247}{770}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{23}{80} - \frac{t}{8}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + \int_{\frac{247}{770}}^{\frac{359}{1100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{247}{770}}^{\frac{359}{1100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{25}{44} - t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + \int_{\frac{359}{1100}}^{\frac{28}{85}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{359}{1100}}^{\frac{28}{85}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{11}{5} - 6t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + \int_{\frac{28}{85}}^{\frac{481}{1450}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{11}{5} - 6t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{481}{1450}}^{\frac{443}{1305}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{157}{290} - t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{443}{1305}}^{\frac{19}{55}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{29}{110} - \frac{2}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{55}}^{\frac{65}{183}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t}^{\frac{29}{110} - \frac{2}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{65}{183}}^{\frac{2143}{5620}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2}
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{65}{183}}^{\frac{2143}{5620}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{29}{110} - \frac{2}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{2143}{5620}}^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{2143}{5620}}^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{3963}{9860}}^{\frac{40}{97}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{3963}{9860}}^{\frac{40}{97}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{40}{97}}^{\frac{4331}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + O(\varepsilon) \\
& \geq (0.034609 + 0.009183 + 0.009870 + 0.002518 \\
& \quad + 0.012892 + 0.003183 + 0.006792 + 0.000789 \\
& \quad + 0.004547 + 0.012016 + 0.008083 + 0.015437 \\
& \quad + 0.021797 + 0.049656 + 0.056577 + 0.028631 \\
& \quad + 0.038798 + 0.004151 + 0.052251) \eta x \log^{-1} x \\
& = 0.371780 \eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 24 is complete.

LEMMA 25.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi & = \Omega_{70} + \Omega_{73} + \Omega_{74} + \Omega_{76} + \Omega_{77} + \Omega_{79} + \Omega_{80} + \Omega_{81} + \Omega_{82} + \Omega_{83} \\
& \quad + \Omega_{84} + \Omega_{85} + \Omega_{86} + \Omega_{87} + \Omega_{88} + \Omega_{89} + \Omega_{91} + \Omega_{93} + \Omega_{94} \\
& \geq 0.321616 \eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* On applying Lemmas 8, 19, 20 and 21, in the same way as in Lemma 24, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi &= \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{19}{45}}^{\frac{19}{44}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right. \\
&+ \int_{\frac{19}{44}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{19}{44}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{25} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{25} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{133}{290}}^{\frac{19}{40}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{19}{40}}^{\frac{53}{110}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{51}{70} - t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{53}{110}}^{\frac{339}{700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{53}{110}}^{\frac{339}{700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{51}{70} - t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{339}{700}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{339}{700}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{63}{20} - 6t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{49}{100}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{7}{10} - t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon) \\
&\geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{19}{45}}^{\frac{131}{308}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \right. \\
&+ \int_{\frac{131}{308}}^{\frac{19}{44}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right) \right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{131}{308}}^{\frac{19}{44}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
&+ \int_{\frac{19}{44}}^{\frac{47}{106}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right) \right) du \\
&+ \int_{\frac{19}{44}}^{\frac{47}{106}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{47}{106}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{47}{106}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{47}{106}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + \int_{\frac{19}{44}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{25} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{29}{100} - \frac{t}{5}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + \int_{\frac{897}{1972}}^{\frac{133}{290}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{25} - \frac{6}{5}t}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{133}{290}}^{\frac{19}{40}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{133}{290}}^{\frac{19}{40}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{133}{290}}^{\frac{19}{40}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{13}{70} + \frac{t}{7}} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{19}{40}}^{\frac{53}{110}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{40}}^{\frac{53}{110}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{40}}^{\frac{53}{110}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{3}(1-t)}^{\frac{51}{70} - t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{53}{110}}^{\frac{339}{700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{53}{110}}^{\frac{339}{700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{53}{110}}^{\frac{339}{700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{51}{70} - t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{339}{700}}^{\frac{109}{223}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{339}{700}}^{\frac{109}{223}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{109}{223}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + \int_{\frac{339}{700}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{63}{20} - 6t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} \\
& + \int_{\frac{49}{100}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{19}{110}}^{\frac{7}{10} - t} \frac{du}{u(1-t-u)} + O(\varepsilon) \\
& \geq (0.000892 + 0.001922 + 0.002834 + 0.015864 \\
& \quad + 0.005547 + 0.013560 + 0.025626 + 0.006139 \\
& \quad + 0.014504 + 0.009587 + 0.008357 + 0.002151 \\
& \quad + 0.004454 + 0.038219 + 0.036373 + 0.038613 \\
& \quad + 0.014188 + 0.015100 + 0.016708 + 0.004887 \\
& \quad + 0.004744 + 0.005821 + 0.008584 + 0.003871 \\
& \quad + 0.001900 + 0.010238 + 0.010933)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\
& = 0.321616\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 25 is complete.

LEMMA 26.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Omega_5 + \Omega_7 + \Omega_9 + \Omega_{11} + \Omega_{13} + \Omega_{15} + \Omega_{18} + \Omega_{21} + \Omega_{24} + \Omega_{27} + \Omega_{30} \\
& \quad + \Omega_{33} + \Omega_{36} + \Omega_{39} + \Omega_{41} + \Omega_{43} + \Omega_{46} + \Omega_{49} + \Omega_{53} \\
& \geq 0.277632\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
(25) \quad \Omega_5 &= \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) \\
&= \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, X^\delta) \\
&\quad - \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{X^\delta < r < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, r) \\
&\quad - \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < \min(q, (\frac{2X}{pq})^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, r) \\
&= \Phi_1 - \Phi_2 - \Phi_3.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $z = X^\delta$  and  $D = D(p, q) = X^{\frac{21}{40}}/(pq)$ . Applying Iwaniec's sieve

method, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_1 &\leq \frac{\eta x}{\log z} \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \frac{1}{pq} F\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{r < X^{\frac{21}{40}}/(pq)} a(r) \tilde{r}(\mathcal{A}, pqr) \\ &\quad + O(\varepsilon \eta x \log^{-1} x). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $m = pqr$ . Then Lemma 16 yields

$$\sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{r < X^{\frac{21}{40}}/(pq)} a(r) \tilde{r}(\mathcal{A}, pqr) = O(\eta x \log^{-5} x).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_1 &\leq \frac{e^{-\gamma}}{\delta} \eta x \log^{-1} x \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \frac{1}{pq} + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, X^\delta) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x). \end{aligned}$$

In the same way, we can get the lower bound

$$\Phi_1 \geq \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, X^\delta) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Now we have the asymptotic formula

$$(26) \quad \Phi_1 = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, X^\delta) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Using Lemma 18, we have

$$(27) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_2 &= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{X^\delta < r < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqr}, r) \\ &\quad + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 13 with the region (i), (7) holds. Then Lemma 19 with a small modification yields

$$(28) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_3 &= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1} X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < \min(q, (\frac{2X}{pq})^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqr}, r) \\ &\quad + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x). \end{aligned}$$

Gathering together (25)–(28), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_5 &= \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{133}{580}} < p \leq X^{\frac{19}{80}}} \sum_{p^{-1}X^{\frac{133}{290}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, q) + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{133}{580}}^{\frac{19}{80}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^t \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \int_{\frac{133}{580}}^{\frac{19}{80}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^t \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
&\quad + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
&\geq 0.003001\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

In the same way, it can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Omega_7 + \Omega_9 + \Omega_{11} + \Omega_{13} + \Omega_{15} + \Omega_{18} + \Omega_{21} + \Omega_{24} + \Omega_{27} + \Omega_{30} \\
&\quad + \Omega_{33} + \Omega_{36} + \Omega_{39} + \Omega_{41} + \Omega_{43} + \Omega_{46} + \Omega_{49} + \Omega_{53} \\
&= \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{19}{80}}^{\frac{53}{220}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^{\frac{19}{40}-t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right. \\
&\quad + \int_{\frac{53}{220}}^{\frac{151}{580}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^{\frac{53}{110}-t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{151}{580}}^{\frac{17}{55}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{897}{1972}-t}^{\frac{53}{110}-t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&\quad + \int_{\frac{17}{55}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{897}{1972}-t}^{\frac{59}{134}-\frac{58}{67}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + \int_{\frac{3441}{9860}}^{\frac{37}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{134}-\frac{58}{67}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{\frac{37}{100}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{49}{100}-t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon) \right) \\
&\geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{19}{80}}^{\frac{53}{220}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^{\frac{19}{40}-t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{\frac{53}{220}}^{\frac{151}{580}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{290}-t}^{\frac{53}{110}-t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{151}{580}}^{\frac{404}{1479}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{897}{1972}-t}^{\frac{53}{110}-t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log \left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{404}{1479}}^{\frac{17}{55}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{897}{1972}-t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{404}{1479}}^{\frac{17}{55}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{53}{110}-t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log \left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{17}{55}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{897}{1972}-t}^{\frac{59}{134}-\frac{58}{67}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{3441}{9860}}^{\frac{37}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{59}{134}-\frac{58}{67}t} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{37}{100}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{49}{100}-t} \frac{du}{u^2} + O(\varepsilon) \\
& \geq (0.002490 + 0.020848 + 0.018080 + 0.033046 \\
& \quad + 0.027398 + 0.105118 + 0.055429 + 0.012222)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\
& = 0.274631\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 26 is complete.

LEMMA 27.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi & = \Omega_{44} + \Omega_{47} + \Omega_{51} + \Omega_{55} + \Omega_{58} + \Omega_{61} + \Omega_{63} + \Omega_{67} + \Omega_{69} + \Omega_{72} \\
& \geq 0.033767\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. On applying Lemmas 11, 19, 20 and 21, in the same way as in Lemma 24, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi & = \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{1843}{5280}}^{\frac{37}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{171}{295}-\frac{70}{59}t}^{\frac{57}{98}-\frac{58}{49}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right. \\
& \quad + \int_{\frac{37}{100}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{230}-\frac{82}{69}t}^{\frac{57}{98}-\frac{58}{49}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\frac{5541}{13940}}^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{57}{98}-\frac{58}{49}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{1063}{2640}}^{\frac{19}{45}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{179}{230} - \frac{35}{23}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
& + \int_{\frac{19}{45}}^{\frac{4331}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{421}{540} - \frac{41}{27}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon) \\
\geq & \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{1843}{5280}}^{\frac{389}{1105}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{171}{295} - \frac{70}{59}t}^{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \right. \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{389}{1105}}^{\frac{65}{183}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{171}{295} - \frac{70}{59}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{389}{1105}}^{\frac{65}{183}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{65}{183}}^{\frac{37}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{171}{295} - \frac{70}{59}t}^{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{37}{100}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{133}{230} - \frac{82}{69}t}^{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{5541}{13940}}^{\frac{3963}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{57}{98} - \frac{58}{49}t} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{1063}{2640}}^{\frac{40}{97}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{179}{230} - \frac{35}{23}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{40}{97}}^{\frac{27}{65}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{40}{97}}^{\frac{27}{65}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{179}{230} - \frac{35}{23}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{27}{65}}^{\frac{19}{45}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{179}{230} - \frac{35}{23}t} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{19}{45}}^{\frac{4331}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{76} - \frac{29}{19}t}^{\frac{421}{540} - \frac{41}{27}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + O(\varepsilon) \Big)
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq (0.000517 + 0.000285 + 0.000279 + 0.002997 \\
&\quad + 0.013589 + 0.001413 + 0.002113 + 0.000371 \\
&\quad + 0.000359 + 0.001830 + 0.010014)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\
&= 0.033767\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 27 is complete.

LEMMA 28.

$$\Phi = \Omega_{75} + \Omega_{78} + \Omega_{90} + \Omega_{92} \geq 0.019054\eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

Proof. On applying Lemmas 12 and 19–21, in the same way as in Lemma 24, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi &= \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{4331}{9860}}^{\frac{2691}{5950}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{35}{12}t}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \right. \\
&\quad + \int_{\frac{2691}{5950}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&\quad + \int_{\frac{233}{480}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{\frac{49}{100}}^{\frac{2944}{5950}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{1}{u^2} w\left(\frac{1-t-u}{u}\right) du + O(\varepsilon) \right) \\
&\geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \int_{\frac{4331}{9860}}^{\frac{141}{320}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{35}{12}t}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \right. \\
&\quad + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{141}{320}}^{\frac{47}{106}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{35}{12}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
&\quad + \int_{\frac{141}{320}}^{\frac{47}{106}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left(1 + \log\left(\frac{1-t}{u} - 2\right)\right) du \\
&\quad \left. + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{47}{106}}^{\frac{2691}{5950}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{35}{12}t}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{2691}{5950}}^{\frac{897}{1972}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{57}{40} - \frac{29}{10}t} \frac{du}{u^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_{\frac{233}{480}}^{\frac{109}{223}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{109}{223}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{59}{18} - \frac{58}{9}t}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{109}{223}}^{\frac{49}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{49}{100}}^{\frac{661}{1345}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)} \frac{du}{u^2} \\
& + \int_{\frac{49}{100}}^{\frac{661}{1345}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{4}(1-t)}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{1}{u(1-t-u)} \left( 1 + \log \left( \frac{1-t}{u} - 2 \right) \right) du \\
& + 0.5607 \int_{\frac{661}{1345}}^{\frac{2944}{5950}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{179}{55} - \frac{70}{11}t} \frac{du}{u^2} + O(\varepsilon) \\
& \geq (0.000612 + 0.000691 + 0.000645 + 0.005586 \\
& \quad + 0.001031 + 0.002927 + 0.000331 + 0.000980 \\
& \quad + 0.002633 + 0.000435 + 0.003183)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\
& = 0.019054\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 28 is complete.

LEMMA 29.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi & = \Omega_1 + \Omega_2 + \Omega_3 + \Omega_4 + \Omega_6 + \Omega_8 + \Omega_{10} + \Omega_{12} + \Omega_{14} + \Omega_{17} + \Omega_{20} \\
& \quad + \Omega_{23} + \Omega_{26} + \Omega_{29} + \Omega_{32} + \Omega_{35} + \Omega_{38} + \Omega_{50} + \Omega_{54} + \Omega_{57} + \Omega_{60} \\
& \geq 1.902585\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. The main idea in this lemma is adopted from [20]. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
(29) \quad \Omega_1 & \geq \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, q) \\
& = \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{A}_{pq}, X^\delta) \\
& \quad - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^\delta < r < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, r)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < \min(q, (\frac{2X}{pq})^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, r) \\
& = \Phi_1 - \Phi_2 - \Phi_3.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $z = X^\delta$  and  $D(p, q) = X^{\frac{21}{40}} / (pq)$ . Using Iwaniec's sieve method, in the same way as in Lemma 26, we have

$$(30) \quad \Phi_1 = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, X^\delta) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Lemma 18 yields

$$(31) \quad \Phi_2 = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^\delta < r < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqr}, r) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
(32) \quad \Phi_1 - \Phi_2 & = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} S(\mathcal{B}_{pq}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
& = \eta x \log^{-1} x \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^t \frac{1}{u} w\left(\frac{85}{9}(1-t-u)\right) du \\
& \quad + O(\delta \eta x \log^{-1} x) \\
& \geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{21}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^t \frac{1}{u} w\left(\frac{85}{9}(1-t-u)\right) du - 10^{-6} \right) \\
& \geq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{21}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^t \frac{du}{u} - 10^{-6} \right) \\
& \geq 1.242693 \eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $q < (2X/p)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ , then  $q < (2X/(pq))^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
(33) \quad \Phi_3 & \leq \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \\
& = \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqr}, X^\delta) \\
& \quad - \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} \sum_{X^\delta < s < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{pqrs}, s) \\
& = \Phi_4 - \Phi_5.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $z = X^\delta$  and  $D(p, q, r) = X^{10^{-8}}$ . Using Lemma 17 with region (i), in the same way as in Lemma 26, we have

$$(34) \quad \Phi_4 = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqr}, X^\delta) + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

Lemma 18 yields

$$(35) \quad \Phi_5 = \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} \sum_{X^\delta < s < X^{\frac{9}{85}}} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqrs}, s) + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x).$$

We therefore have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_3 &\leq \eta \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < p \leq X^{\frac{21}{100} - 10^{-8}}} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < q < p} \sum_{X^{\frac{9}{85}} < r < q} S(\mathcal{B}_{pqr}, X^{\frac{9}{85}}) \\ &\quad + O(\delta\eta x \log^{-1} x) \\ &\leq \eta x \log^{-1} x \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{21}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^t \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\ &\leq \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( 0.5617 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{49}{255}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^t \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 0.5617 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{49}{255}}^{\frac{21}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{49}{255}}^{\frac{21}{100}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)}^t \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \right) \\ &\leq (0.187169 + 0.077309 + 0.019528) \eta x \log^{-1} x \\ &= 0.284006 \eta x \log^{-1} x. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$(36) \quad \Omega_1 \geq 0.958687 \eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

In the same way, it can be shown that

$$\Omega_2 + \Omega_3 + \Omega_4 + \Omega_6 + \Omega_8 + \Omega_{10} + \Omega_{12} + \Omega_{14} + \Omega_{17} + \Omega_{20} + \Omega_{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \Omega_{26} + \Omega_{29} + \Omega_{32} + \Omega_{35} + \Omega_{38} + \Omega_{50} + \Omega_{54} + \Omega_{57} + \Omega_{60} \\
\geq & \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{21}{100}}^{\frac{13}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{7}{20} - \frac{2}{3}t} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du \right. \\
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{21}{100}}^{\frac{13}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{7}{20} - \frac{2}{3}t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& + \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{60}}^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{29}{120} - \frac{t}{6}} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du \\
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{60}}^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{29}{120} - \frac{t}{6}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& + \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{12613}{49300}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{897}{1972} - t} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du \\
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{12613}{49300}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{897}{1972} - t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& + \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{297}{800}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{49}{100} - t}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du \\
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{297}{800}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{49}{100} - t}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& + \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{653}{1700}}^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du \\
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{653}{1700}}^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& + \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{5073}{13120}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{133}{230} - \frac{82}{69}t} \frac{1}{u} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u) \right) du
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{5073}{13120}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{133}{230} - \frac{82}{69}t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{1}{v} w \left( \frac{85}{9} (1 - t - u - v) \right) dv \\
& - 0.000100) \\
\geq & \eta x \log^{-1} x \left( 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{21}{100}}^{\frac{13}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{7}{20} - \frac{2}{3}t} \frac{du}{u} \right. \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{21}{100}}^{\frac{13}{60}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{7}{20} - \frac{2}{3}t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& + 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{60}}^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{29}{120} - \frac{t}{6}} \frac{du}{u} \\
& - 0.5617 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{60}}^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{13}{60}}^{\frac{12613}{49300}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)}^{\frac{29}{120} - \frac{t}{6}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& + 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{12613}{49300}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{897}{1972} - t} \frac{du}{u} \\
& - 0.5617 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{12613}{49300}}^{\frac{1643}{4930}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{12613}{49300}}^{\frac{1643}{4930}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{49}{85} - t)}^{\frac{897}{1972} - t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{1643}{4930}}^{\frac{3441}{9860}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{897}{1972} - t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& + 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{297}{800}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{49}{100} - t}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{297}{800}}^{\frac{653}{1700}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{49}{100}-t}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& + 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{653}{1700}}^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u} \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{653}{1700}}^{\frac{5073}{13120}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{19}{160}} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& + 0.5612 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{5073}{13120}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{133}{230} - \frac{82}{69}t} \frac{du}{u} \\
& - 0.5644 \cdot \frac{85}{9} \int_{\frac{5073}{13120}}^{\frac{5541}{13940}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^{\frac{133}{230} - \frac{82}{69}t} \frac{du}{u} \int_{\frac{9}{85}}^u \frac{dv}{v} \\
& - 0.000100) \\
& \geq (0.111673 - 0.037863 + 0.570625 - 0.100014 \\
& \quad - 0.085420 + 0.599832 - 0.063002 - 0.072362 \\
& \quad - 0.000822 + 0.010098 - 0.000782 + 0.004011 \\
& \quad - 0.000232 + 0.008592 - 0.000335 - 0.000100)\eta x \log^{-1} x \\
& = 0.943899\eta x \log^{-1} x.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\Phi \geq 1.902585\eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

The proof of Lemma 29 is complete.

**10. The proof of the Theorem.** From Lemmas 24–29, it follows that

$$\Omega \geq 2.949096\eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

Then using Lemmas 22 and 23, we obtain

$$\pi(x + \eta x) - \pi(x) = S(\mathcal{A}, (2X)^{\frac{1}{2}}) \geq 0.011\eta x \log^{-1} x.$$

Now (15) holds and the proof of the Theorem is complete.

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