

ON PJATECKIIĚ-ŠAPIRO PRIME NUMBER THEOREM**

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Abstract

It is proved that, for $1 < c < \frac{20}{17}$, there are infinitely many primes of the form $[n^c]$.

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§1. Introduction

It is an interesting problem whether there are infinitely many primes of the form $[n^c]$. Let

$$\pi_c(x) = \sum_{\substack{n \leq x \\ [n^c] = p}} 1. \quad (1.1)$$

PjateckiiĚ-Šapiro^[1] proved that

$$\pi_c(x) \sim \frac{x}{c \log x}, \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty \quad (1.2)$$

holds for any $c \in (1, \theta)$, where $\theta = \frac{12}{11} = 1.090909 \dots$.

Kolesnik^[2] proved that when $\theta = \frac{10}{9} = 1.111111 \dots$, (1.2) holds. Leitmann^[3] got $\theta = \frac{69}{62} = 1.112903 \dots$. Heath-Brown^[4] improved it to $\theta = \frac{755}{662} = 1.140483 \dots$. Kolesnik^[5] improved it again to $\theta = \frac{39}{34} = 1.147058 \dots$. Recently, Liu Hongquan^[6] used the trigonometrical sum method of Fouvry and Iwaniec^[7] and proved $\theta = \frac{15}{13} = 1.153846 \dots$.

In this paper, we lead the sieve method into this problem for the first time and prove

Theorem. For $1 < c < \frac{20}{17} = 1.176470 \dots$,

$$\pi_c(x) \geq \frac{\rho_0 x}{c \log x}$$

holds for sufficiently large x , where ρ_0 is a definite positive constant. From this, there are infinitely many primes of the form $[n^c]$ within the given limit of c .

In the following, we always assume that x and Z are sufficiently large, ε is a sufficiently small positive constant and $\delta = \varepsilon^2$. Assume that

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{c}, \quad ((a)) = a - [a] - \frac{1}{2},$$

$$N(d) = [-d^\gamma] - [-(d+1)^\gamma], \quad E(d) = ((-(d+1)^\gamma)) - ((-d^\gamma)).$$

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§2. Leading of the Sieve Method

From §2 in [4], we know

$$\pi_c(x) = \sum_{p \leq x^c} N(p) + O(1).$$

So it is enough that, for

$$0.85 + \varepsilon \leq \gamma \leq \frac{13}{15} + \varepsilon, \quad (2.1)$$

we prove that

$$\Phi_c(Z) = \sum_{Z < p \leq 2Z} N(p) \geq 0.01 \frac{Z^\gamma}{\log Z} \quad (2.2)$$

holds for sufficiently large Z .

We consider $\Phi_c(Z)$ by means of the sieve method. Let

$$P(z) = \prod_{p < z} p, \quad A = \{n : Z < n \leq 2Z, \text{ } n \text{ repeats } N(n) \text{ times}\},$$

$$S(A, z) = \sum_{\substack{n \in A \\ (n, P(z))=1}} 1.$$

We have

$$\Phi_c(Z) = S(A, (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}). \quad (2.3)$$

Let $X = (2Z)^\gamma - Z^\gamma$, $\omega(d) = 1$, $r(d) = |A_d| - \frac{X}{d}$,

$$W(z) = \prod_{p < z} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) = \frac{e^{-\mu}}{\log z} (1 + O(\delta)),$$

where μ is Euler constant.

Lemma 2.1. i) Suppose that $M, N \geq 1$, $MN = D$. When $Z^\varepsilon \leq z \leq D^{\frac{1}{2}}$, we have

$$S(A, z) \geq \frac{X}{\log z} \left\{ f\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) + O(\delta) \right\} + \sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a^-(n) b^-(m) r(mn),$$

where $|a^-(n)|, |b^-(m)| \leq 1$. When $4 \leq u \leq 6$,

$$f(u) = \frac{2}{u} \left\{ \log(u-1) + \int_3^{u-1} \frac{dt}{t} \int_2^{t-1} \frac{\log(s-1)}{s} ds \right\}. \quad (2.4)$$

ii) Suppose that $M(p), N(p) \geq 1$, $M(p)N(p) = D(p)$. When $Z^\varepsilon \leq v(p) \leq D^{\frac{1}{2}}(p)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(A_p, v(p)) &\leq \frac{X}{p \log v(p)} \left\{ F\left(\frac{\log D(p)}{\log v(p)}\right) + O(\delta) \right\} \\ &\quad + \sum_{m < M(p)} \sum_{n < N(p)} a^+(n) b^+(m) r(pmn), \end{aligned}$$

where $|a^+(n)|, |b^+(m)| \leq 1$.

$$F(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{u}, & 2 \leq u \leq 3, \\ \frac{2}{u} \left\{ 1 + \int_2^{u-1} \frac{\log(t-1)}{t} dt \right\}, & 3 \leq u \leq 5. \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

Proof. By Theorem 1 in [8], we can reach the conclusions.

$$|A_d| = \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} N(kd) = \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} ((kd+1)^\gamma - (kd)^\gamma) + \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} E(kd).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} ((kd+1)^\gamma - (kd)^\gamma) &= \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} \gamma \cdot (kd)^{\gamma-1} + O(Z^{\gamma-1}) \\ &= \int_{\frac{Z}{d}}^{\frac{2Z}{d}} \gamma (dt)^{\gamma-1} dt + O(Z^{\gamma-1}) \\ &= \frac{X}{d} + O(Z^{\gamma-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $r(d) = O(Z^{\gamma-1}) + \sum_{Z < kd \leq 2Z} E(kd)$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a^-(n) b^-(m) r(mn) \\ &= O(DZ^{\gamma-1}) + \sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a^-(n) b^-(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} E(kmn). \\ &\sum_{P < p \leq 2P} \sum_{m < M(p)} \sum_{n < N(p)} a^+(n) b^+(m) r(pmn) \\ &= O\left(\sum_{P < p \leq 2P} D(p) Z^{\gamma-1} \right) + \sum_{P < p \leq 2P} \sum_{m < M(p)} \sum_{n < N(p)} a^+(n) b^+(m) \sum_{Z < kpmn \leq 2Z} E(kpmn). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.2. Assume that $H = Z^{1-\gamma+4\delta}$, $\varepsilon(h) = O(1)$ and

$$\Psi(n) = \sum_{1 \leq h \leq H} \varepsilon(h) e(hn^\gamma). \quad (2.6)$$

i) Suppose that $M, N \geq 1$, $MN = D$, $D < Z^{1-\varepsilon}$, $Z^\varepsilon \leq z \leq D^{\frac{1}{2}}$. When

$$\sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a(n) b(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kmn) \ll Z^{1-\delta}, \quad (2.7)$$

where $|a(n)|, |b(m)| \leq 1$, we have

$$S(A, z) \geq \frac{X}{\log z} f\left(\frac{\log D}{\log z}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right). \quad (2.8)$$

ii) Suppose that $M(p), N(p) \geq 1$, $M(p)N(p) = D(p)$, $D(p) < \frac{Z^{1-\varepsilon}}{p}$ and $Z^\varepsilon \leq v(p) \leq D^{\frac{1}{2}}(p)$. When

$$\sum_{P < p \leq 2P} \sum_{m < M(p)} \sum_{n < N(p)} a(n) b(m) \sum_{Z < kpmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kpmn) \ll Z^{1-2\delta}, \quad (2.9)$$

where $|a(n)|, |b(m)| \leq 1$, we have

$$\sum_{P < p \leq 2P} S(A_p, v(p)) \leq \sum_{P < p \leq 2P} \frac{X}{p \log v(p)} F\left(\frac{\log D(p)}{\log v(p)}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log^2 Z}\right). \quad (2.10)$$

Proof. i) By the above discussion, if

$$\sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} E(kmn) \ll Z^{\gamma-\delta}, \quad (2.11)$$

we can come to the conclusion.

By the discussion in §2 of [4], if

$$\sum_{m < M} \sum_{n < N} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kmn) \ll Z^{1-\delta}$$

is proved, we can obtain (2.11). So, the conclusion follows.

ii) It can be proved in the same way as in i).

By Buchstab identity,

$$\begin{aligned} & S(A, (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\ &= S(A, Z^{0.15}) - \sum_{Z^{0.15} < p \leq Z^{0.25}} S(A_p, p) - \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} S(A_p, p) \\ & \quad - \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} S(A_p, p) - \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} S(A_p, p) - \sum_{Z^{0.45} < p \leq (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_p, p) \\ &= \Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2 - \Sigma_3 - \Sigma_4 - \Sigma_5 - \Sigma_6. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

§3. The Estimation for Trigonometrical Sums

Lemma 3.1. Assume that $a_1 \neq 1$, $a_1 a_2 a_3 \neq 0$. Assume that M_1, M_2, M_3 , $x \geq 1$ and that $|\varphi_{m_1}| \leq 1$, $|\psi_{m_2 m_3}| \leq 1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{M_1 < m_1 \leq 2M_1} \sum_{M_2 < m_2 \leq 2M_2} \sum_{M_3 < m_3 \leq 2M_3} \varphi_{m_1} \psi_{m_2 m_3} e\left(x \frac{m_1^{a_1} m_2^{a_2} m_3^{a_3}}{M_1^{a_1} M_2^{a_2} M_3^{a_3}}\right) \\ & \ll \{x^{\frac{3}{4}} M_1^{\frac{1}{2}} (M_2 M_3)^{\frac{1}{4}} + M_1^{\frac{7}{10}} M_2 M_3 + M_1 (M_2 M_3)^{\frac{3}{4}} + x^{-\frac{1}{4}} M_1^{\frac{11}{10}} M_2 M_3\} (M_1 M_2 M_3)^{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

See Theorem 3 in [7].

Lemma 3.2. Assume that $KL = Z$, $H = Z^{1-\gamma+4\delta}$. Assume that $|\varepsilon(h)|, |a(k)|, |b(l)| \leq 1$. Then when $Z^{0.45} \ll K \ll Z^{0.55}$, we have

$$\sum_{1 \leq h \leq H} \sum_{K \leq k \leq 2K} \sum_{L \leq l \leq 2L} \varepsilon(h) a(k) b(l) e(hk^{\gamma} l^{\gamma}) \ll Z^{1-4\delta}.$$

Proof. At first we suppose that $Z^{0.5} \ll K \ll Z^{0.55}$. In Lemma 3.1, we take $m_1 = k$, $m_2 = h$, $m_3 = l$ and $x = JZ^{\gamma}$. Then when $J \leq H$, we have

$$\sum_{J \leq h \leq 2J} \sum_{K \leq k \leq 2K} \sum_{L \leq l \leq 2L} \varepsilon(h) a(k) b(l) e(hk^{\gamma} l^{\gamma}) \ll Z^{1-5\delta}.$$

So, we can get the lemma.

When $Z^{0.45} \ll K \ll Z^{0.5}$, exchanging k and l , we can get the lemma.

Lemma 3.3. Assume that $KL = Z$, $H = Z^{1-\gamma+4\delta}$. Assume that $|\varepsilon(h)|$, $|a(k)|$, $|b(l)| \leq 1$. Then when $Z^{0.15} \ll K \ll Z^{0.25}$, we have

$$\sum_{1 \leq h \leq H} \sum_{K \leq k \leq 2K} \sum_{L \leq l \leq 2L} \varepsilon(h)a(k)b(l)e(hk^\gamma l^\gamma) \ll Z^{1-4\delta}.$$

It is Lemma 4 in [4] in essence.

Lemma 3.4. Assume that $KL = Z$, $H = Z^{1-\gamma+4\delta}$. Assume that $|\varepsilon(h)|$, $|a(k)|$, $|b(l)| \leq 1$. Then when $1 \leq K \ll Z^{0.55}$, we have

$$\sum_{1 \leq h \leq H} \sum_{K \leq k \leq 2K} \sum_{L \leq l \leq 2L} \varepsilon(h)a(k)e(hk^\gamma l^\gamma) \ll Z^{1-4\delta}.$$

Proof. When $Z^{0.45} \ll K \ll Z^{0.55}$, it can be proved by Lemma 3.2.

When $1 \ll K \ll Z^{0.45}$, by Lemmas 11 and 12 in [6], we get the lemma.

§4. Upper and Lower Bounds of Some Sieve Functions

Lemma 4.1. $\Sigma_1 = S(A, Z^{0.15}) \geq 3.707032 \frac{X}{\log Z}$.

Proof. Let $D = Z^{0.65}$, $M = Z^{0.55}$, $N = Z^{0.1}$. By Lemma 3.2, it is known that

$$\sum_{Z^{0.45} < m \leq Z^{0.55}} \sum_{n < Z^{0.1}} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kmn) \ll Z^{1-\delta}.$$

Let $mn = r$. By Lemma 3.4, it is obtained that

$$\sum_{m \leq Z^{0.45}} \sum_{n \leq Z^{0.1}} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kmn) = \sum_{r \leq Z^{0.55}} g(r) \sum_{Z < kr \leq 2Z} \Psi(kr) \ll Z^{1-\delta}.$$

By i) of Lemma 2.2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & S(A, Z^{0.15}) \\ & \geq \frac{X}{0.15 \log Z} f\left(\frac{0.65}{0.15}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ & = \frac{2X}{0.65 \log Z} \left\{ \log\left(\frac{0.65}{0.15} - 1\right) + \int_3^{\frac{0.65}{0.15}-1} \frac{dt}{t} \int_2^{t-1} \frac{\log(s-1)}{s} ds \right\} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ & = \frac{2X}{0.65 \log Z} \left\{ \log\left(\frac{0.65}{0.15} - 1\right) + \int_2^{\frac{0.65}{0.15}-2} \frac{\log(s-1)}{s} \log\left(\frac{0.65}{(s+1)} - 1\right) ds \right\} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ & \geq 3.707032 \frac{X}{\log Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.2. $\sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) \leq 1.920475 \frac{X}{\log Z}$.

Proof. Let $D(p) = \frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}$, $M(p) = \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}$, $N(p) = Z^{0.1}$. Using the discussion in Lemma 4.1, we get

$$\sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} \sum_{m \leq \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}} \sum_{n < Z^{0.1}} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kpmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kpmn) \ll Z^{1-\delta}.$$

By ii) of Lemma 2.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) \\
 & \leq \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} \frac{X}{p \log \frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}} \cdot 3F(3) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
 & = \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.25}^{0.35} \frac{2dt}{t(0.65-t)} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
 & \leq 1.920475 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.3. $\sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} S\left(A_p, \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}\right) \leq 0.624946 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$

Proof. At first we prove that, for $Z^{0.35} < P \leq Z^{0.45}$,

$$\sum_{P < p \leq 2P} \sum_{m \leq \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}} \sum_{n \leq \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}} a(n)b(m) \sum_{Z < kpmn \leq 2Z} \Psi(kpmn) \ll Z^{1-2\delta}. \quad (4.1)$$

When $Z^{0.45} < pm \leq Z^{0.55}$, (4.1) follows from Lemma 3.2. So, we assume $m \leq \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}$. In the same way, we can assume $n \leq \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}$. Hence, $pmn \leq \frac{Z^{0.9}}{p} \leq Z^{0.55}$. Using Lemma 3.4, we can get (4.1).

Let $D(p) = \frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}$, $M(p) = \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}$, $N(p) = \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}$. By ii) of Lemma 2.2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} S\left(A_p, \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}\right) \\
 & \leq \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} \frac{X}{p \log \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}} F\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}}{\log \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
 & = \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.35}^{\frac{1.15}{3}} \frac{2dt}{t(1.1-2t)} \left(1 + \int_2^{\frac{1.1-2t}{0.45-t}-1} \frac{\log(u-1)}{u} du\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
 & = \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_4^5 \frac{2dr}{r(0.45r-1.1)} \left(1 + \int_2^{r-1} \frac{\log(u-1)}{u} du\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
 & = \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_4^5 \frac{2dr}{r(0.45-1.1)} + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_2^3 \frac{\log(u-1)}{u} du \int_4^5 \frac{2dr}{r(0.45r-1.1)} \\
 & \quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_3^4 \frac{\log(u-1)}{u} du \int_{u+1}^5 \frac{2dr}{r(0.45r-1.1)} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 0.496898 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.073155 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&\quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_3^4 \frac{\log(u-1)}{u} \left\{ \frac{2}{1.1} \log\left(\frac{1.15}{(0.45u-0.65)}\right) - \frac{2}{1.1} \log\left(\frac{5}{(u+1)}\right) \right\} du \\
&\leq 0.570053 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.104031 \frac{X}{\log Z} - 0.049138 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 0.624946 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.4. $\sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}\right) \leq 1.715866 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$

Proof. By the discussion in Lemma 4.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}\right) \\
&\leq \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} \frac{X}{p \log \frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}} \cdot 5F(5) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
&\leq 1.406093 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{\frac{1.15}{3}}^{0.45} \frac{2dt}{t(1.1-2t)} \\
&\leq 1.715866 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

§5. Asymptotic Formulas

Lemma 5.1. When x and z are sufficiently large, $z \leq x^{1-\varepsilon}$, we have

$$\sum_{\substack{n \leq x \\ (n, P(z))=1}} 1 = \left(w\left(\frac{\log x}{\log z}\right) + O(\delta) \right) \frac{x}{\log z},$$

where

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

See pages 239 and 240 in [9].

Lemma 5.2. i) When $u \geq 2$,

$$0.5 \leq w(u) \leq \frac{1}{1.763}.$$

ii) When $u \geq 2.4$,

$$w(u) \geq 0.55641.$$

See Lemma 3 in page 239 of [9] and Lemma 12 of [10].

Lemma 5.3. When $1 \leq S \leq Z^{1-2\varepsilon}$, $Z^\varepsilon \leq z \leq \frac{Z^{1-\varepsilon}}{S}$, $|a(s)| \leq 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} a(s) \sum_{\substack{\frac{Z}{s} < n \leq \frac{2Z}{s} \\ (n, P(z))=1}} ((ns+1)^\gamma - (ns)^\gamma) \\ &= \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} \frac{a(s)}{s} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{s}}{\log z}\right) \frac{X}{\log z} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z} \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} \frac{|a(s)|}{s}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= \sum_{\substack{\frac{Z}{s} < n \leq \frac{2Z}{s} \\ (n, P(z))=1}} ((ns+1)^\gamma - (ns)^\gamma) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\frac{Z}{s} < n \leq \frac{2Z}{s} \\ (n, P(z))=1}} \gamma(ns)^{\gamma-1} + O\left(\frac{Z^{\gamma-1}}{S}\right). \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\frac{Z}{s} < n \leq \frac{2Z}{s} \\ (n, P(z))=1}} \gamma(ns)^{\gamma-1} = \int_{\frac{Z}{s}}^{\frac{2Z}{s}} \gamma(st)^{\gamma-1} d\left(\sum_{\substack{n \leq t \\ (n, P(z))=1}} 1\right) \\ &= \int_{\frac{Z}{s}}^{\frac{2Z}{s}} \gamma(st)^{\gamma-1} \left\{ w\left(\frac{\log t}{\log z}\right) \frac{1}{\log z} + w'\left(\frac{\log t}{\log z}\right) \frac{1}{\log^2 z} \right\} dt \\ &\quad + O\left(\frac{\delta Z^\gamma}{S \log z}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Noting $w\left(\frac{\log t}{\log z}\right) - w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{s}}{\log z}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{\log z}\right)$,

we have

$$\Gamma = w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{s}}{\log z}\right) \frac{X}{s \log z} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{S \log z}\right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} a(s) \sum_{\substack{\frac{Z}{s} < n \leq \frac{2Z}{s} \\ (n, P(z))=1}} ((ns+1)^\gamma - (ns)^\gamma) \\ &= \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} \frac{a(s)}{s} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{s}}{\log z}\right) \frac{X}{\log z} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z} \sum_{S < s \leq 2S} \frac{|a(s)|}{s}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5.4. $\Sigma_2 = \sum_{Z^{0.15} < p \leq Z^{0.25}} S(A_p, p) \leq 1.512574 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$

Proof. Assume that $Z^{0.15} < W \leq Z^{0.25}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} S(A_p, p) = \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(p))=1}} N(pq) \\ &\leq \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(W))=1}} N(pq) \\ &= \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(W))=1}} ((pq+1)^\gamma - (pq)^\gamma) + \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(W))=1}} E(pq). \end{aligned}$$

By the discussion in §2 of [4], if we prove that

$$\sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(W))=1}} \Psi(pq) \ll Z^{1-2\delta}, \quad (5.1)$$

where $\Psi(n)$ is defined in (2.6), we can get

$$\sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \sum_{\substack{Z < pq \leq 2Z \\ (q, P(W))=1}} E(pq) \ll Z^{\gamma-2\delta}.$$

By Lemma 3.3, we get (5.1). Using Lemmas 5.2, 5.3 and the prime number theorem, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &\leq \sum_{W < p \leq 2W} \frac{X}{p \log p} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{p}}{\log W}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log^2 Z}\right), \\ \Sigma_2 &\leq \sum_{Z^{0.15} < p \leq Z^{0.25}} \frac{X}{p \log p} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{p}}{\log p}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1.763} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < p \leq Z^{0.25}} \frac{X}{p \log p} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{1.763} \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.15}^{0.25} \frac{dt}{t^2} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\ &\leq 1.512574 \frac{X}{\log Z} \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5.5.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} \sum_{\substack{(\frac{Z^{0.65}}{p})^{\frac{1}{3}} < q < \min(p, (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}})}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\ &\geq 0.625585 \frac{X}{\log Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega &\geq \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < p} S(A_{pq}, q) + \sum_{Z^{0.275} < p \leq Z^{0.3}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
 &+ \sum_{Z^{0.3} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} \sum_{\frac{Z^{0.45}}{p} < q < Z^{0.25}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
 &= \Omega_1 + \Omega_2 + \Omega_3.
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.3, it is known that

$$\sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q \leq Z^{0.25}} \sum_{Z < rpq \leq 2Z} c(r) \Psi(rpq) \ll Z^{1-2\delta}.$$

Let $pq = k$, $r = l$. By Lemma 3.2, it is known that

$$\sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.25} < q < p} \sum_{Z < rpq \leq 2Z} c(r) \Psi(rpq) \ll Z^{1-2\delta}.$$

In the same way as in Lemma 5.4, we get asymptotic formula

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_1 &= \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < p} \frac{X}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{pq}}{\log q}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
&= \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < (\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3.4}}} \frac{X}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{pq}}{\log q}\right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{(\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3.4}} < q \leq (\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3}}} \frac{X}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{pq}}{\log q}\right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{(\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3}} < q < p} \frac{X}{pq \log q} w\left(\frac{\log \frac{Z}{pq}}{\log q}\right) + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
&\geq 0.556401 \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < (\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3.4}}} \frac{X}{pq \log q} \\
&\quad + 0.5 \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{(\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3.4}} < q < (\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3}}} \frac{X}{pq \log q} \\
&\quad + \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.275}} \sum_{(\frac{Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{3}} < q < p} \frac{X}{pq \log \frac{Z}{pq}} \\
&\geq 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.25}^{0.275} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{0.15}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.25}^{0.275} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.25}^{0.275} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^t \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} \\
&\geq 0.109099 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.025842 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.012810 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 0.147751 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_2 &\geq 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.275}^{0.3} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{0.15}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.275}^{0.3} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.275}^{0.3} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^{0.55-t} \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} \\
&\geq 0.091765 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.024420 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.018826 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 0.135011 \frac{X}{\log Z},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_3 &\geq 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.3}^{0.35} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{0.45-t}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&\quad + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.3}^{0.35} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.3}^{0.35} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^{0.25} \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} \\
&\geq 0.260123 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.045651 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.037049 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 0.342823 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Combining all of these, we get

$$\Omega \geq 0.625585 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$$

Lemma 5.6.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &= \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} \sum_{\frac{Z^{0.45}}{p} < q < (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&\geq 0.409017 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. In the same way as in Lemma 5.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &\geq \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} \sum_{\frac{Z^{0.45}}{p} < q < Z^{0.25}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&\geq 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.35}^{\frac{1.15}{3}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{0.45-t}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.35}^{\frac{1.15}{3}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.35}^{\frac{1.15}{3}} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^{0.25} \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} \\
&\geq 0.342130 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.028723 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.038164 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 0.409017 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5.7.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &= \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} \sum_{(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2})^{\frac{1}{5}} < q < (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&\geq 1.251837 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. In the same way as in Lemma 5.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &\geq \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.4}} \sum_{\left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} < q < Z^{0.25}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&+ \sum_{Z^{0.4} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} \sum_{\left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} < q < \frac{Z^{0.55}}{p}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&+ \sum_{Z^{0.4} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} \sum_{Z^{0.15} < q < Z^{0.25}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\
&\geq 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{\frac{1.15}{3}}^{0.4} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1.1-2t}{5}}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{\frac{1.15}{3}}^{0.4} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&+ \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{\frac{1.15}{3}}^{0.4} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^{0.25} \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} + 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.4}^{0.45} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1.1-2t}{5}}^{0.55-t} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&+ 0.5564 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.4}^{0.45} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{0.15}^{\frac{1-t}{3.4}} \frac{dw}{w^2} + 0.5 \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.4}^{0.45} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3.4}}^{\frac{1-t}{3}} \frac{dw}{w^2} \\
&+ \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.4}^{0.45} \frac{dt}{t} \int_{\frac{1-t}{3}}^{0.25} \frac{dw}{w(1-t-w)} \\
&\geq 0.241758 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.013991 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.023308 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.794005 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&+ 0.049474 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.040958 \frac{X}{\log Z} + 0.088343 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\
&= 1.251837 \frac{X}{\log Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5.8. $\Sigma_6 = \sum_{Z^{0.45} < p \leq (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_p, p) \leq 0.200671 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$

Proof. By Lemma 3.2 and the discussion in Lemma 5.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\Sigma_6 &= \sum_{Z^{0.45} < p \leq (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{X}{p \log \frac{Z}{p}} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
&= \frac{X}{\log Z} \int_{0.45}^{0.5} \frac{dt}{t(1-t)} + O\left(\frac{\varepsilon X}{\log Z}\right) \\
&\leq 0.200671 \frac{X}{\log Z}
\end{aligned}$$

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By Lemma 4.1,

$$\Sigma_1 \geq 3.707032 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$$

By Lemma 5.4,

$$\Sigma_2 \leq 1.512574 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$$

By Lemmas 4.2 and 5.5,

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_3 &= \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right) \\ &\quad - \sum_{Z^{0.25} < p \leq Z^{0.35}} \sum_{\left(\frac{Z^{0.65}}{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} < q < \min(p, (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}})} S(A_{pq}, q) \\ &\leq 1.920475 \frac{X}{\log Z} - 0.625585 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\ &= 1.294890 \frac{X}{\log Z}.\end{aligned}$$

By Lemmas 4.3 and 5.6,

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_4 &= \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} S\left(A_p, \frac{Z^{0.45}}{p}\right) \\ &\quad - \sum_{Z^{0.35} < p \leq Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}}} \sum_{\frac{Z^{0.45}}{p} < q < (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\ &\leq 0.624946 \frac{X}{\log Z} - 0.409017 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\ &= 0.215929 \frac{X}{\log Z}.\end{aligned}$$

By Lemmas 4.4 and 5.7,

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_5 &= \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} S\left(A_p, \left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}\right) \\ &\quad - \sum_{Z^{\frac{1.15}{3}} < p \leq Z^{0.45}} \sum_{\left(\frac{Z^{1.1}}{p^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} < q < (\frac{2Z}{p})^{\frac{1}{2}}} S(A_{pq}, q) \\ &\leq 1.715866 \frac{X}{\log Z} - 1.251837 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\ &= 0.464029 \frac{X}{\log Z}.\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5.8,

$$\Sigma_6 \leq 0.200671 \frac{X}{\log Z}.$$

Combining all of these, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_c(Z) &= S(A, (2Z)^{\frac{1}{2}}) \geq 0.018939 \frac{X}{\log Z} \\ &\geq 0.01 \frac{Z^\gamma}{\log Z}.\end{aligned}$$

So, (2.2) holds and Theorem follows.

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