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## ON SOME INTEGRALS INVOLVING $\Delta_2(x)$ AND $\Delta_3(x)$

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*A b s t r a c t.* Let  $k \geq 2$  be a fixed natural number and  $d_k(n)$  denote the number of ways  $n$  can be written as a product of  $k$  positive integers. Let  $\Delta_k(x)$  denote the error term in the asymptotic formula of the summatory function of  $d_k(n)$ . In this paper we study some integrals involving  $\Delta_2(x)$  and  $\Delta_3(x)$ .

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### 1. Introduction and statements of results

Let  $k \geq 2$  be a fixed natural number and  $d_k(n)$  denote the number of ways  $n$  can be written as a product of  $k$  positive integers. The general divisor problem is to study the asymptotic behaviour of the sum

$$D_k(x) := \sum_{n \leq x} d_k(n)$$

as  $x$  tends to infinity. It is well-known that the asymptotic formula of  $D_k(x)$  is of the form

$$D_k(x) = xP_k(\log x) + \Delta_k(x), \tag{1.1}$$



where  $P_k(u)$  is a polynomial in  $u$  of degree  $k - 1$ , and  $\Delta_k(x)$  is the error term. It is a classical and important problem in the analytic number theory to study properties of  $\Delta_k(x)$ .

When  $k = 2$ , this is usually called the Dirichlet divisor problem since Dirichlet first proved that  $\Delta_2(x) \ll \sqrt{x}$ . Dirichlet's result was improved by many authors. The best upper bound up to date is  $\Delta_2(x) \ll x^{517/1648+\varepsilon}$  proved in Bourgain and Watt [1]. It is conjectured that the estimate  $\Delta_2(x) \ll x^{1/4+\varepsilon}$  holds, which is supported by the mean square result(see Cramér [3])

$$\int_1^T (\Delta_2(x))^2 dx = C_2^{(2)} T^{3/2} + O(T^{5/4+\varepsilon}) \quad (1.2)$$

and the estimate (see Ivić [5], Thm 13.9)

$$\int_1^T |\Delta_2(x)|^{A_0} dx \ll T^{1+A_0/4+\varepsilon} \quad (A_0 = 8.75), \quad (1.3)$$

where

$$C_2^{(2)} := \frac{1}{6\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_2^2(n)}{n^{3/2}}.$$

The estimate  $T^{5/4+\varepsilon}$  was improved in Tong[14], Preissmann[12], Lau and Tsang [10], respectively. For any integer  $3 \leq l \leq 9$ , we have the asymptotic formula

$$\int_1^T (\Delta_2(x))^l dx = C_2^{(l)} T^{1+l/4} + O(T^{1+l/4-\delta_l+\varepsilon}), \quad (1.4)$$

where  $C_2^{(l)}$  and  $\delta_l > 0$  are explicit constants. Tsang [15] first proved the asymptotic formula (1.4) for  $l = 3$  and  $l = 4$  with  $\delta_3 = 1/14$  and  $\delta_4 = 1/23$ . Ivić and Sargos [6] proved the asymptotic formula (1.4) for  $l = 3$  and  $l = 4$  with  $\delta_3 = 7/20$  and  $\delta_4 = 1/12$ . Zhai [17] proved (1.4) for any integer  $3 \leq l \leq 9$  by a unified approach. For more results about (1.4), see [9, 11, 16, 19, 20].

When  $k = 3$ , this is usually called the Piltz divisor problem. The best estimate of  $\Delta_3(x)$  up to date is  $\Delta_3(x) \ll x^{43/96+\varepsilon}$  proved in Kolesnik [8]. Tong [14] proved the mean square result

$$\int_1^T (\Delta_3(x))^2 dx = C_3^{(2)} T^{5/3} + O(T^{14/9+\varepsilon}), \quad (1.5)$$

where

$$C_3^{(2)} := \frac{1}{10\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_3^2(n)}{n^{4/3}}.$$

Heath-Brown[4] proved that the estimate

$$\int_1^T |\Delta_3(x)|^3 dx \ll T^{2+\varepsilon} \quad (1.6)$$

holds.

Ivić and Zhai [7] first studied the hybrid moments of  $\Delta_2(x)$  and  $\Delta_3(x)$ . They proved that

$$\int_1^T \Delta_2(x)\Delta_3(x) dx \ll T^{13/9} \log^{10/3} T. \quad (1.7)$$

In this paper we shall study the upper bound of the integral

$$\int_1^T \Delta_2^k(x)\Delta_3(x) dx$$

with  $k = 2$  and  $k = 3$ . We have the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.1.** *We have the estimate*

$$\int_1^T \Delta_2^2(x)\Delta_3(x) dx \ll T^{16/9+\varepsilon}. \quad (1.8)$$

**Theorem 1.2.** *We have the estimate*

$$\int_1^T \Delta_2^3(x)\Delta_3(x) dx \ll T^{73/36+\varepsilon}. \quad (1.9)$$

**Remark 1.1.** From (1.3), (1.5) and Cauchy's inequality we get

$$\int_1^T \Delta_2^2(x)\Delta_3(x) dx \ll T^{11/6+\varepsilon}, \quad \int_1^T \Delta_2^3(x)\Delta_3(x) dx \ll T^{25/12+\varepsilon}.$$

Note that  $16/9 = 11/6 - 1/18$ ,  $73/36 = 25/12 - 1/18$ . So Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 are non-trivial.

**Notation.** For any  $k \geq 2$ ,  $d_k(n)$  denotes the number of ways  $n$  can be written as a product of  $k$  natural numbers.  $n \sim N$  means  $N < n \leq 2N$  and  $n \asymp N$  means  $c_1N < n \leq c_2N$  for absolute positive constants  $c_2 > c_1 > 0$ .  $\varepsilon$  always denotes a small positive constant which may be different at different places. For any complex number  $\alpha$ , we define  $e(\alpha) := \exp(2\pi i\alpha)$ .

## 2. Some preliminary lemmas

In order to prove our theorems, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $c > 0$  be a non-integer real number,  $M \geq 2$  be a large parameter,  $\delta > 0$  be any real number. Let  $\mathcal{A}(M, \delta; c)$  denote the number of solutions of the inequality*

$$|m_1^c + m_2^c - m_3^c - m_4^c| \leq \delta M^c, \quad M < m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4 \leq 2M.$$

Then we have

$$\mathcal{A}(M, \delta) \ll M^\varepsilon (M^2 + \delta M^4).$$

PROOF. This is Theorem 2 of [13]. □

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $T \geq 10$  be a large parameter and  $y$  be a real number such that  $T^\varepsilon \ll y \ll T$ . For any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  define*

$$\Delta_{31}(x; y) := \frac{x^{1/3}}{\sqrt{3}\pi} \sum_{n \leq y} \frac{d_3(n)}{n^{2/3}} \cos(6\pi(nx)^{1/3}).$$

Then uniformly for  $y \ll T^{1/3}$  we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{31}(x; y)|^4 dx \ll T^{7/3+\varepsilon}. \quad (2.1)$$

PROOF. By a splitting argument and Hölder's inequality we get for some  $1 \ll N \ll y$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{31}(x; y)|^4 dx &= \int_T^{2T} \left| \frac{x^{1/3}}{\sqrt{3}\pi} \sum_j \sum_{\frac{y}{2^{j+1}} < n \leq \frac{y}{2^j}} \frac{d_3(n)}{n^{2/3}} \cos(6\pi(nx)^{1/3}) \right|^4 dx \\ &\ll T^{4/3} \log^3 T \sum_j \int_T^{2T} \left| \sum_{\frac{y}{2^{j+1}} < n \leq \frac{y}{2^j}} \frac{d_3(n)}{n^{2/3}} \cos(6\pi(nx)^{1/3}) \right|^4 dx \\ &\ll T^{4/3} \log^4 T \sum_{n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4 \sim N} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^4 d_3(n_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^4 n_j^{2/3}} \int_T^{2T} e(3x^{1/3}\eta) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\eta := n_1^{1/3} + n_2^{1/3} - n_3^{1/3} - n_4^{1/3}$ . By the first derivative test we have

$$\int_T^{2T} e(3x^{1/3}\eta) dx \ll \min \left( T, \frac{T^{2/3}}{|\eta|} \right).$$

So from the above two estimates we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{31}(x; y)|^4 dx \ll \frac{T^{2+\varepsilon}}{N^{8/3}} \sum_{\substack{n_j \sim N \\ j=1,2,3,4}} \min\left(T^{1/3}, \frac{1}{|\eta|}\right). \quad (2.2)$$

According to Lemma 2.1, the contribution of  $T^{1/3}$  (in this case  $|\eta| \leq T^{-1/3}$ ) is

$$\ll \frac{T^{7/3+\varepsilon}}{N^{8/3}} (N^2 + T^{-1/3} N^{-1/3} N^4) \ll T^{7/3+\varepsilon} N^{-2/3} + T^{2+\varepsilon} N \ll T^{7/3+\varepsilon}$$

if  $y \ll T^{1/3}$ .

Now we consider the contribution of  $1/|\eta|$  for which  $T^{-1/3} \ll |\eta| \ll y^{1/3}$ . We divide the range of  $\eta$  into  $O(\log T)$  subcases of the form  $\xi < |\eta| \leq 2\xi$ . By Lemma 2.1 again we get the the contribution of  $1/|\eta|$  is

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll \frac{T^{2+\varepsilon}}{N^{8/3}} \max_{T^{-1/3} \ll \xi \ll y^{1/3}} \sum_{\xi < |\eta| \leq 2\xi} \frac{1}{|\eta|} \\ &\ll \frac{T^{2+\varepsilon}}{N^{8/3}} \max_{T^{-1/3} \ll \xi \ll y^{1/3}} \frac{1}{\xi} (N^2 + \xi N^{-1/3} N^4) \\ &\ll T^{7/3+\varepsilon} N^{-2/3} + T^{2+\varepsilon} N \ll T^{7/3+\varepsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

Whence Lemma 2.2 follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $T \geq 10$  be a large parameter and  $y$  be a real number such that  $T^\varepsilon \ll y \ll T$ . Define for any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  that*

$$\Delta_{32}(x; y) := \Delta_3(x) - \Delta_{31}(x; y).$$

Then we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{32}(x; y)|^2 dx \ll T^{5/3+\varepsilon} y^{-1/3} \quad (y \ll T^{1/3}). \quad (2.3)$$

PROOF. We give a very short proof (2.3). We take  $d = 3$ ,  $a(n) = d_3(n)$ ,  $N = [T^{5-\varepsilon}]$ ,  $\sigma^* = 7/12$ , and  $M = [T^{2/3}]$ . As in the proof of Theorem 1 in [2], we can write

$$\Delta_{32}(x; y) = R_1^*(x; y) + \sum_{j=2}^7 R_j(x),$$

where

$$R_1^*(x; y) := \frac{x^{1/3}}{\sqrt{3}\pi} \sum_{y < n \leq M} \frac{d_3(n)}{n^{2/3}} \cos(6\pi(nx)^{1/3})$$

and  $R_j(x)$  ( $j = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$ ) were defined in Page 2129 of [2]. Similar to the formula (8.11) of [2], we have the estimate (noting that  $y \ll T^{1/3}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_T^{2T} (R_1^*(x; y) + R_2(x))^2 dx \\ & \ll \sum_{y < n < M} \frac{d_3^2(n)}{n^{4/3}} \int_T^{2T} x^{2/3} dx + T^{5/3+\varepsilon} M^{-1/6} + T^{4/3+\varepsilon} M^{1/3} \\ & \ll T^{5/3+\varepsilon} y^{-1/3} + T^{14/9+\varepsilon} \ll T^{5/3+\varepsilon} y^{-1/3}, \end{aligned}$$

which combining (8.17) of [2] gives (2.3).  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $T \geq 10$  be a large parameter and  $Y$  be a real number such that  $T^\varepsilon \ll Y \ll T$ . For any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  define*

$$\Delta_{21}(x; Y) := \frac{x^{1/4}}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \sum_{n \leq Y} \frac{d_2(n)}{n^{3/4}} \cos \left[ 4\pi(nx)^{1/2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right].$$

Then uniformly for  $Y \ll T$  we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{21}(x; Y)|^4 dx \ll T^{2+\varepsilon}. \quad (2.4)$$

If  $Y \ll T^{1/3}$ , then we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{21}(x; Y)|^8 dx \ll T^{3+\varepsilon}. \quad (2.5)$$

PROOF. For any  $1 \ll N \ll x$ , we have (see, for example, [5])

$$\Delta_2(x) = \Delta_{21}(x; N) + O\left(x^{1/2+\varepsilon} N^{-1/2}\right). \quad (2.6)$$

We first show (2.4). If  $Y \ll T^{1/2}$ , then by the same approach as the proof of Lemma 2.2 we get (2.4). If  $T \gg T^{1/2}$ , from (2.6) we have

$$\Delta_{21}(x; Y) = \Delta_{21}(x; \sqrt{T}) + O(x^{1/4+\varepsilon}).$$

So (2.4) follows from the case  $y = \sqrt{T}$ .

Using the approaches of Theorems 13.8 and 13.9 directly to  $\Delta_{21}(x; Y)$  we can get (2.5) easily. So, we omit the details.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.5.** *Let  $T \geq 10$  be a large parameter and  $Y$  be a real number such that  $T^\varepsilon \ll Y \ll T$ . For any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  define*

$$\Delta_{22}(x; Y) := \Delta_2(x) - \Delta_{21}(x; Y).$$

Then for  $Y \ll T$  we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^2 dx \ll T^{3/2+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/2}. \quad (2.7)$$

If  $Y \ll T^{1/3}$ , then we have

$$\int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^4 dx \ll T^{2+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/3}. \quad (2.8)$$

PROOF. The estimate (2.7) is Lemma 2.2 of Ivić and Zhai [7].

From (2.5) and (1.3) with  $A_0 = 8$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^8 dx &= \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_2(x) - \Delta_{21}(x; Y)|^8 dx \\ &\ll \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{21}(x; Y)|^8 dx + \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_2(x)|^8 dx \ll T^{3+\varepsilon}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Now from (2.7), (2.9) and Hölder's inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^4 dx &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^2 \right)^{2/3} \left( \int_T^{2T} |\Delta_{22}(x; Y)|^8 \right)^{1/3} \\ &\ll T^{2+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/3}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Lemma 2.6.** *Suppose  $(i_1, i_2) \in \{0, 1\}^2$  and  $Y \geq 10$  is a real number. For  $(n_1, n_2, n_3) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ , define*

$$\alpha_3 := \sqrt{n_1} + (-1)^{i_1} \sqrt{n_2} + (-1)^{i_2} \sqrt{n_3},$$

$$H(Y; i_1, i_2) := \sum_{\substack{n_j \leq Y, 1 \leq j \leq 3 \\ \alpha_3 \neq 0}} \frac{d_2(n_1) d_2(n_2) d_2(n_3)}{(n_1 n_2 n_3)^{3/4} |\alpha_3|}.$$

Then we have

$$H(Y; i_1, i_2) \ll Y^{1/4+\varepsilon}.$$

PROOF. This is Lemma 2.6 of the author [18]. □

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $N, M, K \geq 10$ ,  $D = \max(N, M, K)$ ,  $0 < \Delta \ll D^{1/2}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{A}(N, M, K; \Delta) := \sum_{\substack{n \sim N, m \sim M, k \sim K \\ |\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{m} - \sqrt{k}| \leq \Delta}} 1.$$

Then we have

$$D^{-\varepsilon} \mathcal{A}(N, M, K; \Delta) \ll \Delta D^{-1/2} N M K + D^{-1/2} (N M K)^{1/2}.$$

PROOF. This is Lemma 2.4 of the author [18]. □

**Lemma 2.8.** Suppose  $f(x)$  is real-valued such that  $|f'(x)| \gg \Delta > 0$  in  $[a, b]$ , then we have

$$\int_a^b e(f(x)) dx \ll \frac{1}{\Delta}.$$

PROOF. See, for example, Ivić [5]. □

**Lemma 2.9.** We have the estimates

$$\sum_{n \leq x} d_2(n) \ll x \log x, \quad \sum_{n \leq x} d_3(n) \ll x \log^2 x.$$

PROOF. See, for example, Ivić [5]. □

**Lemma 2.10.** Suppose  $T \geq 3$  is a large parameter. Then we have the estimate

$$\sum_{\substack{n, m \leq T \\ n \neq m}} \frac{d_2(n) d_2(m)}{m^{3/4} n^{3/4} |n^{1/2} - m^{1/2}|} \ll \log^4 T.$$

PROOF. See, for example, Ivić and Zhai [7]. □

**Lemma 2.11.** If  $\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{m} - \sqrt{k} \neq 0$ , then we have

$$|\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{m} - \sqrt{k}| \gg \frac{1}{\sqrt{nmk}}.$$

PROOF. This is Lemma 2.5 of the author [18]. □

### 3. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Let  $T \geq 10$  be a large parameter. We only need to estimate the integral

$$P(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_3(x) \Delta_2^2(x) dx.$$

Suppose  $T^\varepsilon \ll y \ll T^{1/3}$  is a parameter to be determined later. Write

$$P(T) = P_1(T) + P_2(T) \tag{3.1}$$

where

$$P_1(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_2^2(x) dx,$$

and

$$P_2(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{32}(x; y) \Delta_2^2(x) dx.$$

By Lemma 2.3 and (1.3) with  $A_0 = 4$  we get

$$P_2(T) \ll T^{11/6+\varepsilon} y^{-1/6}. \tag{3.2}$$

It suffices for us to bound  $P_1(T)$ . Suppose  $T^\varepsilon \ll Y \ll T^{1/3}$  is a parameter to be determined later. Write

$$P_1(T) = P_{11}(T) + 2P_{12}(T) + P_{13}(T), \tag{3.3}$$

where

$$P_{11}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_{21}^2(x; Y) dx,$$

$$P_{12}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_{21}(x; Y) \Delta_{22}(x; Y) dx,$$

$$P_{13}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_{22}^2(x; Y) dx.$$

From Lemma 2.2, (2.4) of Lemma 2.4, (2.7) of Lemma 2.5, and using Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P_{12}(T) &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}^4(x; y) dx \right)^{1/4} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{21}^4(x; Y) dx \right)^{1/4} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{22}^2(x; Y) dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\ll T^{11/6+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/4}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$



By Lemma 2.2, (2.8) of Lemma 2.5 and Hölder's inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} P_{13}(T) &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}^4(x; y) dx \right)^{1/4} \left( \int_T^{2T} 1 dt \right)^{1/4} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{22}^4(x; Y) dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\ll T^{11/6+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/6}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

We now bound  $P_{11}(T)$ . By the elementary formula

$$\cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_2 \cos \alpha_3 = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{(j_1, j_2) \in \{0, 1\}^2} \cos [\alpha_1 + (-1)^{j_1} \alpha_2 + (-1)^{j_2} \alpha_3]$$

we can write

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta_{31}(x; y)(\Delta_{21}(x; Y))^2 \\ &= \frac{x^{5/6}}{2\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{(j_1, j_2) \in \{0, 1\}^2} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\quad \times \cos \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} + (-1)^{j_1} 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-1)^{j_2} 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} - \frac{\pi}{4}((-1)^{j_1} + (-1)^{j_2}) \right] \\ &= S_1(x) + S_2(x) - S_3(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{2\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\quad \times \sin \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} + 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} \right], \\ S_2(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{2\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\quad \times \sin \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} - 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} \right], \\ S_3(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\quad \times \cos \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$f_1(x) = 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} + 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2}.$$

Then for any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$ , we have

$$f_1'(x) \gg \frac{m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2}}{T^{1/2}}.$$

By Lemma 2.8, Lemma 2.9 and the inequality  $a^2 + b^2 \geq 2ab$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} S_1(x) dx &\ll T^{4/3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{2/3}m_1^{3/4}m_2^{3/4}(m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2})} \\ &\ll T^{4/3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{2/3}m_1m_2} \\ &\ll T^{4/3}y^{1/3} \log^6 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

Let

$$f_2(x) = 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} - 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2}.$$

Then

$$f_2'(x) = 2\pi \left( \frac{n^{1/3}}{x^{2/3}} - \frac{m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}} \right).$$

Since  $y \ll T^{1/3}$ , it is easy to see that for any  $n \leq y$ ,  $m_1 \leq Y$ ,  $m_2 \leq Y$ , and  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  we have

$$|f_2'(x)| \gg \frac{m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}}.$$

So similar to  $S_1(x)$ , by Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} S_2(x) dx &\ll T^{4/3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{2/3}m_1^{3/4}m_2^{3/4}(m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2})} \\ &\ll T^{4/3}y^{1/3} \log^6 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Now we consider the contribution of  $S_3(x)$ . We write

$$S_3(x) = S_{31}(x) + S_{32}(x) + S_{33}(x), \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{31}(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2^2(m)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m^{\frac{3}{2}}} \cos \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} \right], \\
 S_{32}(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{\substack{m_1 \leq Y, m_2 \leq Y \\ m_1 < m_2}} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\
 &\quad \times \cos \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} \right], \\
 S_{33}(x) &:= \frac{x^{5/6}}{\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{\substack{m_1 \leq Y, m_2 \leq Y \\ m_1 > m_2}} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\
 &\quad \times \cos \left[ 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, by Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 we have

$$\int_T^{2T} S_{31}(x) dx \ll T^{3/2} \log^3 T. \quad (3.9)$$

Let

$$f_3(x) = 6\pi(nx)^{1/3} - 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} + 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2}.$$

Then

$$f'_3(x) = 2\pi \left( \frac{n^{1/3}}{x^{2/3}} - \frac{m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}} \right).$$

If  $m_1 < m_2$ , it is easy to see that for any  $T \leq x \leq 2T$  we have

$$|f'_3(x)| \gg \frac{|m_2^{1/2} - m_1^{1/2}|}{T^{1/2}}.$$

So by Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.10 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_T^{2T} S_{32}(x) dx &\ll T^{4/3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}} |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}|} \\
 &\ll T^{4/3} y^{1/3} \log^6 T. \quad (3.10)
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we consider the contribution of  $S_{33}(x)$ . By a splitting argument,  $S_{33}(x)$  can be written as a sum of  $O(\log^3 T)$  terms of the form

$$J(x; N, M_1, M_2) := \frac{x^{5/6}}{\sqrt{3}\pi^3} \sum_{n \sim N} \sum_{\substack{m_1 \sim M_1, m_2 \sim M_2 \\ m_1 > m_2}} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \cos f_3(x).$$

We write further that

$$J(x; N, M_1, M_2) = J_1(x; N, M_1, M_2) + J_2(x; N, M_1, M_2) + J_3(x; N, M_1, M_2),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} SC(J_1) : n \sim N, \quad m_1 \sim M_1, \quad m_2 \sim M_2, \\ m_1 > m_2, \quad n^{1/3} > 10T^{1/6}(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}), \\ SC(J_2) : n \sim N, \quad m_1 \sim M_1, \quad m_2 \sim M_2, \\ m_1 > m_2, \quad n^{1/3} < \frac{1}{10}T^{1/6}(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}), \\ SC(J_3) : n \sim N, \quad m_1 \sim M_1, \quad m_2 \sim M_2, \\ m_1 > m_2, \quad n^{1/3} \asymp T^{1/6}(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

For  $J_1$ , we have  $|f_3(x)| \gg n^{1/3}T^{-2/3}$ . So by Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} J_1(x; N, M_1, M_2) dx &\ll T^{3/2} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{nm_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\ll T^{3/2}Y^{1/2} \log^6 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

For  $J_2$ , we have  $|f_3(x)| \gg |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}|/T^{1/2}$ . By Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.10 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} J_2(x; N, M_1, M_2) dx &\ll T^{4/3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1 \leq Y} \sum_{m_2 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}|m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}|} \\ &\ll T^{4/3}y^{1/3} \log^6 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

Now we consider the contribution of  $J_3(x; N, M_1, M_2)$ . We only need to bound the integral  $\int_T^{2T} x^{5/6} \cos f_3(x) dx$ . Suppose  $\eta > 0$  is a small parameter to be determined later. Let

$$I_1 = \{T \leq x \leq 2T : |f_3(x)| > \eta\}, \quad I_2 = \{T \leq x \leq 2T : |f_3(x)| \leq \eta\}.$$

Without loss of generality, we suppose that both  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are not empty.

Suppose  $x \in I_2$ . Then we have  $|n^{1/3} - x^{1/6}(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2})| \leq \eta(2T)^{2/3}$ , which implies that

$$x^{1/6} = \frac{n^{1/3}}{m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}} + O\left(\frac{\eta T^{2/3}}{m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}}\right).$$

Obviously  $I_2$  is a closed interval. Let  $I_2 = [x_1, x_2]$ . By the Lagrange theorem, we get

$$x_2 - x_1 \ll \frac{\eta T^{3/2}}{(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2})},$$

which implies that

$$\int_{I_2} x^{5/6} \cos f_3(x) dx \ll T^{5/6}(x_2 - x_1) \ll \frac{\eta T^{14/6}}{m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}}.$$

By Lemma 2.8 we have

$$\int_{I_1} x^{5/6} \cos f_3(x) dx \ll \frac{T^{5/6}}{\eta}.$$

So we get by choosing  $\eta = |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}|^{1/2}/T^{3/4}$  that

$$\int_T^{2T} x^{5/6} \cos f_3(x) dx \ll \frac{T^{19/12}}{(m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2})^{1/2}}.$$

Since  $n^{1/3} \asymp T^{1/6}|m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}|$ , the above bound becomes

$$\int_T^{2T} x^{5/6} \cos f_3(x) dx \ll \frac{T^{5/3}}{n^{1/6}}, \quad (3.13)$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} J_3(x; N, M_1, M_2) dx &\ll T^{5/3} \sum_{n \sim N} \sum_{\substack{m_1 \sim M_1, m_2 \sim M_2 \\ |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}| \asymp \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}}}} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)}{n^{\frac{5}{6}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\ll \frac{T^{5/3}}{N^{5/6}M_1^{3/2}} \sum_{n \sim N} d_3(n) \sum_{\substack{m_1 \sim M_1, m_2 \sim M_2 \\ |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}| \asymp \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}}}} d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2). \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

It suffices for us to bound

$$U = \sum_{n \sim N} d_3(n) \sum_{\substack{m_1 \sim M_1, m_2 \sim M_2 \\ |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}| \asymp \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}}}} d_2(m_1) d_2(m_2).$$

It is easy to see that if  $|m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}| \asymp \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}}$ , then for fixed  $m_1$ , the number of  $m_2$ 's is  $\ll 1 + \frac{n^{1/3} m_1^{1/2}}{T^{1/6}}$ . By the symmetry of  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , Cauchy's inequality and Lemma 2.9 we have

$$\begin{aligned} U &\ll \sum_{n \sim N} d_3(n) \sum_{m_1 \sim M_1} d_2^2(m_1) \sum_{\substack{m_2 \sim M_2 \\ |m_1^{1/2} - m_2^{1/2}| \asymp \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}}}} 1 \\ &\ll \sum_{n \sim N} d_3(n) \sum_{m_1 \sim M_1} d_2^2(m_1) \left( 1 + \frac{n^{1/3} m_1^{1/2}}{T^{1/6}} \right) \\ &\ll N M_1 \log^5 T + \frac{N^{4/3}}{T^{1/6}} M_1^{3/2} \log^5 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

Inserting (3.15) into (3.14) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{2T} J_3(x; N, M_1, M_2) dx &\ll \frac{T^{5/3}}{N^{5/6} M_1^{3/2}} \left( N M_1 \log^5 T + \frac{N^{4/3}}{T^{1/6}} M_1^{3/2} \log^5 T \right) \\ &\ll T^{5/3} y^{1/6} \log^5 T + T^{3/2} y^{1/2} \log^5 T. \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

From (3.11), (3.12) and (3.16) we have

$$\int_T^{2T} S_{33}(x) dx \ll K(T, y, Y),$$

which combining with (3.8)-(3.10) gives

$$\int_T^{2T} S_3(x) dx \ll K(T, y, Y), \tag{3.17}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K(T, y, Y) &:= T^{5/3} y^{1/6} \log^9 T + T^{3/2} y^{1/2} \log^9 T \\ &\quad + T^{4/3} y^{1/3} \log^6 T + T^{3/2} Y^{1/2} \log^4 T. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.6), (3.7) and (3.17) we obtain

$$P_{11}(T) \ll K(T, y, Y). \quad (3.18)$$

From (3.1), (3.2) and (3.18) we get by choosing  $y = Y = T^{1/3}$  that

$$P(T) \ll K(T, y, Y) + T^{11/6+\varepsilon}Y^{-1/6} + T^{11/6+\varepsilon}y^{-1/6} \ll T^{16/9+\varepsilon}, \quad (3.19)$$

which combining with a splitting argument proves Theorem 1.1.

#### 4. Proof of Theorem 1.2

We shall estimate the integral

$$Q(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_3(x) \Delta_2^3(x) dx.$$

Suppose  $T^\varepsilon \ll y \ll T^{1/3}$  is a parameter to be determined later. Write

$$Q(T) = Q_1(T) + Q_2(T), \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$Q_1(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_2^3(x) dx, \quad Q_2(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{32}(x; y) \Delta_2^3(x) dx.$$

By Lemma 2.3 and (1.3) with  $A_0 = 6$  we have

$$Q_2(T) \ll T^{25/12+\varepsilon}y^{-1/6}. \quad (4.2)$$

It suffices for us to bound  $Q_1(T)$ . Suppose  $T^\varepsilon \ll Y \ll T^{1/3}$  is a parameter to be determined later. We write

$$Q_1(T) = Q_{11}(T) + 3Q_{12}(T) + 3Q_{13}(T) + Q_{14}(T), \quad (4.3)$$

where

$$Q_{11}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) (\Delta_{21}(x; Y))^3 dx,$$

$$Q_{12}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_{21}^2(x; Y) \Delta_{22}(x; Y) dx,$$

$$Q_{13}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) \Delta_{21}(x; Y) (\Delta_{22}(x; Y))^2 dx,$$

$$Q_{14}(T) := \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}(x; y) (\Delta_{22}(x; Y))^3 dx.$$

By Lemma 2.2, (2.5) of Lemma 2.4, (2.7) of Lemma 2.5 and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{12}(T) &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}^4(x; y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{21}^8(x; Y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{22}^2(x; Y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\ll T^{25/12+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/4}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

By Lemma 2.2, (2.4) of Lemma 2.4, (2.8) of Lemma 2.5, as well as Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{13}(T) &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}^4(x; y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{21}^4(x; Y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{22}^4(x; Y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\ll T^{25/12+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/6}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

By Lemma 2.2, (2.8) of Lemma 2.5 and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{14}(T) &\ll \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{31}^4(x; y) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \int_T^{2T} \Delta_{22}^4(x; Y) dx \right)^{\frac{3}{4}} \\ &\ll T^{25/12+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/4}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

It suffices to bound  $Q_1(T)$ . By the elementary formula

$$\prod_{l=1}^4 \cos \alpha_l = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{(j_1, j_2, j_3) \in \{0,1\}^3} \cos [(-1)^{j_1} \alpha_1 + (-1)^{j_2} \alpha_2 + (-1)^{j_3} \alpha_3 + \alpha_4],$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta_{31}(x; y)(\Delta_{21}(x; Y))^3 \\ &= \frac{x^{13}}{2\sqrt{6}\pi^4} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)d_2(m_3)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \cos(6\pi(xn)^{1/3}) \\ &\quad \times \cos \left[ 4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right] \cos \left[ 4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right] \cos \left[ 4\pi(xm_3)^{1/2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right] \\ &= \frac{x^{13/12}}{16\sqrt{6}\pi^4} \sum_{(j_1, j_2, j_3) \in \{0,1\}^3} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)d_2(m_3)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\quad \times \cos f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}), \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$



where  $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, m_3)$ ,  $\mathbf{j} = (j_1, j_2, j_3)$ , and

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) &= 6\pi(xn)^{1/3} + (-1)^{j_1}4\pi(xm_1)^{1/2} \\
 &\quad + (-1)^{j_2}4\pi(xm_2)^{1/2} + (-1)^{j_3}4\pi(xm_3)^{1/2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\pi}{4}((-1)^{j_1+1} + (-1)^{j_2+1} + (-1)^{j_3+1}). \tag{4.8}
 \end{aligned}$$

For each  $\mathbf{j}$ , we shall estimate the integral

$$H(T; \mathbf{j}) := \int_T^{2T} x^{13/12} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{\mathbf{m}} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)d_2(m_3)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \cos f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) dx.$$

Since  $y \ll T^{1/3}$ , it is easy to see that if  $\mathbf{j} = (0, 0, 0)$  or  $\mathbf{j} = (1, 1, 1)$ , we have

$$|f'(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j})| \gg m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2} + m_3^{1/2}.$$

By Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.6 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(T; \mathbf{j}) &\ll T^{19/12} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)d_2(m_3)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}m_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}(m_1^{1/2} + m_2^{1/2} + m_3^{1/2})} \\
 &\ll T^{19/12}y^{1/3}Y^{1/4} \log^6 T. \tag{4.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we suppose  $\mathbf{j} \neq (0, 0, 0)$  and  $\mathbf{j} \neq (1, 1, 1)$ . Let

$$\alpha = (-1)^{j_1}(m_1)^{1/2} + (-1)^{j_2}(m_2)^{1/2} + (-1)^{j_3}(m_3)^{1/2}.$$

Then  $f'(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) = 2\pi(n^{1/3}/x^{2/3} + \alpha/x^{1/2})$ .

If  $n^{1/3} \geq 10T^{1/6}|\alpha|$ , then by Lemma 2.8 we have

$$\int_T^{2T} x^{13/12} \cos f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) dx \ll T^{7/4}n^{-1/3},$$

whose contribution to  $H(T; \mathbf{j})$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\ll T^{7/4} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n)d_2(m_1)d_2(m_2)d_2(m_3)}{nm_1^{\frac{3}{4}}m_2^{\frac{3}{4}}m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\
 &\ll T^{7/4}Y^{3/4} \log^6 T. \tag{4.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $n^{1/3} \leq \frac{1}{10}T^{1/6}|\alpha|$ , then by Lemma 2.8 again we have

$$\int_T^{2T} x^{13/12} \cos f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) dx \ll T^{19/12}/|\alpha|.$$

whose contribution to  $H(T; \mathbf{j})$  is (via Lemma 2.6)

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll T^{19/12} \sum_{n \leq y} \sum_{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y} \frac{d_3(n) d_2(m_1) d_2(m_2) d_2(m_3)}{n^{2/3} m_1^{\frac{3}{4}} m_2^{\frac{3}{4}} m_3^{\frac{3}{4}} |\alpha|} \\ &\ll T^{19/12+\varepsilon} y^{1/3} Y^{4/4}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

Now suppose  $n^{1/3} \asymp T^{1/6}|\alpha|$ , then similarly to (3.13) we have the estimate

$$\int_T^{2T} x^{13/12} \cos f(x; n, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{j}) dx \ll \frac{T^{23/12}}{|\alpha|^{1/6}},$$

whose contribution of  $H(T; \mathbf{j})$  is

$$\ll T^{23/12} \sum_{n \leq y} \frac{d_3(n)}{n^{5/6}} G(T, n), \quad (4.12)$$

where

$$G(T, n) := \sum_{\substack{m_1, m_2, m_3 \leq Y \\ |\alpha| \leq n^{1/3} T^{-1/6}}} \frac{d_2(m_1) d_2(m_2) d_2(m_3)}{m_1^{\frac{3}{4}} m_2^{\frac{3}{4}} m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}}.$$

By a splitting argument and Lemma 2.7 we get (suppose  $M_1 \ll M_2 \ll M_3 \ll Y$ )

$$\begin{aligned} G(T, n) &\ll \log^3 Y \sum_{\substack{m_1 \sim M_1, m_2 \sim M_2, m_3 \sim M_3 \\ |\alpha| \leq n^{1/3} T^{-1/6}}} \frac{d_2(m_1) d_2(m_2) d_2(m_3)}{m_1^{\frac{3}{4}} m_2^{\frac{3}{4}} m_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\ll \frac{Y^\varepsilon}{M_1^{\frac{3}{4}} M_2^{\frac{3}{4}} M_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \times \left( \frac{n^{1/3}}{T^{1/6}} M_1 M_2 M_3^{1/2} + M_1^{1/2} M_2^{1/2} \right) \\ &\ll \frac{n^{1/3} Y^{1/4+\varepsilon}}{T^{1/6}} + \frac{Y^\varepsilon}{M_1^{\frac{1}{4}} M_2^{\frac{1}{4}} M_3^{\frac{3}{4}}} \\ &\ll \frac{n^{1/3} Y^{1/4+\varepsilon}}{T^{1/6}} + \frac{Y^\varepsilon}{(M_1 M_2 M_3)^{5/12}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.11 we have  $|\alpha| \gg 1/\sqrt{M_1 M_2 M_3}$ , which combining with  $|\alpha| \leq n^{1/3} T^{-1/6}$  implies that

$$\frac{1}{(M_1 M_2 M_3)^{5/12}} \ll \frac{n^{5/18}}{T^{5/36}}.$$

So we get

$$G(T, n) \ll \frac{n^{1/3} Y^{1/4+\varepsilon}}{T^{1/6}} + \frac{n^{5/18} Y^\varepsilon}{T^{5/36}}.$$

Inserting the above bound into (4.12) we get via Lemma 2.9 that the contribution of the case  $n^{1/3} \asymp T^{1/6} |\alpha|$  is

$$\ll T^{7/4+\varepsilon} y^{1/2} Y^{1/4} + T^{16/9+\varepsilon} y^{4/9}. \quad (4.13)$$

From (4.10), (4.11) and (4.13) we see that if  $\mathbf{j} \neq (0, 0, 0)$  and  $\mathbf{j} \neq (1, 1, 1)$ , then we have

$$H(T; \mathbf{j}) \ll L(T, y, Y) T^\varepsilon \quad (4.14)$$

by noting that  $T^{19/12} y^{1/3} T^{1/4} \ll T^{7/4} y^{1/2} Y^{1/4}$ , where

$$L(T, y, Y) := T^{7/4} y^{1/2} Y^{1/4} + T^{16/9} y^{4/9} + T^{7/4} Y^{3/4}.$$

From (4.7), (4.9) and (4.14) we get

$$Q_{11}(T) \ll L(T, y, Y) T^\varepsilon,$$

which combining with (4.4)–(4.6) gives

$$Q_1(T) \ll L(T, y, Y) T^\varepsilon + T^{25/12+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/6}. \quad (4.15)$$

From (4.1), (4.2) and (4.15) we get by choosing  $y = Y = T^{1/3}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(T) &\ll L(T, y, Y) T^\varepsilon + T^{25/12+\varepsilon} Y^{-1/6} + T^{25/12+\varepsilon} y^{-1/6} \\ &\ll T^{73/36+\varepsilon}, \end{aligned}$$

which combining with a splitting argument proves Theorem 1.2.

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