

# A logarithmic inequality involving prime numbers

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**Abstract:** Assume that  $N$  is a sufficiently large positive number. In this paper we show that for a small constant  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the logarithmic inequality

$$|p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N| < \varepsilon$$

has a solution in prime numbers  $p_1, p_2, p_3$ .

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## 1 Introduction and statements of the result

One of the most remarkable diophantine inequality with prime numbers is the ternary Piatetski-Shapiro inequality. The first solution is due to Tolev [13]. In 1992 he considered the the diophantine inequality

$$|p_1^c + p_2^c + p_3^c - N| < \varepsilon, \quad (1)$$

where  $N$  is a sufficiently large positive number,  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  are prime numbers,  $c > 1$  is not an integer and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a small constant. Overcoming all difficulties Tolev [13] showed that (1) has a solution for

$$1 < c < \frac{15}{14}.$$

Afterwards the result of Tolev was improved by Cai [3] to

$$1 < c < \frac{13}{12},$$

by Cai [4] and Kumchev and Nedeva [9] to

$$1 < c < \frac{12}{11},$$

by Cao and Zhai [6] to

$$1 < c < \frac{237}{214},$$

by Kumchev [10] to

$$1 < c < \frac{61}{55},$$

by Baker and Weingartner [2] to

$$1 < c < \frac{10}{9},$$

by Cai [5] to

$$1 < c < \frac{43}{36},$$

by Baker [1] to

$$1 < c < \frac{6}{5}$$

and this is the best result up to now.

Inspired by these profound investigations in this paper we introduce new diophantine inequality with prime numbers.

Consider the logarithmic inequality

$$|p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N| < \varepsilon, \quad (2)$$

where  $N$  is a sufficiently large positive number and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a small constant. Having the methods of the aforementioned number theorists we expect that (2) can be solved in primes  $p_1, p_2, p_3$ . Thus we make the first step and prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $N$  is a sufficiently large positive number. Let  $X$  is a solution of the equality*

$$N = 2X \log(2X/3).$$

*Then the logarithmic inequality*

$$|p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N| < X^{-\frac{1}{25}} \log^8 X$$

*is solvable in prime numbers  $p_1, p_2, p_3$ .*

As usual the corresponding binary problem is out of reach of the current state of the mathematics. In other words we have the following challenge.

**Conjecture 1.** *Let  $N$  is a sufficiently large positive number and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a small constant. Then the logarithmic inequality*

$$|p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 - N| < \varepsilon$$

*is solvable in prime numbers  $p_1, p_2$ .*

We believe that the future development of analytic number theory will lead to the solution of this binary logarithmic conjecture.

## 2 Notations

For positive  $A$  and  $B$  we write  $A \asymp B$  instead of  $A \ll B \ll A$ . As usual  $\mu(n)$  is Möbius' function,  $\tau(n)$  denotes the number of positive divisors of  $n$  and  $\Lambda(n)$  is von Mangoldt's function. Moreover  $e(y) = e^{2\pi iy}$ . We denote by  $[y]$  the integer part of  $y$ . The letter  $p$  with or without subscript will always denote prime number. Let  $N$  be an sufficiently large positive number. Let  $X$  is a solution of the equality

$$N = 2X \log(2X/3).$$

Denote

$$\varepsilon = X^{-\frac{1}{25}} \log^8 X; \tag{3}$$

$$\tau = X^{-\frac{23}{25}}; \tag{4}$$

$$K = X^{\frac{1}{25}} \log^{-6} X; \tag{5}$$

$$S(\alpha) = \sum_{X/2 < p \leq X} e(\alpha p \log p) \log p; \tag{6}$$

$$I(\alpha) = \int_{X/2}^X e(\alpha y \log y) dy. \tag{7}$$

## 3 Lemmas

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . There exists a function  $\psi(y)$  which is  $k$  times continuously differentiable and such that*

$$\psi(y) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad |y| \leq 3\varepsilon/4;$$

$$0 \leq \psi(y) < 1 \quad \text{for} \quad 3\varepsilon/4 < |y| < \varepsilon;$$

$$\psi(y) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad |y| \geq \varepsilon.$$

and its Fourier transform

$$\Psi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(y)e(-xy)dy$$

satisfies the inequality

$$|\Psi(x)| \leq \min \left( \frac{7\varepsilon}{4}, \frac{1}{\pi|x|}, \frac{1}{\pi|x|} \left( \frac{k}{2\pi|x|\varepsilon/8} \right)^k \right).$$

*Proof.* See ([11]).

□

**Lemma 2.** Let  $|f^{(m)}(u)| \asymp YX^{1-m}$  for  $1 < X < u \leq 2X$  and  $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Then

$$\left| \sum_{X < n \leq 2X} e(f(n)) \right| \ll Y^\varkappa X^\lambda + Y^{-1},$$

where  $(\varkappa, \lambda)$  is any exponent pair.

*Proof.* See ([7], Ch. 3). □

**Lemma 3.** For any complex numbers  $a(n)$  we have

$$\left| \sum_{a < n \leq b} a(n) \right|^2 \leq \left(1 + \frac{b-a}{Q}\right) \sum_{|q| \leq Q} \left(1 - \frac{|q|}{Q}\right) \sum_{a < n, n+q \leq b} a(n+q) \overline{a(n)},$$

where  $Q$  is any positive integer.

*Proof.* See ([8], Lemma 8.17). □

**Lemma 4.** Assume that  $F(x), G(x)$  are real functions defined in  $[a, b]$ ,  $|G(x)| \leq H$  for  $a \leq x \leq b$  and  $G(x)/F'(x)$  is a monotonous function. Set

$$I = \int_a^b G(x) e(F(x)) dx.$$

If  $F'(x) \geq h > 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$  or if  $F'(x) \leq -h < 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$  then

$$|I| \ll H/h.$$

If  $F''(x) \geq h > 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$  or if  $F''(x) \leq -h < 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$  then

$$|I| \ll H/\sqrt{h}.$$

*Proof.* See ([12], p. 71). □

**Lemma 5.** We have

- (i)  $\sum_{n \leq X} \tau^2(n) \ll X \log^3 X,$
- (ii)  $\sum_{n \leq X} \Lambda^2(n) \ll X \log X.$

**Lemma 6.** If  $|\alpha| \leq \tau$  then

$$S(\alpha) = I(\alpha) + \mathcal{O}\left(X e^{-(\log X)^{1/5}}\right).$$

*Proof.* This lemma is very similar to result of Tolev [13]. Inspecting the arguments presented in ([13], Lemma 14), (with  $T = X^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ) the reader will easily see that the proof of Lemma 6 can be obtained by the same manner. □

**Lemma 7.** *We have*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I^3(\alpha)e(-N\alpha)\Psi(\alpha) d\alpha \gg \varepsilon \frac{X^2}{\log X}.$$

*Proof.* Denoting the above integral with  $\Theta$ , using (7), the definition of  $\psi(y)$  and the inverse Fourier transformation formula we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta &= \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e((y_1 \log y_1 + y_2 \log y_2 + y_3 \log y_3 - N)\alpha)\Psi(\alpha) d\alpha dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 \\ &= \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \psi(y_1 \log y_1 + y_2 \log y_2 + y_3 \log y_3 - N) dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 \\ &\geq \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \int_{X/2}^X \mathbb{1}_{|y_1 \log y_1 + y_2 \log y_2 + y_3 \log y_3 - N| < 3\varepsilon/4} dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 \geq \int_{\lambda X}^{\mu X} \int_{\lambda X}^{\mu X} \left( \int_{\Delta} dy_3 \right) dy_1 dy_2, \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are real numbers such that

$$\frac{1}{2} < \frac{2}{3} < \lambda < \mu < \frac{5}{7} < 1$$

and

$$\Delta = [X/2, X] \cap [y'_3, y''_3] = [y'_3, y''_3],$$

where the interval  $[y'_3, y''_3]$  is a solution of the inequality

$$N - 3\varepsilon/4 - y_1 \log y_1 - y_2 \log y_2 < y_3 \log y_3 < N + 3\varepsilon/4 - y_1 \log y_1 - y_2 \log y_2.$$

Let  $y$  be an implicit function of  $t$  defined by

$$y \log y = t, \tag{9}$$

where

$$t \asymp X \log X \tag{10}$$

and therefore

$$y \asymp X. \tag{11}$$

The first derivative of  $y$  is

$$y' = \frac{1}{1 + \log y}. \tag{12}$$

By (11) and (12) we conclude

$$y' \asymp \frac{1}{\log X}. \tag{13}$$

Thus by the mean-value theorem we get

$$\Theta \gg \varepsilon \int_{\lambda X}^{\mu X} \int_{\lambda X}^{\mu X} y'(\xi_{y_1, y_2}) dy_1 dy_2, \tag{14}$$

where

$$\xi_{y_1, y_2} \asymp X \log X.$$

From (13) and (14) it follows that

$$\Theta \gg \varepsilon \frac{X^2}{\log X}.$$

The lemma is proved. □

**Lemma 8.** *We have*

- (i)  $\int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X \log^2 X,$
- (ii)  $\int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |I(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X,$
- (iii)  $\int_n^{n+1} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X \log^2 X.$

*Proof.* We only prove (i). The cases (ii) and (iii) are analogous.

Having in mind (6) we write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha &= \sum_{X/2 < p_1, p_2 \leq X} \log p_1 \log p_2 \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} e((p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2)\alpha) d\alpha \\ &\ll \sum_{X/2 < p_1, p_2 \leq X} \log p_1 \log p_2 \min\left(\tau, \frac{1}{|p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2|}\right) \\ &\ll \tau \sum_{\substack{X/2 < p_1, p_2 \leq X \\ |p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2| \leq 1/\tau}} \log p_1 \log p_2 \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{X/2 < p_1, p_2 \leq X \\ |p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2| > 1/\tau}} \frac{\log p_1 \log p_2}{|p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2|} \\ &\ll U\tau \log^2 X + V \log^2 X, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1, n_2 \leq X \\ |n_1 \log n_1 - n_2 \log n_2| \leq 1/\tau}} 1, \\ V &= \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1, n_2 \leq X \\ |n_1 \log n_1 - n_2 \log n_2| > 1/\tau}} \frac{1}{|n_1 \log n_1 - n_2 \log n_2|}. \end{aligned}$$

On the one hand by the mean-value theorem we get

$$U \ll \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1 \leq X \\ n_1 \log n_1 - 1/\tau \leq n_2 \log n_2 \leq n_1 \log n_1 + 1/\tau}} \sum_{X/2 < n_2 \leq X} 1 \ll \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} y'(\xi),$$

where  $y$  is implicit function defined by the equation (9) and  $\xi$  satisfies (10). Bearing in mind (12), (13) and the last inequality we find

$$U \ll \frac{1}{\tau} \cdot \frac{X}{\log X}. \tag{16}$$

On the other hand

$$V \leq \sum_l V_l, \tag{17}$$

where

$$V_l = \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1, n_2 \leq X \\ |n_1 \log n_1 - n_2 \log n_2| \leq 2l}} \frac{1}{|n_1 \log n_1 - n_2 \log n_2|}$$

and  $l$  takes the values  $2^k/\tau$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , with  $l \leq X \log X$ .

Using (9) – (13) and the mean-value theorem we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} V_l &\ll \frac{1}{l} \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1 \leq X \\ n_1 \log n_1 + l < n_2 \log n_2 \leq n_1 \log n_1 + 2l}} \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_2 \leq X \\ X/2 < n_2 \leq X}} 1 \\ &+ \frac{1}{l} \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_1 \leq X \\ n_1 \log n_1 - 2l < n_2 \log n_2 \leq n_1 \log n_1 - l}} \sum_{\substack{X/2 < n_2 \leq X \\ X/2 < n_2 \leq X}} 1 \\ &\ll \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} y'(\xi) \\ &\ll \frac{X}{\log X}. \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

The proof follows from (15) – (18). □

**Lemma 9.** Assume that  $\tau \leq |\alpha| \leq K$ . Then

$$|S(\alpha)| \ll X^{24/25} \log^3 X. \tag{19}$$

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\tau \leq \alpha \leq K$ .

From (6) we have

$$S(\alpha) = \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} \Lambda(n)e(\alpha n \log n) + \mathcal{O}(X^{1/2}). \tag{20}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} \Lambda(n)e(\alpha n \log n) \\ &= \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} \Lambda(n)e\left(\alpha n \left(\log(n+1) + \mathcal{O}(1/n)\right)\right) \\ &= e(\mathcal{O}(|\alpha|)) \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} \Lambda(n)e(\alpha n \log(n+1)) \\ &\ll |S_1(\alpha)|, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

where

$$S_1(\alpha) = \sum_{X/2 < n \leq X} \Lambda(n) e(\alpha n \log(n+1)). \tag{22}$$

We denote

$$f(d, l) = \alpha dl \log(dl + 1). \tag{23}$$

Using (22), (23) and Vaughan’s identity (see [14]) we get

$$S_1(\alpha) = U_1 - U_2 - U_3 - U_4, \tag{24}$$

where

$$U_1 = \sum_{d \leq X^{1/3}} \mu(d) \sum_{X/2d < l \leq X/d} (\log l) e(f(d, l)), \tag{25}$$

$$U_2 = \sum_{d \leq X^{1/3}} c(d) \sum_{X/2d < l \leq X/d} e(f(d, l)), \tag{26}$$

$$U_3 = \sum_{X^{1/3} < d \leq X^{2/3}} c(d) \sum_{X/2d < l \leq X/d} e(f(d, l)), \tag{27}$$

$$U_4 = \sum_{\substack{X/2 < dl \leq X \\ d > X^{1/3}, l > X^{1/3}}} a(d) \Lambda(l) e(f(d, l)), \tag{28}$$

and where

$$|c(d)| \leq \log d, \quad |a(d)| \leq \tau(d). \tag{29}$$

**Estimation of  $U_1$  and  $U_2$**

Consider first  $U_2$  defined by (26). Bearing in mind (23) we find

$$\frac{\partial^n f(d, l)}{\partial l^n} = (-1)^n \left[ \frac{\alpha d^n (n-2)!}{(dl+1)^{n-1}} + \frac{\alpha d^n (n-1)!}{(dl+1)^n} \right], \quad \text{for } n \geq 2. \tag{30}$$

By (30) and the restriction and the restriction

$$X/2 < dl \leq X \tag{31}$$

we deduce

$$\left| \frac{\partial^n f(d, l)}{\partial l^n} \right| \asymp \alpha d (Xd^{-1})^{1-n}, \quad \text{for } n \geq 2. \tag{32}$$

From (32) and Lemma 2 with  $(\varkappa, \lambda) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{X/2d < l \leq X/d} e(f(d, l)) &\ll (\alpha d)^{1/2} (Xd^{-1})^{1/2} + (\alpha d)^{-1} \\ &= \alpha^{1/2} X^{1/2} + \alpha^{-1} d^{-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

Now (4), (5), (26), (29) and (33) give us

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 &\ll (\alpha^{1/2} X^{5/6} + \alpha^{-1/2}) \log^2 X \\ &\ll (K^{1/2} X^{5/6} + \tau^{-1/2}) \log^2 X \\ &\ll X^{23/25} \log^2 X. \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$



In order to estimate  $U_1$  defined by (25) we apply Abel's transformation. Then arguing as in the estimation of  $U_2$  we obtain

$$U_1 \ll X^{23/25} \log^2 X. \tag{35}$$

**Estimation of  $U_3$  and  $U_4$**

Consider first  $U_4$  defined by (28). We have

$$U_4 \ll |U_5| \log X, \tag{36}$$

where

$$U_5 = \sum_{D < d \leq 2D} a(d) \sum_{\substack{L < l \leq 2L \\ X/2 < dl \leq X}} \Lambda(l) e(f(d, l)) \tag{37}$$

and where

$$X^{1/3} \ll L \ll X^{1/2} \ll D \ll X^{2/3}, \quad DL \asymp X. \tag{38}$$

Using (29), (37), (38), Lemma 5 (i) and Cauchy's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |U_5|^2 &\ll \sum_{D < d \leq 2D} \tau^2(d) \sum_{D < d \leq 2D} \left| \sum_{L_1 < l \leq L_2} \Lambda(l) e(f(d, l)) \right|^2 \\ &\ll D(\log X)^3 \sum_{D < d \leq 2D} \left| \sum_{L_1 < l \leq L_2} \Lambda(l) e(f(d, l)) \right|^2, \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

where

$$L_1 = \max \left\{ L, \frac{X}{2d} \right\}, \quad L_2 = \min \left\{ 2L, \frac{X}{d} \right\}. \tag{40}$$

Now from (38) – (40) and Lemma 3 with  $Q \leq L$  and Lemma 5 (ii) we find

$$\begin{aligned} |U_5|^2 &\ll D(\log X)^3 \sum_{D < d \leq 2D} \frac{L}{Q} \sum_{|q| \leq Q} \left( 1 - \frac{|q|}{Q} \right) \\ &\quad \times \sum_{\substack{L_1 < l \leq L_2 \\ L_1 < l+q \leq L_2}} \Lambda(l+q) \Lambda(l) e(f(d, l+q) - f(d, l)) \\ &\ll \left( \frac{LD}{Q} \sum_{0 < |q| \leq Q} \sum_{\substack{L < l \leq 2L \\ L < l+q \leq 2L}} \Lambda(l+q) \Lambda(l) \left| \sum_{D_1 < d \leq D_2} e(g_{l,q}(d)) \right| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{(LD)^2}{Q} \log X \right) \log^3 X, \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where

$$D_1 = \max \left\{ D, \frac{X}{2l}, \frac{X}{2(l+q)} \right\}, \quad D_2 = \min \left\{ 2D, \frac{X}{l}, \frac{X}{l+q} \right\} \tag{42}$$

and

$$g(d) = g_{l,q}(d) = f(d, l+q) - f(d, l). \tag{43}$$

It is not hard to see that the sum over negative  $q$  in formula (41) is equal to the sum over positive  $q$ . Thus

$$|U_5|^2 \ll \left( \frac{LD}{Q} \sum_{1 \leq q \leq Q} \sum_{L < l \leq 2L-q} \Lambda(l+q)\Lambda(l) \left| \sum_{D_1 < d \leq D_2} e(g_{l,q}(d)) \right| + \frac{(LD)^2}{Q} \log X \right) \log^3 X. \quad (44)$$

Consider the function  $g(d)$ . Taking into account (23), (30) and (43) we get

$$g^{(n)}(d) = (-1)^n \left[ \frac{\alpha(l+q)^n (n-2)!}{(d(l+q)+1)^{n-1}} + \frac{\alpha l^n (n-1)!}{(dl+1)^n} \right], \quad \text{for } n \geq 2. \quad (45)$$

By (31) and (45) we conclude

$$|g^{(n)}(d)| \asymp \alpha L (XL^{-1})^{1-n}. \quad (46)$$

From (42), (46) and Lemma 2 with  $(\varkappa, \lambda) = (\frac{11}{82}, \frac{57}{82})$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{D_1 < d \leq D_2} e(g(d)) &\ll (\alpha L)^{11/82} (XL^{-1})^{57/82} + (\alpha L)^{-1} \\ &= \alpha^{11/82} L^{-46/82} X^{57/82} + \alpha^{-1} L^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Bearing in mind (44), (47), Lemma 5 (ii) and choosing  $Q = L$  we find

$$\begin{aligned} |U_5|^2 &\ll (\alpha^{11/82} D L L^{36/82} X^{57/82} + \alpha^{-1} D L + D^2 L) \log^4 X \\ &\ll (K^{11/82} L^{36/82} X^{139/82} + \tau^{-1} X + D^2 L) \log^4 X. \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

Now (4), (5), (38) and (48) give us

$$|U_5| \ll (K^{11/164} L^{36/164} X^{139/164} + \tau^{-1/2} X^{1/2} + XL^{-1/2}) \log^2 X \ll X^{24/25} \log^2 X. \quad (49)$$

From (36) and (49) it follows

$$U_4 \ll X^{24/25} \log^3 X. \quad (50)$$

Working as in the estimation of  $U_4$  we obtain

$$U_3 \ll X^{24/25} \log^3 X. \quad (51)$$

Summarizing (20), (21), (24), (34), (35), (50) and (51) we establish the estimation (19).

The lemma is proved. □

## 4 Proof of the Theorem

Consider the sum

$$\Gamma = \sum_{\substack{X/2 < p_1, p_2, p_3 \leq X \\ |p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N| < \varepsilon}} \log p_1 \log p_2 \log p_3.$$

The theorem will be proved if we show that  $\Gamma \rightarrow \infty$  as  $X \rightarrow \infty$ .

According to the definition of  $\psi(y)$  and the inverse Fourier transformation formula we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &\geq \Gamma_0 = \sum_{X/2 < p_1, p_2, p_3 \leq X} \psi(p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N) \log p_1 \log p_2 \log p_3 \\ &= \sum_{X/2 < p_1, p_2, p_3 \leq X} \log p_1 \log p_2 \log p_3 \\ &\times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e((p_1 \log p_1 + p_2 \log p_2 + p_3 \log p_3 - N)\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha. \end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

We decompose  $\Gamma_0$  in three parts

$$\Gamma_0 = \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2 + \Gamma_3. \tag{53}$$

where

$$\Gamma_1 = \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} S^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha, \tag{54}$$

$$\Gamma_2 = \int_{\tau \leq |\alpha| \leq K} S^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha, \tag{55}$$

$$\Gamma_3 = \int_{|\alpha| > K} S^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha. \tag{56}$$

**Estimation of  $\Gamma_1$**

Denote the integrals

$$\Theta_\tau = \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} I^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha \tag{57}$$

$$\Theta = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I^3(\alpha) e(-N\alpha) \Psi(\alpha) d\alpha. \tag{58}$$

For  $\Gamma_1$  denoted by (54) we have

$$\Gamma_1 = (\Gamma_1 - \Theta_\tau) + (\Theta_\tau - \Theta) + \Theta. \tag{59}$$

From (54), (57), Lemma 1, Lemma 6 and Lemma 8 (i), 8 (ii) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Gamma_1 - \Theta_\tau| &\ll \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |S^3(\alpha) - I^3(\alpha)| |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha \\
 &\ll \varepsilon \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |S(\alpha) - I(\alpha)| (|S(\alpha)|^2 + |I(\alpha)|^2) d\alpha \\
 &\ll \varepsilon X e^{-(\log X)^{1/5}} \left( \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha + \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |I(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \right) \\
 &\ll \varepsilon X^2 e^{-(\log X)^{1/6}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

Using (4), (7), (57), (58), Lemma 1 and Lemma 4 we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Theta_\tau - \Theta| &\ll \int_{\tau}^{\infty} |I(\alpha)|^3 |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha \ll \frac{\varepsilon}{(1 + \log X)^3} \int_{\tau}^{\infty} \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha^3} \\
 &\ll \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau^2 (1 + \log X)^3} \ll \varepsilon \frac{X^2}{\log^2 X}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{61}$$

Bearing in mind (4), (58), (59), (60), (61) and Lemma 7 we conclude

$$\Gamma_1 \gg \varepsilon \frac{X^2}{\log X}. \tag{62}$$

### Estimation of $\Gamma_2$

Now let us consider  $\Gamma_2$  defined by (55). We have

$$\Gamma_2 \ll \int_{\tau}^K |S(\alpha)|^3 |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha \ll \max_{\tau \leq t \leq K} |S(\alpha)| \int_{\tau}^K |S(\alpha)|^2 |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha. \tag{63}$$

Using Lemma 1 and Lemma 8 (iii) we deduce

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\tau}^K |S(\alpha)|^2 |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha &\ll \varepsilon \int_{\tau}^{1/\varepsilon} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha + \int_{1/\varepsilon}^K |S(\alpha)|^2 \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha} \\
 &\ll \varepsilon \sum_{0 \leq n \leq 1/\varepsilon} \int_n^{n+1} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha + \sum_{1/\varepsilon - 1 \leq n \leq K} \frac{1}{n} \int_n^{n+1} |S(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \\
 &\ll X \log^3 X.
 \end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

From (63), (64) and Lemma 9 it follows

$$\Gamma_2 \ll X^{49/25} \log^6 X \ll \frac{\varepsilon X^2}{\log^2 X}. \tag{65}$$

**Estimation of  $\Gamma_3$** 

Using (56), Lemma 1 and choosing  $k = [\log X]$  we find

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_3 &\ll \int_K^\infty |S(\alpha)|^3 |\Psi(\alpha)| d\alpha \\ &\ll X^3 \int_K^\infty \frac{1}{\alpha} \left( \frac{k}{2\pi\alpha\varepsilon/8} \right)^k d\alpha \\ &= X^3 \left( \frac{4k}{\pi\varepsilon K} \right)^k \ll 1. \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

**The end of the proof**

Bearing in mind (52), (53), (62), (65) and (66) we establish that

$$\Gamma \gg \varepsilon \frac{X^2}{\log X}. \quad (67)$$

Now (3) and (67) imply that  $\Gamma \rightarrow \infty$  as  $X \rightarrow \infty$ .

The proof of the Theorem is complete.

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