

**THE NUMBER OF PRIMES IN SHORT INTERVALS AND NUMERICAL CALCULATIONS FOR
HARMAN'S SIEVE**

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ABSTRACT. The author gives nontrivial upper and lower bounds for the number of primes in the interval $[x - x^\theta, x]$ for some $0.52 \leq \theta \leq 0.525$, showing that the interval $[x - x^{0.52}, x]$ contains prime numbers for all sufficiently large x . This refines a result of Baker, Harman and Pintz (2001) and gives an affirmative answer to Harman and Pintz's argument. New arithmetic information, a delicate sieve decomposition, various techniques in Harman's sieve and accurate estimates for integrals are used to good effect.

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1. INTRODUCTION

One of the famous topics in number theory is to find prime numbers in short intervals. In 1937, Cramér [10] conjectured that every interval $[x - f(x)(\log x)^2, x]$ contains prime numbers for some $f(x) \rightarrow 1$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. The Riemann Hypothesis implies that for all sufficiently large x , the interval $[x - x^\theta, x]$ contains $\sim x^\theta(\log x)^{-1}$ prime numbers for every $\frac{1}{2} < \theta \leq 1$. The first unconditional result of this asymptotic formula with some $\theta < 1$ was proved by Hoheisel [26] in 1930 with $\theta \geq 1 - \frac{1}{33000}$. After the works of Hoheisel [26], Heilbronn [25], Chudakov [9], Ingham [28] and Montgomery [42], Huxley [27] proved in 1972 that the above asymptotic formula holds when $\theta > \frac{7}{12}$ by his zero density estimate. In 2024, Guth and Maynard [15] improved this to $\theta > \frac{17}{30}$ by a new zero density estimate.

In 1979, Iwaniec and Jutila [30] first introduced a sieve method into this problem. They established a lower bound with correct order of magnitude (instead of an asymptotic formula) with $\theta = \frac{13}{23}$. After that breakthrough, many improvements were made and the value of θ was reduced successively to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5}{9} &\approx 0.5556, \quad \frac{11}{20} = 0.5500, \quad \frac{17}{31} \approx 0.5484, \quad \frac{23}{42} \approx 0.5476, \\ \frac{1051}{1920} &\approx 0.5474, \quad \frac{35}{64} \approx 0.5469, \quad \frac{6}{11} \approx 0.5455 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{7}{13} \approx 0.5385 \end{aligned}$$

by Iwaniec and Jutila [30], Heath-Brown and Iwaniec [24], Pintz [45] [46], Iwaniec and Pintz [31], Mozzochi [44] and Lou and Yao [37] [39] [40] [41] respectively.

In 1996, Baker and Harman [3] presented an alternative approach to this problem. They used the alternative sieve developed by Harman [16] [17] to reduce θ to 0.535. Finally, Baker, Harman and Pintz (BHP) [5] further developed this sieve process and combined it with Watt's power mean value theorem on Dirichlet polynomials [53] and showed $\theta \geq 0.525$. As Friedlander and Iwaniec mentioned in their book [[13], Chapter 23], “their method uses many powerful tools and arguments, both analytic and combinatorial, and these are extremely complicated.” However, they omitted almost all calculation details in [3] and [5], which makes the papers very hard to read and check. In 2014, Pintz [48] pointed out that “the Baker–Harman–Pintz result with $\theta = 0.525$ actually leads to a slightly better value” in his lecture. Harman [[20], Chapter 7.10] also mentioned that $\theta = 0.52$ might be achievable with an incredibly long and boring argument. In a personal communication, Kumchev mentioned that BHP tried and discovered that 0.52 was out of reach of the existing techniques. In 2024, Starichkova [49] provided full details

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of [3] in her PhD thesis, so we turn our attention to [5]. In this paper, we provide the calculation details and sharpen the main theorem proved in [5].

Theorem 1. *For all sufficiently large x , the interval $[x - x^{0.52}, x]$ contains prime numbers.*

Theorem 1 is a direct corollary of the following result, which gives nontrivial upper and lower bounds with correct order of magnitude for the number of primes in intervals of length between $x^{0.52}$ and $x^{0.525}$. Here we say a trivial upper bound is the bound with upper constant $\frac{2}{\theta}$ obtained by Montgomery and Vaughan [43], and a trivial lower bound is of course zero. Note that in [29], [38], [39] and [4] nontrivial upper bounds for the number of primes in other intervals are also given.

Theorem 2. *Let $0.52 \leq \theta \leq 0.525$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then we have*

$$\mathbf{LB}(\theta) \frac{x^{\theta+\varepsilon}}{\log x} \leq \pi(x) - \pi(x - x^{\theta+\varepsilon}) \leq \mathbf{UB}(\theta) \frac{x^{\theta+\varepsilon}}{\log x}$$

for all sufficiently large x , where the values of functions $\mathbf{LB}(\theta)$ and $\mathbf{UB}(\theta)$ satisfy the following condition table.

θ	$\mathbf{LB}(\theta)$	$\mathbf{UB}(\theta)$
0.520	> 0.004	< 2.874
0.521	> 0.075	< 2.700
0.522	> 0.134	< 2.583
0.523	> 0.169	< 2.536
0.524	> 0.209	< 2.437
0.525	> 0.249	< 2.347

Obviously, our result confirms Harman and Pintz's argument and goes beyond the 0.52-barrier mentioned by Kumchev. Although our upper constant for $\theta = 0.52$ is a little bit weaker than Iwaniec's (see Section 6 of [29]), our result comes from Harman's sieve which leads to much better results for intervals longer than $x^{0.522}$. Our improvement on the lower bounds comes mainly from the following 2 aspects:

1. We have a careful discussion on the original sieve decomposing process of BHP and optimize some of their arguments. Specifically, the most important optimization we do is that we perform a role-reversal after a Buchstab iteration for some four-dimensional sums that are not decomposed in BHP's original arguments, replacing a larger 4D loss by a much smaller 6D loss. We also consider 8D losses after more iteration steps.

2. We prove some new arithmetic information outside of those in [5] and [20] which gives room for improvement, see Lemmas 4.4–4.5. We also find that Lemma 18 of [5] and Lemma 7.22 of [20] actually cover some non-overlapping three-dimensional regions when $\theta \geq 0.52$, so using them simultaneously yields a better result.

All the numerical values of the integrals in Sections 5 and 6 are calculated using C++, and we use Mathematica 14 to calculate them again for cross-checking. We use an Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8383C CPU with 160 threads (80 Wolfram kernels) to run the code. The C++ code can be found in the ancillary files, and the websites for Mathematica code can be found in Table 6, Appendix 2.

Throughout this paper, we always assume that ε is a sufficiently small positive constant, x is a sufficiently large integer and $K > 0$. The appearance of K in the exponent of a logarithm will always signify that the result holds for every $K > 0$ with an implied constant that depends on K . Let θ be a positive number which will be fixed later. The letter p , with or without subscript, is reserved for prime numbers. We write $m \sim M$ to mean that $M \leq m < 2M$. We use $M(s)$, $N(s)$, $R(s)$ and some other capital letters (with or without subscript) to denote some divisor-bounded Dirichlet polynomials

$$M(s) = \sum_{m \sim M} a_m m^{-s}, \quad N(s) = \sum_{n \sim N} b_n n^{-s}, \quad R(s) = \sum_{r \sim R} c_r r^{-s}.$$

We say a Dirichlet polynomial $M(s)$ is *prime-factored* if we have

$$\left| M\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right| \ll M^{\frac{1}{2}} (\log x)^{-K}$$

for $\exp((\log x)^{1/3}) < |t| < x^{1-\theta+\varepsilon}$. In fact, this holds when a_m is the characteristic function of primes or of numbers with a bounded number of prime factors restricted to certain ranges. For example, if we have

$$a_m = \sum_{m=p_1 \cdots p_k} 1$$

and the least prime factor of m is $\gg \exp((\log x)^{4/5})$, then we know that $M(s)$ is prime-factored by [[20], Lemma 1.5]. We also say a Dirichlet polynomial is *decomposable* if it can be written as the form

$$\sum_{p_i \sim P_i} (p_1 \cdots p_u)^{-s}.$$

That is, we can decompose this Dirichlet polynomial.

2. AN OUTLINE OF THE PROOF

Let $0.505 \leq \theta \leq 0.535$, \mathcal{C} denote a finite set of positive integers, $y = x^{\theta+\varepsilon}$, $y_1 = x \exp(-3(\log x)^{1/3})$,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A} &= \{a : a \in \mathbb{Z}, x - y \leq a < x\}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \{b : b \in \mathbb{Z}, x - y_1 \leq b < x\}, \\ \mathcal{C}_d &= \{a : ad \in \mathcal{C}\}, \quad P(z) = \prod_{p < z} p, \quad S(\mathcal{C}, z) = \sum_{\substack{a \in \mathcal{C} \\ (a, P(z))=1}} 1.\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\pi(x) - \pi(x - y) = S(\mathcal{A}, x^{1/2}). \quad (1)$$

Buchstab's identity is the equation

$$S(\mathcal{C}, z) = S(\mathcal{C}, w) - \sum_{w \leq p < z} S(\mathcal{C}_p, p),$$

where $2 \leq w < z$.

In order to prove Theorem 2, we only need to give upper and lower bounds for $S(\mathcal{A}, x^{1/2})$. Our aim is to show that the sparser set \mathcal{A} contains the expected proportion of primes compared to the larger set \mathcal{B} , which requires us to decompose $S(\mathcal{A}, x^{1/2})$ using the above Buchstab's identity, prove asymptotic formulas of the form

$$S(\mathcal{A}, z) = \frac{y}{y_1} (1 + o(1)) S(\mathcal{B}, z) \quad (2)$$

for some parts of it, and drop the remaining parts. The dropped parts must be positive in the lower bound case and must be negative in the upper bound case. We say a term $S(\mathcal{A}, z)$ has an *asymptotic formula* if (2) holds for this term.

In Section 3 we provide asymptotic formulas for terms of the form $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 \dots p_n}, x^\nu)$ (which requires both Type-I and Type-II information) and in Section 4 we provide asymptotic formulas for terms of the form $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 \dots p_n}, p_n)$ (which only requires Type-II information). In Sections 5 and 6 we will make further use of Buchstab's identity to decompose $S(\mathcal{A}, x^{1/2})$ and prove Theorem 2 for $\theta = 0.52$. We omit the proof of numerical bounds for other values of θ for the sake of simplicity.

3. SIEVE ASYMPTOTIC FORMULAS I

Now we follow [5] directly to get some sieve asymptotic formulas. For a positive integer h , we define the interval

$$I_h = \left[\frac{1}{2} - 2h \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2} \right), \frac{1}{2} - (2h - 2) \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right], \quad (3)$$

and we define the piecewise-linear function $\nu = \nu(\alpha)$ and the function $\alpha^* = \alpha^*(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2}$ as follows: if $\alpha \in I_h$ then

$$\nu(\alpha) = \min \left(\frac{2(\theta - \alpha)}{2h - 1}, \gamma(\theta) \right) \text{ for } h \geq 1, \quad (4)$$

$$\alpha^* = \max \left(\frac{2h(1 - \theta) - \alpha}{2h - 1}, \frac{2(h - 1)\theta + \alpha}{2h - 1} \right), \quad (5)$$

where $\gamma(\theta)$ will be defined in next section. Note that we have $\nu(\alpha) \geq 2\theta - 1$ and $1 - \theta \leq \alpha^* \leq \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon$.

Now we provide some lemmas which will be used to give asymptotic formulas for sieve functions of the form $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 \dots p_n}, x^\nu)$. The next two lemmas can be deduced from [[20], Lemma 7.3], some combinatorial lemmas together with [[5], Lemma 2] which is a generalized version of Watt's theorem [53].

Lemma 3.1. ([5], Lemma 12], [20], Lemma 7.15]). Let $M = x^{\alpha_1}$, $N = x^{\alpha_2}$ where $M(s)$ and $N(s)$ are decomposable. Suppose that $\alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and

$$\alpha_2 \leq \min \left(\frac{3\theta + 1 - 4\alpha_1^*}{2}, \frac{3 + \theta - 4\alpha_1^*}{5} \right) - 2\varepsilon.$$

Then

$$\sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ n \sim N}} a_m b_n S(\mathcal{A}_{mn}, x^\nu) = \frac{y}{y_1} (1 + o(1)) \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ n \sim N}} a_m b_n S(\mathcal{B}_{mn}, x^\nu)$$

holds for every $\nu \leq \nu(\alpha_1)$.

Lemma 3.2. ([5], Lemma 13], [20], Lemma 7.16]). Let $M = x^{\alpha_1}$, $N_1 = x^{\alpha_2}$, $N_2 = x^{\alpha_3}$ where $M(s)$, $N_1(s)$ and $N_2(s)$ are decomposable. Suppose that $\alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and either

$$2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \leq 1 + \theta - 2\alpha_1^* - 2\varepsilon, \quad \alpha_3 \leq \frac{1 + 3\theta}{4} - \alpha_1^* - \varepsilon, \quad 2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 \leq \frac{3 + \theta}{2} - 2\alpha_1^* - 2\varepsilon$$

or

$$\alpha_2 \leq \frac{1 - \theta}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \leq \frac{1 + 3\theta - 4\alpha_1^*}{8} - \varepsilon.$$

Then

$$\sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ n_1 \sim N_1 \\ n_2 \sim N_2}} a_m b_{n_1} c_{n_2} S(\mathcal{A}_{mn_1 n_2}, x^\nu) = \frac{y}{y_1} (1 + o(1)) \sum_{\substack{m \sim M \\ n_1 \sim N_1 \\ n_2 \sim N_2}} a_m b_{n_1} c_{n_2} S(\mathcal{B}_{mn_1 n_2}, x^\nu)$$

holds for every $\nu \leq \nu(\alpha_1)$.

The next lemma is obtained by a two-dimensional sieve together with Lemma 3.1, and they will help us deal with the regions A_2 and A'_2 in Section 6.

Lemma 3.3. ([5], Lemma 16], [20], Lemma 7.19]). Let $M_1 = x^{\alpha_1}, M_2 = x^{\alpha_2}$. Suppose that

$$\alpha_2 \leq \alpha_1, \quad 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2 < \frac{7}{2}\theta - \frac{3}{2}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{\substack{p_1 \sim M_1 \\ p_2 \sim M_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^\nu) = \frac{y}{y_1}(1 + o(1)) \sum_{\substack{p_1 \sim M_1 \\ p_2 \sim M_2}} S(\mathcal{B}_{p_1 p_2}, x^\nu)$$

holds for $\nu = 2\theta - 1$.

Remark 3.4. For $\theta > \frac{11}{21} \approx 0.5238$, the third condition in Lemma 3.3 can be simplified to $\alpha_2 < \frac{1}{3}$.

Remark 3.5. One may use existing results on higher power moments of zeta function to get a minor improvement. For example, it is possible to use Heath-Brown's twelfth power moment [23] together with Hölder's inequality (or results in [51], Section 2.1) and mean value theorem to get an improvement on [20], Lemmas 7.9 and 7.10] which are essential in proving Lemma 3.2. Here we don't consider about them for the sake of simplicity.

4. SIEVE ASYMPTOTIC FORMULAS II

In this section we give asymptotic formulas for sieve functions of the form $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 \dots p_n}, p_n)$ or more general sums. These lemmas can be deduced from [5], Lemma 6] together with some mean and large value theorems of Dirichlet polynomials.

Lemma 4.1. ([5], Lemma 9], [20], Lemma 7.3]). Let $M = x^{\alpha_1}, N = x^{\alpha_2}$ with

$$|\alpha_1 - \alpha_2| < 2\theta - 1, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 > 1 - \gamma(\theta)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\theta) &= \max_{g \in \mathbb{N}} \gamma_g(\theta), \\ \gamma_g(\theta) &= \min \left(4\theta - 2, \frac{(8g-4)\theta - (4g-3)}{4g-1}, \frac{24g\theta - (12g+1)}{4g-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, let $R = x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}$ and suppose that $R(s)$ is prime-factored. Then we can obtain an asymptotic formula for

$$\sum_{\substack{mnr \in \mathcal{A} \\ m \sim M \\ n \sim N}} a_m b_n c_r \quad \text{and thus for} \quad \sum_{\substack{p_j \sim x^{\alpha_j} \\ 1 \leq j \leq 2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2).$$

Note that the dependencies between variables in the sieve functions (here and many others below) can be removed using a truncated Perron's formula as in [6], Lemma 11]. Moreover, we have

$$\gamma(\theta) = \begin{cases} \gamma_6(\theta) = 4\theta - 2, & 0.52 \leq \theta < \frac{25}{48} \approx 0.5208, \\ \gamma_6(\theta) = \frac{44\theta-21}{23}, & \frac{25}{48} \leq \theta < \frac{251}{481} \approx 0.5218, \\ \gamma_5(\theta) = \frac{120\theta-61}{19}, & \frac{251}{481} \leq \theta < \frac{23}{44} \approx 0.5227, \\ \gamma_5(\theta) = 4\theta - 2, & \frac{23}{44} \leq \theta < 0.525. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 4.2. Let $L_1 L_2 L_3 L_4 = x, L_j = x^{\alpha_j}, \alpha_j \geq \varepsilon$ and suppose that $L_j(s)$ is prime-factored for $j \geq 2$. If any of the following conditions hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{4}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 \geq \frac{2(1-\theta)}{7}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{3}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 \geq \frac{2(1-\theta)}{11}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{3}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \geq 1 - \theta, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 \geq \frac{2(1-\theta)}{5}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \leq \frac{(1-\theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_3 \leq \frac{(1-\theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \geq \frac{4(1-\theta)}{7}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 \geq \frac{14(1-\theta)}{13}. \end{aligned}$$

Then we can obtain an asymptotic formula for

$$\sum_{\substack{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 \in \mathcal{A} \\ l_j \sim L_j \\ 1 \leq j \leq 3}} a_{l_1} b_{l_2} c_{l_3} d_{l_4} \quad \text{and thus for} \quad \sum_{\substack{p_j \sim x^{\alpha_j} \\ 1 \leq j \leq 3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3).$$

Proof. The proof is completely same as the proof of [20], Lemma 7.22] except for the second case. For the second case, we need to make a small modification by choosing $h = 5$ instead of $h = 3$ in [20], Lemma 7.21]. Note that this modification also occurred in [22] with $\theta = 0.53$. \square

Lemma 4.3. Let L_j satisfies the conditions in Lemma 4.2. Then we can obtain an asymptotic formula for

$$\sum_{\substack{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 \in \mathcal{A} \\ l_j \sim L_j \\ 1 \leq j \leq 3}} a_{l_1} b_{l_2} c_{l_3} d_{l_4} \quad \text{and thus for} \quad \sum_{\substack{p_j \sim x^{\alpha_j} \\ 1 \leq j \leq 3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3)$$

if the following conditions hold:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 &\geq \frac{1}{g_4}(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_2 b_1 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(-\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_1 + \frac{1}{4}h - \frac{hk_1}{4g_1} + \frac{1}{2}k_2 b_1 \right) &> b_1(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_1 a_2 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(-\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_2 + \frac{1}{4}h - \frac{hk_2}{4g_2} + \frac{1}{2}k_1 a_2 \right) &> a_2(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_2 b_3 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_3 + \frac{1}{4}h - \frac{hk_1}{4g_1} + \frac{1}{2}k_2 b_3 \right) &> \left(u - \frac{h}{2g_1} \right)(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_1 a_4 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_4 + \frac{1}{4}h - \frac{hk_2}{4g_2} + \frac{1}{2}k_1 a_4 \right) &> \left(u - \frac{h}{2g_2} \right)(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_1 a_5 \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_2 b_5 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(-\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_5 + \frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}k_1 a_5 + \frac{1}{2}k_2 b_5 \right) &> (a_5 + b_5)(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_1 a_6 \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}g_2 b_6 \right) + \alpha_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}g_3 c_6 + \frac{1}{4}h + \frac{1}{2}k_1 a_6 + \frac{1}{2}k_2 b_6 \right) &> u(1 - \theta), \\ \alpha_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}g_3 \left(u - \frac{h}{2g_1} - \frac{h}{2g_2} \right) + \frac{1}{4}hv \right) &> \left(u - \frac{h}{2g_1} - \frac{h}{2g_2} \right)(1 - \theta), \end{aligned}$$

where $h = 1$, $g_1 = 1$, $g_2 = 2$, $g_3 = 3$, $g_4 = d$, $d = 4$ or 5 , $k_1 = k_2 = 0$, $u = 1 - \frac{1}{2d}$, $v = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} (b_1, c_1) &= \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \quad (a_2, c_2) = \left(\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \\ (b_3, c_3) &= \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2d} \right), \\ (a_4, c_4) &= \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2d} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \\ (a_5, b_5, c_5) &= \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6} \right), \\ (a_6, b_6, c_6) &= \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2d} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6} \right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2d}, \frac{1}{6} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. This is a special case of [[5], Lemma 18]. \square

The next two lemmas are our new arithmetic information, which can be seen as generalizations of [[20], Lemma 7.22]. These can be used to estimate ‘‘Type-II₅’’ and ‘‘Type-II₆’’ sums mentioned in [18]. The proof is similar to the proof of first and second case of Lemma 4.2. One can generalize these to ‘‘Type-II_n’’ sums with $n \geq 7$, but the corresponding results will be very complicated and not very numerically significant since the contribution of those high-dimensional sums is already quite small.

Lemma 4.4. Let $L_1 L_2 L_3 L_4 L_5 = x$, $L_j = x^{\alpha_j}$, $\alpha_j \geq \varepsilon$ and suppose that $L_j(s)$ is prime-factored for $j \geq 2$. If any of the following 9 conditions hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{7}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{83}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{8}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{47}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{9}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{35}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{10}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{29}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{3}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{12}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{23}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{4}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{5}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{39}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{4}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{6}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{23}; \\ \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{4}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1 - \theta)}{8}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geq \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{15}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_1 \geqslant 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geqslant \frac{(1-\theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geqslant \frac{(1-\theta)}{5}, \quad \alpha_4 \geqslant \frac{(1-\theta)}{5}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 \geqslant \frac{2(1-\theta)}{19}.$$

Then we can obtain an asymptotic formula for

$$\sum_{\substack{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 l_5 \in A \\ l_j \sim L_j \\ 1 \leq j \leq 4}} a_{l_1} b_{l_2} c_{l_3} d_{l_4} e_{l_5} \quad \text{and thus for} \quad \sum_{\substack{p_j \sim \alpha^{x_j} \\ 1 \leq j \leq 4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4).$$

Lemma 4.5. Let $L_1L_2L_3L_4L_5L_6 = x$, $L_j = x^{\alpha_j}$, $\alpha_j \geq \varepsilon$ and suppose that $L_j(s)$ is prime-factored for $j \geq 2$. If any of the following 87 conditions hold:

$$\alpha_1 \geq 1 - \theta, \quad \alpha_2 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{2}, \quad \alpha_3 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{7}, \quad \alpha_4 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{7}, \quad \alpha_5 \geq \frac{(1-\theta)}{7}, \quad 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5 \geq \frac{2(1-\theta)}{27}.$$

Then we can obtain an asymptotic formula for

$$\sum_{\substack{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 l_5 l_6 \in \mathcal{A} \\ l_j \sim L_j \\ 1 \leq j \leq 5}} a_{l_1} b_{l_2} c_{l_3} d_{l_4} e_{l_5} f_{l_6} \quad \text{and thus for} \quad \sum_{\substack{p_j \sim x^{\alpha_j} \\ 1 \leq j \leq 5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5).$$

Proof. We follow the steps in the proof of [[20], Lemma 7.22]. Write $T_0 = \exp((\log x)^{1/3})$ and $T = x^{1-\theta-\varepsilon/2}$. Let $B > 0$ and $n = 5$ or 6 . It suffices to show that

$$\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \cdots L_n \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right| dt \ll x^{\frac{1}{2}} (\log x)^{-K}.$$

By Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{T_0}^T \left| L_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \cdots L_n \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right| dt \\ & \leq \left(\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^{\delta_2} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta_2}} \cdots \left(\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_n \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^{\delta_n} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta_n}}, \end{aligned}$$

where δ_j is even for all $2 \leq j \leq n-1$ and

$$\sum_{j=2}^n \frac{1}{\delta_j} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Since $L_1 \gg T$ ($\alpha_1 \geq 1 - \theta$), by the mean value theorem for Dirichlet polynomials we know that

$$\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^2 dt \ll x^{\alpha_1} (\log x)^B.$$

Similarly, for $2 \leq j \leq n-1$ we can also use the mean value theorem. If $L_j \gg T^{\frac{2}{\delta_j}}$ ($\alpha_j \geq \frac{2(1-\theta)}{\delta_j}$), then

$$\left(\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_j \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^{\delta_j} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta_j}} \ll x^{\frac{\alpha_j}{2}} (\log x)^B.$$

For the remaining prime-factored Dirichlet polynomial $L_n(s)$, by [[20], Lemma 7.21], we have

$$\left(\int_{T_0}^T \left| L_n \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right|^{\delta_n} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta_n}} \ll x^{\frac{\alpha_n}{2}} (\log x)^{-K}$$

under the conditions

$$L_n \gg T^{\frac{1}{\delta_0}}, \quad 1 \leq \delta_0 < B, \quad \delta_n \geq 4\delta_0 - 2h + \varepsilon,$$

where h is an integer such that

$$2h - \varepsilon < \delta_n < 6h - \varepsilon.$$

We want to find the largest possible δ_0 . For $h \geq 1$, we can take

$$\delta_n = 2h + 2$$

and thus

$$2h + 2 \geq 4\delta_0 - 2h + \varepsilon.$$

Now we can take

$$\delta_0 = h + \frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon = \frac{\delta_n - 1}{2} - \varepsilon$$

and all conditions are fulfilled.

Finally, we need to find n -tuples $(\delta_1 = 2, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_n)$ such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\delta_j} = 1.$$

For each n -tuple that satisfies the above condition, we have a corresponding asymptotic formula region for “Type-II_n” sums determined by the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &\geq 1 - \theta, & (L_1 \gg T) \\ \alpha_j &\geq \frac{2}{\delta_j}(1 - \theta) \quad \text{for all } 2 \leq j \leq n-1, & \left(L_j \gg T^{\frac{2}{\delta_j}} \right) \\ \alpha_n &\geq \frac{2}{\delta_n - 1}(1 - \theta). & \left(L_n \gg T^{\frac{1}{\delta_0}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

By combining all satisfactory n -tuples for $n = 5$ and $n = 6$, Lemmas 4.4 and 4.5 are proved. \square

Remark 4.6. Here we shall explain why the Type-II information arises from Lemmas 4.4–4.5 covers new regions out of previous information. Without loss of generality, we assume that $2 = \delta_1 \leq \delta_2 \leq \dots \leq \delta_n$. Write $A_n = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n$, we know that

$$\frac{A_n}{1-\theta} \geq \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{2}{\delta_j} + \frac{2}{\delta_n - 1} > \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2}{\delta_j} = 2.$$

Since $\theta \geq 0.505$, we have $2(1-\theta) \leq 0.99 < 1$, which means that we still have some satisfactory n -tuples $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ on $(0, 0.5)^n$, and the asymptotic region is not empty. In fact, the difference between 2 and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{2}{\delta_j} + \frac{2}{\delta_n - 1}$$

is just

$$\frac{2}{\delta_n - 1} - \frac{2}{\delta_n} = \frac{2}{\delta_n^2 - \delta_n}.$$

Now, since the value of δ_n usually become larger as n increases, A_n will decrease and approach to the “best possible” value $2(1-\theta)$ as n increases. However, the asymptotic region becomes “useless” when $\alpha_n < \nu$. Hence considering “Type-II_n” information with $n \geq 7$ is not so worthwhile.

5. THE FINAL DECOMPOSITION I: LOWER BOUND

In this section, we ignore the presence of ε for clarity. Let $\omega(u)$ denote the Buchstab function determined by the following differential-difference equation

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

Moreover, we have the upper and lower bounds for $\omega(u)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(u) \geq \omega_0(u) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{u}, & 1 \leq u < 2, \\ \frac{1+\log(u-1)}{u}, & 2 \leq u < 3, \\ \frac{1+\log(u-1)}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \int_2^{u-1} \frac{\log(t-1)}{t} dt \geq 0.5607, & 3 \leq u < 4, \\ 0.5612, & u \geq 4, \end{cases} \\ \omega(u) \leq \omega_1(u) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{u}, & 1 \leq u < 2, \\ \frac{1+\log(u-1)}{u}, & 2 \leq u < 3, \\ \frac{1+\log(u-1)}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \int_2^{u-1} \frac{\log(t-1)}{t} dt \leq 0.5644, & 3 \leq u < 4, \\ 0.5617, & u \geq 4. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We shall use $\omega_0(u)$ and $\omega_1(u)$ to give numerical bounds for some sieve functions discussed below. We shall also use the simple upper bound $\omega(u) \leq \max(\frac{1}{u}, 0.5672)$ (see Lemma 8(iii) of [32]) to estimate high-dimensional integrals.

By Prime Number Theorem with Vinogradov’s error term and the inductive arguments in [[20], Chapter A.2], we know that, for sufficiently large z ,

$$S(\mathcal{B}, z) = \sum_{\substack{a \in \mathcal{B} \\ (a, P(z))=1}} 1 = (1 + o(1)) \frac{y_1}{\log z} \omega\left(\frac{\log x}{\log z}\right), \quad (6)$$

and we expect that the similar relation also holds for $S(\mathcal{A}, z)$:

$$S(\mathcal{A}, z) = \sum_{\substack{a \in \mathcal{A} \\ (a, P(z))=1}} 1 = (1 + o(1)) \frac{y}{\log z} \omega\left(\frac{\log x}{\log z}\right). \quad (7)$$

If (2) holds for $S(\mathcal{A}, z)$, then we can deduce (7) easily from (2) and (6). Otherwise we must drop this $S(\mathcal{A}, z)$. We define the loss from this term by the size of corresponding $S(\mathcal{B}, z)$:

$$S(\mathcal{B}, z) = (\text{loss} + o(1)) \frac{y_1}{\log x}. \quad (8)$$

We note that for the lower bound problem, we can only drop positive parts and the total loss of the dropped parts must be less than 1.

Fix $\theta = 0.52$, $\nu_0 = \nu_{\min} = 2\theta - 1 = 0.04$ and let $p_j = x^{\alpha_j}$. By Buchstab’s identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S\left(\mathcal{A}, x^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) &= S\left(\mathcal{A}, x^{\nu(0)}\right) - \sum_{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}} S\left(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, x^{\nu(\alpha_1)}\right) + \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\ &= \sum_1 - \sum_2 + \sum_3. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for \sum_1 and \sum_2 . For \sum_3 , We begin with some notation needed to describe the further decompositions. Following [20] directly, we use the bold capital letters \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{D} to represent sets that have asymptotic

formulas and that can perform further decompositions directly. We write α_n to denote $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ and similarly for t_n . Let G_n denote the set of α_n such that an asymptotic formula can be obtained for

$$\sum_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 \dots p_n}, p_n),$$

so we can define sets G_2 and G_3 by using Lemmas 4.1–4.3. We also need to define G_i with $i \geq 4$ in order to perform our calculation. For this, we can define them by checking whether a region α_i can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in G_2$ or $(m, n, h) \in G_3$ in any order as long as the conditions are satisfied. By Lemmas 3.1–3.2, we put

$$\begin{aligned} D_0 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, 0 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \min\left(\frac{3\theta + 1 - 4\alpha_1^*}{2}, \frac{3 + \theta - 4\alpha_1^*}{5}\right) \right\}, \\ D_1 &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \alpha_3 \leq \frac{1+3\theta}{4} - \alpha_1^*, 2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \leq 1 + \theta - 2\alpha_1^*, 2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 \leq \frac{3+\theta}{2} - 2\alpha_1^* \right\}, \\ D_2 &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \alpha_2 \leq \frac{1-\theta}{2}, \alpha_3 \leq \frac{1+3\theta - 4\alpha_1^*}{8} \right\}, \\ D'_0 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, 0 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \min\left(\frac{3\theta - 1}{2}, \frac{1+\theta}{5}\right) \right\}, \\ D'_1 &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \alpha_3 \leq \frac{3\theta - 1}{4}, 2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \leq \theta, 2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 \leq \frac{1+\theta}{2} \right\}, \\ D'_2 &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \alpha_2 \leq \frac{1-\theta}{2}, \alpha_3 \leq \frac{3\theta - 1}{8} \right\}, \\ D^* &= \{ \alpha_4 : (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4) \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D'_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D'_1 \cup D'_2 \}, \\ D^{**} &= \{ \alpha_6 : (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_6) \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D'_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D'_1 \cup D'_2 \}, \\ D^\dagger &= \{ \alpha_4 : \alpha_4 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \}, \\ D^\ddagger &= \{ \alpha_4 : \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger, (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4) \in D^\dagger \}, \end{aligned}$$

where the sets D_0 , D_1 and D_2 correspond to conditions on variables that allow a further decomposition (that is, we apply Buchstab's identity twice), D'_i is a simplified version of D_i for $i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$, D^* and D^{**} allow two and three further decompositions respectively, and D^\ddagger allows two further decompositions with a variable role-reversal. For example, if we have $\alpha_4 \in D^*$ after applying Buchstab's identity twice, we can apply Buchstab's identity twice more because we can obtain an asymptotic formula for $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, x^\nu)$ for all $\nu \leq \alpha_5 < \alpha_4$. The definition of a role-reversal can be found in [5] at the bottom of page 533 and at the top of page 534. It can be seen as “an application of Buchstab's identity on large prime variables”. In regions corresponding to neither G nor D , we sometimes need role-reversals to perform further decompositions.

We remark that if $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4)$ can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in D_0$ with $m < n$ or one element α_4 is partitioned into n , then we still have this $\alpha_4 \in D^*$ even if $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4)$ cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in D'_0$. This is because sometimes we can group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4)$ into $(m, n) \in D_0$ but cannot group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5)$ into $(m, n) \in D_0$ for some $\nu \leq \alpha_5 < \alpha_4$ due to the involvement of $\alpha^*(m)$ in the upper bound of n . That is, if we group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4)$ into (m, n) which lies in the areas above the line $n = \frac{3\theta-1}{2}$ (see the protrusions at the top of the region D_0 in Figure 1 in Appendix 1) and all of two elements α_4 are partitioned into m (note that n is a constant in this partition), then we cannot group all $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5)$ with $\nu \leq \alpha_5 < \alpha_4$ because some values of α_5 may lead to some smaller m where the new (m, n) lies in the concave areas on the left of the original (m, n) . Otherwise we have at least one α_4 is in n , and we can let this α_4 to be the variable α_5 runs over values less than α_4 . In D'_0 the function α^* is replaced by an upper bound $\frac{1}{2}$, and the shape of D'_0 is a rectangle with bounds $0 \leq m \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $0 \leq n \leq \frac{3\theta-1}{2}$. Thus, we can group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5)$ into $(m, n) \in D'_0$ for any $\nu \leq \alpha_5 < \alpha_4$ if we can group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_4)$ into $(m, n) \in D'_0$. However, if $m < n$, we can change the role of m and n so that at least one element α_4 is in n , hence we can group $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5)$ into $(m, n) \in D_0$ for any $\nu \leq \alpha_5 < \alpha_4$. The similar phenomenon holds for D^{**} .

Now we split the region defined by \sum_3 into three subregions A, B, C corresponding to the different techniques that should be applied. The plot of these regions can be found in Appendix 1.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \frac{1}{4} \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{3}(1 - \alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 \leq \min(\alpha_1, 1 - 2\alpha_1) \right\}; \\ B &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \max\left(\frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, 1 - 2\alpha_1\right) \leq \alpha_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right\}; \\ C &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 \leq \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right), \alpha_2 \notin A \cup B \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We note that $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in A \Leftrightarrow (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2) \in B$. Since in $A \cup B$ only products of three primes are counted, we have

$$\sum_{\alpha_2 \in A} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) = \sum_{\alpha_2 \in B} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2), \quad (10)$$

hence

$$\sum_3 = 2 \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) + \sum_{\alpha_2 \in C} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2)$$

$$= 2 \sum_A + \sum_C. \quad (11)$$

We first consider \sum_A . Discarding the whole of \sum_A leads to a loss of

$$\int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{2}{5}} \int_{\frac{1-t_1}{3}}^{\min(t_1, 1-2t_1)} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2}{t_2}\right)}{t_1 t_2^2} dt_2 dt_1 < 0.240227. \quad (12)$$

For Theorem 2 we use the bound (12) directly. However, we shall give a method on how to make possible savings over this sum (and we will actually use this process as the first step in our decomposition in region C). Let A' denote a part of region A that satisfies $\alpha_2 \leq \frac{3\theta-1}{2}$. By Buchstab's identity, we have

$$\sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) = \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3). \quad (13)$$

We can give an asymptotic formula for the first sum on the right-hand side. For the second sum, we can perform a straightforward decomposition by applying Buchstab's identity twice more if we can group α_3 into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$. For the remaining part of the second sum, we note that $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \geq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\alpha_3 < \alpha_2 \leq \frac{3\theta-1}{2} \leq \frac{3\theta+1-4\alpha_1^*}{2}$. Let $p_1 p_2 p_3 \beta$ denote the numbers counted by $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3)$, we have $\beta \sim x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3}$. Thus, we can perform a role-reversal on the remaining part because we have $((1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3) + \alpha_3, \alpha_2) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ in this case. Altogether, we have the following expression after the first decomposition procedure:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) &= \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, x^{\nu_0}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \in \tilde{G}_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin \tilde{G}_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\ &\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta p_2 p_3}, x^{\nu_0}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha'_4 \in G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha'_4 \notin G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
= & S_{01} - S_{02} - S_{03} + S_{04} + T_{01} - S_{05} + S_{06} + T_{02}, \tag{14}
\end{aligned}$$

where $(\beta, P(p_3)) = 1$ and

$$\alpha'_4 = (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4).$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for S_{01} – S_{06} . For T_{01} we can perform Buchstab's identity twice more to reach a six-dimensional sum if $\alpha_4 \in D^*$, and we can use Buchstab's identity in a different way (which will be explained later) to make some savings on the remaining parts. After the second decomposition procedure on T_{01} , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{01} = & \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
= & \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^*}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
= & \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^*}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \in G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_5-\alpha_6)) \\
& \quad \alpha_6 \in G_6 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_5-\alpha_6)) \\
& \quad \alpha_6 \notin G_6 \\
& = T_{011} + S_{07} - S_{08} - S_{09} + S_{10} + T_{012}. \tag{15}
\end{aligned}$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for S_{07} – S_{10} . The sum T_{011} can be further decomposed to

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{011} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^* \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \geq \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4) \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \geq \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4) \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S\left(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, \left(\frac{x}{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^* \\
& \quad \alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in A' \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5). \tag{16}
\end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2$
 $\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3))$
 $\alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*$
 $\alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)$
 $\alpha_5 \in G_5$

The decomposing process (16) can be viewed as a “splitting” argument: the numbers T_{011} counts is of the form $p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 m_0$, where the smallest prime factor of m_0 is larger than p_4 . If $\alpha_4 > \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)$, we know that m_0 cannot have two or more prime factors and therefore must be a prime. Otherwise m_0 may have more than one prime factor, which means that we can “split” the smallest prime factor of m_0 and consider it separately. The sum $S\left(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, \left(\frac{x}{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$ counts numbers of the form $p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p'$, where $p' = m_0$. The sum $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5)$ counts numbers of the form $p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 (p_5 m_1)$, where $p_5 m_1 = m_0$, $p_5 > p_4$ and all prime factors of m_1 are larger than p_5 . In this sum we have a new variable α_5 , which means that part of this sum may have an asymptotic formula. In this situation, we can give an asymptotic formula for the last sum on the right-hand side of (16), hence we can subtract its contribution from the loss from T_{011} . Again, for the remaining part of $S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5)$, we can do a similar process as (16) to subtract the contribution of the numbers $p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 (p_6 m_2)$ that have asymptotic formulas. The above process can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\alpha_4} S\left(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, \left(\frac{x}{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \\
& = \sum_{\alpha_4} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) - \sum_{\alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5). \tag{17}
\end{aligned}$$

Since (17) is a direct application of Buchstab’s identity, we shall call this process “Buchstab’s identity in reverse” or “reversed Buchstab’s identity” in the rest of our paper. The same process can also be used to deal with T_{02} , but we choose to discard all of it for the sake of simplicity. There are also many possible decompositions in some subregions, but we don’t consider them here. In fact, we shall consider some of them when decomposing \sum_C .

Combining all the sums above with remaining parts of A we get a loss from \sum_A of

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\int_{t_2 \in U_{A1}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2}{t_2}\right)}{t_1 t_2^2} dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{A2}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{A3}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{A4}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{A5}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right), \tag{18}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
U_{A1}(\alpha_2) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in A \setminus A', \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}, \\
U_{A2}(\alpha_4) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in A', \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2, \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\nu_0 &\leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \\
\nu_0 &\leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right), \\
U_{A3}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_5) &:= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_2 \in A', \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \\ \alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4), \quad \alpha_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \end{array} \right\}, \\
U_{A4}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_6) &:= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_2 \in A', \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5)\right), \quad \alpha_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \end{array} \right\}, \\
U_{A5}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_4) &:= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_2 \in A', \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \end{array} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the above integrals arise from sums T_{011} , T_{012} , T_{02} and the two-dimensional sum over region $A \setminus A'$, and one can compare our integrals to those in [5] and [20]. For example, one can see the integrals corresponding to U_{A2} and U_{A3} as an simple explicit expression of the function $w(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_4)$ defined in [20], Chapter 7.9. In [5] and [20] reversed Buchstab's identity has been used many many times, but we do not consider using it repeatedly since the savings over high-dimensional sums produced by this technique are very small. We have tried some acceptable region A' , but the total loss in (18) exceeds the original two-dimensional loss from A' . Some small savings may be obtained by using more careful decompositions and more powerful supercomputers to calculate the loss integrals.

Remember that we have $\alpha_3 < \alpha_2 \leq \frac{3\theta-1}{2} \leq \frac{3\theta+1-4\alpha_1^*}{2}$ and at least one of $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ and $1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2$ is $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ when $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in C$, further decompositions in region C are possible. For \sum_C we can redo the above decomposition procedure (15) on the entire region C to reach two four-dimensional sums

$$T_{03} := \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right) \\ \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \tag{19}$$

and

$$T_{04} := \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ cannot be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4). \tag{20}$$

For T_{03} , we can perform Buchstab's identity twice more if $\alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*$, and we can use Buchstab's identity twice with a role-reversal if $\alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^\ddagger$. Again, we can apply Buchstab's identity in reverse to gain some savings by making almost-primes visible.

Similar to the decomposition procedure (15), we have the following expression after the decomposition of T_{03} :

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{03} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
&- \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
&\quad \alpha_5 \in G_5 \\
&- \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
&\quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
&+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
&\quad \text{if } \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
&\quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
&\quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\
&\quad \alpha_6 \in G_6
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\
& \quad \alpha_6 \notin G_6 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \in G_6 \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6 \\
& = T_{031} + S_{11} - S_{12} - S_{13} + S_{14} + T_{032} + S_{15} - S_{16} - S_{17} + S_{18} + T_{033}, \tag{21}
\end{aligned}$$

where $\gamma \sim x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5}$, $(\gamma, P(p_5)) = 1$ and

$$\alpha_6^\dagger = (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6).$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for $S_{11}-S_{14}$, S_{16} and S_{18} . For S_{15} we note that $\alpha_4 \in D^\dagger$ yields an asymptotic formula. For S_{17} , the variables $(\gamma, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5)$ correspond to the variables $(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5)$. Combining the first and the last variables, we obtain a new set of variables $(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$. Now by the condition $(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4) \in D^\dagger$, we know that S_{17} also has an asymptotic formula. For T_{031} we can use Buchstab's

identity in reverse to subtract the sum

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \notin D^\dagger \\ \alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4) \\ \alpha_5 \in G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \quad (22)$$

from the loss, and for T_{032} we can perform a straightforward decomposition if $\alpha_6 \in D^{**}$, leading to an eight-dimensional sum

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \in D^* \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha_6 \notin G_6, \alpha_6 \in D^{**} \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5-\alpha_6)) \\ \alpha_7 \notin G_7 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_8 < \min(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5-\alpha_6-\alpha_7)) \\ \alpha_8 \notin G_8}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7 p_8}, p_8) \quad (23)$$

Note that in T_{033} we counts numbers of the form $\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 \gamma_1$ with two almost-prime variables γ and $\gamma_1 \sim x^{\alpha_1-\alpha_6}$, hence we can perform a straightforward decomposition if either $\alpha_6^\dagger \in D^{**}$ or $\alpha_6^{\dagger'} \in D^{**}$, where

$$\alpha_6^\dagger = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_6, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_6, \alpha_5).$$

That is, we write

$$\begin{aligned} T_{033} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3 \\ \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m,n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m,n,h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \in D^{**}}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}, \alpha_6^{\dagger'} \in D^{**} \\
& = T_{0331} + T_{0332} + T_{0333}. \tag{24}
\end{aligned}$$

We discard the whole of T_{0331} . For T_{0332} we perform a straightforward decomposition to reach an eight-dimensional sum

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7 p_8}, p_8), \tag{25} \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \in D^{**} \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_6)) \\
& \quad \alpha_7^\dagger \notin G_7 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_8 < \min(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_6-\alpha_7)) \\
& \quad \alpha_8^\dagger \notin G_8
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\alpha_7^\dagger = (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7)$$

and

$$\alpha_8^\dagger = (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7, \alpha_8).$$

For T_{0333} we reverse the roles of γ and γ_1 to get

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{0333} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}, \alpha_6^{\dagger'} \in D^{**} \\
& = \sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin \tilde{G}_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_5), \tag{26} \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in D_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\
& \quad \alpha_4 \notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\
& \quad \alpha_5 \notin G_5 \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\
& \quad \alpha_6^\dagger \notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}, \alpha_6^{\dagger'} \in D^{**}
\end{aligned}$$

where we can perform a straightforward decomposition on the sum on the right hand side to reach an eight-dimensional sum

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\gamma_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7 p_8}, p_8), \quad (27)$$

α_3 can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in D_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 &\notin G_4, \alpha_4 \notin D^*, \alpha_4 \in D^\dagger \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 &\notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_6^\dagger &\notin G_6, \alpha_6^\dagger \notin D^{**}, \alpha_6^\dagger \in D^{***} \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha_7^\dagger &\notin G_7 \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_8 < \min(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5-\alpha_7)) \\ \alpha_8^\dagger &\notin G_8 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_7^{\dagger'} = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_6, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_8^{\dagger'} = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_6, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7, \alpha_8).$$

We can also use Buchstab's identity in reverse on those sums, but the corresponding savings are quite small.

For T_{04} we can also use the devices mentioned earlier to take into account the savings over this sum. Note that there are two almost-prime variables counted by this sum, so the use of straightforward decompositions is just like the case in T_{033} . The sum T_{04} counts numbers of the form $\beta p_2 p_3 p_4 \beta_1$, where $\beta \sim x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3}$, $(\beta, P(p_3)) = 1$, $\beta_1 \sim x^{\alpha_1-\alpha_4}$ and $(\beta_1, P(p_4)) = 1$. Here we can decompose either β or β_1 , leading to the six-dimensional sums

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6) \quad (28)$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in D_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha'_4 &\notin G_4, \alpha'_4 \notin D^* \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha'_5 &\notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha'_6 &\notin G_6 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin G_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\beta_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6}, p_6), \quad (29)$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in D_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in D_1 \cup D_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha'_4 &\notin G_4, \alpha'_4 \notin D^*, \alpha''_4 \in D^* \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha'_5 &\notin G_5 \\ \nu_0 &\leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha''_6 &\notin G_6 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\alpha}'_5 &= (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5), \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}'_6 &= (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6), \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}''_4 &= (\alpha_1 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_3), \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}''_5 &= (\alpha_1 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}''_6 = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6).$$

On the remaining of T_{04} (with $\boldsymbol{\alpha}'_4 \notin D^*$ and $\boldsymbol{\alpha}''_4 \notin D^*$) we can use Buchstab's identity in reverse to make savings, and the use of reversed Buchstab's identity over this sum can be seen as the following: the remaining sum counts numbers of the form $\beta p_2 p_3 p_4 \beta_1$, hence we can decompose either β or β_1 , leading to the savings of numbers of the forms

$$\beta p_2 p_3 p_4 (p_5 \beta_2) \quad \text{where } \beta_2 \sim x^{\alpha_1-\alpha_4-\alpha_5}, (\beta_2, P(p_5)) = 1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}'_5 \in G_5$$

and

$$(\beta_3 p_5) p_2 p_3 p_4 \beta_1 \quad \text{where } \beta_3 \sim x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_5}, (\beta_3, P(p_5)) = 1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}''_5 \in G_5.$$

Here, the numbers of the form

$$(\beta_3 p_5) p_2 p_3 p_4 (p_5 \beta_2) \quad \text{where } \boldsymbol{\alpha}'_5 \in G_5 \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\alpha}'''_5 := (\alpha_1 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_6) \in G_5$$

are counted twice, hence we need to subtract them from the savings. For simplicity we omit the sieve iteration process of this sum. One can see the second part of the estimation of Φ_7 in [33] to understand this decomposing procedure.

Altogether we get a loss from \sum_C of

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{C01}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C02}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C03}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C04}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_6}{t_6}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C05}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7-t_8}{t_8}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C06}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_6-t_7-t_8}{t_8}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C07}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_6}{t_6}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_7-t_8}{t_8}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6^2 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{C08}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C09}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C10}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C11}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C12}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C13}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{C01}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C02}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C03}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C04}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_6}{t_6}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C05}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_8}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7-t_8}, 0.5672\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C06}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_8}{t_1-t_6-t_7-t_8}, 0.5672\right) \max\left(\frac{t_5}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}, 0.5672\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_8 \in U_{C07}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_6}{t_1-t_6}, 0.5672\right) \max\left(\frac{t_8}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_7-t_8}, 0.5672\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6^2 t_7 t_8^2} dt_8 dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_4 \in U_{C08}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C09}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_5 \in U_{C10}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C11}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C12}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_4-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_2 t_3^2 t_4 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_6 \in U_{C13}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_4}{t_4}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_5-t_6}{t_6}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5 t_6^2} dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq 0.21 - 0 + 0.015 + 0.05 + 0.001 + 0.001 + 0.001 + 0.22 - (0 + 0 - 0) + 0.015 + 0.001 \\
& = 0.514,
\end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
U_{C01}(\alpha_4) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right. \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)\right), \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^\dagger, \\
&\quad \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}, \\
U_{C02}(\alpha_5) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right. \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)\right), \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^\dagger, \\
&\quad \alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4), \alpha_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5, \\
&\quad \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}, \\
U_{C03}(\alpha_6) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right. \\
&\quad \alpha_3 \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2, \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)\right), \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*, \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)\right), \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \\
&\quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)\right), \alpha_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \alpha_6 \notin \mathbf{D}^{**}, \\
&\quad \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}, \\
U_{C04}(\alpha_6) &:= \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.
\end{aligned}$$

α_3 can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^\ddagger,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{D}^{**}, \quad \alpha_6^{\ddagger\prime} \notin \mathbf{D}^{**},$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)\Big\},$$

$$U_{C05}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_8) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5)\right), \quad \alpha_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \quad \alpha_6 \in \mathbf{D}^{**},$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min\left(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5 - \alpha_6)\right), \quad \alpha_7 \notin \mathbf{G}_7,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_8 < \min\left(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5 - \alpha_6 - \alpha_7)\right), \quad \alpha_8 \notin \mathbf{G}_8,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)\Big\},$$

$$U_{C06}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_8) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^\ddagger,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \in \mathbf{D}^{**},$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min\left(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_6)\right), \quad \alpha_7^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{G}_7,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_8 < \min\left(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_6 - \alpha_7)\right), \quad \alpha_8^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{G}_8,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)\Big\},$$

$$U_{C07}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_8) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 can be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{D}^\ddagger,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \quad \alpha_6^\ddagger \notin \mathbf{D}^{**}, \quad \alpha_6^{\ddagger\prime} \in \mathbf{D}^{**},$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5)\right), \quad \alpha_7^{\ddagger\prime} \notin \mathbf{G}_7,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_8 < \min\left(\alpha_7, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5 - \alpha_7)\right), \quad \alpha_8^{\ddagger\prime} \notin \mathbf{G}_8,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)\Big\},$$

$$U_{C08}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_4) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha''_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right),$$

$$U_{C09}(\alpha_5) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha''_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_4), \quad \alpha'_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)$$

$$U_{C10}(\alpha_5) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha''_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\alpha_3 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3), \quad \alpha''_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)$$

$$U_{C11}(\alpha_6) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha''_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\alpha_4 < \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_4), \quad \alpha'_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\alpha_3 < \alpha_6 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3), \quad \alpha'''_5 \in \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)$$

$$U_{C12}(\alpha_6) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \alpha'_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5)\right), \quad \alpha'_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)$$

$$U_{C13}(\alpha_6) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \alpha_2 \notin \mathbf{G}_2, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \right.$$

α_3 cannot be partitioned into $(m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0$ or $(m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2$,

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \quad \alpha'_4 \notin \mathbf{D}^*, \quad \alpha''_4 \in \mathbf{D}^*,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \alpha''_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min\left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_5)\right), \quad \alpha''_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right)$$

One can also see the integrals corresponding to U_{C08} – U_{C11} as an simple, explicit expression of the function $w^*(\alpha_4)$ defined in [20], Chapter 7.9]. We remark that a small part of C is actually covered by \mathbf{G}_2 . If we discard the whole of \sum_C , we would have a loss larger than 1 which leads to a trivial lower bound.

Finally, by (11), (12) and (30), the total loss from \sum_3 is less than

$$2 \times 0.241 + 0.514 < 0.996$$

and we conclude that

$$\pi(x) - \pi(x - x^{0.52}) = S(\mathcal{A}, x^{\frac{1}{2}}) \geq 0.004 \frac{x^{0.52}}{\log x}.$$

The lower constant 0.004 can be slightly improved by more careful decompositions and accurate calculations. The lower bounds for other values of θ between 0.52 and 0.525 can be proved in the same way, so we omit the calculation details. One can check our code for them to verify the numerical calculations.

6. THE FINAL DECOMPOSITION II: UPPER BOUND

In this section, we ignore the presence of ε for clarity. Let $\omega(u)$, $\omega_0(u)$ and $\omega_1(u)$ denote the same functions as in Section 5. We still use the idea of decomposing $S(\mathcal{A}, z)$ explained in Section 2 with (6)–(8) to prove our upper bound results. We note that for the upper bound problem, we can only drop negative parts. Fix $\theta = 0.52$, $\nu_0 = \nu_{\min} = 2\theta - 1 = 0.04$ and let $p_j = x^{\alpha_j}$. By Buchstab's identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(\mathcal{A}, x^{\frac{1}{2}}) &= S(\mathcal{A}, x^{\nu(0)}) - \sum_{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) \\ &= \sum_1' - \sum_2'. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for \sum_1' . For \sum_2' , We need to split the whole summation range over p_1 into different ranges and consider further decompositions in each range because we can only drop negative parts on the upper bound problem. The sets \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{D} with same superscripts and subscripts as in Section 5 represent the same asymptotic regions. We shall define some new sets and subsets using Lemma 3.3 and partition technique. Put

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}_3 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \alpha_2 \leq \alpha_1, 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 < 1, \alpha_2 < \frac{7}{2}\theta - \frac{3}{2} \right\}, \\ \mathbf{D}^+ &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4) \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}'_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}'_1 \cup \mathbf{D}'_2 \right\}, \\ \mathbf{D}^{++} &= \left\{ \alpha_5 : (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6) \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}'_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}'_1 \cup \mathbf{D}'_2 \right\}, \\ \mathbf{D}^\# &= \left\{ \alpha_3 : \text{both } \alpha_3 \text{ and } (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) \text{ can be partitioned into } (m, n) \in \mathbf{D}_0 \text{ or } (m, n, h) \in \mathbf{D}_1 \cup \mathbf{D}_2 \right\}, \\ H &= \left\{ \alpha_1 : \frac{7}{2}\theta - \frac{3}{2} \leq \alpha_1 \leq 4 - 7\theta \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where \mathbf{D}_3 correspond to conditions on variables that allow a further decomposition, \mathbf{D}^+ and \mathbf{D}^{++} allow two and three further decompositions respectively, and $\mathbf{D}^\#$ allows two further decompositions with a role-reversal. In the sum corresponding to region H , we need to discard the whole of it because we cannot use Lemmas 3.1–3.3 to give an asymptotic formula for the two-dimensional sum with $\alpha_2 \geq \frac{7}{2}\theta - \frac{3}{2}$ after a Buchstab iteration. We remark that H is empty when $\theta > \frac{11}{21} \approx 0.5238$.

Next, we shall define some subregions of A and B defined in Section 5. The plot of these regions can also be found in Appendix 1.

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \alpha_2 \in A, \alpha_2 < \min\left(\frac{3\theta - 1}{2}, \frac{1 + \theta}{5}\right) \right\}; \\ A_2 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \alpha_2 \in A, \alpha_2 \geq \min\left(\frac{3\theta - 1}{2}, \frac{1 + \theta}{5}\right) \right\}; \\ B_1 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \alpha_2 \in B, \alpha_2 < \min\left(\frac{3\theta - 1}{2}, \frac{1 + \theta}{5}\right) \right\}; \\ B_2 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : \alpha_2 \in B, \alpha_2 \geq \min\left(\frac{3\theta - 1}{2}, \frac{1 + \theta}{5}\right) \right\}; \\ A'_1 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2) \in B_1, (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \notin H \right\}; \\ A'_2 &= \left\{ \alpha_2 : (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2, \alpha_2) \in B_2, (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \notin H \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by Buchstab's identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_2' &= - \sum_{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) = - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \in H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \notin H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) \\ &= - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \in H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \notin H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, x^{\nu(\alpha_1)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \notin H \\ \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\
& = - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \in H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, p_1) - \sum_{\substack{\nu(0) \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2} \\ \alpha_1 \notin H}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1}, x^{\nu(\alpha_1)}) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_1}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in B_1}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in B_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in C}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\
& = - \sum'_{H} - \sum'_{3} + \sum'_{A_1} + \sum'_{A_2} + \sum'_{B_1} + \sum'_{B_2} + \sum'_{C}. \tag{32}
\end{aligned}$$

By a similar discussion as in Section 5, we know that

$$\sum'_{B_1} = \sum'_{A'_1} := \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'_1} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \tag{33}$$

and

$$\sum'_{B_2} = \sum'_{A'_2} := \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A'_2} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2), \tag{34}$$

hence

$$- \sum'_{2} = - \sum'_{H} - \sum'_{3} + \sum'_{A_1} + \sum'_{A_2} + \sum'_{A'_1} + \sum'_{A'_2} + \sum'_{C}. \tag{35}$$

We have an asymptotic formula for \sum'_3 . For \sum'_H which cannot be decomposed anymore, we discard the whole of the sum leading to a loss of

$$\int_{\frac{7}{2}\theta - \frac{3}{2}}^{4-7\theta} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1}{t_1}\right)}{t_1^2} dt_1 < 0.183. \tag{36}$$

For \sum'_{A_1} we can use Buchstab's identity to reach

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum'_{A_1} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_1}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_1}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3). \tag{37}
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.1, we can give an asymptotic formula for the first sum on the right-hand side. For the second sum, we can perform a straightforward decomposition if we have $\alpha_3 \in D^+$, and we can perform a role-reversal if we have $\alpha_3 \in D^\#$. We can also use Buchstab's identity in reverse to gain some four-dimensional savings. Altogether, we have the following expression after this decomposition procedure:

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\
& = - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\
& \quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\
& = - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, x^{\nu_0}) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \in G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
& + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \in G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
& - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
& = -S'_{01} - T'_{01} - S'_{02} + S'_{03} + S'_{04} - S'_{05} - T'_{02}. \tag{38}
\end{aligned}$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for S'_{01} – S'_{05} , and we can subtract the contribution of the sum

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \alpha_3 < \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3) \\ \alpha_4 \in G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \tag{39}$$

from the loss from T'_{01} by using Buchstab's identity in reverse.

To sum up, the loss from \sum'_{A_1} can be bounded by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{A1}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{A2}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{A3}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq \left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{A1}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{A2}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{A3}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq (0.19 - 0.005 + 0.07) < 0.255, \tag{40}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{A1}(\alpha_3) &:= \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}, \\
V_{A2}(\alpha_4) &:= \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_1, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \alpha_3 < \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_4 \in \mathbf{G}_4, \\
& \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \Big\}, \\
V_{A3}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_5) := & \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \notin H, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \in A_1, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \\ & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \in \mathbf{D}^+, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \Big\}. \end{aligned} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

By the essentially identical decomposing process, the loss from $\sum'_{A'_1}$ is less than

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{A4}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{A5}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{A6}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq \left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{A4}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{A5}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{A6}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq (0.32 - 0.01 + 0.07) < 0.38,
\end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{A4}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_3) := & \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \in A'_1, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \\ & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \Big\}, \end{aligned} \right. \\
V_{A5}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_4) := & \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \in A'_1, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \\ & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \\ & \alpha_3 < \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_4 \in \mathbf{G}_4, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \Big\}, \end{aligned} \right. \\
V_{A6}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_5) := & \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \in A'_1, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \\ & \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 \in \mathbf{D}^+, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min\left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)\right), \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \\ & \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \Big\}. \end{aligned} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

For \sum'_{A_2} , we apply Buchstab's identity as in (37) to get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum'_{A_2} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in A_2}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_2 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3). \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Although Lemma 3.1 is not applicable in this case, we can use Lemma 3.3 to give an asymptotic formula for the first sum on the right-hand side. For the second sum, we cannot perform any further decompositions because we cannot give asymptotic formula for the four-dimensional sum after applying Buchstab's identity twice. Thus, the loss from \sum'_{A_2} is just

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{t_3 \in V_{A7}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \\ &\leq \int_{t_3 \in V_{A7}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 < 0.12, \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

where

$$V_{A7}(\alpha_3) := \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in A_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \right. \\ \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}.$$

Similarly, the loss from $\sum'_{A'_2}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{t_3 \in V_{A8}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \\ &\leq \int_{t_3 \in V_{A8}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 < 0.22, \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

where

$$V_{A8}(\alpha_3) := \left\{ \alpha_2 \in A'_2, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)\right), \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \right. \\ \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1)\right) \right\}.$$

For the remaining \sum'_{C} , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum'_{C} &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in C}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, p_2) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H \\ \alpha_2 \in C}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2}, x^{\nu_0}) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

We can give an asymptotic formula for the first sum on the right-hand side. For the second sum, we need to consider role-reversals because we may have a large α_1 in this case. We can perform a straightforward decomposition if we have $\alpha_3 \in D^+$, and we can perform a role-reversal if we have $\alpha_3 \in D^\#$. Using Buchstab's identity, we write

$$\begin{aligned} &- \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2))}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &= - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\#}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\ &- \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\#}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \in G_3}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \notin D^\#}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, p_3) \\
&\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, x^{\nu_0}) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \in G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \\
&\quad + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
&\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) + \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta p_2 p_3 p_4}, x^{\nu_0}) \\
&\quad - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) - \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \\
&= -S'_{06} - T'_{03} - S'_{07} + S'_{08} + S'_{09} - S'_{10} - T'_{04} - S'_{11} + S'_{12} + S'_{13} - S'_{14} - T'_{05}, \tag{46}
\end{aligned}$$

where $\eta \sim x^{1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4}$, $(\eta, P(p_4)) = 1$ and

$$\alpha_5^\# = (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5).$$

We can give asymptotic formulas for $S'_{06}-S'_{14}$. For T'_{03} we can use Buchstab's identity in reverse to subtract the contribution of the sum

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+ \\ \alpha_3 < \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3) \\ \alpha_4 \in G_4}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}, p_4) \tag{47}$$

from the loss. For the remaining

$$T'_{04} = \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5) \tag{48}$$

and

$$T'_{05} = \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_5^\# \notin G_5}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5}, p_5), \quad (49)$$

we can perform a further straightforward decomposition on T'_{04} if $\alpha_5 \in D^{++}$, and on T'_{05} if either $\alpha_5^\# \in D^{++}$ or $(\alpha_1 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_5, \alpha_4) \in D^{++}$. Note that for T_{032} and T_{033} in Section 5 we use similar discussion. This leads to the loss of three seven-dimensional sums

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \in D^+ \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_5 \notin G_5, \alpha_5 \in D^{++} \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha_6 \notin G_6 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_5-\alpha_6)) \\ \alpha_7 \notin G_7}} S(\mathcal{A}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7}, p_7), \quad (50)$$

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_5^\# \notin G_5, \alpha_5^\# \in D^{++} \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_5)) \\ \alpha_6^\# \notin G_6 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1-\alpha_5-\alpha_6)) \\ \alpha_7^\# \notin G_7}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7}, p_7), \quad (51)$$

and

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2)) \\ \alpha_3 \notin G_3, \alpha_3 \notin D^+, \alpha_3 \in D^\# \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)) \\ \alpha_4 \notin G_4 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_5^\# \notin G_5, \alpha_5^\# \notin D^{++}, \alpha_5^\# \in D^{++} \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4)) \\ \alpha_6^\# \notin G_6 \\ \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3-\alpha_4-\alpha_6)) \\ \alpha_7^\# \notin G_7}} S(\mathcal{A}_{\eta_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 p_5 p_6 p_7}, p_7), \quad (52)$$

where $\eta_1 \sim x^{\alpha_1 - \alpha_5}$, $(\eta_1, P(p_5)) = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_6^\# &= (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6), \\ \alpha_7^\# &= (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7), \\ \alpha_5^{\#\prime} &= (\alpha_1 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_5, \alpha_4), \\ \alpha_6^{\#\prime} &= (\alpha_1 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\alpha_7^{\#\prime} = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_5, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7).$$

Again, the loss from \sum'_C is no more than

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{C1}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\ &- \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{C2}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{C3}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{C4}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C5}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7}{t_7}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C6}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_5-t_6-t_7}{t_7}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C7}} \frac{\omega\left(\frac{t_1-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_6-t_7}{t_7}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq \left(\int_{t_3 \in V_{C1}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3}{t_3}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3^2} dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& - \left(\int_{t_4 \in V_{C2}} \frac{\omega_0\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4^2} dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{C3}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5}{t_5}\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_5 \in V_{C4}} \frac{\omega_1\left(\frac{t_1-t_5}{t_5}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}{t_4}\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5^2} dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C5}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_7}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7}, 0.5672\right)}{t_1 t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C6}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_7}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7}, 0.5672\right) \max\left(\frac{t_4}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4}, 0.5672\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4^2 t_5 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& + \left(\int_{t_7 \in V_{C7}} \frac{\max\left(\frac{t_5}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_5-t_6-t_7}, 0.5672\right) \max\left(\frac{t_7}{1-t_1-t_2-t_3-t_4-t_6-t_7}, 0.5672\right)}{t_2 t_3 t_4 t_5^2 t_6 t_7^2} dt_7 dt_6 dt_5 dt_4 dt_3 dt_2 dt_1 \right) \\
& \leq (0.31 - 0 + 0.13 + 0.25 + 0.02 + 0.005 + 0.001) < 0.716,
\end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

where

$$V_{C1}(\alpha_3) := \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \right.$$

$$\alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^\#,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \right\},$$

$$V_{C2}(\alpha_4) := \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \right.$$

$$\alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^\#,$$

$$\alpha_3 < \alpha_4 < \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3), \alpha_4 \in \mathbf{G}_4,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1)\right) \right\},$$

$$V_{C3}(\alpha_5) := \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \alpha_2 \in C, \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min\left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\right), \right.$$

$$\alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{D}^+,$$

$$\nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min\left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\right), \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min \left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4) \right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{D}^{++}, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min \left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right) \Big\}, \\
V_{C4}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_5) := & \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \quad \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min \left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \right), \right. \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \quad \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{D}^\#, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min \left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_5^\# \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \quad \alpha_5^\# \notin \mathbf{D}^{++}, \quad \alpha_5^{\#\prime} \notin \mathbf{D}^{++} \\
& \quad \left. \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min \left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right) \right\}, \\
V_{C5}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_7) := & \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \quad \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min \left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \right), \right. \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{D}^+, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min \left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \min \left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4) \right), \quad \alpha_5 \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \quad \alpha_5 \in \mathbf{D}^{++}, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min \left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5) \right), \quad \alpha_6 \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min \left(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_5 - \alpha_6) \right), \quad \alpha_7 \notin \mathbf{G}_7, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min \left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right) \Big\}, \\
V_{C6}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_7) := & \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \quad \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min \left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \right), \right. \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \quad \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{D}^\#, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min \left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_5^\# \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \quad \alpha_5^\# \in \mathbf{D}^{++} \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min \left(\alpha_5, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_5) \right), \quad \alpha_6^\# \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min \left(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1 - \alpha_5 - \alpha_6) \right), \quad \alpha_7^\# \notin \mathbf{G}_7, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min \left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right) \Big\}, \\
V_{C7}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_7) := & \left\{ \alpha_1 \notin H, \quad \alpha_2 \in C, \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_3 < \min \left(\alpha_2, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \right), \right. \\
& \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{G}_3, \quad \alpha_3 \notin \mathbf{D}^+, \quad \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{D}^\#, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_4 < \min \left(\alpha_3, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \right), \quad \alpha_4 \notin \mathbf{G}_4, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_5 < \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1, \quad \alpha_5^\# \notin \mathbf{G}_5, \quad \alpha_5^\# \notin \mathbf{D}^{++}, \quad \alpha_5^{\#\prime} \in \mathbf{D}^{++} \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_6 < \min \left(\alpha_4, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4) \right), \quad \alpha_6^{\#\prime} \notin \mathbf{G}_6, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_7 < \min \left(\alpha_6, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 - \alpha_6) \right), \quad \alpha_7^{\#\prime} \notin \mathbf{G}_7, \\
& \quad \nu_0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \nu(\alpha_1) \leq \alpha_2 < \min \left(\alpha_1, \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_1) \right) \Big\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, by (35), (36), (40), (41), (43), (44) and (53), the total loss from \sum'_2 is less than

$$0.183 + 0.255 + 0.38 + 0.12 + 0.22 + 0.716 < 1.874$$

and we conclude that

$$\pi(x) - \pi(x - x^{0.52}) = S(\mathcal{A}, x^{\frac{1}{2}}) \leq 2.874 \frac{x^{0.52}}{\log x}.$$

The upper constant 2.874 can be slightly improved by more careful decompositions and accurate calculations. We remark that we can also use Lemma 3.3 together with a variant of [[5], Lemma 17] on the lower bound problem, but the new four-dimensional loss after using them on \sum_A exceeds the original two-dimensional loss when $\theta = 0.52$. Our upper bound result is weaker than Iwaniec's upper constant $\frac{4}{1+\theta} \approx 2.6316$ when $\theta = 0.52$, but our sieve approach gives better results for slightly longer intervals (of length $x^{0.522}$, $x^{0.523}$ and so on, see the values in following table). In fact, the upper constant rises rapidly as θ increases. The upper bounds for other values of θ between 0.52 and 0.525 can be proved in the same way, so we omit the calculation details. One can check our code for them to verify the numerical calculations.

θ	New UB(θ)	Iwaniec's UB(θ)
0.520	< 2.874	$\frac{4}{1+0.52} < 2.6316$
0.521	< 2.700	$\frac{4}{1+0.521} < 2.6299$
0.522	< 2.583	$\frac{4}{1+0.522} < 2.6282$
0.523	< 2.536	$\frac{4}{1+0.523} < 2.6264$
0.524	< 2.437	$\frac{4}{1+0.524} < 2.6247$
0.525	< 2.347	$\frac{4}{1+0.525} < 2.6230$

7. APPLICATIONS

Clearly our Theorem 1 has many interesting applications (just like the previous BHP's result), and we state some of them in this section. Note that we ignore the presence of ε because we can use the same method to prove Theorem 1 with a slightly smaller θ , such as $0.52 - 10^{-100}$. The first application is about primes in arithmetic progressions in short intervals, which improves upon the result of Harman [20], Theorem 10.8].

Theorem 3. *For all $q \leq (\log x)^K$ and any a coprime to q , we have*

$$\pi(x; q, a) - \pi(x - x^{0.52}; q, a) \geq 0.004 \frac{x^{0.52}}{\varphi(q) \log x}.$$

Another application is about bounded gaps between primes in short intervals, which improves the result of Alweiss and Luo [1], Corollary 1.2].

Theorem 4. *There exist positive integers k, d such that the interval $[x - x^{0.52}, x]$ contains $\gg x^{0.52}(\log x)^{-k}$ pairs of consecutive primes differing by at most d .*

The third application is about primes with prime subscripts (or prime-primes) in short intervals. By using the numerical bound in Theorem 2, we can derive the following theorem.

Theorem 5. *We have*

$$\pi(\pi(x)) - \pi(\pi(x - x^{0.52})) \geq 0.004 \frac{x^{0.52}}{(\log x)^2}.$$

The bound for the number of prime-primes in interval of length $x^{0.525}$ was obtained by Broughan and Barnett [8], where they also proved the analogs of Prime Number Theorem and weak Dirichlet's Theorem for prime-primes.

The next two applications focus on Goldbach numbers (sum of two primes) in short intervals. By replacing [[20], Theorem 10.8] by our Theorem 3 in the proof of the main theorem in [14], we can easily deduce the following result.

Theorem 6. *Almost all even numbers in the interval $[x, x + x^{\frac{13}{225}}]$ are Goldbach numbers.*

By combining our Theorem 1 with the main theorem proved in [35], we can easily show the following result.

Theorem 7. *The interval $[x, x + x^{\frac{26}{1075}}]$ contains Goldbach numbers.*

Note that $\frac{13}{225} \approx 0.0578$ and $\frac{26}{1075} \approx 0.0242$. Previous exponents $\frac{7}{120} \approx 0.0583$ [[14], Theorem 1.1] and $\frac{21}{860} \approx 0.0244$ [[35], Theorem 8.1] come from BHP's 0.525. We remark that if we focus on Maillet numbers (difference of two primes) instead of Goldbach numbers in short intervals, Pintz [47] improved the exponent in Theorem 7 to any $\varepsilon > 0$.

The next four applications of Theorem 1 are not direct corollaries of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2. However, since the arithmetic information inputs are quite similar, we can easily get these results with a slight modification of our calculation. We remark that we can only get an exponent 0.5248 in these applications since the corresponding arithmetic information is weaker than that in Section 3 and 4. The first one is about the distribution of prime ideals of imaginary quadratic fields.

Theorem 8. *Let $d < 0$ be the discriminant of an imaginary quadratic field $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$, and let $Q(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}[x, y]$ be a positive definite quadratic form with discriminant d . Then, for every pair $(s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, there is another pair $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ for which $Q(m, n)$ is prime and*

$$Q(s - m, t - n) \ll Q(s, t)^{0.5248} + 1.$$

Specially, For every $z \in \mathbb{C}$, one can find a Gaussian prime $\mathfrak{p} \neq z$ satisfying

$$|z - \mathfrak{p}| \ll |z|^{0.5248} + 1.$$

Theorem 8 improves previous results of Lewis [34] and Harman, Kumchev and Lewis [22], who got exponents 0.528 and 0.53 respectively.

The second one focuses on primes in arithmetic progressions valid except for a small set of exceptional moduli.

Theorem 9. *There exists a $C > 0$ such that if q is large, all prime factors of q is less than q^C , and we have*

$$L(s, \chi) \neq 0 \text{ for } \operatorname{Res} > 1 - \frac{1}{(\log q)^{\frac{3}{4}}}, \quad |t| \leq \exp\left(\varepsilon(\log q)^{\frac{3}{4}}\right)$$

for every $d \mid q$ with χ a primitive character mod d , then for any a coprime to q , we have

$$\pi(x; q, a) \gg \frac{x}{\varphi(q) \log x}$$

whenever $q < x^{0.4752}$.

The third one is a corollary of Theorem 9, which concerns the number of Carmichael numbers less than x . By combining our exponent 0.5248 with [36], Theorem 1.1], we know that

Theorem 10. *Let $\operatorname{Carm}(x)$ denote the number of Carmichael numbers less than x . Then we have*

$$\operatorname{Carm}(x) > x^{(1-0.2844)(1-0.5248)} > x^{0.34}.$$

Theorem 10 improves previous results of Lichtman [36] and Harman [21] [19], who got exponents 0.3389, $\frac{1}{3}$ and 0.33 respectively.

The fourth one is another corollary of Theorem 9, which focuses on Linnik's constant for prime power moduli with a fixed prime and improves the result of Banks and Shparlinski [7].

Theorem 11. *For any $q = p^R$ with a large integer R and any a coprime to p , we have*

$$\sum_{\substack{n \leq x \\ n \equiv a \pmod{q}}} \Lambda(n) \gg \frac{x}{\varphi(q)}$$

for any $x > q^{\frac{1}{0.4752}}$. Specially, we can bound Linnik's constant by $\frac{1}{0.4752} < 2.1044$ if q is a power of a fixed prime.

The tenth application of Theorem 1 concerns the work of Erdős and Rényi [12] on Turán's problem 10. By applying the methods in [2] together with our Theorem 1, we can obtain the following upper bound of the power sum of complex z :

Theorem 12. *We have*

$$\inf_{|z_k| \geq 1} \max_{v=1, \dots, n^2} \left| \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} z_k^v \right| = \sqrt{n} + O(n^{0.26}).$$

Theorem 12 improves upon the result of Andersson [2], which has an error of $O(n^{0.2625})$.

Next application of Theorem 1 gives a better lower bound for the pairs of "symmetric primes", which was first considered by Tang and Wu [50]. By applying our Theorem 1 directly, we can get the following bound.

Theorem 13. *We have*

$$\sum_{\substack{p \leq x \\ \exists p' \text{ such that } [x/p'] = p}} 1 \gg \frac{x^{\frac{12}{37}}}{\log x}.$$

Note that $\frac{12}{37} = \frac{1-0.52}{2-0.52}$. Theorem 13 improves upon the result of Tang and Wu [50], which has a lower bound $x^{\frac{19}{59}} (\log x)^{-1}$ comes from BHP's 0.525.

The twelfth application of Theorem 1 focuses on the size of a Sidon set and the sum of elements in it. By applying Theorem 1 together with the methods in [11], we can get the following result.

Theorem 14. *Let S be a Sidon set in $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ with $|S| = S_n$, then we have*

$$S_n = n^{\frac{1}{2}} + O\left(n^{\frac{13}{50}}\right)$$

for positive integers n , and

$$\sum_{a \in S} a = \frac{1}{2} n^{\frac{3}{2}} + O\left(n^{\frac{69}{50}}\right).$$

The second part of Theorem 14 improves upon the result of Ding [[11], Corollary 1.3], where he proved an error of $O(n^{\frac{221}{160}})$. The first part of Theorem 14 is a direct corollary of Theorem 1. One can see [[11], Lemma 2.3] for a proof with $\theta = 0.525$.

The last application of Theorem 1 is Waring–Goldbach problem in short intervals, which improves the previous result of Wang [[52], Corollary 2]. Using our new Theorem 3 together with [[52], Theorem 1], we can get the following result.

Theorem 15. *Let $v = v(p, k)$ denote the integer such that $p^v \mid k$ but $p^{v+1} \nmid k$. Define*

$$y = y(p, k) = \begin{cases} v+2, & \text{if } p=2 \text{ and } v>0, \\ v+1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$R_k = \prod_{(p-1)|k} p^y.$$

Then, when $k \geq 2$, $\theta > 0.52$ and $s > \max\left(\frac{12500}{13}, k(k+1)\right)$, for all sufficiently large $n \equiv s \pmod{R_k}$, there are primes

$$p_1, \dots, p_s \in \left[\left(\frac{n}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{k}} - n^{\frac{\theta}{k}}, \left(\frac{n}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{k}} + n^{\frac{\theta}{k}} \right]$$

such that

$$n = p_1^k + \dots + p_s^k.$$

Note that $\frac{12500}{13} = \frac{2}{0.004 \times 0.52} \approx 961.5$.

APPENDIX 1: PLOT OF REGIONS

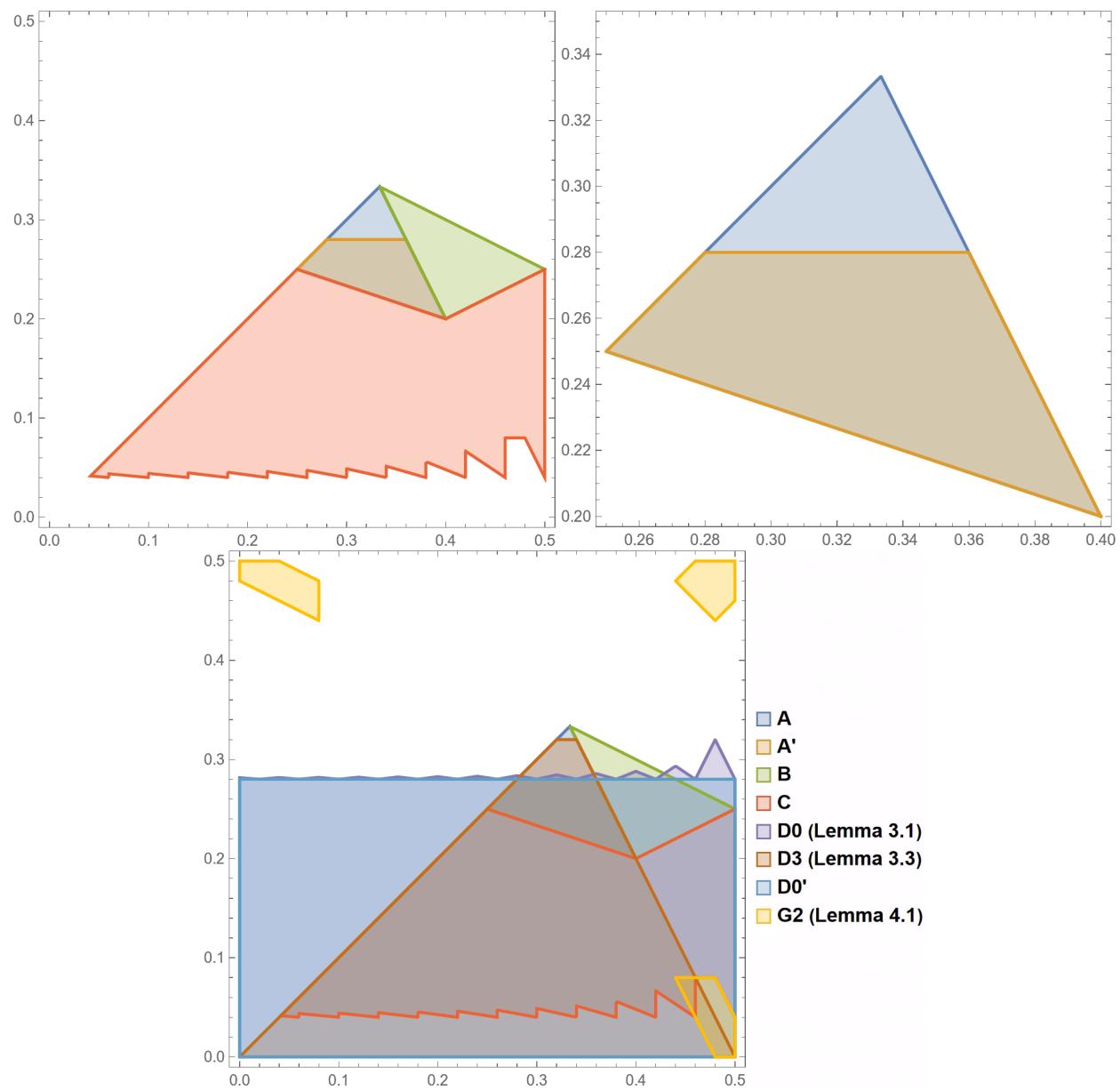


Figure 1: Plot for LB(0.52)

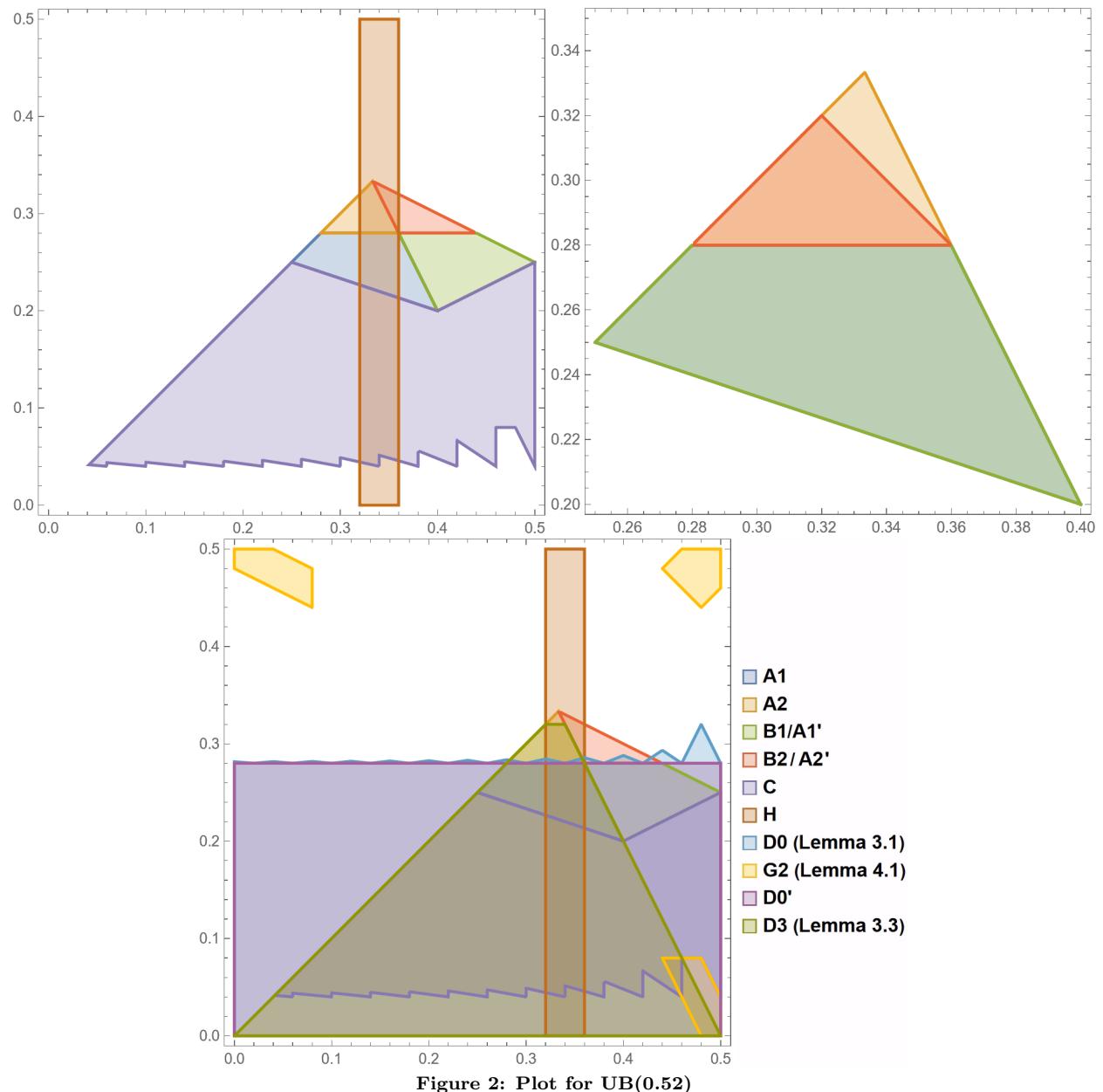


Figure 2: Plot for $UB(0.52)$

APPENDIX 2: VALUES OF INTEGRALS

θ	0.52	0.521	0.522	0.523	0.524	0.525
Loss from A	< 0.241	< 0.241	< 0.241	< 0.241	< 0.241	< 0.241
U_{C01}	< 0.21	< 0.19	< 0.17	< 0.155	< 0.135	< 0.12
U_{C02}	0	0	0	0	0	0
U_{C03}	< 0.015	< 0.01	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
U_{C04}	< 0.05	< 0.03	< 0.02	< 0.015	< 0.01	< 0.005
U_{C05}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
U_{C06}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
U_{C07}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
U_{C08}	< 0.22	< 0.2	< 0.18	< 0.165	< 0.15	< 0.13
U_{C09}	0	0	0	0	0	0
U_{C10}	0	0	0	0	0	0
U_{C11}	0	0	0	0	0	0
U_{C12}	< 0.015	< 0.01	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
U_{C13}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Loss from C	< 0.514	< 0.443	< 0.384	< 0.349	< 0.309	< 0.269
Total Loss	< 0.996	< 0.925	< 0.866	< 0.831	< 0.791	< 0.751
Lower Bound	> 0.004	> 0.075	> 0.134	> 0.169	> 0.209	> 0.249

Table 1: Values for LB(θ) (C++)

θ	0.52	0.521	0.522	0.523	0.524	0.525
Loss from H	< 0.183	< 0.134	< 0.086	< 0.039	0	0
V_{A1}	< 0.19	< 0.23	< 0.26	< 0.3	< 0.33	< 0.33
V_{A2}	> 0.005	> 0.01	> 0.01	> 0.015	> 0.03	> 0.035
V_{A3}	< 0.07	< 0.05	< 0.035	< 0.03	< 0.02	< 0.015
Loss from A_1	< 0.255	< 0.27	< 0.285	< 0.315	< 0.32	< 0.31
V_{A4}	< 0.32	< 0.32	< 0.32	< 0.33	< 0.33	< 0.33
V_{A5}	> 0.01	> 0.01	> 0.01	> 0.015	> 0.03	> 0.035
V_{A6}	< 0.07	< 0.05	< 0.035	< 0.03	< 0.02	< 0.015
Loss from A'_1	< 0.38	< 0.36	< 0.345	< 0.345	< 0.32	< 0.31
Loss from A_2	< 0.12	< 0.11	< 0.13	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.16
Loss from A'_2	< 0.22	< 0.2	< 0.19	< 0.18	< 0.17	< 0.16
V_{C1}	< 0.31	< 0.31	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.29
V_{C2}	0	0	0	0	0	0
V_{C3}	< 0.13	< 0.09	< 0.07	< 0.06	< 0.04	< 0.03
V_{C4}	< 0.25	< 0.21	< 0.17	< 0.15	< 0.11	< 0.08
V_{C5}	< 0.02	< 0.01	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
V_{C6}	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
V_{C7}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Loss from C	< 0.716	< 0.626	< 0.547	< 0.517	< 0.457	< 0.407
Total Loss	< 1.874	< 1.7	< 1.583	< 1.536	< 1.437	< 1.347
Upper Bound	< 2.874	< 2.7	< 2.583	< 2.536	< 2.437	< 2.347

Table 2: Values for UB(θ) (C++)

θ	0.52	0.521	0.522	0.523	0.524
Loss from A	< 0.240227	< 0.240227	< 0.240227	< 0.240227	< 0.240227
U_{C01}	< 0.197907	< 0.178493	< 0.158194	< 0.136616	< 0.119466
U_{C02}	> 0.001607	> 0.001789	> 0.001688	> 0.001790	> 0.001787
U_{C03}	< 0.020936	< 0.014611	< 0.010405	< 0.005868	< 0.003499
U_{C04}	< 0.065033	< 0.043988	< 0.037108	< 0.014831	< 0.007705
U_{C05}	< 0.000101	< 0.000043	< 0.000018	< 0.000006	< 0.000002
U_{C06}	< 0.000131	< 0.000106	< 0.000073	0	0
U_{C07}	0	0	0	0	0
U_{C08}	< 0.201090	< 0.181571	< 0.165022	< 0.143845	< 0.128240
U_{C09}	> 0.000693	> 0.001054	> 0.001193	> 0.001259	> 0.001338
U_{C10}	> 0.000222	> 0.000251	> 0.000286	> 0.000295	> 0.000293
U_{C11}	< 0.000048	< 0.000040	< 0.000029	< 0.000028	< 0.000265
U_{C12}	< 0.008809	< 0.005143	< 0.004523	< 0.001541	< 0.000727
U_{C13}	0	0	0	0	0
Loss from C	< 0.491533	< 0.420901	< 0.372205	< 0.299391	< 0.256486
Total Loss	< 0.971987	< 0.901355	< 0.852659	< 0.779845	< 0.736940
Lower Bound	> 0.028013	> 0.098645	> 0.147341	> 0.220155	> 0.263060

Table 3: Values for $\text{LB}(\theta)$ (Mathematica, Error Added)

θ	0.52	0.521	0.522	0.523	0.524
Loss from H	< 0.182012	< 0.133815	< 0.085930	< 0.038334	0
V_{A1}	< 0.179773	< 0.217159	< 0.254821	< 0.292355	< 0.323686
V_{A2}	> 0.004874	> 0.007200	> 0.010359	> 0.017561	> 0.023389
V_{A3}	< 0.043475	< 0.035114	< 0.027426	< 0.020820	< 0.015243
Loss from A_1	< 0.218374	< 0.245073	< 0.271888	< 0.295614	< 0.315540
V_{A4}	< 0.310609	< 0.313652	< 0.316896	< 0.320119	< 0.323686
V_{A5}	> 0.008299	> 0.010006	> 0.012635	> 0.019583	> 0.023389
V_{A6}	< 0.051108	< 0.038581	< 0.028772	< 0.021186	< 0.015243
Loss from A'_1	< 0.353418	< 0.342227	< 0.333033	< 0.321722	< 0.315540
Loss from A_2	< 0.102865	< 0.109021	< 0.122256	< 0.140969	< 0.155383
Loss from A'_2	< 0.201264	< 0.195899	< 0.187831	< 0.173941	< 0.155383
V_{C1}	< 0.261034	< 0.260555	< 0.257913	< 0.254700	< 0.249854
V_{C2}	> 0.000575	> 0.000787	> 0.000850	> 0.000815	> 0.000795
V_{C3}	< 0.128160	< 0.107541	< 0.092325	< 0.070907	< 0.055342
V_{C4}	< 0.307367	< 0.249849	< 0.210236	< 0.163109	< 0.128740
V_{C5}	< 0.004722	< 0.002606	< 0.001446	< 0.000670	< 0.000322
V_{C6}	< 0.003889	< 0.002529	< 0.000965	< 0.000461	< 0.000512
V_{C7}	< 0.000013	0	0	0	0
Loss from C	< 0.704610	< 0.622293	< 0.562035	< 0.489032	< 0.433975
Total Loss	< 1.762543	< 1.648328	< 1.562973	< 1.459612	< 1.375821
Upper Bound	< 2.762543	< 2.648328	< 2.562973	< 2.459612	< 2.375821

Table 4: Values for $\text{UB}(\theta)$ (Mathematica, Error Added)

$\theta = 0.52$	C++	C++ Bounds	Mathematica	Mathematica Error
Loss from A	--	< 0.241	< 0.240227	0
U_{C01}	< 0.205494	< 0.21	< 0.179029	± 0.018879
	< 0.204864			
	< 0.202968			
	< 0.202764			
	< 0.204471			
U_{C02}	--	0	> 0.002844	± 0.001237
U_{C03}	< 0.00867172	< 0.015	< 0.011131	± 0.009805
	< 0.00852254			
	< 0.00570209			
	< 0.00614043			
	< 0.00595708			
	< 0.00668194			
U_{C04}	< 0.0331034	< 0.05	< 0.043774	± 0.021259
	< 0.0250261			
	< 0.0281436			
	< 0.0307910			
	< 0.0257140			
	< 0.0255659			
	< 0.0297102			
	< 0.0262677			
	< 0.0313978			
	< 0.0312939			
U_{C05}	--	< 0.001	< 0.000087	± 0.000015
U_{C06}	--	< 0.001	< 0.000066	± 0.000065
U_{C07}	--	< 0.001	0	0
U_{C08}	< 0.206760	< 0.22	< 0.182786	± 0.018305
	< 0.207967			
	< 0.210592			
	< 0.212729			
	< 0.212458			
U_{C09}	--	0	> 0.002623	± 0.001930
U_{C10}	--	0	> 0.000844	± 0.000623
U_{C11}	$< U_{C09}$	0 $(U_{C09} + U_{C10} - U_{C11} > 0)$	< 0.000015	± 0.000033
	$< U_{C10}$			
U_{C12}	< 0.00567703	< 0.015	< 0.005207	± 0.003603
	< 0.00520828			
	< 0.00643319			
	< 0.00603185			
	< 0.00644211			
	< 0.00713637			
U_{C13}	0	< 0.001	0	0
Loss from C	--	< 0.514	< 0.491533	--
Total Loss	--	< 0.996	< 0.971987	--
Lower Bound	--	> 0.004	> 0.028013	--

Table 5: Values for LB(0.52) (Comparison)

$\text{LB}(\theta)$	Code
0.520	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pjf0hd https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p1on6y
0.521	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pju4ml https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p1t3hj
0.522	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pk3cy5 https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p1xmq7
0.523	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pmvmzo https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p4hlo1
0.524	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-48d2pum https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p4m3bt https://notebookarchive.org/2025-05-2swdynw
$\text{UB}(\theta)$	Code
0.520	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pj1qxi https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p1qy87
0.521	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pk0dpg https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p1va6j
0.522	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-3pmmkfV https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p4d187
0.523	https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-48cy9rw https://notebookarchive.org/2025-04-9p4jsrs
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