

# ON THE ORDER OF $\zeta(1/2+it)$

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**Introduction.** The problem of finding an upper bound for  $\theta$  such that

$$\zeta(1/2 + it) = O(t^\theta)$$

has been attacked by van der Corput and Koksma<sup>(2)</sup>, Walfisz<sup>(3)</sup>, Titchmarsh<sup>(4)</sup>, Phillips<sup>(5)</sup>, and Titchmarsh<sup>(6)</sup>. Their results obtained are, neglecting a factor involving  $\log t$ ,

$$\theta \leq \frac{1}{6}, \quad \frac{163}{988}, \quad \frac{27}{164}, \quad \frac{229}{1392}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{19}{116}$$

respectively. The object of the present paper is to prove that

$$\zeta(1/2 + it) = O(t^{15/92+\epsilon}) \quad (\epsilon > 0).$$

In this paper there are two main difficulties. The first is the vanishing of the Hessian  $H(x, y)$  (see (6.7) below) along certain lines. This is solved by a suitable division of the domain of summation and by making use of a geometrical lemma (Lemma 10). The second difficulty is that if we use the straightforward way of choosing  $\lambda' = \lambda'' = \lambda^2$  (see §9) we shall get, instead of (9.8), a result containing a negative power of  $a$  which will spoil the main idea. The fact that (9.8) contains no  $a$  indicates clearly that our method is a limiting case and we can get no more benefits by merely using more summations.

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## 1. Lemmas quoted.

**LEMMA 1<sup>(7)</sup>.** *Let  $f(x)$  be a real function with continuous derivatives  $f'(x)$ ,*

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<sup>(2)</sup> *Sur l'ordre de grandeur de la fonction  $\zeta(s)$  de Riemann dans le bande critique*, Annales de Toulouse (3) vol. 22 (1930) pp. 1-39.

<sup>(3)</sup> *Zur Abschätzung von  $\zeta(1/2+it)$* , Göttingen Nachrichten (1924) pp. 155-158.

<sup>(4)</sup> *On van der Corput's method and the zeta-function of Riemann* (II), Quart. J. Math. Oxford Ser. vol. 2 (1931) pp. 313-320. This will be referred to as (II).

<sup>(5)</sup> *The zeta-function of Riemann; further developments of van der Corput's method*, Quart. J. Math. Oxford Ser. vol. 4 (1933) pp. 209-225. This will be referred to as P.

<sup>(6)</sup> *On the order of  $\zeta(1/2+it)$* , Quart. J. Math. Oxford Ser. vol. 13 (1942) pp. 11-17. This will be referred to as loc. cit.

<sup>(7)</sup> (II), Theorem 4, p. 315.

$f''(x)$  and  $f'''(x)$ . Let  $f'(x)$  be steadily decreasing,  $f'(b)=\alpha$ ,  $f'(a)=\beta$  and<sup>(8)</sup>

$$\lambda_2 \leq |f''(x)| < A\lambda_2, \quad |f'''(x)| < A\lambda_3$$

for  $a \leq x < b$ . Let  $n_\nu$  be such that

$$f'(n_\nu) = \nu \quad (\alpha \leq \nu \leq \beta).$$

Then

$$\sum_{a \leq n \leq b} e^{2\pi i f(n)} = e^{-\pi i/4} \sum_{\alpha \leq \nu \leq \beta} \frac{e^{2\pi i [f(n_\nu) - \nu n_\nu]}}{|f''(n_\nu)|^{1/2}} + O(\lambda_2^{-1/2}) \\ + O[\log \{2 + (b-a)\lambda_\alpha\}] + O[(b-a)\lambda_2^{1/5} \lambda_3^{1/5}].$$

LEMMA 2<sup>(9)</sup>. If  $F(n)$  is a real function,  $\rho$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $0 < \rho < b-a$ , then

$$\left| \sum_{n=a}^b e^{2\pi i F(n)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{\rho} \left\{ 4(b-a)^2 \rho + 2(b-a) \left| \sum_{r=a}^{\rho-1} (\rho-r) \sum_{m=a}^{b-r} e^{2\pi i \Phi(r,m)} \right| \right\}^{1/2}$$

where

$$\Phi(r, m) = F(m+r) - F(m) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F(m+rt) dt.$$

LEMMA 3. Let  $a_{\mu\nu}$  be any numbers, real or complex, such that if  $S_{m,n} = \sum_{\mu=1}^m \sum_{\nu=1}^n a_{\mu\nu}$  then  $|S_{m,n}| \leq G$  ( $1 \leq m \leq M$ ;  $1 \leq n \leq N$ ). Let  $b_{m,n}$  denote real numbers,  $0 \leq b_{m,n} \leq H$  and let each of the expressions

$$b_{m,n} - b_{m,n+1}, \quad b_{m,n} - b_{m+1,n}, \quad b_{m,n} - b_{m+1,n} - b_{m,n+1} + b_{m+1,n+1}$$

be of constant sign for values of  $m$  and  $n$  in question. Then

$$\left| \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^N a_{m,n} b_{m,n} \right| \leq 5GH.$$

LEMMA 4. Let  $f(x, y)$  be a real function of  $x$  and  $y$ , and

$$S = \sum \sum e^{2\pi i f(m,n)},$$

the sum being taken over the lattice points of a region  $D$  included in the rectangle  $a \leq x \leq b$ ,  $\alpha \leq y \leq \beta$ . Let

$$S' = \sum \sum e^{2\pi i \phi_1(m,n)}, \quad S'' = \sum \sum e^{2\pi i \phi_2(m,n)}$$

where

<sup>(8)</sup> Throughout this paper we use  $A$  to denote a positive constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

<sup>(9)</sup> Titchmarsh, *On van der Corput's method and the zeta-function of Riemann*, Quart. J. Math. Oxford Ser. vol. 2 (1931) p. 166.

$$\phi_1(m, n) = f(m + \mu, n + \nu) - f(m, n) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(m + \mu t, n + \nu t) dt,$$

$$\phi_2(m, n) = f(m + \mu, n - \nu) - f(m, n) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(m + \mu t, n - \nu t) dt,$$

$\mu$  and  $\nu$  are integers, and  $S'$  is taken over values of  $m$  and  $n$  such that both  $(m, n)$  and  $(m + \mu, n + \nu)$  belong to  $D$ ; and similarly for  $S''$ . Let  $\rho$  be a positive integer not greater than  $b - a$ , and let  $\rho'$  be a positive integer not greater than  $\beta - \alpha$ . Then

$$S = O \left\{ \frac{(b - a)(\beta - \alpha)}{(\rho\rho')^{1/2}} \right\} + O \left[ \left\{ \frac{(b - a)(\beta - \alpha)}{\rho\rho'} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\rho-1} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\rho'-1} |S'| \right\}^{1/2} \right] \\ + O \left[ \left\{ \frac{(b - a)(\beta - \alpha)}{\rho\rho'} \sum_{\mu=0}^{\rho-1} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\rho'-1} |S''| \right\}^{1/2} \right].$$

This lemma (as well as the next lemma) evidently remains true when  $\rho$  is not an integer but greater than 1. In that case  $\sum_{\mu=1}^{\rho-1} \phi(\mu)$  is to be interpreted as  $\sum_{1 \leq \mu \leq \rho-1} \phi(\mu)$ , and so on. A similar interpretation should be made when  $\rho'$  is not an integer but greater than 1.

LEMMA 5. If  $0 < \rho \leq b - a$ , then

$$S = O \left\{ \frac{(b - a)(\beta - \alpha)}{\rho^{1/2}} \right\} + O \left[ \left\{ \frac{(b - a)(\beta - \alpha)}{\rho} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\rho-1} |S'''| \right\}^{1/2} \right]$$

where

$$S''' = \sum \sum e^{2\pi i \phi(m, n)}$$

with

$$\phi(m, n) = f(m + \mu, n) - f(m, n) = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(m + \mu t, n) dt$$

the sum being taken over values of  $(m, n)$  such that  $(m, n)$  and  $(m + \mu, n)$  belong to  $D$ .

LEMMA 6. Let  $f(x, y)$  be a real differentiable function of  $x$  and  $y$ . Let  $f_x(x, y)$  be a monotone function of  $x$  for each value of  $y$  considered, and  $f_y(x, y)$  be a monotone function of  $y$  for each value of  $x$  considered. Let  $|f_x| \leq 3/4$ ,  $|f_y| \leq 3/4$ , for  $a \leq x \leq b$ ,  $\alpha \leq y \leq \beta$  where  $b - a \leq l$ ,  $\beta - \alpha \leq l$  ( $l \geq 1$ ). Let  $D$  be the rectangle  $(a, b; \alpha, \beta)$  or part of the rectangle cut off by a continuous monotone curve. Then

$$\sum_D \sum e^{2\pi i f(m, n)} = \iint_D e^{2\pi i f(x, y)} dx dy + O(l).$$

Lemmas 3, 4, 5, 6 are either quotations or simple modifications of Lemmas  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  of a paper by Titchmarsh.

2. **Lemmas concerning double exponential integrals.** In this section we give a refinement of a theorem due to Titchmarsh<sup>(10)</sup>.

**LEMMA 7.** *Let  $D$  be the rectangle  $(a, b; \alpha, \beta)$  and  $U$  be its longer side. Let  $f(x, y)$  be a real algebraic function satisfying the following conditions in  $D$ <sup>(11)</sup>.*

- (1)  $B \leq |f_{xx}| < AB, \quad r^2 B^{-1} \leq |f_{yy}| < AB, \quad |f_{xy}| < AB,$
- (2)  $|f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2| > r^2, \quad 0 < r \leq B,$
- (3)  $|f_{xxx}| < AC, \quad C < AB^{3/2}, \quad CUr < AB^2,$
- (4)  $|f_{xx}f_{xyy} - 2f_{xx}f_{xy}f_{xyx} + f_{xy}^2f_{xxx}| < C_1B^2, \quad B^{1/2}C_1 \leq r^2/2,$

and, for a positive integer  $k$ ,

(5)  $B^{k-1}C_1^{2k-1}U = O(r^{4k-3}) \quad \text{or} \quad B^{1/2-1/2k}C_1^{1-1/2k}U^{1/2k} = O(r^{2-3/2k}).$

Then

$$\int_a^b dx \int_\alpha^\beta e^{2\pi i f(x,y)} dy = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

**Proof.** We divide  $D$  into three regions, namely

- $D_1: \quad f_x \geq B^{1/2},$
- $D_2: \quad 0 \leq f_x < B^{1/2},$
- $D_3: \quad f_x < 0.$

Sometimes we want to redivide  $D_1$  into subregions. We denote by  $D_{11}$  the part of  $D_1$  lying between the curves

$$f_y - f_x \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} = \pm \frac{r}{B^{1/2}},$$

and by  $D_{12}$  the remainder of  $D_1$ . Similarly we may divide  $D_2$  into  $D_{21}$  and  $D_{22}$ .

(1) Consider, first,  $D_1$ . Integration by parts gives

(2.1) 
$$\iint_{D_1} e^{2\pi i f(x,y)} dx dy = \int \left[ \frac{e^{2\pi i f(x,y)}}{2\pi i f_x} \right]_{x(y)}^{\omega(y)} dy + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \iint_{D_1} \frac{f_{xx}}{f_x^2} e^{2\pi i f(x,y)} dx dy = I_1 + I_2,$$

say, where  $x = \omega(y)$  and  $x = \chi(y)$  are boundaries of  $D_1$ .

(1.1). To estimate  $I_1$ , we consider, for example,

<sup>(10)</sup> Proc. London Math. Soc. (2) vol. 38 (1935) pp. 96–115.

<sup>(11)</sup> The letters  $B, r, C$  and  $C_1$  are used to denote positive constants.

$$\int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)}}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} dy.$$

The function  $\chi(y)$  is either the solution of  $f_x = B^{1/2}$  or it is a constant.

In the former case we have

$$\frac{d}{dy} f(\chi(y), y) = f_y - f_x \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}} = v,$$

say. Hence

$$\int_{|v| \geq r/B^{1/2}} e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)} dy = \int_{|v| \geq r/B^{1/2}} \frac{e^{2\pi i u} du}{v} = O\left(\frac{B^{1/2}}{r}\right)$$

and

$$\int_{|v| \geq r/B^{1/2}} \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)} dy}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} = O\left(\frac{1}{B^{1/2}} \frac{B^{1/2}}{r}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

On the other hand,

$$\int_{|v| < r/B^{1/2}} \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)}}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} dy = O\left(\frac{1}{B^{1/2}} \int_{-r/B^{1/2}}^{r/B^{1/2}} \left|\frac{dy}{dv}\right| dv\right).$$

Here  $f_x = B^{1/2}$ , so

$$\frac{dv}{dy} = \frac{1}{f_{xx}} \left[ f_{xz} f_{yv} - f_{xy}^2 - f_x \frac{f_{xz} f_{xyv} - 2f_{xz} f_{xy} f_{xzy} + f_{xy}^2 f_{xxz}}{f_{xx}^2} \right]$$

and, by (1), (2) and (4)

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \frac{dv}{dy} \right| > A \frac{r^2 - B^{1/2} \cdot C_1}{B} > A \frac{r^2}{B}.$$

Hence

$$\int_{|v| < r/B^{1/2}} \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)}}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} dy = O\left(\frac{1}{B^{1/2}} \frac{r}{B^{1/2}} \frac{B}{r^2}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

Secondly, if  $\chi(y) = a$ , a constant,

$$\int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\chi(y), y)}}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} dy = \int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(a, y)}}{2\pi i f_x(\chi(y), y)} dy.$$

By (1) and a well known formula concerning exponential integrals <sup>(12)</sup>, this is

<sup>(12)</sup> If  $f(x)$  is a real differentiable function with  $|f''(x)| > \lambda$  in  $(c, d)$  then  $\int_c^d e^{2\pi i f(x)} dx = O(1/\lambda^{1/2})$ .

$$O\left(\frac{1}{B^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{(r^2 B^{-1})^{1/2}}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

(1.2). Now consider  $I_2$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (2\pi i)^2 I_2 &= \int \left[ \frac{f_{xx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} \right]_{x(y)}^{\omega(v)} dy - \int dy \int \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx \\ &+ 3 \iint \frac{f_{xx}^2}{f_x^4} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy = I'_1 + I'_2 + I'_3, \end{aligned}$$

say. The first integral can be treated as  $I_1$ . So

$$I'_1 = O(1/r).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} I'_2 &= \iint_{D_{12}} \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy + \iint_{D_{11}} \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy \\ &= I'_{22} + I'_{21}, \end{aligned}$$

say. Let  $x = \phi(y) = \phi(y, u)$  be the solution of  $f_x = u$ . Then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(\phi(y), y) = f_y - f_x \frac{f_{xy}}{f_{xx}}.$$

In  $D_{12}$ , the absolute value of this expression is not less than  $r/B^{1/2}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} I'_{22} &= \int dy \int \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx = \int dy \int \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_{xx}} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} \frac{du}{u^3} \\ &= \int \frac{du}{u^3} \int \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_{xx}} e^{2\pi i f(\phi(y,u), y)} dy = \int_{B^{1/2}} \frac{C}{B} O\left(\frac{B^{1/2}}{r}\right) \frac{du}{u^3} \\ &= O\left(\frac{C}{rB^{3/2}}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right), \end{aligned}$$

by (3).

To estimate  $I'_{21}$ , we put  $u = f_x$  and  $v = f_y - f_x f_{xy}/f_{xx}$ . Then

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} = f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 - \frac{f_x}{f_{xx}^2} (f_{xx}^2 f_{xyy} - 2f_{xx} f_{xy} f_{xy} + f_{xy}^2 f_{xxx}).$$

The absolute value of this expression is greater than  $Ar^2$  if

$$|f_x| < r^2 C_1^{-1}/2.$$

Denote by  $D'_{11}$  the part of  $D_{11}$  in which the inequality holds and by  $D''_{11}$  the remainder of  $D_{11}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \iint_{D_{11}} \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy \right| \\
 & < AC \iint \frac{dx dy}{f_x^3} = AC \int_{B^{1/2}} \frac{du}{u^3} \int^{r/B^{1/2}} \frac{dv}{|\partial(u,v)/\partial(x,y)|} \\
 & \leq AC \frac{1}{(B^{1/2})^2} \cdot \frac{r}{B^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} = \frac{AC}{B^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r} = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

by (3). Also

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \iint_{D_{11}} \frac{f_{xxx}}{f_x^3} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy \right| < AC \iint \frac{dx dy}{f_x^3} = AC \int dy \int \frac{du}{|f_{xx}| u^3} \\
 & = O\left(\frac{C}{B} \cdot \frac{U}{(r^2 C_1^{-1})^2}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r} \cdot \frac{CUr}{B^2} \cdot \frac{BC_1^2}{r^4}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

by (3) and (4). Hence  $I'_{21}$  is also  $O(1/r)$ . Thus  $I'_2 = O(1/r)$ . It follows that

$$(2\pi i)^2 I_2 = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) + 3 \iint_{D_1} \frac{f_{xx}^2}{f_x^4} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy.$$

Repeating this argument we find

$$I_2 = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) + O\left(\iint_{D_1} \frac{f_{xx}^k}{f_x^{2k}} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dx dy\right).$$

Denote the last double integral by  $J$ , then

$$J = \iint_{D_{12}} + \iint_{D_{11}} = J_2 + J_1,$$

say. We have, as before<sup>(13)</sup>,

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_2 &= \int_{B^{1/2}} \frac{du}{u^{2k}} \int f_{xx}^{k-1} e^{2\pi i f(x,v)} dy = \int_{B^{1/2}} O\left(\frac{B^{1/2}}{r}\right) \cdot B^{k-1} \frac{du}{u^{2k}} \\
 &= O\left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{B^{k-1} B^{1/2}}{B^{(2k-1)/2}}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

To estimate  $J_1$ , we write

$$J_1 = \iint_{D_{11}} + \iint_{D_{11}} = J'_1 + J''_1.$$

As before<sup>(14)</sup>, by (1) and (2.3),

<sup>(13)</sup> See the estimation of  $I'_{22}$  above (2.3).

<sup>(14)</sup> See the estimation of  $I'_{21}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 |J_1'| &< AB^k \int_{B^{1/2}} \frac{du}{u^{2k}} \int_0^{r/B^{1/2}} \frac{dv}{|\partial(u, v)/\partial(x, y)|} \\
 &= O\left(B^k \frac{1}{B^{(2k-1)/2}} \cdot \frac{r}{B^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right), \\
 |J_1''| &< AB^{k-1} \iint_{D_{11}} \frac{|f_{xx}| dx dy}{f_x^{2k}} < AB^{k-1} \iint \frac{dudy}{u^{2k}} \\
 &= O\left(\frac{B^{k-1}U}{(r^2C^{-1})^{2k-1}}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{B^{k-1}C_1^{2k-1}U}{r^{4k-3}}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

by (5). Combining these results we find that  $J$  is  $O(1/r)$ . Hence  $I_2$  is  $O(1/r)$ .  
 (2). Now consider the integral over  $D_2$ . Putting  $f_x = u$ , we have

$$\iint_{D_{22}} e^{2\pi i f(x, y)} dx dy = \int_0^{B^{1/2}} du \int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(x, y)}}{f_{xx}} dy.$$

As in (1.2), we have  $\partial f(\phi(y, u), y)/\partial y \geq r/B^{1/2}$ . Hence the inner integral is  $O((1/B) \cdot (B^{1/2}/r)) = O(1/rB^{1/2})$ . The result follows for this part.

Finally, by (2) and (4) we have, using (3) and the fact that  $|f_x| < B^{1/2}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \iint_{D_{21}} e^{2\pi i f(x, y)} dx dy \right| &\leq \iint_{D_{21}} dx dy = \int_0^{B^{1/2}} \int_0^{r/B^{1/2}} \frac{|\partial(x, y)|}{|\partial(u, v)|} dudv \\
 &= \int_0^{B^{1/2}} \int_0^{r/B^{1/2}} O\left(\frac{1}{r^2 - (B^{1/2}/B^2) \cdot C_1 B^2}\right) dudv \\
 &= O\left(B^{1/2} \cdot \frac{r}{B^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

(3). We have established the stated for  $D_1 + D_2$ , that is, the region  $f_x \geq 0$ . A similar proof can be applied to  $D_3$ .

LEMMA 8. Let  $D'$  be the part of  $D$  cut off by a curve (or several curves) whose equation is of the form  $x = g(y)$  where  $g(y)$  is an algebraic function satisfying

$$(6) \quad |U f_{xx} g''(y)| < Kr$$

where  $K$  is a sufficiently small constant. Then if we replace the condition (1) in Lemma 7 by

$$(1') \quad B \leq |f_{xx}| < AB, \quad |f_{xy}| < AB, \quad |f_{yy}| < AB, \quad f_{xx} f_{xy} > 0$$

we have

$$\iint_{D'} e^{2\pi i f(x, y)} dx dy = O\left(\frac{1 + |\log B| + |\log U|}{r}\right).$$



*In particular, the curve may be a straight line  $x = py + q$ .*

**Proof.** If  $|f_{vv}| \geq B/2$ , the condition (1) holds if we replace  $B$  by  $B/2$ . Now suppose that  $|f_{vv}| < B/2$ . We put  $x = \xi + \eta$ ,  $y = \eta$ . Then

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} f(x, y) \right| = |f_{xx}| \geq B,$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} f(x, y) \right| = |f_{xx} + 2f_{xv} + f_{vv}| > \frac{B}{2}.$$

Thus the condition (1) is restored. Conditions (2) and (3) remain true. So do (4) and (5) since the expression on the left-hand side of (4) is an invariant under our transformation. We may therefore assume that all these conditions are satisfied. We need only to consider integrals of the form

$$\int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\sigma(y), y)}}{f_x(g(y), y)} dy \quad (|f_x| > B^{1/2}).$$

We divide the interval of integration into three parts:

- (1)  $|f_x g'(y) + f_v| \geq r/B^{1/2}$ ,
- (2)  $|f_x g'(y) + f_v| < r/B^{1/2}$ ,  $|f_{xx} g'(y) + f_{xv}| \geq r/2$ ,
- (3)  $|f_x g'(y) + f_v| < r/B^{1/2}$ ,  $|f_{xx} g'(y) + f_{xv}| < r/2$ .

In the first part,

$$\int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\sigma(y), y)}}{f_x(g(y), y)} dy = \int \frac{e^{2\pi i \xi} d\xi}{f_x(f_x g' + f_v)} = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

In the second part,

$$\left| \int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(\sigma(y), y)}}{f_x(g(y), y)} dy \right| \leq \left| \int \frac{dy}{f_x} \right| \leq \frac{2}{r} \left| \int \frac{f_{xx} g'(y) + f_{xv}}{f_x(g(y), y)} dy \right|$$

$$= \frac{2}{r} |[\log f_x(g(y), y)]| = O\left(\frac{1 + |\log B| + |\log U|}{r}\right).$$

In the third part, we put  $u = f_x g' + f_v$ , then

$$\frac{du}{dy} = f_{xx} g'^2 + 2f_{xv} g' + f_{vv} + f_{xx} g''$$

$$= f_{xx}^{-1} [(g' f_{xx} + f_{xv})^2 + f_{xx} f_{vv} - f_{xv}^2 + f_{xx} f_{xx} g''] .$$

If  $|f_x| > Ur$ , the theorem is true. If otherwise,

$$\left| \frac{du}{dy} \right| > A \frac{r^2}{B} .$$

Hence

$$\int \frac{e^{2\pi i f(g(y), y)}}{f_x(g(y), y)} dy = O\left(\frac{1}{B^{1/2}} \int^{r/B^{1/2}} \left|\frac{dy}{du}\right| du\right) = O\left(\frac{r}{(B^{1/2})^2} \cdot \frac{B}{r^2}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right).$$

The lemma follows.

**3. Lemmas concerning network.** Suppose there is a network of which each cell is a rectangle  $S_0$  of area  $U$  and with sides of lengths  $l$  and  $m$ . Suppose  $S$  is a rectangle with sides parallel to lines in the network and of lengths  $a$  and  $b$  respectively. Suppose  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are parallel lines which bound with side of  $S$  a strip of area  $A$ . Let  $L$  be either of them and let the area of  $S$  under  $L$  be  $A_L$ .

**LEMMA 9.** *The number of rectangles  $S_0$  lying partially or entirely within  $S$  and entirely under  $L$  is*

$$N_L = \frac{A_L}{U} + O\left(\frac{a}{l} + \frac{b}{m} + 1\right).$$

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$$N'_L = \frac{A_L}{U} + O\left(\frac{a}{l} + \frac{b}{m} + 1\right).$$

**Proof.** (1) Without loss of generality, we may assume that the sides of  $S$  coincide with lines belonging to the network. For otherwise we may replace  $S$  by one with this kind of sides so that the variations of  $A_L$  and  $N_L$  are respectively

$$O\left[\left(\frac{a}{l} + \frac{b}{m} + 1\right)U\right] \quad \text{and} \quad O\left[\frac{a}{l} + \frac{b}{m} + 1\right].$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that  $S_0$  is a unit square so that  $U=l=m=1$ . For, only the ratios of areas and lengths really matter. Without loss of generality we may also assume that  $L$  is of positive slope.

Now consider all the vertical lines of the network which are not entirely outside  $S$ . Let the line nearest the left-hand side of  $S$  be  $l_1$  and the next  $l_2$ , and so on. Let the first of them which meets  $L$  inside  $S$  be  $l_k$ . Let the points of intersection of  $L$  with  $l_k, l_{k+1} \dots$  be  $P_k, P_{k+1}, \dots$ .

We draw from  $P_i$  ( $i=k, k+1, \dots$ ) a horizontal line toward the right until it reaches  $l_{i+1}$ . We denote the part of  $A_L$  which is below these horizontal line-segments by  $A_L^B$  and the remaining part by  $A_L^A$ . Then the first part of the lemma follows from the fact that  $A_L^A = O(b)$ ,  $0 \leq A_L^B - N_L = O(a)$ .

(2) The second part of the lemma can be proved by drawing horizontal lines toward the left instead of the right.

LEMMA 10. *The number of rectangles  $S_0$  lying partially or entirely between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  and partially or entirely within  $S$  is*

$$N = \frac{A}{U} + O\left(\frac{a}{l} + \frac{b}{m} + 1\right).$$

**Proof.** We have  $N = N_{L_1} - N'_{L_2}$  and the lemma follows from Lemma 9.

4. We have to consider sums of the form

$$(4.1) \quad S_1 = \sum_{n=a}^b n^{-it} = \sum_{n=a}^b e^{-it \log n}, \quad a < b \leq 2a.$$

By Lemma 2,

$$(4.2) \quad |S_1| \leq \frac{1}{\rho} \left\{ 4(b-a)^2 \rho + 2(b-a) \left| \sum_{r=1}^{\rho-1} (\rho-r) \sum_{m=a}^{b-r} e^{-it \log(m+r)/m} \right| \right\}^{1/2}$$

provided that

$$(C_1) \quad 0 < \rho < b - a.$$

Let

$$(4.3) \quad S_2 = \sum_{r=1}^{\rho-1} (\rho-r) \sum_{m=a}^{b-r} e^{-it \log(m+r)/m},$$

then, by Lemma 1,

$$(4.4) \quad S_2 = e^{-\pi i/4} \sum_{r=1}^{\rho-1} (\rho-r) \sum_{\alpha \leq r \leq \beta} \frac{e^{2\pi i \phi(r, \nu)}}{|f''(m_r)|^{1/2}} + O(a^{3/2} t^{-1/2} \rho^{3/2}) \\ + O(\rho^2 \log t) + O(a^{-2/5} t^{2/5} \rho^{12/5})$$

where

$$(4.5) \quad f(y) = f(r, y) = -\frac{t}{2\pi} \log \frac{y+r}{y}, \\ f'(m_r) = \nu, \quad \phi(\nu) = f(m_r) - \nu m_r, \\ \alpha = f'(b-r), \quad \beta = f'(a), \quad b \leq 2a.$$

Let

$$(C_2) \quad b = O(t^{1/2});$$

then

$$\nu = f'(m_r) = \frac{tr}{2\pi m_r(m_r+r)} > \frac{Atr}{m_r^2} > Ar$$

and

(4.6)  $\rho = O(\beta).$

Let

$$S_3 = \sum_{z=R+1}^{R'} \sum_{y=N+1}^{N'} e^{2\pi i \phi(x,y)}, \quad R < R' \leq 2R < \rho, \quad N < N' \leq 2N \leq \beta.$$

Applying Lemma 5 twice and Lemma 4 once, we have

(4.7) 
$$S_3 = O\left(\frac{RN}{\lambda^{1/2}}\right) + O\left(\frac{(RN)^{7/8}}{\lambda^{3/2}} \left\{ \sum_{y_1=1}^{\lambda-1} \left[ \sum_{y_2=1}^{\lambda^2-1} \left( \sum_{x_3=1}^{\lambda'^2-1} \sum_{y_3=0}^{\lambda''^2-1} |S_4| \right)^{1/2} \right]^{1/2} \right\}^{1/2}\right) \\ + O\left(\frac{(RN)^{7/8}}{\lambda^{3/2}} \left\{ \sum_{y_1=1}^{\lambda-1} \left[ \sum_{y_2=1}^{\lambda^2-1} \left( \sum_{x_3=1}^{\lambda'^2-1} \sum_{y_3=1}^{\lambda''^2-1} |S'_4| \right)^{1/2} \right]^{1/2} \right\}^{1/2}\right)$$

where

(4.8) 
$$S_4 = \sum_{z=R+1}^{R''} \sum_{y=N+1}^{N''} e^{2\pi i \psi(x,y)}, \quad R'' = R' - x_3, \quad N'' = N' - y_1 - y_2 - y_3$$

with

(4.9) 
$$\psi(x, y) = \iiint_0^1 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial t_1 \partial t_2 \partial t_3} \phi(x + x_3 t_3, y + y_1 t_1 + y_2 t_2 + y_3 t_3) dt_1 dt_2 dt_3$$

and  $S'_4$  is a similar sum. Here we assumed that

(C3)  $1 \leq \lambda'^2 \leq R, \quad \lambda'^2 \leq \lambda''^2 \leq N, \quad \lambda' \lambda'' = \lambda^2.$

Since  $S'_4$  can be estimated as  $S_4$ , we consider the latter only.

5. In this section we shall reduce  $\psi(x, y)$  to a convenient form. We have

(5.1) 
$$\psi(x, y) = y_1 y_2 \iiint_0^1 (x_3 \phi_{xy^2}^* + y_3 \phi_{y^3}^*) dt_1 dt_2 dt_3$$

where

(5.2) 
$$\phi_{xy^2}^* = \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^* \partial y^{*2}} \phi(x^*, y^*), \quad \phi_{y^3}^* = \frac{\partial^3}{\partial y^{*3}} \phi(x^*, y^*), \\ x^* = x + x_3 t_3, \quad y^* = y + y_1 t_1 + y_2 t_2 + y_3 t_3.$$

We have

$$f_x(x, y) = -\frac{t}{2\pi} \frac{1}{x+y}, \quad f_y(x, y) = -\frac{t}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{x+y} - \frac{1}{y} \right).$$

From  $f_y(x, m_y(x)) = y$  we find, by choosing the proper sign,

(5.3) 
$$m_y(x) = -\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{2t}{\pi xy} \right)^{1/2}.$$

Since

$$\phi_x(x, y) = f_x(x, m_y(x)) + f_y(x, m_y(x)) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} m_y(x) - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} m_y(x) = f_x(x, m_y(x)),$$

$$\phi_y(x, y) = f_y(x, m_y(x)) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} m_y(x) - y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} m_y(x) - m_y(x) = -m_y(x),$$

we have, by (5.3),

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_x(x, y) &= y \left( \frac{1}{2} - \left( 1 + \frac{2t}{\pi xy} \right)^{1/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{y}{2} - \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \frac{y^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi xy}{2t} - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right)^2 + \dots \right], \\ \phi_y(x, y) &= x \left( \frac{1}{2} - \left( 1 + \frac{2t}{\pi xy} \right)^{1/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{x}{2} - \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \frac{x^{1/2}}{y^{1/2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi xy}{2t} - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right)^2 + \dots \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

Differentiation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{xxy}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} x^{-1/2} y^{-3/2} \left[ 1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{15}{8} \left( \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right)^2 + \dots \right], \\ \phi_{yyy}(x, y) &= -\frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} x^{1/2} y^{-5/2} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{6} \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{\pi xy}{2t} \right)^2 + \dots \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x, y) &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \int \int \int_0^1 x^{*-1/2} y^{*-5/2} (x_3 y^* - 3 y_3 x^*) dt_1 dt_2 dt_3 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{2t}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \\ &\quad \cdot \int \int \int_0^1 \frac{\pi x^* y^*}{t} x^{*-1/2} y^{*-5/2} (3 x_3 y^* - y_3 x^*) dt_1 dt_2 dt_3 + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (5.6)$$

6. In this section we consider the Hessian of  $\psi(x, y)$ , that is,

$$H(x, y) = \psi_{xx}\psi_{yy} - \psi_{xy}^2$$

We denote the first term on the right-hand side of (5.6) by  $\psi^0(x, y)$  and write  $\Phi(x, y) = x^{-1/2}y^{-5/2}(x_3y - 3y_3x)$ . Then

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_{xx}(x, y) &= 3x^{-5/2}y^{-5/2}(x_3y + y_3x)/4, \\ \Phi_{xy}(x, y) &= 3x^{-3/2}y^{-7/2}(x_3y + 5y_3x)/4, \\ \Phi_{yy}(x, y) &= 3x^{-1/2}y^{-9/2}(5x_3y - 35y_3x)/4. \end{aligned}$$

From this it is obvious that, for  $R+1 \leq x < 2R$ ,  $N+1 \leq y < 2N$ ,

$$(6.2) \quad \Phi_{xx} = O(R^{-5/2}N^{-5/2}Q), \quad \Phi_{xy} = O(R^{-3/2}N^{-7/2}Q), \quad \Phi_{yy} = O(R^{-1/2}N^{-9/2}Q)$$

where

$$(6.3) \quad Q = x_3N + (y_3 + 1)R.$$

Hence

$$(6.4) \quad \Phi_{x^2} = O(R^{-9/2}N^{-5/2}Q), \quad \Phi_{x^2y} = O(R^{-7/2}N^{-7/2}Q), \quad \Phi_{x^2y^2} = O(R^{-5/2}N^{-9/2}Q),$$

and so on.

Using the expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x^*, y^*) &= \Phi(x, y) + x_3t_3\Phi_x(x, y) \\ &\quad + (y_1t_1 + y_2t_2 + y_3t_3)\Phi_y(x, y) \\ &\quad + 2^{-1} [x_3^2t_3^2\Phi_{xx}(x, y) + 2x_3t_3(y_1t_1 + y_2t_2 + y_3t_3)\Phi_{xy}(x, y) \\ &\quad + (y_1t_1 + y_2t_2 + y_3t_3)^2\Phi_{yy}(x, y)] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^0(x, y) &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1y_2 \left[ \Phi(x, y) + \frac{x_3}{2} \Phi_x(x, y) + \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{2} \Phi_y(x, y) \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{x_3^2}{3} \Phi_{xx}(x, y) + 2x_3 \left( \frac{y_1 + y_2}{4} + \frac{y_3}{3} \right) \Phi_{xy}(x, y) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \left( \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2}{3} + \frac{y_1y_2 + y_2y_3 + y_3y_1}{2} \right) \Phi_{yy}(x, y) \right\} + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1y_2 \left[ \Phi(x', y') + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{x_3^2}{12} \Phi_{xx}(x, y) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{x_3y_3}{6} \Phi_{xy}(x, y) + \frac{y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2}{12} \Phi_{yy}(x, y) \right\} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $x' = x + x_3/2$ ,  $y' = y + (y_1 + y_2 + y_3)/2$ .

Hence, by (6.4) and (C<sub>3</sub>),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{xx}^0 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \left[ \Phi_{xx}(x', y') + O\left(R^{-5/2} N^{-5/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \right], \\ \psi_{xy}^0 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \left[ \Phi_{xy}(x', y') + O\left(R^{-3/2} N^{-7/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \right], \\ \psi_{yy}^0 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \left[ \Phi_{yy}(x', y') + O\left(R^{-1/2} N^{-9/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

since  $\lambda^{1/2}/R + \lambda'^{1/2}/N = O(Q_0/RN)$  where  $Q_0 = \lambda^{1/2}N + \lambda'^{1/2}R$ .

Hence, by (5.6),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{xx} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \Phi_{xx}(x', y') + O\left(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-5/2} N^{-5/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \\ &\quad + O(t^{-1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-3/2} N^{-3/2} Q), \\ (6.5) \quad \psi_{xy} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \Phi_{xy}(x', y') + O\left(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-3/2} N^{-7/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \\ &\quad + O(t^{-1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-1/2} N^{-5/2} Q), \\ \psi_{yy} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2t}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} y_1 y_2 \Phi_{yy}(x', y') + O\left(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-1/2} N^{-9/2} Q \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \\ &\quad + O(t^{-1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{1/2} N^{-7/2} Q). \end{aligned}$$

We may omit the second error term from each of these relations provided that

$$(C_4) \quad R^3 N = O(t).$$

Hence, by (6.2) and (C<sub>3</sub>),

$$(6.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi_{xx} &= O(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-5/2} N^{-5/2} Q), & \psi_{xy} &= O(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-3/2} N^{-7/2} Q), \\ \psi_{yy} &= O(t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 R^{-1/2} N^{-9/2} Q). \end{aligned}$$

Further, by (6.1),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{xx}\psi_{yy} - \psi_{xy}^2 &= \frac{9t}{32\pi} y_1^2 y_2^2 x'^{-3} y'^{-7} (x_3^2 y'^2 - 10x_3 y_3 x' y' - 15y_3^2 x'^2) \\ &\quad + O\left(t y_1^2 y_2^2 R^{-3} N^{-7} Q^2 \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(6.7) \quad \begin{aligned} H(x, y) &= (9t/32\pi) y_1^2 y_2^2 x'^{-3} y'^{-7} [x_3 y' + (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)x_3 y'] \\ &\quad \cdot [x_3 y' - (2(10)^{1/2} + 5)y_3 x'] \\ &\quad + O\left(t y_1^2 y_2^2 R^{-3} N^{-7} Q^2 \left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2\right). \end{aligned}$$

REMARKS. The inequalities (6.5) to (6.7) obviously remain true if we replace  $\psi(x, y)$  by a partial sum containing only the first  $n (\geq 1)$  terms on the right-hand side of (5.6). Further, the general term is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & t^{1/2}y_1y_2 \int \int \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^*y^*}{t}\right)^n x^{*-1/2}y^{*-5/2}(c_1x_3y^* + c_2y_3x^*)dt_1dt_2dt_3 \\ &= t^{1/2}y_1y_2 \int \int \int_0^1 \left(\frac{xy}{t}\right)^n x^{-1/2}y^{-5/2} \left(1 + \frac{x_3t}{x}\right)^{n-1/2} \\ & \quad \times \left(1 + \frac{y_1t_1 + y_2t_2 + y_3t_3}{y}\right)^{n-5/2} \\ & \quad \times \left[ c_1x_3y \left(1 + \frac{y_1t_1 + y_2t_2 + y_3t_3}{y}\right) + c_2y_3x \left(1 + \frac{x_3t_3}{x}\right) \right] dt_1dt_2dt_3 \\ &= t^{1/2}y_1y_2x^{1/2}y^{-3/2} \left[ P(x^{-1}, y^{-1}) + O\left\{\left(\frac{x_3}{x}\right)^h\right\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + O\left\{\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{y}\right)^h\right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $P(x^{-1}, y^{-1})$  is a polynomial in  $x^{-1}, y^{-1}$  (depending on  $y_1, y_2, y_3, x_3$  and  $h$ ). Now suppose that

$$(C_6) \quad \lambda'^2 < Rt^{-\epsilon}, \quad \lambda''^2 < Nt^{-\epsilon} \quad (\epsilon > 0)^{(15)}$$

When  $h$  is large enough, the inequalities (6.5) to (6.7) remain true if we neglect the terms which are

$$O\left[\left(\frac{x_3}{x}\right)^h\right] + O\left[\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{y}\right)^h\right]$$

from each term on the right-hand side of (5.6). So we can write  $\psi(x, y) = \psi_1(x, y) + \psi_2(x, y)$  where  $\psi_1(x, y)$  is an algebraic function satisfying (6.5) to (6.7) and

$$\psi_2(x, y) = t^{1/2}y_1y_2x^{1/2}y^{-3/2} \left[ O\left\{\left(\frac{x_3}{x}\right)^h\right\} + O\left\{\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{y}\right)^h\right\} \right]$$

which can be made as small as we please by taking  $h$  sufficiently large. In fact, we can choose  $h$  so that, for a given positive  $\delta, \psi_2(x, y) = O(t^{-\epsilon})$ .

7. Now return to the sum  $S_4$ . Let

$$(7.1) \quad l_1 = c \frac{R^{5/2}N^{5/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q}, \quad l_2 = c \frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q},$$

<sup>(15)</sup> We use  $\epsilon$  to denote a small positive number, which, like the symbol  $A$ , may or may not keep the same value.



where  $c$  is some positive constant.

By (4.6) we have

$$(7.2) \quad R = O(N), \quad l_1 = O(l_2).$$

We divide the region of summation of  $S_4$ , that is,

$$R + 1 \leq x \leq R'', \quad N + 1 \leq y \leq N''$$

into rectangles with sides parallel to the axes and of lengths  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  and parts of such rectangles. We may enumerate these subregions and denote them by  $\Delta_p$ ,  $p=1, 2, \dots$ . If  $c$  is small enough, the variations of  $\psi_x$  and  $\psi_y$  in each  $\Delta_p$  will be less than  $1/2$ . Hence to each  $\Delta_p$  correspond integers  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  such that if  $\psi_p(x, y) = \psi(x, y) - \mu x - \nu y$  the absolute value of the first derivatives of  $\psi_p$  is not greater than  $3/4$ . So for each  $\Delta_p$  we have, by Lemma 6,

$$(7.3) \quad \sum_{\Delta_p} \sum e^{2\pi i \psi(x,y)} = \sum_{\Delta_p} \sum e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} = \iint_{\Delta_p} e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} dx dy + O(l_2)$$

provided that

$$(C_6) \quad l_2 \geq 1.$$

Hence

$$S_4 = \sum_p \left\{ \iint_{\Delta_p} e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} dx dy + O(l_2) \right\}.$$

The system of parallel lines

$$|x_3 y - (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)y_3 x| = 4^m \xi, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots,$$

divides each  $\Delta_p$  into strips. Hence

$$(7.4) \quad S_4 = \sum_p \iint_{\Delta_p} e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} dx dy + \sum_p \sum_{m=0}^{L-1} \iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} dx dy + \sum_p \iint_{\Delta_p''} e^{2\pi i \psi_p(x,y)} dx dy + \sum_p O(l_2) = J_0 + J_1 + J_2 + J_3,$$

say, where

$$L = \left[ \frac{\log(\xi^{-1}Q)}{\log 4} \right].$$

$\Delta_{p,m}$  denotes the part of  $\Delta_p$  for which

$$(7.5) \quad 4^m \xi < |x_3 y - (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)y_3 x| < 4^{m+1} \xi \quad (m = 0, 1, \dots, L - 1),$$

$\Delta'_p$  denotes the part for which

$$(7.6) \quad |x_3y - (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)y_3x| < \xi$$

and  $\Delta''_p$  denotes the part for which

$$(7.7) \quad |x_3y - (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)y_3x| > 4^L\xi (> AQ).$$

Evidently

$$(7.8) \quad |J_0| \leq \sum_p \iint_{\Delta'_p} dx dy = \int_{R+1}^{R''} \int_{N+1}^{N''} dx dy = O\left(\frac{R\xi}{x_3}\right).$$

$|x_3y - (2(10)^{1/2} - 5)y_3x| < \xi$

In the next section we shall prove, under certain conditions, that

$$(C_7) \quad \begin{aligned} \iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} e^{2\pi i\psi_p(x,y)} dx dy &= O\left(\frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2} \log t}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^{1/2} \cdot 2^m\xi^{1/2}}\right), \\ \iint_{\Delta'_p} e^{2\pi i\psi_p(x,y)} dx dy &= O\left(\frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2} \log t}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q}\right). \end{aligned}$$

On assuming this,

$$J_1 = O\left(\sum_{m=0}^{L-1} \sum_p \frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2} \log t}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^{1/2} \cdot 2^m\xi^{1/2}}\right)$$

where  $(m)$  denotes that the sum runs over only those  $p$  for which  $\Delta_p$  lie partially or entirely in the strip (7.5). By Lemma 10, the number of such  $\Delta_p$  is

$$O\left(\frac{4^m\xi R}{x_3l_1l_2}\right) + O\left(\frac{R}{l_1} + \frac{N}{l_2} + 1\right) = O\left(\frac{4^m \xi t y_1 y_2 Q^2}{x_3 R^3 N^6}\right) + O\left(\frac{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q}{R^{3/2} N^{5/2}} + 1\right).$$

Therefore

$$(7.9) \quad \begin{aligned} J_1 &= O\left[\log t \sum_{m=0}^{L-1} \left\{ \frac{2^m \xi^{1/2} t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q^{3/2}}{x_3 R^{3/2} N^{5/2}} + \frac{Q^{1/2} N}{2^m \xi^{1/2}} + \frac{R^{3/2} N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q^{1/2} \cdot 2^m \xi^{1/2}} \right\}\right] \\ &= O\left[\log t \left\{ \frac{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q^2}{x_3 R^{3/2} N^{5/2}} + \frac{Q^{1/2} N}{\xi^{1/2}} + \frac{R^{3/2} N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q^{1/2} \xi^{1/2}} \right\}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$(7.10) \quad \begin{aligned} J_2 &= O\left[\left(\frac{R}{l_1} + 1\right)\left(\frac{N}{l_2} + 1\right) \frac{R^{3/2} N^{7/2} \log t}{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q}\right] \\ &= O\left[\log t \left\{ \frac{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q}{R^{3/2} N^{3/2}} + \frac{R^{3/2} N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 Q} \right\}\right] \end{aligned}$$

since  $R/l_1 = N/l_2$  and  $(x+1)^2 = O(x^2+1)$ . Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (7.11) \quad J_3 &= O\left[\left(\frac{R}{l_1} + 1\right)\left(\frac{N}{l_2} + 1\right)l_2\right] = O\left(\frac{RN}{l_1} + l_2\right) \\
 &= O\left(\frac{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q}{R^{3/2}N^{3/2}}\right) + O\left(\frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

From (7.8) to (7.11)

$$S_4 = O\left(\frac{R\xi}{x_3}\right) + O\left[\log t \left\{\frac{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^2}{x_3R^{3/2}N^{5/2}} + \frac{Q^{1/2}N}{\xi^{1/2}} + \frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^{1/2}\xi^{1/2}}\right\}\right]$$

since  $\xi < Q$  and  $Q \geq x_3N$ , by (6.3).

If we put  $R\xi/x_3 = (Q^{1/2}N/\xi^{1/2}) \log t$ , we shall get  $\xi = ((x_3NQ^{1/2}/R) \log t)^{2/3}$ . But we take the bigger value

$$(7.12) \quad \xi = A \frac{Q}{R^{2/3}} \left(\frac{\lambda^2\lambda''^2}{y_1y_2(y_3 + 1)}\right)^{1/2} \log^{2/3} t, \quad A > 1.$$

The value is certainly bigger by (6.3). The reason for doing so will be seen in the following sections. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (7.13) \quad S_4 &= O\left[\frac{R^{1/3}Q}{x_3} \left(\frac{\lambda^3\lambda''^2}{y_1y_2(y_3 + 1)}\right)^{1/2} \log^{2/3} t\right] + O\left[\frac{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^2}{x_3R^{3/2}N^{5/2}} \log t\right] \\
 &+ O\left[\frac{R^{11/6}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q}\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

REMARKS. If  $(C_6)$  is not true, the second term is not less than  $O(RN)$ . Hence (7.13) remains true.

8. Proof of  $(C_7)$  under certain conditions. We consider, for example, the first relation in  $(C_7)$  only. By the remarks at the end of §6, we can write  $\psi_p = \psi_{p,1} + \psi_{p,2}$  where  $\psi_{p,1}$  satisfies (6.5) to (6.7) and  $\psi_{p,2} = O(t^{-\delta})$  where  $\delta$  can be made as large as we please. Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} e^{2\pi i\psi_p(x,y)} dx dy &= \iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} e^{2\pi i\psi_{p,1}(x,y)} dx dy \\
 &+ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} O\left[\iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} \frac{|\psi_{p,2}(x,y)|^j}{j!} dx dy\right] \\
 &= \iint_{\Delta_{p,m}} e^{2\pi i\psi_{p,1}(x,y)} dx dy \\
 &+ O\left(\frac{R^{3/2}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^{1/2} \cdot 2^m \xi^{1/2}}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Write  $\psi_{p,1} = \psi^*$ . We need only to examine the conditions of Lemma 8. Let

$$B = At^{1/2}y_1y_2R^{-5/2}N^{-5/2}Q,$$

then

$$t^{1/2}y_1y_2R^{-5/2}N^{-5/2}Q\left(\frac{Q_0}{RN}\right)^2 = O(Bt^{-2\epsilon})$$

by (C<sub>5</sub>). By the remarks at the end of §6,  $\psi^*$  satisfies (6.5) to (6.7). Hence, by (6.1),

$$(8.1) \quad B < \psi_{xx}^* < AB, \quad 0 < \psi_{xy}^* < A \frac{BR}{N}, \quad |\psi_{yy}^*| < A \frac{BR^2}{N^2}.$$

Thus condition (1') of Lemma 8 is satisfied. In condition (2), we may take, by (6.7),  $r_0^2 = At^2y_1^2y_2^2R^{-3}N^{-7}Q \cdot 4^m \xi^{(16)}$ , provided that  $t^2y_1^2y_2^2R^{-3}N^{-7}Q^2(Q_0/RN)^2 < Kr_0^2$  for a sufficiently small  $K$ . By choosing the constant  $A$  in (7.12) sufficiently large, this can be achieved, provided that

$$(C_8) \quad Q_0 = O(R^{2/3}N).$$

In condition (3), we take  $C = ABR^{-1}$ ,  $U = \min(N, l_2)$ . Then we want  $BR^{-1} < AB^{3/2}$  and  $BR^{-1}Nr < AB^2$ , that is,  $R^{-2} < AB$  and  $r_0N < ABR$ . Since  $2^m \xi^{1/2} < Q^{1/2}$ , we have  $r_0N < t^{1/2}y_1y_2R^{-3/2}N^{-5/2}Q < ABR$ . The second condition is satisfied. Since  $Q > x_3N$ , we have  $B > At^{1/2}R^{-5/2}N^{-3/2}$ , and the first condition reduces to

$$(C_9) \quad RN^3 = O(t).$$

By taking  $k$  sufficiently large, we can replace the conditions (4) and (5) by a stronger condition

$$(8.2) \quad B^{1/2}C_1 = O(r_0t^{-\epsilon}).$$

By differentiating  $\psi_{xy}^*$  with respect to  $y$  we get an extra factor  $N^{-1}$ . Hence  $\psi_{xyy}^* = O(BRN^{-1})$ . Similarly  $\psi_{xxy}^* = O(BN^{-1})$ ,  $\psi_{xxx}^* = O(BR^{-1})$ . Therefore

$$|\psi_{xx}^{*2}\psi_{xyy}^* - 2\psi_{xx}^*\psi_{xy}^*\psi_{xxy}^* + \psi_{xy}^{*2}\psi_{xxx}^*| < B^3RN^{-2}.$$

We now take  $C_1 = BRN^{-2}$ . Using (7.12) we find

$$(8.3) \quad r_0^2 > AB^2R^2N^{-2}Q^{-1}\xi > AB^2R^2N^{-2}R^{-2/3}\left(\frac{\lambda^3\lambda'^{1/2}}{y_1y_2(y_3+1)}\right)^{1/2}.$$

The relation (8.2) becomes

$$R^{-1/3} = O\left[\left(B \frac{\lambda^3\lambda'^{1/2}}{y_1y_2(y_3+1)}\right)^{1/2} t^{-\epsilon}\right].$$

Since  $Q > (y_3+1)R$ , we have  $B > At^{1/2}y_1y_2(y_3+1)R^{-3/2}N^{5/2}$ . So the last condi-

(16) Here we write  $r_0$  for the  $r$  in Lemma 8 to avoid confusion.

tion reduces to

$$(C_{10}) \quad R^{-1/3} = O[(t^{1/2}\lambda^3\lambda''^2R^{-3/2}N^{-5/2})^{1/2}t^{-\epsilon}].$$

9. Now consider  $S_3$ . Since  $S'_4$  can be estimated as  $S_4$  we have, by (7.13) and (4.7),

$$(9.1) \quad S_3 = O\left(\frac{RN}{\lambda^{1/2}}\right) + O\left(\frac{(RN)^{7/8}}{\lambda^{3/2}} \left\{ \sum_{y_1=1}^{\lambda-1} \left[ \sum_{y_2=1}^{\lambda^2-1} \left( \sum_{z_3=1}^{\lambda'^2-1} \sum_{y_3=1}^{\lambda''^2-1} \left\{ \frac{R^{1/3}Q}{x_3} \frac{\lambda^{3/2}\lambda''}{y_1^{1/2}y_2^{1/2}(y_3+1)^{1/2}} \log^{2/3} t \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left. \left. \left. + \frac{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q^2}{x_3R^{3/2}N^{5/2}} \log t + \frac{R^{11/6}N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2}y_1y_2Q} \right\} \right]^{1/2} \right\}^{1/2} \right)^{1/2} \right).$$

We choose  $\lambda'$  and  $\lambda''$  such that  $\lambda'^2N = \lambda''^2R$ , then, since  $\lambda\lambda'' = \lambda^2$ ,

$$(9.2) \quad \lambda'' = \left(\frac{N}{R}\right)^{1/4} \lambda, \quad \lambda' = \left(\frac{N}{R}\right)^{-1/4} \lambda.$$

This is possible provided that

$$(C_{11}) \quad NR^{-1} \leq \lambda^4.$$

Thus  $Q = O(\lambda'^2N) = O(\lambda''^2R) = O(\lambda^2N^{1/2}R^{1/2})$ . Hence

$$(9.3) \quad S_3 = O\left(\frac{RN}{\lambda^{1/2}}\right) + O\left((RN)^{7/8} \left\{ R^{1/2}N \log^{5/3} t + \frac{t^{1/2}\lambda^5}{RN} \log^2 t + \frac{R^{4/3}N^3}{t^{1/2}\lambda^5} \log t \right\}^{1/8} \right) \\ = O\left(\frac{RN}{\lambda^{1/2}}\right) + O(t^{1/16}R^{3/4}N^{3/4}\lambda^{5/8} \log^{1/4} \lambda)$$

provided that

$$(9.4) \quad R^{1/3}N = O(t^{1/2}R^{-1}N^{-1}\lambda^5), \quad t^{-1/2}\lambda^{-5}R^{4/3}N^3 \log t = O(t^{1/2}R^{-1}N^{-1}\lambda^5).$$

Choose  $\lambda$  so that  $RN\lambda^{-1/2} = t^{1/16}R^{3/4}N^{3/4}\lambda^{5/8} \log^{1/4}t$ , then

$$(9.5) \quad \lambda = \left(\frac{R^{1/4}N^{1/4}}{t^{1/16}}\right)^{8/9} \log^{-1/18} t = \frac{R^{2/9}N^{2/9}}{t^{1/18}} \log^{-1/18} t.$$

Inserting this value in (9.4), we find that the first relation is more stringent. It can be replaced by

$$(C_{12}) \quad RN^4 = O(t^{-\epsilon}).$$

Inserting (9.5) into (9.3),

$$(9.6) \quad S_3 = O(t^{1/36}R^{8/9}N^{8/9} \log^{1/36} t) = O(t^{1/36+\epsilon}R^{8/9}N^{8/9}).$$

We now return to (4.4). We observe that the above argument applies equally well if  $S_3$  is over part of a rectangle cut off by either or both of the curves  $\nu = \alpha$  and  $\nu = \beta$ . In fact, the equations of the two curves are, by (4.5),

$$\nu = -\frac{t}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{b-r} \right), \quad \nu = -\frac{t}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{a+r} - \frac{1}{a} \right).$$

Hence along these curves  $d^2r/d\nu^2 = O(a^3/t^2)$ . In Lemma 8 the condition (6) is satisfied if (see (C<sub>7</sub>))  $|\psi_{pzz}l_2a^3t^{-2}| < Kr_0$  where  $\psi_p, l_2$  and  $r_0$  are given in §§7 and 8 and  $K$  is sufficiently small. By our choice of  $l_2, |\psi_{pzz}l_2| < NR^{-1}$ . By (6.3) and (7.12),  $r_0 > At^{1/2}y_1y_2R^{-3/2}N^{-7/2}Q^{1/2}\xi^{1/2} > At^{1/2}R^{-3/2}N^{-7/2}NR^{-1/3}$ . Thus the condition reduces to  $Kt^{1/2}R^{-11/6}N^{-9/2} > NR^{-1}a^3t^{-2}$  for a sufficiently small  $K$ . That is,  $a^3R^{5/6}N^{7/2} < Kt^{5/2}$ . Using the fact  $N = O(Rt/a^2)$  or  $N^{3/2} = O(R^{3/2}t^{3/2}/a^3)$ , we reduced it to  $R^{7/3}N^2 < Kt$ . This is included in (C<sub>12</sub>). Hence it is legitimate to use Lemma 8 in estimating  $S_4$ . We may also use Lemma 10 to get an upper bound for the number of rectangles (or parts of rectangles)  $\Delta_{p,m}$  in a strip (7.5), since the domain of summation lies entirely within a rectangle of side-lengths  $R$  and  $N$ .

We observe that  $|f_{\nu\nu}(r, y)| > Atr a^{-3}$ . Hence, by partial summations

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &= O(\rho(t\rho a^{-3})^{-1/2}t^{1/36+\epsilon}\rho^{8/9}\beta^{8/9}) + O(a^{3/2}t^{-1/2}\rho^{3/2}) \\ &\quad + O(\rho^2 \log t) + O(a^{-2/5}t^{2/5}\rho^{12/5}) \\ &= O(t^{15/36+\epsilon}a^{-5/18}\rho^{41/18}) + O(a^{3/2}t^{-1/2}\rho^{3/2}) + O(\rho^2 \log t) + O(a^{-2/5}t^{2/5}\rho^{12/5}) \end{aligned}$$

since  $\beta = O(t\rho a^{-2})$ . Therefore, by (4.2)

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= O(a\rho^{-1/2}) + O(t^{15/72+\epsilon}a^{13/36}\rho^{5/36}) + O(a^{5/4}t^{-1/4}\rho^{-1/4}) \\ &\quad + O(a^{1/2} \log^{1/2} t) + O(a^{3/10}t^{1/5}\rho^{1/5}). \end{aligned}$$

The first two terms are of the same order if

$$(9.7) \quad \rho = (t^{-15/72-\epsilon}a^{23/36})^{36/23} = t^{-15/46-\epsilon}a.$$

This gives, for  $a = O(t^{1/2})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= O(t^{15/92+\epsilon}a^{1/2}) + O(t^{-31/184+\epsilon}a) + O(a^{1/2} \log^{1/2} t) + O(t^{31/230}a^{1/2}) \\ &= O(t^{15/92+\epsilon}a^{1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by partial summation

$$(9.8) \quad \sum_{n=a}^b \frac{1}{n^{1/2+it}} = O(t^{15/92+\epsilon}).$$

10. Let us examine the conditions we assumed. The conditions (C<sub>1</sub>), (C<sub>4</sub>) and (C<sub>9</sub>) are included in (C<sub>12</sub>). By (9.2), (C<sub>3</sub>) is not stronger than (C<sub>6</sub>). By the remarks at the end of §7 and by §8, the conditions (C<sub>6</sub>) and (C<sub>7</sub>) can

be deleted. The conditions (C<sub>2</sub>) is satisfied so far as we do not consider the case  $a > At^{1/2}$ . It remains, therefore, to consider (C<sub>6</sub>), (C<sub>8</sub>), (C<sub>10</sub>), (C<sub>11</sub>) and (C<sub>12</sub>).

Since  $Q_0 = O(\lambda'^2 N)$  and  $\lambda'^2 N = \lambda''^2 R$ , (C<sub>6</sub>) and (C<sub>8</sub>) can be replaced by  $\lambda'^2 = O(R^{2/3} t^{-\epsilon})$ . By (9.2) and (9.5), this can be reduced to the trivial condition  $R^5 N^{-1} = O(t^{2-\epsilon})$ .

Using (9.2) and (9.5), (C<sub>10</sub>) can be written as

$$R^{-1/3} = O\left[\left(t^{1/2} \frac{R^{10/9} N^{10/9}}{t^{5/18}} \left(\frac{N}{R}\right)^{1/2} R^{-3/2} N^{-5/2}\right)^{1/2} t^{-\epsilon}\right]$$

which is actually equivalent to (C<sub>12</sub>). Since  $N = O(Rt/a^2)$  (use the relation above (4.6)), (C<sub>12</sub>) is equivalent to  $R^5 t^{3+\epsilon} = O(a^8)$ . By (9.7), this reduces to  $t^{-75/46} t^{3+\epsilon} = O(a^2)$ . That is,

$$(C) \quad a > At^{21/46+\epsilon}.$$

Now consider (C<sub>11</sub>). By (9.5), the condition is

$$NR^{-1} < t^{-2/9} R^{8/9} N^{8/9} \log^{-2/9} t$$

or

$$(C') \quad t^2 \log^2 t \leq AR^{17} N^{-1}.$$

Using  $N > ARta^{-2}$ , this can be reduced to

$$(C'_1) \quad t^3 \log^2 t = O(R^{16} a^2) \quad \text{or} \quad R > A \left(\frac{t^3 \log^2 t}{a^2}\right)^{1/16}.$$

11. If both (C) and (C') are satisfied we have nothing to justify. Now suppose that one of them is not true.

We shall not take the values for  $\lambda'$  and  $\lambda''$  given in (9.2). We can, as did Professor Titchmarsh<sup>(17)</sup> in his paper, take  $\lambda'' = \lambda^2$  and omit the  $x_3$ -summation. This amounts to using Lemma 5 three times.

We are compelled to examine the whole proof afresh, keeping to its original form as closely as possible. §3 is now useless. In §4, we omit all the  $x_3$ -summations and put  $x_3 = 0$ ,  $\lambda' = 1$  whenever they occur elsewhere. In §5, we put  $x_3 = 0$ . In §6, we put  $x_3 = \lambda' = 0$ . Then, in (6.7), the first term on the right-hand side is now "positive definite."

Now §7 can be greatly simplified, for we have no need of redividing  $\Delta_p$ . We may take  $\Delta_p$  as  $\Delta_p''$  there and put  $J_0 = J = 0$ . By arguing as before, we find

$$S_4 = J_2 + J_3 = O\left(\frac{RN}{l_1} + l_2\right) \log t = O\left[\frac{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 y_3}{R^{1/2} N^{3/2}} + \frac{R^{1/2} N^{7/2}}{t^{1/2} y_1 y_2 y_3}\right] \log t.$$

<sup>(17)</sup> Loc. cit. p. 13.

Inserting this result into (4.7) we obtain

$$(11.1) \quad S_3 = O(RN/\lambda^{1/2}) + O(R^{13/16}N^{11/16}t^{1/16}\lambda^{7/8} \log^{1/8} t) \\ + O(R^{15/16}N^{21/16}t^{-1/16}\lambda^{-7/8} \log^{1/4} t).$$

The first two terms are of the same order if

$$(11.2) \quad \lambda = \left[ \left( \frac{R^3 N^5}{t \log^2 t} \right)^{1/22} \right].$$

This gives

$$(11.3) \quad S_3 = O(R^{41/44}N^{39/44}t^{1/44} \log^{1/22} t)$$

provided that the last term in (11.1) is negligible. This is true if  $RN^5 \log t = O(t\lambda^{14})$ . Using (11.2) and the fact that  $N < AtRa^{-2}$ , we reduce this to

$$(11.4) \quad t^{16}R^{10} \log^{25} t = O(a^{40}).$$

First, suppose that (C) is true and (C') is false. Then (11.4) becomes  $t^{16}(a^{-2}t^3 \log^2 t)^{5/8} \log^{25} t = O(a^{40})$ . This can be reduced to  $a > t^{143/330} \log^{7/11} t$ , a consequence of (C).

We expect that (11.3) implies (9.6). This is true of  $R^{17}N^{-1} < t^{2+\epsilon}$  which is weaker than the negation of (C'). Thus (9.6) is proved for this case.

Next, suppose that (C) is untrue. Then we have, as before,

$$S_2 = O(\rho^{51/22}t^{9/22}a^{-3/11} \log^{1/22} t) + O(a^{3/2}t^{-1/2}\rho^{3/2}) \\ + O(\rho^2 \log t) + O(a^{-2/5}t^{2/5}\rho^{12/5}).$$

Hence

$$S_1 = O(a\rho^{-1/2}) + O(a^{4/11}\rho^{7/44}t^{9/44} \log^{1/44} t) \\ + O(a^{5/4}\rho^{-1/4}t^{-1/4}) + O(a^{1/2} \log^{1/2} t) + O(a^{3/10}\rho^{1/5}t^{1/5}).$$

The first two terms are of the same order if

$$(11.5) \quad \rho = [(a^{28}t^{-9} \log^{-1} t)^{1/29}].$$

This gives

$$\sum_{n=a}^b n^{-it} = O(a^{15/29}t^{9/58} \log^{1/58} t) + O(a^{117/116}t^{-5/29} \log^{1/116} t) \\ + O(a^{1/2} \log^{1/2} t) + O(a^{143/290}t^{4/29}).$$

It can be verified that the last three terms are negligible and all conditions except (11.4) can be removed. By partial summation,

$$\sum_{n=a} \frac{1}{n^{1/2+it}} = O(a^{1/58}t^{9/58} \log^{1/58} t) = O(t^{15/92} \log^{1/58} t)$$



since (C) is untrue and  $(21/46) \times 1/58 + 9/58 = 15/92$ . By (11.5) we may reduce (11.4) to

$$(C^*) \quad a > t^{17/40} \log^{143/176} t.$$

Thus we have proved (9.8) completely under the sole condition (C\*).

12. **Completing the proof.** We use, first, the inequality

$$\sum_{n=N}^{N'} \frac{1}{n^{1/2+it}} = O(N^{5/82} t^{11/82}) + O(N^{-17/328} t^{61/328}) \quad (N > t^{11/36}).$$

For  $N' < t^{17/40+\epsilon}$ , the first term is  $O(t^{15/92+\epsilon})$ , for

$$\frac{17}{40} \cdot \frac{5}{82} + \frac{11}{82} = \frac{105}{656} < \frac{15}{92}.$$

The second term is  $O(t^{15/92})$  if  $N \geq t^{172/391}$ .

For  $N < t^{172/391}$ , we use the result<sup>(18)</sup>

$$\sum_{a \leq n \leq b} n^{-1/2+it} = O(t^k a^{l-k-1/2})$$

where  $a < b < 2a < t/\pi$ , and  $k = 97/696$ ,  $l = 480/696$ . The sum is  $O(t^{15/92})$  since

$$\frac{97}{696} + \left( \frac{480}{696} - \frac{97}{696} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot \frac{172}{391} = \frac{97}{696} + \frac{35 \times 172}{696 \times 391} < \frac{15}{92}.$$

By the approximate functional equation, we have

$$\zeta(1/2 + it) = O(t^{15/92+\epsilon}) \quad (\epsilon > 0)$$

where the constant implied by  $O$  depends only on  $\epsilon$ .

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<sup>(18)</sup> P, pp. 222–223.