

## D. H. LEHMER PROBLEM OVER HALF INTERVALS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $q \geq 3$  be an odd integer and  $a$  be an integer coprime to  $q$ . Denote by  $N(a, q)$  the number of pairs of integers  $b, c$  with  $bc \equiv a \pmod{q}$ ,  $1 \leq b, c \leq \frac{q-1}{2}$  and with  $b, c$  having different parity. The main purpose of this paper is to study the sum  $\sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \left( N(a, q) - \frac{\phi(q)}{8} \right)^2$ , and obtain a sharp asymptotic formula.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $q \geq 3$  be an odd integer and  $a$  be an integer coprime to  $q$ . For each integer  $b$  with  $1 \leq b < q$  and  $(b, q) = 1$ , there is a unique integer  $c$  with  $1 \leq c < q$  such that  $bc \equiv a \pmod{q}$ . Let  $M(a, q)$  denote the number of solutions of the congruence equation  $bc \equiv a \pmod{q}$  with  $1 \leq b, c < q$  such that  $b, c$  are of opposite parity. D. H. Lehmer posed the problem to find  $M(1, p)$  or at least to say some thing non-trivial about it (see problem F12 of reference [1], page 251), where  $p$  is an odd prime. Zhang [2] proved that

$$M(1, q) = \frac{\phi(q)}{2} + O\left(q^{\frac{1}{2}} d^2(q) \ln^2 q\right),$$

where  $\phi(q)$  is the Euler function and  $d(q)$  the Dirichlet divisor function. For the further properties of  $M(a, p)$ , he studied the mean square value of the error term  $M(a, p) - \frac{p-1}{2}$ , and obtained

$$\sum_{a=1}^{p-1} \left( M(a, p) - \frac{p-1}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{3}{4} p^2 + O\left( p \exp\left( \frac{3 \ln p}{\ln \ln p} \right) \right),$$

see reference [4]. For general odd integer  $q$ , the similar properties of  $M(a, q)$  was studied in [5].

The distribution of the inverse modular  $q$  of an integer  $b$  is very irregular, so does the integer in D. H. Lehmer problem. A natural problem is how many integers with this property in a incomplete interval. How can we say some thing

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nontrivial about the integers which have opposite parity with their inverses over a half interval?

It is interesting to study the D. H. Lehmer problem over a half interval  $[1, \frac{q-1}{2}]$ . Denote by  $N(a, q)$  the number of pairs of integers  $b, c$  with  $bc \equiv a \pmod{q}$ ,  $1 \leq b, c \leq \frac{q-1}{2}$  and with  $b, c$  having different parity. The method of [2], give also the formula

$$N(a, q) = \frac{\phi(q)}{8} + O\left(q^{\frac{1}{2}} d^2(q) \ln^2 q\right).$$

In [6], the authors studied the mean square value of error term

$$E(a, q) = N(a, q) - \frac{1}{8}\phi(q)$$

in the case of  $q = p$  and obtained a sharp asymptotic formula

$$\sum_{a=1}^{p-1} E^2(a, p) = \frac{9}{64}p^2 + O(p^{1+\epsilon}).$$

For general odd integer  $q$ , whether there exists an asymptotic formula for mean square value of  $E(a, q)$  was posed as an open problem in [6].

In this paper, we solved the problem completely by using the properties of Dedekind sums, Cochrane sums and L-functions. That is, we will prove the following result:

**Theorem.** *Let  $q \geq 3$  be an odd integer. Then we have the asymptotic formula*

$$\sum_{a=1}^q{}' E^2(a, q) = \frac{9\phi^3(q)}{64q} \prod_{p^\alpha \parallel q} \frac{\frac{(p+1)^3}{p(p^2+1)} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + O(q^{1+\epsilon}),$$

where  $\sum'$  means the sum is taken only over integers coprime to  $q$  and  $\epsilon$  is any fixed positive number.

### 2. Some lemmas

To prove Theorem, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $q \geq 3$  be an odd number. For any nonprincipal character  $\chi \pmod{q}$ , we have*

$$\sum_{a=1}^q a\chi(a) = \frac{\chi(2)q}{1 - 2\chi(2)} \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(a).$$

*Proof.* From the properties of Dirichlet character, we have

$$\sum_{a=1}^q 2a\chi(2a) = \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} 2a\chi(2a) + \sum_{a=\frac{q+1}{2}}^q 2a\chi(2a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} 2a\chi(2a) + \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q+1}{2}} (2a-1)\chi(q+2a-1) + q \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q+1}{2}} \chi(2a-1) \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^q a\chi(a) + q \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q+1}{2}} \chi(2a-1). \end{aligned}$$

Noting that

$$\sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q+1}{2}} \chi(2a-1) + \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(2a) = \sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) = 0,$$

we can write

$$(1-2\chi(2)) \sum_{a=1}^q a\chi(a) = \sum_{a=1}^q a\chi(a) - \sum_{a=1}^q 2a\chi(2a) = q \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(2a) = \chi(2)q \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(a).$$

That is,

$$\sum_{a=1}^q a\chi(a) = \frac{\chi(2)q}{1-2\chi(2)} \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(a).$$

This proves Lemma 1. □

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $q \geq 5$  be an odd integer and  $\chi$  be a Dirichlet character modulo  $q$  such that  $\chi(-1) = 1$ . Then we have*

$$\sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \frac{q}{4} \rfloor} \chi(a) = -\frac{\bar{\chi}(4)}{8q} \sum_{a=1}^{4q} a\chi\chi_4(a),$$

where  $\chi_4$  is the primitive Dirichlet character modulo 4.

*Proof.* See the proof of Lemma 3 in reference [6] □

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $q$  be an odd integer. Then for any positive integer  $a$  with  $(a, q) = 1$ , we have the identities*

$$\begin{aligned} E(a, q) &= \frac{1}{2q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(\chi(4)-1)(\bar{\chi}(2)-2)^2 \left( \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{32q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\bar{\chi}(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right)^2 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From the orthogonality relation for character sums modulo  $q$  and the definition of  $N(a, q)$  we have

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} N(a, q) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ bc \equiv a \pmod{q}}}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (1 - (-1)^{b+c}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\phi(q)} \left( \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \bar{\chi}(a) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(bc) - \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \bar{\chi}(a) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (-1)^b \chi(b) \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{\phi(q)}{8} + \frac{1}{2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{q} \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \bar{\chi}(a) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (-1)^b \chi(b) \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that

$$(2) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) = 0$$

if  $\chi \neq \chi_0$ . Now if  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $\chi(-1) = 1$ , then we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (-1)^b \chi(b) &= \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(2b) - \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(q - 2b + 1) \\ &= \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(2b) - \sum_{b=\frac{q+3}{4}}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(2b) \\ &= \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } \chi = \chi_0 \text{ is a principal character;} \\ 2\chi(2) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(b) & \text{if } \chi(-1) = 1 \text{ and } \chi \neq \chi_0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

while if  $\chi(-1) = -1$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (-1)^b \chi(b) &= \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(2b) + \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(q - 2b + 1) \\ &= \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \chi(2b) + \sum_{b=\frac{q+3}{4}}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(2b) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \chi(2) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b)$$

and (see Lemma 1)

$$(5) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) = \frac{\bar{\chi}(2) - 2}{q} \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} b\chi(b).$$

For the case of  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , we can also get

$$(6) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} (-1)^b \chi(b) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } \chi = \chi_0; \\ 2\chi(2) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-3}{4}} \chi(b) & \text{if } \chi(-1) = 1 \text{ and } \chi \neq \chi_0; \\ \chi(2) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) & \text{if } \chi(-1) = -1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(7) \quad \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \chi(-1) = 1; \\ \frac{\bar{\chi}(2) - 2}{q} \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} b\chi(b) & \text{if } \chi(-1) = -1. \end{cases}$$

Now combining (1)-(7), Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we can write

$$\begin{aligned} N(a, q) &= \frac{\phi(q)}{8} + \frac{1}{2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(1 - \chi(4)) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b) \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{q} \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\chi(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \frac{q}{4} \rfloor} \chi(b) \right)^2 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right) \\ &= \frac{\phi(q)}{8} + \frac{1}{2q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(\chi(4) - 1)(\bar{\chi}(2) - 2)^2 \left( \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{32q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{q} \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\bar{\chi}(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right)^2 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right), \end{aligned}$$

if  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

Similarly, we have

$$N(a, q) = \frac{\phi(q)}{8} + \frac{1}{2q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(\chi(4) - 1)(\bar{\chi}(2) - 2)^2 \left( \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right)^2 - \frac{1}{32q^2\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\bar{\chi}(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right)^2 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right),$$

if  $q \equiv 3 \pmod 4$ . Now Lemma 3 can be easily obtained from the definition of  $E(a, q)$ . □

**Lemma 4.** *Let integer  $q \geq 3$  and  $(h, q) = 1$ . Denote by  $S(h, q)$  the Dedekind sum*

$$S(h, q) = \sum_{a=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{a}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{ha}{q} \right) \right),$$

where

$$((x)) = \begin{cases} x - [x] - \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x \text{ is not an integer;} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is an integer.} \end{cases}$$

Then we have

$$S(h, q) = \frac{1}{\pi^2 q} \sum_{d|q} \frac{d^2}{\phi(d)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(h) |L(1, \chi)|^2,$$

where  $\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}}$  denotes the summation over all Dirichlet character modulo  $d$  with  $\chi(-1) = -1$ , and  $L(s, \chi)$  the Dirichlet  $L$ -function corresponding to  $\chi$ .

*Proof.* See [3]. □

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $q$  be any odd integer with  $q \geq 3$ ,  $\chi$  be a Dirichlet character modulo  $q$ . Then for any integer  $m \geq 0$ , we have the identity*

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(2^m) \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r\chi(r) \right|^4 = q^4 \phi(q) \sum_{d|q} \sum_{l|q} \mu(d)\mu(l) \sum_{r=1}^q S\left(2^m r, \frac{q}{d}\right) S\left(r, \frac{q}{l}\right),$$

where  $\mu(n)$  is Möbius function,  $\sum_{r=1}^q$  denotes the summation over all integers  $r$  with  $1 \leq r \leq q$  and  $(r, q) = 1$ .

*Proof.* First we introduce Cochrane sum  $C(h, q)$  as follows

$$C(h, q) = \sum_{a=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{\bar{a}}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{ah}{q} \right) \right).$$

Note that  $\sum_{c=1}^{q'} \chi(c) \left(\left(\frac{c}{q}\right)\right) = \sum_{c=1}^q \chi(c) \left(\frac{c}{q} - \frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$ , if  $\chi(-1) = 1$ , then from the orthogonality relation for Dirichlet characters modulo  $q$ , we can write

(8)

$$\begin{aligned} C(a, q) &= \sum_{r=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{\bar{r}}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{ar}{q}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left\{ \sum_{r=1}^q \chi(r) \left(\left(\frac{r}{q}\right)\right) \right\} \times \left\{ \sum_{s=1}^q \chi(s) \left(\left(\frac{as}{q}\right)\right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left\{ \sum_{r=1}^q \chi(r) \left(\left(\frac{r}{q}\right)\right) \right\} \times \left\{ \sum_{s=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) \chi(as) \left(\left(\frac{as}{q}\right)\right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a) \left( \sum_{r=1}^q \chi(r) \left(\left(\frac{r}{q}\right)\right) \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{q^2 \phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a) \left( \sum_{r=1}^q r \chi(r) \right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

where we used the fact  $\sum_{r=1}^q \chi(r) = 0$  if  $\chi$  does not equal the principal character modulo  $q$ . Now the identity

$$(9) \quad \sum_{a=1}^{q'} C(2^m a, q) C(a, q) = \frac{1}{q^4 \phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(2^m) \left| \sum_{r=1}^{q'} r \chi(r) \right|^4$$

follows from (8) immediately.

On the other hand, From the definition of  $C(a, q)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{a=1}^{q'} C(2^m a, q) C(a, q) &= \sum_{a=1}^{q'} \sum_{r=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{\bar{r}}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{2^m ar}{q}\right)\right) \sum_{s=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{\bar{s}}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{as}{q}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^{q'} \sum_{s=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{\bar{r}}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{\bar{s}}{q}\right)\right) \sum_{a=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{2^m ar}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{as}{q}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^{q'} \sum_{s=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{\bar{r}}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{\bar{s}}{q}\right)\right) \sum_{a=1}^{q'} \left(\left(\frac{2^m r \bar{s} a}{q}\right)\right) \left(\left(\frac{a}{q}\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Noting that  $(rs, q) = 1$ , if  $a$  passes through a reduced residue system modulo  $q$ , so does  $\bar{s}a$ . Therefore, from the definition of Dedekind sums  $S(h, q)$  and the

identities

$$\sum_{s=1}^{q'} = \sum_{d|q} \mu(d) \sum_{s=1}^{q/d} \quad \text{and} \quad S(r, q) = S(\bar{r}, q),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} (10) \quad & \sum_{a=1}^q C(2^m a, q) C(a, q) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^q \sum_{s=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{\bar{r}}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{\bar{s}}{q} \right) \right) \sum_{a=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{2^m r \bar{s} a}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{a}{q} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^q \sum_{s=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{\bar{r}}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{\bar{s}}{q} \right) \right) \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(\ell) \sum_{a=1}^{\frac{q}{\ell}} \left( \left( \frac{2^m r \bar{s} a}{q/\ell} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{a}{q/\ell} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(\ell) \sum_{r=1}^q \sum_{s=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{\bar{r}}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{\bar{s}}{q} \right) \right) S\left(2^m r \bar{s}, \frac{q}{\ell}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(\ell) \sum_{r=1}^q \sum_{s=1}^q \left( \left( \frac{\bar{r}}{q} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{s}{q} \right) \right) S\left(2^m r s, \frac{q}{\ell}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(\ell) \sum_{d|q} \mu(d) \sum_{r=1}^q \sum_{s=1}^{q/d} \left( \left( \frac{2^m r s}{q/d} \right) \right) \left( \left( \frac{s}{q/d} \right) \right) S\left(\bar{r}, \frac{q}{\ell}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d) \mu(\ell) \sum_{r=1}^q S\left(2^m r, \frac{q}{d}\right) S\left(\bar{r}, \frac{q}{\ell}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d) \mu(\ell) \sum_{r=1}^q S\left(2^m r, \frac{q}{d}\right) S\left(r, \frac{q}{\ell}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Now Lemma 5 follows from (9) and (10).  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be odd integers with  $(u, v) = d \geq 2$ ,  $\chi_u^0$  and  $\chi_v^0$  be the principal character modulo  $u$  and  $v$ , respectively. If  $r(n) = \sum_{d|n} \chi_u^0(d) \chi_v^0\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$ , then for any integer  $m \geq 0$  we have the identity*

$$\sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ (n,d)=1}}^{\infty} \frac{r(2^m n) r(n)}{n^2} = \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72} \Pi(u, v),$$

where  $\Pi(u, v) := \frac{\prod_{p|uv} \frac{(p^2-1)^2}{p^2(p^2+1)}}{\prod_{p|d} \frac{p^2}{p^2-1}}$ .



*Proof.* The proof is easy once we notice that  $n \mapsto r(n)$  is multiplicative and that

$$r(p^\alpha) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p|u, p \nmid v; \\ \alpha + 1, & \text{if } p \nmid u, p \nmid v; \\ 1, & \text{if } p \nmid u, p|v; \\ 0, & \text{if } p|u, p|v, \end{cases}$$

for any positive integer  $\alpha$  and prime  $p$ . □

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be odd integers with  $(u, v) = d \geq 2$ ,  $\chi_u^0$  and  $\chi_v^0$  be the principal character modulo  $u$  and  $v$ , respectively. Then for any integer  $m \geq 0$  we have the asymptotic formula*

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) |L(1, \chi\chi_u^0)|^2 |L(1, \chi\chi_v^0)|^2 = \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \phi(d) \Pi(u, v) + O_m(d^\epsilon).$$

*Proof.* For convenience, we put

$$A(y, \chi) = \sum_{N < n \leq y} \chi(n)r(n),$$

where  $N$  is a parameter with  $d \leq N < d^4$  and  $r(n)$  was defined in Lemma 6. Then from Abel's identity we have

$$L(1, \chi\chi_u^0)L(1, \chi\chi_v^0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)r(n)}{n} = \sum_{1 \leq n \leq N} \frac{\chi(n)r(n)}{n} + \int_N^{\infty} \frac{A(y, \chi)}{y^2} dy.$$

Hence, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} (14) \quad & \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) |L(1, \chi\chi_u^0)|^2 |L(1, \chi\chi_v^0)|^2 \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) \left( \sum_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} \frac{\bar{\chi}(n_1)r(n_1)}{n_1} \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{\chi(n_2)r(n_2)}{n_2} \right) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) \left( \sum_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} \frac{\bar{\chi}(n_1)r(n_1)}{n_1} \right) \left( \int_N^{\infty} \frac{A(y, \chi)}{y^2} dy \right) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) \left( \sum_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{\chi(n_2)r(n_2)}{n_2} \right) \left( \int_N^{\infty} \frac{A(y, \bar{\chi})}{y^2} dy \right) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod d \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) \left( \int_N^{\infty} \frac{A(y, \bar{\chi})}{y^2} dy \right) \left( \int_N^{\infty} \frac{A(y, \chi)}{y^2} dy \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$:= M_1 + M_2 + M_3 + M_4.$$

Now we shall calculate each term in the expression (14).

(i) From the orthogonality of Dirichlet characters we can write

$$(15) \quad M_1 = \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} - \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_2 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2}.$$

For convenience, we split the sum over  $n_1$  or  $n_2$  into following cases:

- $d \leq n_1 \leq N, \frac{d}{2^m} \leq n_2 \leq N;$
- $d \leq n_1 \leq N, 1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1;$
- $1 \leq n_1 \leq d - 1, \frac{d}{2^m} \leq n_2 \leq N;$
- $1 \leq n_1 \leq d - 1, 1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1.$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{d \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \sum'_{\substack{\frac{d}{2^m} \leq n_2 \leq N}} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \\ & \ll \phi(d) \sum_{1 \leq s_1 \leq \frac{N}{d}} \sum_{1 \leq s_2 \leq \frac{2^m N}{d}} \sum'_{\substack{l_1=1 \\ l_2 \equiv l_1 \pmod{d}}}^{d-1} \sum'_{l_2=1}^{d-1} \frac{r(s_1 d + l_1)r(s_2 d + l_2)}{(s_1 d + l_1)(s_2 d + l_2)} \\ & \ll \phi(d) \sum_{1 \leq s_1 \leq \frac{N}{d}} \sum_{1 \leq s_2 \leq \frac{2^m N}{d}} \sum'_{l_1=1}^{d-1} \frac{[(s_1 d + l_1)(s_2 d + l_1)]^\epsilon}{(s_1 d + l_1)(s_2 d + l_1)} \\ & \ll \frac{\phi(d)}{d} \sum_{1 \leq s_1 \leq \frac{N}{d}} \sum_{1 \leq s_2 \leq \frac{2^m N}{d}} \frac{[(s_1 d + 1)(s_2 d + 1)]^\epsilon}{s_1 s_2} \\ & \ll_m d^\epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{d \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1}} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \\ & \ll \phi(d) \sum_{1 \leq r \leq \frac{N}{d}} \sum_{1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1} (r n_2 d)^{\epsilon-1} \\ & \ll d^\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{1 \leq n_1 \leq d-1} \sum'_{\substack{\frac{d}{2^m} \leq n_2 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \ll d^\epsilon,$$

where we have used the estimate  $r(n) \ll n^\epsilon$ .

For the case  $1 \leq n_1 \leq d-1$ ,  $1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1$ , the solution of the congruence  $2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}$  is  $2^m n_2 = n_1$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{1 \leq n_1 \leq d-1} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1 \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \\ &= \frac{\phi(d)}{2^{m+1}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq \frac{d}{2^m} - 1} \frac{r(2^m n_2)r(n_2)}{n_2^2} \\ &= \frac{\phi(d)}{2^{m+1}} \sum'_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{r(2^m n)r(n)}{n^2} + O_m(d^\epsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Now from Lemma 6, we can immediately get

$$(16) \quad \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv n_1 \pmod{d}}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} = \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \phi(d) \Pi(u, v) + O_m(d^\epsilon).$$

Similarly, we can also get the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} (17) \quad & \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 \equiv -n_1 \pmod{d}}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \\ &= \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 + n_1 = d}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} + \frac{\phi(d)}{2} \sum'_{\substack{1 \leq n_1 \leq N \\ 2^m n_2 + n_1 = ld, \ l \geq 2}} \sum'_{1 \leq n_2 \leq N} \frac{r(n_1)r(n_2)}{n_1 n_2} \\ &\ll \phi(d) \sum_{1 \leq n \leq d-1} \frac{2^m r(n)r(\frac{d-n}{2^m})}{n(d-n)} + \phi(d) \sum'_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} \sum_{l=\lfloor \frac{n_1}{d} \rfloor + 2}^{\lfloor \frac{N+n_1}{d} \rfloor} \frac{2^m r(n_1)r(\frac{ld-n_1}{2^m})}{ldn_1 - n_1^2} \\ &\ll_m \frac{\phi(d)}{d} \sum_{1 \leq n \leq d-1} \frac{(n(d-n))^\epsilon}{n} + \frac{\phi(d)}{d} \sum'_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} \sum_{l=\lfloor \frac{n_1}{d} \rfloor + 2}^{\lfloor \frac{N+n_1}{d} \rfloor} \frac{n_1^\epsilon (ld - n_1)^\epsilon}{ln_1 - \frac{n_1^2}{d}} \\ &\ll_m d^\epsilon + \frac{\phi(d)d^\epsilon}{d} \sum_{n_1=1}^N \sum_{l=1}^N \frac{n_1^\epsilon l^\epsilon}{ln_1} \ll_m d^\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Then from (15), (16) and (17), we have

$$(18) \quad M_1 = \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \phi(d) \Pi(u, v) + O_m(d^\epsilon).$$

(ii) Noting the partition identity

$$A(y, \chi) = \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \sum_{m \leq y/n} \chi(m) \chi_v^0(m)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{m \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(m) \chi_v^0(m) \sum_{n \leq y/m} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \\
& - \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{N}} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \sum_{m \leq N/n} \chi(m) \chi_v^0(m) \\
& - \sum_{m \leq \sqrt{N}} \chi(m) \chi_v^0(m) \sum_{n \leq N/m} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \\
& - \left( \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \right) \left( \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(n) \chi_v^0(n) \right) \\
& + \left( \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{N}} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \right) \left( \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{N}} \chi(n) \chi_v^0(n) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Applying Cauchy inequality and the estimates for character sums

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\chi \neq \chi_0} \left| \sum_{N \leq n \leq M} \chi(n) \right|^2 &= \sum_{\chi \neq \chi_0} \left| \sum_{N \leq n \leq M \leq N+d} \chi(n) \right|^2 \\
&= \phi(d) \sum_{N \leq n \leq M \leq N+d} \chi_0(n) - \left| \sum_{N \leq n \leq M \leq N+d} \chi_0(n) \right|^2 \\
&\leq \frac{\phi^2(d)}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

and note that the identity

$$\sum_{N \leq n \leq M} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) = \sum_{d|u} \mu(d) \chi(d) \sum_{N/d \leq n \leq M/d} \chi(n),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(19) \quad \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |A(y, \chi)|^2 &\ll \sqrt{y} \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{m \leq y/n} \chi(m) \chi_u^0(m) \right|^2 \\
&\quad + \sqrt{y} \sum_{m \leq \sqrt{y}} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{n \leq y/m} \chi(n) \chi_v^0(n) \right|^2 \\
&\quad + \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(n) \chi_u^0(n) \right|^2 \times \left| \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{y}} \chi(n) \chi_v^0(n) \right|^2 \\
&\ll y d^{2+\epsilon}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then from Cauchy inequality and (19) we can write

$$(20) \quad M_2 \ll \sum_{1 \leq n_1 \leq N} n_1^{\epsilon-1} \int_N^\infty \frac{1}{y^2} \left( \sum_{\chi(-1)=-1} |A(y, \chi)| \right) dy$$

$$\ll N^\epsilon \int_N^\infty \frac{d^{\frac{3}{2}+\epsilon} \sqrt{y}}{y^2} dy \ll \frac{d^{\frac{3}{2}+\epsilon}}{N^{\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon}}.$$

(iii) Similar to (ii), we can also get

$$(21) \quad M_3 \ll \frac{d^{\frac{3}{2}+\epsilon}}{N^{\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon}}.$$

(iv) By the same argument as in (ii), and noting the absolute convergence of the integrals, we can write

(22)

$$M_4 \leq \int_N^\infty \int_N^\infty \frac{1}{y^2 z^2} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |A(y, \bar{\chi})| |A(z, \chi)| dy dz$$

$$\ll \int_N^\infty \frac{1}{y^2} \int_N^\infty \frac{1}{z^2} \left( \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |A(y, \bar{\chi})|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |A(z, \chi)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} dy dz$$

$$\ll \left( \int_N^\infty \frac{1}{y^2} \left( \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |A(y, \chi)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} dy \right)^2$$

$$\ll \left( \int_N^\infty \frac{d^{1+\epsilon}}{y^{\frac{3}{2}}} dy \right)^2 \ll \frac{d^{2+\epsilon}}{N}.$$

Now, taking  $N = d^3$ , combining (14)-(22) we obtain the asymptotic formula

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{d} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) |L(1, \chi \chi_u^0)|^2 |L(1, \chi \chi_v^0)|^2 = \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \phi(d) \Pi(u, v) + O_m(d^\epsilon).$$

This proves Lemma 7. □

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $p$  be a prime,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are non-negative integer with  $\beta \geq \alpha$ . Then we have*

$$\sum_{u|p^\beta} \sum_{v|p^\alpha} \frac{u^2 v^2}{\phi(u)\phi(v)} \phi(d) \Pi(u, v)$$

$$= p^{3\alpha} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha+1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + \frac{(p^2 - 1)^2 p^{2\alpha} (p^\beta - p^\alpha)}{(p - 1)^2 (p^2 + 1)},$$

where  $d = (u, v)$  denotes the greatest common divisors of  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ .

*Proof.* See Lemma 5 of [5]. □

**Lemma 9.** *Let  $q$  be any odd integer with  $q \geq 3$ ,  $\chi$  be a Dirichlet character modulo  $q$ . Then for any integer  $m \geq 0$ , we have the asymptotic formulas*

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(2^m) \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r\chi(r) \right|^4 = \frac{(3m + 5)q^3 \phi^4(q)}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \prod_{p^\alpha \parallel q} \frac{\frac{(p+1)^3}{p(p^2+1)} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + O_m(q^{6+\epsilon})$$

and

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{4q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{r=1}^{4q} r\chi(r) \right|^4 = \frac{488}{9} q^3 \phi^4(q) \prod_{p^\alpha \parallel q} \frac{\frac{(p+1)^3}{p(p^2+1)} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + O_m(q^{6+\epsilon}).$$

*Proof.* We only prove the first formula, the second one can be proved by the same method. From Lemma 5 and Lemma 4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} (23) \quad & \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(2^m) \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r\chi(r) \right|^4 \\ &= q^4 \phi(q) \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d)\mu(\ell) \sum_{a=1}^{q'} S\left(2^m a, \frac{q}{d}\right) S\left(a, \frac{q}{\ell}\right) \\ &= q^4 \phi(q) \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d)\mu(\ell) \sum_{a=1}^{q'} \left( \frac{d}{\pi^2 q} \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \frac{u^2}{\phi(u)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod u \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m a) |L(1, \chi)|^2 \right) \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{\ell}{\pi^2 q} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{v^2}{\phi(v)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod v \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(a) |L(1, \chi)|^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{q^2 \phi(q)}{\pi^4} \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d)\mu(\ell) d\ell \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{u^2 v^2}{\phi(u)\phi(v)} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{\substack{\chi_1 \pmod u \\ \chi_1(-1)=-1}} \sum_{\substack{\chi_2 \pmod v \\ \chi_2(-1)=-1}} \sum_{a=1}^{q'} \chi_1(2^m a) \chi_2(a) |L(1, \chi_1)|^2 |L(1, \chi_2)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

For each  $\chi_1 \pmod u$ , it is clear that there exists one and only one  $q_1|u$  with a unique primitive character  $\chi_{q_1}^1 \pmod{q_1}$  such that  $\chi_1 = \chi_{q_1}^1 \chi_u^0$ . Similarly, we

also have  $\chi_2 = \chi_{q_2}^2 \chi_v^0$ , here  $q_2|v$ , and  $\chi_{q_2}^2$  is a primitive character modulo  $q_2$ . Note that  $u|q$  and  $v|q$ , from the orthogonality of Dirichlet characters we have

$$(24) \quad \sum_{a=1}^q \chi_1(a) \chi_2(a) = \sum_{a=1}^q [\chi_{q_1}^1(a) \chi_q^0(a)] [\chi_{q_2}^2(a) \chi_q^0(a)] \\ = \begin{cases} \phi(q), & \text{if } q_1 = q_2 \text{ and } \chi_{q_1}^1 = \overline{\chi_{q_2}^2}; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $d_1 = (u, v)$ . If  $q_1 = q_2$  and  $\chi_{q_1}^1 = \overline{\chi_{q_2}^2}$ , then  $\chi_{q_1}^1 \chi_{d_1}^0$  is also a character mod  $d_1$ . So from (23), (24) and Lemma 7 we get

$$(25) \quad \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(2^m) \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r \chi(r) \right|^4 \\ = \frac{q^2 \phi^2(q)}{\pi^4} \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d) \mu(\ell) d \ell \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{u^2 v^2}{\phi(u) \phi(v)} \\ \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{(u,v)} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \chi(2^m) |L(1, \chi \chi_u^0)|^2 |L(1, \chi \chi_v^0)|^2 \\ = \frac{q^2 \phi^2(q)}{\pi^4} \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{\mu(d) \mu(\ell) d \ell u^2 v^2}{\phi(u) \phi(v)} \\ \times \left\{ \frac{(3m+5)\pi^4}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \phi((u, v)) \Pi(u, v) + O_m((u, v)^\epsilon) \right\} \\ = \frac{(3m+5)q^2 \phi^2(q)}{72 \cdot 2^{m+1}} \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{\mu(d) \mu(\ell) d \ell u^2 v^2}{\phi(u) \phi(v)} \phi((u, v)) \Pi(u, v) \\ + O_m(q^{6+\epsilon}).$$

For any multiplicative functions  $f(u)$  and  $g(v)$ , there holds

$$\sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \mu(d) \mu(\ell) d \ell \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} f(u) g(v) \\ = \prod_{p^\alpha || q} \left[ \sum_{u|p^\alpha} \sum_{v|p^\alpha} f(u) g(v) - 2p \sum_{u|p^{\alpha-1}} \sum_{v|p^\alpha} f(u) g(v) + p^2 \sum_{u|p^{\alpha-1}} \sum_{v|p^{\alpha-1}} f(u) g(v) \right].$$

Now from Lemma 8 and the identity

$$p^{3\alpha} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha+1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + p^2 \cdot p^{3\alpha-3} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-2}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2p \left[ p^{3\alpha-3} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-2}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + \frac{(p^2 - 1)^2 p^{2\alpha-2} (p^\alpha - p^{\alpha-1})}{(p-1)^2 (p^2 + 1)} \right] \\
 &= \frac{p^{3\alpha+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)^2}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} \left( \frac{(p+1)^3}{(p^2 + 1)p^2} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{d|q} \sum_{\ell|q} \sum_{u|\frac{q}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{q}{\ell}} \frac{\mu(d)\mu(\ell)d\ell u^2 v^2}{\phi(u)\phi(v)} \phi((u, v))\Pi(u, v) \\
 (26) \quad &= \prod_{p^\alpha \| q} \left\{ \sum_{d|p^\alpha} \sum_{\ell|p^\alpha} \mu(d)d\mu(\ell)\ell \sum_{u|\frac{p^\alpha}{d}} \sum_{v|\frac{p^\alpha}{\ell}} \frac{uv}{\phi(u)\phi(v)} \phi((u, v))\Pi(u, v) \right\} \\
 &= q\phi^2(q) \prod_{p^\alpha \| q} \frac{\frac{(p+1)^3}{p(p^2+1)} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now Lemma 9 follows immediately from (25) and (26). □

**Lemma 10.** *Let  $q > 2$  be an odd integer. Then we have*

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right|^4 = \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{4q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi(b) \right|^4 - 256 \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |1 - \chi(2)|^4 \left| \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right|^4.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\chi_4^0$  denotes the principal character modulo 4. There holds

$$(27) \quad \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right|^4 = \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{4q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi(b) \right|^4 - \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4^0(b) \right|^4.$$

For the inner summation in the second part, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4^0(b) &= \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ (b,2)=1}}^{4q} b\chi(b) \\
 &= 2 \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ (b,2)=1}}^q b\chi(b) + 2 \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ 2|b}}^q b\chi(b) + 4q \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ 2|b}}^q \chi(b) + 2q \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ (b,2)=1}}^q \chi(b) \\
 &= 2 \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) + 2q \sum_{\substack{b=1 \\ 2|b}}^q \chi(b)
 \end{aligned}$$



$$= 2 \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) + 2\chi(2) \sum_{b=1}^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \chi(b).$$

Now from Lemma 1, we have

$$\sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4^0(b) = (4 - 4\chi(2)) \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b).$$

Now combining (27), we get the lemma. □

### 3. Proof of Theorem

In this section we will complete the proof of Theorem. From Lemma 3, we can write

$$\sum_{a=1}^q E^2(a, q) = \frac{1}{4q^4\phi^2(q)} \sum_{a=1}^q \left[ \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(\chi(4) - 1)(\bar{\chi}(2) - 2)^2 \left( \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right)^2 - \frac{1}{16} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\bar{\chi}(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right)^2 + O(q^2) \right]^2.$$

Noting that

$$\sum_{a=1}^q \chi_1\chi_2(a) = 0,$$

if  $\chi_1(-1) = -1$  and  $\chi_2(-1) = 1$ . So from the orthogonality of Dirichlet characters and Lemma 10, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{a=1}^q E^2(a, q) \\ &= \frac{1}{4q^4\phi^2(q)} \sum_{a=1}^q \left[ \left( \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \bar{\chi}(a)(\chi(4) - 1)(\bar{\chi}(2) - 2)^2 \left( \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right)^2 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{16} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \bar{\chi}(a)\bar{\chi}(4) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right)^2 \right)^2 \right] + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4q^4\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} |(\chi(4)-1)(\bar{\chi}(2)-2)|^2 \left| \sum_{b=1}^q b\chi(b) \right|^4 \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 16^2 q^4 \phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=1 \\ \chi \neq \chi_0}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi\chi_4(b) \right|^4 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4q^4\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} [58 - 4\chi(16) + 20\chi(8) - 25\chi(4) - 20\chi(2) - 20\bar{\chi}(2) \\
&\quad - 25\bar{\chi}(4) + 20\bar{\chi}(8) - 4\bar{\chi}(16)] \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r\chi(r) \right|^4 \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{4q^4\phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod q \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} [6 - 4\chi(2) - 4\bar{\chi}(2) + \chi(4) + \bar{\chi}(4)] \left| \sum_{r=1}^q r\chi(r) \right|^4 \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 16^2 q^4 \phi(q)} \sum_{\substack{\chi \pmod{4q} \\ \chi(-1)=-1}} \left| \sum_{b=1}^{4q} b\chi(b) \right|^4 + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Now from Lemma 9, we can easily get

$$\sum_{a=1}^q E^2(a, q) = \frac{9\phi^3(q)}{64q} \prod_{p^\alpha \parallel q} \frac{\frac{(p+1)^3}{p(p^2+1)} - \frac{1}{p^{3\alpha-1}}}{1 + \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p^2}} + O(q^{1+\epsilon}).$$

This completes the proof of Theorem.

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