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# MEAN VALUES FOR A CLASS OF ARITHMETIC FUNCTIONS IN SHORT INTERVALS 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we shall establish a rather general asymptotic formula in short intervals for a classe of arithmetic functions and announce two applications about the distribution of divisors of square-full numbers and integers representable as sums of two squares.


## 1. Introduction

This is the third paper of our series on the Selberg-Delange method for short intervals. Roughly speaking this method applies to evaluate mean values of arithmetic functions whose associated Dirichlet series are close to complex powers of the Riemann $\zeta$-function. In the first part, by using a suitable contour (located to the left of the Korobov-Vinogradov zero-free region of $\zeta(s)$ ) instead of Hankel's contour used in the original version of the Selberg-Delange method, Cui and $\mathrm{Wu}[2]$ extended this method to handle mean values of arithmetic functions over a short interval, when their corresponding Dirichlet series is close to a positive power of $\zeta$-function. In the second one, Cui, Lü and Wu [3] treated the complex power case with the help of the well-known Hooley-Huxley-Motohashi contour. Some similar results have were appeared in Ramachandra's paper [14]. In this paper, we shall consider a more general case and give some arithmetic applications.

### 1.1. Assumptions.

Let us fix some notation:
$-\zeta(s)$ is the Riemann $\zeta$-function,

- $L(s, \chi)$ is the Dirichlet $L$-function of $\chi$,
$-\varepsilon$ is an arbitrarily small positive constant,
$-r \in \mathbb{N}, \alpha>0, \delta \geqslant 0, A \geqslant 0, M>0$ (constants),
$-\boldsymbol{z}:=\left(z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right) \in \mathbb{C}^{r}$ and $\boldsymbol{w}:=\left(w_{1}, \ldots, w_{r}\right) \in \mathbb{C}^{r}$,
$-\boldsymbol{\kappa}:=\left(\kappa_{1}, \ldots, \kappa_{r}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}$ with $1 \leqslant \kappa_{1}<\cdots<\kappa_{r} \leqslant 2 \kappa_{1}$,
$-\boldsymbol{\chi}:=\left(\chi_{1}, \ldots, \chi_{r}\right)$ with $\chi_{i}$ non principal Dirichlet characters,
$-\boldsymbol{B}:=\left(B_{1}, \ldots, B_{r}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}$ and $\boldsymbol{C}:=\left(C_{1}, \ldots, C_{r}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}$,
- The notation $|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}$ means that $\left|z_{i}\right| \leqslant B_{i}$ for $1 \leqslant i \leqslant r$.

Let $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an arithmetic function and its corresponding Dirichlet series is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{F}(s):=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) n^{-s} \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

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We say that this Dirichlet series $\mathcal{F}(s)$ is of type $\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \alpha, \delta, A, M)$ if the following conditions are verified:
(a) For any $\varepsilon>0$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
|f(n)|<_{\varepsilon} M n^{\varepsilon} \quad(n \geqslant 1) \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the implied constant depends only on $\varepsilon$;
(b) We have

$$
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}|f(n)| n^{-\sigma} \leqslant M\left(\sigma-1 / \kappa_{1}\right)^{-\alpha} \quad\left(\sigma>1 / \kappa_{1}\right)
$$

(c) The Dirichlet series $\mathcal{F}(s)$ has the expression

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{F}(s)=\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)^{\boldsymbol{z}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s) \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{gather*}
\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)^{\boldsymbol{z}}:=\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right)^{z_{i}},  \tag{1.4}\\
\boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}}:=\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)^{w_{i}} \tag{1.5}
\end{gather*}
$$

and the Dirichlet series $\mathcal{G}(s)$ is a holomorphic function in (some open set containing) $\sigma \geqslant$ $\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)^{-1}$ and, in this region, $\mathcal{G}(s)$ satisfies the bound

$$
\begin{equation*}
|\mathcal{G}(s)| \leqslant M(|\tau|+1)^{\max \left\{\delta\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right), 0\right\}} \log ^{A}(|\tau|+3) \tag{1.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for $|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}$ and $|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$, where and in the sequel we implicitly define the real numbers $\sigma$ and $\tau$ by the relation $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ and choose the principal value of the complex logarithm.

As usual, we denote by $N(\sigma, T)$ and $N_{\chi}(\sigma, T)$ the number of zeros of $\zeta(s)$ and $L(s, \chi)$ in the region $\Re e s \geqslant \sigma$ and $|\Im m s| \leqslant T$, respectively. It is well known that there are two constants $\psi$ and $\eta$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
N(\sigma, T), N_{\chi}(\sigma, T) \ll T^{\psi(1-\sigma)}(\log T)^{\eta} \tag{1.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\frac{1}{2} \leqslant \sigma \leqslant 1$ and $T \geqslant 2$. Huxley [9] showed that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=\frac{12}{5} \quad \text { and } \quad \eta=9 \tag{1.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

are admissible for $\zeta(s)$. It is not difficult to extend it for $L(s, \chi)$. The zero density hypothesis is stated as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=2 \tag{1.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

### 1.2. Set-up and main results.

Our main aim of this paper is to establish, under the previous assumptions, an asymptotic formula for the summatory function

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n) \tag{1.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $y:=x^{\vartheta}$ with $\vartheta \in(0,1]$ as small as possible. In order to state our result, it is necessary to introduce some notation. Obviously the function $Z(\kappa s ; z):=\{(\kappa s-1) \zeta(\kappa s)\}^{z}$
is holomorphic in the disc $|s-1 / \kappa|<1 / \kappa$, and admits, in the same disc, the Taylor series expansion

$$
Z(\kappa s ; z)=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_{j}(z, \kappa)}{j!}(s-1 / \kappa)^{j}
$$

where the $\gamma_{j}(z, \kappa)$ 's are entire functions of $z$ satisfying the estimate

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\gamma_{j}(z, \kappa)}{j!}<_{B, \kappa, \varepsilon}(1+\varepsilon)^{j} \quad(j \geqslant 0,|z| \leqslant B) \tag{1.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $B>0, \kappa$ and $\varepsilon>0$. Write $\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*}=\left(\kappa_{2}, \ldots, \kappa_{r}\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{z}_{*}=\left(z_{2}, \ldots, z_{r}\right)$. Under our hypothesis, the function

$$
\mathcal{G}(s) Z\left(\kappa_{1} s ; z_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}}
$$

is holomorphic in the disc $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right|<1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|Z\left(\kappa_{1} s ; z_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s)\right|<_{A, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \delta, \varepsilon} M \tag{1.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right|<1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}-\varepsilon,|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}$ and $|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$. Thus we can write

$$
\begin{equation*}
Z\left(\kappa_{1} s ; z_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s)=\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})\left(s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right)^{\ell} \tag{1.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right| \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}\right)$, where

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}):=\left.\sum_{j=0}^{\ell} \frac{\gamma_{j}\left(z_{1}, \kappa_{1}\right)}{(\ell-j)!j!} \cdot \frac{\partial^{\ell-j}\left(\boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s ; \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s)\right)}{\partial s^{\ell-j}}\right|_{s=1 / \kappa_{1}} \tag{1.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

The main result of this paper is as follows.
Theorem 1.1. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}, \boldsymbol{z} \in \mathbb{C}^{r}, \boldsymbol{w} \in \mathbb{C}^{r}, \boldsymbol{B} \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}, \boldsymbol{C} \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}, \boldsymbol{\chi}, \alpha>0$, $\delta \geqslant 0, A \geqslant 0, M>0$ be given as before. Suppose that the Dirichlet series $\mathcal{F}(s)$ defined as in (1.1) is of type $\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \boldsymbol{\chi}, \alpha, \delta, A, M)$. Then for any $\varepsilon>0$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n)=y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z-1}\left\{\sum_{\ell=0}^{N} \frac{\lambda_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})}{(\log x)^{\ell}}+O\left(M R_{N}(x)\right)\right\} \tag{1.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for

$$
x \geqslant 3, \quad x^{(1-1 /(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}, \quad N \geqslant 0, \quad|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}, \quad|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y^{\prime}:=\kappa_{1}\left(\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{1 / \kappa_{1}}-x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}\right), \\
& \lambda_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}):=\kappa_{1}^{-z_{1}} g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) / \Gamma\left(z_{1}-\ell\right), \\
& R_{N}(x):=\left(\frac{c_{1} N+1}{\log x}\right)^{N+1}+\frac{\left(c_{1} N+1\right)^{N+1}}{\mathrm{e}^{c_{2}(\log x / \log x)^{1 / 3}}}+\frac{y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \log x}
\end{aligned}
$$

for some constants $c_{1}>0$ and $c_{2}>0$ depending only on $\boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \delta$ and $\varepsilon$. The implied constant in the $O$-term depends only on $\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \boldsymbol{\chi}, A, \alpha, \delta$ and $\varepsilon$. In particular, $\psi=\frac{12}{5}$ is admissible.

The admissible length of short intervals in Theorem 1.1 depends only on the zero density constant $\psi$ of $\zeta(s)$ and $\delta$ in (1.6) (for which we take $\delta=0$ in most applications). Its independence from the power $z$ of $\zeta(s)$ in the representation of $\mathcal{F}(s)$ seems interesting. Theorem 1.1 generalizes and improves [2, Theorem 1] to the case of complex powers and intervals of shorter length.
Taking $N=0$ in Theorem 1.1, we obtain readily the following corollary.
Corollary 1.1. Under the conditions of Theorem 1.1, for any $\varepsilon>0$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n)=y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z-1}\left\{\lambda_{0}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})+O\left(\frac{M}{\log x}\right)\right\} \tag{1.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for

$$
x \geqslant 3, \quad x^{(1-1 /(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}, \quad|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}, \quad|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C},
$$

where

$$
\lambda_{0}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}):=\frac{\mathcal{G}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}\right)}{\kappa_{1}^{z_{1}} \Gamma\left(z_{1}\right)} \prod_{2 \leqslant i \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{i} / \kappa_{1}\right)^{z_{i}} \prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} L\left(\kappa_{i} / \kappa_{1}, \chi_{i}\right)^{w_{i}}
$$

and the implied constant in the $O$-term depends only on $A, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \alpha, \delta$ and $\varepsilon$. Note that $\psi=\frac{12}{5}$ is admissible.
Takning $r=2, \boldsymbol{\kappa}=(1,2), \boldsymbol{z}=(z, w), \boldsymbol{w}=(0,0)$ in Theorem 1.1 and Corollary 1.1, we can obtain Theorem 1.1 and Corollary 1.2 of Cui, Lü \& Wu [3].

### 1.3. Distribution of divisors de certains integers.

In order to study the distribution of divisors of integers, Deshouillers, Dress \& G. Tenenbaum [5] introduced the random variable $D_{n}$, which takes the value $(\log d) / \log n$, as $d$ runs through the set of the $\tau(n)$ divisors of $n$, with the uniform probability $1 / \tau(n)$, and consider its distribution function

$$
F_{n}(t)=\operatorname{Prob}\left(D_{n} \leqslant t\right)=\frac{1}{\tau(n)} \sum_{d \mid n, d \leqslant n^{t}} 1 \quad(0 \leqslant t \leqslant 1) .
$$

It is clear that the sequence $\left\{F_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 1}$ does not converge pointwisely on $[0,1]$. However Deshouillers, Dress \& Tenenbaum ([5] or [19, Theorem II.6.7]) proved that its Cesàro mean converges uniformly to the arcsin law. More precisely, they showed that the asymptotic formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{x} \sum_{n \leqslant x} F_{n}(t)=\frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin \sqrt{t}+O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\log x}}\right) \tag{1.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds uniformly for $x \geqslant 2$ and $0 \leqslant t \leqslant 1$. Here we shall announce two applications of Corollary 1.1: the distribution of divisors of square-full numbers and of integers representable as sums of two squares. The proof will be given in another paper [22].
A. Beta law on divisors of square-full numbers in short intervals

An integer $n$ is called square-full if $p\left|n \Rightarrow p^{2}\right| n$. Denote by $\mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{sf}}(n)$ the characteristic function of such integers and define

$$
\begin{equation*}
U(x, y):=\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1 / 2} y} \mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{sf}}(n) . \tag{1.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Our first result is as follows.
Theorem 1.2. For any $\varepsilon \in\left(0, \frac{5}{48}\right)$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{U(x, y)} \sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1 / 2} y} \mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{sf}}(n) F_{n}(t)=B\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} \int_{0}^{t} w^{-\frac{1}{3}}(1-w)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \mathrm{~d} w+O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\log x}}\right) \tag{1.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for $x \geqslant 3$ and $x^{19 / 48+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x^{1 / 2}$, where $B(u, v)$ is the beta function defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
B(u, v):=\int_{0}^{1} w^{u-1}(1-w)^{v-1} \mathrm{~d} w \tag{1.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $u>0$ and $v>0$.
B. Beta law on divisors of integers representable as sums of two squares

Define

$$
\mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n):=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \text { if } n=\square+\square  \tag{1.21}\\
0 & \text { otherwise }
\end{array} \quad \text { and } \quad V(x):=\sum_{n \leqslant x} \mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n) .\right.
$$

They proved that the mean of $F_{n}(t)$ over integers representable as sum of two squares converges to the beta law [7, Theorem 1]: For $x \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{V(x)} \sum_{n \leqslant x} \mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n) F_{n}(t)=B\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \int_{0}^{t} w^{-\frac{3}{4}}(1-w)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{~d} w+O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{\log x}}\right) . \tag{1.22}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here we shall generalise (1.22) to the short interval case. Put

$$
\begin{equation*}
V(x, y):=\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+y} \mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n) . \tag{1.23}
\end{equation*}
$$

Our result is as follows.
Theorem 1.3. For any $\varepsilon \in\left(0, \frac{5}{12}\right)$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{V(x, y)} \sum_{x<n \leqslant x+y} \mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n) F_{n}(t)=B\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \int_{0}^{t} w^{-\frac{3}{4}}(1-w)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{~d} w+O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{\log x}}\right) \tag{1.24}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for $x \geqslant 3$ and $x^{19 / 24+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x$.

## 2. The Hooley-Huxley-Motohashi contour

The Hooley-Huxley-Motohashi contour appeared in Ramachandra [14] and Motohashi [13], independently. In [8], Hooley stated, without proof, his joint result with Huxley:

$$
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{\theta}} \mathbb{1}_{\square+\square}(n) \sim 2^{-1 / 2} \prod_{p \equiv 1(\bmod 4)}\left(1-p^{-2}\right)^{-1 / 2} \frac{x^{\theta}}{\sqrt{\log x}}
$$

for $x \rightarrow \infty$, provided $\theta>\frac{7}{12}$. According to Ramachandra [14, page 314], Hooley and Huxley have educated him on their method and allowed him make some comments about their method. A key point of this method is to use an ingeneous contour, which is called the

Huxley-Hooley contour by Ramachandra. In [13], Motohashi constructed a essential same contour to prove

$$
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{\theta}} \mu(n)=o\left(x^{\theta}\right) \quad(x \rightarrow \infty)
$$

provided $\theta>\frac{7}{12}$. Here we shall follow Motohashi's argument and construct a Hooley-HuxleyMotohashi contour for our purpose.

### 2.1. Notation.

Let $(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ be as before. First we write

$$
\begin{align*}
& \boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}):=\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right) L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)=: \sum_{n \geqslant 1} \tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) n^{-s},  \tag{2.1}\\
&(\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))^{-1}:=\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r}\left(\zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right) L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)\right)^{-1}=: \sum_{n \geqslant 1} \tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) n^{-s} \tag{2.2}
\end{align*}
$$

for $\sigma>1 / \kappa_{1}$, respectively. Here and in the sequel, we define implicitly the real numbers $\sigma$ and $\tau$ by the relation $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$. A simple computation shows that

$$
\begin{align*}
\tau_{\kappa}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) & =\sum_{m_{1}^{\kappa_{1} \ldots m_{r}^{\kappa_{r}} n_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \ldots n_{r}^{\kappa_{r}}=n}} \prod_{m_{1}^{\kappa_{1} \ldots m_{r}^{\kappa_{r}} n_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \cdots n_{r}^{\kappa_{r}}=n} \chi_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} \chi_{i}\left(n_{i}\right),} \mu\left(m_{i}\right) \mu\left(n_{i}\right) \chi_{i}\left(n_{i}\right) . \tag{2.3}
\end{align*}
$$

From these, we deduce that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\tau_{\kappa}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi})\right| \leqslant \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n), \quad\left|\tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi})\right| \leqslant \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n), \quad \tau_{\kappa} * \tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}=\mathbb{1}_{\{1\}} \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $n \geqslant 1$, where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n):=\sum_{m_{1}^{\kappa_{1} \ldots m_{r}^{k_{r}} n_{1}^{\kappa_{1}} \cdots n_{r}^{k_{r}}=n}} 1 \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

and $\mathbb{1}_{\{1\}}$ is the unit with respect to the Dirichlet convolution.

### 2.2. Upper bounds for $\zeta(s)^{ \pm 1}$ and $L(s, \chi)^{ \pm 1}$ in their zero-free regions.

It is well known that there is an absolute positive constant $c$ such that $\zeta(s) \neq 0$ for

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma \geqslant 1-c(\log |\tau|)^{-2 / 3}\left(\log _{2}|\tau|\right)^{-1 / 3}, \quad|\tau| \geqslant 3 \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

(the zero-free region, due to Korobov and Vinogradov) and in this region we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\zeta(s)^{ \pm 1} \ll(\log |\tau|)^{2 / 3}\left(\log _{2}|\tau|\right)^{1 / 3} \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

(see [21, page 135] or [19, page 162]). For the Dirichlet $L$-functions, Richert [15] has established similar results.

Lemma 2.1. Let $\chi$ be a non-principal Dirichlet character module $q$ and let $L(s, \chi)$ be the corresponding Dirichlet L-function. Then we have

$$
|L(s, \chi)| \ll \begin{cases}|\tau|^{100(1-\sigma)^{3 / 2}}(\log \tau)^{4 / 3} & \text { if } \frac{1}{2} \leqslant \sigma \leqslant 1 \text { and }|\tau| \geqslant 3,  \tag{2.9}\\ \log |\tau| & \text { if } \sigma \geqslant 1 \text { and }|\tau| \geqslant 3 .\end{cases}
$$

Further there is a positive constant $c_{\chi}$ depending on $\chi$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
|L(s, \chi)|^{-1} \ll(\log |\tau|)^{2 / 3}\left(\log _{2}|\tau|\right)^{1 / 3} \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\sigma \geqslant 1-500 c_{\chi}(\log |\tau|)^{-2 / 3}\left(\log _{2}|\tau|\right)^{-1 / 3}$ and $|\tau| \geqslant 3$. Here the implied constants depend on $\chi$ only.

Proof. Let $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$. Without loss of generality, we can suppose that $\tau \geqslant 2$. For $\sigma:=$ $\Re e s>1$ and $0<w \leqslant 1$, the Hurwitz $\zeta$-function is defined by

$$
\zeta(s, w):=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(n+w)^{-s} .
$$

This function can be extended to a meromorphic function over $\mathbb{C} \backslash\{1\}$. According to [15, Satz], there is a absolute constant $c>0$ such that we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\zeta(s, w)-w^{-s}\right| \leqslant c|\tau|^{100(1-\sigma)^{3 / 2}}(\log |\tau|)^{2 / 3} \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

uniformly for $0<w \leqslant 1, \frac{1}{2} \leqslant \sigma \leqslant 1$ and $|\tau| \geqslant 3$.
Since $\chi(n)$ is of period $q$, we can write, for $\sigma>1$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
L(s, \chi) & =\sum_{a=1}^{q} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \chi(a+n q)(n q+a)^{-s} \\
& =q^{-s} \sum_{a=1}^{q} \chi(a)\left\{\zeta(s, a / q)-(a / q)^{-s}\right\}+\sum_{a=1}^{q} \chi(a) a^{-s} .
\end{aligned}
$$

This relation also holds for all $s \in \mathbb{C} \backslash\{1\}$ by analytic continuation. Inserting (2.11), we immediately get the first inequality in (2.9). The second one is classical.

In view of (2.9), we can prove (2.10) exactly as [21, Theorem 3.11] with the choice of

$$
\theta(\tau)=\left(\frac{\log _{2} \tau}{100 \log \tau}\right)^{2 / 3} \quad \text { and } \quad \phi(\tau)=\log _{2} \tau
$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.1.

### 2.3. Definition of the Hooley-Huxley-Motohashi contour $\mathscr{L}_{T}$.

Let $(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ be as before and let $T_{0}=T_{0}(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi}), c_{0}=c_{0}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ be two large constants and let $C_{0}=C_{0}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ be a suitable positive constant. For $T \geqslant T_{0}$, put

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{T}:=C_{0}(\log T)^{-2 / 3}\left(\log _{2} T\right)^{-1 / 3} \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

According to (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10) where such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\log |\tau|)^{-c_{0} r} \ll|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll(\log |\tau|)^{c_{0} r} \tag{2.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\sigma \geqslant\left(1-100 \delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}$ and $3 \leqslant|\tau| \leqslant 100 T$, where the implied constants depend on $(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$.
For $T \geqslant T_{0}$, write

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{T}:=\left[\left(\frac{1}{2}-\delta_{T}\right) \log T\right] \quad \text { and } \quad K_{T}:=\left[T(\log T)^{-1}\right] \tag{2.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

For each pair of integers $(j, k)$ with $0 \leqslant j \leqslant J_{T}$ and $0 \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}$, we define

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma_{j}:=\left(\frac{1}{2}+j(\log T)^{-1}\right) / \kappa_{1}, \quad \tau_{k}:=(1+k \log T) / \kappa_{1} \tag{2.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta_{j, k}:=\left\{s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau: \sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1} \text { and } \tau_{k} \leqslant \tau<\tau_{k+1}\right\} \tag{2.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define

$$
\begin{align*}
& M_{x}(s)=M_{x}(s ; \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi}):=\sum_{n \leqslant x} \frac{\tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi})}{n^{s}},  \tag{2.17}\\
& \mathfrak{M}(\varsigma, T)=\mathfrak{M}(\varsigma, T ; \boldsymbol{\kappa}):=\max _{\substack{\sigma \geqslant \varsigma \\
1 \leqslant|\tau| \leqslant T}}|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)|^{2} \tag{2.18}
\end{align*}
$$

Let $A^{\prime}$ be a fix large integer, and put

$$
\begin{equation*}
N_{j}:=\left(A^{\prime}(\log T)^{5} \mathfrak{M}\left(4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1}, 8 T\right)\right)^{1 / 2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} \tag{2.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

We divide $\Delta_{j, k}$ into two classes $(W)$ and $(Y)$ as follows.

- The case of $\sigma_{j} \leqslant(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}$.
$\Delta_{j, k} \in(W)$ if $\Delta_{j, k}$ contains at least one zero of $\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})$, and $\Delta_{j, k} \in(Y)$ otherwise.
- The case of $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j} \leqslant\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}$.

We write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta_{j, k} \in(W) \Leftrightarrow \exists s \in \Delta_{j, k} \text { such that }\left|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}) M_{N_{j}}(s)\right|<\frac{1}{2} \tag{2.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta_{j, k} \in(Y) \Leftrightarrow\left|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}) M_{N_{j}}(s)\right| \geqslant \frac{1}{2} \text { for all } s \in \Delta_{j, k} \tag{2.21}
\end{equation*}
$$

For each $k$, we define $j_{k}:=\max \left\{j: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}$ and put

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathscr{D}^{\prime}:=\underset{0 \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}}{\cup} \cup_{0 \leqslant j \leqslant j_{k}} \Delta_{j, k} \quad \text { and } \quad \mathscr{D}_{0}:=\underset{0 \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}}{\cup} \bigcup_{j_{k}<j \leqslant J_{T}} \Delta_{j, k} \tag{2.22}
\end{equation*}
$$

Clearly $\mathscr{D}_{0}$ consists of $\Delta_{j, k}$ of class $(Y)$ only.
The Hooley-Huxley-Motohashi contour $\mathscr{L}_{T}=\mathscr{L}_{T}(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ is sysmmetric about the real axe. Its supérieur part is the path in $\mathscr{D}_{0}$ consisting of horizontal and vertical line segments whose distances away from $\mathscr{D}^{\prime}$ are respectively $d_{\mathrm{h}}$ and $d_{\mathrm{v}}$, where $d_{\mathrm{h}}$ and $d_{\mathrm{v}}$ are defined by

$$
\begin{align*}
d_{\mathrm{h}} & :=\left(\log _{2} T\right) / \kappa_{1}, \\
d_{\mathrm{v}} & := \begin{cases}\varepsilon^{2} / \kappa_{1} & \text { if } \sigma \leqslant(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}, \\
(\log T)^{-1} / \kappa_{1} & \text { if }(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma<\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}\end{cases} \tag{2.23}
\end{align*}
$$

Clearly $\mathscr{L}_{T}$ is symmetric about the real axis. The following figure shows its upper part [from the point $\left((1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}, 0\right)$ to the point $\left(\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}, T\right)$.


Figure 1 - Superieur part of the contour $\mathscr{L}_{T}$

## 3. LOWER AND UPPER BOUNDS OF $|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})|$ ON $\mathscr{L}_{T}$

The aim of this section is to prove the following proposition.
Proposition 3.1. Under the previous notation, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
T^{-544 \sqrt{2 \varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right)}(\log T)^{-4} \ll|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll T^{136 \sqrt{2 \varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right)}(\log T)^{4} \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$, where the implied constants depend on $(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$.
First we establish two preliminary lemmas.
Lemma 3.1. Under the previous notation, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{e}^{-(\log T)^{1-\varepsilon^{2}}} \ll|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll \mathrm{e}^{(\log T)^{1-\varepsilon^{2}}} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $\sigma \leqslant(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}$, or $s$ with $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma \leqslant \frac{1}{\kappa_{1}}\left(1-\varepsilon+\varepsilon^{2}\right)$ on the horizontal segments in $\mathscr{L}_{T}$ that intersect the vertical line $\Re e s=(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}$. Here the implied constant depends only on $\varepsilon$.

Proof. Let $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ satisfy the conditions in this lemma. Without loss of generality, we can suppose that $\tau \geqslant T_{0}(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$. Let us consider the four circles $\mathscr{C}_{1}, \mathscr{C}_{2}, \mathscr{C}_{3}$ and $\mathscr{C}_{4}$, all centered at $s_{0}:=\log _{2} \tau+\mathrm{i} \tau$, with radii

$$
\begin{aligned}
& r_{1}:=\log _{2} \tau-(1+\eta) / \kappa_{1}, \\
& r_{2}:=\log _{2} \tau-\sigma, \\
& r_{3}:=\log _{2} \tau-\sigma+\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right), \\
& r_{4}:=\log _{2} \tau-\sigma+\varepsilon^{2} / \kappa_{1},
\end{aligned}
$$

respectively. Here $\eta>0$ is a parameter to be chosen later. We note that these four circles pass through the points $(1+\eta) / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} \tau, \sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau, \sigma-\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)+\mathrm{i} \tau$ and $\sigma-\varepsilon^{2} / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} \tau$, respectively.

Clearly $\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}) \neq 0$ in a region containing the disc $\left|s-s_{0}\right| \leqslant r_{4}$. Thus we can unambiguously define $\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))$ in this region. We fix a branch of the logarithm throughout the remaining discussion.

Let $M_{i}$ denote the maximum of $|\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))|$ on $\mathscr{C}_{i}$ relative to this branch. By Hadamard's three-circle theorem and the fact that $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ is on $\mathscr{C}_{2}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
|\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))| \leqslant M_{2} \leqslant M_{1}^{1-\phi} M_{3}^{\phi}, \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\phi & =\frac{\log \left(r_{2} / r_{1}\right)}{\log \left(r_{3} / r_{1}\right)} \\
& =\frac{\log \left(1+\left(1+\eta-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right) /\left(\kappa_{1} \log _{2} \tau-1-\eta\right)\right)}{\log \left(1+\left(1+\eta-\kappa_{1} \sigma+\varepsilon^{2} / 2\right) /\left(\kappa_{1} \log _{2} \tau-1-\eta\right)\right)} \\
& =\frac{1+\eta-\kappa_{1} \sigma}{1+\eta-\kappa_{1} \sigma+\varepsilon^{2} / 2}+O\left(\frac{1}{\log _{2} \tau}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

On taking $\eta=\kappa_{1} \sigma-\frac{1}{2}\left(1+\varepsilon^{2}+\frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{1+\varepsilon^{2}}\right)\left(\eta \geqslant \frac{\varepsilon^{4}}{2\left(1+\varepsilon^{2}\right)}\right.$, since $\left.\sigma \geqslant \frac{1}{\kappa_{1}}\left(\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon^{2}\right)\right)$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi=1-\varepsilon^{2}-\varepsilon^{4}+O\left(\left(\log _{2} \tau\right)^{-1}\right) . \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

On the circle $\mathscr{C}_{1}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
M_{1} \leqslant \max _{\Re e s \geqslant(1+\eta) / \kappa_{1}} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left|\frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^{\kappa_{1} s} \log n}\right| \leqslant \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\eta}} \ll \frac{1}{\eta} \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Lambda(n)$ is the von Mangoldt function.
In order to bound $M_{3}$, we shall apply the Borel-Carathéodory theorem to the function $\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))$ on the circles $\mathscr{C}_{3}, \mathscr{C}_{4}$. On the circle $\mathscr{C}_{4}$, it is well known that

$$
\Re e(\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})))=\log |\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll \log \tau
$$

thanks to the convexity bounds of $\zeta(s)$ and of $L(s, \chi)$. Hence the Borel-Carathéodory theorem gives

$$
\begin{align*}
M_{3} & \leqslant \frac{2 r_{3}}{r_{4}-r_{3}} \max _{\left|s-s_{0}\right| \leqslant r_{4}} \log |\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})|+\frac{r_{4}+r_{3}}{r_{4}-r_{3}}\left|\log \left(\boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s_{0}\right) \boldsymbol{L}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s_{0}, \boldsymbol{\chi}\right)\right)\right| \\
& \ll \frac{2\left(\log _{2} \tau-\sigma+\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)\right)}{\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)} \log \tau+\frac{2\left(\log _{2} \tau-\sigma+\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)\right)}{\varepsilon^{2} /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)}  \tag{3.6}\\
& \ll\left(\log _{2} \tau\right) \log \tau .
\end{align*}
$$

From (3.3), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.6), we deduce that

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\log (\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}))| & \ll\left(\eta^{-1}\right)^{1-\phi}\left(\left(\log _{2} \tau\right) \log \tau\right)^{\phi} \\
& \lll\left(\left(\log _{2} \tau\right) \log \tau\right)^{1-\varepsilon^{2}-\varepsilon^{4}} \\
& \ll \varepsilon(\log \tau)^{1-\varepsilon^{2}}
\end{aligned}
$$

This leads to the required estimates.
Lemma 3.2. Under the previous notation, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
T^{-544 r\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{-c_{0} r} \ll|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll T^{136 r\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{c_{0} r} \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. Here the implied constants depend on $(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$. In particular we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
T^{-544 r \sqrt{2 \varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{-c_{0} r} \ll|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll T^{136 r \sqrt{2 \varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{c_{0} r} \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. All the implied constants are absolute.
Proof. By (2.11) with $w=1$ and Lemma 2.1, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \ll \tau^{100 r\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log \tau)^{c_{0} r} \quad\left(\frac{1}{2 \kappa_{1}} \leqslant \sigma \leqslant \frac{1}{\kappa_{1}}, \tau \geqslant 2\right) \tag{3.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

This immediately implies the second inequality in (3.7).
Next we consider the first inequality in (3.7). Let $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. Since $1 / \kappa_{1} \geqslant 4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1} \geqslant(1-4 \varepsilon) / \kappa_{1} \leqslant 1 / 2 \kappa_{1}$, the inequality (2.11) with $w=1$ allows us to derive that

$$
\begin{align*}
N_{j}^{2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} & =A^{\prime}(\log T)^{5} \max _{\substack{\sigma \geqslant 4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1} \\
1 \leqslant \tau \leqslant 8 T}}|\boldsymbol{\kappa}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)|^{2}  \tag{3.10}\\
& \ll T^{200 \sqrt{2} r\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}(\log T)^{c_{0} r} .}
\end{align*}
$$

According to the definition of $\mathscr{L}_{T}$, there is an integer $k$ such that $s \in \Delta_{j, k}$ and this $\Delta_{j, k}$ must be in $(Y)$ and (2.21) holds for all $s$ of this $\Delta_{j, k}$. On the other hand, (2.5) and (3.10) imply that for $\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|M_{N_{j}}(s)\right| & \leqslant \sum_{n \leqslant N_{j}} \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n) n^{-\sigma_{j}} \ll\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{-2} N_{j}^{1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}} \\
& \ll T^{544\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{c_{0} r} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Combining this with (2.21) immediately yields

$$
|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})| \geqslant\left(2\left|M_{N_{j}}(s)\right|\right)^{-1} \gg T^{-544\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{-c_{0} r}
$$

for $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$.
Finally we note (3.8) is a simple consequence of (3.7) since $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j}$ implies that $\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{1 / 2} \leqslant \sqrt{\varepsilon}$.

Now we are ready to prove Proposition 3.1.
Proof. When $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $|\tau| \leqslant 1$, the estimations (3.1) are trivial.
Next suppose that $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$ with $|\tau|>1$. Then there is a $j$ such that $\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. We consider the three possibilities.

- The case of $(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j}$.

The inequality (3.1) follows immediately from (3.8) of Lemma 3.2.

- The case of $\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma \leqslant(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}$.

In this case, the first part of Lemma 3.1 shows that (3.1) holds again since $\sqrt{\varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{j} \sigma\right) \geqslant$ $\varepsilon^{3 / 2} \geqslant(\log T)^{-\varepsilon^{2}}$ for $T \geqslant T_{0}(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$.

- The case of $\sigma_{j} \leqslant(1-\varepsilon) / \kappa_{1}<\sigma$.

In this case, $s$ must be on the horizontal segment in $\mathscr{L}_{T}$, because the vertical segment keeps the distance $\varepsilon^{2}$ from the line $\Re e s=\sigma_{j}$ and $\sigma_{j}<\sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. Thus we can apply the second part of Lemma 3.1 to get (3.1) as before.

## 4. Montgomery's method

### 4.1. Montgomery's mean value theorem.

Let $\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)$ and $\mathfrak{M}(\varsigma, T)$ be defined as in (2.6) and (2.18), respectively. The following proposition is a variant of [12, Theorem 8.4] for our purpose, which will play a key role in the proof of Proposition 5.1 below.

Proposition 4.1. Let $\sigma_{0}>0, \varrho>0$ and $T \geqslant 2$ three real numbers. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ be as before. Let $\mathcal{S}=\mathcal{S}_{T}\left(\sigma_{0}, \varrho\right)$ be a finite set of complex numbers $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma \geqslant \sigma_{0}, \quad 1 \leqslant|\tau| \leqslant T \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $s \in \mathcal{S}$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\tau-\tau^{\prime}\right| \geqslant \varrho \tag{4.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

for any distinct points $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ and $s^{\prime}=\sigma^{\prime}+\mathrm{i} \tau^{\prime}$ in $\mathcal{S}$. For any sequence of complex numbers $\left\{a_{n}\right\}$ verifying

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{n} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n) \geqslant 1, \tag{4.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

real numbers $\theta \in\left(1 / \kappa_{2}, 1 / \kappa_{1}\right)$ and $N \geqslant 1$, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}}\left|\sum_{n \leqslant N} a_{n} n^{-s}\right|^{2} \\
& \ll\left\{\left(1+\varrho^{-1}\right) N^{1 / \kappa_{1}}+\left(\mathfrak{M}(\theta, 4 T)+\frac{1}{\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)}\right) N^{\theta}|\mathcal{S}|\right\} \sum_{n \leqslant N} \frac{\left|a_{n}\right|^{2}}{n^{2 \sigma_{0}}}, \tag{4.4}
\end{align*}
$$

where the implied constant depends on $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ only.
First we prove two preliminary lemmas. The first one is due to Bombieri (see also [12, Lemma 5.1]). For the convenience of reader, we give a direct proof.

Lemma 4.1. Let $\mathcal{S}$ be a finite set of complex numbers s. For any $\left\{a_{n}\right\}_{1 \leqslant n \leqslant N} \subset \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{s \in S}\left|\sum_{n \leqslant N} a_{n} n^{-s}\right|^{2} \leqslant\left(\sum_{n \leqslant N}\left|a_{n}\right|^{2} b_{n}^{-1}\right) \max _{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| \tag{4.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
B(s):=\sum_{n \geqslant 1} b_{n} n^{-s}
$$

is absolutely convergent at the points $\bar{s}+s^{\prime}$, and the $b_{n}$ are non-negative real numbers for which $b_{n}>0$ whenever $a_{n} \neq 0$. Here the implied constant is absolute.

Proof. According our hypothesis on $a_{n}$ and $b_{n}$, we can write $a_{n}=a_{n} b_{n}^{-1 / 2} b_{n}^{1 / 2}$ for all $n \leqslant N$. Introducing the notation

$$
A(s):=\sum_{n \leqslant N} a_{n} n^{-s},
$$

then we can write

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{s \in S}|A(s)|^{2} & =\sum_{s \in S} \sum_{n \leqslant N} a_{n} b_{n}^{-1 / 2} b_{n}^{1 / 2} n^{-s} \sum_{m \leqslant N} \overline{a_{m}} m^{-\bar{s}} \\
& =\sum_{n \leqslant N}\left(a_{n} b_{n}^{-1 / 2}\right)\left(b_{n}^{1 / 2} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} n^{-s} \sum_{m \leqslant N} \overline{a_{m}} m^{-\bar{s}}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

By the Cauchy inequality, it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(\sum_{s \in S}|A(s)|^{2}\right)^{2} \leqslant\left(\sum_{n \leqslant N}\left|a_{n}\right|^{2} b_{n}^{-1}\right) \Upsilon, \tag{4.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\Upsilon:=\sum_{n \leqslant N} b_{n}\left|\sum_{s \in S} n^{-s} \sum_{m \leqslant N} \overline{a_{m}} m^{-\bar{s}}\right|^{2} .
$$

Since $B(s)$ is absolutely convergent at the points $\bar{s}+s^{\prime}$, we can deduce

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Upsilon & \leqslant \sum_{n \geqslant 1} b_{n}\left|\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} n^{-s} \sum_{m \leqslant N} \overline{a_{m}} m^{-\bar{s}}\right|^{2} \\
& =\sum_{n \geqslant 1} b_{n} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S} n^{-s^{\prime}} \sum_{d \leqslant N} \overline{a_{d}} d^{-s^{\prime}} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} n^{-\bar{s}} \sum_{m \leqslant N} a_{m} m^{-s} \\
& =\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S} \sum_{d \leqslant N} \overline{a_{d}} d^{-\bar{s}} \sum_{m \leqslant N} a_{m} m^{-s} B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

On the other hand, the trivial inequality $|a b| \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\left(|a|^{2}+|b|^{2}\right)$ allows us to write

$$
\left|\sum_{d \leqslant N} \overline{a_{d}} d^{-\bar{s}^{\prime}} \sum_{m \leqslant N} a_{m} m^{-s}\right| \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\left(|A(s)|^{2}+\left|A\left(s^{\prime}\right)\right|^{2}\right) .
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Upsilon & \leqslant \sum_{s \in S} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S} \frac{1}{2}\left(|A(s)|^{2}+\left|A\left(s^{\prime}\right)\right|^{2}\right)\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| \\
& \leqslant \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S}|A(s)|^{2}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{s \in S} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S}\left|A\left(s^{\prime}\right)\right|^{2}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| \\
& \leqslant \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s \in S}|A(s)|^{2} \max _{s \in S} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in S}\left|A\left(s^{\prime}\right)\right|^{2} \max _{s^{\prime} \in S} \sum_{s \in S}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| .
\end{aligned}
$$

Noticing that

$$
\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|=\left|\overline{B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)}\right|=\left|B\left(\overline{\bar{s}+s^{\prime}}\right)\right|=\left|B\left(s+\overline{s^{\prime}}\right)\right|,
$$

the precede inequality becomes

$$
\Upsilon \leqslant \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}}|A(s)|^{2} \max _{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S}}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| .
$$

Inserting it into (4.6), we get the required result.
The next lemma is an analogue of [12, page 157, Theorem II.2].
Lemma 4.2. Let $r$, $\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)$ and $\mathfrak{M}(\theta, T)$ be as before. For any $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau$ with $\sigma \geqslant 0$ and $|\tau| \geqslant 1$, real numbers $\theta \in\left(1 / \kappa_{2}, 1 / \kappa_{1}\right)$ and $N \geqslant 1$, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left|\sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)}{n^{s}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N}\right)\right|  \tag{4.7}\\
& \ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \mathrm{e}^{-|\tau|}+\left\{\mathfrak{M}(\theta, 2|\tau|)+\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)^{-1}\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)^{-1}\right\} N^{\theta},
\end{align*}
$$

where the implied constant depends on $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ only.
Proof. Denote by $\mathscr{S}_{N}(s)=\mathscr{S}_{N}(s ; \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ the series on the left-hand side of (4.7). By the Perron formula [21, page 151, Lemma], we can write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathscr{S}_{N}(s)=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{2 / \kappa_{1}-\mathrm{i} \infty}^{2 / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} \infty} \boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}(w+s))^{2} \Gamma(w)\left((2 N)^{w}-N^{w}\right) \mathrm{d} w \tag{4.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)$ is defined as in (2.1) above. We take the contour to the line $\Re e w=\theta-\sigma$ with $1 / \kappa_{2}-\sigma<\theta-\sigma<1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma$, and in doing so we pass a simple pole at $w=1 / \kappa_{1}-s$. Put

$$
G(w):=\prod_{2 \leqslant j \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{j}(w+s)\right)^{2} \Gamma(w)\left((2 N)^{w}-N^{w}\right) .
$$

The residue of the integrand at this pole is, in view of the hypothesis $\sigma \geqslant 0$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{Res}_{w=1 / \kappa_{1}-s} \boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}(w+s))^{2} \Gamma(w)\left((2 N)^{w}-N^{w}\right) & =\left(\gamma G\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-s\right)+G^{\prime}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-s\right) / \kappa_{1}\right) / \kappa_{1} \\
& \ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \mathrm{e}^{-|\tau|},
\end{aligned}
$$

where we have used the Stirling formula [20, page 151]:

$$
\begin{equation*}
|\Gamma(s)|=\sqrt{2 \pi} \mathrm{e}^{-(\pi / 2)|\tau|}|\tau|^{\sigma-1 / 2}\left\{1+O\left(\frac{\left|\tan \left(\frac{\arg s}{2}\right)\right|}{|\tau|}+\frac{|a|^{2}+|b|^{2}}{|\tau|^{2}}+\frac{|a|^{3}+|b|^{3}}{|\tau|^{3}}\right)\right\} \tag{4.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

valable uniformly for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a<b, a \leqslant \sigma \leqslant b$ and $|\tau| \geqslant 1$, where the implied $O$-constant is absolute.

On the other hand, by using the Stirling formula again it is easy to see that for $\Re e w=\theta-\sigma$ and $|\Im m w| \leqslant|\tau|$, the integrand in (4.8) is

$$
\ll\left\{\mathfrak{M}(\theta, 2|\tau|)+\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)^{-1}\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)^{-1}\right\} N^{\theta-\sigma} \mathrm{e}^{-|\Im m w|},
$$

while otherwise the Stirling formula and the convexity bounds of $\zeta$-function imply that

$$
\ll N^{\theta-\sigma} \mathrm{e}^{-|\Im m w|} \ll\left(\mathfrak{M}(\theta, 2|\tau|)+\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)^{-1}\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)^{-1}\right) N^{\theta-\sigma} \mathrm{e}^{-|\Im m w|} .
$$

The required result follows from this.
Now we are ready to prove Proposition 4.1.
Proof. We shall apply Lemma 4.1 with the choice of

$$
b_{n}:=\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n) n^{2 \sigma_{0}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N}\right) .
$$

In view of the simple fact that $\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N} \asymp 1$ for $N \leqslant n \leqslant 2 N$ and the hypothesis (4.3), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}}\left|\sum_{N \leqslant n \leqslant 2 N} a_{n} n^{-s}\right|^{2} \ll\left(\sum_{N \leqslant n \leqslant 2 N}\left|a_{n}\right|^{2} n^{-2 \sigma_{0}}\right) \max _{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S}}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|, \tag{4.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
B(s):=\sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\tau_{\kappa}, \kappa}{}(n)\left(\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N}\right) .
$$

In view of (4.1) and (4.2), we can apply Lemma 4.2 to deduce

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right| & =\left|\sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)}{n^{\sigma+\sigma^{\prime}-2 \sigma_{0}+\mathrm{i}\left(\tau^{\prime}-\tau\right)}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N}\right)\right| \\
& \ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \mathrm{e}^{-\left|\tau^{\prime}-\tau\right|}+\left\{\mathfrak{M}\left(\theta, 2\left|\tau^{\prime}-\tau\right|\right)+\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)^{-1}\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)^{-1}\right\} N^{\theta}
\end{aligned}
$$

for any distinct points $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau \in \mathcal{S}$ and $s^{\prime}=\sigma^{\prime}+\mathrm{i} \tau^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S}$. By (4.2), the contribution of the term $N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \mathrm{e}^{\left|\tau^{\prime}-\tau\right|}$ to the sum $\sum_{\substack{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S} \\ s^{\prime} \neq s}}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|$ is

$$
\ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \sum_{\substack{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S} \\\left|\tau-\tau^{\prime}\right| \geqslant \varrho}} \mathrm{e}^{-\left|\tau-\tau^{\prime}\right|} \ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \sum_{n \geqslant 0} \mathrm{e}^{-n} \sum_{\substack{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S} \\ n<\left|\tau-\tau^{\prime}\right| \leqslant n+1}} 1 \ll\left(1+\varrho^{-1}\right) N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} .
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sum_{s^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S}, s^{\prime} \neq s}\left|B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)\right|  \tag{4.11}\\
& \ll\left(1+\varrho^{-1}\right) N^{1 / \kappa_{1}}+\left\{\mathfrak{M}\left(\theta, 2\left|\tau^{\prime}-\tau\right|\right)+\left(1-\kappa_{1} \theta\right)^{-1}\left(\kappa_{2} \theta-1\right)^{-1}\right\} N^{\theta}|\mathcal{S}| .
\end{align*}
$$

When $s=s^{\prime}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
B\left(\bar{s}+s^{\prime}\right)=B(2 \sigma) \leqslant \sum_{n \geqslant 1} \tau_{\kappa, \boldsymbol{\kappa}}(n)\left(\mathrm{e}^{-n /(2 N)}-\mathrm{e}^{-n / N}\right) \ll N^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \tag{4.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now the required result follows from (4.10), (4.11) and (4.12).

## 5. Density estimation of small value points

In [12], Montgomery developed a new method for studying zero-densities of the Riemann $\zeta$-function and of the Dirichlet $L$-functions. Subsequently by modifying this method, Huxley [9] established his zero-density estimation (1.8). In [13], Motohashi noted that Montgomery's method can be adapted to estimate the density of "small value points" of $\zeta(s)$ (see [3, Section 2.3] for a detail description). Here we shall adapt this method to prove the following proposition.

Proposition 5.1. Under the previous notation, for $j=0,1, \ldots, J_{T}$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\left\{k \leqslant K_{T}: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}\right| \ll T^{\psi\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{\eta} \tag{5.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

if $\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j} \leqslant 1-\varepsilon$, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\left\{k \leqslant K_{T}: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}\right| \ll T^{500 r\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{10 r} \tag{5.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

if $1-\varepsilon \leqslant \kappa_{1} \sigma_{j} \leqslant 1-\delta_{T}$. Here the implied constants depend on $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ and $\varepsilon$ only.
Proof. When $\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j} \leqslant 1-\varepsilon$, the number of $\Delta_{j, k}$ of type $(W)$ does not exceed the number of non-trivial zeros of $\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})$. Thus

$$
\left|\left\{k \leqslant K_{T}: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}\right| \leqslant \sum_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r}\left(N\left(\kappa_{i} \sigma_{j}, 2 T\right)+N_{\chi_{i}}\left(\kappa_{i} \sigma_{j}, 3 T\right)\right)
$$

Now the required bound follows from (1.7).
Next we suppose $1-\varepsilon \leqslant \kappa_{1} \sigma_{j} \leqslant 1-\delta_{T}$.
Let $\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)$ be a subset of the set $\left\{\log T \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}$ such that the difference of two distinct integers of $\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)$ is at least $3 A^{\prime}$, where $A^{\prime}$ is the large integer specified in (2.17). Obviously

$$
\left|\left\{(\log T)^{2} \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}: \Delta_{j, k} \in(W)\right\}\right| \leqslant 3 A^{\prime}\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)\right| .
$$

Therefore it suffices to show that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)\right|<_{\varepsilon} T^{170\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)^{3 / 2}}(\log T)^{13} \tag{5.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $T \geqslant T_{0}(\varepsilon, \boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$.
Let $M_{x}(s)$ be defined as in (2.17) and write

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi_{x}(s):=\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s) \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi}) M_{x}(s) . \tag{5.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\phi_{x}(n)$ be the $n$th coefficient of the Dirichlet series $\Phi_{x}(s)$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi_{x}(n)=\sum_{d \mid n, d \leqslant x} \tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}(d ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) \tau_{\kappa}(n / d ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) . \tag{5.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

By the Perron formula [21, Lemma, page 151], we can write

$$
\sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\phi_{x}(n)}{n^{s}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{2 / \kappa_{1}-\mathrm{i} \infty}^{2 / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} \infty} \Phi_{x}(w+s) \Gamma(w) y^{w} \mathrm{~d} w
$$

for $y>x \geqslant 3$ and $s=\sigma+\mathrm{i} \tau \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$. We take the contour to the line $\Re e w=\alpha_{j}-\sigma<0$ with $\alpha_{j}:=4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1}<\sigma_{j}<1 / \kappa_{1}$, and in doing so we pass two simple poles at $w=0$ and $w=1 / \kappa_{1}-s$. Our equation becomes

$$
\sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\phi_{x}(n)}{n^{s}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}=\Phi_{x}(s)+\Psi_{x, y}(s)+I(s ; x, y),
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Psi_{x, y}(s) & :=\prod_{2 \leqslant j \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{j} / \kappa_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{L}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} / \kappa_{1}, \boldsymbol{\chi}\right) M_{x}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}\right) \Gamma\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-s\right) y^{1 / \kappa_{1}-s}, \\
I(s ; x, y) & :=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Phi_{x}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} \tau+\mathrm{i} u\right) \Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-\sigma+\mathrm{i} u\right) y^{\alpha_{j}-\sigma+\mathrm{i} u} \mathrm{~d} u .
\end{aligned}
$$

In view of (5.5) and (2.5), we have

$$
\phi_{x}(n)= \begin{cases}1 & \text { if } n=1,  \tag{5.6}\\ 0 & \text { if } 1<n \leqslant x,\end{cases}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\phi_{x}(n)\right| \leqslant\left(\tau_{\kappa, \kappa} * \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}\right)(n) \quad(n>x), \tag{5.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)$ is defined as in (2.6) above. It is easy to see that

$$
\sum_{n \leqslant t}\left(\tau_{\kappa, \kappa} * \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}\right)(n) \ll t^{1 / \kappa_{1}}(\log t)^{3} .
$$

By a simple partial integration, we can deduce that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\sum_{n>y^{2}} \frac{\phi_{x}(n)}{n^{s}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}\right| & \leqslant \int_{y^{2}}^{\infty} t^{-\sigma} \mathrm{e}^{-t / y} \mathrm{~d}\left(\sum_{n \leqslant t}\left(\tau_{\kappa, \kappa} * \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}\right)(n)\right) \\
& \ll \mathrm{e}^{-y} y^{1-2 \sigma}(\log y)^{3}+y^{-1} \int_{y^{2}}^{\infty} \mathrm{e}^{-t / y} t^{1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma}(\log t)^{3} \mathrm{~d} t \\
& \ll \mathrm{e}^{-y / 2}
\end{aligned}
$$

for $\sigma \geqslant 1 /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right)$. Inserting it into the precedent relation, we find that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{e}^{-1 / y}+\sum_{x<n \leqslant y^{2}} \frac{\phi_{x}(n)}{n^{s}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}+O\left(\mathrm{e}^{-y / 2}\right)=\Phi_{x}(s)+\Psi_{x, y}(s)+I(s ; x, y) \tag{5.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\sigma_{j} \leqslant \sigma<\sigma_{j+1}$ and $y>x \geqslant 3$.
If $k \in \mathcal{K}_{j}(T)$, then there is at least a $s_{k}:=v_{k}+\mathrm{i} t_{k} \in \Delta_{j, k}$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\Phi_{N_{j}}\left(s_{k}\right)\right|=\left|\boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s_{k}\right) \boldsymbol{L}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s_{k} ; \boldsymbol{\chi}\right) M_{N_{j}}\left(s_{k}\right)\right| \leqslant \frac{1}{2} . \tag{5.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

By the definition of $\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)$, we have

$$
\sigma_{j} \leqslant v_{k} \leqslant \sigma_{j+1}, \quad(\log T)^{2} \leqslant t_{k} \leqslant T \quad \text { and } \quad\left|t_{k_{1}}-t_{k_{2}}\right| \geqslant 3 A^{\prime} \log T \quad\left(k_{1} \neq k_{2}\right) .
$$

Since $\left|t_{k}\right| \geqslant(\log T)^{2}$, the Stirling formula (4.9) allows us to deduce

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|\Psi_{x, y}\left(s_{k}\right)\right| & =\left|\prod_{2 \leqslant j \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{j} / \kappa_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{L}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa} / \kappa_{1}, \boldsymbol{\chi}\right) M_{x}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}\right) \Gamma\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-s_{k}\right) y^{1 / \kappa_{1}-s_{k}}\right| \\
& \ll(\log x) y^{1 / 2-v_{k}} \mathrm{e}^{-(\pi / 2)\left|t_{k}\right|}\left|t_{k}\right|^{1 / 2-v_{k}}  \tag{5.10}\\
& \leqslant \frac{1}{10}
\end{align*}
$$

for all $3 \leqslant x \leqslant y \leqslant T^{100}$.
Similarly, using the estimates

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right)\right) \ll(T+|u|)^{r}, \\
& \boldsymbol{L}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right), \boldsymbol{\chi}\right) \ll(T+|u|)^{r}, \\
& M_{x}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right) \ll x^{1 / \kappa_{1}-\alpha_{j}} \log x \ll T^{100}
\end{aligned}
$$

and the Stirling formula (4.9), we derive that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{|u| \geqslant A^{\prime} \log T}\left|\Phi_{x}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right) \Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right)\right| y^{\alpha_{j}-v_{k}} \mathrm{~d} u \leqslant \frac{1}{10} \tag{5.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $3 \leqslant x \leqslant y \leqslant T^{100}$.
Taking $(s, x)=\left(s_{k}, N_{j}\right)$ in (5.8) and combining with (5.9), (5.10) and (5.11), we easily see that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\sum_{N_{j}<n \leqslant y^{2}} \frac{\phi_{N_{j}}(n)}{n^{s_{k}}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}\right| \geqslant \frac{1}{6} \tag{5.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\int_{-A^{\prime} \log T}^{A^{\prime} \log T} \Phi_{N_{j}}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right) \Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right) y^{\alpha-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u} \mathrm{~d} u\right| \geqslant \frac{1}{6} \tag{5.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

or both.
Let $\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)$ and $\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)$ be the subsets of $\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)$ for which (5.12) and (5.13) hold respectively. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)\right| \leqslant\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)\right|+\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)\right| . \tag{5.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

First we bound $\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)\right|$. By a dyadic argument, there is a $U \in\left[N_{j}, y^{2}\right]$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\sum_{U<n \leqslant 2 U} \frac{\phi_{N_{j}}(n)}{n^{s_{k}}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}\right| \geqslant \frac{1}{18 \log y} \tag{5.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for $\gg\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)\right|(\log y)^{-1}$ integers $k \in \mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)$. Let $\mathcal{S}^{\prime}$ be the set of corresponding points $s_{k}$. With the help of (5.6), it is easy to see that $\phi_{N_{j}}(n) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n) \geqslant 1$. Thus we can apply Proposition 4.1 with $a_{n}=\phi_{N_{j}}(n)$ and $\theta=\alpha_{j}:=4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1}$. In view of the bound

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{U<n \leqslant 2 U} \frac{\left(\tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\kappa}} * \tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\kappa}}\right)(n)^{2}}{n^{2 \sigma_{j}}} \mathrm{e}^{-2 n / y} & \ll \mathrm{e}^{-2 U / y} \int_{U}^{2 U} t^{-2 \sigma_{j}} \mathrm{~d}\left(\sum_{U<n \leqslant t}\left(\tau_{\kappa, \boldsymbol{\kappa}} * \tau_{\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{\kappa}}\right)(n)^{2}\right) \\
& \ll U^{1 / \kappa_{1}-2 \sigma_{j}}(\log T)^{3} \mathrm{e}^{-2 U / y},
\end{aligned}
$$

it follows that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sum_{s_{k} \in \mathcal{S}^{\prime}}\left|\sum_{U<n \leqslant 2 U} \frac{\phi_{N_{j}}(n)}{n^{s_{k}}} \mathrm{e}^{-n / y}\right|^{2}  \tag{5.16}\\
& \ll\left(U^{2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}+\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right| U^{-2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 4 T\right)\right) \mathrm{e}^{-2 U / y}(\log T)^{3} .
\end{align*}
$$

Since $U \geqslant N_{j}$, we have

$$
U^{-2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{3} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 4 T\right) \leqslant A^{\prime-1}(\log T)^{-2}
$$

On the other hand, the inequality (5.15) implies that the member on the left-hand side of (5.16) is

$$
\geqslant\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right|(18 \log y)^{-2} \geqslant\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right|(1800 \log T)^{-2}
$$

Since $A^{\prime}$ is a fixed large integer, the last term on the right-hand side of (5.16) is smaller than this lower bound. Thus it can be simplified as

$$
\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right|(\log T)^{-2} \ll U^{2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{3} \mathrm{e}^{-2 U / y}
$$

for all $N_{j} \leqslant y \leqslant T^{100}$ and some $U \in\left[N_{j}, y^{2}\right]$. Noticing that

$$
\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right| \gg\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)\right|(\log T)^{-1}
$$

we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime}(T)\right| & \ll y^{2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{6} \quad\left(\text { for all } N_{j} \leqslant y \leqslant T^{100}\right) \\
& \ll N_{j}^{(10 / 3)\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{7 / 3} \quad(\text { for } y \text { given by }(5.19)) . \tag{5.17}
\end{align*}
$$

Next we bound $\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)\right|$. Let $u_{k} \in\left[-A^{\prime} \log T, A^{\prime} \log T\right]$ such that

$$
\Phi_{N_{J}}\left(s_{k}^{\prime}\right)=\max _{|u| \leqslant A \log T}\left|\Phi_{N_{j}}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i}\left(t_{k}+u\right)\right)\right|
$$

where $s_{k}^{\prime}:=\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i} t_{k}^{\prime}$ and $t_{k}^{\prime}:=t_{k}+u_{k}$. Thus from (5.13) we deduce that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{6} & \leqslant\left|\int_{-A^{\prime} \log T}^{A^{\prime} \log T} \Phi_{N_{j}}\left(\alpha_{j}+\mathrm{i}\left(t_{k}+u\right)\right) \Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right) y^{\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u} \mathrm{~d} u\right| \\
& \leqslant y^{\alpha_{j}-v_{k}}\left|\Phi_{N_{j}}\left(s_{k}^{\prime}\right)\right| \int_{-A^{\prime} \log T}^{A^{\prime} \log T}\left|\Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right)\right| \mathrm{d} u
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $\Gamma(s)$ has a simple pole at $s=0$ and $\left|\alpha_{j}-v_{k}\right| \gg(\log T)^{-1}$, we can derive, via (4.9), that

$$
\int_{-A^{\prime} \log T}^{A^{\prime} \log T}\left|\Gamma\left(\alpha_{j}-v_{k}+\mathrm{i} u\right)\right| \mathrm{d} u \ll \log T
$$

and thus

$$
1 \ll y^{\alpha_{j}-\sigma_{j}}\left|M_{N_{j}}\left(s_{k}^{\prime}\right)\right| \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right) \log T
$$

or equivalently

$$
\left|M_{N_{j}}\left(s_{k}^{\prime}\right)\right| \gg y^{\sigma_{j}-\alpha}\left(\mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right) \log T\right)^{-1}
$$

Hence there is a $V \in\left[1, N_{j}\right]$ such that

$$
\left|\sum_{V<n \leqslant 2 V} \tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) n^{-s_{k}^{\prime}}\right| \gg y^{\sigma_{j}-\alpha} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right)^{-1}(\log T)^{-2}
$$

holds for $\gg\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)\right|(\log T)^{-1}$ integers $k \in \mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)$. Let $\mathcal{S}^{\prime \prime}$ be the corresponding set of points $s_{k}^{\prime}$. We note $\left|t_{k}^{\prime}\right| \leqslant 2 T$ and

$$
\left|t_{k_{1}}^{\prime}-t_{k_{2}}^{\prime}\right| \geqslant\left|t_{k_{1}}-t_{k_{2}}\right|-\left|u_{k_{1}}-u_{k_{2}}\right| \geqslant A^{\prime} \log T
$$

Using Proposition 4.1 with $\theta=\alpha_{j}:=4 \sigma_{j}-3 / \kappa_{1}$ and $a_{n}=\tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi})$ and in view of the bound

$$
\sum_{V<n \leqslant 2 V} \tau_{\kappa, \kappa}(n)^{2} n^{-2 \alpha_{j}} \ll V^{1 / \kappa_{1}-2 \alpha_{j}}(\log V)^{3} \ll V^{7 / \kappa_{1}-8 \sigma_{j}}(\log V)^{3},
$$

it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{s_{k}^{\prime} \in S^{\prime \prime}}\left|\sum_{V<n \leqslant 2 V} \tau_{\kappa}^{\langle-1\rangle}(n ; \boldsymbol{\chi}) n^{-s_{k}^{\prime}}\right|^{2} \ll\left(V^{8\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}+\left|\delta^{\prime \prime}\right| \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right) V^{4\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}\right)(\log V)^{3} . \tag{5.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take $y$ such that

$$
\begin{align*}
y^{2\left(\sigma_{j}-\alpha_{j}\right)} & =A^{\prime 3} N_{j}^{4\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right)^{3}(\log T)^{4}  \tag{5.19}\\
& =N_{j}^{10\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{-11}
\end{align*}
$$

The left-hand side of (5.18) is

$$
\geqslant\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime \prime}\right| y^{2\left(\sigma_{j}-\alpha_{j}\right)} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right)^{-2}(\log T)^{-4} .
$$

Hence the inequality (5.18) can be simplified as

$$
\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime \prime}\right| y^{2\left(\sigma_{j}-\alpha_{j}\right)} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right)^{-2}(\log T)^{-4} \ll N_{j}^{8\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} .
$$

With

$$
\left|\mathcal{S}^{\prime \prime}\right| \gg\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)\right|(\log T)^{-1}
$$

we deduce that

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}^{\prime \prime}(T)\right| & \ll N_{j}^{8\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)} y^{2\left(\alpha_{j}-\sigma_{j}\right)} \mathfrak{M}\left(\alpha_{j}, 8 T\right)^{2}(\log T)^{5}  \tag{5.20}\\
& \ll N_{j}^{2\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{7} .
\end{align*}
$$

On combining (5.14), (5.17) and (5.20), it follows that

$$
\left|\mathcal{K}_{j}(T)\right| \ll N_{j}^{(10 / 3)\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma_{j}\right)}(\log T)^{3} .
$$

Now the required inequality follows from (3.10). This completes the proof.

## 6. Proof of Theorem 1.1

We shall conserve the notation in Section 2. First we prove a lemma.
Lemma 6.1. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}, \boldsymbol{\kappa}:=\left(\kappa_{1}, \ldots, \kappa_{r}\right) \in \mathbb{N}^{r}$ with $1 \leqslant \kappa_{1}<\cdots<\kappa_{r} \leqslant 2 \kappa_{1}, \boldsymbol{z}:=$ $\left(z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right) \in \mathbb{C}^{r}, \boldsymbol{B}:=\left(B_{1}, \ldots, B_{r}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}^{+*}\right)^{r}$, and let $\alpha>0, \delta \geqslant 0, A \geqslant 0, M>0$ be some constants. Suppose that the Dirichlet series

$$
\mathcal{F}(s):=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) n^{-s}
$$

is of type $\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \alpha, \delta, A, M)$. Then there is an absolute positive constant $D$ and $a$ constant $B=B_{1}+\cdots+B_{r}+C_{1}+\cdots+C_{r}$ such that we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{F}(s) \ll M D^{B} T^{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right)}(\log T)^{A+B} \tag{6.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$, where the implied constant depends only on $\varepsilon$.
Proof. Since we have chosen the principal value of complex logarithm, we can write

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)^{\boldsymbol{z}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}}\right| & =\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r}\left|\zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right)\right|^{\Re e z_{i}}\left|L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)\right|^{\Re e w_{i}} \mathrm{e}^{-\left(\Im m z_{i}\right) \arg \zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right)-\left(\Im m w_{i}\right) \arg L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)} \\
& \leqslant \mathrm{e}^{\pi\left(B_{1}+\cdots+B_{r}+C_{1}+\cdots+C_{r}\right)} \prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r}\left|\zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right)\right|^{\Re e z_{i}}\left|L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right)\right|^{\Re e w_{i}}
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ verifying $\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant r} \zeta\left(\kappa_{i} s\right) L\left(\kappa_{i} s, \chi_{i}\right) \neq 0$. Invoking Proposition 3.1, we see that there is a suitable absolute constant $D$ and a constant $B=B(\boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C})$ depending on $(\boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C})$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s)^{\boldsymbol{z}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}}\right|<_{\varepsilon, \chi} D^{B} T^{B \sqrt{\varepsilon}\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right)}(\log T)^{B} \tag{6.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}$, where the implied constant depends only on $(\varepsilon, \chi)$.
Finally the required bound (6.1) follows from (6.2) and the hypothesis (1.6).
Now we are ready to prove Theorem 1.1.
Since the Dirichlet series $\mathcal{F}(s)$ is of type $\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \alpha, \delta, A, M)$, we can apply [19, Corollary II.2.2.1] with the choice of parameters $\sigma_{a}=1 / \kappa_{1}, \alpha=\alpha, \sigma=0$ to write

$$
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n)=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{b-\mathrm{i} T}^{b+\mathrm{i} T} \mathcal{F}(s) \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s} \mathrm{~d} s+O_{\varepsilon}\left(M \frac{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon}}{T}\right)
$$

where $b=1 / \kappa_{1}+1 / \log x$ and $\mathrm{e}^{\sqrt{\log x}} \leqslant T \leqslant x$ is a parameter to be chosen later.
Denote by $\Gamma_{T}$ the path formed from the circle $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right|=r_{0}:=1 /\left(2 \kappa_{1} \log x\right)$ excluding the point $s=1 / \kappa_{1}-r_{0}$, together with the segment $\left[\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}, 1 / \kappa_{1}-r_{0}\right]$ traced out twice with respective arguments $+\pi$ and $-\pi$. By the residue theorem, the path $[b-\mathrm{i} T, b+\mathrm{i} T]$ is deformed into $\Gamma_{T} \cup\left[\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}-\mathrm{i} T,\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} T\right] \cup\left[\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1} \pm \mathrm{i} T, b \pm \mathrm{i} T\right]$. In view of Lemma 6.1, for any $a \in\left(1 /\left(2 \kappa_{1}\right), 1 / \kappa_{1}\right)$, the integral over the horizontal segments
$[a \pm \mathrm{i} T, b \pm \mathrm{i} T]$ is

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \int_{a \pm \mathrm{i} T}^{b \pm \mathrm{i} T}\left|\mathcal{F}(s) \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s}\right||\mathrm{d} s| \\
& \ll \frac{M D^{C}(\log T)^{A+B}}{T} \int_{a}^{b} T^{\max \left\{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma\right), 0\right\}} x^{\sigma} \mathrm{d} \sigma \\
& \ll M D^{C} \frac{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}}{T}(\log T)^{A+B}\left(\int_{a}^{1 / \kappa_{1}}\left(\frac{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}}{T^{\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon}}}\right)^{\kappa_{1} \sigma-1} \mathrm{~d} \sigma+1\right) \\
& \ll M D^{C} \frac{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}}{T}(\log T)^{A+B},
\end{aligned}
$$

provided

$$
\begin{equation*}
T^{\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon}} \leqslant x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \tag{6.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n)=I+O\left(M D^{C} \frac{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon}}{T}\right) \tag{6.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
I:=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma_{T} \cup\left[\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}-\mathrm{i} T,\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} T\right]} \mathcal{F}(s) \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s} \mathrm{~d} s
$$

and the implied constant depends on $(\varepsilon, \chi)$ only.
Let $\mathscr{L}_{T}$ be the Motohashi contour defined as in Section 2. Consider the two symmetric simply connected regions bounded by $\mathscr{L}_{T}$, the segment $\left[\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}-\mathrm{i} T,\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}+\mathrm{i} T\right]$ and the two line segments $\left[\sigma_{j_{0}+1}+d_{\mathrm{v}},\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}\right]$ with respective arguments $+\pi$ and $-\pi$ measured from the real axis on the right of $1-\delta_{T}$. It is clear that $\mathcal{F}(s)$ is analytic in these two simply connected regions. Denote by $\Gamma_{T}^{*}$ the path joining (the two end-points of) $\Gamma_{T}$ with the two line segments $\left[\sigma_{j_{0}+1}+d_{\mathrm{v}},\left(1-\delta_{T}\right) / \kappa_{1}\right]$ of the symmetric regions. Thanks to the residue theorem, we can write

$$
\begin{equation*}
I=I_{1}+I_{2} \tag{6.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I_{1}:=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma_{T}^{*}} \mathcal{F}(s) \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s} \mathrm{~d} s, \\
& I_{2}:=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\mathscr{L}_{T}} \mathcal{F}(s) \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s} \mathrm{~d} s .
\end{aligned}
$$

## A. Evaluation of $I_{1}$

According to our hypothesis, the function $s \mapsto Z\left(\kappa_{1} s ; z_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s)$ is holomorphic in the disc $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right|<1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}$. In view of (1.12), the Cauchy integral formula implies that

$$
\begin{equation*}
g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) \ll M c^{-\ell} \quad(\ell \geqslant 0,|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant|\boldsymbol{B}|,|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant|\boldsymbol{C}|) \tag{6.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ is defined as in (1.14) and $c:=\frac{2}{3}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}\right)$. From this and (1.13), we deduce that for any integer $N \geqslant 0$ and $\left|s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right| \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \kappa_{2}\right)$,

$$
Z\left(\kappa_{1} s ; z_{1}\right) \boldsymbol{\zeta}\left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{*} s\right)^{\boldsymbol{z}_{*}} \boldsymbol{L}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} s, \boldsymbol{\chi})^{\boldsymbol{w}} \mathcal{G}(s)=\sum_{\ell=0}^{N} g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})\left(s-\frac{1}{\kappa_{1}}\right)^{\ell}+O\left(M\left(\left|s-\frac{1}{\kappa_{1}}\right| / c\right)^{N+1}\right)
$$

Thus we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{1}=\sum_{\ell=0}^{N} \kappa_{1}^{-z_{1}} g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) M_{\ell}(x, y)+O\left(M c^{-N} E_{N}(x, y)\right) \tag{6.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{\ell}(x, y) & :=\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma_{T}^{*}}\left(s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right)^{\ell-z_{1}} \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s} \mathrm{~d} s \\
E_{N}(x, y) & :=\int_{\Gamma_{T}^{*}}\left|\left(s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right)^{N+1-z_{1}} \frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s}\right||\mathrm{d} s|
\end{aligned}
$$

Firstly we evaluate $M_{\ell}(x, y)$. Using the formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s}=\int_{x}^{x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} t^{s-1} \mathrm{~d} t \tag{6.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

and Corollary II.5.2.1 of [19], we write

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{\ell}(x, y) & =\int_{x}^{x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y}\left(\frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma_{T}^{*}}\left(s-1 / \kappa_{1}\right)^{\ell-z_{1}} t^{s-1} \mathrm{~d} s\right) \mathrm{d} t \\
& =\int_{x}^{x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} t^{1 / \kappa_{1}-1}(\log t)^{z_{1}-1-\ell}\left\{\frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\kappa_{1}-\ell\right)}+O\left(\frac{\left(c_{1} \ell+1\right)^{\ell}}{t^{\delta_{T} / 2}}\right)\right\} \mathrm{d} t
\end{aligned}
$$

where we have used the following inequality

$$
47^{\left|z_{1}-\ell\right|} \Gamma\left(1+\left|z_{1}-\ell\right|\right) \ll_{B_{1}}\left(c_{1} \ell+1\right)^{\ell} \quad\left(\ell \geqslant 0,\left|z_{1}\right| \leqslant B_{1}\right)
$$

The constant $c_{1}$ and the implied constant depend at most on $B_{1}$. Besides for $\left|z_{1}\right| \leqslant B_{1}$, an elementary computation shows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{x}^{x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} t^{1 / \kappa_{1}-1}(\log t)^{z_{1}-1-\ell} \mathrm{d} t & =\int_{0}^{x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y}(x+t)^{1 / \kappa_{1}-1}(\log (x+t))^{z_{1}-1-\ell} \mathrm{d} t \\
& =y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z_{1}-1-\ell}\left\{1+O_{B_{1}}\left(\frac{(\ell+1) y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \log x}\right)\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

Inserting this into the preceeding formula, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
M_{\ell}(x, y)=y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z_{1}-1-\ell}\left\{\frac{1}{\Gamma\left(z_{1}-\ell\right)}+O_{B_{1}}\left(\frac{(\ell+1) y}{\Gamma\left(z_{1}-\ell\right) x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \log x}+\frac{\left(c_{1} \ell+1\right)^{\ell}}{x^{\delta_{T} / 2}}\right)\right\} \tag{6.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $\ell \geqslant 0$ and $\left|z_{1}\right| \leqslant B_{1}$.
Next we estimate $E_{N}(x, y)$. In view of the trivial inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s}\right| \ll y x^{\sigma-1 / \kappa_{1}} \tag{6.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

we deduce that

$$
\begin{align*}
E_{N}(x, y) & \ll \int_{1 / 2 \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon^{2}}^{1 / \kappa_{1}-1 / \log x}\left(1 / \kappa_{1}-\sigma\right)^{N+1-\Re e z_{1}} x^{\sigma-1 / \kappa_{1}} y \mathrm{~d} \sigma+\frac{y}{(\log x)^{N+2-\Re e z_{1}}} \\
& \ll \frac{y}{(\log x)^{N+2-\Re e z_{1}}}\left(\int_{1}^{\infty} t^{N+1-\Re e z_{1}} \mathrm{e}^{-t} \mathrm{~d} t+1\right)  \tag{6.11}\\
& \ll y(\log x)^{\Re e z_{1}-1}\left(\frac{c_{1} N+1}{\log x}\right)^{N+1}
\end{align*}
$$

uniformly for $x \geqslant y \geqslant 2, N \geqslant 0$ and $\left|z_{1}\right| \leqslant B_{1}$, where the constant $c_{1}>0$ and the implied constant depends only on $B_{1}$.

Inserting (6.9) and (6.11) into (6.7) and using (6.6) and the fact that $y^{\prime} \asymp y$, we find that

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{1}=y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z-1}\left\{\sum_{\ell=0}^{N} \frac{\lambda_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})}{(\log x)^{\ell}}+O_{B_{1}}\left(E_{N}^{*}(x, y)\right)\right\} \tag{6.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
E_{N}^{*}(x, y):=\frac{y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N+1} \frac{\ell\left|\lambda_{\ell-1}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})\right|}{(\log x)^{\ell}}+\frac{\left(c_{1} N+1\right)^{N+1}}{x^{\delta_{T} / 2}}+M\left(\frac{c_{1} N+1}{\log x}\right)^{N+1}
$$

## B. Evaluation of $I_{2}$

Let $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime}$ be the union of those vertical line segments of $\mathscr{L}_{T}$ whose real part is equal to $\frac{1}{2 \kappa_{1}}+\varepsilon^{2}$ and $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime \prime}:=\mathscr{L}_{T} \backslash \mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime}$. Denote by $I_{2}^{\prime}$ and $I_{2}^{\prime \prime}$ the contribution of $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime}$ and $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime \prime}$ to $I_{2}$, respectively. Using the trivial inequality

$$
\left|\frac{\left(x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y\right)^{s}-x^{s}}{s}\right| \ll \frac{x^{1 / 2 \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon^{2}}}{|\tau|+1} \quad\left(s \in \mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime}\right)
$$

and Lemma 6.1, we can deduce

$$
\begin{align*}
I_{2}^{\prime} & \ll M D^{B} x^{1 / 2 \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon^{2}} T^{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1 / 2-\kappa_{1} \varepsilon^{2}\right)}(\log T)^{A+4 B+1} \\
& \ll M x^{(1 / 2+\delta / 2(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\sqrt{\varepsilon}}  \tag{6.13}\\
& \ll M x^{(1-1 /(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\sqrt{\varepsilon}}
\end{align*}
$$

with the value of $T$ given by (6.15) below and $\psi \geqslant 2$.
Next we bound $I_{2}^{\prime \prime}$. In view of (6.10), we can write that

$$
\begin{align*}
I_{2}^{\prime \prime} & \ll y \int_{\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime \prime}}|\mathcal{F}(s)| x^{\sigma-1 / \kappa_{1}}|\mathrm{~d} s| \\
& \ll y \sum_{0 \leqslant j \leqslant J_{T}} \sum_{\substack{0 \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T} \\
\Delta_{j, k} \in(W)}} \int_{\mathscr{L}_{T}^{[j, k]}}|\mathcal{F}(s)| x^{\sigma-1 / \kappa_{1}}|\mathrm{~d} s| \tag{6.14}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{[j, k]}$ is the vertical line segment of $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{\prime \prime}$ around $\Delta_{j, k}$ and the horizontal line segments with $\sigma \leqslant \sigma_{j}+d_{\mathrm{v}}$. Clearly the length of $\mathscr{L}_{T}^{[j, k]}$ is $\ll \log T$. Thus by Lemma 6.1, it follows

$$
\int_{\mathscr{L}_{T}^{[j, k]}}|\mathcal{F}(s)| x^{\sigma-1}|\mathrm{~d} s| \ll M D^{B}(\log T)^{A+4 B+1} T^{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1-\kappa_{1}\left(\sigma_{j}+d_{\mathrm{v}}\right)\right)} x^{\sigma_{j}+d_{\mathrm{v}}-1 / \kappa_{1}}
$$

for all $0 \leqslant k \leqslant K_{T}$. Inserting it into (6.14) and using Proposition 5.1, we can deduce, with the notation $J_{T, 0}:=\left[\left(\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon\right) \log T\right]$, that

$$
I_{2}^{\prime \prime} \ll M D^{B} y(\log T)^{A+4 B+18+\eta}\left(I_{2, *}^{\prime \prime}+I_{2, \uparrow}^{\prime \prime}\right),
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I_{2, *}^{\prime \prime}:=\sum_{0 \leqslant j \leqslant J_{T, 0}} T^{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1-\kappa_{1}\left(\sigma_{j}+d_{v}\right)\right)} x^{\sigma_{j}+d_{v}-1 / \kappa_{1}} \cdot T^{\psi\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)}, \\
& I_{2, \dagger}^{\prime \prime}:=\sum_{J_{T, 0}<j \leqslant J_{T}} T^{(\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})\left(1-\kappa_{1}\left(\sigma_{j}+d_{v}\right)\right)} x^{\sigma_{j}+d_{v}-1 / \kappa_{1}} \cdot T^{100 \sqrt{\varepsilon}\left(1-\sigma_{j}\right)} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Taking

$$
\begin{equation*}
T:=x^{\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sqrt{\varepsilon}\right) / \kappa_{1}(\psi+\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon})} \tag{6.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

and in view of (2.23), it is easy to check that

$$
I_{2, *}^{\prime \prime} \ll x^{\varepsilon^{2} / \kappa_{1}} \sum_{0 \leqslant j \leqslant J_{T, 0}}\left(x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} / T^{\psi+\delta+B \sqrt{\varepsilon}}\right)^{-\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)} \log x \ll x^{2 \varepsilon^{2} / \kappa_{1}-\varepsilon^{3 / 2}} \ll x^{-\varepsilon^{2}}
$$

and

$$
I_{2, \uparrow}^{\prime \prime} \ll \sum_{J_{T, 0}<j \leqslant J_{T}}\left(x / T^{\delta+100(B+1) \sqrt{\varepsilon}}\right)^{-\left(1-\kappa_{1} \sigma_{j}\right)} \ll \mathrm{e}^{-2 c_{2}(\log x)^{1 / 3}\left(\log _{2} x\right)^{-1 / 3}} .
$$

Inserting it into the preceeding estimate for $I_{2}^{\prime \prime}$, we conclude that

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{2}^{\prime \prime} \ll{ }_{B} M y \mathrm{e}^{-c_{2}(\log x)^{1 / 3}\left(\log _{2} x\right)^{-1 / 3}} . \tag{6.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now from (6.4), (6.5), (6.12), (6.13) and (6.16). we deduce that

$$
\sum_{x<n \leqslant x+x^{1-1 / \kappa_{1}} y} f(n)=y^{\prime}(\log x)^{z-1}\left\{\sum_{\ell=0}^{N} \frac{\lambda_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})}{(\log x)^{\ell}}+O\left(R_{N}^{*}(x, y)\right)\right\}
$$

uniformly for $x \geqslant 3, x^{(1-1 /(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}, N \geqslant 0,|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}$ and $|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$, where

$$
R_{N}^{*}(x, y):=\frac{y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N+1} \frac{\ell\left|\lambda_{\ell-1}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})\right|}{(\log x)^{\ell}}+M\left\{\left(\frac{c_{1} N+1}{\log x}\right)^{N+1}+\frac{\left(c_{1} N+1\right)^{N+1}}{\mathrm{e}^{c_{2}(\log x)^{1 / 3}\left(\log _{2} x\right)^{-1 / 3}}}\right\}
$$

for some constants $c_{1}>0$ and $c_{2}>0$ depending only on $\boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \delta$ and $\varepsilon$.
It remains to prove that the first term on the right-hand side can be absorbed by the third. In view of (1.12), the Cauchy formula allows us to write $g_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})<_{A, B, \boldsymbol{C}, \delta} M 3^{\ell}$ for $|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B},|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$ and $\ell \geqslant 1$. Combining this with the Stirling formula, we easily derive $\lambda_{\ell}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})<_{A, \boldsymbol{B}, \boldsymbol{C}, \delta} M(9 / \ell)^{\ell}$ for $|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B},|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$ and $\ell \geqslant 1$. This implies that

$$
\frac{y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N+1} \frac{\ell\left|\lambda_{\ell-1}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\chi})\right|}{(\log x)^{\ell}}<_{A, B, C, \delta} \frac{M y}{x^{1 / \kappa_{1}} \log x}
$$

holds uniformly for $x \geqslant 3, x^{(1-1 /(\psi+\delta)) / \kappa_{1}+\varepsilon} \leqslant y \leqslant x^{1 / \kappa_{1}}, N \geqslant 0,|\boldsymbol{z}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{B}$ and $|\boldsymbol{w}| \leqslant \boldsymbol{C}$. This completes the proof.

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