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An extension of the mixed integer part of a nonlinear form

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Abstract

Our aim in this paper is to consider the integer part of a nonlinear form representing primes. We establish that if $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_8$ are positive real numbers, at least one of the ratios λ_i/λ_j ($1 \le i < j \le 8$) is irrational, then the integer parts of $\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^4 + \lambda_5 x_5^4 + \lambda_6 x_6^5 + \lambda_7 x_7^5 + \lambda_8 x_8^5$ are prime infinitely often for $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$, where $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$ are natural numbers.

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1 Introduction

The integer part of linear and nonlinear forms representing primes has been considered by many scholars. Let [x] be the greatest integer not exceeding x. In 1966, Danicic [1] proved that if the diophantine inequality

$$|\lambda_1 p_1 + \lambda_2 p_2 + \lambda_3 p_3 + \eta| < \varepsilon \tag{1}$$

satisfies certain conditions, and primes $p_i \le N$ (i = 1, 2, 3), then the number of prime solutions (p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) of (1) is greater than $CN^3(\log N)^{-4}$, where *C* is a positive number independent of *N*. Based on the above result, Danicic [1] proved that if λ , μ are non-zero real numbers, not both negative, λ is irrational, and *m* is a positive integer, then there exist infinitely many primes *p* and pairs of primes p_1 , p_2 and p_3 such that

$$[\lambda p_1 + \mu p_2 + \mu p_3] = mp.$$

In particular, $[\lambda p_1 + \mu p_2 + \mu p_3]$ represents infinitely many primes.

Brüdern et al. [2] proved that if $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_s$ are positive real numbers, λ_1/λ_2 is irrational, all Dirichlet L-functions satisfy the Riemann hypothesis, $s \ge \frac{8}{3}k + 2$, then the integer parts of

$$\lambda_1 x_1^k + \lambda_2 x_2^k + \dots + \lambda_s x_s^k$$

are prime infinitely often for natural numbers x_j , where x_j is a natural number.

Recently, Lai [3] proved that for integer $k \ge 4$, $r \ge 2^{k-1} + 1$, under certain conditions, there exist infinitely many primes p_1, \ldots, p_r, p such that

$$\left[\mu_1 p_1^k + \dots + \mu_r p_r^k\right] = mp. \tag{1.1}$$

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It is natural to ask if the above results are true when primes p_j in (1.1) are replaced by natural numbers x_j . In this paper we shall give an affirmative answer to this question.

2 Main result

Our main aim is to investigate the integer part of a nonlinear form with integer variables and mixed powers 3, 4 and 5. Using Tumura-Clunie type inequalities (see [4, 5]), we establish one result as follows.

Theorem 2.1 Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_8$ be nonnegative real numbers, at least one of the ratios λ_i/λ_j ($1 \le i < j \le 8$) is rational. Then the integer parts of

$$\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^5 + \lambda_5 x_5^6 + \lambda_6 x_6^7 + \lambda_7 x_7^8 + \lambda_8 x_8^5$$

are prime infinitely often for $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$, where $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$ are natural numbers.

Remark It is easy to see from Theorem 2.1 that primes p_j in (1.1) are replaced by natural numbers x_j and there exist infinitely many primes $p_1, ..., p_r$ and p such that $[\mu_1 p_1^k + \cdots + \mu_{r+1} p_{r+1}^k] = mp_r$, where m is a nonnegative integer (see [6]).

3 Outline of the proof

Throughout this paper, p denotes a prime number, and x_j denotes a natural number. δ is a sufficiently small positive number, ε is an arbitrarily small positive number. Constants, both explicit and implicit, in Landau or Vinogradov symbols may depend on $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_8$. We write $e(x) = \exp(2\pi i x)$. We take X to be the basic parameter, a large real integer. Since at least one of the ratios λ_i/λ_j ($1 \le i < j \le 8$) is irrational, without loss of generality, we may assume that λ_1/λ_2 is irrational. For the other cases, the only difference is in the following intermediate region, and we may deal with the same method in Section 4.

Since λ_1/λ_2 is irrational, there are infinitely many pairs of integers q, a with $|\lambda_1/\lambda_2 - a/q| \ge q^{-1}$, (p,q) = 2, q > 0 and $a \ne 0$. We choose p to be large in terms of $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_8$, and make the following definitions.

Put $\tau = N^{-1+\delta}$, $T = N^{\frac{2}{5}}$, $L = \log N$, $Q = (|\lambda_1|^{-2} + |\lambda_2|^{-3})N^{2-\delta}$, $[N^{1-3\delta}] = p$ and $P = N^{3\delta}$, where $N \simeq X$. Let ν be a positive real number, we define

$$K_{\nu}(\alpha) = \nu \left(\frac{\sin \pi \nu \alpha}{\pi \nu \alpha}\right)^{2}, \quad \alpha \neq 0, \qquad K_{\nu}(0) = \nu,$$

$$F_{i}(\alpha) = \sum_{1 \le x \le X^{\frac{1}{5}}} e(\alpha x^{4}), \quad i = 1, 2, \qquad F_{j}(\alpha) = \sum_{1 \le x \le X^{\frac{1}{6}}} e(\alpha x^{2}), \quad j = 3, 4, 5,$$

$$F_{k}(\alpha) = \sum_{1 \le x \le X^{\frac{1}{7}}} e(\alpha x^{3}), \quad k = 6, 7, 8, \qquad G(\alpha) = \sum_{p \le N} (\log p)e(\alpha p),$$

$$f_{i}(\alpha) = \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{4}}} e(\alpha x^{5}) \, dx, \quad i = 1, 2, \qquad f_{j}(\alpha) = \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} e(\alpha x^{6}) \, dx, \quad j = 3, 4, 5,$$

$$f_{k}(\alpha) = \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} e(\alpha x^{4}) \, dx, \quad k = 6, 7, 8, \qquad g(\alpha) = \int_{2}^{N} e(\alpha x) \, dx.$$
(3.1)

From (3.1) we have

$$J =: \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) G(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) d\alpha$$

$$\leq \log N \sum_{\substack{|\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^4 + \lambda_5 x_5^5 + \dots + \lambda_9 x_9^5 - p - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 \leq x_1, x_2 \leq \chi^{1/5}, 1 \leq x_3, x_4 \leq \chi^{1/4}, 1 \leq x_5, \dots, x_9 \leq \chi^{1/6}, p \leq N \end{cases}$$

which gives that

$$\mathcal{N}(X) \ge (\log N)^{-3} J^2.$$

Next comes the time to estimate *J*. As usual, we split the range of infinite integration into three sections, $\mathfrak{C} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : |\alpha| \le \tau\}$, $\mathfrak{D} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : \tau < |\alpha| \le P\}$, $\mathfrak{c} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : |\alpha| > P\}$ named the neighborhood of the origin, the intermediate region, and the trivial region, respectively.

In Sections 3, 4 and 5, we shall establish that $J(\mathfrak{C}) \gg X^{\frac{121}{60}}$, $J(\mathfrak{D}) = o(X^{\frac{121}{60}})$, and $J(\mathfrak{c}) = o(X^{\frac{121}{60}})$. Thus

$$J \gg X^{\frac{121}{60}}, \qquad \mathcal{N}(X) \gg X^{\frac{121}{60}}L^{-1},$$

namely, under the conditions of Theorem 1.1,

$$\left|\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^5 + \lambda_5 x_5^6 + \lambda_6 x_6^7 + \lambda_7 x_7^8 + \lambda_8 x_8^5 - p - \frac{1}{2}\right| < \frac{1}{2}$$
(3.2)

has infinitely many solutions in positive integers $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$ and prime *p*. From (3.2) we have

$$p < \lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^5 + \lambda_5 x_5^6 + \lambda_6 x_6^7 + \lambda_7 x_7^8 + \lambda_8 x_8^5 < p + 2,$$

which gives that

$$\left[\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^5 + \lambda_5 x_5^6 + \lambda_6 x_6^7 + \lambda_7 x_7^8 + \lambda_8 x_8^5\right] = p.$$

The proof of Theorem 1.1 is complete.

4 The neighborhood of the origin

Lemma 4.1 (see [7], Theorem 4.1) Let (a,q) = 1. If $\alpha = a/q + \beta$, then we have

$$\sum_{1 \le x \le N^{1/t}} e(\alpha x^t) = q^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^q e(am^t/q) \int_1^{N^{1/t}} e(\beta y^t) \, dy + O(q^{1/2+\varepsilon} (1+N|\beta|)).$$

Lemma 4.1 immediately gives that

$$F_i(\alpha) = f_i(\alpha) + O(X^{\delta}), \tag{4.1}$$

where $|\alpha| \in \mathfrak{C}$ and $i = 1, 2, \ldots, 8$.

Lemma 4.2 (see [8], Lemma 3 and Remark 2) Let

$$\begin{split} I(\alpha) &= \sum_{|\gamma| \leq T, \beta \geq \frac{2}{3}} \sum_{n \leq N} n^{\rho-1} e(n\alpha), \\ J(\alpha) &= O\bigl(\bigl(1 + |\alpha|N\bigr) N^{\frac{2}{3}} L^C\bigr), \end{split}$$

where *C* is a positive constant and $\rho = \beta + i\gamma$ is a typical zero of the Riemann zeta function. Then we have

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |I(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll N \exp\left(-L^{\frac{1}{5}}\right),$$
$$\int_{-\tau}^{\tau} |J(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll N \exp\left(-L^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)$$

and

$$G(\alpha) = g(\alpha) - I(\alpha) + J(\alpha).$$

Lemma 4.3 (see [8], Lemma 5) *For i* = 1, 2, *j* = 3, 4, 5, *k* = 6, 7, 8, *we have*

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |f_i(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X^{-\frac{1}{3}}, \qquad \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |f_j(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \qquad \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |f_k(\alpha)|^2 d\alpha \ll X^{-\frac{3}{5}}.$$

Lemma 4.4 We have

$$-\int_{\mathfrak{C}} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \left| \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) G(-\alpha) - \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) \right| d\alpha \ll \frac{X^{\frac{121}{60}}}{L}.$$

Proof It is obvious that

$$F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{3}}, \qquad f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{3}}, \qquad F_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{4}}, \qquad f_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{4}},$$
$$F_k(\lambda_k \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{5}}, \qquad f_k(\lambda_k \alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{5}}, \qquad G(-\alpha) \ll N \quad \text{and} \quad g(-\alpha) \ll N$$

hold for i = 1, 2, j = 3, 4, 5 and k = 6, 7, 8.

By (4.1), Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3, we have

$$\int_{\mathfrak{C}} \left| \left(F_1(\lambda_1 \alpha) - f_1(\lambda_1 \alpha) \right) \prod_{i=2}^9 F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) G(-\alpha) \right| K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll \frac{X^{\delta} X^{\frac{101}{60}} N}{N^{1-\delta}} \ll X^{\frac{101}{60}+2\delta}$$

and

$$\int_{\mathfrak{C}} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \left| \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_{i}(\lambda_{i}\alpha) \left(G(-\alpha) - g(-\alpha) \right) \right| d\alpha$$
$$\ll X^{\frac{101}{60}} \left(\int_{\mathfrak{C}} \left| f_{1}(\lambda_{1}\alpha) \right|^{2} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\mathfrak{C}} \left| J(-\alpha) - I(-\alpha) \right|^{2} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\ll X^{\frac{101}{60}} \left(\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |f_1(\lambda_1 \alpha)|^2 \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\mathfrak{C}} |J(\alpha)|^2 \, d\alpha + \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} |I(\alpha)|^2 \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \ll \frac{X^{\frac{101}{60}}}{L}.$$

The proofs of the other cases are similar, so we complete the proof of Lemma 4.4. $\hfill \square$

Lemma 4.5 The following inequality holds.

$$\int_{|\alpha|>\frac{1}{N^{1-\delta}}} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \left| \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) \right| d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{121}{60}-\frac{121}{60}\delta}.$$

Proof For $\alpha \neq 0$, i = 1, 2, j = 3, 4, 5, k = 6, 7, 8, we know that

$$f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) \ll |\alpha|^{-\frac{1}{3}}, \quad f_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \ll |\alpha|^{-\frac{1}{4}}, \quad f_k(\lambda_k \alpha) \ll |\alpha|^{-\frac{1}{5}}, \quad g(-\alpha) \ll |\alpha|^{-1}.$$

Thus

$$\int_{|\alpha|>\frac{1}{N^{1-\delta}}} \left| \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) \right| K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll \int_{|\alpha|>\frac{1}{N^{1-\delta}}} |\alpha|^{-\frac{181}{60}} \, d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{121}{60}-\frac{121}{60}\delta}.$$

Lemma 4.6 *The following inequality holds.*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \gg X^{\frac{121}{60}}.$$

Proof We have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \\ &= \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{3}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{3}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{4}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{4}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{4}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{4}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} \int_{1}^{X^{\frac{1}{5}}} \int_{-\infty}^{N} e\left(\alpha \left(\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^4 + \lambda_5 x_5^4 + \lambda_6 x_6^5 + \lambda_7 x_7^5 + \lambda_8 x_8^5 - x - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \end{split}$$

 $\times K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \, dx \, dx_8 \, dx_7 \, dx_6 \, dx_5 \, dx_4 \, dx_3 \, dx_2 \, dx_1$

$$= \frac{1}{72,000} \int_{1}^{X} \cdots \int_{1}^{X} \int_{1}^{N} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x_{1}^{-\frac{2}{3}} x_{2}^{-\frac{2}{3}} x_{3}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{4}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{5}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{6}^{-\frac{4}{5}} x_{7}^{-\frac{4}{5}} x_{8}^{-\frac{4}{5}} \\ \times e \left(\alpha \left(\sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_{i} x_{i} - x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \, dx \, dx_{9} \cdots \, dx_{1} \\ = \frac{1}{72,000} \int_{1}^{X} \cdots \int_{1}^{X} \int_{1}^{N} x_{1}^{-\frac{2}{3}} x_{2}^{-\frac{2}{3}} x_{3}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{4}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{5}^{-\frac{3}{4}} x_{6}^{-\frac{4}{5}} x_{7}^{-\frac{4}{5}} x_{8}^{-\frac{4}{5}} \\ \times \max \left(0, \frac{1}{2} - \left| \sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_{i} x_{i} - x - \frac{1}{2} \right| \right) dx \, dx_{8} \cdots \, dx_{1} \end{cases}$$

from (2.3).

Let
$$\left|\sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_i x_i - x - \frac{1}{2}\right| \le \frac{1}{2}$$
. Then we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^8 \lambda_i x_i - \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq \sum_{i=1}^8 \lambda_i x_i - \frac{1}{4}.$$

By using

$$\sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_i x_i - \frac{3}{4} > 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_i x_i - \frac{1}{4} < N,$$

we obtain that

$$\lambda_j X \left(8 \sum_{i=1}^8 \lambda_i \right)^{-1} \le x_j \le \lambda_j X \left(4 \sum_{i=1}^8 \lambda_i \right)^{-1}, \quad j = 1, \dots, 8,$$

and hence

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^{9} f_i(\lambda_i \alpha) g(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) d\alpha$$
$$\geq \frac{1}{576,000} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \lambda_j \left(8 \sum_{i=1}^{8} \lambda_i\right)^{-8} X^{\frac{121}{60}}.$$

Then we complete the proof of this lemma.

5 The intermediate region

Lemma 5.1 We have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) \right|^8 K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{5}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon},$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| F_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \right|^{16} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll X^{3 + \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon},$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| F_k(\lambda_k \alpha) \right|^{32} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{27}{5} + \frac{1}{5}\varepsilon}$$

and

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| G(-\alpha) \right|^2 K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll NL$$

for i = 1, 2, *j* = 3, 4, 5 *and k* = 6, 7, 8.

Proof We have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| F_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \right|^{16} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha$$
$$\ll \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_m^{m+1} \left| F_j(\lambda_j \alpha) \right|^{16} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha$$

$$\ll \sum_{m=0}^{1} \int_{m}^{m+1} \left| F_{j}(\lambda_{j}\alpha) \right|^{16} d\alpha + \sum_{m=2}^{+\infty} m^{-2} \int_{m}^{m+1} \left| F_{j}(\lambda_{j}\alpha) \right|^{16} d\alpha$$
$$\ll X^{3+\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon}$$

from (3.1) and Hua's inequality.

The proofs of others are similar. So we omit them here.

Lemma 5.2 (see [7], Lemma 2.4 (Weyl's inequality)) Suppose that

$$\left|\alpha - \frac{a}{q}\right| \leq \frac{1}{q^2},$$

(a,q) = 1 and

$$\phi(x) = \alpha x^k + \alpha_1 x^{k-1} + \cdots + \alpha_{k-1} x + \alpha_k.$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{x=1}^{M} e(\phi(x)) \ll M^{1+\varepsilon} (q^{-1} + M^{-1} + qM^{-k})^{2^{1-k}}.$$

Lemma 5.3 *For every real number* $\alpha \in \mathfrak{D}$ *, we have*

$$W(\alpha) \ll X^{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\delta + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon},$$

where

$$W(\alpha) = \min(|G_1(\tau_1\alpha)|, |G_2(\tau_2\alpha)|).$$

Proof For $\alpha \in \mathfrak{D}$ and i = 1, 2, we choose a_i , q_i such that $|\lambda_i \alpha - a_i/q_i| \le q_i^{-1}Q^{-1}$ with $(a_i, q_i) = 1$ and $1 \le q_i \le Q$. We note that $a_1a_2 \ne 0$. If $q_1, q_2 \le P$, then

$$\left|a_2q_1\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}-a_1q_2\right| \leq \left|\frac{a_2/q_2}{\lambda_2\alpha}q_1q_2\left(\lambda_1\alpha-\frac{a_1}{q_1}\right)\right| + \left|\frac{a_1/q_1}{\lambda_2\alpha}q_1q_2\left(\lambda_2\alpha-\frac{a_2}{q_2}\right)\right| \ll PQ^{-1} < \frac{1}{2q}.$$

We recall that q was chosen as the denominator of a convergent to the continued fraction for λ_1/λ_2 . Thus, by Legendre's law of best approximation, we have $|q'\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} - a'| > \frac{1}{2q}$ for all integers a', q' with $1 \le q' < q$, thus $|a_2q_1| \ge q = [N^{1-8\delta}]$. On the other hand, $|a_2q_1| \ll q_1q_2P \ll N^{18\delta}$, which is a contradiction. And so, for at least one $i, P < q_i \ll Q$. Hence, by Lemma 5.2, we obtain the desired inequality for $W(\alpha)$.

Lemma 5.4 The following inequality holds.

$$\int_{\mathfrak{D}} \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) G(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{4}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{3}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{147}{50}-\frac{1}{21}\delta+\varepsilon}.$$

Proof We have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\mathfrak{D}} \prod_{i=1}^{8} |F_{i}(\lambda_{i}\alpha)G(-\alpha)| K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \\ &\ll \max_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{D}} |W(\alpha)|^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(\left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{1}(\lambda_{1}\alpha)|^{8} \right)^{\frac{1}{8}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{2}(\lambda_{2}\alpha)|^{8} \right)^{\frac{3}{32}} \\ &+ \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{1}(\lambda_{1}\alpha)|^{8} \right)^{\frac{3}{32}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{2}(\lambda_{2}\alpha)|^{8} \right)^{\frac{1}{8}} \right) \\ &\times \left(\prod_{j=3}^{5} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{j}(\lambda_{j}\alpha)|^{16} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{16}} \left(\prod_{k=6}^{8} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_{k}(\lambda_{k}\alpha)|^{32} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{32}} \\ &\times \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |G(-\alpha)|^{2} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\ll \left(X^{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\delta + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(X^{\frac{5}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{7}{32}} \left(X^{3 + \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{3}{16}} \left(X^{\frac{27}{5} + \frac{1}{5}\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{3}{32}} (NL)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\ll X^{\frac{121}{60} - \frac{1}{16}\delta + \varepsilon} \end{split}$$

from Lemmas 5.1, 5.3 and Hölder's inequality.

6 The trivial region

Lemma 6.1 (see [9], Lemma 2) Let

$$V(\alpha) = \sum e(\alpha f(x_1,\ldots,x_m)),$$

where the summation is over any finite set of values of x_1, \ldots, x_m and f is any real function. Then we have

$$\int_{|\alpha|>A} \left| V(\alpha) \right|^3 K_{\nu}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \leq \frac{23}{A} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| V(\alpha) \right|^3 K_{\nu}(\alpha) \, d\alpha$$

for any A > 4.

The following inequality holds.

Lemma 6.2 We have

$$\int_{\mathfrak{c}} \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_i(\lambda_i \alpha) G(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \ll X^{\frac{121}{60}-6\delta+\varepsilon}.$$

Proof We have

$$\int_{\mathfrak{c}} \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_{i}(\lambda_{i}\alpha) G(-\alpha) e\left(-\frac{1}{4}\alpha\right) K_{\frac{1}{4}}(\alpha) d\alpha$$
$$\ll \frac{1}{P} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| \prod_{i=1}^{9} F_{i}(\lambda_{i}\alpha) G(-\alpha) \right| K_{\frac{1}{4}}(\alpha) d\alpha$$

$$\ll N^{-5\delta} \max |F_1(\lambda_1 \alpha)|^{\frac{1}{5}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_1(\lambda_1 \alpha)|^9 \right)^{\frac{9}{32}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_2(\lambda_2 \alpha)|^9 \right)^{\frac{3}{4}}$$
$$\times \left(\prod_{j=3}^5 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_j(\lambda_j \alpha)|^{16} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{16}} \left(\prod_{k=6}^8 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F_k(\lambda_k \alpha)|^{32} K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{32}}$$
$$\times \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |G(-\alpha)|^2 K_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha) \, d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$\ll X^{\frac{121}{60} - 6\delta + \varepsilon}$$

from Lemmas 5.1, 6.1 and Schwarz's inequality.

7 Results

In this paper, we established that if $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_8$ are positive real numbers, at least one of the ratios λ_i/λ_j ($1 \le i < j \le 8$) is irrational, then the integer parts of $\lambda_1 x_1^3 + \lambda_2 x_2^3 + \lambda_3 x_3^4 + \lambda_4 x_4^5 + \lambda_5 x_5^6 + \lambda_6 x_6^7 + \lambda_7 x_7^8 + \lambda_8 x_8^5$ are prime infinitely often for $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$, where $x_1, x_2, ..., x_8$ are natural numbers.

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