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Abstract. The main purpose of this paper is to use the analytic method to study the calculating problem of the general Kloosterman sums, and give an exact calculating formula for it.

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1. Introduction

Let $q \geqslant 2$ be an integer, and let χ denote a Dirichlet character modulo q. For any integers m and n, the general Kloosterman sum $S(m, n, \chi; q)$ is defined by:

$$S(m, n, \chi; q) = \sum_{a=1}^{q} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ma + n\overline{a}}{q}\Big),$$

where $\overline{a}$ denotes the inverse of a modulo q and $e(y) = \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i} y}$. This summation is very important, because it is a generalization of the classical Kloosterman sums. Many authors studied the properties of $S(m, n, \chi; q)$. For instance, Chowla [2] proved that if χ is not the Legendre symbol, p is a prime and $(a, p) = 1$, then

$$|S(1, a, \chi, p)| \leqslant 2p^{1/2}.$$

A. V. Malyshev [4] gave a sharper upper bounds for $|S(m, n, \chi; q)|$ only if χ is the Legendre symbol, but for arbitrary q. That is,

$$|S(m, n, \chi; p)| \ll (m, n, p)^{1/2} p^{1/2+\varepsilon},$$

where p is a prime, ε is any fixed positive number, and (m,n,p) denotes the greatest common divisor of m, n and p. H. M. Andruhaev [1] obtained a more general estimate for $S(m,n,\chi;q)$ provided χ satisfies some conditions. That is, suppose r is a positive integer such that $r^2|\frac{q}{u}$, and χ is a character mod r. Then

$$|S(m,n,\chi;q)| \ll d(q)(uq)^{1/2},$$

where $d(q)$ is the divisor function.

However, for an arbitrary composite number q, we do not know how large $|S(m,n,\chi;q)|$ is. In fact, the value of $|S(m,n,\chi;q)|$ is quite irregular if q is not a prime. Fortunately, the mean value of it shows a good distribution properties. The mean value of $|S(m,n,\chi;q)|$ was investigated by many authors:

Zhang Wenpeng [6] studied the fourth power mean of $|S(m,n,\chi;q)|$, and proved

$$\sum_{\chi \bmod q}\sum_{m=1}^{q}|S(m,n,\chi;q)|^4 = \varphi^2(q)q^2d(q)\prod_{p^\alpha \| q}\left(1-\frac{2}{\alpha+1}\frac{p^{\alpha-1}-1}{p^\alpha(p-1)}+\frac{\alpha-4p^{\alpha-1}}{(\alpha+1)p^\alpha}\right),$$

where $\varphi(q)$ is the Euler function, and $\prod\limits_{p^\alpha\|q}$ denotes the product over all p such that $p^\alpha \mid q$ and $p^{\alpha+1}\nmid q$.

Xu Zhefeng [5] obtained the identity for square-full number q. It reads

$$\sum_{m=1}^{q}\sum_{\chi \bmod q}|S(m,n,\chi;q)|^4 = \varphi^3(q)qd(q)\prod_{p^\alpha \| q}\left(1-\frac{2(k,p-1)-1}{(\alpha+1)(p-1)}\right).$$

It is natural to study the mean value of the general Kloosterman sums

$$\sum_{m=1}^{q}{}' |S(m,n,\chi,q)|^4 .$$

Here $\sum\limits_{m}{}'$ denotes that the sum is extended over those m that are relatively prime to q.

For any prime p, Zhang Wenpeng [7] studied the fourth power mean of $|S(m,n,\chi;p)|$ and gave a calculating formula

$$\sum_{m=1}^{p}|S(m,n,\chi;p)|^4 = \begin{cases} p(2p^2-3p-3), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is a principal character modulo } p;\\ p^2(3p-7), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is the Legendre symbol};\\ 2p^2(p-3), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is a complex character modulo } p.\end{cases}$$

For p^2, Liu Huaning [3] gave a formula for classic Kloosterman sums $S(m,1,p^2)$. Namely, for the principal character χ_0 of general Kloosterman sums, we obtained

$$\sum_{m=1}^{p^2}{}' \left|S(m,1,\chi_0,p^2)\right|^4 = 3\varphi(p^6).$$

This paper is a continuation of [7] and [3], but the method used in it is different. That is, we will use properties of primitive characters and analytic methods to study the general Kloosterman sums for a composite number q and for a non-principal character χ modulo q, and give an exact formula as follows:

Theorem. *Let q be a square-full number and $2 \nmid q$. Then for any non-primitive $\chi \neq \chi_0$ modulo q, we have the identity*

$$\sum_{m=1}^{q}{}' |S(m,1,\chi,q)|^4 = q^{\frac{3}{2}} \prod_{p|q}(p^3+p^2-2p+1).$$

Remark. Our method also works for the general integer, but the mathematical expression is rather complicated. So we do not give the general conclusion in this paper.

For a primitive character χ modulo q, whether there exists an exact formula for

$$\sum_{m=1}^{q}{}' |S(m,1,\chi,q)|^4$$

is an open problem.

2. Proof of theorem

Based on the arithmetical fundamental theorem and the multiplicative properties of the general Kloosterman sums, it is sufficient to treat every square-full number q as p^2.

We construct a new function

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}{}^{*} \left| \sum_{m=1}^{p^2}{}' \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 \right|^2, \tag{2.1}$$

where $\sum^\star$ denotes the summation over all primitive characters mod p^2, χ is a non-principal and also non-primitive character mod p^2. We study it from two ways, then compare the different results, and accordingly give the conclusion.

First we prove the following lemma.

Lemma 1. *Let $p \geqslant 3$ be a prime and χ a nonprincipal character modulo p^2. Then for any primitive character ψ modulo p^2, we have*

$$\sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 = \tau^2(\psi) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)),$$

where $\tau(\psi)$ is the Gauss Sum.

Proof. From the definition of $S(m,1,\chi,p^2)$ and the properties of the reduced residue system mod p^2 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 &= \sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ma+\overline{a}}{p^2}\Big)\right|^2 \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b}) e\Big(\frac{mb(a\overline{b}-1)+\overline{b}(\overline{a}b-1}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) \sum_{b=1}^{p^2}{}' e\Big(\frac{mb(a-1)+\overline{b}(\overline{a}-1)}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) \sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \sum_{b=1}^{p^2}{}' e\Big(\frac{mb(a-1)}{p^2}\Big) e\Big(\frac{\overline{b}(\overline{a}-1)}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) \sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2}{}' \psi(m) e\Big(\frac{mb(a-1)}{p^2}\Big) e\Big(\frac{\overline{b}(\overline{a}-1)}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \overline{\psi}(b(a-1)) \tau(\psi) e\Big(\frac{\overline{b}(\overline{a}-1)}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \tau(\psi) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \overline{\psi}(b(a-1)) e\Big(\frac{\overline{b}(\overline{a}-1)}{p^2}\Big) \\
&= \tau^2(\psi) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)),
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that

$$\sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \psi(a) e\Big(\frac{a}{p^2}\Big) = \tau(\psi).$$

□

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.

Remark. Using Lemma 1, let us consider the summation

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \left| \sum_{m=1}^{p^2}{}' \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 \right|^2 = \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \left| \tau^2(\psi) \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 .$$

By the fact that $|\tau(\psi)| = p$ since ψ is a primitive character of modulo p^2, the above summation is

$$\begin{aligned}
&= p^4 \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 \\
&= p^4 \Bigg(\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 - \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 \Bigg) \\
&:= p^4(E_1 - E_2).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the summation (2.1) reduces to E_1 and E_2, which is easier to compute. Now we shall calculate both E_1 and E_2.

Lemma 2. *Let $p \geqslant 3$ be a prime. Then for any non-primitive character $\chi \neq \chi_0$ modulo p^2 we have*

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 = \begin{cases} \varphi(p^2)(2\varphi(p^2)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is the Legendre symbol mod } p; \\ \varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p^2)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is any non-real character mod } p. \end{cases}$$

P r o o f. From the orthogonality relations for characters we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.2) \qquad E_1 &= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2 \\
&= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2} \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b})\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1))\psi((b-1)(\overline{b}-1))
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \varphi(p^2) \sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ \overline{b}-\overline{a}+b-a\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2} \\ a\not\equiv 1, b\not\equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b})$$

$$= \varphi(p^2)\Bigg(\sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ (1-\overline{ab})(b-a)\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b}) - 2\sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ (1-\overline{a})(1-a)\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \chi(a) + 1\Bigg),$$

where a, b run through the reduced residue system modulo p^2.

So we split it into three parts: $p \nmid b-a$, $p \parallel b-a$ and $p^2 \mid b-a$, then

$$\text{(2.3)} \quad \sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ (1-\overline{ab})(b-a)\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b}) = \sideset{}{'}\sum_{a=1}^{p^2} 1 + \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a^2) - \sideset{}{'}\sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ a\equiv b\equiv \overline{b} \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^2} 1 + \sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ b\equiv a \pmod p \\ \overline{b}\equiv a \pmod p}}^{p^2} \sum_{b=1}^{p^2} \chi(a\overline{b})$$

$$= \varphi(p^2) + \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a^2) - 2 + 2p.$$

From the properties of congruences, we immediately get

$$\text{(2.4)} \quad \sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ (a-1)(\overline{a}-1)\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}}}^{p^2} \chi(a) = \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \chi(kp+1) = p.$$

Based on the above formulas (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), we obtain

$$E_1 = \begin{cases} \varphi(p^2)(2\varphi(p^2)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is the Legendre symbol mod } p; \\ \varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p^2)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is any non-real character mod } p. \end{cases}$$

This proves Lemma 2. □

Lemma 3. *Let p be an odd prime. Then for any non-primitive character $\chi \neq \chi_0$ modulo p^2 we have*

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \right|^2$$
$$= \begin{cases} 2p\varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is the Legendre symbol mod } p; \\ p\varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p)-2), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is any non-real character mod } p. \end{cases}$$

P r o o f. From the properties of characters and noting that any non-primitive character modulo p^2 must be a character modulo p, and if a and l pass through a reduced residue system modulo p then $lp+a$ also passes through a reduced residue system modulo p^2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
E_2 &= \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \Bigl| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \Bigr|^2 \\
&= \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \Bigl| \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} {\sum_{a=1}^{p}}' \chi(lp+a)\overline{\psi}((lp+a-1)(\overline{lp+a}-1)) \Bigr|^2 \\
&= p^2 \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \Bigl| \sum_{a=1}^{p} \chi(a)\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1)) \Bigr|^2 \\
&= p^2 {\sum_{a=1}^{p}}' {\sum_{b=1}^{p}}' \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \chi(a\overline{b})\overline{\psi}((a-1)(\overline{a}-1))\psi((b-1)(\overline{b}-1)) \\
&= \varphi(p)p^2 \mathop{{\sum_{a=1}^{p}}' {\sum_{b=1}^{p}}'}_{\substack{(b-a)(1-\overline{ab})\equiv 0 \ (\mathrm{mod}\ p) \\ a\not\equiv 1, b\nmid 1 \ (\mathrm{mod}\ p^2)}} \chi(a\overline{b}).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly to Lemma 2, we can get

$$E_2 = \begin{cases} 2p\varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p)-1), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is the Legendre symbol mod } p; \\ p\varphi(p^2)(\varphi(p)-2), & \text{if } \chi \text{ is any non-real character mod } p. \end{cases}$$

□

This completes the proof of Lemma 3.

Remark. From Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 we can deduce

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \Bigl| {\sum_{m=1}^{p^2}}' \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 \Bigr|^2 = p^4\varphi(p^2)(2p-1). \tag{2.5}$$

On the other hand, applying the properties of a primitive character, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \Bigl| {\sum_{m=1}^{p^2}}' \psi(m) \left|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\right|^2 \Bigr|^2 \qquad (2.6) \\
&= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2}^{*} \Bigl| {\sum_{m=1}^{p^2}}' \psi(h) \Bigl| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) e\Bigl(\frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^2}\Bigr) \Bigr|^2 \Bigr|^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^2} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^2}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$- \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^2}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^2) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \big|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\big|^4 - \sum_{\psi \bmod p} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^2} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^2} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^2}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$:= \varphi(p^2) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^2} \big|S(m,1,\chi,p^2)\big|^4 - E_3.$$

Now we shall compute E_3.

Lemma 4. *Let p be an odd prime and $\alpha \geqslant 2$ an integer. Then for any nonprimitive character $\chi \neq \chi_0$ modulo p^α we have*

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^\alpha} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ma+\overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2 = \varphi^2(p^\alpha) p^{2\alpha-2}(p^2-1).$$

P r o o f. From the properties of characters modulo p^α and noting that

$$\overline{a} - 1 = \overline{a}(1-a) \bmod p^\alpha,$$

and if h and l pass through a reduced residue system modulo $p^{\alpha-1}$ and modulo p respectively, then $lp^{\alpha-1}+h$ passes through a reduced residue system modulo p^α, we have

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^\alpha} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ma+\overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} \psi(lp^{\alpha-1}+h) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{(lp^{\alpha-1}+h)a+\overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \psi(h) \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{(lp^{\alpha-1}+h)a+\overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{la}{p} + \frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \sum_{b=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a\overline{b}) e\Big(\frac{l(a-b)}{p} + \frac{h(a-b)+\overline{a}-\overline{b}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{l=0}^{p-1} \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^\alpha} e\Big(\frac{lb(a-1)}{p} + \frac{hb(a-1) - \overline{a}\overline{b}(a-1)}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{\substack{a=1 \\ p|a-1}}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^\alpha} e\Big(\frac{hb(a-1) - \overline{a}\overline{b}(a-1)}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2.$$

Let $(a-1, p^\alpha) = p^\beta$, where $1 \leqslant \beta \leqslant \alpha - 1$. Then $a = up^\beta + 1$ with $(u,p) = 1$ and $1 \leqslant u < p^{\alpha-\beta}$, therefore we have

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sideset{}{'}\sum_{m=1}^{p^\alpha} \psi(m) \Big| \sum_{a=1}^{p^\alpha} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ma + \overline{a}}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \chi(up^\beta+1) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^\alpha} e\Big(\frac{hbup^\beta - \overline{b}(\overline{up^\beta+1})up^\beta}{p^\alpha}\Big)\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} \Big| \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} p^\beta \sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \chi(up^\beta+1) \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} e\Big(\frac{hb - \overline{b}(\overline{up^\beta+1})u^2}{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\Big)\Big|^2$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} \sum_{\gamma=1}^{\alpha-1} p^{\beta+\alpha} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\gamma}} \chi(up^\beta+1)\overline{\chi}(vp^\gamma+1)$$

$$\times \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{c=1}^{p^{\alpha-\gamma}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} e\Big(\frac{h(bp^\beta - cp^\gamma) - \overline{b}(\overline{up^\beta+1})u^2p^\beta - \overline{c}(\overline{vp^\gamma+1})v^2p^\gamma}{p^\alpha}\Big)$$

$$= \varphi(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} \sum_{\gamma=1}^{\alpha-1} p^{\beta+\alpha} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\gamma}} \chi(up^\beta+1)\overline{\chi}(vp^\gamma+1)$$

$$\times \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{c=1}^{p^{\alpha-\gamma}} e\Big(\frac{-\overline{b}(\overline{up^\beta+1})u^2p^\beta - \overline{c}(\overline{vp^\gamma+1})v^2p^\gamma}{p^\alpha}\Big)$$

$$\times \left(\sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-1}} e\left(\frac{h(bp^\beta - cp^\gamma)}{p^\alpha}\right) - \sum_{h=1}^{p^{\alpha-2}} e\left(\frac{hp(bp^\beta - cp^\gamma)}{p^\alpha}\right) \right)$$

$$= \varphi^2(p^{\alpha-1}) p^2 \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} p^{2\beta} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} \chi(up^\beta+1)\overline{\chi}(vp^\beta+1)$$

$$\times \sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}} e\Big(\frac{\overline{b}(\overline{vp^\beta+1})v^2 - (\overline{up^\beta+1})u^2}{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\Big)$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&= \varphi^2(p^\alpha)p^{2\alpha-2}\sum_{u=1}^{p-1}\sum_{v=1}^{p-1}\chi((up^{\alpha-1}+1)(\overline{vp^{\alpha-1}+1}))\sum_{b=1}^{p-1}e\Big(\frac{b(v^2-u^2)}{p}\Big)\\
&\quad+\varphi^2(p^\alpha)\sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}p^{2\beta}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\chi((up^\beta+1)(\overline{vp^\beta+1}))\\
&\quad\times\sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}e\Big(\frac{b((\overline{vp^\beta+1})u^2-(\overline{up^\beta+1})v^2)}{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\Big)\\
&:= \varphi^2(p^\alpha)(B_1+B_2),
\end{aligned}
$$

where we have used the fact that $p^\alpha \mid bp^\beta - cp^\gamma$ if and only if $\beta=\gamma$ and $c\equiv b \pmod{p^{\alpha-\beta}}$. Now we compute E_1 and E_2. From the trigonometric identity

$$
\sum_{a=1}^{q}e\Big(\frac{sa}{q}\Big)=\begin{cases} q, & \text{if } q\mid s;\\ 0, & \text{otherwise,}\end{cases}
$$

we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
B_1 &= p^{2\alpha-2}\sum_{u=1}^{p-1}\sum_{v=1}^{p-1}\chi((up^{\alpha-1}+1)(\overline{vp^{\alpha-1}+1}))\sum_{b=1}^{p-1}e\Big(\frac{b(v^2-u^2)}{p}\Big)\\
&= p^{2\alpha-2}\sum_{u=1}^{p-1}\sum_{v=1}^{p-1}\left(\sum_{b=1}^{p}e\Big(\frac{b(v^2-u^2)}{p}\Big)-1\right)\\
&= p^{2\alpha-2}\left(p\sum_{\substack{u=1\\ p\mid v^2-u^2}}^{p-1}\sum_{v=1}^{p-1}1-\sum_{u=1}^{p-1}\sum_{v=1}^{p-1}1\right)\\
&= p^{2\alpha-2}(p\varphi(p)+p\varphi(p)-(p-1)^2)=p^{2\alpha-2}(p^2-1).
\end{aligned}
$$

Note that if $1\leqslant\beta\leqslant\alpha-2$ and $p^{\alpha-\beta}\mid(u-v)(p^\beta uv+u+v)$, then $(u-v,p^\beta uv+u+v,p)=1$; therefore we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
B_2 &= \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}p^{2\beta}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{u=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\chi((up^\beta+1)(\overline{vp^\beta+1}))\sideset{}{'}\sum_{b=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}e\Big(\frac{b((\overline{vp^\beta+1})u^2-(\overline{up^\beta+1})v^2)}{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\Big)\\
&= \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}p^{\alpha+\beta}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{\substack{u=1\\ p^{\alpha-\beta}\mid(u-v)(p^\beta uv+u+v)}}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\chi((up^\beta+1)(\overline{vp^\beta+1}))\\
&\quad-\sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}p^{\alpha+\beta-1}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{\substack{u=1\\ p^{\alpha-\beta-1}\mid(u-v)(p^\beta uv+u+v)}}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\sideset{}{'}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}\chi((up^\beta+1)(\overline{vp^\beta+1}))
\end{aligned}
$$

$$= \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}\left(p^{\alpha+\beta}\varphi(p^{\alpha-\beta}) + p^{\alpha+\beta}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}{}' \chi(\overline{vp^{\beta}+1}^{2})\right)$$
$$- \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-2}\left(p^{\alpha+\beta}\varphi(p^{\alpha-\beta}) + p^{\alpha+\beta}\sum_{v=1}^{p^{\alpha-\beta}}{}' \chi(\overline{vp^{\beta}+1}^{2})\right) = 0.$$

Hence, it is easy to compute that

$$\sum_{\psi \bmod p^{\alpha-1}} \left| \sum_{m=1}^{p^{\alpha}}{}' \psi(m) \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p^{\alpha}} \chi(a) e\Big(\frac{ha+\overline{a}}{p^{\alpha}}\Big)\right|^2\right|^2 = \varphi^2(p^{\alpha})p^{2\alpha-2}(p^2-1).$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 4. □

From Lemma 4, we have

$$E_3 = \varphi^2(p^2)p^2(p^2-1).$$

Combining (5) with (6), we get

$$\sum_{m=1}^{p^2}{}' |S(m,1,\chi,p^2)|^4 = p^3(p^3+p^2-2p+1).$$

Applying the multiplicative property of Kloosterman sums, we can complete the proof of the theorem. In fact, let q have the prime power decomposition

$$q = \prod_{i=1}^{r} p_i^2 \qquad \text{and} \qquad m = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \frac{m_i q}{p_i^2}.$$

It is clear that if m_i $(i = 1, 2, \ldots, r)$ pass through a reduced residue system modulo p_i^2, then m passes through a reduced residue system modulo q, so we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{m=1}^{q}{}' |S(m,1,\chi,q)|^4 &= \prod_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{m_i=1}^{p_i^2} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p_i^2} \chi_i\Big(\frac{qa}{p_i}\Big) e\Big(\frac{\frac{m_i q}{p_i^2}\frac{aq}{p_i^2} + \overline{\frac{aq}{p_i^2}}}{q}\Big)\right|^4 \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{m_i=1}^{p_i^2} \left| \sum_{a=1}^{p_i^2} \chi_i(a) e\Big(\frac{m_i a + \overline{a}}{p_i^2}\Big)\right|^4 \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^{r} p_i^3(p_i^3 + p_i^2 - 2p_i + 1) \\
&= q^{\frac{3}{2}} \prod_{p \mid q}(p^3 + p^2 - 2p + 1).
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem. □

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