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On the estimate for a mean value relative to $\frac{4}{p} = \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} + \frac{1}{n_3}$

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For the positive integer n , let $f(n)$ denote the number of positive integer solutions (n_1, n_2, n_3) of the Diophantine equation $\frac{4}{n} = \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} + \frac{1}{n_3}$. For the prime number p , $f(p)$ can be split into $f_1(p) + f_2(p)$, where $f_i(p)$ ($i=1, 2$) counts those solutions with exactly i of denominators n_1, n_2, n_3 divisible by p .

Recently Terence Tao proved that $\sum_{p < x} f_1(p) \ll x \exp\left(\frac{c \log x}{\log \log x}\right)$ with other results. In this paper we shall improve it to $\sum_{p < x} f_1(p) \ll x \log^5 x \log \log^2 x$.

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