

Equivalent Conditions of a Hilbert-Type Integral Inequality with the General Nonhomogeneous Kernel in the Whole Plane

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Abstract

By means of the techniques of the real analysis and the weight functions, a few equivalent conditions of a Hilbert-type integral inequality with the general nonhomogeneous kernel in the whole plane are obtained. The constant factor is proved to be the best possible. As applications, a few equivalent conditions of a Hilbert-type integral inequality with the general homogeneous kernel in the whole plane are deduced. We also consider the operator expressions, a few particular cases and some examples.

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Introduction

Assuming that $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, $0 < \int_0^\infty f^2(x)dx < \infty$ and $0 < \int_0^\infty g^2(y)dy < \infty$, we have the following well-known Hilbert's integral inequality (see [\(missing citation\)](#)):

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy < \pi \left(\int_0^\infty f^2(x)dx \int_0^\infty g^2(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (1)$$

with the best possible constant factor π .

Recently, by means of the weight functions, a lot of extensions of (1) were given by two books (see [\(B. C. Yang & inequalities, n.d.\)](#), [\(B. C. Yang, n.d.\)](#)). Some Hilbert-type inequalities with the homogenous kernels and nonhomogenous kernels were provided by [\(B. C. Yang, n.d.\)](#)-([L. Debnath, n.d.](#)). In 2017, Hong ([Y. Hong, n.d.](#)) also gave a equivalent condition between a Hilbert-type inequalities with the homogenous kernel and some parameters. Some other kinds of Hilbert-type inequalities were obtained by [\(M.Th. Rassias, n.d.\)](#)-([Q. Liu et al., 2019](#)). Most of them are built in the quarter plane of the first quadrant.

Using the way of real analysis, in 2007, Yang ([B. C. Yang, n.d.](#)) gave a Hilbert-type integral inequality in the whole plane as follows:

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$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)g(y)}{(1+e^{x+y})^\lambda} dx dy \\ & < B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} f^2(x) dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda y} g^2(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

with the best possible constant factor $B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$ ($\lambda > 0$, $B(u, v)$ is the beta function) (see (missing citation)). He et al. (B. He, n.d.)-(Z.H Gu1, n.d.) proved some new Hilbert-type integral inequalities in the whole plane with the best possible constant factors.

In this paper, by means of the techniques of the real analysis and the weight functions, a few equivalent conditions of a Hilbert-type integral inequality with the general non-homogeneous kernel in the whole plane are obtained in Theorem 1. The constant factor is proved to be the best possible in Theorem 2. As applications, a few equivalent conditions of a Hilbert-type integral inequality with the general homogeneous kernel in the whole plane are deduced in Theorem 3. We also consider the operator expressions in Theorem 4-5. A few particular cases and some examples are obtained in Corollaries 1-4 and Examples 1-2. The lemmas and theorems provide an extensive account of this type of inequalities.

Two lemmas

In what follows, we suppose that $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $\sigma_1, \sigma \in \mathbf{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$, $h(u)$ is a nonnegative measurable function in \mathbf{R} , with

$$K^{(1)}(\sigma) := \int_{-1}^1 h(u)|u|^{\sigma-1} du = \int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u))u^{\sigma-1} du,$$

$$\begin{aligned} K^{(2)}(\sigma) &: = \int_{\{u; |u| \geq 1\}} h(u)|u|^{\sigma-1} du = \int_1^\infty (h(-u) + h(u))u^{\sigma-1} du, \\ K(\sigma) &: = \int_{-\infty}^\infty h(u)|u|^{\sigma-1} du = \int_0^\infty (h(-u) + h(u))u^{\sigma-1} du \\ &= K^{(1)}(\sigma) + K^{(2)}(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

(3)

For $n \in \mathbf{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$, we define the following two expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &:= \int_{\{y; |y| \geq 1\}} \left(\int_{\{x; |x| \leq 1\}} h(xy)|x|^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} dx \right) |y|^{\sigma_1 - \frac{1}{qn} - 1} dy, \\ I_2 &:= \int_{\{y; |y| \leq 1\}} \left(\int_{\{x; |x| \geq 1\}} h(xy)|x|^{\sigma - \frac{1}{pn} - 1} dx \right) |y|^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1} dy. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

(5)

Setting $u = xy$ in (4), by Fubini theorem (cf. (J. C. Kuang, n.d.)), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_1 &= \int_{\{y; |y| \geq 1\}} \left[\int_{-1}^0 h(xy)(-x)^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} dx \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \int_0^1 h(xy)x^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} dx \right] |y|^{\sigma_1 - \frac{1}{qn} - 1} dy \\
&= 2 \int_1^\infty \left(\int_0^y (h(-u) + h(u)) \left(\frac{u}{y}\right)^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} \frac{1}{y} du \right) y^{\sigma_1 - \frac{1}{qn} - 1} dy \\
&= 2 \int_1^\infty \left(\int_0^y (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} du \right) y^{\sigma_1 - \sigma - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dy
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

In the same way, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
I_2 &= \int_{\{x; |x| \geq 1\}} \left(\int_{\{y; |y| \leq 1\}} h(xy) |y|^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1} dy \right) |x|^{\sigma - \frac{1}{pn} - 1} dx \\
&= 2 \int_1^\infty \left(\int_0^x (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1} du \right) x^{\sigma - \sigma_1 - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dx.
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Lemma 1. *Lemma 1. If $K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, there exists a constant M , such that for any nonnegative measurable functions $f(x)$ and $g(y)$ in \mathbf{R} , the following inequality*

$$\begin{aligned}
I &: = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty h(xy) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\
&\leq M \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

holds true, then we have $\sigma_1 = \sigma$.

Proof. *Proof.* If $\sigma_1 < \sigma$, then for $n > \frac{1}{\sigma - \sigma_1}$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$), we set functions

$$\begin{aligned}
&f_n(x) := \begin{cases} 0, & |x| < 1 \\ |x|^{\sigma - \frac{1}{pn} - 1}, & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}, g_n(y) := \begin{cases} 0, & |y| > 1 \\ |y|^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1}, & |y| \leq 1 \end{cases}, \text{and then obtain}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2 &: = \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f_n^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} g_n^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \left(\int_{\{x; |x| \geq 1\}} |x|^{-\frac{1}{n} - 1} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{\{y; |y| \leq 1\}} |y|^{\frac{1}{n} - 1} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = 2n.
\end{aligned}$$

By (7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \int_1^\infty \left[\int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1} du \right] x^{\sigma - \sigma_1 - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dx \\ \leq & I_2 = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty h(xy) f_n(x) g_n(y) dx dy \leq M J_2 = 2Mn. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Since for any $n > \frac{1}{\sigma - \sigma_1}$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$), $\sigma - \sigma_1 - \frac{1}{n} > 0$, it follows that $\int_1^\infty x^{\sigma - \sigma_1 - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dx = \infty$. By (9), in view of

$$\int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma_1 + \frac{1}{qn} - 1} du \geq \int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma - 1} = K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0,$$

we find that $\infty \leq 2Mn < \infty$, which is a contradiction.

If $\sigma_1 > \sigma$, then for $n > \frac{1}{\sigma_1 - \sigma}$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$), we set functions

$$\tilde{f}_n(x) := \{$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |x|^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1}, |x| \leq 1 \\ & 0, |x| > 1 \end{aligned}, \tilde{g}_n(y) := \{$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 0, |y| < 1 \\ & |y|^{\sigma_1 - \frac{1}{qn} - 1}, |y| \geq 1 \end{aligned}, \text{ and then obtain}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{J}_2 & : = \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} \tilde{f}_n^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^\infty |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} \tilde{g}_n^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \left(\int_{-1}^1 |x|^{\frac{1}{n}-1} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{\{y; |y| \geq 1\}} |y|^{-\frac{1}{n}-1} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = 2n. \end{aligned}$$

By (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \int_1^\infty \left[\int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} du \right] y^{\sigma_1 - \sigma - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dy \\ \leq & I_1 = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty h(xy) \tilde{f}_n(x) \tilde{g}_n(y) dx dy \leq M \tilde{J}_2 = 2Mn. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Since for $n > \frac{1}{\sigma_1 - \sigma}$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$), $(\sigma_1 - \sigma) - \frac{1}{n} > 0$, it follows that $\int_1^\infty y^{(\sigma_1 - \sigma) - \frac{1}{n} - 1} dy = \infty$. By (10), in view of $K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, namely,

$$\int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} du > 0,$$

we have $\infty \leq 2Mn < \infty$, which is a contradiction.

Hence, we conclude that $\sigma_1 = \sigma$. The lemma is proved. \square

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Lemma 2. *Lemma 2.* If there exists a constant M , such that for any nonnegative measurable functions $f(x)$ and $g(y)$ in \mathbf{R} , the following inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\ & \leq M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

holds true, then we have $K(\sigma) \leq M < \infty$.

Proof. Proof. For $\sigma_1 = \sigma$, we reduce (6) and then use inequality $I_1 \leq M \tilde{J}_2$ (when $\sigma_1 = \sigma$) as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2n} I_1 &= \int_0^1 (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} du \\ &+ \int_1^\infty (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma - \frac{1}{qn} - 1} du \leq M. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

By Fatou lemma (cf. (J. C. Kuang, n.d.)) and (12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} K(\sigma) &= \int_0^1 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma + \frac{1}{pn} - 1} du \\ &+ \int_1^\infty \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma - \frac{1}{qn} - 1} du \\ &\leq \varliminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n} I_1 \leq M < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

The lemma is proved. \square

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Main results and a few corollaries

Theorem 0.1. *Theorem 1.* If $K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, then the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} J &: = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{p\sigma_1-1} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &< M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

(13)

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} g^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\ &< M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

(14)

(iii) $\sigma_1 = \sigma$ and $K(\sigma) < \infty$.

Proof. Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). By Hölder's inequality (see ?), we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(|y|^{\sigma_1 - \frac{1}{p}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx \right) \left(|y|^{\frac{1}{p} - \sigma_1} g(y) \right) dy \\ &\leq J \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma_1)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Then by (13), we have (14).

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Since $K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, by Lemma 1, we have $\sigma_1 = \sigma$. Then by Lemma 2, we have $K(\sigma) \leq M < \infty$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i). Setting $u = xy$, we obtain the following weight function: For $y \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(\sigma, y) &: = |y|^\sigma \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) |x|^{\sigma-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} (h(-u) + h(u)) u^{\sigma-1} du = K(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

(16)

By Hölder's inequality with weight and (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx \right)^p \\
&= \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \left[\frac{|y|^{(\sigma-1)/p}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)/q}} f(x) \right] \left[\frac{|x|^{(\sigma-1)/q}}{|y|^{(\sigma-1)/p}} dx \right] \right\}^p \\
&\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)p/q}} f^p(x) dx \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|x|^{\sigma-1}}{|y|^{(\sigma-1)q/p}} dx \right]^{p/q} \\
&= \left[\omega(\sigma, y) |y|^{q(1-\sigma)-1} \right]^{p-1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)p/q}} f^p(x) dx \\
&= (K(\sigma))^{p-1} |y|^{-p\sigma+1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)p/q}} f^p(x) dx.
\end{aligned}$$

(17)

If (17) takes the form of equality for a $y \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$, then (see (J. C. Kuang, n.d.)), there exists constants A and B , such that they are not all zero, and

$$A \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)p/q}} f^p(x) = B \frac{|x|^{\sigma-1}}{|y|^{(\sigma-1)q/p}} \text{ a.e. in } \mathbf{R}.$$

We suppose that $A \neq 0$ (otherwise $B = A = 0$). Then it follows that

$$|x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) = |y|^{q(1-\sigma)} \frac{B}{A|x|} \text{ a.e. in } \mathbf{R},$$

which contradicts the fact that $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$. Hence, (17) takes the form of strict inequality.

For $\sigma_1 = \sigma$, by Fubini theorem (see (J. C. Kuang, n.d.)) and (17), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
J &< (K(\sigma))^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)p/q}} f^p(x) dx dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= (K(\sigma))^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) \frac{|y|^{\sigma-1}}{|x|^{(\sigma-1)(p-1)}} dy \right] f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= (K(\sigma))^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega(\sigma, x) |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= K(\sigma) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

For $K(\sigma) \in \mathbf{R}_+$, setting $M \geq K(\sigma)$, we have

$$J < K(\sigma) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

namely, (13) follows.

Therefore, the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) are equivalent.

The theorem is proved. \square

For $\sigma_1 = \sigma$, we have

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Theorem 0.2. Theorem 2. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{p\sigma-1} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

(18)

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma)-1} g^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\ & < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\sigma)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

(19)

(iii) $K(\sigma) < \infty$.

Moreover, if (iii) follows and $K(\sigma) > 0$, then the constant factor $M = K(\sigma) \in \mathbf{R}_+$ in (18) and (19) is the best possible.

Proof. Proof. For $\sigma_1 = \sigma$ in Theorem 1, we still can conclude that the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) in Theorem 2 are equivalent.

When Condition (iii) follows and $K(\sigma) > 0$, if there exists a constant $M \leq K(\sigma)$, such that (19) is valid, then by Lemma 2, we have $K(\sigma) \leq M$. Hence, the constant factor $M = K(\sigma) \in \mathbf{R}_+$ in (19) is the best possible.

The constant factor $M = K(\sigma)$ in (18) is still the best possible. Otherwise, by (15) (for $\sigma_1 = \sigma$), we would reach a contradiction that the constant factor $M = K(\sigma)$ in (19) is not the best possible.

The theorem is proved. \square

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In particular, for $\sigma_1 = \sigma = \frac{1}{p}$ in Theorem 2, we have

Corollary 1. Corollary 1. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \quad (20)$$

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) g(y) dx dy < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^q(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \quad (21)$$

(iii) $K(\frac{1}{p}) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows and $K(\frac{1}{p}) > 0$, then the constant factor $M = K(\frac{1}{p}) (\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (20) and (21) is the best possible.

Setting $y = \frac{1}{Y}$, $G(Y) = g(\frac{1}{Y}) \frac{1}{Y^2}$ in Theorem 1-2, then replacing Y by y , we have

Corollary 2. Corollary 2. *If $K^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, then the following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_0^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{-p\sigma_1-1} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]. \quad (22)$$

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), G(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1+\sigma_1)-1} G^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) f(x) G(y) dx dy < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1+\sigma_1)-1} G^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

(23)

(iii) $\sigma_1 = \sigma$, and $K(\sigma) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows, then the constant $M = K(\sigma) (\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (22) and (23) (for $\sigma_1 = \sigma$) is the best possible.

Note. $h(\frac{x}{y})$ is a homogeneous function of degree 0, namely, $h(\frac{x}{y}) = k_0(x, y)$.

Setting $h(u) = k_\lambda(u, 1)$, where $k_\lambda(x, y)$ ($x, y \in \mathbf{R}$) is the homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$, with

$$\begin{aligned} K_\lambda^{(1)}(\sigma) &: = \int_{-1}^1 k_\lambda(u, 1) |u|^{\sigma-1} du, \\ K_\lambda^{(2)}(\sigma) &: = \int_{\{u; |u| \geq 1\}} k_\lambda(u, 1) |u|^{\sigma-1} du, \\ K_\lambda(\sigma) &: = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_\lambda(u, 1) |u|^{\sigma-1} du = K_\lambda^{(1)}(\sigma) + K_\lambda^{(2)}(\sigma), \end{aligned}$$

then for $g(y) = |y|^\lambda G(y)$ and $\mu = \lambda - \sigma_1$ in Corollary 2, we have

Theorem 0.3. Theorem 3. *If $K_\lambda^{(1)}(\sigma) > 0$, then the following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{p\mu-1} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_\lambda(x, y) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

(24)

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\mu)-1} g^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_\lambda(x, y) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\ & < M \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1} f^p(x) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q(1-\mu)-1} g^q(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

(25)

(iii) $\mu + \sigma = \lambda$, and $K_\lambda(\sigma) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows, then the constant $M = K_\lambda(\sigma) (\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (24) and (25) is the best possible.

Remark. **Remark 2 .** If $\lambda = 0, \mu = -\sigma_1, k_0(x, y) = h(\frac{x}{y})$, then Theorem 3 reduces to Corollary 2.

In particular, for $\lambda = 1, \sigma = \frac{1}{q}, \mu = \frac{1}{p}$ in Theorem 3 (also refer to Theorem 2), we have

Corollary 3. Corollary 3. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^p(x)dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(x, y) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^p(x) dx \right). \quad (26)$$

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^p(x)dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^q(y)dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(x, y) f(x) g(y) dx dy < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^p(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^q(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \quad (27)$$

(iii) $K_1(\frac{1}{q}) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows and $K_1(\frac{1}{q}) > 0$, then the constant $M = K_1(\frac{1}{q}) (\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (26) and (27) is the best possible.

For $\lambda = 1, \sigma = \frac{1}{p}, \mu = \frac{1}{q}$ in Theorem 3 (also refer to Theorem 2), we have

Corollary 4. Corollary 4. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{p-2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(x, y) f(x) dx \right)^p dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \quad (28)$$

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0$, satisfying $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx < \infty$, and $0 < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q-2} g^q(y) dy < \infty$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(x, y) f(x) g(y) dx dy \\ & < M \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^{p-2} f^p(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y|^{q-2} g^q(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

(29)

(iii) $K_1(\frac{1}{p}) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows and $K_1(\frac{1}{p}) > 0$, then the constant factor $M = K_1(\frac{1}{p}) (\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (28) and (29) is the best possible.

Operator expressions and examples

For $\mu + \sigma = \lambda$, we set the following functions: $\varphi(x) := |x|^{p(1-\sigma)-1}$, $\psi(y) := |y|^{q(1-\sigma)-1}$, $\phi(y) := |y|^{q(1-\mu)-1}$, wherefrom, $\psi^{1-p}(y) = |y|^{p\sigma-1}$, $\phi^{1-p}(y) = |y|^{p\mu-1}$ ($x, y \in \mathbf{R}$). Define the following real normed linear spaces:

$$L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}) := \left\{ f : \|f\|_{p,\varphi} := \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty \right\},$$

wherefrom,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{q,\psi}(\mathbf{R}) &= \left\{ g : \|g\|_{q,\psi} := \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(y) |g(y)|^q dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\}, \\ L_{q,\phi}(\mathbf{R}) &= \left\{ g : \|g\|_{q,\phi} := \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(y) |g(y)|^q dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\}, \\ L_{p,\psi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R}) &= \left\{ h : \|h\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^{1-p}(y) |h(y)|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty \right\}, \\ L_{q,\phi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R}) &= \left\{ h : \|h\|_{q,\phi^{1-p}} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi^{1-p}(y) |h(y)|^q dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

(a) In view of Theorem 2, for $f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})$, setting $h_1(y) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy) f(x) dx$ ($y \in \mathbf{R}$), by (18), we have

$$\|h_1\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}} = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^{1-p}(y) h_1^p(y) dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M \|f\|_{p,\varphi} < \infty.$$

(30)

Definition 1. *Define a Hilbert-type integral operator with the nonhomogeneous kernel $T^{(1)} : L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow L_{p,\psi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R})$ as follows: For any $f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})$, there exists a unique representation $T^{(1)}f = h_1 \in L_{p,\psi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R})$, satisfying for any $y \in \mathbf{R}$, $T^{(1)}f(y) = h_1(y)$.*

In view of (30), it follows that

$$\|T^{(1)}f\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}} = \|h_1\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}} \leq M\|f\|_{p,\varphi},$$

and then the operator $T^{(1)}$ is bounded satisfying

$$\|T^{(1)}\| = \sup_{f(\neq 0) \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})} \frac{\|T^{(1)}f\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}}}{\|f\|_{p,\varphi}} \leq M.$$

If we define the formal inner product of $T^{(1)}f$ and g as follows:

$$(T^{(1)}f, g) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(xy)f(x)dx \right) g(y)dy,$$

then we can rewrite Theorem 2 as follows:

Theorem 0.4. Theorem 4. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0, f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}), \|f\|_{p,\varphi} > 0$, we have the following inequality:

$$\|T^{(1)}f\|_{p,\psi^{1-p}} < M\|f\|_{p,\varphi}. \quad (31)$$

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0, f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}), g \in L_{q,\psi}(\mathbf{R}), \|f\|_{p,\varphi}, \|g\|_{q,\psi} > 0$, we have the following inequality:

$$(T^{(1)}f, g) < M\|f\|_{p,\varphi}\|g\|_{q,\psi}. \quad (32)$$

(iii) $K(\sigma) < \infty$.

Moreover, if (iii) follows and $K(\sigma) > 0$, then the constant factor $M = K(\sigma)(\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (31) and (32) is the best possible, namely, $0 < \|T^{(1)}\| = K(\sigma) \leq M$.

(b) In view of Theorem 3 ($\sigma + \mu = \lambda$), for $f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})$, setting $h_2(y) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_\lambda(x, y)f(x)dx$ ($y \in \mathbf{R}$), by (24), we have

$$\|h_2\|_{p,\phi^{1-p}} = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi^{1-p}(y)h_2^p(y)dy \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} < M\|f\|_{p,\varphi} < \infty.$$

(33)

Definition 2. Define a Hilbert-type integral operator with the homogeneous kernel $T^{(2)} : L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow L_{p,\phi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R})$ as follows: For any $f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})$, there exists a unique representation $T^{(2)}f = h_2 \in L_{p,\phi^{1-p}}(\mathbf{R})$, satisfying for any $y \in \mathbf{R}$, $T^{(2)}f(y) = h_2(y)$.

In view of (33), it follows that

$$\|T^{(2)}f\|_{p,\phi^{1-p}} = \|h_2\|_{p,\phi^{1-p}} \leq M\|f\|_{p,\varphi},$$

and then the operator $T^{(2)}$ is bounded satisfying

$$\|T^{(2)}\| = \sup_{f(\neq 0) \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R})} \frac{\|T^{(2)}f\|_{p,\phi^{1-p}}}{\|f\|_{p,\varphi}} \leq M.$$

If we define the formal inner product of $T^{(2)}f$ and g as follows:

$$(T^{(2)}f, g) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_{\lambda}(x, y) f(x) dx \right) g(y) dy,$$

then we can rewrite Theorem 3 (for $\mu + \sigma = \lambda$) as follows:

Theorem 0.5. Theorem 5. The following conditions are equivalent:

(i) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x) \geq 0, f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}), \|f\|_{p,\varphi} > 0$, we have the following inequality:

$$\|T^{(2)}f\|_{p,\phi^{1-p}} < M\|f\|_{p,\varphi}.$$

(34)

(ii) There exists a constant M , such that for any $f(x), g(y) \geq 0, f \in L_{p,\varphi}(\mathbf{R}), g \in L_{q,\phi}(\mathbf{R}), \|f\|_{p,\varphi}, \|g\|_{q,\phi} > 0$, we have the following inequality:

$$(T^{(2)}f, g) < M\|f\|_{p,\varphi}\|g\|_{q,\phi}.$$

(35)

(iii) $K_{\lambda}(\sigma) < \infty$.

If Condition (iii) follows and $K_{\lambda}(\sigma) > 0$, then the constant factor $M = K_{\lambda}(\sigma)(\in \mathbf{R}_+)$ in (34) and (35) is the best possible, namely, $0 < \|T^{(2)}\| = K_{\lambda}(\sigma) \leq M$.

Example 1. Example 1. Setting $h(xy) = \frac{|\ln |xy||^\beta}{(\max\{|xy|, 1\})^{\lambda-1}|xy-1|}$, and

$$k_\lambda(x, y) = \frac{|\ln |x/y||^\beta}{(\max\{|x|, |y|\})^{\lambda-1}|x-y|} \quad (x, y \in \mathbf{R}),$$

for $\beta > 0, \sigma, \mu > 0, \sigma + \mu = \lambda$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} K(\sigma) &= K_\lambda(\sigma) = \int_0^\infty \frac{|\ln u|^\beta u^{\sigma-1}}{(\max\{u, 1\})^{\lambda-1}} \left(\frac{1}{u+1} + \frac{1}{|u-1|} \right) du \\ &= \int_0^1 (-\ln u)^\beta \left(\frac{1}{u+1} + \frac{1}{1-u} \right) (u^{\sigma-1} + u^{\mu-1}) du \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 (-\ln u)^\beta \frac{1}{1-u^2} (u^{\sigma-1} + u^{\mu-1}) du \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 (-\ln u)^\beta \sum_{k=0}^\infty u^{2k} (u^{\sigma-1} + u^{\mu-1}) du. \end{aligned}$$

By Lebesgue term by term integration theorem (cf. (J. C. Kuang, n.d.)), we have

$$\begin{aligned} K(\sigma) &= K_\lambda(\sigma) = 2 \sum_{k=0}^\infty \int_0^1 (-\ln u)^\beta (u^{2k+\sigma-1} + u^{2k+\mu-1}) du \\ &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^\infty \left[\frac{1}{(2k+\sigma)^{\beta+1}} + \frac{1}{(2k+\mu)^{\beta+1}} \right] \int_0^\infty v^\beta e^{-v} dv \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{2^\beta} \left(\zeta(\beta+1, \frac{\sigma}{2}) + \zeta(\beta+1, \frac{\mu}{2}) \right) \in \mathbf{R}_+, \end{aligned}$$

where, $\zeta(s, a) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(k+a)^s}$ ($\text{Res} > 1; a > 0$) is the extended Riemann zeta function ($\zeta(s, 1) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{1}{k^s}$ ($\text{Res} > 1$) is the Riemann zeta function) (cf. (missing citation)). Then by Theorem 4 and Theorem 5, we have

$$\|T^{(1)}\| = \|T^{(2)}\| = \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{2^\beta} \left(\zeta(\beta+1, \frac{\sigma}{2}) + \zeta(\beta+1, \frac{\mu}{2}) \right). \quad (36)$$

Example 2. Example 2. Setting $h(xy) = \frac{1}{|xy-1|^\lambda}$, $k_\lambda(x, y) = \frac{1}{|x-y|^\lambda}$ ($x, y \in \mathbf{R}$), for $\sigma, \mu > 0, \sigma + \mu = \lambda < 1$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} K(\sigma) &= K_\lambda(\sigma) = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{(u+1)^\lambda} + \frac{1}{|u-1|^\lambda} \right) u^{\sigma-1} du \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{u^{\sigma-1}}{(u+1)^\lambda} du + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1-u)^\lambda} (u^{\sigma-1} + u^{\mu-1}) du \\ &= B(\sigma, \mu) + B(1-\lambda, \sigma) + B(1-\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbf{R}_+. \end{aligned}$$

Then by Theorem 4 and Theorem 5, we have

$$\|T^{(1)}\| = \|T^{(2)}\| = B(\sigma, \mu) + B(1 - \lambda, \sigma) + B(1 - \lambda, \mu).$$

(37)

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