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On reverse Hilbert-type inequalities

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Abstract

By introducing two pairs of conjugate exponents and estimating the weight coefficients, we establish reverse versions of Hilbert-type inequalities, as described by Jin (*J. Math. Anal. Appl.* 340:932-942, 2008), and we prove that the constant factors are the best possible. As applications, some particular results are considered.

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1 Introduction

If both a_n and $b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2 < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2 < \infty$, then we have (see [1])

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n}{m+n} < \pi \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (1.1)$$

where the constant factor π has the best possible value. Inequality (1.1) is the well-known Hilbert inequality, introduced in 1925; inequality (1.1) has been generalized by Hardy as follows.

If $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, and both a_n and $b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n}{m+n} < \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (1.2)$$

where the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)}$ is the best possible. Inequality (1.2) is the well-known Hardy-Hilbert inequality, which is important in analysis and applications (see [2]). In recent years, many results with generalizations of this type of inequality have been obtained (see [3]).

Under the same conditions as in (1.2), there are some Hilbert-type inequalities that are similar to (1.2), which also have been studied and generalized by some mathematicians.

Recently, by studying a Hilbert-type operator, Jin [4] obtained a new bilinear operator inequality with the norm, and he provided some new Hilbert-type inequalities with the best constant factor. First, we repeat the results of [4].

Definition 1.1 Let $H_{p,q}(r,s)$ be the set of functions $k(x,y)$ satisfying the following conditions.

Let $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, suppose that $k(x, y)$ is continuous in $(0, \infty) \times (0, \infty)$ and satisfies:

- (1) $k(x, y) = k(y, x) > 0$, where $x, y \in (0, \infty)$.
 - (2) For $\varepsilon \geq 0$ and $x > 0$, the function $k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}}$ ($l = r, s$) is decreasing in $t \in (0, \infty)$.
- For $\varepsilon \geq 0$ small enough, $x > 0$, and $\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x)$ can be written as

$$\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x) := \int_0^\infty k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} dt \quad (l = r, s),$$

where $\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x)$ is independent of x , $\bar{k}_l(0, x) := \int_0^\infty k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{l}} dt = k_p$ ($l = r, s$), k_p is a positive constant independent of x , and $\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x) = k_p(\varepsilon) = k_p + o(1)$ ($\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$).

$$(3) \quad \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{1}{m^{1+\varepsilon}} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon(s/q)}{s}} dt = O(1) \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+),$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{1}{m^{1+\varepsilon}} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon(r/p)}{r}} dt = O(1) \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+).$$

We have Jin's result as follows.

Theorem 1.1 *If $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, and $k(x, y) \in H_{p,q}(r, s)$, $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty k(m, n) a_m b_n < k_r \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (1.3)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty k(m, n) a_m \right]^p < (k_r)^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p. \quad (1.4)$$

Here the constant factors k_r and $(k_r)^p$ are the best possible. Inequality (1.3) is equivalent to (1.4).

If $p = r$ and $q = s$ in Theorem 1.1, then Theorem 1.1 reduces to Yang's result [5] as follows.

Theorem 1.2 *If $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $k(x, y) \in H(p, q)$, and both a_n and $b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty k(m, n) a_n b_n < k_p \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n^p \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (1.5)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty k(m, n) a_m \right]^p < (k_p)^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n^p, \quad (1.6)$$

where the constant factors k_p and $(k_p)^p$ are the best possible. Inequality (1.3) is equivalent to (1.4).

In this paper, by introducing some parameters, we establish a reverse version of the inequality (1.3). As applications, some particular results are considered.

2 Some lemmas

Definition 2.1 Let $H_{p,q}(r,s)$ be the set of functions $k(x,y)$ satisfying the following conditions:

Let $0 < p < 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, r > 1, \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, suppose that $k(x,y)$ is continuous in $(0, \infty) \times (0, \infty)$ and satisfies:

- (1) $k(x,y) = k(y,x) > 0, x, y \in (0, \infty)$.
- (2) For $\varepsilon \geq 0$ and $x > 0$, the function $k(x,t)\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{r}}$ ($l = r, s$) is decreasing in $t \in (0, \infty)$.

For $\varepsilon \geq 0$ small enough, for $x > 0, \bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x)$ can be described as

$$\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x) := \int_0^\infty k(x,t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{r}} dt \quad (l = r, s),$$

where $\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x)$ is independent of x , and $\bar{k}_l(0, x) := \int_0^\infty k(x,t)\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt = k_p$ ($l = r, s$), k_p is a positive constant independent of x , and $\bar{k}_l(\varepsilon, x) = k_p(\varepsilon) = k_p + o(1)$ ($\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$).

- (3) There exists a positive constant λ' such that

$$\theta_\lambda(s, m) = \frac{1}{k_r} \int_0^1 k(m,t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = O(1/m^{\lambda'}) \in (0, 1) \quad (m \rightarrow \infty),$$

$$\theta_\lambda(r, n) = \frac{1}{k_r} \int_0^1 k(t,n) \left(\frac{n}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt = O(1/n^{\lambda'}) \in (0, 1) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

Lemma 2.2 If $0 < p < 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, r > 1, \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1, k(x,y) \in H_{p,q}(r,s)$, and the weight coefficients $w(r,p,m)$ and $w(s,q,n)$ are defined as

$$\omega(r,p,m) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty k(m,n) \frac{m^{\frac{p-1}{r}}}{n^{\frac{1}{s}}}, \tag{2.1}$$

$$\omega(s,q,n) = \sum_{m=1}^\infty k(m,n) \frac{n^{\frac{q-1}{s}}}{m^{\frac{1}{r}}}, \tag{2.2}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r (1 - \theta_\lambda(s, m)) &< \omega(r,p, m) < m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r, \\ n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} k_r (1 - \theta_\lambda(r, n)) &< \omega(s,q, n) < n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} k_r. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Proof By the assumption of the lemma, because $k(x,t)\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}}$ ($t \in (0, \infty)$) is decreasing, then we find

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(r,p, m) &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \sum_{n=1}^\infty k(m,n) \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \\ &\leq m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \int_0^\infty k(m,t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r. \end{aligned}$$

However, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(r, p, m) &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \geq m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \int_1^{\infty} k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \int_0^{\infty} k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt - m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r - m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r \left(1 - \frac{1}{k_r} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt\right) \\ &= m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r (1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, m)). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to show that the above inequalities take the form of a strict inequality. Hence, we have $m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r (1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, m)) < \omega(r, p, m) < m^{\frac{p}{r}-1} k_r$. Similarly, we can obtain $n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} k_r (1 - \theta_{\lambda}(r, n)) < \omega(s, q, n) < n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} k_r$. The lemma is proved. \square

Lemma 2.3 *If $0 < p < 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, and $k(x, y) \in H_{p,q}(r, s)$, for $\varepsilon > 0$ small enough, we have*

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) m^{-\frac{1}{r}-\frac{\varepsilon}{p}} n^{-\frac{1}{s}-\frac{\varepsilon}{q}} < (kr + o(1)) \sum_1^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon} \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+). \tag{2.4}$$

Proof For $\varepsilon > 0$, by Definition 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) m^{-\frac{1}{r}-\frac{\varepsilon}{p}} n^{-\frac{1}{s}-\frac{\varepsilon}{q}} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon} \varepsilon \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon(s/q)}{s}} \\ &\leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon} \int_0^{\infty} k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon(s/q)}{s}} dt \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon} kr \left(\frac{\varepsilon s}{q}\right) = (kr + o(1)) \sum_1^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

The lemma is proved. \square

3 Main results

Theorem 3.1 *If $0 < p < 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, and $k(x, y) \in H_{p,q}(r, s)$, $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m b_n > k_r \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{3.1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right]^p > (k_r)^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p, \tag{3.2}$$

where the constant factor k_r and $(k_r)^p$ are the best possible. Inequality (3.1) is equivalent to (3.2).

Proof By Hölder's inequality, we have (see [6])

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m b_n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left\{ [k(m, n)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \frac{m^{\frac{1}{qr}}}{n^{\frac{1}{ps}}} a_m \right\} \left\{ [k(m, n)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{ps}}}{m^{\frac{1}{qr}}} b_n \right\} \\ &\geq \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) \frac{m^{\frac{p-1}{r}}}{n^{\frac{1}{s}}} a_m^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) \frac{n^{\frac{q-1}{s}}}{m^{\frac{1}{r}}} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \omega(r, p, m) a_m^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega(s, q, n) b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Then, by (2.3), in view of $0 < p < 1$ and $q < 0$, we have (3.1).

For $\varepsilon > 0$, setting $\bar{a}_n = n^{-\frac{1}{r} - \frac{\varepsilon}{q}}$ and $\bar{b}_n = n^{-\frac{1}{s} - \frac{\varepsilon}{q}}$, we find

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r} - 1} \bar{a}_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s} - 1} \bar{b}_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(1/n^{\lambda'}) n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \left[1 - \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right)^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(1/n^{\lambda'}) n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

By virtue of (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) \bar{a}_m \bar{b}_n \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) m^{-\frac{1}{r} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} n^{-\frac{1}{s} - \frac{\varepsilon}{q}} < (kr + o(1)) \sum_1^{\infty} m^{-1-\varepsilon} \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+). \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

If the constant factor k_r in (3.1) is not the best possible factor, then there exists a positive number K (with $K > k_r$), such that (3.1) is still valid if the constant factor k_r is replaced by K . In particular, by (3.4) and (3.5), we have

$$(kr + o(1)) \sum_1^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} > K \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \left[1 - \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right)^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(1/n^{\lambda'}) n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

that is,

$$(kr + o(1)) > K \left[1 - \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right)^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(1/n^{\lambda'}) n^{-1-\varepsilon} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

For $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$, it follows that $K \leq k_r$, which contradicts the fact that $K > k_r$. Hence, the constant factor k_r in (3.1) is the best possible.

Setting b_n as

$$b_n := n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right]^{p-1},$$

by (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^p &= \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right]^p \right\}^p \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m b_n \right\}^p \\ &\geq (k_r)^p \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{p-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\infty > \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right]^p \geq (k_r)^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p > 0. \tag{3.7}$$

By (3.1), both (3.6) and (3.7) take the form of a strict inequality, and we have (3.2).

However, if (3.2) is valid, by Hölder's inequality, we find

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m b_n \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[n^{\frac{1}{q}-\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right] \left[n^{\frac{1}{s}-\frac{1}{q}} b_n \right] \\ &\geq \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} k(m, n) a_m \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

Then, by (3.2), we have (3.1). Hence (3.2) and (3.1) are equivalent.

If the constant factor $(k_r)^p$ in (3.2) is not the best possible, by using (3.8), we find the contradiction that the constant factor k_r in (3.1) is not the best possible. The theorem is completed. \square

4 Some particular results

(1) Setting

$$k(x, y) = \frac{(xy)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(x+y)^\lambda} \left(1 - 2 \min \left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min \left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} \right),$$

for $0 \leq \varepsilon < \min \{ p(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{r}), q(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{s}) \}$, and for fixed $x > 0$, we find (see [4])

$$\bar{k}_s(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow B \left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r} \right) = k_r \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+),$$

and $\bar{k}_s(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow k_r(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$;

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+t)^\lambda} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^\lambda} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\lambda-1}{2} + \frac{1}{r}\right)} \frac{1}{m^{\frac{1+\lambda}{2} - \frac{1}{s}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\theta_\lambda(s, m) = O(m^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1+\lambda}{2}})$. Similarly, we obtain $\theta_\lambda(r, n) = O(n^{\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1+\lambda}{2}})$. For $\varepsilon \geq 0$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and fixed $x > 0$, the function

$$k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{(xt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(x+t)^\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l} + \frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(x+t)^\lambda} t^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2} - \frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} \quad (l = r, s)$$

is decreasing in $(0, \infty)$. Hence, $k(x, y) \in H_p(r, s)$. By Theorem 3.1, we have the following.

Corollary 4.1 *If $0 < p < 1$, $1/p + 1/q = 1$, $1/r + 1/s = 1$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and both $a_n, b_n \geq 0$ such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^\lambda} a_m b_n \\ &> B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r}\right) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^\lambda} a_m \right]^p \\ &> \left[B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r}\right) \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p, \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

where the constant factors

$$B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left[B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r}\right) \right]^p$$

are the best possible. Inequality (4.1) is equivalent to (4.2).

In particular, (a) for $r = q, s = p$, and $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^\lambda} a_m b_n \\ &> B\left(\frac{p(\lambda+1)-2}{2p}, \frac{q(\lambda+1)-2}{2q}\right) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{q-2} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{p-2} \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^\lambda} a_m \right]^p \\ &> \left[B\left(\frac{p(\lambda+1)-2}{2p}, \frac{q(\lambda+1)-2}{2q}\right) \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

(b) For $r = s = 2$ and $0 < \lambda \leq 2$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^{\lambda}} a_m b_n > B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{2}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (4.5)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^{\lambda}} a_m \right]^p > \left[B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p. \quad (4.6)$$

(2) Let

$$k(x, y) = \frac{(xy)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{x^{\lambda} + y^{\lambda}} \left(1 - 2 \min\left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} \right).$$

For $0 \leq \varepsilon < \min\{p(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{r}), q(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{s})\}$ and $x > 0$, we find (see [4])

$$\bar{k}_s(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s\lambda}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r\lambda}\right) = k_r \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+),$$

and $\bar{k}_s(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow k_r \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$;

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt &= \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + t^{\lambda}} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda}} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\lambda-1}{2} + \frac{1}{r}\right)} m^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1+\lambda}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\theta_{\lambda}(s, m) = O(m^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1+\lambda}{2}})$. Similarly, we can obtain $\theta_{\lambda}(r, n) = O(n^{\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1+\lambda}{2}})$. For $\varepsilon \geq 0$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and $x > 0$, the function

$$k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{(xt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{x^{\lambda} + t^{\lambda}} \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l} + \frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{x^{\lambda} + t^{\lambda}} t^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2} - \frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} \quad (l = r, s)$$

is decreasing in $(0, \infty)$. Hence $k(x, y) \in H_p(r, s)$. By Theorem 3.1, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 4.2 *If $0 < p < 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and both $a_n, b_n \geq 0$ such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + n^{\lambda}} a_m b_n \\ &> \frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s\lambda}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r\lambda}\right) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (4.7) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + n^{\lambda}} a_m \right]^p \\ &> \left[\frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s\lambda}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r\lambda}\right) \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p, \quad (4.8) \end{aligned}$$

where the constant factors

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s\lambda}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r\lambda}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left[\frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{s(\lambda+1)-2}{2s\lambda}, \frac{r(\lambda+1)-2}{2r\lambda}\right)\right]^p$$

are the best possible. Inequality (4.7) is equivalent to (4.8).

In particular, (a) for $r = q, s = p$, and $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + n^{\lambda}} a_m b_n \\ & > \frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{p(\lambda+1)-2}{2p\lambda}, \frac{q(\lambda+1)-2}{2q\lambda}\right) \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q-2} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{p-2} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(m+n)^{\lambda}} a_m \right]^p \\ & > \left[\frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{p(\lambda+1)-2}{2p\lambda}, \frac{q(\lambda+1)-2}{2q\lambda}\right) \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p. \end{aligned} \tag{4.10}$$

(b) For $r = s = 2$ and $0 < \lambda \leq 2$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + n^{\lambda}} a_m b_n > \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{2}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{4.11}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda} + n^{\lambda}} a_m \right]^p > \left[\frac{\pi}{\lambda} \right]^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 - \theta_{\lambda}(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p. \tag{4.12}$$

(3) Let

$$k(x, y) = \frac{(xy)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{x, y\})^{\lambda}} \left(1 - 2 \min\left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\left\{ \frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s} \right\} \right),$$

for $0 \leq \varepsilon < \min\{p(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{r}), q(\frac{\lambda+1}{2} - \frac{1}{s})\}$ and $x > 0$, then we find (see [4])

$$\bar{k}_s(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow \frac{4rs\lambda}{[r(\lambda+1)-2][s(\lambda+1)-2]} = k_r \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+),$$

and $\bar{k}_r(\varepsilon, x) \rightarrow k_r \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 & < \int_0^1 k(m, t) \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, t\})^{\lambda}} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt \\ & = \int_0^1 \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{m^{\lambda}} \left(\frac{m}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} dt = \frac{1}{(\frac{\lambda-1}{2} + \frac{1}{r})} \frac{1}{m^{\frac{1+\lambda}{2} - \frac{1}{s}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\theta_\lambda(s, m) = O(\frac{1}{m^{\frac{1+\lambda}{2} - \frac{1}{s}}})$. Similarly, we can obtain $\theta_\lambda(r, n) = O(\frac{1}{n^{\frac{1+\lambda}{2} - \frac{1}{r}}})$. For $\varepsilon \geq 0$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and $x > 0$, the function

$$k(x, t) \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{(mt)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, t\})^\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{t}\right)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{l} + \frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, t\})^\lambda} t^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2} - \frac{1+\varepsilon}{l}} \quad (l = r, s)$$

is decreasing in $(0, \infty)$. Hence, $k(x, y) \in H_{p,q}(r, s)$. By Theorem 3.1, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 4.3 *If $0 < p < 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $r > 1$, $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$, $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{s}\}$, and both $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, such that $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p < \infty$ and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q < \infty$, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m b_n > \frac{4rs\lambda}{[r(\lambda+1)-2][s(\lambda+1)-2]} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{s}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (4.13)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} \left[\frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m \right]^p > \left(\frac{4rs\lambda}{[r(\lambda+1)-2][s(\lambda+1)-2]} \right)^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(s, n)] n^{\frac{p}{r}-1} a_n^p. \quad (4.14)$$

Here the constant factors $\frac{4rs\lambda}{[r(\lambda+1)-2][s(\lambda+1)-2]}$ and $\left(\frac{4rs\lambda}{[r(\lambda+1)-2][s(\lambda+1)-2]} \right)^p$ are the best possible. Inequality (4.13) is equivalent to (4.14).

In particular, (a) for $r = q, s = p$, and $1 - 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\} < \lambda \leq 1 + 2 \min\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m b_n > \frac{4pq\lambda}{[p(\lambda+1)-2][q(\lambda+1)-2]} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{q-2} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (4.15)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{p-2} \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m \right]^p > \left(\frac{4pq\lambda}{[p(\lambda+1)-2][q(\lambda+1)-2]} \right)^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(p, n)] n^{p-2} a_n^p. \quad (4.16)$$

(b) For $r = s = 2$ and $0 < \lambda \leq 2$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m b_n > \frac{4}{\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{q}{2}-1} b_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (4.17)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \left[\sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{(mn)^{\frac{\lambda-1}{2}}}{(\max\{m, n\})^\lambda} a_m \right]^p > \left(\frac{4}{\lambda} \right)^p \sum_{n=1}^\infty [1 - \theta_\lambda(2, n)] n^{\frac{p}{2}-1} a_n^p. \quad (4.18)$$

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