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## A Multiple Hilbert-Type Integral Inequality with the Best Constant Factor

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By introducing the norm  $\|x\|_\alpha$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ) and two parameters  $\alpha, \lambda$ , we give a multiple Hilbert-type integral inequality with a best possible constant factor. Also its equivalent form is considered.

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### 1. Introduction

If  $p > 1$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $f, g \geq 0$ , satisfy  $0 < \int_0^\infty f^p(t)dt < \infty$  and  $0 < \int_0^\infty g^q(t)dt < \infty$ , then the well-known Hardy-Hilbert's integral inequality is given by (see [1, 2])

$$\iint_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy < \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \left[ \int_0^\infty f^p(t)dt \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_0^\infty g^q(t)dt \right]^{1/q}, \quad (1.1)$$

where the constant factor  $\pi/\sin(\pi/p)$  is the best possible. Its equivalent form is

$$\int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)}{x+y} dx \right)^p dy < \left( \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \right)^p \int_0^\infty f^p(x)dx, \quad (1.2)$$

where the constant factor  $(\pi/\sin(\pi/p))^p$  is still the best possible.

Hardy-Hilbert integral inequality is important in analysis and applications. During the past few years, many researchers obtained various generalizations, variants, and extensions of inequality (1.1) (see [3–9] and the references cited therein).

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Hardy et al. [1] gave a Hilbert-type integral inequality similar to (1.1) as

$$\iint_0^\infty \frac{\ln(x/y)}{x-y} f(x)g(y) dx dy < \left( \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \left( \int_0^\infty f^p(x) dx \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_0^\infty g^q(x) dx \right)^{1/q}, \quad (1.3)$$

where the constant factor  $(\pi/\sin(\pi/p))^2$  is the best possible.

Recently, Yang gave a generalization of (1.3) as (see [9])

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_0^\infty \frac{\ln(x/y)f(x)g(y)}{x^\lambda - y^\lambda} dx dy \\ & < \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \left( \int_0^\infty x^{(p-1)(1-\lambda)} f^p(x) dx \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_0^\infty x^{(q-1)(1-\lambda)} g^q(x) dx \right)^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

where the constant factor  $(\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p))^2$  is the best possible. Its equivalent form is

$$\int_0^\infty y^{\lambda-1} \left( \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(x/y)f(x)}{x^\lambda - y^\lambda} dx \right)^p dy < \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^{2p} \int_0^\infty x^{(p-1)(1-\lambda)} f^p(x) dx, \quad (1.5)$$

where the constant factor  $(\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p))^{2p}$  is the best possible.

At present, because of the requirement of higher-dimensional harmonic analysis and higher-dimensional operator theory, multiple Hilbert-type integral inequalities have been studied. Hong [10] obtained the following. If

$$a > 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{p_i} = 1, \quad p_i > 1, \quad r_i = \frac{1}{p_i} \prod_{i=1}^n p_i, \quad \lambda > \frac{1}{a} \left( n - 1 - \frac{1}{r_i} \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad (1.6)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_\alpha^\infty \cdots \int_\alpha^\infty \frac{1}{(\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \alpha)^a)^\lambda} \prod_{i=1}^n f_i(x_i) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\ & \leq \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(\lambda)} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_i}\right)\right) \Gamma\left(\lambda - \frac{1}{a} \left(n - 1 - \frac{1}{r_i}\right)\right) \int_\alpha^\infty (t - \alpha)^{n-1-\alpha\lambda} f_i^{p_i}(t) dt \right]^{1/p_i}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

Yang and Kuang, and others obtained some multiple Hilbert-type integral inequalities (see [5, 11, 12]).

The main objective of this paper is to build multiple Hilbert-type integral inequalities with best constant factor of (1.4) and (1.5).

For this reason, we introduce signs as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}_n^+ &= \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0\}, \\ \|x\|_\alpha &= (x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \cdots + x_n^\alpha)^{1/\alpha}, \quad \alpha > 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

and we agree with  $\|x\|_\alpha < c$  representing  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}_n^+ : \|x\|_\alpha < c\}$ .

## 2. Lemmas

First we give some multiple integral formulas.

LEMMA 2.1 (see [13]). *If  $p_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $f(\tau)$  is a measurable function, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n > 0; t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n \leq 1} f(t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n) t_1^{p_1-1} t_2^{p_2-1} \cdots t_n^{p_n-1} dt_1 dt_2 \cdots dt_n \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(p_1)\Gamma(p_2)\cdots\Gamma(p_n)}{\Gamma(p_1 + p_2 + \cdots + p_n)} \int_0^1 f(\tau) \tau^{p_1+p_2+\cdots+p_n-1} d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

LEMMA 2.2. *If  $r > 0$ ,  $p_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $f(\tau)$  is a measurable function, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n > 0; t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n \leq r} f(t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n) t_1^{p_1-1} t_2^{p_2-1} \cdots t_n^{p_n-1} dt_1 dt_2 \cdots dt_n \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(p_1)\Gamma(p_2)\cdots\Gamma(p_n)}{\Gamma(p_1 + p_2 + \cdots + p_n)} \int_0^r f(\tau) \tau^{p_1+p_2+\cdots+p_n-1} d\tau, \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n > 0} f(t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n) t_1^{p_1-1} t_2^{p_2-1} \cdots t_n^{p_n-1} dt_1 dt_2 \cdots dt_n \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(p_1)\Gamma(p_2)\cdots\Gamma(p_n)}{\Gamma(p_1 + p_2 + \cdots + p_n)} \int_0^\infty f(\tau) \tau^{p_1+p_2+\cdots+p_n-1} d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

*Proof.* Setting  $t_i/r = u_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) on the left-hand side of (2.2) we obtain (2.2) from Lemma 2.1.  $\square$

From (2.1) and (2.3), we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.3.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n > 0; t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n \geq 1} f(t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_n) t_1^{p_1-1} t_2^{p_2-1} \cdots t_n^{p_n-1} dt_1 dt_2 \cdots dt_n \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(p_1)\Gamma(p_2)\cdots\Gamma(p_n)}{\Gamma(p_1 + p_2 + \cdots + p_n)} \int_1^\infty f(\tau) \tau^{p_1+p_2+\cdots+p_n-1} d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Setting  $t_i = (x_i/a_i)^{\alpha_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) in (2.1), (2.2), (2.3), (2.4) we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.4. If  $p_i > 0$ ,  $a_i > 0$ ,  $\alpha_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $f(\tau)$  is a measurable function, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; (x_1/a_1)^{\alpha_1} + (x_2/a_2)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + (x_n/a_n)^{\alpha_n} \leq 1} f\left(\left(\frac{x_1}{a_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} + \left(\frac{x_2}{a_2}\right)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + \left(\frac{x_n}{a_n}\right)^{\alpha_n}\right) \\
& \quad \times x_1^{p_1-1} x_2^{p_2-1} \cdots x_n^{p_n-1} dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\
&= \frac{a_1^{p_1} a_2^{p_2} \cdots a_n^{p_n} \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1) \Gamma(p_2/\alpha_2) \cdots \Gamma(p_n/\alpha_n)}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_n \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n)} \int_0^1 f(\tau) \tau^{p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n - 1} d\tau, \\
& \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; (x_1/a_1)^{\alpha_1} + (x_2/a_2)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + (x_n/a_n)^{\alpha_n} \leq r} f\left(\left(\frac{x_1}{a_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} + \left(\frac{x_2}{a_2}\right)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + \left(\frac{x_n}{a_n}\right)^{\alpha_n}\right) \\
& \quad \times x_1^{p_1-1} x_2^{p_2-1} \cdots x_n^{p_n-1} dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\
&= \frac{a_1^{p_1} a_2^{p_2} \cdots a_n^{p_n} \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1) \Gamma(p_2/\alpha_2) \cdots \Gamma(p_n/\alpha_n)}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_n \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n)} \int_0^r f(\tau) \tau^{p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n - 1} d\tau, \\
& \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; (x_1/a_1)^{\alpha_1} + (x_2/a_2)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + (x_n/a_n)^{\alpha_n} \geq 1} f\left(\left(\frac{x_1}{a_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} + \left(\frac{x_2}{a_2}\right)^{\alpha_2} + \dots + \left(\frac{x_n}{a_n}\right)^{\alpha_n}\right) \\
& \quad \times x_1^{p_1-1} x_2^{p_2-1} \cdots x_n^{p_n-1} dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\
&= \frac{a_1^{p_1} a_2^{p_2} \cdots a_n^{p_n} \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1) \Gamma(p_2/\alpha_2) \cdots \Gamma(p_n/\alpha_n)}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_n \Gamma(p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n)} \int_1^\infty f(\tau) \tau^{p_1/\alpha_1 + p_2/\alpha_2 + \cdots + p_n/\alpha_n - 1} d\tau,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

In particular, if  $p > 0$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f(\tau)$  is a measurable function, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \cdots + x_n^\alpha \leq 1} f(x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \cdots + x_n^\alpha) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^n \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_0^1 f(\tau) \tau^{n/\alpha - 1} d\tau,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \cdots + x_n^\alpha \geq 1} f(x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \cdots + x_n^\alpha) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^n \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_1^\infty f(\tau) \tau^{n/\alpha - 1} d\tau.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

The following result holds.

LEMMA 2.5. If  $p > 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ , define the weight function  $w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p)$  as

$$w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|x\|_\alpha}{\|y\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda/p} dy. \quad (2.8)$$

Then

$$w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p) = \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda} \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2. \quad (2.9)$$

*Proof.* By (2.6) and (2.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p) &= \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda/p} \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda/p-n} dy \\ &= \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda/p} \int_{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n > 0} \frac{\ln((y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)}{(y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{\lambda/\alpha} - \|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} \\ &\quad \times (y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{(1/\alpha)(\lambda/p-n)} dy_1 dy_2 \dots dy_n \\ &= \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda/p} \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^n\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(t^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)}{t^{\lambda/\alpha} - \|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} t^{(1/\alpha)(\lambda/p-n)} t^{n/\alpha-1} dt. \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

Setting  $(t^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)^\lambda = u$  we have

$$w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p) = \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda} \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1} du. \quad (2.11)$$

From [1, Theorem 342] we have  $(1/\lambda^2) \int_0^\infty (\ln u/(u-1)) u^{1/p-1} du = (\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p))^2$ .

So we obtain

$$w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x, p) = \|x\|_\alpha^{n-\lambda} \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2. \quad (2.12)$$

Thus Lemma 2.5 is proved.  $\square$

LEMMA 2.6. If  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $s > 0$ , then

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x} \int_0^{1/x^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{s-1} du dx = \frac{2}{\lambda} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(n+s)^3}. \quad (2.13)$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{s-1} = -\ln u \sum_{n=0}^\infty u^{n+s-1}, \quad 0 < u < 1, \quad (2.14)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{1/x^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{s-1} du &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^{1/x^\lambda} (-\ln u) u^{n+s-1} du \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{n+s} x^{-\lambda(n+s)} \ln x + \frac{1}{(n+s)^2} x^{-\lambda(n+s)} \right], \\
\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} \int_0^{1/x^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{s-1} du dx &= \int_1^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda}{n+s} x^{-\lambda(n+s)-1} + \frac{1}{(n+s)^2} x^{-\lambda(n+s)-1} \right) \right] dx \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\lambda}{n+s} x^{-\lambda(n+s)-1} \ln x dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+s)^2} x^{-\lambda(n+s)-1} dx \right] \\
&= \frac{2}{\lambda} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+s)^3}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

□

We next give a key lemma in this paper.

LEMMA 2.7. If  $p > 1$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < q\lambda/2p$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
A &:= \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \int_{\|y\|_\alpha \geq 1} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \|x\|_\alpha^{-(n-\lambda)(p-1)+n+\varepsilon)/p} \|y\|_\alpha^{-(n-\lambda)(q-1)+n+\varepsilon)/q} dx dy \\
&\geq \left[ \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (1 + o(1)), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{\lambda/q-n-\varepsilon/p} dx \times \int_{y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha \geq 1} \frac{\ln((y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)}{(y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{\lambda/\alpha} - \|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} \\
&\quad \times (y_1^\alpha + y_2^\alpha + \dots + y_n^\alpha)^{(1/\alpha)(\lambda/p-n-\varepsilon/q)} dy_1 dy_2 \dots dy_n \\
&= \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{\lambda/q-n-\varepsilon/p} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_1^\infty \frac{\ln(t^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)}{t^{\lambda/\alpha} - \|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} t^{(1/\alpha)(\lambda/p-n-\varepsilon/q)} t^{n/\alpha-1} dt.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Setting  $(t^{1/\alpha}/\|x\|_\alpha)^\lambda = u$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_{1/\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda}^\infty \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1-\varepsilon/\lambda q} du \\
&= \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1-\varepsilon/\lambda q} du \\
&\quad - \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^{1/\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1-\varepsilon/\lambda q} du.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Notice

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx &= \int_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0; x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \dots + x_n^\alpha \geq 1} (x_1^\alpha + x_2^\alpha + \dots + x_n^\alpha)^{-(n+\varepsilon)/\alpha} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^n \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_1^\infty u^{-(n+\varepsilon)/\alpha} u^{n/\alpha-1} du \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^n \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \int_1^\infty u^{-\varepsilon/\alpha-1} du = \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon}, \\
&\frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1-\varepsilon/\lambda q} du = \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 + o(1).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

Further, from (2.7) and Lemma 2.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^{1/\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/p-1-\varepsilon/\lambda q} du \\
&\leq \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n} dx \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^{1/\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/2p-1} du \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_1^\infty t^{-n/\alpha} \left[ \int_0^{1/t^{1/\alpha}} \frac{\ln u}{u-1} u^{1/2p-1} du \right] t^{n/\alpha-1} dt \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \frac{2\alpha}{\lambda} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(n+1/2p)^3} = \frac{2\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-2} \lambda^3 \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(n+1/2p)^3}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

Then

$$A \geq \left[ \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1} \Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (1 + o(1)). \tag{2.21}$$

□

### 3. Main results

Our main result is given in the following theorem.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *If  $p > 1$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $f, g \geq 0$ , satisfy*

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &< \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx < \infty, \\
0 &< \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g^q(y) dy < \infty.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} J &:= \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x)g(y) dx dy < \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \\ &\quad \times \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \\ &< \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

The constant factors  $(\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)/\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha))[\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p)]^2$ ,  $[(\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p))^2(\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)/\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha))]^p$  are the best possible.

*Proof.* By Hölder's inequality, one has

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \left[ \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \right]^{1/p} \left[ \frac{\|x\|_\alpha}{\|y\|_\alpha} \right]^{(n-\lambda)/p+\lambda/pq} \|x\|_\alpha^{(1/q-1/p)(n-\lambda)} f(x) \\ &\quad \times \left[ \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \right]^{1/q} \left[ \frac{\|y\|_\alpha}{\|x\|_\alpha} \right]^{(n-\lambda)/q+\lambda qp} \|y\|_\alpha^{(1/p-1/q)(n-\lambda)} g(y) dx dy \\ &\leq \left\{ \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|x\|_\alpha}{\|y\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda+\lambda/q} \|x\|_\alpha^{(p/q-1)(n-\lambda)} f^p(x) dx dy \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|y\|_\alpha}{\|x\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda+\lambda/p} \|y\|_\alpha^{(q/p-1)(n-\lambda)} g^q(y) dx dy \right\}^{1/q} \\ &= \left\{ \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|x\|_\alpha}{\|y\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda/p} \|x\|_\alpha^{(p-2)(n-\lambda)} f^p(x) dx dy \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|y\|_\alpha}{\|x\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda/q} \|y\|_\alpha^{(q-2)(n-\lambda)} g^q(y) dx dy \right\}^{1/q} \\ &= \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x,p) \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-2)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} w_{\alpha,\lambda}(y,q) \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-2)} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

According to the condition of taking equality in Hölder's inequality, if this inequality takes the form of an equality, then there exist constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , such that they are not

all zero, and

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} & \left[ \frac{\|x\|_\alpha}{\|y\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda/p} \|x\|_\alpha^{(p-2)(n-\lambda)} f^p(x) \\ & = C_2 \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} \left[ \frac{\|y\|_\alpha}{\|x\|_\alpha} \right]^{n-\lambda/q} \|y\|_\alpha^{(q-2)(n-\lambda)} g^q(y), \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}_+^n \times \mathbb{R}_+^n. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 \|x\|_\alpha^n \|x\|_\alpha^{(p-1)(n-\lambda)} f^p(x) & = C_2 \|y\|_\alpha^n \|y\|_\alpha^{(q-1)(n-\lambda)} g^q(y) \\ & = C \text{ (constant)}, \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}_+^n \times \mathbb{R}_+^n, \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

which contradicts (3.1). Hence we have

$$J < \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} w_{\alpha,\lambda}(x,p) \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-2)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} w_{\alpha,\lambda}(y,q) \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-2)} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}. \quad (3.7)$$

By Lemma 2.5 and since  $\pi/\sin(\pi/p) = \pi/\sin(\pi/q)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J & < \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Hence (3.2) is valid.

For  $0 < a < b < \infty$ , let us define

$$\begin{aligned} g_{a,b}(y) & = \begin{cases} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^{p-1}, & a < \|y\|_\alpha < b, \\ 0, & 0 < \|y\|_\alpha \leq a, \text{ or } \|y\|_\alpha \geq b, \end{cases} \\ \tilde{g}(y) & = \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^{p-1}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}_+^n. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

By (3.1), for sufficiently small  $a > 0$  and sufficiently large  $b > 0$ , we have

$$0 < \int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g_{a,b}^q(y) dy < \infty. \quad (3.10)$$

Hence by (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy \\
&= \int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \\
&= \int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^{p-1} \\
&\quad \times \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right) dy \\
&= \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) g_{a,b}(y) dx dy \tag{3.11} \\
&< \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g_{a,b}^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\int_{a < \|y\|_\alpha < b} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy < \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx. \tag{3.12}$$

For  $a \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $b \rightarrow +\infty$ , by (3.1), we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy \leq \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx < \infty. \tag{3.13}$$

Hence by (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \\
&= \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) \tilde{g}(y) dx dy \\
&< \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \right]^{1/q}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{\lambda-n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \\
&< \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f^p(x) dx,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

hence (3.3) is valid.

If the constant factor  $C_{n,\alpha}(\lambda, p) = (\pi/\lambda \sin(\pi/p))^2 (\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)/\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha))$  in (3.2) is not the best possible, then there exists a positive number  $k$  (with  $k < C_{n,\alpha}(\lambda, p)$ ), such that (3.2) is still valid if one replaces  $C_{n,\alpha}(\lambda, p)$  by  $k$ .

For  $0 < \varepsilon < q\lambda/2p$ , by sitting

$$\begin{aligned}
f_\varepsilon(x) &= \begin{cases} \|x\|_\alpha^{((n-\lambda)(p-1)+n+\varepsilon)/p}, & \|x\|_\alpha \geq 1, \\ 0, & \|x\|_\alpha < 1, \end{cases} \\
g_\varepsilon(y) &= \begin{cases} \|y\|_\alpha^{-((n-\lambda)(q-1)+n+\varepsilon)/q}, & \|y\|_\alpha \geq 1, \\ 0, & \|y\|_\alpha < 1 \end{cases}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f_\varepsilon(x) g_\varepsilon(y) dx dy \\
& < k \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} f_\varepsilon^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} g_\varepsilon^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}, \\
& \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \int_{\|y\|_\alpha \geq 1} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f_\varepsilon(x) g_\varepsilon(y) dx dy \\
& < k \left[ \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(p-1)} \|x\|_\alpha^{-(n-\lambda)(p-1)-n-\varepsilon} dx \right]^{1/p} \\
& \quad \times \left[ \int_{\|y\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|y\|_\alpha^{(n-\lambda)(q-1)} \|y\|_\alpha^{-(n-\lambda)(q-1)-n-\varepsilon} dy \right]^{1/q} \\
& = k \int_{\|x\|_\alpha \geq 1} \|x\|_\alpha^{-n-\varepsilon} dx = k \cdot \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

On the other hand, from Lemma 2.7 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^\lambda - \|y\|_\alpha^\lambda} f_\varepsilon(x) g_\varepsilon(y) dx dy \\
& \geq \left[ \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (1 + o(1)), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (1 + o(1)) \leq k \cdot \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon}, \\
& \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 (1 + o(1)) \leq k.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

By sitting  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  we have

$$C_{n,\alpha}(\lambda, p) = \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \leq k. \tag{3.20}$$

This contradicts the fact that  $k < C_{n,\alpha}(\lambda, p)$ , hence the constant factor in (3.2) is the best possible. Since inequality (3.2) is equivalent to (3.3), the constant factor in (3.3) is also the best possible. Thus the theorem is proved.  $\square$

*Remark 3.2.* By using (3.3) we can obtain (3.2), hence inequality (3.2) is equivalent to (3.3).

COROLLARY 3.3. If  $p > 1$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f, g \geq 0$ , satisfy

$$0 < \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx < \infty, \quad 0 < \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} g^q(y) dy < \infty. \quad (3.21)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^n - \|y\|_\alpha^n} f(x)g(y) dx dy \\ & < \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}, \\ & \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\|x\|_\alpha/\|y\|_\alpha)}{\|x\|_\alpha^n - \|y\|_\alpha^n} f(x) dx \right]^p dy < \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{n \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \frac{\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)}{\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha)} \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

The constant factors  $(\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)/\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha))[\pi/n \sin(\pi/p)]^2$ ,  $[(\pi/n \sin(\pi/p))^2(\Gamma^n(1/\alpha)/\alpha^{n-1}\Gamma(n/\alpha))]^p$  in (3.22) are all the best possible.

COROLLARY 3.4. If  $p > 1$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $f, g \geq 0$ , satisfy

$$0 < \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx < \infty, \quad 0 < \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} g^q(y) dy < \infty. \quad (3.23)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i / \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^n - (\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^n} f(x)g(y) dx dy \\ & < \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n \sin(\pi/p)} \right]^2 \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} g^q(y) dy \right]^{1/q}, \\ & \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \frac{\ln(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i / \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^n - (\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^n} f(x) dx \right]^p dy \\ & < \left[ \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left( \frac{\pi}{n \sin(\pi/p)} \right)^2 \right]^p \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} f^p(x) dx, \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

where the constant factors in (3.24) are all the best possible.

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