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A half-discrete Hilbert-type inequality with a homogeneous kernel and an extension

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Abstract

Using the way of weight functions and the technique of real analysis, a half-discrete Hilbert-type inequality with a general homogeneous kernel is obtained, and a best extension with two interval variables is given. The equivalent forms, the operator expressions, the reverses and some particular cases are considered.

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1 Introduction

Assuming that $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $f(\geq 0) \in L^p(\mathbf{R}_+)$, $g(\geq 0) \in L^q(\mathbf{R}_+)$,

$\|f\|_p = \left\{ \int_0^\infty f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} > 0$, $\|g\|_q > 0$, we have the following Hardy-Hilbert's integral inequality [1]:

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy < \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \|f\|_p \|g\|_q, \quad (1)$$

where the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)}$ is the best possible. If $a_m, b_n \geq 0$,

$b = \{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in l^q$, $a = \{a_m\}_{m=1}^\infty \in l^p$, $\|a\|_p = \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^\infty a_m^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} > 0$, $\|b\|_q > 0$, then we still have the following discrete Hardy-Hilbert's inequality with the same best constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)}$:

$$\sum_{m=1}^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{a_m b_n}{m+n} < \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \|a\|_p \|b\|_q. \quad (2)$$

For $p = q = 2$, the above two inequalities reduce to the famous Hilbert's inequalities. Inequalities (1) and (2) are important in analysis and its applications [2-4].

In 1998, by introducing an independent parameter $\lambda \in (0, 1]$, Yang [5] gave an extension of (1) for $p = q = 2$. Refinement and generalizing the results from [5], Yang [6] gave some best extensions of (1) and (2) as follows: If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$, $k_\lambda(x,$

$y)$ is a non-negative homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda$ satisfying for any $x, y, t > 0$, $k_\lambda(tx, ty) = t^{-\lambda} k_\lambda(x, y)$, $k(\lambda_1) = \int_0^\infty k_\lambda(t, 1)t^{\lambda_1-1} dt \in R_+$, $\phi(x) = x^{\rho(1-\lambda_1)-1}$, $f(\geq 0) \in L_{p,\phi}(R_+) = \{f \mid \|f\|_{p,\phi} := \{\int_0^\infty \phi(x)|f(x)|^p dx\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty\}$, $f(\geq 0) \in L_{p,\phi}(R_+) = \{f \mid \|f\|_{p,\phi} := \{\int_0^\infty \phi(x)|f(x)|^p dx\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty\}$, $g(\geq 0) \in L_{q,\psi}$, $\|f\|_{p,\phi} \|g\|_{q,\psi} > 0$, then we have

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty k_\lambda(x, y)f(x)g(y)dx dy < k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\phi}\|g\|_{q,\psi}, \tag{3}$$

where the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ is the best possible. Moreover, if $k_\lambda(x, y)$ is finite and $k_\lambda(x, y)x^{\lambda_1-1}(k_\lambda(x, y)y^{\lambda_2-1})$ is decreasing with respect to $x > 0(y > 0)$, then for $a_m, b_n \geq 0$, $a = \{a_m\}_{m=1}^\infty \in l_{p,\phi} = \{a \mid \|a\|_{p,\phi} := \{\sum_{n=1}^\infty \phi(n)|a_n|^p\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty\}$, $b = \{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in l_{q,\psi}$, $\|a\|_{p,\phi} \|b\|_{q,\psi} > 0$, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty k_\lambda(m, n)a_m b_n < k(\lambda_1)\|a\|_{p,\phi}\|b\|_{q,\psi}, \tag{4}$$

with the best constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$. Clearly, for $\lambda = 1$, $k_1(x, y) = \frac{1}{x+y}$, $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{q}$, $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{p}$ (3) reduces to (1), and (4) reduces to (2). Some other results about Hilbert-type inequalities are provided by [7-15].

On half-discrete Hilbert-type inequalities with the non-homogeneous kernels, Hardy et al. provided a few results in Theorem 351 of [1]. But they did not prove that the constant factors are the best possible. And, Yang [16] gave a result by introducing an interval variable and proved that the constant factor is the best possible. Recently, Yang [17] gave the following half-discrete Hilbert's inequality with the best constant factor $B(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)(\lambda, \lambda_1 > 0, 0 < \lambda_2 \leq 1, \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda)$:

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{a_n}{(x+n)^\lambda} dx < B(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)\|f\|_{p,\phi}\|a\|_{q,\psi}. \tag{5}$$

In this article, using the way of weight functions and the technique of real analysis, a half-discrete Hilbert-type inequality with a general homogeneous kernel and a best constant factor is given as follows:

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) \sum_{n=1}^\infty k_\lambda(x, n)a_n dx < k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\phi}\|a\|_{q,\psi}, \tag{6}$$

which is a generalization of (5). A best extension of (6) with two interval variables, some equivalent forms, the operator expressions, the reverses and some particular cases are considered.

2 Some lemmas

We set the following conditions:

Condition (i) $v(y)(y \in [n_0 - 1, \infty))$ is strictly increasing with $v(n_0 - 1) \geq 0$ and for any fixed $x \in (b, c)$, $f(x, y)$ is decreasing for $y \in (n_0 - 1, \infty)$ and strictly decreasing in an interval of $(n_0 - 1, \infty)$.

Condition (ii) $v(y)(y \in [n_0 - \frac{1}{2}, \infty))$ is strictly increasing with $v(n_0 - \frac{1}{2}) \geq 0$ and for any fixed $x \in (b, c)$, $f(x, y)$ is decreasing and strictly convex for $y \in (n_0 - \frac{1}{2}, \infty)$.

Condition (iii) There exists a constant $\beta \geq 0$, such that $v(y)(y \in [n_0 - \beta, \infty))$ is strictly increasing with $v(n_0 - \beta) \geq 0$, and for any fixed $x \in (b, c)$, $f(x, y)$ is piecewise smooth satisfying

$$R(x) := \int_{n_0 - \beta}^{n_0} f(x, y) dy - \frac{1}{2} f(x, n_0) - \int_{n_0}^{\infty} \rho(y) f'_y(x, y) dy > 0,$$

where $\rho(y) (= y - [y] - \frac{1}{2})$ is Bernoulli function of the first order.

Lemma 1 If $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$, $k_\lambda(x, y)$ is a non-negative finite homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda$ in \mathbf{R}_+^2 , $u(x)(x \in (b, c), -\infty \leq b < c \leq \infty)$ and $v(y)(y \in [n_0, \infty), n_0 \in \mathbf{N})$ are strictly increasing differential functions with $u(b^+) = 0$, $v(n_0) > 0$, $u(c^-) = v(\infty) = \infty$, setting $K(x, y) = k_\lambda(u(x), v(y))$, then we define weight functions $\omega(n)$ and $\varpi(x)$ as follows:

$$\omega(n) := [v(n)]^{\lambda_2} \int_b^c K(x, n) [u(x)]^{\lambda_1 - 1} u'(x) dx, n \geq n_0 (n \in \mathbf{N}), \tag{7}$$

$$\varpi(x) := [u(x)]^{\lambda_1} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) [v(n)]^{\lambda_2 - 1} v'(n), x \in (b, c). \tag{8}$$

It follows

$$\omega(n) = k(\lambda_1) := \int_0^{\infty} k_\lambda(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - 1} dt. \tag{9}$$

Moreover, setting $f(x, y) := [u(x)]^{\lambda_1} K(x, y) [v(y)]^{\lambda_2 - 1} v'(y)$, if $k(\lambda_1) \in \mathbf{R}_+$ and one of the above three conditions is fulfilled, then we still have

$$\varpi(x) < k(\lambda_1) (x \in (b, c)). \tag{10}$$

Proof. Setting $t = \frac{u(x)}{v(n)}$ in (7), by calculation, we have (9).

(i) If Condition (i) is fulfilled, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} f(x, n) < [u(x)]^{\lambda_1} \int_{n_0-1}^{\infty} K(x, y) [v(y)]^{\lambda_2-1} v'(y) dy \\ &\stackrel{t=\frac{u(x)}{v(y)}}{=} \int_0^{\frac{u(x)}{v(n_0-1)}} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1-1} dt \leq k(\lambda_1). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If Condition (ii) is fulfilled, then by Hadamard's inequality [18], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} f(x, n) < \int_{n_0-\frac{1}{2}}^{\infty} f(x, \gamma) d\gamma \\ &\stackrel{t=\frac{u(x)}{v(\gamma)}}{=} \int_0^{\frac{u(x)}{v(n_0-\frac{1}{2})}} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1-1} dt \leq k(\lambda_1). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) If Condition (iii) is fulfilled, then by Euler-Maclaurin summation formula [6], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} f(x, n) \\ &= \int_{n_0}^{\infty} f(x, \gamma) d\gamma + \frac{1}{2} f(x, n_0) + \int_{n_0}^{\infty} \rho(\gamma) f'_{\gamma}(x, \gamma) d\gamma \\ &= \int_{n_0-\beta}^{\infty} f(x, \gamma) d\gamma - R(x) \\ &= \frac{u(x)}{v(n_0-\beta)} \int_0^{\frac{u(x)}{v(n_0-\beta)}} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1-1} dt - R(x) \\ &\leq k(\lambda_1) - R(x) < k(\lambda_1). \end{aligned}$$

The lemma is proved. ■

Lemma 2 Let the assumptions of Lemma 1 be fulfilled and additionally, $p > 0 (p \neq 1)$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, a_n \geq 0, n \geq n_0 (n \in \mathbf{N})$, $f(x)$ is a non-negative measurable function in (b, c) . Then, (i) for $p > 1$, we have the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &:= \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-p\lambda_2}} \left[\int_d^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq [k(\lambda_1)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_d^c \varpi(x) \frac{[u(x)]^{p(1-\lambda_1)-1}}{[u'(x)]^{p-1}} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_1 &:= \left\{ \int_b^c \frac{[\varpi(x)]^{1-q} u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-q\lambda_1}} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \left\{ k(\lambda_1) \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{[v(n)]^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}};
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

(ii) for $0 < p < 1$, we have the reverses of (11) and (12).

Proof (i) By Hölder's inequality with weight [18] and (9), it follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left[\int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right]^p &= \left\{ \int_b^c K(x, n) \left[\frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)/q} [v'(n)]^{1/p}}{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)/p} [u'(x)]^{1/q}} f(x) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left[\frac{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)/p} [u'(x)]^{1/q}}{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)/q} [v'(n)]^{1/p}} \right] dx \right\}^p \\
 &\leq \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} f^p(x) dx \\
 &\quad \times \left\{ \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)(q-1)} u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-\lambda_1} [v'(n)]^{q-1}} dx \right\}^{p-1} \\
 &= \left\{ \frac{\omega(n)[v(n)]^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} \right\}^{p-1} \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} f^p(x) dx \\
 &= \frac{[k(\lambda_1)]^{p-1}}{[v(n)]^{p\lambda_2-1} v'(n)} \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} f^p(x) dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, by Lebesgue term-by-term integration theorem [19], we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 &\leq [k(\lambda_1)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n) f^p(x)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &= [k(\lambda_1)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_b^c \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n) f^p(x)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &= [k(\lambda_1)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_b^c \varpi(x) \frac{[u(x)]^{p(1-\lambda_1)-1}}{[u'(x)]^{p-1}} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}},
 \end{aligned}$$

and (11) follows.

Still by Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^q &= \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \left[\frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)/q} [v'(n)]^{1/p}}{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)/p} [u'(x)]^{1/q}} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left[\frac{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)/p} [u'(x)]^{1/q}}{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)/q} [v'(n)]^{1/p}} a_n \right] \right\}^q \\
 &\leq \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \frac{[u(x)]^{(1-\lambda_1)(p-1)} v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-\lambda_2} [u'(x)]^{p-1}} \right\}^{q-1} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \frac{[v(n)]^{(1-\lambda_2)(q-1)} u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-\lambda_1} [v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q \\
 &= \frac{[u(x)]^{1-q\lambda_1}}{[\varpi(x)]^{1-q} u'(x)} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \frac{u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-\lambda_1}} \frac{[v(n)]^{(q-1)(1-\lambda_2)}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, by Lebesgue term-by-term integration theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &\leq \left\{ \int_b^c \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \frac{u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-\lambda_1}} \frac{[v(n)]^{(q-1)(1-\lambda_2)}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \left[[v(n)]^{\lambda_2} \int_b^c K(x, n) \frac{u'(x) dx}{[u(x)]^{1-\lambda_1}} \right] \frac{[v(n)]^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \omega(n) \frac{[v(n)]^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned}$$

and then in view of (9), inequality (12) follows.

(ii) By the reverse Hölder's inequality [18] and in the same way, for $q < 0$, we have the reverses of (11) and (12). ■

3 Main results

We set $\Phi(x) := \frac{[u(x)]^{p(1-\lambda_1)-1}}{[u'(x)]^{p-1}} (x \in (b, c))$, $\Psi(n) := \frac{[v(n)]^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}}{[v'(n)]^{q-1}} (n \geq n_0, n \in \mathbf{N})$,

wherefrom $[\Phi(x)]^{1-q} = \frac{u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{1-q\lambda_1}}$, $[\Psi(n)]^{1-p} = \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{1-p\lambda_2}}$.

Theorem 1 Suppose that $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$, $k_\lambda(x, y)$ is a non-negative finite homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda$, in \mathbf{R}_+^2 , $u(x) (x \in (b, c), -\infty \leq b < c \leq \infty)$ and $v(y) (y \in [n_0, \infty), n_0 \in \mathbf{N})$ are strictly increasing differential functions with $u(b^+) = 0, v(n_0) > 0, u(c^-) = v(\infty) = \infty, \varpi(x) < k(\lambda_1) \in \mathbf{R}_+ (x \in (b, c))$. If $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f(x), a_n \geq 0, f \in L_{p\Phi}(b, c), a = \{a_n\}_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \in l_{q,\Psi}, \|f\|_{p,\Phi} > 0$ and $\|a\|_{q,\Psi} > 0$, then we have the following equivalent inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} I := \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} a_n \int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx &= \int_b^c f(x) \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n dx \\ &< k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p,\Phi} \|a\|_{q,\Psi}, \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

$$J := \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[\int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p,\Phi}, \tag{14}$$

$$L := \left\{ \int_b^c [\Phi(x)]^{1-q} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} < k(\lambda_1) \|a\|_{q,\Psi}. \tag{15}$$

Moreover, if $\frac{v'(y)}{v(y)} (y \geq n_0)$ is decreasing and there exist constants $\delta < \lambda_1$ and $M > 0$, such that $k_\lambda(t, 1) \leq \frac{M}{t^\delta} \left(t \in \left(0, \frac{1}{v(n_0)} \right] \right)$, then the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ in the above inequalities is the best possible.

Proof By Lebesgue term-by-term integration theorem, there are two expressions for I in (13). In view of (11), for $\varpi(x) < k(\lambda_1) \in R_+$, we have (14). By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$I = \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \left[\Psi^{\frac{-1}{q}}(n) \int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right] [\Psi^{\frac{1}{q}}(n) a_n] \leq J \|a\|_{q, \Psi}. \quad (16)$$

Then, by (14), we have (13). On the other hand, assuming that (13) is valid, setting

$$a_n := [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[\int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right]^{p-1}, \quad n \geq n_0,$$

then $J^{p-1} = \|a\|_{q, \Psi}$. By (11), we find $J < \infty$. If $J = 0$, then (14) is naturally valid; if $J > 0$, then by (13), we have

$$\|a\|_{q, \Psi}^q = J^p = I < k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \Phi} \|a\|_{q, \Psi}, \quad \|a\|_{q, \Psi}^{q-1} = J < k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \Phi},$$

and we have (14), which is equivalent to (13).

In view of (12), for $[\varpi(x)]^{1-q} > [k(\lambda_1)]^{1-q}$, we have (15). By Hölder's inequality, we find

$$I = \int_b^c [\Phi^{\frac{1}{p}}(x) f(x)] \left[\Phi^{\frac{-1}{p}}(x) \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right] dx \leq \|f\|_{p, \Phi} L. \quad (17)$$

Then, by (15), we have (13). On the other hand, assuming that (13) is valid, setting

$$f(x) := [\Phi(x)]^{1-q} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^{q-1}, \quad x \in (b, c),$$

then $L^{q-1} = \|f\|_{p, \Phi}$. By (12), we find $L < \infty$. If $L = 0$, then (15) is naturally valid; if $L > 0$, then by (13), we have

$$\|f\|_{p, \Phi}^p = L^q = I < k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \Phi} \|a\|_{q, \Psi}, \quad \|f\|_{p, \Phi}^{p-1} = L < k(\lambda_1) \|a\|_{q, \Psi},$$

and we have (15) which is equivalent to (13).

Hence, inequalities (13), (14) and (15) are equivalent.

There exists an unified constant $d \in (b, c)$, satisfying $u(d) = 1$. For $0 < \varepsilon < p(\lambda_1 - \delta)$, setting $\tilde{f}(x) = 0$, $x \in (b, d)$; $\tilde{f}(x) = [u(x)]^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} u'(x)$, $x \in (d, c)$, and $\tilde{a}_n = [v(n)]^{\lambda_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{q} - 1} v'(n)$, $n \geq n_0$, if there exists a positive number $k(\leq k(\lambda_1))$, such that (13) is valid as we replace $k(\lambda_1)$ by k , then in particular, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} &:= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \int_b^c K(x, n) \tilde{a}_n \tilde{f}(x) dx < k \|\tilde{f}\|_{p, \Phi} \|\tilde{a}\|_{q, \Psi} \\ &= k \left\{ \int_d^c \frac{u'(x)}{[u(x)]^{\varepsilon+1}} dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{\varepsilon+1}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &< k \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + \int_{n_0}^{\infty} [v(y)]^{-\varepsilon-1} v'(y) dy \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{I} &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{\lambda_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{q} - 1} v'(n) \int_d^c K(x, n) [u(x)]^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} u'(x) dx \\
 &\stackrel{t=u(x)/v(n)}{=} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(n) \int_{1/v(n)}^{\infty} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} dt \\
 &= k \left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} \right) \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(n) - A(\varepsilon) \\
 &> k \left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} \right) \int_{n_0}^{\infty} [v(\gamma)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(\gamma) d\gamma - A(\varepsilon) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} k \left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} \right) [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} - A(\varepsilon), \\
 A(\varepsilon) &:= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(n) \int_0^{1/v(n)} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} dt.
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

For $k_{\lambda}(t, 1) \leq M \left(\frac{1}{t^{\delta}} \right)$ ($\delta < \lambda_1; t \in (0, 1/v(n_0)]$), we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 < A(\varepsilon) &\leq M \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(n) \int_0^{1/v(n)} t^{\lambda_1 - \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} dt \\
 &= \frac{M}{\lambda_1 - \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\lambda_1 + \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{q} - 1} v'(n) \\
 &= \frac{M}{\lambda_1 - \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \left[\frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q} + 1}} + \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q} + 1}} \right] \\
 &\leq \frac{M}{\lambda_1 - \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \left[\frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q} + 1}} + \int_{n_0}^{\infty} \frac{v'(\gamma)}{[v(\gamma)]^{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q} + 1}} d\gamma \right] \\
 &= \frac{M}{\lambda_1 - \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \left[\frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q} + 1}} + \frac{[v(n_0)]^{-\lambda_1 + \delta - \frac{\varepsilon}{q}}}{\lambda_1 - \delta + \frac{\varepsilon}{q}} \right] < \infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

namely $A(\varepsilon) = O(1)(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$. Hence, by (18) and (19), it follows

$$k \left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} \right) [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} - \varepsilon O(1) < k \left\{ \varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \tag{20}$$

By Fatou Lemma [19], we have $k(\lambda_1) \leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} k \left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} \right)$, then by (20), it follows $k(\lambda_1) \leq k(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$. Hence, $k = k(\lambda_1)$ is the best value of (12).

By the equivalence, the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ in (14) and (15) is the best possible, otherwise we can imply a contradiction by (16) and (17) that the constant factor in (13) is not the best possible. ■

Remark 1 (i) Define a half-discrete Hilbert's operator $T : L_{p,\Phi}(b, c) \rightarrow l_{p,\Psi^{1-p}}$ as: for $f \in L_{p,\Phi}(b, c)$, we define $Tf \in l_{p,\Psi^{1-p}}$, satisfying

$$Tf(n) = \int_b^c K(x, n)f(x)dx, \quad n \geq n_0.$$

Then, by (14), it follows $\|Tf\|_{p,\Psi^{1-p}} \leq k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\Phi}$ and then T is a bounded operator with $\|T\| \leq k(\lambda_1)$. Since, by Theorem 1, the constant factor in (14) is the best possible, we have $\|T\| = k(\lambda_1)$.

(ii) Define a half-discrete Hilbert's operator $\tilde{T} : l_{q,\Psi} \rightarrow L_{q,\Phi^{1-q}}(b, c)$ as: for $a \in l_{q,\Psi}$, we define $\tilde{T}a \in L_{q,\Phi^{1-q}}(b, c)$, satisfying

$$\tilde{T}a(x) = \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n)a_n, \quad x \in (b, c).$$

Then, by (15), it follows $\|\tilde{T}a\|_{q,\Phi^{1-q}} \leq k(\lambda_1)\|a\|_{q,\Psi}$ and then \tilde{T} is a bounded operator with $\|\tilde{T}\| \leq k(\lambda_1)$. Since, by Theorem 1, the constant factor in (15) is the best possible, we have $\|\tilde{T}\| = k(\lambda_1)$.

In the following theorem, for $0 < p < 1$, or $p < 0$, we still use the formal symbols of $\|f\|_{p,\Phi}$ and $\|a\|_{q,\Psi}$ and so on. ■

Theorem 2 Suppose that $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$, $k_\lambda(x, y)$ is a non-negative finite homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda$ in \mathbf{R}_+^2 , $u(x)(x \in (b, c), -\infty < b < c < \infty)$ and $v(y)(y \in [n_0, \infty), n_0 \in \mathbf{N})$ are strictly increasing differential functions with $u(b^+) = 0, v(n_0) > 0, u(c^-) = v(\infty) = \infty, k(\lambda_1) \in \mathbf{R}_+, \theta_\lambda(x) \in (0, 1), k(\lambda_1)(1 - \theta_\lambda(x)) < \varpi(x) < k(\lambda_1)(x \in (b, c))$. If $0 < p < 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f(x), a_n \geq 0, \tilde{\Phi}(x) := (1 - \theta_\lambda(x))\Phi(x)(x \in (b, c)), 0 < \|f\|_{q,\tilde{\Phi}} < \infty$ and $0 < \|a\|_{q,\Psi} < \infty$. Then, we have the following equivalent inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} I &:= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \int_b^c K(x, n)a_n f(x)dx = \int_b^c \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n)a_n f(x)dx \\ &> k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\tilde{\Phi}}\|a\|_{q,\Psi}, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

$$J := \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[\int_b^c K(x, n)f(x)dx \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} > k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\tilde{\Phi}}, \tag{22}$$

$$\tilde{L} := \left\{ \int_b^c [\tilde{\Phi}(x)]^{1-q} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n)a_n \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} > k(\lambda_1)\|a\|_{q,\Psi}. \tag{23}$$

Moreover, if $\frac{v(y)}{u(x)}$ ($y \geq n_0$) is decreasing and there exist constants $\delta, \delta_0 > 0$, such that $\theta_\lambda(x) = O\left(\frac{1}{|u(x)|^\delta}\right)(x \in (d, c))$ and $k(\lambda_1 - \delta_0) \in \mathbf{R}_+$, then the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ in the above inequalities is the best possible.

Proof. In view of (9) and the reverse of (11), for $\varpi(x) > k(\lambda_1)(1 - \theta_\lambda(x))$, we have (22). By the reverse Hölder's inequality, we have

$$I = \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \left[\Psi^{\frac{-1}{q}}(n) \int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right] [\Psi^{\frac{1}{q}}(n) a_n] \geq J \|a\|_{q, \Psi}. \tag{24}$$

Then, by (22), we have (21). On the other hand, assuming that (21) is valid, setting a_n as Theorem 1, then $J^{p-1} = \|a\|_{q, \Psi}$. By the reverse of (11), we find $J > 0$. If $J = \infty$, then (24) is naturally valid; if $J < \infty$, then by (21), we have

$$\|a\|_{q, \Psi}^q = J^p = I > k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}} \|a\|_{q, \Psi}, \quad \|a\|_{q, \Psi}^{q-1} = J > k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}},$$

and we have (22) which is equivalent to (21).

In view of (9) and the reverse of (12), for $[\varpi(x)]^{1-q} > [k(\lambda_1)(1 - \theta_\lambda(x))]^{1-q}$ ($q < 0$), we have (23). By the reverse Hölder's inequality, we have

$$I = \int_b^c [\tilde{\Phi}^{\frac{1}{p}}(x) f(x)] \left[\tilde{\Phi}^{\frac{-1}{p}}(x) \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right] dx \geq \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}} \tilde{L}. \tag{25}$$

Then, by (23), we have (21). On the other hand, assuming that (21) is valid, setting

$$f(x) := [\tilde{\Phi}(x)]^{1-q} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^{q-1}, \quad x \in (b, c),$$

then $\tilde{L}^{q-1} = \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}}$. By the reverse of (12), we find $\tilde{L} > 0$. If $\tilde{L} = \infty$, then (23) is naturally valid; if $\tilde{L} < \infty$, then by (21), we have

$$\|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}}^p = \tilde{L}^q = I > k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}} \|a\|_{q, \Psi}, \quad \|f\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}}^{p-1} = \tilde{L} > k(\lambda_1) \|a\|_{q, \Psi},$$

and we have (23) which is equivalent to (21). ■

Hence, inequalities (21), (22) and (23) are equivalent.

For $0 < \varepsilon < p\delta_0$, setting $\tilde{f}(x)$ and \tilde{a}_n as Theorem 1, if there exists a positive number $k(\geq k(\lambda_1))$, such that (21) is still valid as we replace $k(\lambda_1)$ by k , then in particular, for $q < 0$, in view of (9) and the conditions, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} &:= \int_b^c \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) \tilde{a}_n \tilde{f}(x) dx > k \|\tilde{f}\|_{p, \tilde{\Phi}} \|\tilde{a}\|_{q, \Psi} \\ &= k \left\{ \int_d^c \left(1 - O\left(\frac{1}{[u(x)]^\delta}\right) \right) \frac{u'(x) dx}{[u(x)]^{\varepsilon+1}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{\varepsilon+1}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= k \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - O(1) \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} \frac{v'(n)}{[v(n)]^{\varepsilon+1}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &> k \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - O(1) \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + \int_{n_0}^{\infty} \frac{v'(y)}{[v(y)]^{\varepsilon+1}} dy \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \{1 - \varepsilon O(1)\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon+1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{I} &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{\lambda_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{q} - 1} v'(n) \int_d^c K(x, n) [u(x)]^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} u'(x) dx \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{\lambda_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{q} - 1} v'(n) \int_b^c K(x, n) [u(x)]^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} u'(x) dx \\
 &\quad \stackrel{t=u(x)/v(n)}{=} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [v(n)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(n) \int_0^{\infty} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}) - 1} dt \\
 &\leq k\left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) \left[\frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon + 1}} + \int_{n_0}^{\infty} [v(y)]^{-\varepsilon - 1} v'(y) dy \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} k\left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) \left[\varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon + 1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right].
 \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Since we have $k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} \leq k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \delta_0 - 1}$, $t \in (0, 1]$ and

$$\int_0^1 k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \delta_0 - 1} dt \leq k(\lambda_1 - \delta_0) < \infty,$$

then by Lebesgue control convergence theorem [19], it follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 k\left(\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) &\leq \int_1^{\infty} k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - 1} dt + \int_0^1 k_{\lambda}(t, 1) t^{\lambda_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - 1} dt \\
 &= k(\lambda_1) + o(1)(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+).
 \end{aligned}$$

By (26) and (27), we have

$$(k(\lambda_1) + o(1)) \left[\varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon + 1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right] > k(1 - \varepsilon O(1))^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\varepsilon \frac{v'(n_0)}{[v(n_0)]^{\varepsilon + 1}} + [v(n_0)]^{-\varepsilon} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}},$$

and then $k(\lambda_1) \geq k(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$. Hence, $k = k(\lambda_1)$ is the best value of (21).

By the equivalence, the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ in (22) and (23) is the best possible, otherwise we can imply a contradiction by (24) and (25) that the constant factor in (21) is not the best possible. ■

In the same way, for $p < 0$, we also have the following theorem.

Theorem 3 Suppose that $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$, $k_{\lambda}(x, y)$ is a non-negative finite homogeneous function of degree $-\lambda$, in \mathbf{R}_+^2 , $u(x)(x \in (b, c), -\infty \leq b < c \leq \infty)$ and $v(y)(y \in [n_0, \infty), n_0 \in \mathbf{N})$ are strictly increasing differential functions with $u(b^+) = 0$, $v(n_0) > 0$, $u(c^-) = v(\infty) = \infty$, $\varpi(x) < k(\lambda_1) \in R_+$ ($x \in (b, c)$). If $p < 0$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $f(x)$, $a_n \geq 0$, $0 < \|f\|_{p, \Phi} < \infty$ and $0 < \|a\|_{q, \Psi} < \infty$. Then, we have the following equivalent inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &:= \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \int_b^c K(x, n) a_n f(x) dx = \int_b^c \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n f(x) dx \\
 &> k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \Phi} \|a\|_{q, \Psi},
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

$$J := \left\{ \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[\int_b^c K(x, n) f(x) dx \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} > k(\lambda_1) \|f\|_{p, \Phi}, \quad (29)$$

$$\tilde{L} := \left\{ \int_b^c [\Phi(x)]^{1-q} \left[\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} K(x, n) a_n \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} > k(\lambda_1) \|a\|_{q, \Psi}. \quad (30)$$

Moreover, if $\frac{v'(y)}{v(y)}$ ($y \geq n_0$) is decreasing and there exists constant $\delta_0 > 0$, such that $k(\lambda_1 + \delta_0) \in \mathbf{R}_+$, then the constant factor $k(\lambda_1)$ in the above inequalities is the best possible.

Remark 2 (i) For $n_0 = 1, b = 0, c = \infty, u(x) = v(x) = x$, if

$$\varpi(x) = x^{\lambda_1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k_{\lambda}(x, n) n^{\lambda_2-1} < k(\lambda_1) \in \mathbf{R}_+ (x \in (0, \infty)),$$

then (13) reduces to (6). In particular, for $k_{\lambda}(x, n) = \frac{1}{(x+n)^{\lambda}}$ ($\lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2, \lambda_1 > 0, 0 < \lambda_2 \leq 1$), (6) reduces to (5).

(ii) For $n_0 = 1, b = 0, c = \infty, u(x) = v(x) = x^{\alpha}$ ($\alpha > 0$), $k_{\lambda}(x, y) = \frac{1}{(\max\{x^{\alpha}, y^{\alpha}\})^{\lambda}}$ ($\lambda, \lambda_1 > 0, 0 < \alpha\lambda_2 \leq 1$), since

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\alpha x^{\alpha\lambda_1} y^{\alpha\lambda_2-1}}{(\max\{x^{\alpha}, y^{\alpha}\})^{\lambda}} = \begin{cases} \alpha x^{-\alpha\lambda_2} y^{\alpha\lambda_2-1}, & y \leq x \\ \alpha x^{\alpha\lambda_1} y^{-\alpha\lambda_1-1}, & y > x \end{cases}$$

is decreasing for $y \in (0, \infty)$ and strictly decreasing in an interval of $(0, \infty)$, then by Condition (i), it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &< \alpha x^{\alpha\lambda_1} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\max\{x^{\alpha}, y^{\alpha}\})^{\lambda}} y^{\alpha(\lambda_2-1)} y^{\alpha-1} dy \\ &\stackrel{t=(y/x)^{\alpha}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{\lambda_2-1}}{(\max\{1, t\})^{\lambda}} dt = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} = k(\lambda_1). \end{aligned}$$

Since for $\delta = \frac{\lambda_1}{2} < \lambda_1, k_{\lambda}(t, 1) = 1 \leq \frac{1}{t^{\delta}}$ ($t \in (0, 1]$), then by (13), we have the following inequality with the best constant factor $\frac{\lambda}{\alpha\lambda_1\lambda_2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\max\{x^{\alpha}, n^{\alpha}\})^{\lambda}} f(x) dx \\ &< \frac{\lambda}{\alpha\lambda_1\lambda_2} \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} x^{p(1-\alpha\lambda_1)-1} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q(1-\alpha\lambda_2)-1} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

(iii) For $n_0 = 1, b = \beta, c = \infty, u(x) = v(x) = x - \beta$ ($0 \leq \beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$), $k_{\lambda}(x, y) = \frac{\ln(x/y)}{x^{\lambda}-y^{\lambda}}$ ($\lambda, \lambda_1 > 0, 0 < \lambda_2 \leq 1$), since for any fixed $x \in (\beta, \infty)$,

$$f(x, \gamma) = (x - \beta)^{\lambda_1} \frac{\ln[(x - \beta)/(y - \beta)]}{(x - \beta)^\lambda - (y - \beta)^\lambda} (y - \beta)^{\lambda_2 - 1}$$

is decreasing and strictly convex for $\gamma \in (\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$, then by Condition (ii), it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &< (x - \beta)^{\lambda_1} \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{\ln[(x - \beta)/(y - \beta)]}{(x - \beta)^\lambda - (y - \beta)^\lambda} (y - \beta)^{\lambda_2 - 1} dy \\ &\stackrel{t = [(y - \beta)/(x - \beta)]^\lambda}{=} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_{\frac{[\frac{1}{2} - \beta]^\lambda}{[x - \beta]^\lambda}}^{\infty} \frac{\ln t}{t - 1} t^{(\lambda_2/\lambda) - 1} dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln t}{t - 1} t^{(\lambda_2/\lambda) - 1} dt = \left[\frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\frac{\pi \lambda_1}{\lambda})} \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since for $\delta = \frac{\lambda_1}{2} < \lambda_1$, $k_\lambda(t, 1) = \frac{\ln t}{t^\delta - 1} \leq \frac{M}{t^\delta}$ ($t \in (0, 1]$), then by (13), we have the following inequality with the best constant factor $\left[\frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\frac{\pi \lambda_1}{\lambda})} \right]^2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \frac{\ln[(x - \beta)/(n - \beta)]}{(x - \beta)^\lambda - (n - \beta)^\lambda} f(x) dx &< \left[\frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\frac{\pi \lambda_1}{\lambda})} \right]^2 \\ &\times \left\{ \int_{\beta}^{\infty} (x - \beta)^{p(1 - \lambda_1) - 1} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n - \beta)^{q(1 - \lambda_2) - 1} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

(iv) For $n_0 = 1$, $b = 1 - \beta = \gamma$, $c = \infty$, $u(x) = v(x) = (x - \gamma)$, $k_\lambda(x, \gamma) = \frac{1}{x^\lambda + \gamma^\lambda}$ ($0 < \lambda \leq 4$), $k_\lambda(x, \gamma) = \frac{1}{x^\lambda + \gamma^\lambda}$ ($0 < \lambda \leq 4$), $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \frac{\lambda}{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} k\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}\right) &= \int_0^{\infty} k_\lambda(t, 1) t^{\frac{\lambda}{2} - 1} dt = \frac{2}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^\lambda + 1} dt^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\lambda} \arctan t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \in \mathbf{R}_+ \end{aligned}$$

and

$$f(x, \gamma) = \frac{(x - \gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} (y - \gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2} - 1}}{(x - \gamma)^\lambda + (y - \gamma)^\lambda} (x, \gamma \in (\gamma, \infty)).$$

Hence, $v(\gamma)(\gamma \in [\gamma, \infty))$ is strictly increasing with $v(1 - \beta) = v(\gamma) = 0$, and for any fixed $x \in (\gamma, \infty)$, $f(x, \gamma)$ is smooth with

$$f'_\gamma(x, \gamma) = - \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \right) \frac{(x - \gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} (y - \gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2} - 2}}{(x - \gamma)^\lambda + (y - \gamma)^\lambda} + \frac{\lambda (x - \gamma)^{\frac{3\lambda}{2}} (y - \gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2} - 2}}{[(x - \gamma)^\lambda + (y - \gamma)^\lambda]^2}.$$

We set

$$R(x) := \int_{\gamma}^1 f(x, \gamma) dy - \frac{1}{2} f(x, 1) - \int_1^{\infty} \rho(y) f'_y(x, \gamma) dy. \tag{33}$$

For $x \in (\gamma, \infty)$, $0 < \lambda \leq 4$, by (33) and the following improved Euler-Maclaurin summation formula [6]:

$$-\frac{1}{8} g(1) < \int_1^{\infty} \rho(y) g(y) dy < 0((-1)^i g^{(i)}(1) > 0, g^{(i)}(\infty) = 0, i = 0, 1),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} R(x) &= \int_{\gamma}^1 \frac{(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(y-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{(x-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (y-\gamma)^{\lambda}} dy - \frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{(x-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (1-\gamma)^{\lambda}} \\ &\quad + \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \int_1^{\infty} \rho(y) \frac{(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(y-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2}}{(x-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (y-\gamma)^{\lambda}} dy \\ &\quad - \int_1^{\infty} \rho(y) \frac{\lambda(x-\gamma)^{\frac{3\lambda}{2}}(y-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2}}{[(x-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (y-\gamma)^{\lambda}]^2} dy \\ &> \frac{2}{\lambda} \arctan\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{x-\gamma}\right)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} - \frac{(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}}{2[(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}]} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{8} \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \frac{(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2}(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}}{(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}} + 0 \\ &= h(x) := \frac{2}{\lambda} \arctan\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{x-\gamma}\right)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} \\ &\quad - \left[\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\right] \frac{(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2}(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}}{(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since for $\gamma \leq 1 - \frac{1}{8}[\lambda + \sqrt{\lambda(3\lambda + 4)}]$, i.e. $1 - \gamma \geq \frac{1}{8}[\lambda + \sqrt{\lambda(3\lambda + 4)}]$ ($0 < \lambda \leq 4$),

$$\begin{aligned} h'(x) &= \frac{(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x-\gamma)^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}} - \left[\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\right] (1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{\lambda(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{2[(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}]} - \frac{\lambda(x-\gamma)^{\frac{3\lambda}{2}-1}}{[(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}]^2} \right\} \\ &= - \left[(1-\gamma)^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4}(1-\gamma) - \frac{\lambda}{16}\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \right] \frac{(1-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-2}(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}} \\ &\quad - \left[\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\right] \frac{\lambda(1-\gamma)^{\frac{3\lambda}{2}-2}(x-\gamma)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{[(1-\gamma)^{\lambda} + (x-\gamma)^{\lambda}]^2} < 0, \end{aligned}$$

then $h(x)$ is strictly decreasing and $R(x) > h(x) > h(\infty) = 0$.

Then, by Condition (iii), it follows $\varpi(x) < k(\frac{\lambda}{2}) = \frac{\pi}{\lambda}(x \in (\gamma, \infty))$. For $\delta = 0 < \frac{\lambda}{2}$, it follows

$$k_{\lambda}(t, 1) = \frac{1}{t^{\lambda} + 1} \leq 1 = \frac{1}{t^{\delta}}, \quad t \in \left(0, \frac{1}{1 - \gamma}\right),$$

and by (13), we have the following inequality with the best constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\lambda}$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{\gamma}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x - \gamma)^{\lambda} + (n - \gamma)^{\lambda}} f(x) dx \\ & < \frac{\pi}{\lambda} \left\{ \int_{\gamma}^{\infty} (x - \gamma)^{p(1 - \frac{\lambda}{2}) - 1} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n - \gamma)^{q(1 - \frac{\lambda}{2}) - 1} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

where $\gamma \leq 1 - \frac{1}{8}[\lambda + \sqrt{\lambda(3\lambda + 4)}](0 < \lambda \leq 4)$.

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