

WEIGHTED TURÁN TYPE INEQUALITY FOR RATIONAL FUNCTIONS WITH PRESCRIBED POLES

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Abstract. Firstly, we introduce a new type of weight functions named as N-doubling weights, which is an essential generalization of the well known doubling weights. Secondly, we establish a weighted Turán type inequality with N-doubling weights and a Nikolskii-Turán type inequality for rational functions with prescribed poles. Our results generalize some known Turán type inequality both for polynomials and rational functions.

1. Introduction

It is well known that Bernstein's inequality for trigonometric polynomials and Markov's inequality for algebraic polynomials play an important role in establishing the converse results in approximation theory. There are many natural and important generalizations and improvements on Bernstein's inequality and Markov's inequality. For example, one of the most important recent progress on this direction can be found in [4], where the authors established some important Bernstein's type inequalities with doubling weights and A^* weights.

In 1939, Turán [7] established an inequality which was later referred as Turán's inequality. Let H_n be the class of real algebraic polynomials of degree n , whose zeros all lie in the interval $[-1, 1]$. Then Turán's inequality can be stated as follows:

$$\|f'\|_\infty \geq C\sqrt{n}\|f\|_\infty$$

for all $f \in H_n$, where $\|f\|_\infty$ is the usual supremum norm of f .

Turán's inequality have attracted attention of many mathematicians and a lot of generalizations were achieved. For examples, It was generalized to L_p spaces for $0 < p < \infty$ (see [8]–[10], [15]–[18]), the optimal constants were estimated (see [1]–[3], [5], [8]–[10]), the weighted Turán's inequality ([11], [12], [14]) and Nikol'skii type inequalities ([16]–[18]) were considered as well.

It is natural to ask if one can generalize Turán type inequality to the rational system $R_n = \{p/q : p, q \in \Pi_n\}$ with restricted zeros and poles. Min [6] in 1999 made such an attempt to establish the following results:

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THEOREM 1. *Let the nonreal elements in $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset C \setminus [-1, 1]$ be paired by complex conjugation, and let $\{a_k\}$ satisfy that $|a_k| - 1 > \rho$ for some $\rho > 2$ and all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then, for $f \in \mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ with all zeros in $[-1, 1]$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_\infty \geq \frac{\sqrt{\rho^2 - 4}}{6\rho} \sqrt{n} \|f\|_\infty$$

for $n \geq \max \left\{ \frac{\rho+2}{9(\rho-2)}, \frac{4\rho^2}{\rho^2-4} \right\}$, where

$$\mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \left\{ \frac{P(x)}{\prod_{k=1}^n (x - a_k)}, P \in \Pi_n \right\}.$$

THEOREM 2. *Let the nonreal elements in $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset C \setminus [-1, 1]$ be paired by complex conjugation, and let $\{a_k\}$ satisfy that $|a_k| - 1 > \rho$ for some $\rho > 2$ and all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then, for $f \in \mathcal{P}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ with all zeros in $[-1, 1]$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_2^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \mathcal{B}_n(x) f^2(x) dx,$$

where

$$\mathcal{B}(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_k^2 - 1}{(x - a_k)^2} > 0, \quad x \in [-1, 1],$$

and $\|f\|_2$ is the L^2 norm of f , that is,

$$\|f\|_2 := \left(\int_{-1}^1 |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

Yu and Zhou [15] generalized the Min’s results to the general space L_p for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ while removing the unpleasant restriction $\rho > 2$ in Theorem 1.

THEOREM 3. *Let the nonreal elements in $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset C \setminus [-1, 1]$ be paired by complex conjugation, and let $\{a_k\}$ satisfy that $|a_k| - 1 > \rho$ for some $\rho > 0$ and all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then, for $f \in \mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ with all zeros in $[-1, 1]$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_p \geq C(\rho) \sqrt{n} \|f\|_p, \quad 1 \leq p \leq \infty. \tag{1.1}$$

In this paper, we will generalize (1.1) to the weighted cases and establish the Nikol’skii type inequality. The paper is organized as follows: In section 2, we introduce a new type of weight functions named as N-doubling weights, which is an essential generalization of the well known doubling weights. We give some properties of N-doubling weights and the main results (Theorem 4 and Theorem 5). In section 3, we give some auxiliary lemmas. The proofs of the results are given in section 4.

2. The main results

We say an integrable nonnegative function $W(x)$ is a doubling weight if it satisfies the so-called doubling condition (see [4], for example)

$$W(2I) \leq LW(I)$$

for all intervals I , where L is a constant independent of I , $2I$ is the interval twice the length of I and with midpoint at the midpoint of I (note that parts of $2I$ may lie outside $[-1, 1]$, where we set $W(x) = 0$), and

$$W(I) := \int_I W(u) du$$

for any measurable set $I \subseteq [-1, 1]$.

As we know, doubling condition has been applied widely in Fourier analysis and harmonic analysis. Now, we further extend the doubling condition as follows:

DEFINITION 1. An integrable nonnegative function $W(x)$ is said to be an N -doubling weight function if $W(x)$ is defined in the interval $[-1, 1]$, and there is a constant $L \geq 1$ such that

$$W(2I) \leq LW(2I \setminus I)$$

holds for any $2I \subseteq [-1, 1]$, where L is independent of I , $2I \setminus I = \{x | x \in 2I, x \notin I\}$.

The following proposition means that the N -doubling condition is an essential generalization of the doubling condition.

PROPOSITION 1. *A doubling weight function is an N -doubling weight function, but the converse is not true.*

To consider the weighted Turán inequality, Wang and Zhou [11] introduced a class of weight functions named as *Generalized Jacobi Weight functions (GJW)*, that is, one says $W(x) \in GJW$, if $W(x) \geq 0$, $\int_{-1}^1 W(x) dx < \infty$ and $W(x_1) \approx W(x_2)$ for any $-1 < x_1 < x_2 \leq 0$ and $|x_2 - x_1| < 1 + x_1$ or for any $0 < x_2 < x_1 \leq 1$ and $|x_2 - x_1| < 1 - x_1$, where $W(x_1) \approx W(x_2)$ means that there is a constant $M \geq 1$ (M depends on $W(x)$) such that $M^{-1}W(x_1) \leq W(x_2) \leq MW(x_1)$.

Wei and Yu [14] pointed out that it is still an open problem whether any $W(x) \in GJW$ must be a doubling weight. However, we have

PROPOSITION 2. *Any $W(x) \in GJW$ must be an N -doubling weight.*

Proposition 2 shows that N -doubling condition is also a generalization of the condition GJW .

Now, we can state our main results as follows:

THEOREM 4. *Let the nonreal elements in $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset C \setminus [-1, 1]$ be paired by complex conjugation, and let $\{a_k\}$ satisfy that $|a_k| - 1 > \rho$ for some $\rho > 0$ and all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then, for $f \in \mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ with all zeros in $[-1, 1]$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_{p,W} \geq C_{\rho,L} \sqrt{n} \|f\|_{p,W}, \tag{2.1}$$

where $\|f\|_{p,W}$ is the weighted L^p norm, that is,

$$\|f\|_{p,W} := \left(\int_{-1}^1 |f(x)|^p W(x) dx \right)^{1/p}, \quad 0 < p < \infty.$$

Letting the poles tend to infinity, we have

COROLLARY 1. *Let $W(x)$ be an N -doubling weight. If $f \in H_n$, then for any $0 < p < \infty$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_{p,W} \geq C_L \sqrt{n} \|f\|_{p,W}.$$

THEOREM 5. *Let the nonreal elements in $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset C \setminus [-1, 1]$ be paired by complex conjugation, and let $\{a_k\}$ satisfy that $|a_k| - 1 > \rho$ for some $\rho > 0$ and all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Suppose that $0 < p \leq q \leq \infty$, $1 - 1/p + 1/q \geq 0$. Then, for any $f \in \mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ with all its zeros in $[-1, 1]$, we have*

$$\|f'\|_p \geq C_\rho (\sqrt{n})^{1-1/p+1/q} \|f\|_q. \tag{2.2}$$

In this paper, we always use C_x to indicate a positive constant depending only upon x , and C to indicate an absolute positive constant, which may take different values at different situations. We also point out that the constants $C_{\rho,L}$ in Theorem 4, C_L in Corollary 1, and C_ρ in Theorem 2 may also depend on p when $0 < p < 1$.

3. Auxiliary lemmas

Denote by $-1 \leq x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_s \leq 1$ all the distinct zeros of $f \in \mathcal{P}_n(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and by l_k the multiplicity of x_k , $1 \leq k \leq s$. Take a positive number σ satisfying $1 < \sigma^{-1} < 1 + \rho$, say, $\sigma = \frac{1}{1+\rho/2}$, and let

$$m_\sigma(x) := \frac{(1 - \sigma x^2)f'(x)}{f(x)} = \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1 - \sigma x^2)}{x - x_k} - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1 - \sigma x^2}{x - a_j}.$$

The function $m_\sigma(x)$ will play very important roles in proving our results. By using the compression factor $1 - \sigma x^2$, we can prove Turán's inequality for rational functions with prescribed poles as convenient as that for polynomials.

LEMMA 1. *Let $a_j = \alpha_j + i\gamma_j$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then*

$$|m'_\sigma(x)| = \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1 - \sigma x_k^2)}{(x - x_k)^2} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma a_j^2 - 1}{(x - a_j)^2}, \tag{3.1}$$

$$|m'_\sigma(x)| = \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1 - \sigma x_k^2)}{(x - x_k)^2} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1}{|x - a_j|^2} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4}. \quad (3.2)$$

Proof. Firstly, (3.1) can be proved in the same way as Lemma 2 in [15].

To prove (3.2), we only need to prove the following equality:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma a_j^2 - 1}{(x - a_j)^2} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1}{|x - a_j|^2} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4}.$$

In fact, by noting that any nonreal element in $\{a_j\}_{j=1}^n$ is paired by complex conjugation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma a_j^2 - 1}{(x - a_j)^2} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\sigma a_j^2 - 1}{(x - a_j)^2} + \frac{\sigma \bar{a}_j^2 - 1}{(x - \bar{a}_j)^2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1)(x^2 - 2x\alpha_j + |a_j|^2) + 2(1 - \sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1}{|x - a_j|^2} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2. *There is a unique point $\beta_v \in (x_v, x_{v+1})$, $v = 1, 2, \dots, s-1$, such that $m_\sigma(\beta_v) = 0$. In other words, $f'(x)$ keeps the same sign as $m_\sigma(x)$ in (x_v, β_v) and (β_v, x_{v+1}) , respectively.*

Proof. The proof can be done exactly in the same way as that of Lemma 3 in [15]. We omit the details here. \square

For $x \in [-1, 1]$, it is easy to show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1 - \sigma x_k^2)}{(x - x_k)^2} \geq (1 - \sigma) \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k}{(x - x_k)^2} \geq \frac{1 - \sigma}{4} n,$$

and for $x \in [-\sigma^{-1}, \sigma^{-1}]$, by Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma a_j^2 - 1}{(x - a_j)^2} &\geq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1}{|x - a_j|^2} \geq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2 - 1}{(1 + \rho + |a_j|)^2} \\ &\geq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma(1 + \rho)^2 - 1}{4(1 + \rho)^2} > \frac{\rho}{4(1 + \rho)^2} n. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Thus, for $x \in [-1, 1]$, we have

$$|m'_\sigma(x)| \geq \left(\frac{1 - \sigma}{4} + \frac{\rho}{4(1 + \rho)^2} \right) n,$$

$$|m'_\sigma(x)| \geq \frac{1-\sigma}{(x-x_k)^2}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq s,$$

$$|m'_\sigma(x)| \geq \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2-1}{|x-a_j|^2}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Set

$$d_j = |m'_\sigma(\beta_j)|^{-1}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, s-1,$$

and take

$$\delta = \min \left\{ \sqrt{1-\sigma}, \sqrt{\sigma(1+\rho)^2-1} \right\}.$$

Then, we have

$$\sqrt{d_v} \leq \min_{1 \leq k \leq s, 1 \leq j \leq n} \left\{ \frac{|\beta_v - x_k|}{\delta}, \frac{|\beta_v - a_j|}{\delta}, C_\rho n^{-1/2} \right\}, \quad v = 1, 2, \dots, n. \quad (3.4)$$

In the sequel, we always assume that all inequalities hold for sufficiently large n if not specified.

LEMMA 3. *If $x \in [x_v, \beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}] \cup [\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}, x_{v+1}]$, then*

$$|m_\sigma(x)| \geq \frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}. \quad (3.5)$$

If $x \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$, then

$$|m_\sigma(x)| \leq \frac{128}{81} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}. \quad (3.6)$$

Proof. For $x \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, s$, by (3.4), we have

$$\frac{3}{4}|x_k - \beta_v| \leq |x_k - \beta_v| - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \leq |x_k - x| \leq |\beta_v - x_k| + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \leq \frac{5}{4}|x_k - \beta_v|,$$

which leads to

$$\frac{16}{25} \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1-\sigma x_k^2)}{(\beta_v - x_k)^2} \leq \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1-\sigma x_k^2)}{(x-x_k)^2} \leq \frac{16}{9} \sum_{k=1}^s \frac{l_k(1-\sigma x_k^2)}{(\beta_v - x_k)^2}. \quad (3.7)$$

For $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have

$$\frac{3}{4}|\beta_v - a_j| \leq |\beta_v - a_j| - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \leq |x - a_j| \leq |\beta_v - a_j| + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \leq \frac{5}{4}|\beta_v - a_j|.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{16}{25} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2-1}{|\beta_v - a_j|^2} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2-1}{|x - a_j|^2} \leq \frac{16}{9} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sigma|a_j|^2-1}{|\beta_v - a_j|^2}, \quad (3.8)$$

and

$$\frac{256}{625} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1-\sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|\beta_v - a_j|^4} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1-\sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4} \leq \frac{256}{81} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1-\sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|\beta_v - a_j|^4}. \quad (3.9)$$

For $x \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$ and sufficiently large n , we have

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 - \sigma\beta_v^2) \leq 1 - \sigma x^2 \leq 2(1 - \sigma\beta_v^2). \quad (3.10)$$

By (3.9) and (3.10), we deduce that

$$\frac{128}{625} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma\beta_v^2)\gamma_j^2}{|\beta_v - a_j|^4} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma x^2)\gamma_j^2}{|x - a_j|^4} \leq \frac{512}{81} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2(1 - \sigma\beta_v^2)\gamma_j^2}{|\beta_v - a_j|^4}. \quad (3.11)$$

Combining (3.7), (3.8), (3.11) and Lemma 1, we have

$$\frac{128}{625} |m'_\sigma(\beta_v)| \leq |m'_\sigma(x)| \leq \frac{512}{81} |m'_\sigma(\beta_v)|. \quad (3.12)$$

In view of $m_\sigma(\beta_v) = 0$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| m_\sigma(\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}) \right| &= \left| \int_{\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v} m'_\sigma(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{512}{81} |m'_\sigma(\beta_v)| \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \\ &\leq \frac{128}{81} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| m'_\sigma(\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}) \right| &= \left| \int_{\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v} m'_\sigma(x) dx \right| \\ &\geq \frac{128}{625} |m'_\sigma(\beta_v)| \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v} \geq \frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

Now, by (3.13) and (3.14), noting that $m_\sigma(x)$ is monotone in (x_v, x_{v+1}) , we have (3.5) and (3.6) immediately. \square

LEMMA 4. If $x \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$, then

$$|f(x)| \geq \frac{49}{81} |f(\beta_v)|. \quad (3.15)$$

Proof. For $x \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$, by (3.6), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(\beta_v) - f(\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}) \right| &= |f'(\xi_v)| \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} = \frac{|m_\sigma(\xi_v)|}{1 - \sigma\xi_v^2} |f(\xi_v)| \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v} \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{d_v}}{4\delta} |m_\sigma(\xi_v)| |f(\xi_v)| \leq \frac{32}{81} |f(\beta_v)|, \end{aligned}$$

where $\xi_v \in [\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}, \beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}]$.

Therefore, by using the monotonicity of $f(x)$ in (x_v, x_{v+1}) , we have

$$|f(x)| \geq \left| f\left(\beta_v \pm \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}\right) \right| \geq \frac{49}{81}|f(\beta_v)|. \quad \square$$

4. Proofs of results

4.1. Proof of Proposition 1

Assume that $W(x)$ is a doubling weight function. For any $2I = [a, a + 2\eta] \subseteq [-1, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W([a, a + \eta]) &\leq LW([a + \eta/4, a + 3\eta/4]) \leq LW([a, a + 3\eta/4]) \\ &\leq L^3W\left([a, a + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3\eta]\right) \leq L^3W([a, a + \eta/2]). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$W([a + \eta, a + 2\eta]) \leq L^3W([a + 3\eta/2, a + 2\eta]).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} W(2I) &= W([a, a + 2\eta]) \\ &\leq L^3\{W([a, a + \eta/2]) + W([a + 3\eta/2, a + 2\eta])\} = L^3W(2I \setminus I), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that $W(x)$ is an N-doubling weight.

Now, we prove the second assertion. We construct a weight function $W(x)$ as follows:

$$W(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & x \in [-1, -\delta) \cup (\delta, 1], \\ 0, & x \in [-\delta, \delta], \end{cases}$$

where $0 < \delta < 1/2$. We shall verify that $W(x)$ is an N-doubling weight function but not a doubling weight function.

Let $I = [-\delta, \delta]$, then $2I = [-2\delta, 2\delta] \subset [-1, 1]$. Then, $W(I) = 0$, $W(2I) = 2\delta \neq 0$. Therefore, $W(x)$ is not a doubling weight function.

Now we show that $W(x)$ is an N-doubling weight function by considering the following four cases:

Case 1. If $2I \subset [-\delta, \delta]$, then $W(2I) = W(2I \setminus I) = 0$.

Case 2. If $2I = [a, b]$, and $-\delta < a < \delta < b$ (the argument for the case $a < -\delta < b < \delta$ is similar), then $W(2I) = b - a - \delta$, and

$$W(2I \setminus I) > \min\{(b - a)/4, b - \delta\}.$$

Thus, $W(2I) \leq 4W(2I \setminus I)$.

Case 3. If $2I = [a, b]$, and $a < -\delta < \delta < b$, then $W(2I) = b - \delta$, and

$$W(2I \setminus I) > \min\{(b - a)/4, b - \delta\} + \min\{(b - a)/4, -\delta - a\}.$$

Thus, we also have $W(2I) \leq 4W(2I \setminus I)$ in this case.

Case 4. If $2I = [a, b]$, and $a > \delta$, or $b < -\delta$, then $W(2I) = b - a$, $W(2I \setminus I) = (b - a)/2$. Thus, we still have $W(2I) \leq 4W(2I \setminus I)$ in this case.

4.2. Proof of Proposition 2

Assume that $W(x) \in GJW$. Let $2I = [a, b] \subseteq [-1, 1]$, then

$$I = \left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+3b}{4} \right] = \left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+b}{2} \right] \cup \left[\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{a+3b}{4} \right],$$

and

$$2I \setminus I = \left[a, \frac{3a+b}{4} \right] \cup \left[\frac{a+3b}{4}, b \right].$$

We show that $W(x)$ is an N-doubling weight function by considering the following cases.

Case 1. $-1 \leq a < b \leq 0$. For $x \in \left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+b}{2} \right]$, we have

$$\frac{3a+b}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{a+b}{2} \leq \min \left\{ 0, 1 + \frac{3a+b}{2} \right\},$$

hence,

$$W(x) \approx W\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right).$$

While for $x \in \left[\frac{7a+b}{8}, \frac{3a+b}{4} \right]$, we see that

$$\frac{7a+b}{8} \leq x \leq \frac{3a+b}{4} \leq \min \left\{ 0, 1 + \frac{7a+b}{4} \right\},$$

hence,

$$W(x) \approx W\left(\frac{7a+b}{8}\right).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} W(x) dx \leq L_1 W\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) \leq L_2 W\left(\frac{7a+b}{8}\right) \leq L_3 \int_{\frac{7a+b}{8}}^{\frac{3a+b}{4}} W(x) dx.$$

Similarly, we have

$$\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{\frac{a+3b}{4}} W(x) dx \leq L_4 \int_{\frac{a+3b}{4}}^b W(x) dx.$$

Therefore, we have $W(2I) \leq LW(2I \setminus I)$ in this case.

Case 2. $0 \leq a < b \leq 1$. In a similar way to case 1, we also have $W(2I) \leq LW(2I \setminus I)$.

Case 3. $-1 \leq a < 0 < b \leq 1$. Without loss of generality, we assume that $\frac{a+b}{2} < 0$.

Subcase 3.1. $\frac{a+b}{2} < 0 < \frac{a+3b}{4}$. In this case, by the result of case 1, we have

$$W\left(\left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+b}{2}\right]\right) \leq L_5 W\left(\left[a, \frac{3a+b}{4}\right]\right),$$

and

$$W\left(\left[\frac{a+b}{2}, 0\right]\right) \leq L_6 W\left(\left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+b}{2}\right]\right).$$

While by the result of the case 2, we have

$$W\left(\left[0, \frac{3a+b}{4}\right]\right) \leq L_7 W\left(\left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, b\right]\right).$$

Thus, we have $W(2I) \leq LW(2I \setminus I)$.

Subcase 3.2. $\frac{a+b}{2} < \frac{a+3b}{4} < 0$. By the result of the subcase 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W\left(\left[\frac{a+3b}{4}, 0\right]\right) &\leq L_8 W\left(\left[\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{a+3b}{4}\right]\right) \\ &\leq L_9 W\left(\left[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+b}{2}\right]\right) \leq W\left(\left[a, \frac{3a+b}{4}\right]\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we also have $W(2I) \leq LW(2I \setminus I)$ in this case.

4.3. Proof of Theorem 4

(1) For $v = 1, 2, \dots, s-1$, it follows from (3.4) that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{x_{v+1}}\right) |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &\geq \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{x_{v+1}}\right) (1 - \sigma x^2)^p |f'(x)|^p |m_\sigma(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &= \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{x_{v+1}}\right) |f(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &\geq \left(\frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}\right)^p \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{x_{v+1}}\right) |f(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &\geq (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^p \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{x_{v+1}}\right) |f(x)|^p W(x) dx. \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

By the definition of $W(x)$ and the monotonicity of $f(x)$, together with (3.4), (3.5) and (3.15), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}\right) (1 - \sigma x^2)^p |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &= \left(\int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}\right) |f(x)|^p |m_\sigma(x)|^p W(x) dx \\ &\geq \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}\right)^p |f(\beta_v)|^p \left(\int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} + \int_{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}\right) W(x) dx \\ &\geq L^{-1} \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}}\right)^p |f(\beta_v)|^p \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} W(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq L^{-1} \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16}{625} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} |f(x)|^p W(x) dx \\
&\geq L^{-1} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^p \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v + \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}} |f(x)|^p W(x) dx.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Combining (4.1) with (4.2) gives

$$\int_{x_v}^{x_{v+1}} |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \geq L^{-1} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^p \int_{x_v}^{x_{v+1}} |f(x)|^p W(x) dx. \tag{4.3}$$

(2) If $x_s < 1$, by noting $m(x)$ is decreasing in $(x_s, \sigma^{-1/2})$ and $m(\sigma^{-1/2}) = 0$, and taking $\tau = \frac{1+\sigma^{-1/2}}{2}$, then by (3.3), for any $x \in [x_s, 1]$, there is a $\xi \in [x_s, \sigma^{-1/2}]$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
|m_\sigma(x)| &= |m_\sigma(\tau)| + |m'_\sigma(\xi)| |x - \tau| \geq |\tau - 1| |m'_\sigma(\xi)| \\
&\geq \frac{\sigma^{-1/2} - 1}{2} \frac{\rho}{4(1+\rho)^2} n := C_\rho n.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{x_s}^1 |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx &\geq \int_{x_s}^1 (1 - \sigma x^2)^p |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \\
&= \int_{x_s}^1 |f(x)|^p |m_\sigma(x)|^p W(x) dx \\
&\geq (C_\rho n)^p \int_{x_s}^1 |f(x)|^p W(x) dx.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

Similarly, if $x_1 > -1$, we have

$$\int_{-1}^{x_1} |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \geq (C_\rho n)^p \int_{-1}^{x_1} |f(x)|^p W(x) dx. \tag{4.6}$$

With (4.3), (4.5) and (4.6), by summing over all v , we get (2.1).

4.4. Proof of Theorem 5

(1) Let

$$N_v = \left[16 \frac{\beta_v - x_v}{\delta \sqrt{d_v}} \right], \quad v = 1, 2, \dots, s-1,$$

where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer not larger than x , and $\xi_{v,i} = x_v + \frac{i}{16} \delta \sqrt{d_v}$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, N_v$. Since

$$x_v + (N_v - 2) \frac{1}{16} \delta \sqrt{d_v} \leq \beta_v - \frac{1}{8} \delta \sqrt{d_v}$$

for $0 \leq i \leq N_v - 4$, by applying Lemma 3, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\xi_{v,i+1}}^{\xi_{v,i+2}} |f'(x)|^p dx \\
 & \geq \int_{\xi_{v,i+1}}^{\xi_{v,i+2}} (1 - \sigma x^2)^p |f'(x)|^p dx \\
 & = \int_{\xi_{v,i+1}}^{\xi_{v,i+2}} |f(x)|^p |m_\sigma(x)|^p dx \\
 & \geq \left(\frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \frac{\delta}{16} \sqrt{d_v} |f(\xi_{v,i+1})|^p \\
 & \geq \left(\frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left(\frac{\delta}{16} \sqrt{d_v} \right)^{1-p/q} \left(\int_{\xi_{v,i}}^{\xi_{v,i+1}} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}. \tag{4.7}
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} |f'(x)|^p dx \\
 & \geq \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} (1 - \sigma x^2)^p |f'(x)|^p dx \\
 & = \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} |f(x)|^p |m_\sigma(x)|^p dx \\
 & \geq \left(\frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left| \frac{49}{81} f(\beta_v) \right|^p \frac{\delta}{8} \sqrt{d_v} \\
 & \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left(\frac{\delta}{4} \sqrt{d_v} \right)^{1-p/q} \left(\int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}. \tag{4.8}
 \end{aligned}$$

Noting that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_v + (N_v - 3) \frac{1}{16} \delta \sqrt{d_v} & \geq \beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4} \sqrt{d_v}, \\
 x_v + (N_v - 2) \frac{1}{16} \delta \sqrt{d_v} & \leq \beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8} \sqrt{d_v},
 \end{aligned}$$

by (4.7) and (4.8), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \int_{x_v}^{\beta_v} |f'(x)|^p dx & \geq \left(\sum_{i=0}^{N_v-4} \int_{\xi_{v,i+1}}^{\xi_{v,i+2}} + \int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{8}\sqrt{d_v}} \right) |f'(x)|^p dx \\
 & \geq \left(\frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left(\frac{\delta}{16} \sqrt{d_v} \right)^{1-p/q} \sum_{i=0}^{N_v-4} \left(\int_{\xi_{v,i}}^{\xi_{v,i+1}} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q} \\
 & \quad + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left(\frac{\delta}{4} \sqrt{d_v} \right)^{1-p/q} \left(\int_{\beta_v - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_v}}^{\beta_v} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{49}{81} \cdot \frac{16\delta}{625\sqrt{d_v}} \right)^p \left(\frac{\delta}{16} \sqrt{d_v} \right)^{1-p/q} \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}.$$

By (3.4), we have

$$\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v} |f'(x)|^p dx \geq \frac{1}{4} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \left(\int_{x_v}^{\beta_v} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}. \quad (4.9)$$

In a similar way to (4.9) we have

$$\int_{\beta_v}^{x_{v+1}} |f'(x)|^p dx \geq \frac{1}{4} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \left(\int_{\beta_v}^{x_{v+1}} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}. \quad (4.10)$$

(2) If $x_s < 1$, taking $\beta_s = 1$, $d_s = |m'_\sigma(\beta_s)|^{-1}$, and copying the proof of (3.12), for $x \in [1 - \frac{\delta}{4}\sqrt{d_s}, 1]$, we have

$$\frac{128}{625} |m'_\sigma(1)| \leq |m'_\sigma(x)| \leq \frac{512}{81} |m'(1)|,$$

thus in view of the monotonicity of $m_\sigma(x)$, we get

$$\left| m_\sigma \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{4} \sqrt{d_s} \right) \right| = |m_\sigma(1)| + \left| \int_{1 - \frac{\delta}{4} \sqrt{d_s}}^1 m'_\sigma(x) dx \right| \leq |m_\sigma(1)| + \frac{128}{81} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_s}}. \quad (4.11)$$

Let

$$d_s^* = \min \{ d_s, |m(1)|^{-1} \}.$$

For any $x \in [1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4}\sqrt{d_s^*}, 1]$, there is a $\xi_s \in [1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4}\sqrt{d_s^*}, 1]$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(1) - f \left(1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4} \sqrt{d_s^*} \right) \right| &= |f'(\xi_s)| \frac{\delta^2}{4} \sqrt{d_s^*} \\ &= \frac{|m_\sigma(\xi_s)|}{1 - \sigma \xi_s^2} |f(\xi_s)| \frac{\delta^2}{4} \sqrt{d_s^*} \\ &\leq \frac{|f(1)|}{4} \left(|m_\sigma(1)| + \frac{128}{81} \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{d_s}} \right) \sqrt{d_s^*} \\ &\leq \frac{209}{324} |f(1)|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$|f(x)| \geq \left| f \left(1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4} \sqrt{d_s^*} \right) \right| \geq \frac{115}{324} |f(1)|.$$

From (4.4), by using the same technique as that for (4.8), we obtain that

$$\int_{1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4}\sqrt{d_s^*}}^{1 - \frac{\delta^2}{8}\sqrt{d_s^*}} |f'(x)|^p dx \geq \frac{1}{2} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \left(\int_{1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4}\sqrt{d_s^*}}^1 |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}.$$

Meanwhile, let $N_s = \lceil \frac{16(1-x_s)}{\delta^2 \sqrt{d_s^*}} \rceil$, and $\xi_{s,i} = x_s + \frac{i}{16} \delta^2 \sqrt{d_s^*}$, then for $i = 0, 1, \dots, N_s - 4$, by the same technique as that for (4.7), we get

$$\int_{\xi_{s,i+1}}^{\xi_{s,i+2}} |f'(x)|^p dx \geq (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \left(\int_{\xi_{s,i}}^{\xi_{s,i+1}} |f|^q dx \right)^{p/q}.$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} x_s + (N_s - 3) \frac{1}{16} \delta^2 \sqrt{d_s^*} &\geq 1 - \frac{\delta^2}{4} \sqrt{d_s^*}, \\ x_s + (N_s - 2) \frac{1}{16} \delta^2 \sqrt{d_s^*} &\leq 1 - \frac{\delta^2}{8} \sqrt{d_s^*}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by the same technique as that for (4.5), it yields that

$$\int_{x_s}^1 |f'(x)|^p dx \geq \frac{1}{4} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \left(\int_{x_s}^1 |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{p/q}. \quad (4.12)$$

Similarly, if $x_1 > -1$, we have

$$\int_{-1}^{x_1} |f'(x)|^p W(x) dx \geq \frac{1}{4} (C_\rho)^p (\sqrt{n})^{p-1-p/q} \int_{-1}^{x_1} |f(x)|^p W(x) dx. \quad (4.13)$$

By (4.9), (4.10), (4.12), (4.13), and summing over all v , we get (2.2).

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