

## SOME RESULTS FOR HAUSDORFF OPERATORS

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we give the sufficient conditions for the boundedness of the (fractional) Hausdorff operators on the Lebesgue spaces with power weights. In some special cases, these conditions are the same and also necessary. As an application, we obtain a better lower bound of fractional Hardy operators on the Lebesgue spaces compared with a result of the paper [25].

### 1. Introduction

Hausdorff operators (Hausdorff summability methods) are an very useful tool for solving certain classical problems in analysis. They have a deep root in the study of the one dimensional Fourier analysis, particularly the summability of the classical Fourier series. Modern theory of Hausdorff operators started with the work of Siskakis [23] in complex analysis setting and with the work of Georgakis [10] and Liflyand and Móricz [19] in the Fourier transform setting. A brief overview of the study for Hausdorff operators can be found in [18]. One can see [1–6, 16–24] to find details of some recent developments for Hausdorff operators.

The one-dimensional Hausdorff operator is defined by

$$h_{\Phi}f(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Phi(t)}{t} f\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) dt,$$

where  $\Phi$  is a locally integrable function on  $(0, \infty)$ . Liflyand and Móricz [19] proved that  $h_{\Phi}$  generated by a function  $\Phi \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  is a bounded linear operator on the real Hardy space  $H^1(\mathbb{R})$  by the theory of Fourier transform and Hilbert transform. Following this, Hausdorff operators were considered in various spaces, for example, see [2, 13, 20, 22].

The one-dimensional Hausdorff operator contains the classical Hardy operator and its adjoint operator if we choose suitable functions  $\Phi$ . For  $x > 0$ , when one chooses  $\Phi(t)$  as  $t^{-1}\chi_{(1,\infty)}(t)$  and  $\chi_{(0,1]}(t)$ , we obtain the classical Hardy operator  $h$  and the adjoint Hardy operator  $h^*$  respectively, where

$$hf(x) := \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt, \quad \text{and} \quad h^*f(x) := \int_x^{\infty} \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

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It is well known that Hardy operators are important operators in Harmonic analysis, for instance, see [12, 14]. On the other hand, if we choose  $\Phi(t) = \alpha(1 - t)^{\alpha-1}\chi_{(0,1)}(t)$  for  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots$ , then  $H_\Phi = C_\alpha$  is called the Cesàro operator of order  $\alpha$ . A brief history of the study of the Cesàro operator can be found in [13].

For multidimensional Hausdorff operators, there are many kinds of definitions [1, 3, 4, 16–18, 21, 22]. One of the interesting definitions of the Hausdorff operators is

$$H_\Phi f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\Phi(x/|y|)}{|y|^n} f(y) dy.$$

Similar to  $h_\Phi$ ,  $H_\Phi$  contains the high dimensional Hardy operator  $H$  and its adjoint operator  $H^*$  (see the below definitions). Recently, Chen, Fan and Li [4] obtained that if  $\Phi$  is a radial function and  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then

$$\|H_\Phi f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \omega_{n-1} \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)| t^{-1+\frac{n}{p}} dt \cdot \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \tag{1.1}$$

For a general function  $\Phi$ , Wang [24] proved

$$\|H_\Phi f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t\varphi)|^p d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} t^{-1+\frac{n}{p}} dt \cdot \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \tag{1.2}$$

In [22], Lin and Sun defined the  $n$ -dimensional fractional Hausdorff operator for a radial function  $\Phi$  as follows

$$H_{\Phi,\beta} f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\Phi(|x|/|y|)}{|y|^{n-\beta}} f(y) dy, \quad 0 \leq \beta < n.$$

They obtained that

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ ,  $0 < \beta < n$ ,  $\gamma > \beta p - n$  and  $\frac{n+\gamma}{p} - \beta = \frac{n+\gamma}{q}$ . If  $\int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)| \frac{p}{p-1} t^{\frac{\gamma-\beta p+n-p+1}{p-1} \pm \varepsilon} dt < \infty$  for small  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then*

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}, \quad p > 1$$

and if  $\| |\cdot|^{n-\beta+\gamma \pm \varepsilon} \Phi(\cdot) \|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} < \infty$ , then

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}.$$

If we choose  $\Phi$  as the following radial functions  $|t|^{\beta-n}\chi_{(1,\infty)}(|t|)$  and  $\chi_{(0,1)}(|t|)$ ,  $H_{\Phi,\beta} f$  becomes the high dimensional fractional Hardy operator  $H_\beta$  and its adjoint operator  $H_\beta^*$  respectively, where

$$H_\beta f(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^{n-\beta}} \int_{|y|<|x|} f(y) dy, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \text{ and } H_\beta^* f(x) = \int_{|y|\geq|x|} \frac{f(y)}{|y|^{n-\beta}} dy.$$

For some results about  $H_\beta$  and  $H_\beta^*$ , please refer to [8] and [25]. Let  $\mathbb{H}_\beta := v_n^{-1+\frac{\beta}{n}} H_\beta$ , where  $v_n$  is the volume of the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Recently, Lu, Yan and Zhao [25] proved that the following result.

**THEOREM B.** *Suppose that  $0 \leq \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p \leq \frac{n}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\beta}{n}$ . If  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then*

$$\|\mathbb{H}_{\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)},$$

where

$$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{q}{q-1}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(1-\frac{p}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^{\frac{p}{q}}.$$

In this paper, we consider the general function  $\Phi$  for  $H_{\Phi,\beta}$  for  $0 \leq \beta < n$ . In Section 2, we give sufficient conditions for the boundedness of the one-dimensional (fractional) Hausdorff operators  $h_{\Phi,\beta}$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^+$  on the Lebesgue spaces with power weights. In Section 3, we give two sufficient conditions for the boundedness of the high (fractional) Hausdorff operators on the Lebesgue spaces with power weights. In Section 4, as applications, we obtain some explicit bounds of fractional Hardy operators on the Lebesgue spaces. In particular, we have a better lower bound of fractional Hardy operators on the Lebesgue spaces compared with a result of the paper by Lu, Yan and Zhao [25].

Throughout this paper,  $\omega_{n-1}$  denotes the area of the unit sphere  $S^{n-1}$  and  $v_n$  is the volume of the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We use  $B(0,R)$  to denote the ball of radius  $R$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  centered at the origin and  $B(0,R)^c = \mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,R)$ . We denote  $H_{\Phi,\beta} := H_{\Phi}$ ,  $H_0 := H$  and  $H_0^* := H^*$ .

## 2. Estimates for one-dimensional Hausdorff operators

It is well known that using Minkowski inequality and scaling, we can show the operator  $h_{\Phi}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$  for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , if

$$K_{\Phi,p} = \int_0^{\infty} |\Phi(t)| t^{-1+\frac{1}{p}} dt < \infty$$

and

$$\|h_{\Phi} f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R})} \leq K_{\Phi,p} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R})}.$$

Here we point out that  $h_{\Phi}$  can be regarded as convolution in the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{R}^+$  with Haar measure  $\frac{dx}{x}$ . So we can use Young’s inequality (see Lemma 2.1) to obtain the boundedness of  $h_{\Phi}$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ . In this section, we can prove the boundedness of  $h_{\Phi}$  on the Lebesgue spaces with power weights. Moreover, we can extend these results to the fractional Hausdorff operator  $h_{\Phi,\beta}$ , where

$$h_{\Phi,\beta} f(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Phi(xt^{-1})}{t^{1-\beta}} f(t) dt, \quad x > 0.$$

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \beta$ . If*

$$K_{\Phi,\beta,q} = \left( \int_0^{\infty} |\Phi(t)|^{\frac{1}{1-\beta}} t^{-1+\frac{1}{q(1-\beta)}} dt \right)^{1-\beta} < \infty,$$

then the operator  $h_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^+)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|h_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq K_{\Phi,\beta,q}\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

More generally, we have the following estimate.

**THEOREM 2.2.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty, 0 \leq \beta < 1$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $\frac{\gamma+1}{q} = \frac{\alpha+1}{p} - \beta$ . If*

$$K_{\Phi,s,q,\gamma} = \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1 + \frac{s(\gamma+1)}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty,$$

where  $s$  satisfies  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , then the operator  $h_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\alpha)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\gamma)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|h_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\gamma)} \leq K_{\Phi,s,q,\gamma}\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\alpha)}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\alpha)$ .

**REMARK 2.1.** Obviously, let  $\alpha = \gamma = 0$  in Theorem 2.2, then we can obtain  $s = \frac{1}{1-\beta}$ . Furthermore, we know that Theorem 2.1 holds. If  $\beta = 0$  in Theorem 2.1, then we obtain the boundedness of  $h_\Phi$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

**REMARK 2.2.** Let  $\beta = 0, \gamma = \alpha$  and  $\Phi \geq 0$ , then  $s = 1$  and

$$K_{\Phi,1,q,\gamma} = \int_0^\infty \Phi(t)t^{-1 + \frac{\gamma+1}{q}} dt < \infty$$

is the sufficient and necessary condition for the operator  $h_\Phi$  on  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\gamma)$ . See [27] for the detail.

Before proving the main results, we first recall the following Young’s inequality for convolution.

**LEMMA 2.1.** ([11]) *Let  $1 \leq p, q, r \leq \infty$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{r} - 1$ , and  $\mu$  be a Haar measure on a locally compact group  $G$ , then*

$$\|f * g\|_{L^q(G, \mu)} \leq \|g\|_{L^r(G, \mu)}\|f\|_{L^p(G, \mu)}$$

for all  $f$  in  $L^p(G, \mu)$  and for all  $g$  in  $L^r(G, \mu)$  satisfying  $\|g\|_{L^r(G, \mu)} = \|\tilde{g}\|_{L^r(G, \mu)}$ , where  $\tilde{g}(x) = g(x^{-1})$ .

*Proof of Theorem 2.2.* The proof is based on an idea used in [7] for proving the boundedness of Hardy operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ . It is well known that the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is a locally compact group with Haar measure  $\frac{dx}{x}$ . Note that  $\frac{\gamma+1}{q} = \frac{\alpha+1}{p} - \beta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\gamma)} &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \Phi(xt^{-1})x^{\frac{\gamma+1}{q}} f(t)t^\beta \frac{dt}{t} \right|^q \frac{dx}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \Phi(xt^{-1})(xt^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+1}{q}} f(t)t^{\frac{\alpha+1}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} \right|^q \frac{dx}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(xt^{-1})|(xt^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+1}{q}} |f(t)t^{\frac{\alpha+1}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} \right)^q \frac{dx}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Because the right side of the above inequality is a convolution inequality on the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{R}^+$  with Haar measure  $\frac{dx}{x}$ , so by Lemma 2.1 for  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , we get

$$\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(xt^{-1})|(xt^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+1}{q}} |f(t)t^{\frac{\alpha+1}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} \right)^q \frac{dx}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq K_{\Phi,s,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+, x^\alpha)},$$

where

$$K_{\Phi,s,q,p,\gamma} = \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1 + \frac{s(\gamma+1)}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$

Therefore, we finish the proof.  $\square$

### 3. High-dimensional case: $n \geq 2$

In this section, we consider the  $n$ -dimensional fractional Hausdorff operator for a general function  $\Phi$  as follows

$$H_{\Phi,\beta} f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\Phi(x/|y|)}{|y|^{n-\beta}} f(y) dy, \quad 0 \leq \beta < n.$$

First of all, we formulate our main results.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty, 0 \leq \beta < n$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $\frac{\gamma+n}{q} = \frac{\alpha+n}{p} - \beta$ . If*

$$K_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t\varphi)|^q d\varphi \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} t^{-1 + \frac{(n+\gamma)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty, \tag{3.1}$$

where  $s$  satisfies  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , then the operator  $H_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} K_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)} \tag{3.2}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$ .

**COROLLARY 3.1.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$  and  $0 \leq \beta < n$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\beta}{n}$ . If*

$$K_{\Phi,s,n,q} = \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t\varphi)|^q d\varphi \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} t^{-1 + \frac{ns}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty,$$

where  $s = \frac{n}{n-\beta}$ , then the operator  $H_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} K_{\Phi,s,n,q} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty, 0 \leq \beta < n$  and  $\alpha, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $\frac{\gamma+n}{q} = \frac{\alpha+n}{p} - \beta$ .*

(i) *For any radial function  $\Phi(x)$ , if*

$$\tilde{K}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\Phi(x)|^s |x|^{-n+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty, \tag{3.3}$$

where  $s$  satisfies  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , then the operator  $H_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq \tilde{K}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)} \tag{3.4}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$ ;

(ii) *For any general function  $\Phi(x)$ , if*

$$\tilde{\tilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi)|^s \rho^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} d\rho \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty,$$

where  $s$  satisfies  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , then the operator  $H_{\Phi,\beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$  is bounded, i.e.,

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq \tilde{\tilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)} \tag{3.5}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)$ .

**REMARK 3.1.** When  $\Phi(x)$  is a radial function, then by (3.1), we have

$$K_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(n+\gamma)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}},$$

and by (3.3) we obtain

$$\tilde{K}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \tilde{\tilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(n+\gamma)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$

Therefore, compared (3.2) and (3.4), we obtain that Theorem 3.1 coincides with Theorem 3.2 if  $\Phi$  is a radial function. For any general function  $\Phi(x)$ , by Minkowski's inequality, we get  $\tilde{\tilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} K_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma}$ , see the proof of Theorem 3.1 for the details. But we point out that the proofs of Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 are very different.

**REMARK 3.2.** Let  $\beta = 0, \gamma = \alpha$  and  $\Phi$  be a non-negative radial function, then

$$\tilde{\tilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \omega_{n-1} \int_0^\infty \Phi(t) t^{-1+\frac{(n+\gamma)}{q}} dt < \infty$$

is the sufficient and necessary condition for the operator  $h_\Phi$  on  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$ . See [27] for the detail.

**REMARK 3.3.** Obviously, if  $\beta = 0$ , then  $s = 1$  and  $p = q$ . Therefore using Corollary 3.1, we obtain the inequality (1.2). Furthermore, if we choose  $\Phi$  is a radial function, then we have (1.1).

REMARK 3.4. Unluckily, our results are not comparable to Theorem A. Our idea and method are different from [22].

*Proof of Theorem 3.1.* By polar coordinates, we know

$$H_{\Phi,\beta}f(x) = \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \Phi\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)t^\beta f(t\theta)d\theta \frac{dt}{t}$$

and

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\gamma)}^q = \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \left| \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})\rho^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} f(t\theta)t^\beta d\theta \frac{dt}{t} \right|^q d\varphi \frac{d\rho}{\rho}.$$

We apply  $\frac{\gamma+n}{q} = \frac{\alpha+n}{p} - \beta$  and then to Fubini's theorem to interchange the integrals in  $\rho$  and  $\varphi$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|H_{\Phi,\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\gamma)}^q \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \left| \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} f(t\theta)t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} d\theta \frac{dt}{t} \right|^q d\varphi \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} d\theta \frac{dt}{t} \right)^q d\varphi \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \\ &= \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} d\theta \right)^q \frac{d\rho}{\rho} d\varphi. \end{aligned}$$

By Minkowski's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} d\theta \right)^q \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} \right|^q \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} \frac{dt}{t}$ , we can regard it as a convolution inequality on the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{R}^+$  with Haar measure  $\frac{dx}{x}$ . Applying Lemma 2.1 for  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{p} - 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi t^{-1})|(\rho t^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} |f(t\theta)|t^{\frac{n+\alpha}{p}} \frac{dt}{t} \right)^q \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi)|^s \rho^{\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(\rho\theta)|^p \rho^{n+\alpha} \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & = \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t\varphi)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(t\theta)|^p t^{\alpha+n-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}^q \\ & \leq \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t\varphi)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(t\theta)|^p t^{\alpha+n-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} d\theta \right)^q d\varphi \\ & = \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t\varphi)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right) \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(t\theta)|^p t^{\alpha+n-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} d\theta \right)^q. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Hölder’s inequality, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(t\theta)|^p t^{\alpha+n-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} d\theta & \leq |S^{n-1}|^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty |f(t\theta)|^p t^{\alpha+n-1} dt d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & = \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p'}} \cdot \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t\varphi)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)}.$$

Note that  $s \leq q$  and then by Minkowski’s inequality, so we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t\varphi)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t\varphi)|^q d\varphi \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{\Phi,\beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} & \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t\varphi)|^q d\varphi \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)} \\ & = \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p'}} K_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\alpha)}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

*Proof of Theorem 3.2.* We adapt some ideas and methods used in [9]. Let

$$g_f(x) = \frac{1}{\omega_{n-1}} \int_{S^{n-1}} f(|x|\varphi) d\varphi.$$

Obviously,  $g_f$  is a radial function. We can obtain  $\|g_f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}$ , be-



cause

$$\begin{aligned} \|g_f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} &\leq \frac{1}{\omega_{n-1}} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(|x|\varphi)|^p |x|^\gamma dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega_{n-1}^{1/p'}} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(r\varphi)|^p r^{\gamma+n-1} dr \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} d\varphi \\ &\leq \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty |f(r\varphi)|^p r^{\gamma+n-1} dr d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that we have used Minkowski’s inequality, polar coordinates and Hölder’s inequality. On the other hand, by Fubini’s Theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\Phi, \beta}(g_f)(x) &= \frac{1}{\omega_{n-1}} \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\Phi(x|y|^{-1})}{|y|^{n-\beta}} f(|y|\varphi) dy d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega_{n-1}} \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \frac{\Phi(xr^{-1})}{r^{n-\beta}} f(r\varphi) r^{n-1} d\sigma dr d\varphi \\ &= \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\Phi(xr^{-1})}{r^{n-\beta}} f(r\varphi) r^{n-1} dr d\varphi \\ &= H_{\Phi, \beta}(f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

In consequence,

$$\frac{\|H_{\Phi, \beta}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}}{\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}} \leq \frac{\|H_{\Phi, \beta}(g_f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}}{\|g_f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)}}.$$

Therefore, this implies that if we want to obtain the operator norm of  $H_{\Phi, \beta}$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$  to  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)$ , we can restrict to  $f$  radial functions. So we can assume that  $f(x)$  is a radial function in the following proof.

$$\begin{aligned} &\|H_{\Phi, \beta}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \left| \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} \frac{\Phi(\rho\varphi r^{-1})}{r^{1-\beta}} f(r) d\sigma dr \right|^q \rho^{\gamma+n-1} d\varphi d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \tag{3.6} \\ &= \omega_{n-1} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{\Phi(\rho\varphi r^{-1})}{r^{1-\beta}} f(r) dr \right|^q \rho^{\gamma+n-1} d\rho d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove the inequalities (3.4) and (3.5), respectively.

(i) If  $\Phi$  is a radial function, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{\Phi, \beta}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^\gamma)} &= \omega_{n-1}^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{\Phi(\rho r^{-1})}{r^{1-\beta}} f(r) dr \right|^q \rho^{\gamma+n-1} d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \omega_{n-1}^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \|h_{\Phi, \beta} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, \rho^{\gamma+n-1})}. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.2, note that  $\frac{\gamma+n}{q} = \frac{\alpha+n}{p} - \beta$  and  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , therefore we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|H_{\Phi,\beta}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\gamma)} \\ & \leq \omega_{n-1}^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+, \rho^{\alpha+n-1})} \\ & = \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Phi(t)|^s t^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} d\sigma dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} |f(\rho)|^p \rho^{\alpha+n-1} d\sigma d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & = \widetilde{K}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\alpha)}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\widetilde{K}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\Phi(x)|^s |x|^{-n+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$

(ii) For a general function  $\Phi$ , let

$$I_{\Phi,\beta,q,n}(\varphi) = \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{\Phi(\rho\varphi r^{-1})}{r^{1-\beta}} f(r) dr \right|^q \rho^{\gamma+n-1} d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \tag{3.7}$$

Noticing that  $\frac{\gamma+n}{q} = \frac{\alpha+n}{p} - \beta$ , so

$$I_{\Phi,\beta,q,n}(\varphi) = \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \Phi(\rho\varphi r^{-1}) (\rho r^{-1})^{\frac{\gamma+n}{q}} f(r) r^{\frac{\alpha+n}{p}} \frac{dr}{r} \right|^q \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Using Lemma 2.1 for  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ , we obtain that

$$I_{\Phi,\beta,q,n}(\varphi) \leq \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi)|^s \rho^{\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}-1} d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(\rho)|^p \rho^{\alpha+n-1} d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Therefore, by (3.6), (3.7) and the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|H_{\Phi,\beta}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\gamma)} \\ & \leq \omega_{n-1} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi)|^s \rho^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} d\rho \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty |f(\rho)|^p \rho^{\alpha+n-1} d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \leq \omega_{n-1}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \int_0^\infty |\Phi(\rho\varphi)|^s \rho^{-1+\frac{(\gamma+n)s}{q}} d\rho \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} d\varphi \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{S^{n-1}} |f(\rho)|^p \rho^{\alpha+n-1} d\varphi d\rho \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & = \widetilde{\widetilde{K}}_{\Phi,s,n,q,\gamma} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n,|x|^\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

### 4. Applications

APPLICATION 1. Let  $\Phi(t) = t^{\beta-1}\chi_{(1,\infty)}(t)$ , then  $h_{\Phi,\beta} = h_{\beta}$ , where  $h_{\beta}$  is the fractional Hardy operator. If  $\alpha < p - 1$ , then by Theorem 2.2 we get

$$\|h_{\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\gamma})} \leq \left(\frac{p}{(p-\alpha-1)s}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\alpha})} \tag{4.1}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\alpha})$ , where  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ . Similarly, when  $\Phi(t) = \chi_{(0,1]}(t)$  and  $\alpha > p\beta - 1$ , we have

$$\|h_{\beta}^*f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\gamma})} \leq \left(\frac{q}{(\gamma+1)s}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\alpha})} \tag{4.2}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+,x^{\alpha})$ , where  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} - 1$ . In particular, we have

COROLLARY 4.1. Let  $1 < p, q \leq \infty$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \beta$ . Then the operators  $h_{\beta}$  and  $h_{\beta}^*$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^+)$  are bounded, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_{\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+)} &\leq \left(\frac{p'}{q} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)}, \\ \|h_{\beta}^*f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^+)} &\leq \left(\frac{q}{p'} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ . When  $\beta = 0$ , Wang, Lu and Yan [26] obtain the inequality (4.1). In fact they obtain  $\alpha < p - 1$  and  $\frac{\gamma+1}{q} = \frac{\alpha+1}{p}$  is a necessary condition for (4.1). For (4.2), they have similar results. Furthermore, if  $s = 1$ , we can obtain  $\left(\frac{q}{(\gamma+1)s}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} = \frac{p}{p-1}$ , which is the best possible constant for the boundedness of Hardy operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ . See [12].

For high dimensional Hausdorff operators, choosing  $\Phi$  as the radial functions  $|t|^{\beta-n}\chi_{(1,\infty)}(|t|)$  and  $\chi_{(0,1]}(|t|)$  respectively, according to Theorem 3.1 or Theorem 3.2 in the third section, we have

APPLICATION 2. Let  $1 < p, q \leq \infty$  and  $0 \leq \beta < n$  satisfy  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\beta}{n}$ . Then the operators  $H_{\beta}$  and  $H_{\beta}^*$  from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$  are bounded, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{\beta}f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)} &\leq \left(\frac{p'}{q}v_n + v_n\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}, \\ \|H_{\beta}^*f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)} &\leq \left(\frac{q}{p'}v_n + v_n\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $v_n$  is the volume of the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

REMARK 4.1. In fact, we have the following inequalities:

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{1}{|B(0,|x|)|^{1-\frac{\beta}{n}}} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)|dy\right)^q dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \left(\frac{p'}{q} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(y)|^p dy\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \tag{4.3}$$

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \int_{B(0,|x|)^c} \frac{|f(y)|}{|B(0,|y|)|^{1-\frac{\beta}{n}}} dy \right)^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \left( \frac{q}{p'} + 1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(y)|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

When  $\beta = 0$ , a simple calculation shows that

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \frac{1}{|B(0,|x|)|} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right)^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \frac{p}{p-1} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(y)|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \tag{4.4}$$

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \int_{B(0,|x|)^c} \frac{|f(y)|}{|B(0,|y|)|} dy \right)^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq p \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(y)|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Christ and Grafakos [7] proved that the inequality (4.4) holds and the constant  $\frac{p}{p-1}$  is the best possible for  $1 < p < \infty$ . In [25], the authors obtained

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \frac{1}{|B(0,|x|)|^{1-\frac{\beta}{n}}} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right)^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \left( \frac{p}{p-1} \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(y)|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \tag{4.5}$$

by the inequality (4.4), see Theorem B in the Introduction. However, in the following we will prove  $\left(\frac{p'}{q} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^{\frac{p}{q}}$  for  $1 < p \leq q \leq \infty$ . Therefore we obtain the better lower bound from (4.3) for the boundedness of the fractional Hardy operator from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  into  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *If  $1 < p \leq q \leq \infty$ , then*

$$\left(\frac{p'}{q} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^{\frac{p}{q}}.$$

*Equality holds if and only if  $p = q$ .*

*Proof.* It is obvious that  $\left(\frac{p'}{q} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{q}} \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^{\frac{p}{q}}$  is equivalent to

$$\left(1 + \frac{p}{(p-1)q}\right)^{\frac{(p-1)q}{p} + 1} \leq \left(1 + \frac{p}{(p-1)p}\right)^{\frac{(p-1)p}{p} + 1}.$$

Let  $g(t) = (1+t)^{1+\frac{1}{t}}$ ,  $t > 0$ , then we can obtain  $g'(t) > 0$ , where  $g'$  is the derivative of the function  $g$ . So the function  $g(t)$  is strictly increasing. For  $1 < p \leq q \leq \infty$ , we have  $\frac{p}{(p-1)q} \leq \frac{p}{p-1} \cdot \frac{1}{p}$ . Hence,  $g\left(\frac{p}{(p-1)q}\right) \leq g\left(\frac{p}{(p-1)p}\right)$ , equality holds if and only if  $p = q$ .  $\square$

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