

SOME NEW INEQUALITIES SIMILAR TO HARDY–HILBERT’S INEQUALITY

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Abstract. In this paper we have studied some new inequalities similar to Hardy–Hilbert’s inequality. As applications, we have considered the associated integral inequalities.

1. Introduction

If $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, and $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^p < \infty$, $0 < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^q < \infty$, then the famous Hardy–Hilbert inequality (see Hardy et al. [6]) is given by

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

where the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)}$ is the best possible. Inequality (1.1) led to many papers dealing with alternative proofs, generalizations, numerous variants, and applications in analysis (Hardy et al. [6]). Recently, Yang, Gao and Debnath [1, 2, 8] gave some strengthened version of (1.1). By introducing a parameter Yang [3] gave an extension of (1.1) as

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

where the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\lambda \sin(\pi/p)}$, ($0 < \lambda \leq \min p, q$) is the best possible.

In 2003 yang [4] gave an extension of (1.1) as

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln mn} < \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^{p-1} a_n^p \right\}^{1/p} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q-1} b_n^q \right\}^{1/q}, \quad (1.2)$$

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

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In this paper, we have generalized the results of [4], which is related to the double series of the form

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln mn}. \quad (1.3)$$

For this series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln(mn)}$, we have estimated the weight co-efficient of the form

$$w_{r_k}(n) = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m \ln(mn)} \left(\frac{\ln n}{\ln m} \right)^{1/r_k} \quad (r_k = (p_k, q_k) > 1, n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}). \quad (1.4)$$

2. Some preliminary results

The sequence space l_p has been generalized to $l(p)$, in the following manner (see Maddox [7] and Simmons [9]).

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $p = (p_k)$ be a bounded sequence of strictly positive numbers, with $0 < p_k \leq \sup p_k = H < \infty$. Then

$$l(p) = \{x = (x_k) : \sum |x_k|^{p_k} < \infty\}. \quad (2.1)$$

A natural metric on $l(p)$ is

$$d(x, y) = \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k - y_k|^{p_k} \right)^{1/M},$$

where $M = \max(1, H)$.

DEFINITION 2.2. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$, then the function space L_p is given by

$$L_p = \{f : \int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^p dx < \infty\}. \quad (2.2)$$

The function space L_p has been generalized to $L(p)$ in the following manner.

DEFINITION 2.3. [10] Let p be a bounded measurable function, with $0 < p(x) \leq \sup p(x) = H < \infty$. Then

$$L(p) = \{f : \int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx < \infty\}. \quad (2.3)$$

Note that $L(p)$ is a linear topological space paranormed by $d(f)$

$$d(f) = \left(\int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx \right)^{1/M},$$

where $M = \max(1, H)$.

Das and Nanda [5] have generalized Holder's inequality in $l(p)$ space, which is given below.

LEMMA 2.1. (Das and Nanda, [5]) Let $(p_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a real sequence where $p_n > 1$ for all n . $(q_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is defined by $\frac{1}{p_n} + \frac{1}{q_n} = 1$, for all n . Let $a_n, b_n \geq 0$. We write

$$A_m = \sum_{n=1}^m a_n^{p_n}, \quad B_m = \sum_{n=1}^m b_n^{q_n},$$

$$A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{p_n}, \quad B = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^{q_n}$$

and whenever the series on the right converge. Then

(i)

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k b_k \leq \alpha_m \beta_m, \quad (2.4)$$

where $\alpha_m = \sup_{1 \leq n \leq m} \frac{1}{p_n} + \sup_{1 \leq n \leq m} \frac{1}{q_n}$, $\beta_m = \sup_{1 \leq n \leq m} A_m^{1/p_n} B_m^{1/q_n}$.

(ii) If $a \in l(p)$, $b \in l(q)$, then $ab \in l$ and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k b_k \leq \alpha \beta, \quad (2.5)$$

where $\alpha = \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_n} + \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{q_n}$, $\beta = \sup_{n \geq 1} (A^{1/p_n} B^{1/q_n})$.

If p_k and q_k are constants then (2.4) and (2.5) reduce to standard Holder's inequality in l_p space.

Sunanda et. al. [10] generalized the Holder's inequality in $L(p)$ space which is given below.

LEMMA 2.2. (a) Let p and q be bounded measurable functions such that $p(x)^{-1} + q(x)^{-1} = 1$ for all x . Let $f \in L(p)$, $g \in L(q)$. Let

$$A = \int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx, \quad B = \int_0^{\infty} |g(x)|^{q(x)} dx$$

Then for $p(x) > 1$, $f, g \in L_1$ and

$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(x)g(x)| dx \leq \alpha \beta, \quad (2.6)$$

where $\alpha = \sup_x 1/p(x) + \sup_x 1/q(x)$, $\beta = \sup_x A^{1/p(x)} B^{1/q(x)}$.

(b) Let $0 < p(x) < 1$ and $p(x)^{-1} + q(x)^{-1} = 1$. If $f \in L(p)$ and $g \in L(q)$, then

$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx \leq \alpha \left[\sup_x p(x) + \sup_x (1 - p(x)) \right], \quad (2.7)$$

where $\alpha = \sup_x \left[\left(\int |g(x)|^{q(x)} dx \right)^{1-p(x)} \left(\int |f(x)g(x)| dx \right)^{p(x)} \right]$.

Proof. To prove (a) For $a, b > 0$, we have

$$ab \leq \frac{a^{p(x)}}{p(x)} + \frac{b^{q(x)}}{q(x)} \quad \text{for all } x. \quad (2.8)$$

Using the above inequality we have

$$\frac{|f(x)|}{A^{1/p(x)}} \frac{|g(x)|}{B^{1/q(x)}} \leq \frac{1}{p(x)} \frac{|f(x)|^{p(x)}}{A} + \frac{1}{q(x)} \frac{|g(x)|^{q(x)}}{B}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \frac{|f(x)|}{A^{1/p(x)}} \frac{|g(x)|}{B^{1/q(x)}} dx &\leq \frac{1}{A} \int_0^\infty \frac{|f(x)|^{p(x)}}{p(x)} dx + \frac{1}{B} \int_0^\infty \frac{|g(x)|^{q(x)}}{q(x)} dx \\ &\leq \sup_x \frac{1}{p(x)} + \sup_x \frac{1}{q(x)}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Also we have

$$\frac{1}{\sup_x A^{1/p(x)} B^{1/q(x)}} \int_0^\infty |f(x)g(x)| dx \leq \int_0^\infty \frac{|f(x)g(x)|}{A^{1/p(x)} B^{1/q(x)}} dx. \quad (2.10)$$

From (2.9) and (2.10), we get (2.6), that is

$$\int_0^\infty |f(x)g(x)| dx \leq \alpha \beta.$$

We now prove (b).

Let $p_1(x) = 1/p(x)$, so that $p_1(x) > 1$ for all x . Let

$$A(x) = |g(x)|^{-1/p_1(x)}, \quad B(x) = |f(x)g(x)|^{1/p_1(x)}.$$

So by (2.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx &= \int_0^\infty |A(x)B(x)| dx \\ &\leq \sup_x \left[\left(\int_0^\infty |A(x)|^{q_1(x)} dx \right)^{1/q_1(x)} \left(\int_0^\infty |B(x)|^{p_1(x)} dx \right)^{1/p_1(x)} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left(\sup_x \frac{1}{p_1(x)} + \sup_x \frac{1}{q_1(x)} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

since $\frac{1}{p_1(x)} + \frac{1}{q_1(x)} = 1$, $\frac{1}{q_1(x)} = 1 - p(x)$ and $q_1(x) = \frac{1}{1-p(x)}$.

Substituting the values in (2.11), we get (2.7)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty |f(x)|^{p(x)} dx &= \sup_x \left[\left(\int_0^\infty |g(x)|^{q(x)} dx \right)^{1-p(x)} \left(\int_0^\infty |f(x)g(x)| dx \right)^{p(x)} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[\sup_x p(x) + \sup_x (1-p(x)) \right] \\ &= \alpha \left[\sup_x p(x) + \sup_x (1-p(x)) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the lemma. □

Note. Equality occurs in (2.6) when

(1) $\alpha = 1$.

(2) $\beta|f(x)|^{p(x)} = \gamma|g(x)|^{q(x)}$, where β and γ are constants not all zero.

But $\alpha = 1$ holds only when $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are constants.

If $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are not constants and $\frac{1}{p(x)} + \frac{1}{q(x)} = 1$, then $\alpha = \sup \frac{1}{p(x)} + \sup \frac{1}{q(x)} > 1$ e.g.

For $p(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x} > 1, x \in [2, 3]$ and $q(x) = x + 1 > 1, x \in [2, 3]$ not constants then $\alpha = \sup \frac{1}{p(x)} + \sup \frac{1}{q(x)} > 1$.

3. Main results

LEMMA 3.1. Let $(p_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ and $(q_k)_{k=1}^\infty$ be real bounded sequences defined by $\frac{1}{p_k} + \frac{1}{q_k} = 1$ where $p_k > 1, 0 < \epsilon < q_k - 1$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$, then we have for any $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{1}{\ln(mn)} \frac{1}{m(\ln m)^{(1+\epsilon)/p_k}} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \\ > \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} + o(1) \right] \quad (as \ \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+). \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Proof. Obviously, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{1}{\ln(mn)} \frac{1}{m(\ln m)^{(1+\epsilon)/p_k}} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \\ > \int_e^\infty \int_e^\infty \frac{1}{\ln(xy)} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/p_k}} \frac{1}{y(\ln y)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} dy dx. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Setting $u = \frac{\ln y}{\ln x}$ in the following expression, for $x \geq e$ and $0 < \epsilon < q_k - 1$ we obtain for $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_e^\infty \frac{1}{\ln(xy)} \frac{1}{y(\ln y)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \int_{1/\ln x}^\infty \frac{1}{1+u} \frac{1}{u^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+u} \frac{1}{u^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} du - \int_0^{1/\ln x} \frac{1}{1+u} \frac{1}{u^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} du \right] \\ &> \frac{1}{(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+u} \frac{1}{u^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} du - \int_0^{1/\ln x} \frac{1}{u^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} du \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} + o(1) \right] - \frac{q_k}{(q_k - 1 - \epsilon)} \frac{1}{\ln x}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we find for $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_e^\infty \int_e^\infty \frac{1}{\ln(xy)} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)/p_k}} \frac{1}{y(\ln y)^{(1+\epsilon)/q_k}} dy dx \\
 & > \int_e^\infty \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^{(1+\epsilon)} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} + o(1) \right]} dx - \frac{q_k}{(q_k - 1 - \epsilon)} \int_e^\infty \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^{1+(1+\epsilon)/p_k}} dx \\
 & = \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} + o(1) \right] \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{q_k}{(q_k - 1 - \epsilon)(1 + \epsilon)} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0), \tag{3.3}
 \end{aligned}$$

by (3.2) and (3.3), it follows that (3.1) is valid. Hence the lemma. □

THEOREM 3.1. *If $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, (p_k) and (q_k) are real bounded sequences defined by $\frac{1}{p_k} + \frac{1}{q_k} = 1$, where $p_k > 1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and $0 < \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} < \infty$, $0 < \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k} < \infty$. Then*

$$\sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln(mn)} < \alpha \sup_k \left\{ \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} \right\}^{1/p_k} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k} \right\}^{1/q_k} \right\}, \tag{3.4}$$

where $\alpha = \sup_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_k} + \sup_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{q_k}$.

Proof. By Holder’s inequality and (1.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln mn} \\
 & = \sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \left[\frac{a_m}{(\ln mn)^{\frac{1}{p_k}}} \left(\frac{\ln m}{\ln n} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k q_k}} \left(\frac{m^{1/q_k}}{n^{1/p_k}} \right) \right] \left[\frac{b_n}{(\ln mn)^{1/q_k}} \left(\frac{\ln n}{\ln m} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k q_k}} \left(\frac{n^{1/p_k}}{m^{1/q_k}} \right) \right] \\
 & \leq \alpha \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\left(\sum_{m=2}^\infty \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{a_m^{p_k}}{\ln mn} \left(\frac{\ln m}{\ln n} \right)^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \times \left. \left. \left(\frac{m^{p_k}}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left(\sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{b_n^{q_k}}{\ln mn} \left(\frac{\ln n}{\ln m} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left(\frac{n^{q_k}}{m} \right)^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right) \right] \\
 & = \alpha \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\left(\sum_{m=2}^\infty \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{\ln mn} \left(\frac{\ln m}{\ln n} \right)^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \left(\frac{m^{p_k-1}}{n} \right) a_m^{p_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \right. \\
 & \quad \times \left. \left(\sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{1}{\ln mn} \left(\frac{\ln n}{\ln m} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left(\frac{n^{q_k-1}}{m} \right) b_n^{q_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right] \\
 & = \alpha \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\left\{ \sum_{m=2}^\infty w_{q_k}(m) m^{p_k-1} a_m^{p_k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^\infty w_{p_k}(n) n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right]. \tag{3.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

For $r_k = p_k, q_k$ for all k , and $n \geq 2$ in (1.4), setting $u = \frac{\ln x}{\ln n}$ in the following integral, we find

$$w_{r_k}(n) < \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x \ln nx} \left(\frac{\ln n}{\ln x}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_k}} dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1+u)u^{\frac{1}{r_k}}} du = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi(1 - \frac{1}{r_k})}. \tag{3.6}$$

Since $\sin(\pi/p_k) = \sin(\pi/q_k)$, for all k , by (3.5) and (3.6), we have (3.4). □

THEOREM 3.2. *Let $a_n \geq 0, (p_k)$ and (q_k) be real bounded sequences defined by $\frac{1}{p_k} + \frac{1}{q_k} = 1$, where $p_k > 1$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$, and $0 < \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} < \infty$. Then*

$$\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{a_m}{\ln(mn)}\right)^{p_k} < \alpha^{\sup p_k} \sup_{k \geq 1} \left\{ \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)}\right]^{p_k} \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} \right\}, \tag{3.7}$$

where $\alpha = \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{p_n} + \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{q_n}$.

Proof. Since $\sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} > 0$, there exists $t_0 \geq 2$, such that for any $t > t_0$, $\sum_{n=2}^t n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} > 0$, and $b_n(t) = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^t \frac{a_m}{\ln(mn)}\right)^{p_k-1} > 0$. Then we have

$$0 < \sum_{n=2}^t n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k}(t) = \sum_{n=2}^t \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^t \frac{a_m}{\ln(mn)}\right)^{p_k} = \sum_{n=2}^t \sum_{m=2}^t \frac{a_m b_n(t)}{\ln(mn)}. \tag{3.8}$$

If we set $\tilde{a}_n = a_n$ and $\tilde{b}_n = b_n(t)$, for $n = 2, 3, \dots, t$; and $\tilde{a}_n = \tilde{b}_n = 0$, for $n > t$. By using (3.4), we may have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^t \sum_{m=2}^t \frac{a_m b_n(t)}{\ln(mn)} &= \sum_{n=2}^\infty \sum_{m=2}^\infty \frac{\tilde{a}_m \tilde{b}_n}{\ln(mn)} \\ &< \alpha \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{p_k-1} \tilde{a}_n^{p_k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{q_k-1} \tilde{b}_n^{q_k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right] \\ &= \alpha \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^t n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p_k}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^t n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k}(t) \right\}^{\frac{1}{q_k}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by (3.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \sum_{n=2}^\infty n^{q_k-1} b_n^{q_k}(t) &= \sum_{n=2}^t \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^t \frac{a_m}{\ln mn}\right)^{p_k} \\ &< \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\frac{\alpha \pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)} \right]^{p_k} \sum_{n=2}^t n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} \\ &= \alpha^{\sup p_k} \sup_{k \geq 1} \left\{ \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p_k)}\right]^{p_k} \sum_{n=2}^t n^{p_k-1} a_n^{p_k} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $0 < \sum_{n=2}^t n^{qk-1} b_n^{qk}(\infty) < \infty$, since $0 < \sum_{n=2}^t n^{pk-1} a_n^{pk} < \infty$. Hence by (3.4) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^t \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{\ln(mn)} \right)^{pk} \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m b_n(\infty)}{\ln mn} \\ &< \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\frac{\alpha \pi}{\sin(\pi/pk)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^{pk-1} a_n^{pk} \right\}^{\frac{1}{pk}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^{qk-1} b_n^{qk}(\infty) \right\}^{\frac{1}{qk}} \right] \\ &< \sup_{k \geq 1} \left[\frac{\alpha \pi}{\sin(\pi/pk)} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^{pk-1} a_n^{pk} \right\}^{\frac{1}{pk}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{\ln mn} \right)^{pk} \right\}^{\frac{1}{qk}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

by simplification, we have (3.7). □

4. Associated Integral Inequalities

Define the weight function as in [4] $w_r(x)$ as

$$w_r(x) = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{y \ln(xy)} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\ln y} \right)^{\frac{1}{r(x)}} dy \quad (r(x) = p(x), q(x) \geq 2, x \geq 1). \tag{4.1}$$

Setting $u = \frac{\ln y}{\ln x}$ in (4.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w_r(x) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+u} \left(\frac{1}{u} \right)^{\frac{1}{r(x)}} du = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi \left(1 - \frac{1}{r(x)} \right)} \\ &(r(x) = p(x), q(x) \geq 2, x \geq 1). \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

THEOREM 4.1. *Let $f, g \geq 0, p(x)$ and $q(x)$ be real bounded measurable functions defined by $\frac{1}{p(x)} + \frac{1}{q(x)} = 1$ where $p(x) > 1$ for all $x \geq 1$, and $0 < \int_1^{\infty} x^{p(x)-1} f^{p(x)}(x) dx < \infty, 0 < \int_1^{\infty} x^{q(x)-1} g^{q(x)}(x) dx < \infty$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{f(x)g(y)}{\ln(xy)} dx dy &< \alpha \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p(x))} \left\{ \int_1^{\infty} x^{p(x)-1} f^{p(x)}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p(x)}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left\{ \int_1^{\infty} x^{q(x)-1} g^{q(x)}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q(x)}} \right], \end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

and

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{y} \left(\int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)}{\ln(xy)} dx \right)^{p(y)} dy < \alpha^{\sup p(x)} \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p(x))} \right]^{p(x)} \int_1^\infty x^{p(x)-1} f^{p(x)}(x) dx \tag{4.4}$$

where $\alpha = \sup p(t)^{-1} + \sup q(t)^{-1}$.

Proof. By generalized Holder's inequality (2.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{\ln(xy)} dx dy &= \int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \left[\frac{f(x)}{(\ln xy)^{1/p(x)}} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\ln y} \right)^{\frac{1}{p(x)q(x)}} \frac{x^{1/q(x)}}{y^{1/p(x)}} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[\frac{g(y)}{(\ln xy)^{1/q(x)}} \left(\frac{\ln y}{\ln x} \right)^{\frac{1}{p(x)q(x)}} \frac{y^{1/p(x)}}{x^{1/q(x)}} \right] dx dy \\ &\leq \alpha \sup_{x \geq 1} \left\{ \left[\int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \frac{f^{p(x)}(x)}{\ln(xy)} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\ln y} \right)^{\frac{1}{q(x)}} \frac{x^{p(x)-1}}{y} dy dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p(x)}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left[\int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \frac{g^{q(y)}(y)}{\ln(xy)} \left(\frac{\ln y}{\ln x} \right)^{\frac{1}{p(y)}} \frac{y^{q(y)-1}}{x} dx dy \right]^{\frac{1}{q(x)}} \right\}. \tag{4.5} \end{aligned}$$

From (2.6) equality holds in (4.5), when $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are constants p and q , and for p, q there exists numbers a and b , such that

$$\frac{af^p(x)}{\ln xy} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\ln y} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \frac{x^{p-1}}{y} = \frac{bg^q(y)}{\ln xy} \left(\frac{\ln y}{\ln x} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \frac{y^{q-1}}{x} \quad \text{a.e. in } (1, \infty) \times (1, \infty).$$

Then we have $ax^{p-1}f^p(x) \ln x = by^{q-1}g^q(y) \ln y$ a.e. in $(1, \infty) \times (1, \infty)$. That is

$$ax^{p-1}f^p(x) \ln x = by^{q-1}g^q(y) \ln y = \text{constant} \quad \text{a.e. in } (1, \infty) \times (1, \infty)$$

which contradicts the fact that $0 < \int_1^\infty x^{p-1}f^p(x)dx < \infty$ and $0 < \int_1^\infty x^{q-1}g^q(x)dx < \infty$. It follows that (4.5) takes the form of strict inequality. By eqn. (4.1)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{\ln xy} dx dy &< \alpha \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\left\{ \int_1^\infty w_q(x)x^{p(x)-1}f^{p(x)}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p(x)}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left\{ \int_1^\infty w_p(y)y^{q(y)-1}g^{q(y)}(y) dy \right\}^{\frac{1}{q(x)}} \right]. \tag{4.6} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\int_1^\infty x^{p(x)-1}f^{p(x)}(x)dx > 0$, then there exists $T_0 \geq 1$ such that for any $T > T_0$, $\int_1^T x^{p(x)-1}f^{p(x)}(x)dx > 0$, and $g(y, T) = \frac{1}{y} \left(\int_1^T \frac{f(x)}{\ln xy} dx \right)^{p(y)-1} > 0$ ($y \in (1, \infty)$),

by (4.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 < \int_1^T y^{q(y)-1} g^{q(y)}(y, T) dy &= \int_1^T \frac{1}{y} \left(\int_1^T \frac{f(x)}{\ln xy} dx \right)^{p(y)} dy \\
 &= \int_1^T \int_1^T \frac{f(x)g(y, T)}{\ln xy} dx dy \\
 &< \alpha \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi/p(x))} \left\{ \int_1^T x^{p(x)-1} f^{p(x)}(x) dx \right\}^{1/p(x)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \left\{ \int_1^T x^{q(x)-1} g^{q(x)}(x, T) dx \right\}^{1/q(x)} \right], \quad (4.7)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us denote

$$B = B(T, q, g) = \int_1^T y^{q(y)-1} g^{q(y)}(y, T) dy, \quad A = A(T, p, f) = \int_1^T x^{p(x)-1} f^{p(x)}(x, T) dx.$$

Then (4.7) is

$$B < \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi \alpha}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{p(x)})} A^{1/p(x)} B^{1/q(x)} \right]$$

If we denote $C = A/B$, then this is

$$1 < \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi \alpha}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{p(x)})} C^{1/p(x)} \right]$$

hence $\exists x_0$ such that

$$1 < \left[\frac{\pi \alpha}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{p(x_0)})} C^{1/p(x_0)} \right]$$

and hence

$$1 < \left[\frac{\pi \alpha}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{p(x_0)})} \right]^{p(x_0)} C,$$

So

$$B < \alpha^{\sup p(x)} \sup_{x \geq 1} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{p(x)})} \right]^{p(x)} A$$

(4.4) follows. □

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