

A HARDY-HILBERT'S TYPE INTEGRAL
INEQUALITY WITH WEIGHTS AND
ITS APPLICATION

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Abstract: In this paper, it is shown that a Hardy-Hilbert's type integral inequality with weights can be established by introducing a power-exponent function of the form x^{1+x} ($x \in [0, +\infty)$), and the coefficient $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ is proved to be best possible. In particular, for case $p = 2$, some extensions of the classical Hilbert integral inequality are obtained. As application, some generalizations of Hardy-Littlewood's integral inequality are given.

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1. Introduction and Lemmas

The famous Hardy-Hilbert's integral inequality is

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$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy \leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty g^q(y) dy \right\}^{1/q}, \tag{1.1}$$

where the coefficient $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ is best possible (see [3]). In particular, when $p = q = 2$, the inequality (1.1) is reduced to the classical Hilbert’s integral inequality:

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy \leq \pi \left\{ \int_0^\infty f^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2} \left\{ \int_0^\infty g^2(y) dy \right\}^{1/2}, \tag{1.2}$$

where the coefficient π is best possible.

Recently, the following result was given by introducing power function in the paper [4]:

$$\int_a^b \int_a^b \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^t + y^t} dx dy \leq \left\{ \omega(t, p, q) \int_a^b x^{1-t} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \times \left\{ \omega(t, q, p) \int_a^b x^{1-t} g^q(x) dx \right\}^{1/q}, \tag{1.3}$$

where t is a parameter which is independent of x and y , $\omega(t, p, q) = \frac{\pi}{t \sin \pi/pt} - \varphi(q)$ and here function φ is defined by

$$\varphi(r) = \int_0^{a/b} \frac{u^{t-2+1/r}}{1+u^t} du, \quad r = p, q.$$

Afterwards, the various extensions on the inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) have appeared in some papers (such as [2], [1], etc.). The purpose of the present paper is that the denominator $x + y$ of the function of the left-hand side of (1.1) is replaced by power-exponent function $x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}$, the new results will be yielded. In particular, for case $p = 2$, the various extensions on (1.2) are obtained. As its application, it is shown that extensions on the Hardy-Littlewood’s integral inequality can be established.

For convenience, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 1.1. *Let $h(x) = \frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x$, $x \in (0, +\infty)$. Then the minimum of $h(x)$ is 2.*

The proof of Lemma 1.1 is easy, here it is omitted.

2. Theorems and their Corollaries

Define a function by

$$\omega(r, x) = \left(x^{1+x} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x \right) \right)^{1-r}, \quad x \in (0, +\infty), \quad (2.1)$$

where $r > 1$.

Theorem 2.1. *Let $0 < \int_0^\infty \omega(p, x) f^p(x) dx < +\infty$, $0 < \int_0^\infty \omega(q, x) \times g^q(x) dx < +\infty$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $p \geq q > 1$. Then*

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x) g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \omega(p, x) f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \times \left\{ \int_0^\infty \omega(q, x) g^q(x) dx \right\}^{1/q}, \quad (2.2)$$

where the weight function $\omega(r, x)$ is defined by (2.1), and the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ is best possible.

Proof. Let $f(x) = F(x) \left\{ (x^{1+x})' \right\}^{1/q}$ and $g(y) = G(y) \left\{ (y^{1+y})' \right\}^{1/p}$. Define two functions by

$$\alpha = \frac{F(x) \left\{ (y^{1+y})' \right\}^{1/p}}{(x^{1+x} + y^{1+y})^{1/p}} \left(\frac{x^{1+x}}{y^{1+y}} \right)^{\frac{1}{pq}}, \quad \beta = \frac{G(y) \left\{ (x^{1+x})' \right\}^{1/q}}{(x^{1+x} + y^{1+y})^{1/q}} \left(\frac{y^{1+y}}{x^{1+x}} \right)^{\frac{1}{pq}}. \quad (2.3)$$

Let us apply Hölder's inequality to estimate the right hand side of (2.2) as follows:

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x) g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \alpha \beta dx dy \leq \left\{ \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \alpha^p dx dy \right\}^{1/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \beta^q dx dy \right\}^{1/q}. \quad (2.4)$$

It is easy to deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \alpha^p dx dy &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(y^{1+y})'}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} \left(\frac{x^{1+x}}{y^{1+y}} \right)^{1/q} F^p(x) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \omega_q F^p(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

We compute the weight function ω_q as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_q &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(y^{1+y})'}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} \left(\frac{x^{1+x}}{y^{1+y}} \right)^{1/q} dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} \left(\frac{x^{1+x}}{y^{1+y}} \right)^{1/q} d(y^{1+y}). \end{aligned}$$

Let $t = y^{1+y}/x^{1+x}$. Then we have

$$\omega_q = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+t} \left(\frac{1}{t} \right)^{1/q} dt = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/q} = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}.$$

Notice that $F(x) = \left\{ (x^{1+x})' \right\}^{-1/q} f(x)$, hence we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \alpha^p dx dy = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \int_0^{\infty} \left((x^{1+x})' \right)^{1-p} f^p(x) dx. \quad (2.5)$$

Similarly, we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \beta^q dx dy = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \int_0^{\infty} \left((y^{1+y})' \right)^{1-q} g^q(y) dy. \quad (2.6)$$

Substituting (2.5) and (2.6) into (2.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy &\leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \left((x^{1+x})' \right)^{1-p} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \left((y^{1+y})' \right)^{1-q} g^q(y) dy \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

We need to show that the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ contained in (2.7) is best possible.

Define two functions by

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in (0, 1), \\ (x^{1+x})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/p} (x^{1+x})', & x \in [1, +\infty), \end{cases}$$

and $\tilde{g}(y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y \in (0, 1), \\ (y^{1+y})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q} (y^{1+y})', & y \in [1, +\infty). \end{cases}$

Assume that $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{q}{2p}$ ($p \geq q > 1$), then

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \left((x^{1+x})' \right)^{1-p} \tilde{f}^p(x) dx = \int_1^{+\infty} (x^{1+x})^{-1-\varepsilon} d(x^{1+x}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}.$$

Similarly, we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \left((y^{1+y})' \right)^{1-q} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}.$$

If $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ is not best possible, then there exists $k > 0$ and k less than $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{f}(x) \tilde{g}(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy &< k \left(\int_0^{\infty} \left((x^{1+x})' \right)^{1-p} \tilde{f}^p(x) dx \right)^{1/p} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^{\infty} \left((y^{1+y})' \right)^{1-q} \tilde{g}^q(y) dy \right)^{1/q} = \frac{k}{\varepsilon}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{f}(x) \tilde{g}(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\left\{ (x^{1+x})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/p} (x^{1+x})' \right\} \left\{ (y^{1+y})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q} (y^{1+y})' \right\}}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_1^\infty \left\{ \int_1^\infty \frac{(y^{1+y})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q}}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} d(y^{1+y}) \right\} \left\{ (x^{1+x})^{-(1+\varepsilon)/p} (x^{1+x})' \right\} dx \\
 &= \int_1^\infty \left\{ \int_{1/x^{1+x}}^\infty \frac{1}{1+t} \left(\frac{1}{t}\right)^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q} dt \right\} (x^{1+x})^{-1-\varepsilon} d(x^{1+x}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{x^{-(1+x)}}^\infty \frac{1}{1+t} \left(\frac{1}{t}\right)^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q} dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

If the lower limit $x^{-(1+x)}$ of the integral is replaced by zero, then the resulting error is smaller than $\frac{(x^{-(1+x)})^\alpha}{\alpha}$, where α is positive and α is independent of ε . In fact, we have

$$\int_0^{x^{-(1+x)}} \frac{1}{1+t} \left(\frac{1}{t}\right)^{(1+\varepsilon)/q} dt < \int_0^{x^{-(1+x)}} t^{-(1+\varepsilon)/q} dt = \frac{(1/x^{1+x})^\beta}{\beta},$$

where $\beta = 1 - (1 + \varepsilon)/q$. If $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{q}{2p}$, then we may take α such that

$$\alpha = 1 - \frac{1 + q/2p}{q} = \frac{1}{2p}.$$

Consequently, we get

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{\tilde{f}(x) \tilde{g}(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} + o(1) \right\} \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0). \tag{2.9}$$

Clearly, when ε is small enough, the inequality (2.8) is in contradiction with (2.9). Therefore, $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ is the best possible value of which the inequality (2.7) keeps valid.

Let $u = x^{1+x}$ and $v = y^{1+y}$. Then $u' = x^{1+x}(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x)$ and $v' = y^{1+y}(\frac{1+y}{y} + \ln y)$. Substituting them into (2.7), the inequality (2.2) yields at once. The proof of Theorem 2.1 is completed. \square

Theorem 2.2. *Let*

$$0 < \int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-p)} f^p(x) dx < +\infty,$$

$$0 < \int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-q)} g^q(x) dx < +\infty,$$

$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $p \geq q > 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy &\leq \frac{\pi}{2 \sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-p)} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\times \left\{ \int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-q)} g^q(x) dx \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Proof. Let $u(x) = x^{1+x}$ and $v(y) = y^{1+y}$. Then $u'(x) = u(x)h(x)$ and $v'(y) = v(y)h(y)$. By Lemma 1.1, $\min\{h(x)\} = \min\{h(y)\} = 2$. Hence we have $\max\left\{\frac{1}{h(x)}\right\} = \max\left\{\frac{1}{h(y)}\right\} = \frac{1}{2}$. Notice that $p \geq q > 1$, consequently the inequality (2.7) can be reduced to the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy &\leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty (u'(x))^{1-p} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty (v'(y))^{1-q} g^q(y) dy \right\}^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{p-1} x^{(1+x)(1-p)} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\times \left\{ \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{q-1} y^{(1+y)(1-q)} g^q(y) dy \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

The inequality (2.10) follows from (2.11) after simplifications. The Theorem 2.2 is proved. □

In particular, for case $p = 2$, some extensions of (1.2) are obtained. According to Theorem 2.1, we get the following results.

Corollary 2.3. Define a function by

$$\omega(x) = x^{1+x} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x \right), \quad x \in (0, +\infty).$$

If $0 < \int_0^{\infty} \omega^{-1}(x) f^2(x) dx < +\infty$ and $0 < \int_0^{\infty} \omega^{-1}(x) g^2(x) dx < +\infty$, then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \leq \pi \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \omega^{-1}(x) f^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2} \times \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \omega^{-1}(x) g^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2}, \quad (2.12)$$

where the constant factor π is best possible.

Corollary 2.4. If $0 < \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x \right)^{-1} f^2(x) dx < +\infty$, then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(x)f(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \leq \pi \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x \right)^{-1} f^2(x) dx, \quad (2.13)$$

where the constant factor π is best possible.

Basing on Theorem 2.2, the following inequalities are established.

Corollary 2.5. Let $0 < \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} f^2(x) dx < +\infty, 0 < \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} \times g^2(x) dx < +\infty$, Then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} f^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2} \times \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} g^2(x) dx \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (2.14)$$

Corollary 2.6. If $0 < \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} f^2(x) dx < +\infty$, then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(x)f(y)}{x^{1+x} + y^{1+y}} dx dy \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^{\infty} x^{-(1+x)} f^2(x) dx. \quad (2.15)$$

3. Application

In this section, we will give various extensions on Hardy-Littlewood's integral inequality.

Let $f(x) \in L^2(0, 1)$ and $f(x) \neq 0$. If

$$a_n = \int_0^1 x^n f(x) dx, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

then we have the Hardy-Littlewood's inequality (see [3]) of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n^2 < \pi \int_0^1 f^2(x) dx, \tag{3.1}$$

where π is the best constant that keeps (3.1) valid. In our previous paper [5], the inequality (3.1) was extended and established the following inequality:

$$\int_0^{\infty} f^2(x) dx < \pi \int_0^1 h^2(x) dx, \tag{3.2}$$

where $f(x) = \int_0^1 t^x h(x) dx, x \in [0, +\infty)$.

Afterwards the inequality (3.2) was refined into form in the paper [6]:

$$\int_0^{\infty} f^2(x) dx \leq \pi \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt. \tag{3.3}$$

We will further extend the inequality (3.3), some new results will be obtained.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $h(t) \in L^2[0, 1], h(t) \neq 0$. Define a function by*

$$f(x) = \int_0^1 t^{u(x)} |h(t)| dt, \quad x \in [0, +\infty),$$

where $u(x) = x^{1+x}$. If $0 < \int_0^{\infty} \omega(r, x) f^r(x) dx < +\infty$, where the weight function $\omega(r, x)$ is defined by (2.1), $(r = p, q), \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $p \geq q > 1$, then

$$\left(\int_0^{\infty} f^2(x) dx \right)^2 < \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left(\int_0^{\infty} \omega(p, x) f^p(x) dx \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\times \left(\int_0^\infty \omega(q, y) f^q(y) dy \right)^{1/q} \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt, \quad (3.4)$$

where the constant factor $\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p}$ in (3.4) is best possible.

Proof. Let us write $f^2(x)$ in form:

$$f^2(x) = \int_0^1 f(x) t^{u(x)} |h(t)| dt.$$

We apply, in turn, Schwarz's inequality and Theorem 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_0^\infty f^2(x) dx \right)^2 &= \left\{ \int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^1 f(x) t^{u(x)} |h(t)| dt \right) dx \right\}^2 \\ &= \left\{ \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty f(x) t^{u(x)-1/2} dx \right) t^{1/2} |h(t)| dt \right\}^2 \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty f(x) t^{u(x)-1/2} dx \right)^2 dt \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty f(x) t^{u(x)-1/2} dx \right) \left(\int_0^\infty f(y) t^{u(y)-1/2} dy \right) dt \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(x) f(y) t^{u(x)+u(y)-1} dx dy \right) dt \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt \\ &= \left(\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x) f(y)}{u(x) + u(y)} dx dy \right) \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt \\ &\leq \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \omega(p, x) f^p(x) dx \right\}^{1/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \omega(q, y) f^q(y) dy \right\}^{1/q} \\ &\quad \times \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt. \quad (3.5) \end{aligned}$$

Since $h(t) \neq 0, f^2(x) \neq 0$. It is impossible to take equality in (3.5). We therefore complete the proof of the theorem. \square

Using Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 2.2, the following results are attained.

Corollary 3.2. *The functions $h(t), f(x)$ and $u(x)$ with the assumptions as Theorem 3.1, if $0 < \int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-r)} f^r(x) dx < +\infty$ ($r = p, q$), then*

$$\left(\int_0^\infty f^2(x) dx \right)^2 < \frac{\pi}{2 \sin \pi/p} \left(\int_0^\infty x^{(1+x)(1-p)} f^p(x) dx \right)^{1/p} \times \left(\int_0^\infty y^{(1+y)(1-q)} f^q(y) dy \right)^{1/q} \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt. \tag{3.6}$$

In particular, when $p = q = 2$, we have the following result.

Corollary 3.3. *The functions $h(t), f(x)$ and $u(x)$ with the assumptions as Theorem 3.1, if $0 < \int_0^\infty x^{-(1+x)} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x\right)^{-1} f^2(x) dx < +\infty$, then*

$$\left(\int_0^\infty f^2(x) dx \right)^2 < \pi \left(\int_0^\infty x^{-(1+x)} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} + \ln x\right)^{-1} f^2(x) dx \right) \int_0^1 t h^2(t) dt, \tag{3.7}$$

where the constant factor π in (3.7) is best possible.

The inequalities (3.4), (3.6) and (3.7) are extensions of (3.3).

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