

NORM INEQUALITIES WITH NON-ISOTROPIC KERNELS

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**Abstract:** In this study, we establish norm inequalities with non-isotropic kernels depending on  $\lambda$ -distance for maximal operators and fractional integrals generated by the  $\lambda$ -distance.

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1. Introduction

The  $\lambda$ -distance between points  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is defined by the following formula given in [1], [5]-[7], [9]:

$$|x - y|_\lambda := (|x_1 - y_1|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_1}} + |x_2 - y_2|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_2}} + \dots + |x_n - y_n|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_n}})^{\frac{|\lambda|}{n}},$$

where  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ ,  $\lambda_k \geq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$ . Note that this distance has the following properties of homogeneity for any positive  $t$ ,

$$\left( |t^{\lambda_1} x_1|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_1}} + \dots + |t^{\lambda_n} x_n|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_n}} \right)^{\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} = t^{\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} |x|_\lambda, \quad t > 0.$$

From this, relation it follows that the  $\lambda$ -distance is the  $a$ -homogeneous function [1], [5]-[9], where  $a = \frac{|\lambda|}{n}$ . So the non-isotropic  $\lambda$ -distance has the following properties:

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1.  $|x|_\lambda = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \theta, \theta = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ .
2.  $|t^\lambda x|_\lambda = |t|^{\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} |x|_\lambda$ .
3.  $|x + y|_\lambda \leq k(|x|_\lambda + |y|_\lambda)$ .

Here  $k = 2^{\left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}}\right) \frac{|\lambda|}{n}}$ ,  $\lambda_{\min} = \min\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\}$ .

Here we consider  $\lambda$ -spherical coordinates by the following formulas:

$$x_1 = (\rho \cos \varphi_1)^{2\lambda_1}, \dots, x_n = (\rho \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \dots \sin \varphi_{n-1})^{2\lambda_n}.$$

We obtain that  $|x|_\lambda = \rho^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}$ . It can be seen that the Jacobian  $J_\lambda(\rho, \varphi)$  of this transformation is  $J_\lambda(\rho, \varphi) = \rho^{2|\lambda|-1} \Omega_\lambda(\varphi)$ , where  $\Omega_\lambda(\varphi)$  is the bounded function, which only depends on angles  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_{n-1}$ . It is clear that if  $\lambda_i = \frac{1}{2}, i = 1, \dots, n$ , then the  $\lambda$ -distance is Euclidean distance.

Let  $\mu$  be a non-negative  $n$ -dimensional Borel measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , that is a measure satisfying

$$\mu(Q_\lambda(x, r)) \leq \ell(Q_\lambda(x, r))^{2|\lambda|}$$

for  $\lambda$ -cube  $Q_\lambda(x, r) = \{y : |x_1 - y_1| \leq r^{2\lambda_1}, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \leq r^{2\lambda_n}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  with sides parallel to the coordinates axes centered at  $x$  with side length  $r^{2\lambda_i}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where  $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \lambda_n \geq \frac{1}{2}, |\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n, \ell(Q_\lambda)$  stands for the side length of  $Q_\lambda$  and  $n$  is a fixed real number such that  $0 < n \leq d$ .

Let  $0 < \alpha < n$ . For  $f \in L_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  a boundedly supported function we defined the fractional integral generated by  $\lambda$ -distance of order  $\alpha$  as

$$I_{\alpha, \lambda} f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n) \frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} f(y) d\mu(y).$$

Furthermore, we define maximal operators depending on  $\lambda$ -distance for  $0 \leq \alpha < n$ , as follows

$$M_\alpha f(x) = \sup_{x \in Q_\lambda} \frac{1}{\ell(Q_\lambda)^{(n-\alpha) \frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \int_{Q_\lambda} |f(y)| d\mu(y).$$

If  $\alpha = 0$ , we consider the Hardy-Littlewood radial maximal operators as

$$M_0 f(x) = Mf(x) = \sup_{x \in Q_\lambda} \frac{1}{\ell(Q_\lambda)^{2|\lambda|}} \int_{Q_\lambda} |f(y)| d\mu(y).$$

The important properties of the fractional integrals, maximal operators and their generalizations were studied by many authors. We refer to papers

[2]-[7], [9]. The aim of this paper is to study norm inequalities for fractional integrals and maximal operators generated by the  $\lambda$ -distance.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n$  and  $f \in L_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  a boundedly supported function. Then, the following integral is absolutely convergent*

$$I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} f(y) d\mu(y).$$

*Proof.* Since the support of  $f$  is bounded, there is no problem of integrability at infinity. Although the kernel of the operator is singular at the diagonal  $x = y$ , we have the following inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| &\leq \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \leq 1} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L_\infty(\mu)} \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \leq 1} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} d\mu(y) \\ &= \|f\|_{L_\infty(\mu)} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \int_{2^{-k-1} \leq |x-y|_\lambda < 2^{-k}} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} d\mu(y) \\ &= \|f\|_{L_\infty(\mu)} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\mu(Q_\lambda(x, 2^{-k+1}))}{2^{(k+1)(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \leq 2^{(n-\alpha)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n} + 2|\lambda|} \|f\|_{L_\infty(\mu)} \sum_{k=0}^\infty 2^{-k\alpha\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

and hence the integral which defines  $I_{\alpha,\lambda}$  is absolutely convergent. □

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n$  and  $f$  be a bounded function with compact support. Then, for  $1 \leq p < \frac{n}{\alpha}$  the following inequality holds*

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}^{\frac{p\alpha}{n}} Mf(x)^{1-\frac{p\alpha}{n}}. \tag{1.1}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\rho > 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| &\leq \int_{|x-y|_\lambda < \rho} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\quad + \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \geq \rho} |x - y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) = I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

For  $I_1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-(k-1)}\rho \leq |x-y|_\lambda < 2^{-k}\rho} |x-y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq 2^{4|\lambda|-\alpha\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \rho^{\alpha\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-k\alpha\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \frac{1}{(2^{-k+1}\rho)^{2|\lambda|}} \int_{\mathbf{Q}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) = C\rho^{\alpha\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} Mf(x). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand if  $p = 1$ , then we have the following inequality for  $I_2$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \geq \rho} |x-y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\rho^{(n-\alpha)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \geq \rho} |f(y)| d\mu(y) = C\rho^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \|f\|_{L_1}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $1 \leq p < \frac{n}{\alpha}$ , put  $\beta = \frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(n-\alpha)p' - n$ . Then  $\beta > 0$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \geq \rho} |x-y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L_{p(\mu)}} \left( \int_{|x-y|_\lambda \geq \rho} |x-y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}p'} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p(\mu)}} \rho^{-\left(\frac{2|\lambda|}{p} - \frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\alpha\right)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, there is the following inequality for any  $\rho > 0$

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| \leq I_1 + I_2 \leq C(\rho^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\alpha} Mf(x) + \rho^{-2|\lambda|(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha}{n})} \|f\|_{L_{p(\mu)}}).$$

Minimizing the right-hand side with respect to  $\rho$ , we see that its minimum is reached at

$$\rho_{\min} = C_1 Mf(x)^{\frac{-p}{2|\lambda|}} \|f\|_{L_{p(\mu)}}^{\frac{p}{2|\lambda|}},$$

and easy evaluations give

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p(\mu)}}^{\frac{p\alpha}{n}} Mf(x)^{1-\frac{p\alpha}{n}}. \quad \square$$

**Remark 1.** Let  $0 < \alpha < n$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $x \in Q_\lambda$ . Then, for every  $y \in Q_\lambda$  we have  $|x-y|_\lambda \leq \sqrt{d}\ell(Q_\lambda)$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\ell(Q_\lambda)^{(n-\alpha)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \int_Q |f(y)| d\mu(y) &\leq d^{(n-\alpha)\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} \int_{Q_\lambda} |x-y|_\lambda^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq d^{(n-\alpha)\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} I_{\alpha,\lambda}(|f|)(x). \end{aligned}$$

By taking the supremum over all  $\lambda$ -cube  $Q_\lambda$  containing  $x$ , we obtain that

$$M_\alpha f(x) \leq d^{(n-\alpha)\frac{|\lambda|}{n}} I_{\alpha,\lambda}(|f|)(x).$$

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n$ .*

(a) *If  $1 \leq p < \frac{n}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\alpha}{n}$ , then  $I_{\alpha,\lambda} : L_p(\mu) \rightarrow L_q(\mu)$ .*

(b) *If  $\frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{n}$ , then  $I_{\alpha,\lambda} : L_1(\mu) \rightarrow L_q(\mu)$ .*

*Proof.* For the (a) part of the proposition, if we consider the (1.1) inequality, then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |I_{\alpha,\lambda} f(x)|^q d\mu(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} &\leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mu)}^{\frac{p\alpha}{n}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} Mf(x)^{q(1-\frac{p\alpha}{n})} d\mu(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= C \|f\|_{L_p(\mu)}^{\frac{p\alpha}{n}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} Mf(x)^p d\mu(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mu)}^{\frac{p\alpha}{n}} \|f\|_{L_p(\mu)}^{\frac{p}{q}} = C \|f\|_{L_p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us see what happens in the case of  $p = 1$ . In this case, the inequality (1.1) becomes

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda} f(x)| \leq C \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)}^{\frac{\alpha}{n}} Mf(x)^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}} = C \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)}^{\frac{\alpha}{n}} Mf(x)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Use that  $M$  is of the weak type  $(1, 1)$ , we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |I_{\alpha,\lambda} f(x)| > \varepsilon\} &\leq \mu\left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : Mf(x) > \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{C \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)}^{\frac{\alpha}{n}}}\right)^q\right\} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{C \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)}^{\frac{\alpha}{n}}}{\varepsilon}\right)^q \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)} = \left(\frac{C \|f\|_{L_1(\mu)}}{\varepsilon}\right)^q. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n$  and  $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\alpha, (n - \alpha)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\}$ . Then for any bounded function with bounded support  $f$ , we have*

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda} f(x)| \leq C (M_{\alpha-\varepsilon} f(x) M_{\alpha+\varepsilon} f(x))^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where  $C$  only depends on  $n, \alpha, \lambda$  and  $\varepsilon$ .

*Proof.* We can split  $I_{\alpha, \lambda} f$  for  $\rho > 0$

$$|I_{\alpha, \lambda} f(x)| = \int_{|x-y|_{\lambda} < \rho} |x-y|_{\lambda}^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(\alpha-n)} |f(y)| d\mu(y) + \int_{|x-y|_{\lambda} \geq \rho} |x-y|_{\lambda}^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(\alpha-n)} |f(y)| d\mu(y) = I + II.$$

For  $I$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-(k-1)}\rho \leq |x-y|_{\lambda} < 2^{-k}\rho} |x-y|_{\lambda}^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(\alpha-n)} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(2^{-k-1}\rho\right)^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \int_{Q_{\lambda}(x, 2^{-k+1}\rho)} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C\rho^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha-\varepsilon} f(x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-k\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} \leq C\rho^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha-\varepsilon} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

For  $II$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} II &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^k\rho \leq |x-y|_{\lambda} < 2^{(k+1)}\rho} |x-y|_{\lambda}^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(\alpha-n)} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2^k\rho)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}(\alpha-n)} \int_{2^k\rho \leq |x-y|_{\lambda} < 2^{(k+1)}\rho} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2^k\rho)^{(\alpha-n)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \frac{(2^{k+2}\rho)^{(n-\alpha-\varepsilon)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}}{(2^{k+2}\rho)^{(n-\alpha-\varepsilon)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \int_{|x-y|_{\lambda} < 2^{(k+1)}\rho} |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C\rho^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha+\varepsilon} f(x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-k\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} \leq C\rho^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha+\varepsilon} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $0 < \alpha < n$  and  $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\alpha, (n - \alpha)\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\}$  we have  $0 < \alpha - \varepsilon < \alpha < \alpha + \varepsilon < n$ . Thus, collecting the both estimates,

$$|I_{\alpha, \lambda} f(x)| \leq C \left( \rho^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha-\varepsilon} f(x) + \rho^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\varepsilon} M_{\alpha+\varepsilon} f(x) \right)$$

for any  $\rho > 0$ . Minimizing the right-hand side with respect to  $\rho$ , we see that its minimum is reached at

$$\rho_{\min} = C_1(M_{\alpha-\varepsilon}f(x))^{-1}M_{\alpha+\varepsilon}f(x))^{\frac{n}{4|\lambda|\varepsilon}}$$

and easy evaluations give

$$|I_{\alpha,\lambda}f(x)| \leq C(M_{\alpha-\varepsilon}f(x)M_{\alpha+\varepsilon}f(x))^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad \square$$

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