REDUCTION THEOREMS FOR OPERATORS ON THE CONES OF MONOTONE FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. For a quasilinear operator on the semiaxis a reduction theorem is proved on the cones of monotone functions in $L^p - L^q$ setting for $0 < q < \infty$, $1 \leq p < \infty$. The case $0 < p < 1$ is also studied for operators with additional properties. In particular, we obtain criteria for three-weight inequalities for the Hardy-type operators with Oinarov’ kernel on monotone functions in the case $0 < q < p \leq 1$.

1. Introduction

Let $\mathbb{R}_+ := [0, \infty)$. Denote $\mathcal{M}^+$ the set of all non-negative measurable functions on $\mathbb{R}_+$ and $\mathcal{M}^+ \subset \mathcal{M}^+ (\mathcal{M}^+ \subset \mathcal{M}^+)$ the subset of all non-increasing (non-decreasing) functions. For the last two decades the weighted norm $L^p - L^q$ inequalities have extensively been studied. In particular, much attention was paid to the inequalities restricted to the cones of monotone functions, see for instance [1], [21], [25], [26], [6], [12], [22], survey [5], the monographs [15], [16] and references given there. At the initial stage the main tool was the Sawyer duality principle [21] (see also [23], [24]), which allowed to reduce an $L^p - L^q$ inequality for monotone functions with $1 \leq q \leq \infty, 0 < p < \infty$ to a more manageable inequality for arbitrary non-negative functions. The case $p \leq q, 0 < p \leq 1$ was alternatively characterized in [25], [26], [6], [3]. Later on some direct reduction theorems were found [9], [10] [4] involving the supremum operators which work for the case $0 < q < p \leq 1$.

Let $T: \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+$ be a positive quasilinear operator such that

(i) $T(\lambda f) = \lambda T f$ for all $\lambda \geq 0$ and $f \in \mathcal{M}^+$,

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(ii) $T(f+g) \leq c(Tf+Tg)$ for all $f, g \in \mathcal{M}^+$ with a constant $c > 0$ independent on $f$ and $g$, 
(iii) $Tf(x) \leq cTg(x)$ for almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$, if $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ with a constant $c > 0$ independent on $f$ and $g$.

Let $v$ and $w$ be weights, that is non-negative locally integrable functions on $\mathbb{R}_+$. The first our result is a reduction of the inequality

$$
\left( \int_0^\infty (Tf(t))^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (f(t))^p v(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1
$$

(1.1)

to a similar one on $\mathcal{M}^+$ in the case $0 < q \leq \infty$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ (see Theorems 2.1-2.4). When $0 < p \leq q < \infty$, $0 < p < 1$ we supplement these results in Section 3 by an extension of [3] and [26].

It is well known that the case $0 < q < p \leq 1$ is the most difficult for a characterization of inequalities like (1.1) (see [2], [4], [5], [9], [7] [11], [13], [22]). We study this case in Section 4 including the three-weight inequality of the form

$$
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty f(t)u(t) dt \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (f(t))^p v(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1,
$$

(1.2)

for all $f \in \mathcal{M}^1$ and give three alternative reductions and a criterion (see Theorem 4.1) and section 5 contains a characterization of (1.2) for $0 < p, q \leq \infty$ (see Theorems 5.1 and 5.3)

Also we study the inequality

$$
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^x k(x,t)f(t)u(t) dt \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (f(t))^p v(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1,
$$

(1.3)

where $k(x,t) \geq 0$ is Oinarov’s kernel and give a full description for $0 < p, q < \infty$ (see Theorems 4.5 and 5.7).

We use signs := and =: for determining new quantities and $\mathbb{Z}$ for the set of all integers. For positive functionals $F$ and $G$ we write $F \ll G$, if $F \leq cG$ with some positive constant $c$, which depends only on irrelevant parameters. $F \approx G$ means $F \ll G \ll F$ or $F = cG$. $\chi_E$ denotes the characteristic function (indicator) of a set $E$. Uncertainties of the form $0 \cdot \infty$, $\frac{\infty}{0}$ and $\frac{0}{0}$ are taken to be zero. We use notations $C$ or $C$ with lower indices for the constants (possibly different in different occasions) in the inequalities like (1.1). □ stands for the end of proof.

2. Quasilinear operators

Put $V(t) := \int_0^t v$ and denote $1$ the function on $\mathbb{R}_+$ identically equal to 1.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let $0 < q \leq \infty$, $1 < p < \infty$ and let $T : \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+$ be a positive quasilinear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii). Then the inequality (1.1) holds iff the
following two inequalities are valid:

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( T \left( \int_x^\infty h \right) \right)^q w \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty h^{pV^{p-1}} \right)^{1/p}, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+
\]
and

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty (T1)^q w \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty v \right)^{1/p}.
\]

Proof. Let \(0 < q < \infty\). Necessity. Let \(h \in \mathcal{M}^+\) be integrable on \([x, \infty)\) for all \(x > 0\). Then \(f(x) = \int_x^\infty h \in \mathcal{M}^1\) and by (1.1) and Hardy’s inequality we have

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( T \left( \int_x^\infty h \right) \right)^q w \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty h \right)^p v(x)dx \right)^{1/p},
\]
\[
\ll C \left( \int_0^\infty h^{pV^{p-1}} \right)^{1/p}.
\]

(2.2) follows from (1.1) with \(f = 1\).

Sufficiency. Suppose that \(V(\infty) = \infty\) and \(f \in \mathcal{M}^1\). Then

\[
f(x) = \frac{f(x)V(x)}{V(x)} = \left( \int_x^\infty \frac{v}{V^2} \right) f(x)V(x)
\]
\[
\leq \left( \int_x^\infty \frac{v}{V^2} \right) \int_0^x fV \leq \int_x^\infty \left( \int_0^t fV \right) \frac{v(t)dt}{V^2(t)}.
\]

Applying (iii) and (2.1) with

\[
h(t) = \left( \int_0^t fV \right) \frac{v(t)}{V^2(t)}
\]
and applying Hardy’s inequality, we find

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty (Tf)^q w \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^t fV \right)^p v(t)dt \frac{V^2(t)}{V^2(t)} \right)^{1/p},
\]
\[
\ll C \left( \int_0^\infty f^{pV} \right)^{1/p}.
\]

If \(V(\infty) < \infty\), then by Hölder’s inequality

\[
f(x) = \left[ \frac{1}{V(x)} - \frac{1}{V(\infty)} \right] f(x)V(x) + \frac{V(x)}{V(\infty)} f(x)
\]
\[
\leq \left( \int_x^\infty \frac{v}{V^2} \right) \int_0^x fV + \frac{V^{1/p}(x)V^{1/p}(x)}{V(\infty)} f(x)
\]
\[
\leq \left( \int_x^\infty \left( \int_0^t fV \right) \frac{v(t)dt}{V^2(t)} \right) + \frac{\left( \int_0^\infty f^{pV} \right)^{1/p}}{V^{1/p}(\infty)} =: \int_x^\infty h + \lambda 1.
\]
Applying (i), (ii), (2.1), (2.2) and Hardy’s inequality, we obtain
\[
\left(\int_0^\infty (Tf)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \ll \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_x^\infty h^q \right) w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \lambda \left(\int_0^\infty (T1)^q w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}
\]
\[
\ll C \left(\left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^t f v(t)dt \right)^p \frac{1}{V_p(t)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\int_0^\infty f_p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right).
\]
The case \( q = \infty \) is treated similarly.

To study the case \( p = 1 \) we suppose that an operator \( T: \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+ \) satisfies the following axiom:

(iv) If \( \{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{M}^1 \) and \( f_n(x) \uparrow f(x) \in \mathcal{M}^1 \) for almost every \( x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \), then \( Tf_n(x) \uparrow Tf(x) \) for almost every \( x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \).

We also need the following simple case of ([23], Lemma 1.2).

**Lemma 2.2.** Let \( f \in \mathcal{M}^1 \). Then there exist the sequence of non-negative finitely supported integrable functions \( \{h_n\} \subset \mathcal{M}^+ \) such that the functions
\[
f_n(x) := \int_x^\infty h_n(s)ds
\]
are increasing with respect to \( n \) for any \( x > 0 \) and \( f(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) \) for almost all \( x > 0 \).

**Theorem 2.3.** Let \( 0 < q < \infty, p = 1 \) and let \( T: \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+ \) be a positive quasi-linear operator, satisfying (i)-(iv). Then the inequality (1.1) holds iff the inequality (2.1) is valid.

**Proof.** The necessity is obvious. For sufficiency we suppose that \( f \in \mathcal{M}^1 \) and by Lemma 2.2 there exists \( \{h_n\} \subset L^1(\mathbb{R}_+) \) such that
\[
f_n(x) := \int_x^\infty h_n(y)dy \uparrow f(x).
\]
Then by (i)-(iv) and Fatou’s lemma
\[
\left(\int_0^\infty (Tf)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \ll \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\lim_{n \to \infty} Tf_n \right)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}
\]
\[
\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\int_0^\infty (Tf_n)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}
\]
\[
= \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\int_0^\infty T\left(\int_x^\infty h_n \right)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}
\]
\[
\leq C \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\int_0^\infty h_n V \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\]
\[
C \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( \int_0^\infty f_n v \right) = C \int_0^\infty f v.
\]

Analogously we reduce the inequality for non-decreasing functions of the form

\[
(\int_0^\infty (Tf(t))^q w(t) dt)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (f(t))^p v(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in M^+.
\]

provided the axiom (iv) is replaced by

(iv') If \(\{f_n\} \subset M^+\) and \(f_n(x) \uparrow f(x) \in M^+\) for almost every \(x \in \mathbb{R}_+\), then \(Tf_n(x) \uparrow Tf(x)\) for almost every \(x \in \mathbb{R}_+\).

Put \(V_*(t) := \int_t^\infty v\).

**Theorem 2.4.** Let \(0 < q < \infty, 1 < p < \infty\) and let \(T: M^+ \to M^+\) be a positive quasilinear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii). Then the inequality (2.3) holds iff (2.2) and the inequality

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( T \left( \int_0^x h \right) \right)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty h^p V_*^{1-p} v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad h \in M^+
\]

are valid.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let \(0 < q < \infty, p = 1\) and let \(T: M^+ \to M^+\) be a positive quasilinear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii) and (iv'). Then the inequality (2.3) holds iff the inequalities (2.4) and (2.2) are valid.

**3. The case** \(0 < p \leq q < \infty\)

Let \(f \in M^+\). Then there exist \(\{x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}_+\) such that

\[
f(x) \approx \sum_n 2^{-n} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) = \sum_{n,x_n \geq x} 2^{-n} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) = \int_{[x,\infty)} \left( \sum_n 2^{-n} \delta_{x_n}(s) \right) ds =: \int_{[x,\infty)} h(s) ds,
\]

where \(\delta_t(s)\) is the Dirac delta-function at a point \(t\). Observe that

\[
[f(x)]^r \approx \left( \sum_n 2^{-n} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) \right)^r \approx \sum_n 2^{-nr} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x), \quad r > 0.
\]
Theorem 3.1. Let \(0 < p \leq q < \infty\) and let \(T: \mathcal{M}^+ \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^+\) be a positive quasi-linear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii), such that

\[
T \left( \sum_n f_n \right) \ll \left( \sum_n [Tf_n]^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}
\]

for any \(f_n \geq 0\). Then the inequality (1.1) is equivalent to the validity one of the following conditions:

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ T\chi_{[0,s]}(x) \right]^p h(s) ds \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_2 \int_0^\infty hV, \ h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \tag{3.4}
\]

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{s>0} T\chi_{[0,s]}(x) f(s) \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_3 \left( \int_0^\infty f^pv \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \ f \in \mathcal{M}^+, \tag{3.5}
\]

\[
\left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{s>0} \left( T\chi_{[0,s]}(x) \right)^p \int_s^\infty h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_4 \int_0^\infty hV, \ h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \tag{3.6}
\]

or

\[
\mathcal{D} := \sup_{t>0} \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ T\chi_{[0,t]}(x) \right]^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V^{-\frac{1}{q}}(t) < \infty. \tag{3.7}
\]

Moreover,

\[
C \approx C_2 = \mathcal{D} \approx C_3 = C_4. \tag{3.8}
\]

Proof. (3.5)\(\iff\)(3.6) follows by Lemma 2.2 with equality \(C_3 = C_4\). (3.5) \(\implies\) (3.7) follows by applying (3.5) to a test function \(f_t(s) := \chi_{[0,t]}(s), \ t > 0\). Similarly, we obtain (1.1) \(\implies\) (3.7). From the properties (i)-(iii) we find, that for all \(s > 0\)

\[Tf(x) \geq T(\chi_{[0,s]}f)(x) \geq T\chi_{[0,s]}(x)f(s) \]

and (1.1) \(\implies\) (3.5) follows. Let

\[k(x, s) := \left[ T\chi_{[0,s]}(x) \right]^p \]

and

\[\mathbf{K}h(x) := \int_0^\infty k(x, s)h(s) ds. \]

Then (3.4) is equivalent to the boundedness \(\mathbf{K}: L^1_V \rightarrow L^q_w\) and

\[C_2^p = \|\mathbf{K}\|_{L^1_V \rightarrow L^q_w} = \mathcal{D}^p. \]

Let us show that (3.4) \(\implies\) (1.1). It follows from (3.2) and (3.3), that

\[
(Tf^p)(x) \approx \left( T \left( \sum_n 2^{-n}\chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}(x)
\]
Observe that (1.1) is equivalent to
\[
\left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( T f \right)_p^q \, w \, dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \leq C^p \int_{0}^{\infty} f \, v, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1.
\]

Now, using (3.2), we find
\[
\left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( T f \right)_p^q \, w \, dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \approx \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_n 2^{-n} \left[ T \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) \right]^p \right) w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}}
\]
\[
= \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[ T \chi_{[s,\infty]}(x) \right]^p h(s) ds \right) \frac{1}{q} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}}
\]
\[
\leq C_2^p \int_{0}^{\infty} h V = C_2^p \sum_n 2^{-n} V(x_n)
\]
\[
\approx C_2^p \sum_n 2^{-n} \int_{[x_n,x_{n+1}]} v \approx C_2^p \int_{0}^{\infty} f v.
\]

Consequently, \( C \ll C_2 \) and (3.8) follows. \( \square \)

Similarly, we characterize the case of non-decreasing functions.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let \( 0 < p \leq q < \infty \) and let \( T : \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+ \) be a positive quasilinear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii) and (3.3). Then the inequality (2.3) is equivalent to one of the following conditions:

\[
(3.9) \quad \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[ T \chi_{[s,\infty]}(x) \right]^p h(s) ds \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} w(x) dx \leq C_2^p \int_{0}^{\infty} h V, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+,
\]

\[
(3.10) \quad \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \sup_{s \geq 0} T \chi_{[s,\infty]}(x) f(s) \right) \frac{1}{q} w(x) dx \leq C_3 \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1,
\]

\[
(3.11) \quad \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[ \sup_{s \geq 0} \left( T \chi_{[s,\infty]}(x) \right)^p \int_{0}^{s} h \right] \frac{1}{q} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \leq C_4^p \int_{0}^{\infty} h V, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+,
\]

\[
(3.12) \quad D_s := \sup_{t > 0} \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} [T \chi_{[s,\infty]}(x)]^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V_s^{-\frac{1}{2}}(t) < \infty.
\]
Moreover,

\begin{equation}
C \approx C_2 = D_* \approx C_3 = C_4.
\end{equation}

Now we study the converse inequality

\begin{equation}
\left( \int_0^\infty f^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (Tf)^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in M^1
\end{equation}

Put \( W(t) := \int_0^t w \), \( W_*(t) := \int_t^\infty w \).

**Theorem 3.3.** Let \( 0 < p \leq q < \infty \) and let \( T : M^+ \to M^+ \) be a positive quasilinear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii), such that

\begin{equation}
\left( \sum_n [Tf_n]^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \ll T \left( \sum_n f_n \right)
\end{equation}

for any \( f_n \geq 0 \). Then the inequality (3.14) is equivalent to the validity of the inequality

\begin{equation}
\int_0^\infty h W \leq C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty [T\chi_{[0,t]}(x)]^p h(s) ds \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}, \quad h \in M^+,
\end{equation}

or

\begin{equation}
\mathcal{D} := \sup_{t>0} W_*(t) \left( \int_0^\infty [T\chi_{[0,t]}(x)]^p h(x) dx \right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.
\end{equation}

Moreover,

\begin{equation}
C \approx C_2 = \mathcal{D}.
\end{equation}

**Proof.** The implication (3.14) \( \implies \) (3.17) is clear. Let us show (3.17) \( \implies \) (3.16). By Minkowskii’s inequality we have

\[
\int_0^\infty h W \leq \mathcal{D}^q \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty [T\chi_{[0,t]}(x)]^p v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} h(t) dt \leq \mathcal{D}^q \left( \int_0^\infty v(x) \left( \int_0^\infty [T\chi_{[0,t]}(x)]^q h(t) dt \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}.
\]

Now, (3.14) is equivalent to

\begin{equation}
\int_0^\infty fw \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (Tf^\frac{1}{p})^p v \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}, \quad f \in M^1
\end{equation}
Using (3.16), (3.1), (3.2) and (3.15), we write
\[ \int_0^\infty f w = \int_0^\infty h W \]
\[ \leq C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty [T \chi_{[0,\infty)}(x)]^q h(s) ds \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]
\[ = C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sum_n 2^{-n} [T \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x)]^q \right) v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]
\[ = C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sum_n T \left( \frac{2^{-\frac{n}{q}} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x)}{x} \right)^q \right) v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]
\[ \leq C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ T \left( \sum_n 2^{-\frac{n}{q}} \chi_{[0,x_n]}(x) \right)^p \right] v(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]
\[ \approx C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( T f_1 \right)^p v \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]
and (3.18) follows. \( \square \)

Similarly we characterize the inequality
\[ \left( \int_0^\infty f^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left( \int_0^\infty (T f)^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^+ \]

**Theorem 3.4.** Let \( 0 < p \leq q < \infty \) and let \( T : \mathcal{M}^+ \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^+ \) be a positive quasi-linear operator, satisfying (i)-(iii) and (3.15). Then the inequality (3.20) is valid iff
\[ \int_0^\infty h W_s \leq C_2^q \left( \int_0^\infty \left( [T \chi_{[s,\infty)}(x)]^p h(s) ds \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \]
or
\[ \mathcal{D}_s := \sup_{t>0} W_s^{\frac{1}{p}}(t) \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ T \chi_{[t,\infty)}(x) \right]^p v(x) dx \right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} < \infty. \]
Moreover,
\[ C \approx C_2 = \mathcal{D}_s. \]
Remark 3.5. Let $T$ be an integral operator

$$(3.24) \quad Tf(x) := \int_0^\infty k(x, y)f(y)dy$$

with a non-negative kernel. Then the condition (3.3) is valid for all $p \in (0, 1]$ and by Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 we obtain ([26], Theorem 4.1), ([18], Theorem 2.1 (a)) and ([3], Theorem 1). Analogously, the condition (3.15) holds for all $q \geq 1$ and by Theorems 3.3 and 3.4 we obtain an extension of ([26], Theorem 4.2) ([18], Theorem 2.1 (b)) for a larger interval.

4. The case $0 < q < p \leq 1$

Let $u, v$ and $w$ be weights. Denote $V(t) := \int_0^t v$, $W(t) := \int_0^t w$, $U(y, x) := \int_x^y u$. For simplicity we suppose that $0 < V(t) < \infty$, $0 < W(t) < \infty$ for all $t > 0$ and $V(\infty) = \infty$, $W(\infty) = \infty$.

Theorem 4.1. Let $0 < q < p \leq 1$, $1/r := 1/q - 1/p$. The following are equivalent:

$$(4.1) \quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_x^\infty fu \right)^q w(x)dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_1 \left(\int_0^\infty f^pv\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1,$$

$$(4.2) \quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_x^\infty U^p(y, x)h(y)dy\right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x)dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_2 \int_0^\infty hV, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+,$$

$$(4.3) \quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\sup_{y \geq x} U^p(y, x)\int_x^\infty h\right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x)dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_3 \int_0^\infty hV, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+,$$

$$(4.4) \quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\sup_{y \geq x} U(y, x)f(y)\right)^q w(x)dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_4 \left(\int_0^\infty f^pv\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1,$$

$$(4.5) \quad \mathcal{B}^r := \sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^q(x_{k+1}, y)w(y)dy \leq V^{-r}(x_{k+1}) < \infty.$$

Moreover,

$$(4.6) \quad C_1 \approx C_2 \approx C_3 = C_4 \approx \mathcal{B}.$$ 

Proof. Observe first, that $(4.4) \Longleftrightarrow (4.5)$ follows from ([27], Theorem 4.4). $(4.4) \Rightarrow (4.3)$ is obvious and $(4.3) \Rightarrow (4.4)$ follows by applying Lemma 2.2 and Fatou’s lemma. For any $f \in \mathcal{M}^1$

$$\int_x^\infty fu \geq \sup_{y \geq x} \int_x^y fu \geq \sup_{y \geq x} U(y, x)f(y).$$
Hence, (4.1) \(\implies\) (4.4). The inequality (4.1) is equivalent to

\[(4.7) \quad \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty f^\frac{1}{p} u \right)^q w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C^p \left( \int_0^\infty f^v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathfrak{M}^1, \]

Let \( f(x) = f_x^\infty h. \) Then by Minkowski's inequality

\[
\int_x^\infty f^\frac{1}{p} u = \int_x^\infty \left( \int_z^\infty h \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} u(z) dz \leq \left( \int_x^\infty U^p(y,x) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}
\]

and (4.2) \(\implies\) (4.1) follows by Lemma 2.2.

Thus, the only (4.3) \(\implies\) (4.2) remains to prove. To this end let us denote the left hand sides of (4.2) and (4.3) as \( A^\frac{p}{q} \) and \( B^\frac{p}{q} \), respectively. Suppose, that (4.3) is true and denote \( \{x_n\} \) such a sequence, that \( W(x_n) = 2^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}. \) Put \( \Delta_n := [x_n, x_{n+1}) \). Then

\[
A := \sum_n \int_{\Delta_n} \left( \int_{x_n}^\infty U^p(y,x) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx
\]

\[
\approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \int_{x_n}^\infty U^p(y,x) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
= \sum_n 2^n \left( \int_{x_n}^\infty U^p(y,x_n) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
= \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \int_{\Delta_i} U^p(y,x_i) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
\approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \int_{\Delta_i} U^p(y,x_i) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
= \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} U^p(x_i, x_n) \int_{\Delta_i} h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
=: A_1 + A_2.
\]

Applying well known equivalence

\[(4.8) \quad \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} a_i \right)^s \approx \sum_n 2^n a_n^s
\]

valid for any sequence \( \{a_n\} \) of non-negative numbers and \( s > 0 \), we obtain

\[(4.9) \quad A_1 \approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \int_{\Delta_n} U^p(y,x_n) h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]
By Jensen’s inequality and (4.8)

\[ A_2 := \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=n}^{i-1} U(x_{j+1}, x_j) \right)^p \int_{\Delta_i} h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]

\[ \leq \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=n}^{i-1} U^p(x_{j+1}, x_j) \int_{\Delta_i} h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]

\[ = \sum_n 2^n \left( \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} U^p(x_{j+1}, x_j) \int_{x_{j+1}}^{\infty} h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]

(4.10)

\[ \approx \sum_n 2^n \left( U^p(x_{n+1}, x_n) \int_{x_{n+1}}^{\infty} h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} . \]

Similarly, for the constant \( B \) we have

\[ B := \int_0^{\infty} \left( \sup_{y \geq x} U^p(y, x) \int_y^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \]

\[ = \sum_n \int_{\Delta_n} \left( \sup_{y \geq x} U^p(y, x) \int_y^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \]

\[ \approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{y \geq x_n} \left( \int_y^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \right) \]

\[ = \sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{i \geq n} \sup_{y \in \Delta_i} U^p(y, x_{i+1}, x_i) \int_{x_{i+1}}^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \]

\[ \approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{i \geq n+1} \left( \int_{x_{i+1}}^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \right) \]

\[ + \sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} \left( \int_{x_{i+1}}^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \right) \]

\[ =: B_1 + B_2. \]
Here we applied \( \sum_n 2^n (\sup_{i \geq n} a_i)^s \approx \sum_n 2^n a_n^s \), valid for any sequence \( a_n \geq 0 \) and \( s > 0 \). Suppose, that (4.3) holds. Then

\[
B_i \ll C_3^q \left( \int_0^\infty hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}, \quad i = 1, 2.
\]

By (4.10)

\[
A_2 \ll B_2 \ll C_3^q \left( \int_0^\infty hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}.
\]

By Hölder’s inequality

\[
A_1 \approx \sum_n 2^n \left( \int_{\Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n)V^{-1}(y)h(y)V(y)dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
\leq \sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n)V^{-1}(y) \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \left( \int_{\Delta_n} hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
\leq \left( \sum_n 2^{n\frac{q}{p}} \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n)V^{-1}(y) \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \right)^\frac{q}{p} \left( \sum_n \int_{\Delta_n} hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

\[
=: D^q \left( \int_0^\infty hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}
\]

It follows from (4.11), that

\[
\sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n) \int_y^{x_{n+1}} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \ll C_3^q \left( \int_0^\infty hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}.
\]

Let \( H_n : L^1_V[\Delta_n] \rightarrow L^\infty[\Delta_n] \) be operator of the form

\[
H_n h(y) := U^p(y, x_n) \int_y^{x_{n+1}} h.
\]

Then

\[
d_n := \| H_n \|_{L^1_V[\Delta_n] \rightarrow L^\infty[\Delta_n]} = \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n)V^{-1}(y).
\]

Let \( h_n \in L^1_V[\Delta_n] \) be such that

\[
\sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n)V^{-1}(y) \geq \frac{d_n}{2} \int_{\Delta_n} h_n V.
\]

Then by (4.13)

\[
C_3^q \gg \sup_{h \geq 0} \frac{\sum_n 2^n \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n) \int_y^{x_{n+1}} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}}{\left( \int_0^\infty hV \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}}
\]
\[ \geq \sup_{h = \sum_n a_n h_n} \frac{\sum_n 2^n a_n^2 \left( \sup_{y \in \Delta_n} U^p(y, x_n) \int_{y + 1}^{x_n + 1} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}}{\left( \sum_n a_n \int_{\Delta_n} h V \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}} \]
\[ \gg \sup_{h = \sum_n a_n h_n} \frac{\sum_n 2^n a_n^2 \left( a_n \int_{\Delta_n} h V \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}}{\left( \sum_n a_n \int_{\Delta_n} h V \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}} = \mathbb{D}^q. \]

Hence, \( \mathbb{D} \ll C_3 \) and
\[ A_1 \ll \mathbb{D}^q \left( \int_0^\infty h V \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} \ll C_3^q \left( \int_0^\infty h V \right)^{\frac{q}{p}}. \]

This and (4.12) imply (4.3) \( \implies \) (4.2). \( \square \)

Symmetric version of the previous theorem is the following.

**Theorem 4.2.** Let \( 0 < q < p \leq 1 \). The following are equivalent:

\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^x f u \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \tilde{C}_1 \left( \int_0^\infty f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^+, \]
\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^x U^p(x, y)h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{2}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \leq \tilde{C}_2 \int_0^\infty h V, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \]
\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{0 < y \leq x} U^p(x, y) \int_0^x h \right)^{\frac{q}{2}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{p}{q}} \leq \tilde{C}_3 \int_0^\infty h V, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \]
\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{0 < y \leq x} U(x, y) f(y) \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \tilde{C}_4 \left( \int_0^\infty f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^+, \]
\[
\mathbb{B}^r := \sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^q(y, x_k, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} V^{-\frac{q}{p}} \lesssim \infty.
\]

Moreover,
\[ \tilde{C}_1 \approx \tilde{C}_2 \approx \tilde{C}_3 = \tilde{C}_4 \approx \mathbb{B}. \]

**Remark 4.3.** The result of Theorem 4.2 supplements [12].

**Definition 4.4.** A measurable function \( k(x, y) \geq 0 \) on \( \{(x, y) : x \geq y \geq 0\} \), we name Oinarov kernel, \( k(x, y) \in \mathcal{O} \), if there exist a constant \( D \geq 1 \), independent of \( x, y \) and \( z \) such, that
\[ D^{-1} (k(x, z) + k(z, y)) \leq k(x, y) \leq D (k(x, z) + k(z, y)) \]
for all \( x \geq z \geq y \geq 0 \).
Let \( k(x, z) \geq 0 \) be a measurable kernel. Put
\[
K(x, y) = \int_{0}^{y} k(x, z)u(z)dz.
\]

**Theorem 4.5.** Let \( 0 < q < p \leq 1, 1/r := 1/q - 1/p \). Let \( k(x, y) \) be a continuous Oinarov kernel. The following inequalities are equivalent:

\[
\left( \int_{0}^{x} \left( \int_{0}^{x} k(x, y)f(y)u(y)dy \right)^{q} w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_1 \left( \int_{0}^{x} f^{p}v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1, \tag{4.15}
\]

\[
\left( \int_{0}^{x} \left( \int_{0}^{x} K^{p}(x, y)h(y)dy + K^{p}(x, x) \int_{x}^{\infty} h(y)dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_2 \int_{0}^{x} hV, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \tag{4.16}
\]

\[
\left( \int_{0}^{x} \left( \sup_{0 < y \leq x} K^{p}(x, y) \int_{y}^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_3 \int_{0}^{x} hV, \quad h \in \mathcal{M}^+, \tag{4.17}
\]

\[
\left( \int_{0}^{x} \left( \int_{0}^{x} K^{q}(x, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_4 \left( \int_{0}^{x} f^{p}v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1, \tag{4.18}
\]

\[
\mathbb{B}^r := \sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} K^{q}(y, x_k)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x_k) < \infty. \tag{4.19}
\]

Moreover,
\[
C_1 \approx C_2 \approx C_3 = C_4 \approx \mathbb{B}. \tag{4.20}
\]

**Proof.** We will prove the following implications \((4.16) \Rightarrow (4.15) \Rightarrow (4.18) \Leftrightarrow (4.17) \Rightarrow (4.19) \Rightarrow (4.16)\).

The inequality (4.15) is equivalent to

\[
\left( \int_{0}^{x} \left( \int_{0}^{x} k(x, y)f^{\frac{1}{p}}(y)u(y)dy \right)^{q} w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_1^{p} \left( \int_{0}^{x} f^{p}v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M}^1, \tag{4.21}
\]

Let \( f(x) = f_{x}^{\infty} h \). Then by Minkowski’s inequality
\[
\int_{0}^{x} k(x, z)f^{\frac{1}{p}}(z)u(z)dz = \int_{0}^{x} \left( \int_{z}^{\infty} h \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} k(x, z)u(z)dz
\]
and (4.16) $\implies$ (4.15) follows by Lemma 2.2.

For any $f \in M^1$
\[
\int_0^x k(x, z)f(z)u(z)dz \geq \sup_{0<y \leq x} \int_0^y k(x, z)u(z)dzf(y) \geq \sup_{0<y \leq x} K(x, y)f(y).
\]
Hence, (4.15) $\implies$ (4.18). (4.18) $\implies$ (4.17) is obvious and (4.17) $\implies$ (4.18) follows by applying Lemma 2.2 and Fatou’s lemma.

Suppose, that (4.17) is true and let $\{x_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be an increasing sequence. For any $k \in Z$, let $\varepsilon_k \in (x_k, x_{k+1})$ be such that $V(\varepsilon_k) \leq 2V(x_k)$ and for any sequence $\{a_k\} \subset (0, \infty)$ of positive numbers we define the function $h(x) := \sum_{k \in Z} a_k \chi_{(x_k, x_{k+1})}(x)$. If we put the function in the inequality (4.17), we get
\[
\left(\sum_{k \in Z} a_k^\frac{2}{p} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} K^q(x, x_k)w(x)dx\right)^\frac{p}{q} \leq 2C_3^q \sum_{k \in Z} a_k V(x_k)
\]
and by the Landau theorem it implies $B \ll C_3$.

Thus, the only (4.19) $\implies$ (4.16) it remains to prove. Using the definition of Oinarov’s kernel, we see that
\[
K(x, y) \approx k(x, y) \int_0^y u(z)dz + \int_0^y k(y, z)u(z)dz = k(x, y)U(y) + K(y, y)
\]
and it implies, that (4.16) is equivalent to the following three inequalities:

(4.23) $\quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^x k(x, y)^p U(y)^p h(y)dy\right)^\frac{q}{p} w(x)dx\right)^\frac{p}{q} \leq C_2^p \int_0^\infty hV, \quad h \in M^+$,

(4.24) $\quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^x K(y, y)^p h(y)dy\right)^\frac{q}{p} w(x)dx\right)^\frac{p}{q} \leq C_2^p \int_0^\infty hV, \quad h \in M^+$,

(4.25) $\quad \left(\int_0^\infty \left(\int_x^\infty h(y)dy\right)^\frac{q}{p} K(x, x)^q w(x)dx\right)^\frac{p}{q} \leq C_2^p \int_0^\infty hV, \quad h \in M^+$,

By [17, Theorem 5] (4.23) holds if and only if

(4.26) $\quad B_1^p := \sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{k \in Z} \left(\int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} k(y, x_k)^q w(y)dy\right)^\frac{q}{q} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} U(y)^q V^{-\frac{q}{p}}(y) < \infty$

(4.27) $\quad B_2^p := \sup_{\{x_k\}} \sum_{k \in Z} \left(\int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} w(y)dy\right)^\frac{q}{q} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} k^r(x_k, y)U(y)^q V^{-\frac{q}{p}}(y) < \infty$
as well as (4.24) holds if and only if

\[ B_r^3 := \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} K(y, y)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) < \infty \]

and by the dual form of [17, Theorem 5] (4.25) holds if and only if

\[ B_r^4 := \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} K(y, y)^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x_k) < \infty \]

Let \( y_k \in (x_{k-1}, x_k) \) be such that

\[ \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} U(y)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) = U(y_k)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k). \]

Then

\[ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} k(y, x_k)^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} U(y)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_k}^{y_{k+2}} K(y, y_k)^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k}}^{y_{2k+2}} K(y, y_{2k})^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k}) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k+1}}^{y_{2k+3}} K(y, y_{2k+1})^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k+1}) \ll B_r. \]

Therefore,

\[ B_1 \ll B. \]

Let \( y_k \in (x_{k-1}, x_k) \) be such that

\[ \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} k^r(x_k, y)U(y)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) = k^r(x_k, y_k)U(y_k)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k). \]

Then

\[ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} k^r(x_k, y)U(y)^r V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_k}^{y_{k+2}} K(y, y_k)^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k}}^{y_{2k+2}} K(y, y_{2k})^q w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k}). \]
+ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k+1}}^{y_{2k+3}} K(y, y_{2k+1})^q w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k+1}) \ll \mathbb{B}^r. 

Hence,

\[ B_2 \ll \mathbb{B}. \]

Let \( y_k \in (x_{k-1}, x_k) \) be such that

\[ \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} K^r(y, y) U(y) V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) = K(y_k, y_k) V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k) \]

Then

\[ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \sup_{y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)} K(y, y) V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_k}^{y_{k+2}} K(y, y_k)^q w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_k) \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k}}^{y_{2k+2}} K(y, y_{2k})^q w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k}) + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{y_{2k+1}}^{y_{2k+3}} K(y, y_{2k+1})^q w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(y_{2k+1}) \ll \mathbb{B}^r. \]

Consequently,

\[ B_3 \ll \mathbb{B} \]

Since \( K(y, y) \ll K(y, x_{k-1}), y \in (x_{k-1}, x_k) \), we have that \( B_4 \ll \mathbb{B} \). Combining the above upper bounds we conclude that \( C_2 \ll \mathbb{B} \) and finish the proof. \( \square \)

Analogously, we obtain the dual version of the previous theorem.

**Theorem 4.6.** Let \( 0 < q < p \leq 1, 1/r := 1/q - 1/p \) and \( k(x, y) \) is a continuous Oinarov kernel and \( K_*(y, x) = \int_y^\infty k(z, x) u(z) dz \). Then the following inequalities are equivalent:

\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty k(y, x) f(y) u(y) dy \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_1 \left( \int_0^\infty f^p u \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathbb{M}, \]

\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty K^p_*(y, x) h(y) dy + K^p_*(x, x) \int_0^x h(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_2 p \int_0^\infty h \mathcal{V}, \quad h \in \mathbb{M}, \]

\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{y \geq x} K^p_*(y, x) \int_0^y h \right)^{\frac{q}{p}} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_3 p \int_0^\infty h \mathcal{V}, \quad h \in \mathbb{M}, \]
\[ \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \sup_{y \geq x} K_x(y, x)f(y) \right)^q w(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C_4 \left( \int_0^\infty f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad f \in \mathcal{M} \]  

\[ \mathbb{E}_k^* := \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} K^q_x(x, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x) < \infty. \]

Moreover,

\[ C_1 \approx C_2 \approx C_3 = C_4 \approx \mathbb{E}_k. \]

5. FURTHER RESULTS

Keeping the notations and assumptions of the previous section we obtain the complete characterization of the inequality (4.1).

**Theorem 5.1.** Let \( 0 < q, p < \infty \) Then the inequality (4.1) with the best constant \( C_1 \) holds for every \( f \in \mathcal{M} \) if and only if:

(i) \( 0 < p \leq 1, \quad p \leq q < \infty \)

\[ C_1 = C_2 := \sup_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \int_0^x U^q(x, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x) < \infty. \]

(ii) \( 0 < q < p \leq 1, \)

\[ C_1 \approx C_3 := \left( \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^q(x, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x) \right)^{1/r} < \infty. \]

(iii) \( 1 < p \leq q < \infty, \quad 1/p' := 1 - 1/p. \) Then \( C_1 \approx C_2 + C_4, \) where

\[ C_4 := \sup_{x \in (0, \infty)} W^{\frac{1}{q}}(x) \left( \int_x^\infty U^{p'}(y, x)V^{-p'}(y)v(y)dy \right)^{1/p'} < \infty. \]

(iv) \( 1 < q < p < \infty, \)

\[ C_5 := \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^x U^q(x, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x)v(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty. \]

\[ C_6 := \left( \int_0^\infty W^{\frac{1}{q}}(x)v(x) \left( \int_x^\infty U^{p'}(y, x)V^{-p'}(y)v(y)dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty, \]

and \( C_1 \approx C_5 + C_6. \)

(v) \( q = 1 < p < \infty, \) then \( C_1 = C_7, \) where

\[ C_7 := \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^x W(y)u(y)dy \right)^{p'} V^{-p'}(y)v(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty. \]
(vi) $0 < q < 1 < p < \infty$, then

$$C_1 \approx C_3 + C_6 < \infty.$$  

Proof. The part (i) follows by [18] and part (ii) by Theorem 4.1. Applying Theorem 2.1 we reduce (4.1) to the inequality for the integral operator with Oinarov’s kernel. Then parts (iii) and (iv) follow by using the dual version of the results of [19] or [28] and assertion of (v) is a corollary of a well-known result ([14], Chapter XI, §1.5, Theorem 4). Thus, we need to prove only (vi). Applying Theorem 4.1 and dual version of ([17], Theorem 5), we get

$$C_1 \approx B_1 + B_2,$$  

where

$$B_1^r := \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} U^q(x_k, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} V^{-\rho'}(y)v(y)dy \right)^{\frac{\rho}{\rho'}},$$

$$B_2^r := \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{\rho}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^p(y, x_k)V^{-\rho'}(y)v(y)dy \right)^{\frac{\rho}{\rho'}}.$$  

It is clear, that

$$B_1 \leq C_3.$$  

Now,

$$B_2^r \ll \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} W^\frac{q}{\rho} yw(y)dy \right) \left( \int_{x_k}^{\infty} U^p(y, x_k)V^{-\rho'}(y)v(y)dy \right)^{\frac{\rho}{\rho'}}$$

$$\ll \sup_{\{x_k\} \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} W^\frac{q}{\rho} yw(y) \left( \int_y^{\infty} U^p(z, y)V^{-\rho'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{\rho}{\rho'}} dy$$

$$\ll \int_0^{\infty} W^\frac{q}{\rho} yw(y) \left( \int_y^{\infty} U^p(z, y)V^{-\rho'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{\rho}{\rho'}} dy$$

$$= C_6^r.$$  

Therefore,

$$B_1 + B_2 \ll C_3 + C_6.$$  

Now, let $\{x_k\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be a covering sequence. Denote $i_k = \sup\{i \in \mathbb{Z} : V(x_i) \leq 2^k\}$ and $I_k := (i_{k-1}, i_k], k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then, applying Jensen’s inequality, we find

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} U^q(x_k, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{\rho}{\rho'}}(x_k)$$
\[
\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{i \in I_k} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} U^q(x_i, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{q}}(x_i)
\]
\[
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{r}} \sum_{i \in I_k} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} U^q(x_i, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}}
\]
\[
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{p}} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} U^q(x_{i+1}, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}}
\]
\[
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{p}} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} U^q(x_{i+1}, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}}
\]
\[
+ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{-\frac{(2k+1)}{p}} \left( \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_{i+2}} U^q(x_{i+2}, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}}
\]
\[
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} U^q(x_{i+1}, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left( \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_{i+2}} V^{-p'}(y) v(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{p}}
\]
\[
+ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} U^q(x_{i+1}, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left( \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_{i+2}} V^{-p'}(y) v(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{p}}
\]
\[
\ll B_1'.
\]

Hence,
\[
C_3 \ll B_1.
\]

Now, let \( \{x_k\} \subset (0, \infty) \) be such a sequence that \( 2^k = \int_0^{x_k} w \). We have

\[
C_6^p = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} W^{\frac{r}{p}}(y) \left( \int_y^{\infty} U^{p'}(z, y) V^{-p'}(z) v(z) dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} dy
\]
\[
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{p}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{\infty} U^{p'}(z, x_k) V^{-p'}(z) v(z) dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}}
\]
\[
= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} U^{p'}(z, x_k) V^{-p'}(z) v(z) dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}}
\]
\[
\approx \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} U^{p'}(z, x_i) V^{-p'}(z) v(z) dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}}
\]
\[
+ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} U^{p'}(x_i, x_k) \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \\
\approx \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^{p'}(z, x_k) V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \\
+ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=k}^{i-1} U(x_{j+1}, x_j) \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \\
= I + II.
\]

Then
\[
I \approx \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k-1}} w \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} U^{p'}(z, x_k) V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \le B^2_2.
\]

Using Minkowski inequality, we find
\[
\left( \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=k}^{i-1} U(x_{j+1}, x_j) \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \le \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} U(x_{j+1}, x_j) \left( \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\
= \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} U(x_{j+1}, x_j) \left( \int_{x_{j+1}}^{x_{j+2}} V^{-p'}(z)v(z)dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\
\le \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} U(x_{j+1}, x_j)V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x_{j+1}).
\]

Therefore,
\[
II \ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \left( \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} U(x_{j+1}, x_j)V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x_{j+1}) \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \\
\approx \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} w \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} U^q(x_{k+1}, x_k)V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x_{k+1}) \\
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} U^q(x_{k+1}, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x_{k+1}) \\
\ll \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} U^q(x_{k+1}, y)w(y)dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x_{k+1})
\]
\[ \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x^{2k-1}}^{x^{2k+1}} U^q(x, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x^{2k+1}) \]

\[ + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x^{2k}}^{x^{2k+2}} U^q(x, y) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} V^{-\frac{r}{p}}(x^{2k+2}) \]

\[ \leq 2C_3^r \ll B_1^r. \]

Thus, \( C_6 \ll B_1 + B_2 \)

and finally \( C_3 + C_6 \ll B_1 + B_2. \)

\[ \square \]

**Remark 5.2.** Theorem 5.1 corrects the results of M.L. Goldman ([11], Theorem 1.1.) in the cases (i), (ii) and (v).

For the case \( q = \infty \) we have the following.

**Theorem 5.3.** Let \( 0 < p < \infty \) Then the inequality

\[ \text{ess sup}_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \int_{x}^{\infty} f u(x) w(x) \right) \leq C_8 \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} f^p v(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \]

holds for every \( f \in \mathcal{M}^1 \) if and only if

(i) \( 0 < p \leq 1, \)

\[ C_9 := \sup_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \text{ess sup}_{y \in (0, x)} U(x, y) w(y) \right) V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x) < \infty. \]

Moreover, \( C_8 \approx C_9. \)

(ii) \( 1 < p < \infty. \) Then

\[ C_8 = \text{ess sup}_{x \in (0, \infty)} w(x) \left( \int_{x}^{\infty} U^p(y, x) v(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty. \]

**Remark 5.4.** Analogously Theorems 5.1 and 5.3 the characterizations take place for the inequality (4.14) and (5.1) on the cone \( \mathcal{M}^1. \) In particular, these results supplements ([12], Theorem 2.2 (ii)). We omit details.

Similarly, for the case \( p = \infty \) we obtain the following.
Theorem 5.5. Let $\|\cdot\|_X$ be any quasinorm defined on $\mathcal{M}^+$ and let $T: \mathcal{M}^+ \to \mathcal{M}^+$ be a positive operator. Then the inequality

$$\|T(f)\|_X \leq C_{10} \|fv\|_\infty$$

holds for every $f \in \mathcal{M}^+$ if and only if

$$C_{11} := \left\| T \left( \frac{1}{\operatorname{ess sup}_{y \in (0,x)} v(y)} \right) \right\|_X < \infty$$

and $C_{10} = C_{11}$.

Corollary 5.6. Let $\|\cdot\|_X$ be any quasinorm defined on $\mathcal{M}^+$. Then the inequality

$$\left\| \int_x^\infty f \right\|_X \leq C_{12} \|fv\|_\infty$$

holds for every $f \in \mathcal{M}^+$ if and only if

$$C_{13} := \left\| \int_x^\infty \frac{dy}{\operatorname{ess sup}_{z \in (0,y)} v(z)} \right\|_X < \infty$$

and $C_{12} = C_{13}$.

Now we collect the complete characterization of (4.15).

Theorem 5.7. Let $0 < q, p < \infty$. Let $k(x, y) \geq 0$ be a measurable kernel. Then the inequality (4.15) with the best constant $C_1$ holds for every $f \in \mathcal{M}^+$ if and only if:

(i) $0 < p \leq 1$, $p \leq q < \infty$

$$C_1 = C_{15} := \sup_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \int_0^\infty K^q(x, \min(x, y)) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x) < \infty.$$

(ii) $q = 1 < p < \infty$, then $C_1 \approx C_{16}$, where

$$C_{16} := \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_x^\infty \left( \int_y^\infty k(z,y)w(z)dz \right) V^{-1}(y)u(y)dy \right)^{p'} v(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} < \infty.$$

If $k(x, y)$ is an Oinarov’s kernel, then

(iii) $0 < q < p \leq 1$ and $k(x, y)$ is continuous,

$$C_1 \approx C_{17} := \left( \sup_{x_k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} K^q(y, x_k) w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r}} V^{-\frac{q}{p}}(x_k) \right)^{1/r} < \infty.$$

(iv) $1 < p \leq q < \infty$, $1/p' := 1 - 1/p$. Then $C_1 \approx C_{18} + C_{19} + C_{20}$, where
Theorem 5.8. Let \( \text{ess sup} \) the inequality follows by applying Theorem 2.1 and ([17], Theorem 5).

(iii) is Theorem 4.5. Parts (iv) and (v) were proved in ([20], Theorem 7) and (vi)

Proof. Part (i) and (ii) follow from [18] and ([24], Theorem 2.2), respectively, and (iii) is Theorem 4.5. Parts (iv) and (v) were proved in ([20], Theorem 7) and (vi) follows by applying Theorem 2.1 and ([17], Theorem 5).

The border case \( q = 1 \) of the previous theorem is governed by the following.

**Theorem 5.8.** Let \( 0 < p < \infty \). Let \( k(x, y) \geq 0 \) be a measurable kernel. Then the inequality

\[
\text{ess sup}_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \int_{0}^{x} k(x, y) f(y) u(y) dy \right) w(x) \leq C_{26} \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} f^{p} v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},
\]

and \( C_{1} \approx C_{21} + C_{22} + C_{23} \).

(vi) \( 0 < q < 1 < p < \infty \), then \( C_{1} \approx C_{21} + C_{24} + C_{25} < \infty \), where

\[
C_{24} := \left( \sup_{\{x_{k}\}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k}}^{x_{k+1}} w \right)^{\frac{5}{4}} \left( \int_{x_{k}}^{x_{k-1}} k^{p}(x, y) v^{p}(y) u(y) dy \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty,
\]

\[
C_{25} := \left( \sup_{\{x_{k}\}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{x_{k}}^{x_{k+1}} k^{4}(y, x_{k})^{q} w(y) dy \right) \left( \int_{x_{k}}^{x_{k-1}} u_{p}(y) V^{\gamma-p}(y) v(y) dy \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty.
\]

**Proof.** Part (i) and (ii) follow from [18] and ([24], Theorem 2.2), respectively, and (iii) is Theorem 4.5. Parts (iv) and (v) were proved in ([20], Theorem 7) and (vi) follows by applying Theorem 2.1 and ([17], Theorem 5).
holds for every $f \in \mathcal{M}^1$ if and only if

(i) $0 < p \leq 1$,

$$C_{26} := \sup_{x \in (0, \infty)} \left( \text{ess sup}_{y \in (0, \infty)} K(x, \min(x, y)) w(y) \right) V^{-\frac{1}{p}}(x) < \infty.$$ 

(ii) $1 < p < \infty$. Then

$$C_{26} := \text{ess sup}_{s \in (0, \infty)} w(s) \left( \int_0^s \left( \int_s^t k(s, y) u(y) V^{-1}(y) dy \right)^{p'} v(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} < \infty.$$ 

Proof. It follows by applying ([24], Theorem 2.2). \qed

For the case $p = \infty$, from Theorem 5.5 we obtain the following.

Corollary 5.9. Let $\| \cdot \|_X$ be any quasinorm defined on $\mathcal{M}^+$. Let $k(x, y) \geq 0$ be a measurable function on $\{(x, y) : x \geq y \geq 0\}$, Then the inequality

$$\left\| \int_0^x k(x, y) f(y) dy \right\|_X \leq C_{29} \| f v \|_\infty$$

holds for every $f \in \mathcal{M}^1$ if and only if

$$C_{30} := \left\| \int_0^x \frac{k(x, y) dy}{\text{ess sup}_{z \in (0, y)} v(z)} \right\|_X < \infty$$

and $C_{29} = C_{30}$.

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