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**WEIGHTED ESTIMATES FOR THE  
HANKEL-,  $\underline{K}$ - AND Y-TRANSFORMATIONS**

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ABSTRACT. We give conditions on pairs of non-negative functions  $u$  and  $v$  which are sufficient that, for  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$

$$\left[ \int_0^\infty |u(x)(Tf)(x)|^q dx \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left[ \int_0^\infty |v(x)f(x)|^p dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where  $T$  is the Hankel-,  $\underline{K}$ -, or the Y-transformations.

1. INTRODUCTION

The weighted Lebesgue spaces  $L_w^p(R^+)$  consist of those functions  $f$  for which

$$\|f\|_{L_w^p(R^+)} = \left( \int_{R^+} |f(x)w(x)|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.$$

A continuous non-decreasing function  $w : R^+ \rightarrow R^+$  belongs to the class  $B_K$  [12] if

$$\int_0^\infty \min(1, 1/t) \tilde{w}(t) t^{-1} dt < \infty,$$

where  $\tilde{w}(s) = \sup_{y>0} \frac{w(s)}{w(y)}$  and  $\tilde{w}(s) < \infty$  for  $s > 0$ .

Clearly, if  $0 < \theta < 1$  then  $w(t) = t^\theta \in B_K$ . Also Gustavsson [6] has shown, the function  $t^\beta / \log(1 + t^\alpha) \in B_K$  if  $0 < \alpha < \beta < 1$ .

Let  $w \in B_K$ , then the weighted Lorentz spaces  $L^{p,w}$ ,  $0 < p \leq \infty$  consist of all measurable functions  $f$  on  $R^+$  such that

$$\|f\|_{w,p} = \begin{cases} \int_0^\infty [tf^*(t)/w(t)]^p t^{-1} dt & \frac{1}{p}, \quad 0 < p < \infty \\ \text{ess sup}_{t>0} tf^*(t)/w(t), & p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

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Here  $f^*$  is the equimeasurable decreasing rearrangement of  $f$  (with respect to Lebesgue measure).

Note that if  $w(t) = t^{1-(\frac{1}{q})}$ ,  $0 < q \leq \infty$  these spaces reduce to Lorentz spaces  $L(p, q)$ .

The weight class  $B_\psi$  consists of all non-negative continuously differentiable functions  $w$  on  $R^+$  such that

$$\sup_{t>0} tw'(t)/w(t) = \beta < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \inf_{t>0} tw'(t)/w(t) = \alpha > 0.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $B_\psi \subset B_K$ .

Again  $w(t) = t^\theta$ ,  $0 < \theta < 1$  is in  $B_\psi$  and also  $w(t) = t^\alpha(\log(1+t^\gamma))^\theta$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $\theta$  real and  $\gamma$  is a sufficiently small neighbourhood of zero (Gustavsson [6]).

Let  $[X, Y]$  denote the collections of bounded operators from the Banach space  $X$  to the Banach space  $Y$ . An operator  $T$  is bounded from  $L_v^p(R^+)$  to  $L_u^q(R^+)$ , written  $T \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ , provided there exists a constant  $C$  such that

$$\|Tf\|_{L_u^q(R^+)} \leq C \|f\|_{L_v^p(R^+)}, \quad \text{for all } f \geq 0.$$

Throughout, constants are denoted by  $C$  and may be different at different appearances but are always independent of the function  $f$  in question. The indices  $p'$ ,  $q'$  and  $r$  are defined by  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q'} = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{r}$ .

The purpose of this paper is to establish a norm inequality for the Hankel transformation

$$(H_\alpha f)(x) = \int_0^\infty (xt)^{\frac{1}{2}} J_\alpha(xt) f(t) dt, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2},$$

where  $J_\alpha$  is the Bessel function of order  $\alpha$ , which for  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$  is new. If  $1 < p$ ,  $q < \infty$ , the result was proved in [2], in fact, for  $1 < p \leq q < \infty$  the result was similar to a weighted estimate of Heywood and Rooney [10], but with different weight conditions. We also prove a corresponding weighted norm inequalities for the  $\underline{K}$ - and  $\underline{Y}$ -transformations to the case  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ . Our weight conditions of these transformations are described in the following definitions:

**Definition 1.** Let  $u$  and  $v$  be non-negative functions defined on  $R^+$  and let  $u^*$  and  $(1/v)^*$  be the equimeasurable rearrangements of  $u$  and  $1/v$ . We write  $(u, v) \in F_{p, q}^*$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ , if

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty u^*(t)^q dt \int_0^x (1/v)^*(t)^{p'} dt \int_x^\infty (1/v)^*(x)^{p'} dx < \infty, \\ & \int_0^\infty \int_{1/x}^\infty [t^{-\frac{1}{2}} u^*(t)]^q dt \int_x^\infty [t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1/v)^*(t)]^{p'} dt \\ & \times [x^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1/v)^*(x)]^{p'} dx < \infty \end{aligned}$$

hold, where  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$ .

## 2. WEIGHTED INEQUALITIES

We require the following lemmas:

**Lemma 2** ([11]). *If  $f$  is a non-negative non-increasing function defined on  $R^+$  then for  $\alpha$  real and  $0 < p \leq q \leq \infty$*

$$\int_0^{\infty} [t^\alpha f(t)]^q t^{-1} dt^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \int_0^{\infty} [t^\alpha f(t)]^p t^{-1} dt^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

holds.

**Lemma 3** ([13]), ([14]). *Suppose  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$ , then*

$$(a) \quad \int_0^{\infty} |u(x) \int_0^x f(y) dy|^q dx^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \int_0^{\infty} |f(x)v(x)|^p dx^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

holds for all  $f$ , if and only if

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_x^{\infty} u(y)^q dy^{\frac{1}{q}} \int_0^x v(y)^{-p'} dy^{\frac{1}{q'}} \int_0^x v(x)^{-p'} dx^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.$$

For the dual operator

$$(b) \quad \int_0^{\infty} |u(x) \int_x^{\infty} f(y) dy|^q dx^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \int_0^{\infty} |f(x)v(x)|^p dx^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

holds for all  $f$ , if and only if

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_0^x u(y)^q dy^{\frac{1}{q}} \int_x^{\infty} v(y)^{-p'} dy^{\frac{1}{q'}} \int_x^{\infty} v(x)^{-p'} dx^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.$$

**Lemma 4** ([6]). *If  $w \in B_K$  then*

- (i)  $w(s)\tilde{w}(1/s) = 1$ , where  $w(s) = \inf_{t>0} \frac{w(st)}{w(t)}$ .
- (ii)  $0 < \tilde{w}(s)w(t) \leq w(st) \leq \tilde{w}(s)w(t)$ .
- (iii)  $\tilde{w}$  and  $w$  are non-decreasing and  $\tilde{w}(1) = w(1) = 1$ .
- (iv) For any  $p > 0$ ,  $\int_0^{\infty} [\min(1, 1/t)\tilde{w}(t)]^p t^{-1} dt^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty$ , with the usual modification if  $p = \infty$ .
- (v) There exist constants  $A, B > 0$  such that for  $A \leq s^{-1}w(s) \int_0^s [t/w(t)]^p t^{-1} dt^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq B$ ,  $p > 0$ .  
In fact,  $A = p^{-\frac{1}{p}}$  and  $B = \int_0^{\infty} [\tilde{w}(t)/t]^p t^{-1} dt^{\frac{1}{p}}$  if  $p < \infty$ .
- (vi) There are positive constants  $C, D$  such that

$$C \leq w(s) \left\{ \int_s^\infty [1/w(t)]^p t^{-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq D, \quad p > 0.$$

Here,

$$C = \left\{ \int_1^\infty [1/\tilde{w}(t)]^p t^{-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \text{ and } D = \left\{ \int_0^1 \tilde{w}(t)^p t^{-1} dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \text{ if } p < \infty.$$

**Remark 5** ([3]). If  $w_i \in B_\psi$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  and  $\tau(t) = w_1(t)/w_0(t)$  satisfying  $t\tau'(t)/\tau(t) \geq \alpha > 0$  for all  $t > 0$ , then  $\tau$  has an inverse and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \tau(t) = 0$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tau(t) = \infty$ .

Holmstedt's K-functional estimate in the context takes the form:

**Lemma 6.** Suppose  $w_i \in B_\psi$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  with  $\tau(t) = w_1(t)/w_0(t)$  and  $\eta(t) = \tau^{-1}(t)$  such that

$$(1) \quad t\tau'(t)/\tau(t) \geq \alpha > 0,$$

holds. Then for  $1 \leq q_0, q_1 \leq \infty$ .

$$(2) \quad K(t, f : L^{q_0, w_0}, L^{q_1, w_1}) \leq C \int_0^{\eta(t)} [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds + t \int_{\eta(t)}^\infty [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds.$$

**Proof.** In [8] Heinig showed that

$$(3) \quad K(t, f; L^{q_0, w_0}, L^{q_1, w_1}) \sim \int_0^{\eta(t)} [sf^*(s)/w_0(s)]^{q_0} s^{-1} ds^{\frac{1}{q_0}} + t \int_{\eta(t)}^\infty [sf^*(s)/w_1(s)]^{q_1} s^{-1} ds^{\frac{1}{q_1}}.$$

We complete the proof by showing that both summands in (3) are bounded by the right side of (2). Since  $f^*(s)/w_0(s)$  is non-increasing it follows directly from Lemma 2 that

$$(4) \quad \int_0^t [sf^*(s)/w_0(s)]^{q_0} s^{-1} ds^{\frac{1}{q_0}} \leq C \int_0^t [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds, \\ 1 \leq q_0 \leq \infty.$$

Now we define  $g$  by

$$g(s) = f^*(t) \int_t^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy^{\frac{1}{q_1}}, \quad \text{if } 0 < s \leq t \\ f^*(s) \int_s^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy^{\frac{1}{q_1}}, \quad \text{if } s > t,$$

where  $t > 0$  is fixed. Then  $g$  is non-increasing and from (vi) of Lemma 4 and Lemma 2, we obtain for fixed  $t > 0$ ,  $1 \leq q_1 \leq \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_t^\infty [sf^*(s)/w_1(s)]^{q_1} s^{-1} ds \\
 & \leq C \int_t^\infty s^{q_1} f^*(s)^{q_1} \int_s^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy s^{-1} ds \\
 & \leq C \int_0^t s^{q_1} f^*(t)^{q_1} \int_t^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy s^{-1} ds \\
 & \quad + \int_t^\infty s^{q_1} f^*(s)^{q_1} \int_s^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy s^{-1} ds \\
 & = C \int_0^\infty [sg(s)]^{q_1} s^{-1} ds \leq C \int_0^\infty g(s) ds \\
 & \leq C \int_0^t f^*(t) \int_t^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy \frac{1}{q_1} ds \\
 & \quad + \int_t^\infty f^*(s) \int_s^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy \frac{1}{q_1} ds \\
 & \leq C \int_0^t f^*(s) \int_t^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy \frac{1}{q_1} ds \\
 & \quad + \int_t^\infty f^*(s) \int_s^\infty [1/w_1(y)]^{q_1} y^{-1} dy \frac{1}{q_1} ds .
 \end{aligned}$$

Here the second inequality is obtained by adding the first integral term. On applying (vi) of Lemma 4, then the right side of the previous inequality is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C w_1(t)^{-1} \int_0^t f^*(s) ds + \int_t^\infty [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds \\
 & \leq C [1/\tau(t)] \int_0^t [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds + \int_t^\infty [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds .
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & \int_t^\infty [sf^*(s)/w_1(s)]^{q_1} s^{-1} ds \\
 & \leq C [1/\tau(t)] \int_0^t [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds + \int_t^\infty [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds .
 \end{aligned}$$

From (3), (4), and (5) one gets the desired result, which proves the lemma.

We now prove the following interpolation theorem:

**Theorem 7.** *Suppose  $w_i, \bar{w}_i \in B_\psi$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  with  $\tau = w_1/w_0$ ,  $\bar{\tau} = \bar{w}_1/\bar{w}_0$  and  $\eta = \tau^{-1}$ ,  $\bar{\eta} = \bar{\tau}^{-1}$  satisfy  $t\tau'(t)/\tau(t) \geq \alpha > 0$  and  $|t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t)| \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$ . Let  $\sigma = \bar{\eta} \circ \tau$  and  $T : L^{q_i, w_i} \rightarrow L^{\bar{q}_i, \bar{w}_i}$ ,  $1 \leq q_i, \bar{q}_i \leq \infty$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  be quasilinear operator.*

If  $t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t) \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$ ;  $u$  and  $w$  are non-negative weight functions satisfying

$$(6) \quad \int_0^\infty \left[ \int_{\sigma(s)}^\infty [u^*(t)\bar{w}_0(t)/t]^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \times \int_0^s [1/(1/v)^*(t)w_0(t)]^{-p'} dt \left]^{\frac{1}{q'}} \left[ \int_0^s [1/(1/v)^*(s)w_0(s)]^{-p'} ds \right]^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty$$

and

$$(7) \quad \int_0^\infty \int_0^{\sigma(s)} [u^*(t)\bar{w}_1(t)/t]^q dt \left]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \times \int_s^\infty [1/(1/v)^*(t)w_1(t)]^{-p'} dt \left]^{\frac{1}{q'}} \left[ \int_s^\infty [1/(1/v)^*(s)w_1(s)]^{-p'} ds \right]^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty$$

then for all simple functions  $f$

$$(8) \quad T \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)].$$

If  $-t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t) \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$ , (8) still holds provided the ranges of the first inner integrals in (6) and (7) are interchanged.

**Proof.** For the case  $t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t) \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$  we apply Lemma 4 (v) with  $s, w$  and  $p$  replaced by  $\bar{\eta}, \bar{w}_0$  and  $\bar{q}_0$ , respectively and use (3) to obtain

$$(Tf)^*(\bar{\eta}(t))\bar{\eta}(t)/\bar{w}_0(\bar{\eta}(t)) \leq C(Tf)^*(\bar{\eta}(t)) \int_0^{\bar{\eta}(t)} [s/\bar{w}_0(s)]^{\bar{q}_0} s^{-1} ds \left]^{\frac{1}{\bar{q}_0}} \\ \leq C \int_0^{\bar{\eta}(t)} [s(Tf)^*(s)/w_0(s)]^{\bar{q}_0} s^{-1} ds \left]^{\frac{1}{\bar{q}_0}} \\ \leq CK(t, Tf; L^{\bar{q}_0, \bar{w}_0}, L^{\bar{q}_1, \bar{w}_1}).$$

Now, by hypothesis

$$(Tf)^*(\bar{\eta}(t))\bar{\eta}(t)/\bar{w}_0(\bar{\eta}(t)) \leq CK(tM_1/M_0, f; L^{q_0, w_0}, L^{q_1, w_1})$$

and since  $K(t, f)$  is increasing whereas  $t^{-1}K(t, f)$  is decreasing we may take without loss of generality  $M_1/M_0 = 1$ . Therefore,

$$(Tf)^*(\bar{\eta}(t)) \leq C[\bar{w}_0(\bar{\eta}(t))/\bar{\eta}(t)]K(t, f; L^{q_0, w_0}, L^{q_1, w_1}).$$

Hence, it follows from (2) of Lemma 6 that

$$(Tf)^*(\bar{\eta}(t)) \leq C[\bar{w}_0(\bar{\eta}(t))/\bar{\eta}(t)] \int_0^{\eta(t)} [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds + t \int_{\eta(t)}^{\infty} [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds.$$

Now, let  $\bar{\eta}(t) = y$ , then  $t = \bar{\tau}(y)$  and

$$(Tf)^*(y) \leq C[\bar{w}_0(y)/y] \int_0^{\bar{\sigma}(y)} [f^*(s)w_0(s)] ds + \bar{\tau}(y) \int_{\bar{\sigma}(y)}^{\infty} [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds,$$

where  $\bar{\sigma}(y) = \eta(\bar{\tau}(y))$ . Utilizing properties of rearrangement of functions and Minkowski's inequality one obtains from this estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} |u(x)(Tf)(x)|^q dx &\leq \int_0^{\infty} [u^*(y)(Tf)^*(y)]^q dy \\ &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} u^*(y)^q \bar{w}_0(y)^q y^{-q} \left[ \int_0^{\bar{\sigma}(y)} [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \bar{\tau}(y) \int_{\bar{\sigma}(y)}^{\infty} [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds \right]^q dy \\ &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} u^*(y)^q \bar{w}_0(y)^q y^{-q} \left( \int_0^{\bar{\sigma}(y)} [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds \right)^q dy \\ &\quad + \int_0^{\infty} u^*(y)^q \bar{w}_1(y)^q y^{-q} \left( \int_{\bar{\sigma}(y)}^{\infty} [f^*(s)/w_1(s)] ds \right)^q dy \end{aligned}$$

(9)  $\equiv C\{Z_1 + Z_2\}$ , respectively. Here we used in the second inequality the assumption that  $\bar{\tau}(t)\bar{w}_0(y) = \bar{w}_1(y)$ . We complete the proof by showing that both summands  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  in (9) are bounded by  $C\left\{ \int_0^{\infty} |v(x)f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}$ .

Now, let  $\bar{\sigma}(y) = t$ , then by definition of  $\bar{\sigma}$ ,  $\eta(\bar{\tau}(y)) = t$  or  $y = \bar{\tau}^{-1}(\eta^{-1}(t))$ . But since  $\bar{\eta}(t) = \bar{\tau}^{-1}(t)$  and  $\tau(t) = \eta^{-1}(t)$  one obtains  $y = \bar{\eta}(\tau^{-1}(t)) = \bar{\eta}(\tau(t)) = \sigma(t)$ , and similarly  $\bar{\tau}(y) = \tau(t)$ . Also by Remark 5,  $\tau(t)$ ,  $\bar{\tau}(t)$  tend to zero and infinity as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , respectively  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Also  $t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t) \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$  implies  $\bar{\tau}'(t) > 0$  and  $\tau(t) = \bar{\tau}(\sigma(t))$  we obtain  $\tau'(t) = \bar{\tau}'(\sigma(t))\sigma'(t)$ , which implies  $\sigma'(t) > 0$ . Therefore, the first summand yields

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1 &= C \int_0^{\infty} (u^*(\sigma(t))\bar{w}_0(\sigma(t))\sigma(t)^{-1} \int_0^t [f^*(s)/w_0(s)] ds)^q \sigma'(t) dt \\ &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} [1/(1/v)^*(s)f^*(s)]^p ds, \end{aligned}$$



where the above inequality holds by Lemma 3 (a) provided (6) holds.

The bound of the second summand of (9) follows from condition (7) in exactly the same way. We omit the details. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} |u(x)(Tf)(x)|^q dx &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} [1/(1/v)^*(x)f^*(x)]^p dx \\ &\leq C \int_0^{\infty} |v(x)f(x)|^p dx, \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows the integral analogue of [7, Theorem 368] obtained by approximating  $v$  by appropriate simple function and using Lebesgue's theorem of monotone convergence.

The rest of the proof is similar to the case  $t\bar{\tau}'(t)/\bar{\tau}(t) \geq \bar{\alpha} > 0$  and therefore omitted. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

The following corollary is a consequence of Theorem 7 with  $w_i(t) = t^{1-(\frac{1}{p_i})}$  and  $\bar{w}_i(t) = t^{1-(1/\bar{p}_i)}$ ,  $i = 0, 1$ .

**Corollary 8.** *Let  $0 < p_i, \bar{p}_i \leq \infty$ ,  $1 \leq q_i, \bar{q}_i \leq \infty$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  and  $T : L(p_i, q_i) \rightarrow L(\bar{p}_i, \bar{q}_i)$  be a quasi-linear operator and*

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{p_1} > 0, \quad \bar{\lambda} = 1/\bar{p}_0 - 1/\bar{p}_1 \neq 0.$$

If  $\bar{\lambda} > 0$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$ ;  $u, v$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{\infty} \left[ \int_{s^{\lambda/\bar{\lambda}}}^{\infty} [u^*(t)t^{-1/\bar{p}_0}]^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^s [1/(1/v)^* t^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_0}}]^{-p'} t^{-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} r \\ (10) \quad &\times [1/(1/v)^*(s) s^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_0}}]^{-p'} s^{-1} ds < \infty \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{\infty} \left[ \int_0^{s^{\lambda/\bar{\lambda}}} [u^*(t)t^{-1/\bar{p}_1}]^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_s^{\infty} [1/(1/v)^*(t) t^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_1}}]^{-p'} t^{-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} r \\ (11) \quad &\times [1/(1/v)^*(s) s^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_1}}]^{-p'} s^{-1} ds < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

then (8) holds.

If  $\lambda < 0$ , (8) still holds provided the ranges of the first inner integrals in (10) and (11) are interchanged.

Our next corollary extends and completes these results obtained in [1, Theorem 1.1] and [9, Corollary 2.5 and Proposition 2.6] for the range  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > \infty$ , when  $p_0 = 1$ ,  $\bar{p}_0 = \infty$ ,  $\bar{p}_1 = p_1 = 2$ ;  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\bar{\lambda} = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Corollary 9.** *If  $T \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$  and  $(u, v) \in F_{p,q}^*$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ , then (8) holds.*

A consequence of this result is the following:

**Corollary 10.** *Let  $T$  be as in Corollary 9 and  $B$  defined by*

$$(Bf)(x) = w(x)(Tg)(x), \quad \text{where } g(x) = w(x)f(x).$$

*If  $(uw, v/w) \in F_{p,q}^*$ , then  $B \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ .*

Now, we state and prove the weighted inequality for the Hankel-transformation.

**Theorem 11.** *Let  $\alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  be non-negative functions defined on  $R^+$  and  $u_\alpha(x) = x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}u(x)$ ,  $v_\alpha(x) = x^{-\alpha-\frac{1}{2}}v(x)$ . If  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,q}^*$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ , then  $H_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ .*

**Proof.** If  $\alpha = \pm\frac{1}{2}$ , the result reduces to a weighted estimate for the Fourier sine- and cosine transformations.

Let  $\alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2}$  and suppose  $f$  is simple. Since the Bessel function has an integral representation ([5, 952 (4)]),

$$\begin{aligned} J_\alpha(x) &= \frac{2^{1-\alpha}x^\alpha}{\pi^{\frac{1}{2}}\Gamma(\alpha+\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(x \cos y) \sin^{2\alpha} y \, dy, \\ (H_\alpha f)(x) &= \frac{2^{1-\alpha}x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}}{\pi^{\frac{1}{2}}\Gamma(\alpha+\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}f(t) \left( \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(xt \cos y) \sin^{2\alpha} y \, dy \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2^{1-\alpha}x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}}{\pi^{\frac{1}{2}}\Gamma(\alpha+\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2\alpha} y \left( \int_0^\infty \cos(xt \cos y) t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}f(t) \, dt \right) dy \\ &\equiv x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}(T_\alpha g)(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(t) = t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}f(t)$  and

$$(T_\alpha g)(x) = \frac{2^{1-\alpha}}{\pi^{\frac{1}{2}}\Gamma(\alpha+\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2\alpha} y \left( \int_0^\infty \cos(xt \cos y) g(t) \, dt \right) dy.$$

The interchange of order of integration is justified by Fubini's theorem. It is not hard to check that  $T_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$ , [2, Theorem 3].

Now if  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,q}^*$ , then by Corollary 10 with  $(Bf)(x) \equiv (H_\alpha f)(x)$ ,  $w(x) = x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $(Tg)(x) = (T_\alpha g)(x)$  we obtain  $H_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ , which proves the theorem.  $\square$

3. THE  $\underline{K}$  AND  $\underline{Y}$ -TRANSFORMATIONS

Since the  $\underline{K}$ -transformation of  $f$  of order  $\alpha$  is defined formally by

$$(12) \quad (\underline{K}_\alpha f)(x) = \int_0^\infty (xy)^{\frac{1}{2}} K_\alpha(xy) f(y) dy, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2},$$

where  $K_\alpha$  is the modified Bessel function of the third kind ([4, Chapter X]).

If  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ , the transformation reduces to the Laplace transform

$$(\underline{K}_{\pm \frac{1}{2}})(x) = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-xy} f(y) dy.$$

If  $\alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2}$  the kernel  $K_\alpha$  can be written as:

$$K_\alpha(x) = \frac{2^{-\alpha} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) x^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty e^{-xt} (t^2 - 1)^{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} dt, \quad x > 0, \quad [5, \text{p. 958 (3)}]$$

or

$$K_\alpha(x) = \frac{2^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}) x^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos xt dt}{(1 + t^2)^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}}, \quad x > 0 \quad [5, \text{p. 959 (5)}].$$

It follows that (12) has the representations

$$(13) \quad (\underline{K}_\alpha f)(x) = \frac{2^{-\alpha} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) x^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty y^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y) \int_1^\infty e^{-xyt} (t^2 - 1)^{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} dt dy,$$

$$(14) \quad (\underline{K}_\alpha f)(x) = \frac{2^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}) x^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty y^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y) \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos xyt dt}{(1 + t^2)^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}} dy,$$

which are needed to prove the weighted norm inequality for  $\underline{K}_\alpha$ .

**Theorem 12.** Let  $\alpha \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,  $u, v$  be non-negative functions defined on  $R^+$  and  $u_\alpha(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2} - |\alpha|} u(x)$ ,  $v_\alpha(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{2} + |\alpha|} v(x)$ . If  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,g}^*$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ , then  $\underline{K}_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ .

**Proof.** Consider first the case  $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 0$ , ([2, Theorem 4]), then by (13)

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{K}_\alpha f)(x) &= \frac{2^{-\alpha+1} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) x^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty (t^2 - 1)^{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-xyt} y^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y) dy \right] dt \\ &= x^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} (T'_\alpha g)(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(y) = y^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y)$  and

$$(T'_\alpha g)(x) = \frac{2^{-\alpha} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty (t^2 - 1)^{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-xyt} g(y) dy \right] dt.$$

Hence  $T'_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$ , [2, Theorem 4] and if  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,q}^*$ , then by Corollary 10 we obtain  $\underline{K}_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ , where  $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 0$ .

If  $\alpha > 0$ , we use the representation (14) so that

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{K}_\alpha f)(x) &= \frac{2^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}) x^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty (1+t^2)^{-\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty \cos xyt y^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y) dy \right] dt \\ &= x^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} (T''_\alpha g)(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(y) = y^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} f(y)$  and

$$(T''_\alpha g)(x) = \frac{2^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty (1+t^2)^{-\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty \cos xyt g(y) dy \right] dt.$$

Again  $T''_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$ , [2, Theorem 4].

By applying Corollary 10, we obtain  $\underline{K}_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

The final application involves the  $Y$ -transform defined for  $0 < |a| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  by

$$(15) \quad (Y_\alpha f)(x) = \int_0^\infty y_\alpha(xt) (xt)^{\frac{1}{2}} f(t) dt, \quad x > 0,$$

where  $y_\alpha$  is the Bessel function of second kind or Neumann's function. If  $0 < |\alpha| < \frac{1}{2}$ , the kernel  $y_\alpha$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} y_\alpha(x) &= \frac{2(x/2)^\alpha}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(x \sin \theta) \cos^{2\alpha} \theta d\theta \\ &\quad - \int_0^\infty [e^{-xy} / (1+y^2)^{-\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}] dy, \quad ([5, p. 955 (5)]) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$y_\alpha(x) = -\frac{2(x/2)^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty [\cos xt / (t^2 - 1)^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}}] dt,$$

([5, p. 955 (2)]). If  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) = -(2/(\pi x))^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos x$ , ([5, p. 967 (1)]) and if  $\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y_{-\frac{1}{2}}(x) = (2/(\pi x))^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin x$ , ([5, p. 967 (2)]).

It follows that (15) has the two integral representations

$$(16) \quad (Y_\alpha f)(x) = \frac{2^{1-\alpha} x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(t) \\ \times \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(xt \sin \theta) \cos^{2\alpha} \theta \, d\theta - \int_0^\infty [e^{-xy^2}/(1+y^2)^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}] dy \, dt$$

and

$$(17) \quad (Y_\alpha f)(x) = -\frac{2^{1+\alpha} x^{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha} f(t) \\ \times \int_0^\infty [\cos xty/(y^2 - 1)^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}] dy \, dt$$

which are needed to prove the weighted inequality for  $Y_\alpha$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 13.** Let  $0 < |\alpha| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $u, v$  be non-negative functions defined on  $R^+$  and  $u_\alpha(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2}-|\alpha|}u(x)$  and  $v_\alpha(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{2}+|\alpha|}v(x)$ . If  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,g}^*$ ,  $0 < q < p$ ,  $p > 1$ , then  $Y_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ .

**Proof.** First consider the case  $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 0$  then by (16)

$$(Y_\alpha f)(x) = \frac{2^{1-\alpha} x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2\alpha} \theta \left[ \int_0^\infty \sin(xt \sin \theta) \right. \\ \left. \times t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(t) \, dt \right] d\theta - \int_0^\infty (1+y^2)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-xy^2} t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(t) \, dt \right] dy \\ \equiv x^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} (F'_\alpha g)(x), \quad \text{where } g(t) = t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(t)$$

and

$$(F'_\alpha g)(x) = \frac{2^{1-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2\alpha} \theta \left[ \int_0^\infty \sin(xt \sin \theta) \right. \\ \left. \times g(t) \, dt \right] d\theta - \int_0^\infty (1+y^2)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{-xy^2} g(t) \, dt \right] dy \quad .$$

So that the above integchange of order of integrations is justified by Fubini's theorem since  $f$  vanishes outside  $(0, a)$  for some  $a > 0$ , Hölder's inequality shows

that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^\infty |t^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} v_\alpha(t) f(t) v_\alpha(t)^{-1}| \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} |\sin(xt \sin \theta) \cos^{2\alpha} \theta| d\theta \\
& \quad + \int_0^\infty [e^{-xy} / (1+y^2)^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}] dy \quad dt \\
& \leq \|f\|_{L^p_v(R^+)} \int_0^\infty (1/v_\alpha)^*(t)^{p'} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} |\sin(xt \sin \theta) \cos^{2\alpha} \theta| d\theta \\
& \quad + \int_0^\infty [e^{-xy} / (1+y^2)^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}] dy]^{p'} dt \quad < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the sum of the two inner integral is dominated by

$$B(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) + \int_0^\infty (1-y^2)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} dy = B(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) + B(-\alpha, \frac{1}{2})/2 < \infty$$

where  $B$  denotes the beta function, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
|(F'_\alpha g)(x)| & \leq \frac{2^{1-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty |g(t)| \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(xt \sin \theta) \\
& \quad \times \cos^{2\alpha} \theta d\theta + \int_0^\infty [e^{-xy} / (1+y^2)^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}] dy \quad dt \leq C \|g\|_{L^1(R^+)},
\end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $F'_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)]$ . Also, by Minkowski's integral inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^\infty \{|(F'_\alpha g)(x)|^2 dx\}^{\frac{1}{2}} & \leq \frac{2^{1-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2\alpha} \theta \\
& \quad \times \left[ \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \sin(xt \sin \theta) g(t) dt \right|^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} d\theta \\
& \quad + \int_0^\infty (1+t^2)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty e^{-xy} g(y) dy \right|^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} dt.
\end{aligned}$$

If we let  $x \sin \theta = z$ ,  $\theta \in (0, \pi/2)$  in the first inner integral and  $xt = z$  in the second integral, then the above integrals are dominated by

$$\begin{aligned}
C \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{2\alpha} \theta \sin^{-\frac{1}{2}} \theta d\theta & \left[ \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty \sin(tz) g(t) dt \right|^2 dz \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
& \quad + \int_0^\infty (1+t^2)^{\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty \left| \int_0^\infty e^{-yz} g(y) dy \right|^2 dz \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} dt \\
& \leq C \{B(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) + B(-\alpha + \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})/2\} \|g\|_{L^2(R^+)},
\end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from Plancherel's theorem for the Fourier sine-transform and the fact that the Laplace transform maps  $L^2(R^+)$  to  $L^2(R^+)$ . Hence  $F'_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$ .

If  $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$  we use the integral representation (17) so that

$$\begin{aligned} (Y_\alpha f)(x) &= -\frac{2^{1+\alpha} x^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-\alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty (t^2-1)^{-\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \int_0^\infty \cos(xyt) y^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(y) dy dt \\ &= x^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} (F''_\alpha)(x), \quad \text{where } g(y) = y^{-\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} f(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(F''_\alpha g)(x) = -\frac{2^{1+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}-\alpha)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_1^\infty (t^2-1)^{-\alpha-\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \cos(xyt) g(y) dy \right\} dt.$$

Again it is seen that  $F''_\alpha \in [L^1(R^+), L^\infty(R^+)] \cap [L^2(R^+), L^2(R^+)]$ .

Now, if  $(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) \in F_{p,q}^*$ , then by Corollary 10 we obtain  $Y_\alpha \in [L_v^p(R^+), L_u^q(R^+)]$ , which proves the theorem.  $\square$

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