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## A NEW HALF-DISCRETE MULHOLLAND-TYPE INEQUALITY WITH PARAMETERS

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ABSTRACT. By means of weight functions and Hadamard's inequality, a new half-discrete Mulholland-type inequality with a best constant factor is given. A best extension with parameters, some equivalent forms, the operator expressions as well as some particular cases are also considered.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Assuming that  $f, g \in L^2(R_+)$ ,  $\|f\| = \{\int_0^\infty f^2(x)dx\}^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0$ ,  $\|g\| > 0$ , we have the following Hilbert's integral inequality (cf. [3]):

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{f(x)g(y)}{x+y} dx dy < \pi \|f\| \|g\|, \quad (1.1)$$

where the constant factor  $\pi$  is best possible. If  $a = \{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ ,  $b = \{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in l^2$ ,  $\|a\| = \{\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0$ ,  $\|b\| > 0$ , then we have the following analogous discrete Hilbert's inequality

$$\sum_{m=1}^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{a_m b_n}{m+n} < \pi \|a\| \|b\|, \quad (1.2)$$

with the same best constant factor  $\pi$ . Inequalities (1.1) and (1.2) are important in analysis and its applications (cf. [10, 11, 12]). On the other-hand, we have the following Mulholland's inequality with the same best constant factor (cf. [3, 20]):

$$\sum_{m=2}^\infty \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{a_m b_n}{\ln mn} < \pi \left\{ \sum_{m=2}^\infty m a_m^2 \sum_{n=2}^\infty n b_n^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (1.3)$$

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In 1998, by introducing an independent parameter  $\lambda \in (0, 1]$ , Yang [14] gave an extension of (1.1). Refinement the results from [14], Yang [15] gave some best extensions of (1.1) and (1.2): If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ,  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \lambda$ ,  $k_\lambda(x, y)$  is a non-negative homogeneous function of degree  $-\lambda$  satisfying  $k(\lambda_1) = \int_0^\infty k_\lambda(t, 1)t^{\lambda_1-1}dt \in R_+$ ,  $\phi(x) = x^{p(1-\lambda_1)-1}$ ,  $\psi(x) = x^{q(1-\lambda_2)-1}$ ,

$$f(\geq 0) \in L_{p,\phi}(R_+) = \{f \mid \|f\|_{p,\phi} := \left\{ \int_0^\infty \phi(x)|f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty\},$$

$g(\geq 0) \in L_{q,\psi}(R_+)$ , and  $\|f\|_{p,\phi}, \|g\|_{q,\psi} > 0$ , then

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty k_\lambda(x, y)f(x)g(y)dxdy < k(\lambda_1)\|f\|_{p,\phi}\|g\|_{q,\psi}, \quad (1.4)$$

where the constant factor  $k(\lambda_1)$  is best possible. Moreover if  $k_\lambda(x, y)$  is finite and  $k_\lambda(x, y)x^{\lambda_1-1}(k_\lambda(x, y)y^{\lambda_2-1})$  is decreasing for  $x > 0$  ( $y > 0$ ), then for  $a_m, b_n \geq 0$ ,  $a = \{a_m\}_{m=1}^\infty \in l_{p,\phi} = \{a \mid \|a\|_{p,\phi} := \{\sum_{n=1}^\infty \phi(n)|a_n|^p\}^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty\}$ , and  $b = \{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in l_{q,\psi}$ ,  $\|a\|_{p,\phi}, \|b\|_{q,\psi} > 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty k_\lambda(m, n)a_m b_n < k(\lambda_1)\|a\|_{p,\phi}\|b\|_{q,\psi}, \quad (1.5)$$

where the constant  $k(\lambda_1)$  is still best value. Clearly, for  $p = q = 2$ ,  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $k_1(x, y) = \frac{1}{x+y}$ ,  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ , (1.4) reduces to (1.1), while (1.5) reduces to (1.2).

Some other results about Hilbert-type inequalities can be found in [9]-[16]. On half-discrete Hilbert-type inequalities with the general non-homogeneous kernels, Hardy et al. provided a few results in Theorem 351 of [3]. But they did not prove that the constant factors are best possible. In 2005, Yang [18] gave a result with the kernel  $\frac{1}{(1+nx)^\lambda}$  by introducing a variable and proved that the constant factor is best possible. Very recently, Yang [19, 20] gave the following half-discrete Hilbert's inequality with best constant factor:

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{a_n}{(x+n)^\lambda} dx < \pi \|f\| \|a\|. \quad (1.6)$$

In this paper, by means of weight functions and Hadamard's inequality, a new half-discrete Mulholland-type inequality similar to (1.3) and (1.6) with a best constant factor is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^\infty f(x) \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{a_n}{1 + \ln(x - \frac{1}{2}) \ln(n - \frac{1}{2})} dx \\ & < \pi \left\{ \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^\infty (x - \frac{1}{2}) f^2(x) dx \sum_{n=2}^\infty (n - \frac{1}{2}) a_n^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

Moreover, a best extension of (1.7) with multi-parameters, some equivalent forms, the operator expressions as well as some particular inequalities are considered.

## 2. SOME LEMMAS

**Lemma 2.1.** *If  $0 < \lambda \leq 2, \alpha \in \mathbf{R}, \beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\omega(n)$  and  $\varpi(x)$  are weight functions given by*

$$\omega(n) := \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta) \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha) dx}{(x-\alpha)[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}}, n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\varpi(x) := \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x-\alpha) \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(n-\beta)}{(n-\beta)[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}}, x > 1+\alpha, \quad (2.2)$$

then we have

$$\varpi(x) < \omega(n) = B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right). \quad (2.3)$$

*Proof.* Substituting  $t = \ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)$  in (2.1), and by simple calculation, we have

$$\omega(n) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1+t)^{\lambda}} t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1} dt = B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right).$$

For fixed  $x > 1+\alpha$ , in view of the conditions, it is easy to see that

$$h(x, y) := \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(y-\beta)}{(y-\beta)[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(y-\beta)]^{\lambda}}$$

is decreasing and strictly convex with  $h'_y(x, y) < 0$  and  $h''_{y^2}(x, y) > 0$ , for  $y \in (\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$ . Hence by (2.2) and Hadamard's inequality (cf. [7]), we find

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi(x) &< \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x-\alpha) \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(y-\beta) dy}{(y-\beta)[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(y-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \\ &\stackrel{t=\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(y-\beta)}{=} \int_{\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(\frac{3}{2}-\beta)}^{\infty} \frac{t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}}{(1+t)^{\lambda}} dt \leq B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

and (2.3) follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let the assumptions of Lemma 1 be fulfilled and additionally, let  $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, a_n \geq 0, n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}$ ,  $f(x)$  is a non-negative measurable function in  $(1+\alpha, \infty)$ . Then we have the following inequalities:*

$$\begin{aligned} J &:= \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\ln^{\frac{p\lambda}{2}-1}(n-\beta)}{n-\beta} \left[ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{f(x) dx}{[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq \left[ B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \varpi(x) (x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{p(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(x-\alpha) f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &:= \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{(x-\alpha)^{\frac{q\lambda}{2}-1}}{[\varpi(x)]^{q-1}} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\leq \left\{ B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{q(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(n-\beta) a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

*Proof.* Setting  $k(x, n) := \frac{1}{[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^\lambda}$ , by Hölder's inequality (cf. [7]) and (2.3), it follows

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)dx}{[1+\ln(x-\alpha)\ln(n-\beta)]^\lambda} \right]^p \\
&= \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \left[ \frac{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/q}(x-\alpha)}{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/p}(n-\beta)} \frac{(x-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}} f(x)}{(n-\beta)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right] \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \left[ \frac{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/p}(n-\beta)}{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/q}(x-\alpha)} \frac{(n-\beta)^{\frac{1}{p}}}{(x-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \right] dx \right\}^p \\
&\leq \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} f^p(x) dx \\
&\quad \times \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(q-1)}(n-\beta)}{(x-\alpha) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x-\alpha)} dx \right\}^{p-1} \\
&= \left\{ \omega(n) \frac{\ln^{q(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(n-\beta)}{(n-\beta)^{1-q}} \right\}^{p-1} \\
&\quad \times \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} f^p(x) dx \\
&= \frac{\left[ B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \right]^{p-1} (n-\beta)}{\ln^{\frac{p\lambda}{2}-1}(n-\beta)} \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha) f^p(x)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Then by the Lebesgue term by term integration theorem (cf. [8]), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
J &\leq \left[ B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left[ B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left[ B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \varpi(x) (x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{p(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(x-\alpha) f^p(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}},
\end{aligned}$$

hence, (2.4) follows. By Hölder's inequality again, we have

$$\left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) a_n \right]^q = \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \left[ \frac{(x-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/q}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta)^{\frac{1}{p}} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/p}(n-\beta)} \right] \right\}^q$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \left[ \frac{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/p}(n-\beta)}{\ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})/q}(x-\alpha)} \frac{(n-\beta)^{\frac{1}{p}} a_n}{(x-\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \right]^q \\
& \leq \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(p-1)}(x-\alpha)}{(n-\beta) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta)} \right\}^{q-1} \\
& \quad \times \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{(n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(q-1)}(n-\beta)}{(x-\alpha) \ln^{1-\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x-\alpha)} a_n^q \\
& = \frac{[\varpi(x)]^{q-1}(x-\alpha)}{\ln^{\frac{q\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha)} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha)}{(x-\alpha)(n-\beta)^{1-q}} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(q-1)}(n-\beta) a_n^q.
\end{aligned}$$

By Lebesgue term by term integration theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
L_1 & \leq \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha)}{(x-\alpha)} (n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})(q-1)}(n-\beta) a_n^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& = \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} k(x, n) \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(n-\beta) \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha) dx}{x-\alpha} \right] \frac{\ln^{q(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(n-\beta)}{(n-\beta)^{1-q}} a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& = \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \omega(n) (n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{q(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(n-\beta) a_n^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}},
\end{aligned}$$

and in view of (2.3), inequality (2.5) follows.  $\square$

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

We introduce the functions

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(x) & : = (x-\alpha)^{p-1} \ln^{p(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(x-\alpha) (x \in (1+\alpha, \infty)), \\
\Psi(n) & : = (n-\beta)^{q-1} \ln^{q(1-\frac{\lambda}{2})-1}(n-\beta) (n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}),
\end{aligned}$$

wherefrom  $[\Phi(x)]^{1-q} = \frac{1}{x-\alpha} \ln^{\frac{q\lambda}{2}-1}(x-\alpha)$ , and  $[\Psi(n)]^{1-p} = \frac{1}{n-\beta} \ln^{\frac{p\lambda}{2}-1}(n-\beta)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $0 < \lambda \leq 2$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ,  $f(x), a_n \geq 0$ ,  $f \in L_{p,\Phi}(1+\alpha, \infty)$ ,  $a = \{a_n\}_{n=2}^{\infty} \in l_{q,\Psi}$ ,  $\|f\|_{p,\Phi} > 0$  and  $\|a\|_{q,\Psi} > 0$ , then we have the following equivalent inequalities:*

$$\begin{aligned}
I & : = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{a_n f(x) dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \\
& = \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n f(x) dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} < B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|f\|_{p,\Phi} \|a\|_{q,\Psi}, \quad (3.1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \left\{ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^p \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &< B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|f\|_{p,\Phi}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} L &:= \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} [\Phi(x)]^{1-q} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^q dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &< B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|a\|_{q,\Psi}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

where the constant  $B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)$  is the best possible in the above inequalities.

*Proof.* The two expressions for  $I$  in (3.1) follow from Lebesgue's term by term integration theorem. By (2.4) and (2.3), we have (3.2). By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$I = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[ \Psi^{\frac{-1}{q}}(n) \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right] [\Psi^{\frac{1}{q}}(n)a_n] \leq J\|a\|_{q,\Psi}. \quad (3.4)$$

Then by (3.2), we have (3.1). On the other-hand, assume that (3.1) is valid. Setting

$$a_n := [\Psi(n)]^{1-p} \left[ \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^{p-1}, n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\},$$

where  $J^{p-1} = \|a\|_{q,\Psi}$ . By (2.4), we find  $J < \infty$ . If  $J = 0$ , then (3.2) is trivially valid; if  $J > 0$ , then by (3.1), we have

$$\|a\|_{q,\Psi}^q = J^{q(p-1)} = J^p = I < B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|f\|_{p,\Phi} \|a\|_{q,\Psi},$$

therefore  $\|a\|_{q,\Psi}^{q-1} = J < B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|f\|_{p,\Phi}$ , that is, (3.2) is equivalent to (3.1). On the other-hand, by (2.3) we have  $[\varpi(x)]^{1-q} > [B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)]^{1-q}$ . Then in view of (2.5), we have (3.3). By Hölder's inequality, we find

$$I = \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} [\Phi^{\frac{1}{p}}(x)f(x)] \left[ \Phi^{\frac{-1}{p}}(x) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right] dx \leq \|f\|_{p,\Phi} L. \quad (3.5)$$

Then by (3.3), we have (3.1). On the other-hand, assume that (3.1) is valid. Setting

$$f(x) := [\Phi(x)]^{1-q} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \right]^{q-1}, x \in (1+\alpha, \infty),$$

then  $L^{q-1} = \|f\|_{p,\Phi}$ . By (2.5), we find  $L < \infty$ . If  $L = 0$ , then (3.3) is trivially valid; if  $L > 0$ , then by (3.1), we have

$$\|f\|_{p,\Phi}^p = L^{p(q-1)} = I < B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \|f\|_{p,\Phi} \|a\|_{q,\Psi},$$

therefore  $\|f\|_{p,\Phi}^{p-1} = L < B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \|a\|_{q,\Psi}$ , that is, (3.3) is equivalent to (3.1). Hence, (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3) are equivalent.

For  $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{p\lambda}{2}$ , setting  $\tilde{f}(x) = \frac{1}{x-\alpha} \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-1}(x-\alpha)$ ,  $x \in (1+\alpha, e+\alpha)$ ;  $\tilde{f}(x) = 0$ ,  $x \in [e+\alpha, \infty)$ , and  $\tilde{a}_n = \frac{1}{n-\beta} \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-\frac{\varepsilon}{q}-1}(n-\beta)$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}$ , if there exists a positive number  $k (\leq B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}))$ , such that (3.1) is valid as we replace  $B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$  with  $k$ , then in particular, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} &:= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{a}_n \tilde{f}(x) dx}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} < k \|\tilde{f}\|_{p,\Phi} \|\tilde{a}\|_{q,\Psi} \\ &= k \left\{ \int_{1+\alpha}^{e+\alpha} \frac{dx}{(x-\alpha) \ln^{-\varepsilon+1}(x-\alpha)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{1}{(2-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(2-\beta)} + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(n-\beta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &< k \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \frac{1}{(2-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(2-\beta)} + \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dy}{(y-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(y-\beta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon}{(2-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(2-\beta)} + \frac{1}{\ln^{\varepsilon}(2-\beta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{I} &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}-\frac{\varepsilon}{q}-1}(n-\beta)}{n-\beta} \int_{1+\alpha}^{e+\alpha} \frac{\ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-1}(x-\alpha) dx}{(x-\alpha)[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^{\lambda}} \\ &\stackrel{t=\ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)}{=} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(n-\beta)} \int_0^{\ln(n-\beta)} \frac{t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-1}}{(1+t)^{\lambda}} dt \\ &= B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{p}, \frac{\lambda}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(n-\beta)} - A(\varepsilon) \\ &> B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{p}, \frac{\lambda}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) \int_2^{\infty} \frac{dy}{(y-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(y-\beta)} - A(\varepsilon) \\ &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon \ln^{\varepsilon}(2-\beta)} B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{p}, \frac{\lambda}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) - A(\varepsilon), \\ A(\varepsilon) &:= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(n-\beta)} \int_{\ln(n-\beta)}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(t+1)^{\lambda}} t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-1} dt. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

We find

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< A(\varepsilon) \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\varepsilon+1}(n-\beta)} \int_{\ln(n-\beta)}^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^{\lambda}} t^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-1} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{\lambda}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-\beta) \ln^{\frac{\lambda}{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{q}+1}(n-\beta)} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

and so  $A(\varepsilon) = O(1)(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$ . Hence by (3.6) and (3.7), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\ln^\varepsilon(2-\beta)} B\left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{p}, \frac{\lambda}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right) - \varepsilon O(1) \\ & < k \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon}{(2-\beta)\ln^{\varepsilon+1}(2-\beta)} + \frac{1}{\ln^\varepsilon(2-\beta)} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned}$$

and  $B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \leq k(\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+)$ . Hence  $k = B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$  is the best value of (3.1).

By the equivalence of the inequalities, in view of (3.4) and (3.5), the constant factor  $B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$  in (3.2) and (3.3) is the best possible.  $\square$

*Remark 3.2.* (i) Define the first type half-discrete Hilbert-type operator  $T_1 : L_{p,\Phi}(1+\alpha, \infty) \rightarrow l_{p,\Psi^{1-p}}$  as follows: For  $f \in L_{p,\Phi}(1+\alpha, \infty)$ , we define  $T_1 f \in l_{p,\Psi^{1-p}}$  by

$$T_1 f(n) = \int_{1+\alpha}^{\infty} \frac{1}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^\lambda} f(x) dx, n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{1\}.$$

Then by (3.2),  $\|T_1 f\|_{p,\Psi^{1-p}} \leq B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \|f\|_{p,\Phi}$  and so  $T_1$  is a bounded operator with  $\|T_1\| \leq B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$ . Since by Theorem 3.1, the constant factor in (3.2) is best possible, we have  $\|T_1\| = B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$ .

(ii) Define the second type half-discrete Hilbert-type operator  $T_2 : l_{q,\Psi} \rightarrow L_{q,\Phi^{1-q}}(1+\alpha, \infty)$  as follows: For  $a \in l_{q,\Psi}$ , we define  $T_2 a \in L_{q,\Phi^{1-q}}(1+\alpha, \infty)$  by

$$T_2 a(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{[1 + \ln(x-\alpha) \ln(n-\beta)]^\lambda} a_n, x \in (1+\alpha, \infty).$$

Then by (3.3),  $\|T_2 a\|_{q,\Phi^{1-q}} \leq B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}) \|a\|_{q,\Psi}$  and so  $T_2$  is a bounded operator with  $\|T_2\| \leq B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$ . Since by Theorem 3.1, the constant factor in (3.3) is best possible, we have  $\|T_2\| = B(\frac{\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2})$ .

*Remark 3.3.* For  $p = q = 2, \lambda = 1$  in (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), (i) if  $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$ , then we have (1.7) and the following equivalent inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{f(x) dx}{1 + \ln(x - \frac{1}{2}) \ln(n - \frac{1}{2})} \right]^2 < \pi^2 \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^{\infty} (x - \frac{1}{2}) f^2(x) dx, \\ & \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{1 + \ln(x - \frac{1}{2}) \ln(n - \frac{1}{2})} \right]^2 dx < \pi^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n - \frac{1}{2}) a_n^2. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) if  $\alpha = \beta = 0$ , then we have the following equivalent inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_1^{\infty} f(x) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{1 + \ln x \ln n} dx < \pi \left\{ \int_1^{\infty} x f^2(x) dx \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[ \int_1^{\infty} \frac{f(x) dx}{1 + \ln x \ln n} \right]^2 < \pi^2 \int_1^{\infty} x f^2(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x} \left[ \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{a_n}{1 + \ln x \ln n} \right]^2 dx < \pi^2 \sum_{n=2}^\infty n a_n^2.$$

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