

WEIGHTED BILINEAR HARDY INEQUALITIES

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ABSTRACT. We characterize the weights w, w_1, w_2 such that the weighted bilinear Hardy inequality

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}}$$

holds for all nonnegative functions f and g , with a positive constant C independent of f and g , for all possible values of q, p_1 and p_2 with $1 < q, p_1, p_2 < \infty$.

We also characterize the good weights for the weighted bilinear n -dimensional Hardy inequality to hold.

1. INTRODUCTION AND RESULTS.

G. H. Hardy established in [8] that if $p > 1$, then the inequality

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t f(x) dx \right)^p dt \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1} \right)^p \int_0^\infty f^p(t) dt \quad (1.1)$$

holds for all nonnegative functions f on $(0, \infty)$.

Shortly after, (1.1) led to prove (see [9], Theorem 330) that if $p > 1$ and $\varepsilon < p - 1$, then

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^t f(x) dx \right)^p t^{\varepsilon-p} dt \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1-\varepsilon} \right)^p \int_0^\infty f^p(t) t^\varepsilon dt,$$

which can be seen as a weighted strong-type inequality for the operator $Pf(x) = \int_0^x f$, with weights $t^{\varepsilon-p}$ and t^ε . It is natural to consider the problem of characterizing the pairs (u, v) of nonnegative measurable functions on an interval (a, b) , with $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$, such that the inequality

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q u(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^b f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad (1.2)$$

holds for all nonnegative f with a positive constant C independent of f , where $q, p > 1$. This problem was solved by Muckenhoupt [14] and Bradley [2] in the case $1 < p \leq q < \infty$ and by Mazja [13] in the case $1 < q < p < \infty$ (see [10] and [15] for more references and details). The next theorem collects the results mentioned above:

Theorem A ([2],[13],[14]). *Let $1 \leq q, p < \infty$ and let u, v be positive measurable functions on (a, b) . Then the inequality (1.2) holds for all positive measurable functions f with a constant C independent of f if and only if:*

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(i) in the case $1 < p \leq q < \infty$,

$$A = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_x^b u \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x v^{1-p'} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} < \infty,$$

and the best constant C in (1.2) verifies $C = A$;

(ii) in the case $1 < q < p < \infty$, if $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$,

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left(\int_a^x v^{1-p'}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r}{q'}} v^{1-p'}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &= \left(\frac{p'}{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \left(\int_a^x v^{1-p'}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r}{p'}} w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

and the best constant C in (1.2) verifies $q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'q}{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B \leq C \leq q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p')^{\frac{1}{q'}} B$.

The inequality (1.2) is closely related to the embeddings of weighted Sobolev spaces into weighted Lebesgue spaces. More precisely, if, following [10], we define the space $W_L^{1,p}(u)$ as the one consisting of the functions $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that f is absolutely continuous, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = 0$ and $f' \in L^p(u)$, normed with $\|f\|_{W_L^{1,p}(u)} = \|f'\|_{L^p(u)}$, then the inequality (1.2) is equivalent to

$$\|f\|_{L^q(w)} \leq C \|f\|_{W_L^{1,p}(v)},$$

i. e., the continuity of the identity map from $W_L^{1,p}(v)$ to $L^q(w)$.

This paper deals with the bilinear Hardy operator H defined for pairs (f, g) of nonnegative measurable functions on (a, b) , $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$, by

$$H(f, g)(x) = \int_a^x \int_a^x f(s)g(t) ds dt.$$

Our purpose is to characterize the positive measurable functions w, w_1, w_2 such that the inequality

$$\left(\int_a^b (H(f, g)(x))^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}} \quad (1.3)$$

holds for all pairs (f, g) of nonnegative functions with a positive constant C independent of f and g , where $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$.

As far as we know, this problem has not been considered previously in the literature, apart from the papers [4] and [7], which work with general bilinear operators and characterize their boundedness, in the case $\frac{1}{q} \geq \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2}$, by means of a Schur-type criterion.

Our work has been motivated by the paper [11], where a weight theory has been developed for a new multi(sub)linear maximal function introduced in order to control the multilinear Calderón-Zygmund operators.

It is worth noting that the inequality (1.3) is equivalent to

$$\|fg\|_{L^q(w)} \leq C \|f\|_{W_L^{1,p_1}(w_1)} \|g\|_{W_L^{1,p_2}(w_2)}, \quad (1.4)$$

which means that the characterization of the weights w, w_1, w_2 such that the inequality (1.3) holds is equivalent to the characterization of the weights w, w_1, w_2 for the product to be continuous from $W_L^{1,p_1}(w_1) \times W_L^{1,p_2}(w_2)$ to $L^q(w)$.

Our results are the following ones:

Theorem 1. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q \geq p_1$ and $q \geq p_2$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions defined on (a, b) . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.3) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if*

$$A_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty.$$

Moreover, the best constant C in inequality (1.3) verifies $A_L \leq C \leq 8(1 + 4^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} A_L$.

Theorem 2. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q \geq p_1$ and $q < p_2$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions defined on (a, b) . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.3) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:*

(i)

$$A_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty;$$

(ii)

$$B_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}} < \infty,$$

$$\text{where } \frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}.$$

Moreover, the best constant C in inequality (1.3) verifies

$$\max\{A_L, q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{qp'_2}{r_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B_L\} \leq C \leq 8 \left(A_L + q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B_L \right).$$

Theorem 3. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q < p_1$, $q < p_2$ and $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} \geq \frac{1}{q}$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions defined on (a, b) . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.3) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:*

(i)

$$A_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty;$$

(ii)

$$B_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}} < \infty;$$

(iii)

$$C_L = \sup_{a < x < b} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} < \infty,$$

where $\frac{1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1}$ and $\frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}$.

Moreover, the best constant C in inequality (1.3) verifies

$$\max\{A_L, q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{qp'_2}{r_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B_L, q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{qp'_1}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} C_L\} \leq C \leq 8 \left(8C_L + 4 \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L + q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B_L\right).$$

Theorem 4. Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q < p_1$, $q < p_2$ and $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} < \frac{1}{q}$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions defined on (a, b) . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.3) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:

(i)

$$D_L = \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{s}{p_1} + \frac{s}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_2}} w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty;$$

(ii)

$$E_L = \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_2}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty;$$

(iii)

$$F_L = \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty,$$

where $\frac{1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1}$, $\frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}$ and $\frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{p_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1} - \frac{1}{p_2}$.

Moreover, the best constant C in inequality (1.3) verifies

$$C \leq 8 \left(2r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{s}{p'_2} + 1\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \left(\left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} F_L + \left(\frac{s}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} D_L \right) + q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{s}{p'_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} E_L \right)$$

and

$$C \geq \max \{ \widetilde{D}_L, \widetilde{E}_L, \widetilde{F}_L \},$$

where

$$\widetilde{D}_L = D_L \left(\frac{q}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}} r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{p'_1}{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}},$$

$$\widetilde{E}_L = E_L q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_2 q}{r_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} r_2^{\frac{1}{r_2}} \left(\frac{p'_1 r_2}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}}$$

and

$$\widetilde{F}_L = F_L q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}}.$$

The proofs of Theorems 1, 2, 3 and 4 are contained in sections 2, 3, 4 and 5, respectively. From the technical view point, it is worth noting that the proofs of the sufficiency of the conditions in Theorems 3 and 4 need an estimation which is performed by means of the known results about weighted inequalities for the discrete Hardy operator. This technique is inspired in [3] (see also [1] and [16]).

The theory of weighted Hardy inequalities was extended to the n -dimensional setting by P. Drábek, H. P. Heinig and A. Kufner, who characterized in [5] (see also [12] for more general results and applications) the good weights for the inequality

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f \right)^q u(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f^p v \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad (1.5)$$

to hold for all nonnegative f with a positive constant C independent of f , where $q, p > 1$. They proved the following result.

Theorem B ([5]). *Let $1 < q, p < \infty$ and let u, v be positive measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Then the inequality (1.5) holds for all positive measurable functions f with a constant C independent of f if and only if:*

(i) *in the case $1 < p \leq q < \infty$,*

$$\sup_{\rho > 0} \left(\int_{|x| > \rho} u \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} v^{1-p'} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} < \infty;$$

(ii) *in the case $1 < q < p < \infty$, if $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{|y| > |x|} w \right)^{\frac{r}{q}} \left(\int_{|y| < |x|} v^{1-p'} \right)^{\frac{r}{q'}} v^{1-p'}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &= \left(\frac{p'}{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{|y| > |x|} w \right)^{\frac{r}{p}} \left(\int_{|y| < |x|} v^{1-p'} \right)^{\frac{r}{p'}} w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Arguing as in the proofs of Theorems 1, 2, 3 and 4, and applying Theorem B instead of Theorem A when necessary, we also characterize the weighted inequality

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (T(f, g)(x))^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}}, \quad (1.6)$$

where T stands for the n -dimensional bilinear Hardy operator defined for pairs (f, g) of nonnegative measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n by

$$T(f, g)(x) = \int_{B(0,|x|)} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(s)g(t) ds dt.$$

Some norm inequalities with power weights for a multilinear n -dimensional Hardy operator have been characterized in [6]. The operator T we have just defined is closely related to the operator \mathcal{H}^2 considered in [6], which is defined for pairs (f, g) of nonnegative functions on \mathbb{R}^n and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ by

$$\mathcal{H}^2(f, g)(x) = \int_{|(y_1, y_2)| < |x|} f(y_1)g(y_2) dy_1 dy_2.$$

It is clear that $\mathcal{H}^2(f, g)(x) \leq T(f, g)(x) \leq \mathcal{H}^2(f, g)(\sqrt{2}x)$, which allows to establish relationships between the good weights for T and \mathcal{H}^2 . In particular, the good triplets (w, w_1, w_2) of power weights coincide.

The results for T are the following ones:

Theorem 5. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q \geq p_1$ and $q \geq p_2$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.6) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if*

$$A^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| > \rho} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty.$$

Theorem 6. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q \geq p_1$ and $q < p_2$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.6) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:*

(i)

$$A^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| > \rho} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty$$

(ii)

$$B^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \times \left(\int_{|y| > \rho} \left(\int_{|x| > |y|} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < |y|} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}} < \infty,$$

$$\text{where } \frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}.$$

Theorem 7. *Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q < p_1$, $q < p_2$ and $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} \geq \frac{1}{q}$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.6) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:*

(i)

$$A^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| > \rho} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty;$$

(ii)

$$B^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \times \left(\int_{|y| > \rho} \left(\int_{|x| > |y|} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < |y|} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}} < \infty;$$

(iii)

$$C^n = \sup_{0 < \rho < \infty} \left(\int_{|x| < \rho} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ \times \left(\int_{|y| > \rho} \left(\int_{|x| > |y|} w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_{|x| < |y|} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} < \infty,$$

where $\frac{1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1}$ and $\frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}$.

Theorem 8. Let $q, p_1, p_2 > 1$ with $q < p_1$, $q < p_2$ and $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} < \frac{1}{q}$. Let w, w_1, w_2 be positive measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Then there exists a positive constant C such that the inequality (1.6) holds for all positive functions f and g if and only if the following conditions hold:

(i)

$$D^n = \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{|y| > |x|} w \right)^{\frac{s}{p_1} + \frac{s}{p_2}} \left(\int_{|y| < |x|} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{|y| < |x|} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_2}} w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty;$$

(ii)

$$E^n = \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{|y| > |x|} \left(\int_{|z| > |y|} w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{|z| < |y|} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} \right. \\ \left. \times \left(\int_{|z| < |x|} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty;$$

(iii)

$$F^n = \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{|y| > |x|} \left(\int_{|z| > |y|} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_{|z| < |y|} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \right. \\ \left. \times \left(\int_{|z| < |x|} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty;$$

where $\frac{1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1}$, $\frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_2}$ and $\frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{p_2} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p_1} - \frac{1}{p_2}$.

2. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.

Proof. For the necessity of $A_L < \infty$, we fix $x \in (a, b)$ and test the inequality (1.3) with the functions $f = \chi_{(a,x)} w_1^{1-p'_1}$ and $g = \chi_{(a,x)} w_2^{1-p'_2}$, obtaining immediately

$$\left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^q \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}},$$

which means that $A_L \leq C$.

Conversely, let f, g be positive functions and let us define the sequence $\{x_i\}$ by $x_0 = b$ and x_{i+1} is the unique number such that $\int_a^{x_{i+1}} f = \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} f$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \\ & \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_a^{x_i} f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx = 4^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \\ & \leq 8^q \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^q w(x) dx \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \right) = 8^q(I + II). \end{aligned}$$

In order to estimate I , we apply Hölder inequality and the condition and then take into account that $\frac{q}{p_1} \geq 1$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right) \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^q \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right) \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p_1'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1'}} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2'}} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^b w \right) \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p_1'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1'}} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2'}} \\ &\leq A_L^q \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \leq A_L^q \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}}. \end{aligned}$$

For the estimation of II , let us split each interval (x_{i+1}, x_i) by means of the sequence $\{z_j^i\}$ defined by $z_0^i = x_i$ and, once given z_j^i , z_{j+1}^i is the unique number such that $\int_{x_{i+1}}^{z_{j+1}^i} g = \int_{z_j^i}^{z_{j+1}^i} g$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} II &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^x g \right)^q w(x) dx = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{z_j^i} g \right)^q \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} w \right) = 4^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} g \right)^q \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} w \right). \end{aligned}$$

Applying Hölder inequality, the condition and the facts that $\frac{q}{p_1} \geq 1$ and $\frac{q}{p_2} \geq 1$, we obtain that II is less than

$$4^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p_1'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1'}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2'}} \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^{z_j^i} w \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 4^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{z_{j+2}^i}^{z_{j+1}^i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^{z_{j+1}^i} w_1^{1-p_1'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1'}} \left(\int_a^{z_{j+1}^i} w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2'}} \left(\int_{z_{j+1}^i}^b w \right) \\
&\leq 4^q A_L^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{z_{j+2}^i}^{z_{j+1}^i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \leq 4^q A_L^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\leq 4^q A_L^q \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \leq 4^q A_L^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

This shows that

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq 8(1+4^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} A_L \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}},$$

and we are done. \square

3. PROOF OF THEOREM 2.

Proof. The necessity of condition (i) follows as in Theorem 1, obtaining $A_L \leq C$. For the necessity of condition (ii), we observe that (1.3) is equivalent to

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q \left(\int_a^x \frac{f}{\|f\|_{p_1, w_1}} \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}}. \quad (3.1)$$

This means that the Hardy operator is bounded from $L^{p_2}(w_2)$ to $L^q(u)$, where

$$u(x) = \left(\int_a^x \frac{f}{\|f\|_{p_1, w_1}} \right)^q w(x),$$

and the constant C does not depend on f .

Since $q < p_2$, by Theorem A, the inequality (3.1) implies

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t \frac{f}{\|f\|_{p_1, w_1}} \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p_2'}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_2}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p_2' q}{r_2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}},$$

or, equivalently,

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t f \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p_2'}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_2}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p_2' q}{r_2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \|f\|_{p_1, w_1}.$$

This inequality implies immediately that

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^{r_2} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p_2'} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p_2'}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_2}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p_2' q}{r_2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \|f\|_{p_1, w_1},$$

which means that the Hardy operator $Pf(x) = \int_a^x f$ is bounded from $L^{p_1}(w_1)$ to $L^{r_2}(\tilde{u})$, where

$$\tilde{u}(x) = \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x).$$

Since $r_2 \geq p_1$, applying Theorem A, this inequality holds if and only if $B_L < \infty$. Moreover $C \geq q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_2 q}{r_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} B_L$.

For the sufficiency of the conditions, we work exactly as in the proof Theorem 1, obtaining

$$\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(t) dt \leq 8^q (I + II), \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$I = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^q \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)$$

and

$$II = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^x g \right)^q w(x) dx.$$

Proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 1, we obtain, by means of condition (i),

$$I \leq A_L^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}. \quad (3.3)$$

In order to estimate II, we work as in the proof of Mazja's Theorem (see Theorem 1.15 in [15]), obtaining, for every i ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \\ & \leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r_2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Then, applying (3.4), Hölder inequality and condition (ii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} II & \leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \times \\ & \quad \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r_2}} \\ & \leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \times \\ & \quad \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r_2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

Since $\frac{q}{p_1} \geq 1$, from (3.5) we get

$$II \leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}. \tag{3.6}$$

Finally, from (3.2), (3.3) and (3.6) we obtain

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq 8 \left(A_L + q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{q}} B_L \right) \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}},$$

and we are done. \square

4. PROOF OF THEOREM 3.

Proof. The necessity of the conditions follows as in Theorem 2. Observe that, by symmetry, the condition $C_L < \infty$ can be deduced from (1.3) as $B_L < \infty$ was deduced in the proof of Theorem 2.

For the sufficiency, we work again as in the proof of Theorem 1 and get

$$\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \leq 8^q (I + II).$$

Let us estimate I . Applying twice Hölder inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f \right)^q \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right) \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^q \\
&\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right) \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^q \\
&\leq \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} \\
&\leq \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\sum_{j=i}^{\infty} \int_{x_{j+2}}^{x_{j+1}} g \right)^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} \\
&= \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(h^+(\{a_n\})(i) \right)^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}},
\end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

where $h^+(\{a_n\})(i) = \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} a_n$ and $a_n = \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} g$ for all n .

Observe that h^+ is nothing but the discrete Hardy operator. Applying the well-known results about the weighted inequalities for h^+ (see [17]) and taking into account that $p_2 \leq r_1$, we have that

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} (h^+(\{a_n\})(i))^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} \leq C \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^{p'_2} v_i \right)^{\frac{q}{p'_2}}, \quad (4.2)$$

whenever $\{v_i\}$ to be a sequence verifying

$$K = \sup_{m \geq 0} \left(\sum_{i=0}^m \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\sum_{i=m}^{\infty} v_i^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} < \infty. \quad (4.3)$$

In such a case, the constant C in (4.2) verifies $C \leq 4^q K^q$. Let $v_i = \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{-p_2}{p'_2}}$. Let us see that for this sequence $\{v_i\}$, the condition (4.3) holds. Let $m \geq 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=0}^m \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\sum_{i=m}^{\infty} v_i^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^m \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{i=0}^m \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+2}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &+ \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^{x_{m+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &+ \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^{x_{m+1}} \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_{x_{m+1}}^{x_m} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^{x_{m+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &\leq \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^{x_1} \left(\int_{x_{m+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+2}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &+ \left(\int_{x_{m+1}}^{x_1} \left(\int_{x_{m+1}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \\ &+ \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{m+1}}^b w \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{m+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'_2}} \leq 2C_L + \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (4.2) holds. Transporting (4.2) to (4.1) and applying Hölder inequality, we obtain

$$I \leq 4^q \left(2C_L + \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L \right)^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} g \right)^{p_2} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{-\frac{p_2}{p'_2}} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 4^q \left(2C_L + \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L \right)^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \times \\
&\quad \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} g^{p_2} w_2 \right) \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{p_2}{p'_2}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{-\frac{p_2}{p'_2}} \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&= 4^q \left(2C_L + \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L \right)^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\leq 4^q \left(2C_L + \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L \right)^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

For the estimation of II , we work as in the estimation of II in Theorem 2, obtaining

$$\begin{aligned}
II &\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r_2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, applying condition (ii) and Hölder inequality and taking into account that $\frac{r_1}{p_2} \geq 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
II &\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_2}} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} \\
&\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} B_L^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

From the above estimates, we finally get

$$\|H(f, g)\|_{q, w} \leq 8 \left(8C_L + 4 \left(\frac{p'_1}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} A_L + q^{\frac{1}{q}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{q}} B_L \right) \|f\|_{p_1, w_1} \|g\|_{p_2, w_2},$$

as we wished to prove. □

5. PROOF OF THEOREM 4

Proof. For the necessity, we begin by showing that (1.3) implies $D_L < \infty$.

The inequality (1.3) is equivalent to

$$\left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq C \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{p_1}}. \tag{5.1}$$

This means that the Hardy operator is bounded from $L^{p_1}(w_1)$ to $L^q(u)$, where

$$u(x) = \left(\int_a^x \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(x),$$

and the constant C does not depend on g .

Since $q < p_1$, applying Theorem A, the inequality (5.1) implies

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \\ \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{q}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}},$$

or, equivalently,

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t g \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \\ \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{q}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \|g\|_{p_2, w_2}.$$

This inequality implies immediately that

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_a^x g \right)^{r_1} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} w(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{q}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \|g\|_{p_2, w_2},$$

which means that the Hardy operator $Pg(x) = \int_a^x g$ is bounded from $L^{p_2}(w_2)$ to $L^{r_1}(\bar{u})$, where

$$\bar{u}(x) = \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} w(x).$$

Since $p_2 > r_1$, applying Theorem A, this inequality holds if and only if

$$\overline{D}_L = \left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \bar{u} \right)^{\frac{s}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p_2}} \bar{u}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty,$$

where $\frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{p_2}$, and

$$C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{q}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \geq \overline{D}_L r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$

Taking into account that $\int_x^b \bar{u} \geq \frac{q}{r_1} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1}} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p_1} + 1}$ and the identities $\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \frac{s}{p_2} + \frac{r_1}{p'_1} = \frac{s}{p'_1}$ and $\left(\frac{r_1}{p_1} + 1 \right) \frac{s}{p_2} + \frac{r_1}{p_1} = \frac{s}{p_1} + \frac{s}{p_2}$, we obtain $D_L < \infty$ and

$$C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{q}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \geq D_L \left(\frac{q}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}} r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$C \geq D_L \left(\frac{q}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p_2}} r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \left(\frac{p'_1}{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}}.$$

In order to prove $F_L < \infty$ we begin as in the proof of $D_L < \infty$. We have proved that (1.3) is equivalent to the Hardy operator to be bounded from $L^{p_1}(w_1)$ to $L^q(u)$, where

$$u(x) = \left(\int_a^x \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(x),$$

and the constant C does not depend on g .

Since $q < p_1$, by Theorem A, the inequality (5.1) implies

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t \frac{g}{\|g\|_{p_2, w_2}} \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}},$$

or, equivalently,

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^t g \right)^q w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \|g\|_{p_2, w_2}.$$

This inequality implies immediately that

$$\left\{ \int_a^b \left(\int_a^x g \right)^{r_1} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \leq C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \|g\|_{p_2, w_2},$$

which means that the Hardy operator P is bounded from $L^{p_2}(w_2)$ to $L^{r_1}(\tilde{u})$, where

$$\tilde{u}(x) = \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x).$$

Since $p_2 > r_1$, applying Theorem A, this inequality holds if and only if $F_L < \infty$. Moreover

$$C q^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{q'}} \geq F_L r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}}, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad C \geq F_L r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} \left(\frac{p'_2 r_1}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}} q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_1 q}{r_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}}.$$

Observe that, by symmetry, the condition $E_L < \infty$ can be deduced from (1.3) as $F_L < \infty$ was deduced in the above proof. Moreover, $C \geq E_L q^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{p'_2 q}{r_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} r_2^{\frac{1}{r_2}} \left(\frac{p'_1 r_2}{s} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}}$.

For the sufficiency, we work as in Theorem 3, obtaining

$$\int_a^b \left(\int_a^x f \right)^q \left(\int_a^x g \right)^q w(x) dx \leq 8^q (I + II)$$

and

$$I \leq \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} (h^+(\{a_n\})(i))^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}}, \quad (5.2)$$

where $h^+(\{a_n\})(i) = \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} a_n$ and $a_n = \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} g$ for all n .

Applying the well-known results about the weighted inequalities for h^+ (see [17]) and taking into account that $r_1 < p_2$, we have that the inequality

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} (h^+(\{a_n\})(i))^{r_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} \leq C \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i^{p_2} v_i \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}, \quad (5.3)$$

holds whenever $\{v_i\}$ to be a sequence verifying

$$K = \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\sum_{i=n}^{\infty} v_i^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} v_n^{1-p'_2} \right\}^{\frac{1}{s}} < \infty. \quad (5.4)$$

In such a case, the constant C in (5.3) verifies $C^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq r_1^{\frac{1}{r_1}} (p'_2)^{\frac{1}{r'_1}} K$. Again as in the proof of Theorem 3, let $v_i = \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{-p_2}{p'_2}}$. Let us see that for this sequence $\{v_i\}$, the condition (5.4) holds:

$$\begin{aligned} K^s &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1} + 1} \\ &\quad + 2^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^{x_{n+2}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \\ &= J_1 + J_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let us estimate J_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= 2^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} \frac{s}{p'_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\ &\leq 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\ &\quad + 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+1}}^{x_n} w \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_2}} \\ &\leq 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+1}}^{x_1} \left(\int_a^y w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q'}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r'_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\ &\quad + 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \frac{s}{q} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+1}}^{x_n} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_x^{x_{n+2}} w \right)^{\frac{s}{q} - 1} \left(\int_a^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_2}} w(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^y w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\
&+ 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \frac{s}{q} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+1}}^{x_n} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{s}{p_1} + \frac{s}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p_2}} w(x) dx \\
&\leq 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \int_a^b \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_a^y w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(y) \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\
&\quad + 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \frac{s}{q} \int_a^b \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_x^b w \right)^{\frac{s}{p_1} + \frac{s}{p_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p_2}} w(x) dx \\
&= 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} F_L^s + 2^s \frac{s}{p'_2} \frac{s}{q} D_L^s < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we estimate J_2 in the same way:

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2 &\leq 2^s \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{r_1}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_1}{q}} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} \left(\int_a^x w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(x) dx \\
&+ 2^s \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{n+2}}^{x_{n+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{n+1}}^{x_n} w \right)^{\frac{s}{q}} \left(\int_a^{x_{n+1}} w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_2}} \\
&\leq 2^s \left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} F_L^s + 2^s \frac{s}{q} D_L^s < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (5.4) holds, which implies (5.3). Transporting (5.3) to (5.2) and working exactly as in (4.4), we obtain

$$I \leq r_1^{\frac{q}{r_1}} (p'_2)^{\frac{q}{r_1}} 2^q \left(\frac{s}{p'_2} + 1 \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} \left(\left(\frac{r_1}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_1}} F_L^s + \frac{s}{q} D_L^s \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}.$$

For the estimation of II , we begin as in the estimation of II in Theorems 2 and 3, obtaining

$$\begin{aligned}
II &\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{q}{r_2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Applying now the triple Hölder inequality with exponents $\frac{p_1}{q}$, $\frac{p_2}{q}$ and $\frac{s}{q}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
II &\leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{p'_1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} \right)^{\frac{q}{s}}.
\end{aligned}$$

If we call S the sum in brackets in the above inequality, it is simple to see that $S \leq \frac{s}{p'_1} E_L^s$:

$$\begin{aligned}
S &= \frac{s}{p'_1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\int_{x_{i+2}}^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^{x_i} \left(\int_y^{x_i} w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_{x_{i+1}}^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} \\
&\leq \frac{s}{p'_1} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_{i+2}}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\int_x^b \left(\int_y^b w \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q}} \left(\int_a^y w_2^{1-p'_2} \right)^{\frac{r_2}{q'}} w_2^{1-p'_2}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} \left(\int_a^x w_1^{1-p'_1} \right)^{\frac{s}{r_2}} w_1^{1-p'_1}(x) dx \\
&= \frac{s}{p'_1} E_L^s.
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$II \leq q(p'_2)^{q-1} \left(\frac{s}{p'_1} \right)^{\frac{q}{s}} E_L^q \left(\int_a^b f^{p_1} w_1 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_1}} \left(\int_a^b g^{p_2} w_2 \right)^{\frac{q}{p_2}}$$

and we are done. □

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