

# WEIGHTED $L^p$ -BOUNDEDNESS OF FOURIER SERIES WITH RESPECT TO GENERALIZED JACOBI WEIGHTS.

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**Abstract.** *Let  $w$  be a generalized Jacobi weight on the interval  $[-1, 1]$  and, for each function  $f$ , let  $S_n f$  denote the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier series of  $f$  in the orthogonal polynomials associated to  $w$ . We prove a result about uniform boundedness of the operators  $S_n$  in some weighted  $L^p$  spaces. The study of the norms of the kernels  $K_n$  related to the operators  $S_n$  allows us to obtain a relation between the Fourier series with respect to different generalized Jacobi weights.*

Let  $w$  be a generalized Jacobi weight, that is,

$$w(x) = h(x)(1-x)^\alpha(1+x)^\beta \prod_{i=1}^N |x-t_i|^{\gamma_i}, \quad x \in [-1, 1]$$

where

a)  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma_i > -1$ ,  $t_i \in (-1, 1)$ ,  $t_i \neq t_j \forall i \neq j$ ;

b)  $h$  is a positive, continuous function on  $[-1, 1]$  and  $w(h, \delta)\delta^{-1} \in L^1(0, 1)$ ,  $w(h, \delta)$  being the modulus of continuity of  $h$ .

Let  $d\mu = w(x) dx$  on  $[-1, 1]$  and let  $S_n$  ( $n \geq 0$ ) be the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier series in the orthonormal polynomials with respect to  $d\mu$ . The study of the boundedness

$$\|S_n f\|_{L^p(u^p d\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p d\mu)}, \quad (1)$$

where 
$$u(x) = (1-x)^a(1+x)^b \prod_{i=1}^N |x-t_i|^{g_i}, \quad a, b, g_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

and 
$$v(x) = (1-x)^A(1+x)^B \prod_{i=1}^N |x-t_i|^{G_i}, \quad A, B, G_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

was done by Badkov ([1]) in the case  $u = v$  by means of a direct estimation of the kernels  $K_n(x, y)$  associated with the polynomials orthogonal with respect to  $d\mu$ . Later, one of us ([10]) considered the same problem, with  $u$  and  $v$  not necessarily equal; his method consists of an appropriate use of the theory of  $A_p$  weights. He found conditions for (1) which generalized those obtained for  $u = v$  by Badkov. However, this result, which we state below, follows only in the case  $\gamma_i \geq 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

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**Theorem 1.** Let  $\gamma_i \geq 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and  $1 < p < \infty$ . If the inequalities

$$\begin{cases} A + (\alpha + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) < \min\left\{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right\} \\ B + (\beta + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) < \min\left\{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{\beta+1}{2}\right\} \\ G_i + (\gamma_i + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) < \min\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\gamma_i+1}{2}\right\} \quad (i = 1, \dots, N) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{cases} a + (\alpha + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) > -\min\left\{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right\} \\ b + (\beta + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) > -\min\left\{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{\beta+1}{2}\right\} \\ g_i + (\gamma_i + 1)\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right) > -\min\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\gamma_i+1}{2}\right\} \quad (i = 1, \dots, N) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

and

$$A \leq a, \quad B \leq b, \quad G_i \leq g_i \quad (4)$$

hold, then

$$\exists C > 0 \text{ such that } \|S_n f\|_{L^p(u^p d\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p d\mu)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p d\mu), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The objective of this paper is to show that the result remains true without the restriction  $\gamma_i \geq 0$  and that conditions (2), (3) and (4) are also necessary for the uniform boundedness:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then, there exists  $C > 0$  such that

$$\|S_n f\|_{L^p(u^p d\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p d\mu)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p d\mu), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

if and only if the inequalities (2), (3) and (4) are satisfied.

For the sake of completeness, we give a brief sketch of the proof of theorem 1 (see also [10]). By using Pollard's decomposition of the kernels  $K_n(x, y)$  (see [8], [5]), the uniform boundedness of  $S_n$  can be reduced to that of the Hilbert transform with pairs of weights

$$(|P_{n+1}(x)|^p u(x)^p w(x), |Q_n(x)|^{-p} (1-x^2)^{-p} v(x)^p w(x)^{1-p})$$

and

$$(|Q_n(x)|^p (1-x^2)^p u(x)^p w(x), |P_{n+1}(x)|^{-p} v(x)^p w(x)^{1-p}),$$

$Q_n$  being the  $n$ -th orthonormal polynomial relative to the measure  $(1-x^2)d\mu$ . Using now Hunt-Muckenhoupt-Wheeden and Neugebauer results (see [2], [6]), together with some known estimates for generalized Jacobi polynomials (see (8) below), for the above uniform boundedness the following conditions turn out to be sufficient:

$$(u_n^\delta, v_n^\delta) \in A_p((-1, 1))$$

and

$$(\bar{u}_n^\delta, \bar{v}_n^\delta) \in A_p((-1, 1))$$

for some  $\delta > 1$ , with  $A_p$  constants independent of  $n$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} u_n(x) &= (1-x)^{ap+\alpha} (1-x+n^{-2})^{-p(2\alpha+1)/4} \\ &\quad \times (1+x)^{bp+\beta} (1+x+n^{-2})^{-p(2\beta+1)/4} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^N |x-t_i|^{g_i p + \gamma_i} (|x-t_i| + n^{-1})^{-p\gamma_i/2}, \\ v_n(x) &= (1-x)^{Ap+\alpha(1-p)+p} (1-x+n^{-2})^{p(2\alpha+3)/4} \\ &\quad \times (1+x)^{Bp+\beta(1-p)+p} (1+x+n^{-2})^{p(2\beta+3)/4} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^N |x-t_i|^{G_i p + \gamma_i(1-p)} (|x-t_i| + n^{-1})^{p\gamma_i/2} \end{aligned}$$

and similar expressions for  $\bar{u}_n$  and  $\bar{v}_n$ .

These conditions are easy to check using the simpler result (see [10]):

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  be a sequence of positive numbers converging to 0. Let  $r, s, R, S \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then,*

$$(|x|^r (|x| + x_n)^s, |x|^R (|x| + x_n)^S) \in A_p((-1, 1))$$

with a constant independent of  $n$  if and only if the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} r &> -1; & R &< p - 1; & R &\leq r; \\ r + s &> -1; & R + S &< p - 1; & R + S &\leq r + s. \end{aligned}$$

At least in the case  $u = v$  (thus  $g_i = G_i, \forall i$ ), inequality  $R \leq r$  requires  $\gamma_i \geq 0 \forall i$ . But, with this assumption, theorem 1 follows.

Let us introduce now some notation:  $\{P_n(x)\}$ ,  $\{k_n\}$  and  $\{K_n(x, y)\}$  will be, respectively, the orthonormal polynomials, their leading coefficients and the kernels relatives to  $d\mu$ ; if  $c \in (-1, 1)$ ,  $\{P_n^c(x)\}$ ,  $\{k_n^c\}$  and  $\{K_n^c(x, y)\}$  will be the corresponding to  $(x-c)^2 d\mu$ . Then, it is not difficult to establish  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  the relations

$$K_n(x, y) = (x-c)(y-c)K_{n-1}^c(x, y) + \frac{K_n(x, c)K_n(c, y)}{K_n(c, c)}; \quad (5)$$

$$K_n(x, c) = \frac{k_n}{k_n^c} P_n(c) P_n^c(x) - \frac{k_{n-1}^c}{k_{n+1}} P_{n+1}(c) P_{n-1}^c(x). \quad (6)$$

It can be also shown (see [4], theorems 10 and 11, and [9], pag. 212) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_n}{k_n^c} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_{n-1}^c}{k_{n+1}} = \frac{1}{2}. \quad (7)$$

If we define

$$d(x, n) = (1-x+n^{-2})^{-(2\alpha+1)/4} (1+x+n^{-2})^{-(2\beta+1)/4} \prod_{i=1}^N (|x-t_i| + n^{-1})^{-\gamma_i/2},$$

it is known ([1]) that there exists a constant  $C$  such that  $\forall x \in [-1, 1], \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|P_n(x)| \leq Cd(x, n). \quad (8)$$

There are also some well-known estimates for the kernels, one of them being this ([7], pag. 4 and pag. 119, theorem 25): if  $c \in (-1, 1)$  and the factor  $|x - c|$  occurs in  $w$  with an exponent  $\gamma$ , there exist some positive constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , depending on  $c$ , such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$C_1 n^{\gamma+1} \leq K_n(c, c) \leq C_2 n^{\gamma+1}. \quad (9)$$

From now on, all constants will be denoted  $C$ , so by  $C$  we will mean a constant, possibly different in each occurrence. Using (6), (7) and (8) we obtain the following result:

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$  and suppose the inequality (3) holds. Let  $-1 < c < 1$  and let  $\gamma$  and  $g$  be the exponents of  $|x - c|$  in  $w$  and  $u$ , respectively. Then, there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that  $\forall n \geq 0$ :*

$$\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \leq \begin{cases} Cn^{(\gamma+1)/q-g} & \text{if } g < (\gamma+1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 \\ Cn^{\gamma/2}(\log n)^{1/p} & \text{if } g = (\gamma+1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 \\ Cn^{\gamma/2} & \text{if } (\gamma+1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 < g \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From (8) it follows that  $|P_n(c)| \leq Cn^{\gamma/2}$ . Since  $\{P_n^c\}$  is the sequence associated with  $(x - c)^2 d\mu$ , it also follows from (8) that

$$|P_n^c(x)| \leq C(|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-1} d(x, n).$$

Now, from (6) and (7) we get:

$$|K_n(x, c)| \leq Cn^{\gamma/2}(|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-1} d(x, n). \quad (10)$$

Let us take  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $|t_i - c| > \varepsilon$  for all  $t_i \neq c$ . We can write:

$$\begin{aligned} & \|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)}^p \\ &= \int_{|x-c| \geq \varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx + \int_{|x-c| < \varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Using (10), we obtain for the first term

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|x-c| \geq \varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \int_{|x-c| \geq \varepsilon} (|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-p} d(x, n)^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \\ &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \int_{-1}^1 d(x, n)^p u(x)^p w(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to deduce from (3) that this last integral is bounded by a constant which does not depend on  $n$ , so

$$\int_{|x-c|\geq\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2}. \quad (11)$$

Let us take now the second term; since for  $|x - c| < \varepsilon$  there exists a constant  $C$  such that  $\forall n$   $d(x, n) \leq C(|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-\gamma/2}$ ,  $u(x) \leq C|x - c|^g$  and  $w(x) \leq C|x - c|^\gamma$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} (|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-p} d(x, n)^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \\ &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} (|x - c| + n^{-1})^{-p(1+\gamma/2)} |x - c|^{gp+\gamma} dx \\ &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \int_0^1 (y + n^{-1})^{-p(1+\gamma/2)} y^{gp+\gamma} dy \\ &= Cn^{p\gamma/2+p(1+\gamma/2)-gp-\gamma-1} \int_0^1 (ny + 1)^{-p(1+\gamma/2)} (ny)^{gp+\gamma} ndy \\ &= Cn^{p\gamma/2+p(1+\gamma/2)-gp-\gamma-1} \int_0^n (r + 1)^{-p(1+\gamma/2)} r^{gp+\gamma} dr. \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account that  $p(1 + \gamma/2) - gp - \gamma - 1 = p[(\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) - g + 1/2]$  and there exist some constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that  $C_1 \leq r + 1 \leq C_2$  on  $[0, 1]$  and  $C_1 r \leq r + 1 \leq C_2 r$  on  $[1, n]$ , we finally get the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2+p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]} \int_0^1 r^{gp+\gamma} dr \\ &\quad + Cn^{p\gamma/2+p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]} \int_1^n r^{-p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]-1} dr. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Since (3) implies  $gp + \gamma > -1$ , the first term is bounded by

$$Cn^{p\gamma/2+p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]} \int_0^1 r^{gp+\gamma} dr \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2+p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]}. \quad (13)$$

For the second term, let us consider separately the three cases in the statement.

a) If  $g < (\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2$ , then  $-p[(\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) - g + 1/2] - 1 < -1$ .

Thus

$$\int_1^n r^{-p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]-1} dr \leq C.$$

In this case, (12) and (13) imply:

$$\int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2+p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]}.$$

Since  $p[(\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) - g + 1/2] > 0$ , from this inequality and (11) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)}^p &\leq Cn^{p\gamma/2 + p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]} \\ &= Cn^{p[(\gamma+1)(1-1/p)-g]} = Cn^{p[(\gamma+1)/q-g]}, \end{aligned}$$

as we had to prove.

b) If  $(\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 < g$ , then  $-p[(g + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) - g + 1/2] - 1 > -1$ . Therefore

$$\int_1^n r^{-p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]-1} dr \leq Cn^{-p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]}.$$

By (12) and (13), it follows

$$\int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2}$$

and

$$\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)}^p \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2}.$$

c) If  $g = (\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2$

$$\int_1^n r^{-p[(\gamma+1)(1/2-1/p)-g+1/2]-1} dr = \log n;$$

hence,

$$\int_{|x-c|<\varepsilon} |K_n(x, c)|^p u(x)^p w(x) dx \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \log n$$

and

$$\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)}^p \leq Cn^{p\gamma/2} \log n.$$

This concludes the proof of the proposition.

**Corollary 5.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$  and suppose the inequality (2) holds. Let  $-1 < c < 1$  and  $\gamma$  and  $G$  be the exponents of  $|x - c|$  in  $w$  and  $v$ , respectively. Then, there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^q(v^{-q} w)} \leq \begin{cases} Cn^{\gamma/2} & \text{if } G < (\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 \\ Cn^{\gamma/2} (\log n)^{1/q} & \text{if } G = (\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 \\ Cn^{(\gamma+1)/p+G} & \text{if } (\gamma + 1)(1/2 - 1/p) + 1/2 < G \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Just apply proposition 4 to the weight  $v^{-1}$  and keep in mind the equality  $1/2 - 1/p = 1/q - 1/2$ .

The following result is just what we need to extend theorem 1 to the general case  $\gamma_i > -1$ .

**Corollary 6.** Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ . Suppose the inequalities (2), (3) and (4) hold. Let  $-1 < c < 1$ . Then, there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that  $\forall n \geq 0$ :

$$\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^q(v^{-q} w)} \leq CK_n(c, c).$$

*Proof.* It is a simple consequence of proposition 4, corollary 5 and the estimate (9). The only thing we must do is to consider each case in these results separately.

**Note.** Although it will not be used in what follows, corollary 6 also holds when  $c = \pm 1$ . The proof is similar: starting from other expressions for  $K_n(x, \pm 1)$ , analogous results to proposition 4 and corollary 5 can be obtained, and then corollary 6 follows.

We are now ready to prove our main result:

*Proof of theorem 2.* a) Let us assume first that the inequalities (2), (3) and (4) hold. We prove that the operators  $S_n$  are uniformly bounded by induction on the number of negative exponents  $\gamma_i$ . If  $\gamma_i \geq 0 \forall i$ , the result is true, as we saw before (theorem 1). Now, suppose there exist  $k$  negative exponents  $\gamma_i$ , with  $k > 0$ , and the result is true for  $k - 1$ . Let  $c \in (-1, 1)$  be a point with a negative exponent  $\gamma$ . Let us remember the formula (5):

$$K_n(x, y) = (x - c)(y - c)K_{n-1}^c(x, y) + \frac{K_n(x, c)K_n(c, y)}{K_n(c, c)}.$$

We define the operators:

$$T_n f(x) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{K_n(x, c)K_n(c, y)}{K_n(c, c)} f(y)w(y)dy,$$

$$R_n f(x) = \int_{-1}^1 (x - c)(y - c)K_{n-1}^c(x, y)f(y)w(y)dy.$$

Then,  $S_n = T_n + R_n$ . We are going to study firstly the operators  $T_n$ :

$$T_n f(x) = \frac{K_n(x, c)}{K_n(c, c)} \int_{-1}^1 K_n(c, y)f(y)w(y)dy;$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_n f\|_{L^p(u^p w)} &\leq \frac{\int_{-1}^1 |K_n(c, y)|v(y)^{-1}|f(y)|v(y)w(y)dy}{K_n(c, c)} \|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \\ &\leq \frac{\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \|K_n(x, c)v(x)^{-1}\|_{L^q(w)}}{K_n(c, c)} \|f v\|_{L^p(w)} \\ &= \frac{\|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \|K_n(x, c)\|_{L^q(v^{-q} w)}}{K_n(c, c)} \|f\|_{L^p(v^p w)}. \end{aligned}$$

From corollary 6 it follows

$$\|T_n f\|_{L^p(u^p d\mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p d\mu)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p d\mu), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

So, we only need to prove the same bound for the operators  $R_n$ . But, if we denote by  $S_n^c$  the partial sums of the Fourier series with respect to the measure  $(x-c)^2w(x)dx$ , it turns out that

$$R_n f(x) = (x-c) \int_{-1}^1 (y-c) K_{n-1}^c(x,y) f(y) w(y) dy = (x-c) S_{n-1}^c\left(\frac{f(y)}{y-c}, x\right),$$

whence

$$\begin{aligned} \|R_n f\|_{L^p(u^p w)} &\leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p w)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \iff \|(x-c) S_{n-1}^c\left(\frac{f(y)}{y-c}, x\right)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} &\leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p w)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \iff \|(x-c) S_{n-1}^c g(x)\|_{L^p(u^p w)} &\leq C \|(x-c)g\|_{L^p(v^p w)} \quad \forall g \in L^p(|x-c|^p v^p w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \iff \|S_{n-1}^c g(x)\|_{L^p(|x-c|^p u^p w)} &\leq C \|g\|_{L^p(|x-c|^p v^p w)} \quad \forall g \in L^p(|x-c|^p v^p w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \iff \|S_{n-1}^c g(x)\|_{L^p(\tilde{u}^p(x-c)^2 w)} &\leq C \|g\|_{L^p(\tilde{v}^p(x-c)^2 w)} \quad \forall g \in L^p(\tilde{v}^p(x-c)^2 w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{u}(x) = |x-c|^{1-2/p}u(x)$  and  $\tilde{v}(x) = |x-c|^{1-2/p}v(x)$ .

Therefore, we must prove the boundedness of the partial sums  $S_n^c$  with the pair of weights  $(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v})$ . But the Fourier series we are considering now corresponds to the Jacobi generalized weight  $(x-c)^2w(x)$ , which has only  $k-1$  negative exponents  $\gamma_i$ , since on the point  $c$  the exponent is  $\gamma+2 > 1$ . By hypothesis, the theorem holds in this case and we only have to see that the conditions in the statement hold for the weights  $(x-c)^2w(x)$ ,  $|x-c|^{1-2/p}u(x)$  and  $|x-c|^{1-2/p}v(x)$ .

Except for the point  $c$ , these weights have the same exponents as  $w$ ,  $u$  and  $v$ . Thus, those conditions are the same and therefore they are satisfied. At the point  $c$ , the exponents are, respectively:  $\gamma+2$ ,  $g+1-2/p$ ,  $G+1-2/p$ .

So, we have to check the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} (G+1-\frac{2}{p}) + (\gamma+2+1)(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{2}) &< \min\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\gamma+2+1}{2}\}, \\ (g+1-\frac{2}{p}) + (\gamma+2+1)(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{2}) &> -\min\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\gamma+2+1}{2}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$G+1-\frac{2}{p} \leq g+1-\frac{2}{p}.$$

It is clear, from our hypothesis, that they are satisfied. Consequently, we have

$$\|S_{n-1}^c g(x)\|_{L^p(\tilde{u}^p(x-c)^2 w)} \leq C \|g\|_{L^p(\tilde{v}^p(x-c)^2 w)} \quad \forall g \in L^p(\tilde{v}^p(x-c)^2 w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Thus,

$$\|R_n f\|_{L^p(u^p w)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p w)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p w), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

and

$$\|S_n f\|_{L^p(u^p \mu)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(v^p \mu)} \quad \forall f \in L^p(v^p \mu), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$



Therefore, the result is true for  $k$  negative exponents  $\gamma_i$ . By induction, it is true in general and the first part of the theorem is proved.

b) Now, assume that the operators  $S_n$  are uniformly bounded. Let us prove that (2), (3) and (4) are satisfied.

From a result of Máté, Nevai and Totik ([3], theorem 1), it follows

$$\begin{aligned} u &\in L^p(d\mu); \\ v^{-1} &\in L^q(d\mu); \\ w(x)^{-1/2}(1-x^2)^{-1/4}u(x) &\in L^p(w(x)dx); \\ w(x)^{-1/2}(1-x^2)^{-1/4}v(x)^{-1} &\in L^q(w(x)dx). \end{aligned}$$

These conditions are equivalent to (2) and (3). Thus, we only need to prove (4), that is:

$$\exists C > 0 \text{ such that } u \leq Cv \text{ } \mu - a.e.$$

In fact, we are going to show that the same  $C$  of the hypothesis works. First of all, let us note that from the hypothesis it follows

$$\|R\|_{L^p(u^p d\mu)} \leq C \|R\|_{L^p(v^p d\mu)} \quad (14)$$

for every polynomial  $R$ , since  $S_n R = R$  if  $n$  is big enough.

It is clear that there exists a polynomial  $Q$  such that both  $|Q|^p u^p$  and  $|Q|^p v^p$  are  $\mu$ -integrable. Let us denote  $u' = |Q|^p u^p$  and  $v' = |Q|^p v^p$ . Then, for every  $f \in L^p(u' d\mu) \cap L^p(v' d\mu)$  there exists a sequence of polynomials  $R_n$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 |f - R_n|^p (u' + v') d\mu = 0.$$

From this and (14) we obtain

$$\int_{-1}^1 |f|^p u' d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 |R_n Q|^p u^p d\mu \leq C^p \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 |R_n Q|^p v^p d\mu = C^p \int_{-1}^1 |f|^p v' d\mu.$$

Taking now  $E = \{x \in [-1, 1]; u(x) > Cv(x)\}$  and  $f$  the characteristic function on  $E$ , we deduce  $\mu(E) = 0$ .

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