

**EXPANSION BY ORTHOGONAL SYSTEMS  
 WITH RESPECT TO FREUD WEIGHTS  
 RELATED TO HARDY SPACES**

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ABSTRACT. For the basic class of Freud weights  $w_\alpha(x) = \exp(-|x|^\alpha/2)$ ,  $\alpha > 1$  the coefficients of the expansion of  $w_\alpha f \in H_p(R)$  by the Freud orthogonal system  $\{w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\}_{n=0}^\infty$ , where  $p_{n,\alpha}$  are polynomials of degree  $n$ , are related to the quasi-norm (or norm) of  $w_\alpha f$  in  $H_p(R)$ . Relations are achieved for all  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} < p < 1$ , and for some  $\alpha$  for a larger range of  $p$ . As a result, estimates for  $1 < p \leq 2$  are also improved.

1. INTRODUCTION

For  $f \in L_p(T)$ ,  $f \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty C_n e^{inx}$  the well-known classical inequality

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty |C_n|^p (1 + |n|)^{p-2} \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(T)}^p, \quad 1 < p \leq 2,$$

was proved by Polya. The inequality (1.1) was extended by Hardy and Littlewood to the Hardy space  $H_p(T)$  i.e.

$$(1.2) \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty |C_n|^p (1 + |n|)^{p-2} \leq C \|f\|_{H_p(T)}^p, \quad f \in H_p(T), \quad 0 < p \leq 1.$$

Several analogues of (1.1) and (1.2) for different expansions and spaces were given (see for instance [Ra-Th], [Ka], [Di,13A] [Di,13B] and [Di,16]).

In this paper we deal with expansion with respect to the Freud weights  $w_\alpha(x) = \exp(-|x|^\alpha/2)$ ,  $\alpha > 1$  which is the important and typical subset of Freud weights.

The complete orthonormal system  $\{w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is given by

$$(1.3) \quad \int_{-\infty}^\infty p_{n,\alpha}(x) p_{k,\alpha}(x) w_\alpha^2(x) dx = \begin{cases} 1 & n = k, \\ 0 & n \neq k, \end{cases}$$

where  $p_{n,\alpha}$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$ . We recall that  $w_2 p_{n,2}$  is the Hermite function  $h_n(x)$  (see [Th, p. 41]).

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For  $fw_\alpha \in L_1(R) + L_\infty(R)$  the expansion by  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$  is well defined and given by

$$(1.4) \quad fw_\alpha \sim \sum_{n=0}^\infty C_{n,\alpha} w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha} \quad \text{where} \quad C_{n,\alpha}(fw_\alpha) = C_{n,\alpha} = \int_{-\infty}^\infty fp_{n,\alpha} w_\alpha^2.$$

Investigations of  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$ , its derivatives, norms and the expansion (1.4) are given in the texts [Di-To], [Fr], [Le-Lu], [Mh] and in numerous articles. When we use a result, we will give the exact location where it is proved (mostly from [Le-Lu] which is the most extensive source). In [Di,13A], we proved

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{n=0}^\infty (1+n)^{(p-2)(\frac{7}{6}-\frac{1}{2\alpha})} |C_{n,\alpha}(fw_\alpha)|^p \leq C \|fw_\alpha\|_{L_p(R)}^p, \quad 1 < p \leq 2,$$

which is a Polya-Hardy-Littlewood type inequality for the Freud expansion. In Section 2, we will prove a Hardy-Littlewood inequality for  $fw_\alpha \in H_p(R)$  when  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ . In Section 3, we will show that when  $\alpha = 2k$ , the range of  $p$  for this inequality is  $0 < p \leq 1$ , and when  $\alpha > k$ , the range is shown to be  $\frac{1}{k+1} < p \leq 1$ .

In Section 4, we will give an improvement of (1.5) for  $L_p(R)$ ,  $1 < p \leq 2$  and other comments.

The atomic decomposition of  $H_p(R)$  will be used.  $a(x)$  is an atom of  $H_p(R)$  if for some  $r > 0$

$$(1.6) \quad \text{supp } a(x) \subset [x_0 - \frac{r}{2}, x_0 + \frac{r}{2}],$$

$$(1.7) \quad |a(x)| \leq r^{-1/p}$$

and

$$(1.8) \quad \int_{-\infty}^\infty a(x)x^\ell dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } \ell \leq (\frac{1}{p} - 1), \ell = 0, 1, \dots$$

Different atoms may have different  $x_0$  and  $r$ . The space  $H_p(R)$  has atomic decomposition, which means for  $fw_\alpha \in H_p(R)$  there exist  $H_p(R)$  atoms such that

$$(1.9) \quad fw_\alpha = \sum \lambda_i a_i(x), \quad C^{-1} \|fw_\alpha\|_{H_p(R)}^p \leq \sum |\lambda_i|^p \leq C \|fw_\alpha\|_{H_p(R)}^p,$$

and the last set of inequalities is denoted by  $\sum |\lambda_i|^p \approx \|fw_\alpha\|_{H_p(R)}^p$ .

## 2. THE BASIC RESULT ( $\alpha > 1, \frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ )

In this section we prove a Hardy-Littlewood type result for expansion with respect to the Freud weight  $w_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 1$  in the Hardy space  $H_p(R)$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *For  $fw_\alpha \in H_p(R)$  with  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$  one has*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^\infty (1+n)^{(\frac{19}{18}-\frac{1}{2\alpha})(p-2)} |C_{n,\alpha}(fw_\alpha)|^p \leq C \|fw_\alpha\|_{H_p(R)}^p$$

with  $C$  independent of  $f$  and  $p$ .

*Remark 2.2.* The coefficients  $C_{n,\alpha}(fw_\alpha)$  are well defined by (1.4) as  $fw_\alpha \in H_p(R)$  implies  $fw_\alpha \in S'$  (the Schwartz space of distribution) and  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha} \in S$  (the Schwartz space of test functions). The factor  $(\frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha})$  is smaller than  $(\frac{7}{6} - \frac{1}{2\alpha})$  and represents an improvement which in Section 4 will imply an inequality stronger than (1.5). For  $p = 1, \alpha = 2$  (2.1) was proved by Kanjin (see [Ka]).

*Proof.* Following many articles on the subject (see [Di,13B, p. 37], [Ka, p. 334] and [Ra-Th, p. 3528] for example), we observe that (1.8) implied that it is sufficient to show that for any atom  $a(x) \in H_p(R)$  one has

$$(2.2) \quad I \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1+n)^{\left(\frac{19}{18}-\frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)(p-2)} |C_{n,\alpha}(a)|^p \leq C \|a\|_{H_p(R)}^p = C.$$

For  $\sigma = \frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}$  and  $\beta = \frac{1}{(2\sigma-1)}$  we write

$$I = \sum_{1+n \leq r^{-\beta}} + \sum_{1+n > r^{-\beta}} \equiv S(1) + S(2).$$

To estimate  $S(2)$  we use the Hölder inequality and write

$$\begin{aligned} S(2) &\leq \left( \sum_{1+n > r^{-\beta}} (1+n)^{-2\sigma} \right)^{\frac{2-p}{2}} \left( \sum |C_{n,\alpha}(a)|^2 \right)^{p/2} \\ &\leq \left( (1+n_0)^{-2\sigma+1} \right)^{\frac{2-p}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{r^{2/p}} r \right)^{p/2} \\ &\leq C_1(r)^{1-\frac{p}{2}} r^{-1} r^{p/2} \leq C_1 \end{aligned}$$

since when  $n_0 = \min \{n : 1+n > r^{-\beta}\}$ ,  $1+n_0 \approx r^{-1(2\sigma-1)}$ .

We note that in the estimate of  $S(2)$  we did not use the fact that  $\frac{1}{2} < p$  and hence we can use this estimate in the next section. In addition, we used the fact that  $2\sigma > 1$ , which we will also use in the next section.

We now estimate  $S(1)$ . As  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$  for  $\alpha > 1$  has at least one continuous derivative, we write the Taylor formula

$$(2.3) \quad w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x) = w_\alpha(x_0)p_{n,\alpha}(x_0) + (x-x_0) \frac{d}{dx} (w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x)) \Big|_{x=\xi}.$$

We will need the estimate

$$(2.4) \quad \|(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})'\|_{L^\infty(R)} \leq C_2(1+n)^{1-\frac{1}{\alpha}}(1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6} = C_2(1+n)^{\frac{7}{6}-\frac{3}{2\alpha}}$$

which we now assume and will prove in the following lemma.

For  $\sigma = \frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}$  and  $\beta = 1/(2\sigma - 1)$  we now write

$$\begin{aligned} S(1) &\leq \sum_{1+n < r^{-\beta}} (1+n)^{(p-2)\sigma} \left| \int a(x)(x-x_0)(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})'_{x=\xi} dx \right|^p \\ &\leq C_2 \sum_{(1+n) < r^{-\beta}} (1+n)^{p\sigma} (1+n)^{-2\sigma} \left| \frac{1}{r^{1/p}} r^2 (1+n)^{\frac{7}{6}-\frac{3}{2\alpha}} \right|^p \\ &\leq C_3 r^{2p-1} (1+n_0)^{p(\sigma-\frac{7}{6}-\frac{3}{2\alpha})} (1+n_0)^{-2\sigma+1}. \end{aligned}$$

As

$$-\left(\sigma + \frac{7}{6} - \frac{3}{2\alpha}\right)/(2\sigma - 1) = -\left(\frac{40}{18} - \frac{2}{\alpha}\right) / \left(\frac{20}{18} - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) = -2$$

and  $(1+n_0) \approx r^{-\beta} = r^{1/(2\sigma-1)}$  when  $n_0 = \max \{n : (1+n) < r^{-\beta}\}$ , we have  $S(1) \leq C$ .

We observe that  $S(1) = 0$  if  $r > 1$  but we did not use this fact here. (We will, however, use it in the next section.) We completed the proof of our theorem pending the proof of (2.4). □

**Lemma 2.3.** For  $w_\alpha(x) = \exp(-|x|^\alpha/2)$  and  $p_{n,\alpha}$  of (1.1), the inequality (2.4) holds with  $C$  independent of  $n$ .

*Proof.* We recall first from [Le-Lu, p. 360, (13.4)] that

$$(2.5) \quad \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C(1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6}$$

since for  $w_\alpha$  we have in [Le-Lu]  $a_n = a_{-n} \approx \delta_n \approx n^{1/\alpha}$  and  $T(a_n) = \alpha$  (see [Le-Lu, pp. 5-10]).

We then use the estimate from [Le-Lu, p. 294, Cor.10.2, (10.3)], which for  $p_{n,\alpha}$  (and in fact for any polynomial  $p_n$  of degree  $n$ ), yields

$$(2.6) \quad \|w_\alpha p'_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq Cn^{1-\frac{3}{2\alpha}} \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)}$$

where we used  $a_n, \delta_n$  and  $T(a_n)$  as we did for (2.5). Therefore,

$$\|w_\alpha p'_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C_2(1+n)^{\frac{7}{6}-\frac{2}{\alpha}}.$$

For  $s \geq \alpha - 1$ , we now estimate

$$\|x^{\alpha-1} w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)}^{(s-\alpha+1)/s} \|x^s w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)}^{(\alpha-1)/s}.$$

We use the result of Mhaskar and Saff (see [Le-Lu, p. 4, (1.12)]) i.e.

$$\|w_\alpha p_{n+s}\|_{L_\infty(R)} = \|w_\alpha p_{n+1}\|_{L_\infty(-a_{n+s}, a_{n+s})}, \quad a_n \approx a_{n+1} \approx n^{1/\alpha}.$$

We now have

$$(2.7) \quad \|x^{\alpha-1} w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C_3(1+n)^{(1-\frac{1}{\alpha})} (1+n)^{(1+\frac{3}{\alpha})/6} \leq C_3(1+n)^{\frac{7}{3}-\frac{3}{2\alpha}}.$$

Since  $1 - \frac{1}{\alpha} > 1 - \frac{3}{2\alpha}$ , we combine (2.6) and (2.7) to obtain (2.4).  $\square$

*Remark 2.4.* We note that for  $\alpha = 2$   $\|h_n\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C(1+n)^{-1/12}$  (see [Th, Lemma 1.5.2(iii), p. 27]) which confirms (2.5) for the special case  $\alpha = 2$ . To obtain (2.4) for  $\alpha = 2$  from the estimate of  $\|h_n\|_{L_\infty(R)}$ , we may combine

$$\left(-\frac{d}{dx} - x\right)h_k(x) = (2k+2)^{1/2}h_{k+1}(x) \quad \text{with} \quad \left(\frac{d}{dx} + x\right)h_k(x) = (2k)^{1/2}h_{k-1}(x)$$

(see [Th, pp. 2-5]). To obtain the estimate of  $\|x^s w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|$  we may also use repeatedly the formula given in [Mh, (3.1.14), p. 51] since for  $w_\alpha$   $\gamma_{n-1}/\gamma_n \approx n^{1/\alpha}$ . We used the text [Le-Lu] which contains all the estimates we needed.

### 3. EXTENDING THE RANGE OF $p$ FOR SOME $\alpha$

In Theorem 2.1 the inequality (2.1) was shown to hold for  $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$  and all  $\alpha > 1$ . In the following theorem we show that for a significant subset of  $\alpha$  we can extend the range of  $p$  for which (2.1) is valid.

**Theorem 3.1.** For  $f w_\alpha \in H_p(R)$ , and  $\alpha > L$  for some integer  $L$ , (2.1) holds for  $\frac{1}{L+1} < p \leq 1$ . When  $\alpha = 2k$ , (2.1) holds for  $0 < p \leq 1$ . The constant in (2.1) depends on the interval  $I_\ell = \left(\frac{1}{\ell+1}, \frac{1}{\ell}\right]$  which contains  $p$ .

*Proof.* When  $\alpha > L$   $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$  has (at least)  $L$  continuous derivatives and when  $\alpha = 2k$ ,  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha} \in C^\infty(R)$ . Hence we may use the Taylor formula for  $\ell \leq L$  (in case  $\alpha > L$ ) and all  $\ell$  for  $\alpha = 2k$ , and write

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x) &= w_\alpha(x_0)p_{n,\alpha}(x_0) + \dots + \frac{(x-x_0)^{\ell-1}}{(\ell-1)!} (w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x))^{(\ell-1)} \Big|_{x=x_0} \\ &\quad + \frac{(x-x_0)^\ell}{\ell!} (w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x))^{(\ell)} \Big|_{x=\xi}. \end{aligned}$$

As in the proof of Theorem 2.1, we split the sum in (2.1) into  $S(1)$  and  $S(2)$ , and as commented there, the estimate of  $S(2)$  was already proved for all  $p$ . We will estimate  $S(1)$  for  $\frac{1}{\ell+1} < p \leq \frac{1}{\ell}$  for which (3.1) holds. Recall that  $\sigma = \frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}$  and  $\beta = \frac{1}{(2\sigma-1)}$  and write

$$(3.2) \quad S(1) = \sum_{(1+n) \leq r^{-\beta}} (1+n)^{(p-2)\sigma} |C_{n,\alpha}(a)|^p$$

where  $a(x)$  satisfies (1.6), (1.7) and (1.8) with  $x_0$  of (3.1) and  $r$  of (3.2). We use (3.1), (1.6), (1.7) and (1.8) to estimate  $|C_{n,\alpha}(a)|$  and write

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} |C_{n,\alpha}(a)| &= \left| \int a(x)w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x)dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\ell!} \int \frac{1}{r} |x-x_0|^\ell \|(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})^{(\ell)}\|_{L^\infty(R)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r} r^{\ell+1} \|(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})^{(\ell)}\|_{L^\infty(R)}. \end{aligned}$$

We will prove our theorem pending the estimate

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \|(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})^{(\ell)}\|_{L^\infty(R)} &\leq C_1(1+n)^{(1-\frac{1}{\alpha})\ell} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{\sigma}{\alpha})/6} \\ &= C_1(1+n)^{\ell+\frac{1}{6}-(\ell+\frac{1}{2})\frac{1}{\alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

for  $\ell \leq L$  in case  $\alpha > L$  and for any  $\ell$  in case  $\alpha = 2k$ . The estimate (3.4) is proved in Lemma 3.2 after the proof of our theorem. For  $\frac{1}{\ell+1} < p \leq \frac{1}{\ell}$ ,  $\sigma = \frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}$  and  $\beta = 1/(2\sigma - 1) = 1/(\frac{20}{18} - \frac{1}{\alpha})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(1) &\leq C_2 \left( \sum_{(1+n) \leq r^{-\beta}} (1+n)^{p\sigma} (1+n)^{[(\ell+\frac{1}{6})-(\ell+\frac{1}{2})\frac{1}{\alpha}]p} (1+n)^{-2\sigma} \right) r^{-1} r^{(\ell+1)p} \\ &\leq C_3 \left[ (1+n_0)^{(\frac{19}{18}+\ell+\frac{1}{6})p} (1+n_0)^{-(\ell+1)\frac{1}{\alpha}} (1+n_0)^{-2\sigma+1} \right] r^{-1} r^{(\ell+1)p} \end{aligned}$$

where  $n_0 = \max \{n : (1+n) \leq r^{-\beta}\}$  and hence  $(1+n_0) \leq r^{-\beta}$ . We observe that

$$\frac{19}{18} + \ell + \frac{1}{6} - (\ell+1)\frac{1}{\alpha} = (\ell+1)\left(\frac{20}{18} - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - \frac{(\ell-1)}{9}$$

and hence for  $\beta = 1/(\frac{20}{18} - \frac{1}{\alpha})$

$$S(1) \leq C_3 r^{(\ell-1)/9(\frac{20}{18}-\frac{1}{\alpha})} \leq C_3$$

since  $S(1) = 0$  whenever  $r \geq 1$ . We now have  $S(1) \leq C_3$  pending the proof of (3.4). □

**Lemma 3.2.** *For  $\alpha > L$  (3.4) holds for  $\ell \leq L$ . For  $\alpha = 2k$  (3.4) holds for any  $\ell$ . Both hold with constants that depend on  $\ell$ .*

*Proof.* We write first for any  $m$  (not just  $m \leq \ell$ )

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}\|_{L_\infty(R)} &\leq C(1+n)^{m(1-\frac{3}{2\alpha})} \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}\|_{L_\infty(R)} \\ &\leq C_1(1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{2\alpha})m+(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6} \end{aligned}$$

by repeating the result of [Le-Lu, p. 294, Cor.10.2, 10.3]  $m$  times and using (2.5). We note that the above result of [Le-Lu] is valid for any polynomial of degree  $n$  and  $p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}$  is such a polynomial. (The inequality (3.5) applies to  $w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$  with the special  $p_{n,\alpha}$  that is given in (1.3).) We now show for any integer  $s$

$$(3.6) \quad \|x^s w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C(1+n)^{s/\alpha} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{2\alpha})m} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6}$$

which follows as  $x^s p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}$  is a polynomial of degree  $n - m + s$ , and using the Mhaskar-Saff result (see [Le-Lu, p. 4,(1.12)]),

$$\|x^s w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)} = \|x^s w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}\|_{L_\infty(-a_{n-m+s}, a_{n-m+s})}$$

with  $|a_{n-m+s}| \approx n^{1/\alpha}$  and hence we have (3.6).

We now obtain for any  $\gamma \geq 0$

$$(3.7) \quad \|x^\gamma w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq C(1+n)^{\gamma/\alpha} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{2\alpha})m} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6}$$

by choosing  $s \geq \gamma$  ( $s = [\gamma] + 1$  for instance) and using the interpolation

$$\|x^\gamma w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)} \leq \|w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}\|_{L_\infty(R)}^{1-\frac{\gamma}{s}} \|x^s w_\alpha(x) p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}(x)\|_{L_\infty(R)}^{\gamma/s}.$$

To prove (3.4) we note that for  $\ell \leq L$  in case  $\alpha > L$  or any  $\ell$  when  $\alpha = 2k$ ,  $(w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha})^{(\ell)}$  is a combination of terms like  $(w_\alpha)^{(\ell-m)} (p_{n,\alpha})^{(m)}$  with  $m \leq \ell$ . As in both (3.6) and (3.7) the estimate is monotone increasing in  $\gamma$  or  $s$ , and hence the estimate of  $(w_\alpha)^{(\ell-m)} (p_{n,\alpha})^{(m)}$  depends only on the highest power of  $x$  in  $(w_\alpha)^{(\ell-m)}$  which is  $x^{(\alpha-1)(\ell-m)}$ . Therefore,

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \|w_\alpha^{(\ell-m)} p_{n,\alpha}^{(m)}\|_{L_\infty(R)} &\leq C(1+n)^{(1-\frac{1}{\alpha})(\ell-m)} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{2\alpha})m} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6} \\ &\leq C(1+n)^{(1-\frac{1}{\alpha})\ell} (1+n)^{(1-\frac{3}{\alpha})/6}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining (3.8) for  $0 \leq m \leq \ell$ , we obtain (3.4). □

#### 4. EXTENSION FOR $1 < p \leq 2$ AND OTHER REMARKS

In [Di,13A] the Hardy-Littlewood type inequality

$$(4.1) \quad \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1+n)^{(p-2)(\frac{7}{6}-\frac{1}{2\alpha})} |C_n|^p \right\}^{1/p} \leq C \|f w_\alpha\|_{L_p(R)}$$

was proved for  $1 < p \leq 2$ . Using Theorem 2.1, we obtain the following stronger inequality.

**Theorem 4.1.** *For  $w_\alpha = \exp(-|x|^\alpha/2)$ ,  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $C_{n,\alpha} \equiv C_{n,\alpha}(f w_\alpha)$  given by (1.4),  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $f w_\alpha \in L_p(R)$  one has*

$$(4.2) \quad \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1+n)^{(p-2)(\frac{19}{18}-\frac{1}{2\alpha})} |C_{n,\alpha}|^p \right\}^{1/p} \leq C \|f w_\alpha\|_{L_p(R)}.$$

*Remark 4.2.* As  $\frac{7}{6} > \frac{19}{18}$  (4.2) is stronger than (4.1). We believe the reason the weak (1.1) result and Marcinkiewicz interpolation used in [Di,13A] did not yield the optimal result is that the maxima of  $|w_\alpha(x)p_{n,\alpha}(x)|$  occurs at widely different  $x_n$  for different  $n$ .

*Proof.* Clearly, for  $p = 2$  (4.2) with equality and  $C = 1$  is the Parseval identity. We now use [Ga-Ru, pp. 307-310, Theorem 6.1] with  $T(fw_\alpha) \rightarrow \{C_{n,\alpha}(n + 1)^{\left(\frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)}\}_{n=0}^\infty$  in the weighted  $\ell_p$  with weights  $\{(n + 1)^{-2\left(\frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)}\}_{n=0}^\infty$  to interpolate between  $T$  on  $fw_\alpha \in H_1(R)$  and  $T$  on  $fw_\alpha \in L_2(R)$ . In fact, the map  $T(fw_\alpha)$  from  $H_1(R)$  to the corresponding weighted  $\ell_1$  space is strongly bounded by Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

Using duality, we also have the following corollary which is an improvement over [Di,13A, Theorem 3.2].

**Corollary 4.3.** *If for  $q, 2 \leq q < \infty$  there exists a constant  $C$  and a sequence  $\{C_n\}$  such that  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty |C_n|^q (n + 1)^{(q-2)\left(\frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)} < C$ , then  $fw_\alpha$  where  $fw_\alpha \sim \sum_{n=0}^\infty C_n w_\alpha p_{n,\alpha}$  satisfies  $fw_\alpha \in L_q(R)$  and*

$$(4.3) \quad \|fw_\alpha\|_{L_q(R)} \leq C \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^\infty (n + 1)^{(q-2)\left(\frac{19}{18} - \frac{1}{2\alpha}\right)} |C_n|^q \right\}^{1/q}.$$

For the Hermite functions (the case  $\alpha = 2$ ) one has

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{n=0}^\infty (1 + n)^{(p-2)\frac{29}{36}} |C_{n,2}(fw_\alpha)|^p \leq C \|fw_\alpha\|_{H_p(R)}^p, \quad 0 < p \leq 2$$

which was proved by Kanjin (see [Ka]) for important partial range  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ .

To answer a question by the referee, we believe (but cannot prove) that (2.1) is optimal when the whole range  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$  is considered, and that further progress will concentrate on special  $\alpha$  and  $p$ .

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