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# Exponential Convergence- $(t, s)$ -Weak Tractability of Approximation in Weighted Hilbert Spaces

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**Abstract:** We study  $L_2$ -approximation problems in the weighted Hilbert spaces in the worst case setting. Three interesting weighted Hilbert spaces appear in this paper, whose weights are equipped with two positive parameters  $\gamma_j$  and  $\alpha_j$  for  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . We consider algorithms using the class of arbitrary linear functionals. We discuss the exponential convergence- $(t, s)$ -weak tractability of these  $L_2$ -approximation problems. In particular, we obtain the sufficient and necessary conditions on the weights for exponential convergence-weak tractability and exponential convergence- $(t, 1)$ -weak tractability with  $t < 1$ .

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## 1. Introduction

We study multivariate approximation problems  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  of functions defined over Hilbert spaces with large or huge  $d$  in the worst case setting (approximation error by the worst case error). Such problems appear in quantum physics (see [1]), computational chemistry (see [2]), and economics (see [3]). We consider algorithms using the class of arbitrary linear functionals. The information complexity  $n(\varepsilon, APP_d)$  is the minimal number  $n$  of linear functionals for which the approximation error of some algorithm is at most  $\varepsilon$ . Tractability describes the dependence of the information complexity  $n(\varepsilon, APP_d)$  on the threshold  $\varepsilon$  and the dimension  $d$ . We consider the classical tractability which is polynomially convergent, and the exponential convergence-tractability (EC-tractability) which is exponentially convergent. Recently many authors discuss classical tractability and EC-tractability in weighted Hilbert spaces (see [4] by linear information, ref. [5] by standard information for functionals, and [6] by standard information for operators), especially in analytic Korobov spaces, such as exponential convergence and uniform exponential convergence (see [7]), classical tractability (see [8]) and EC-tractability for  $L_2$ -approximation (see [9] for exponential convergence- $(t, s)$ -weak tractability and [10] for other EC-tractability results by algorithms using continuous linear functionals, and see [11] for EC-tractability by algorithms using function values), and EC-tractability for  $L_p$ -approximation with  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  by algorithms using continuous linear functionals (see [12]). Some authors consider tractability in weighted Hilbert spaces, such as classical tractability in weighted Korobov spaces (see [13] for strong polynomial tractability and polynomial tractability, [14] for other classical tractability results by algorithms using continuous linear functionals, and [15] by algorithms using function values), EC-tractability in weighted Korobov spaces (see [16]), and classical tractability in weighted Gaussian ANOVA spaces (see [17,18] with different weights, respectively).

In this paper, we investigate EC-tractability of  $L_2$ -approximation problems from the weighted Hilbert spaces with some weights. Let  $H(K_{R_{d,n,\gamma}})$  be a Hilbert space with

weight  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$ , where  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  are two positive sequences satisfying  $1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$  and  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$ . In the worst case setting, we consider the  $L_2$ -approximation problem

$$\text{APP}_d : H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}) \rightarrow L_2([0, 1]^d) \text{ with } \text{APP}_d(f) = f.$$

The classical tractability for  $L_2$ -approximation problem  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}$  in weighted Korobov spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  such as strong polynomial tractability and polynomial tractability were discussed in [13,15,17]; quasi-polynomial tractability, uniform weak tractability, weak tractability and  $(t, s)$ -weak tractability were investigated in [14,17]. Additionally, ref. [17] also discussed classical tractability in several weighted Hilbert spaces, including weighted Korobov spaces and weighted Gaussian ANOVA spaces. The EC-tractability of the problem  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}$  in weighted Korobov spaces such as EC- $(t, 1)$ -weak tractability for  $0 < t \leq 1$  were studied in [16]. However, the above weighted Hilbert spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with weights  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$  satisfy  $1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$  and  $1 < \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots$ .

In this paper we present three cases of weighted Hilbert spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with weights  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$  for  $1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$  and  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$  that appear in the reference [18]. These weighted Hilbert spaces are similar but also different. The authors in [18] studied the polynomial tractability, strong polynomial tractability, weak tractability, and  $(t, s)$ -weak tractability for  $t > 1$  and  $s > 0$  of the problems  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}$  in these three weighted Hilbert spaces. However, there are no results about EC-tractability of the approximation problems  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}$  in the above three weighted Hilbert spaces. We will study exponential convergence- $(t, s)$ -weak tractability (EC- $(t, s)$ -WT) for some  $t > 0, s > 0$  and obtain the complete sufficient and necessary conditions for  $t = s = 1$  and  $t < 1, s = 1$ , respectively.

The paper is structured in the following ways. We present three cases of weighted Hilbert spaces in Section 2. Section 3 gives preliminaries about the  $L_2$ -approximation problem in the weighted Hilbert space. Section 4.1 is devoted to recall some notions about the tractability, such as classical tractability and exponential convergence-tractability and state the main results. In Section 4.2 we give the proof of Theorem 1. In Section 5 we present a summary.

## 2. Weighted Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Spaces

In this section we consider weighted reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces with different weights.

Let  $H(K_d)$  be a Hilbert space defined in  $[0, 1]^d$ . The function  $K_d(x, y)$  of  $x, y \in [0, 1]^d$  is called a reproducing kernel of  $H(K_d)$  if for every  $y \in [0, 1]^d$  and every  $f \in H(K_d)$ ,

$$f(y) = \langle f(x), K_d(x, y) \rangle_{H(K_d)}.$$

The Hilbert space is a so-called reproducing kernel Hilbert space. We can study more details on reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces in the reference [19].

In this paper, let  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be two positive sequences of the Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$  satisfying

$$1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0, \text{ and } 1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots. \tag{1}$$

Assume that the function  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}$  of the space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}} : [0, 1]^d \times [0, 1]^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is of product form

$$K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(x, y) := \prod_{k=1}^d K_{R_{1,\alpha_k,\gamma_k}}(x_k, y_k),$$

where  $K_{R_{1,\alpha,\gamma}} : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a universal weighted function

$$K_{R_{1,\alpha,\gamma}}(x, y) := \sum_{h \in \mathbb{N}_0} R_{\alpha,\gamma}(h) \exp(2\pi i h(x - y)), \quad x, y \in [0, 1].$$

Here, let weight  $R_{\alpha,\gamma} : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  be a summable function, i.e.,  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0} R_{\alpha,\gamma}(k) < \infty$ . Then we have

$$K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})), \quad \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in [0, 1]^d, \tag{2}$$

the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \frac{1}{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h})} \widehat{f}(\mathbf{h}) \overline{\widehat{g}(\mathbf{h})}, \tag{3}$$

and

$$\|f\|_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})}},$$

where

$$R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) := \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h_j), \quad \mathbf{h} = (h_1, h_2, \dots, h_d) \in \mathbb{N}_0^d,$$

$$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} := \sum_{h=1}^d x_h \cdot y_h, \quad \mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d), \quad \mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d) \in [0, 1]^d,$$

and

$$\widehat{f}(\mathbf{h}) = \int_{[0,1]^d} f(\mathbf{x}) \exp(-2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

We can ascertain that  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is well defined for  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$  and for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in [0, 1]^d$ , since

$$|K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \leq \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) = \prod_{j=1}^d \left( \sum_{h \in \mathbb{N}_0} R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h) \right) < \infty.$$

Note that the Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  is a reproducing kernel Hilbert space with the reproducing kernel  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}$ . Indeed, for every  $f \in H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  we have

$$f(\mathbf{y}) = \langle f(\mathbf{x}), K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})}.$$

The kernel  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}$  with weight  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$  is called a weighted reproducing kernel and the space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  is called a weighted reproducing kernel Hilbert space. If  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \dots = 1$  and  $1 < \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots$ , then the space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  is called unweighted space. Here,  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, \dots\}$  and  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

There are many ways to introduce weighted reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces with weights  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$ . In this paper we consider three weights like the cases in the reference [18].

### 2.1. A Weighted Korobov Space

Let  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be two sequences satisfying (1). We consider a weighted Korobov space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with weight

$$R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) = r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) := \prod_{j=1}^d r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h_j),$$

where

$$r_{\alpha,\gamma}(h) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } h = 0, \\ \frac{\gamma}{h^{|\alpha|}}, & \text{for } h \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

for  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ . We can see the case in the references [18,20]. Then we have the kernel function (2) with

$$K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = K_{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}))$$

for  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in [0, 1]^d$ , and the inner product (3) with

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \frac{1}{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h})} \widehat{f}(\mathbf{h}) \overline{\widehat{g}(\mathbf{h})}.$$

**Remark 1.** Obviously, the kernel  $K_{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is well defined for  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  satisfying (1), due to

$$|K_{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \leq \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{k}) = \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \zeta(\lceil \alpha_j \rceil) \gamma_j) < \infty,$$

where  $\zeta(\cdot)$  is the Riemann zeta function.

### 2.2. A First Variant of the Weighted Korobov Space

Let  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be two sequences satisfying (1). We discuss a first variant of the weighted Korobov space with weight

$$R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) = \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) := \prod_{j=1}^d \psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h_j),$$

where

$$\psi_{\alpha,\gamma}(h) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } h = 0, \\ \frac{\gamma}{h!}, & \text{for } 1 \leq h < \lceil \alpha \rceil, \\ \frac{\gamma(h - \lceil \alpha \rceil)!}{h!}, & \text{for } h \geq \lceil \alpha \rceil \end{cases}$$

for  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ .

Then we have the kernel function (2) with

$$K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = K_{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}))$$

for  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in [0, 1]^d$  and the inner product (3) with

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \frac{1}{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h})} \widehat{f}(\mathbf{h}) \overline{\widehat{g}(\mathbf{h})}.$$

**Lemma 1** ([18] Lemma 2). For all  $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq \lceil \alpha_j \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k).$$

**Remark 2.** From Lemma 1 and  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| &\leq \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{k}) = \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \psi_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(k)) \\ &\leq \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \lceil \alpha_j \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(k)) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \lceil \alpha_j \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_j \rceil) \gamma_j) \\ &< \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the kernel  $K_{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is well defined.

### 2.3. A Second Variant of the Weighted Korobov Space

Let  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be two sequences satisfying (1). We study a second variant of the weighted Korobov space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  (see the references [18,21]) with weight

$$R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) = \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) := \prod_{j=1}^d \omega_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j),$$

where

$$\omega_{\alpha,\gamma}(h) := \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{l=1}^{\lceil \alpha \rceil} \theta_l(h) \right)^{-1}$$

for  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 1]$  and

$$\theta_l(h) := \begin{cases} \frac{h!}{(h-l)!}, & \text{for } h \geq l, \\ 0, & \text{for } 0 \leq h < l. \end{cases}$$

Then we have the kernel function (2) with

$$K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = K_{\omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) \exp(2\pi i \mathbf{h} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}))$$

for  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in [0, 1]^d$ , and the inner product (3) with

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \langle f, g \rangle_{H(K_{\omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \frac{1}{\omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h})} \widehat{f}(\mathbf{h}) \overline{\widehat{g}(\mathbf{h})}.$$

**Lemma 2** ([18] Lemma 3). For all  $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\omega_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(k) \leq \lceil \alpha_j \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(k).$$

**Remark 3.** We note that the kernel  $K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is also well defined. Indeed, it follows from Lemma 2 and  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$  that

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{\omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| &\leq \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{k}) = \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \omega_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k)) \\ &\leq \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k)) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^d (1 + [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} \zeta([\alpha_j]\gamma_j)) \\ &< \infty. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.** Let  $R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j} \in \{r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}, \psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}, \omega_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}\}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we have for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k).$$

Particularly, we have for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq [\alpha_1]^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k).$$

**Proof.** On the one hand, it is obvious from Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 that

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \tag{4}$$

for all  $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$

$$r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = \psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = \omega_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = 1,$$

we have

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = 1 \leq [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} = [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0).$$

Thus we have for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  that

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq [\alpha_j]^{\lceil \alpha_j \rceil} r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k).$$

On the other hand, noting for all  $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k), \quad \psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq \psi_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k), \quad \omega_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq \omega_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k),$$

and for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$

$$r_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(0) = 1, \quad \psi_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = \psi_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(0) = 1, \quad \omega_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(0) = \omega_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(0) = 1,$$

we have for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  that

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq R_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k).$$

Hence, by (4) we further get for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  that

$$R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k) \leq R_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k) \leq [\alpha_1]^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k).$$

□

**Remark 4.** Let  $R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j} \in \{r_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}, \psi_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}, \omega_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}\}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we obtain

$$R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(1) \geq \frac{\gamma_j}{2} \tag{5}$$

for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Indeed, for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\psi_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(0) = r_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(0) = \omega_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(0) = 1,$$

which means  $R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(0) = 1$ . As a result of all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get

$$\psi_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(1) = r_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(1) = \gamma_j \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(1) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{\gamma_j}\right)^{-1} \geq \frac{\gamma_j}{2},$$

which yields  $R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(1) \geq \frac{\gamma_j}{2}$ .

### 3. $L_2$ -Approximation in the Weighted Hilbert Spaces

In this paper we investigate the  $L_2$ -approximation  $\text{APP}_d : H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}}) \rightarrow L_2([0, 1]^d)$  given by

$$\text{APP}_d(f) = f \quad \text{for all } f \in H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}})$$

in weighted Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}})$  with weight  $R_{d, \alpha, \gamma} \in \{r_{d, \alpha, \gamma}, \psi_{d, \alpha, \gamma}, \omega_{d, \alpha, \gamma}\}$ . We note from Remark 1, Remark 2, Remark 3, and [15] that this  $L_2$ -approximation is compact for  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$ .

We approximate  $\text{APP}_d$  by using the algorithm  $A_{n,d}$  of the form

$$A_{n,d}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n T_i(f)g_i, \quad \text{for } f \in H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}}), \tag{6}$$

where  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n$  belong to  $L_2([0, 1]^d)$  and  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$  are continuous linear functionals on  $H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}})$ .

We consider the worst case setting in which the error of the algorithm  $A_{n,d}$  of the form (6) is defined as

$$e(A_{n,d}) := \sup_{\|f\|_{H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}})} \leq 1} \|\text{APP}_d(f) - A_{n,d}(f)\|_{L_2}.$$

The error  $e(A_{n,d})$  is also called the worst case error. The  $n$ th minimal worst case error is defined as

$$e(n, \text{APP}_d) := \inf_{A_{n,d}} e(A_{n,d}) \quad \text{for } n \geq 1,$$

which is the infimum error among all algorithms (6). For  $n = 0$ , we set  $A_{0,d} = 0$ . We call

$$e(0, \text{APP}_d) = \sup_{\|f\|_{H(K_{R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}})} \leq 1} \|\text{APP}_d(f)\|_{L_2}$$

the initial error of the problem  $\text{APP}_d$ .

We are interested in how the worst case error for the algorithm  $A_{n,d}$  depends on the numbers  $n$  and  $d$ . We define the information complexity as

$$n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) := \min\{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : e(n, \text{APP}_d) \leq \varepsilon\},$$

where  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  and  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . In this paper, we set  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, \dots\}$  and  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

By the references [2,4] we know that the  $n$ th minimal worst case errors  $e(n, \text{APP}_d)$  and the information complexity  $n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)$  are related to the eigenvalues of the continuously

linear operator  $W_d = \text{APP}_d^* \text{APP}_d : H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}) \rightarrow H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$ , where  $\text{APP}_d^*$  is the operator dual to  $\text{APP}_d$ . The eigenvalues of  $W_d$  are denoted by  $\{\lambda_{d,j}\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying

$$\lambda_{d,1} \geq \lambda_{d,2} \geq \dots \geq 0$$

and the corresponding orthogonal eigenvectors of  $\{\lambda_{d,j}\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  by  $\{\eta_{d,j}\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying

$$\langle \eta_{d,i}, \eta_{d,j} \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} = \delta_{i,j}, \text{ for all } i, j \in \mathbb{N},$$

where

$$W_d \eta_{d,j} = \lambda_{d,j} \eta_{d,j}, \text{ for all } j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Here  $\delta_{i,j} = 1$  for  $i = j$  and  $\delta_{i,j} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Then the  $n$ th minimal worst case error is attained for the algorithm

$$A_{n,d}^\diamond f = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle f, \eta_{d,i} \rangle_{H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})} \eta_{d,i}, \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

and

$$e(n, \text{APP}_d) = e(A_{n,d}^\diamond) = \sqrt{\lambda_{d,n+1}}, \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The initial error  $e(0, \text{APP}_d) = \sqrt{\lambda_{d,1}}$ . Hence, we have  $e(n, \text{APP}_d) = \sqrt{\lambda_{d,n+1}}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . This deduces that the information complexity is equal to

$$n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) = \min \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \sqrt{\lambda_{d,n+1}} \leq \varepsilon \right\} = \min \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \lambda_{d,n+1} \leq \varepsilon^2 \right\}. \tag{7}$$

Since the eigenvalues  $\lambda_{d,j}$  with  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  of the operator  $W_d$  are  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{k})$  with  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$  (see [4] p. 215), by (7) the information complexity of  $\text{APP}_d$  from the space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) &= \min \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \lambda_{d,n+1} \leq \varepsilon^2 \right\} = \left| \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \lambda_{d,n} > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d : R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(\mathbf{h}) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| = \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d : \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right|, \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

with  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  and  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $|A|$  denotes the cardinality of set  $A$ .

Note that for the  $L_2$ -approximation  $\text{APP}_d$  from the space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  the absolute error criterion and the normalized error criterion are the same, since the initial error  $e(0, \text{APP}_d) = \sqrt{\lambda_{d,1}} = 1$ .

#### 4. Tractability in Weighted Hilbert Spaces and Main Results

In this paper we will study the classical tractability and the exponential convergence-tractability (EC-tractability) for the problem  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the weighted Hilbert space  $H_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$ .

##### 4.1. Tractability and Main Results

We focus on the behaviours of the information complexity  $n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)$  depending on the dimension  $d$  and the error threshold  $\varepsilon$ . Hence, we will study several notions about the classical tractability and the exponential convergence-tractability (EC-tractability) notions (see [4–9,11,12,16,22]).

**Definition 1.** Let  $\text{APP} = \{\text{APP}_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$ . We say the following:

- Strong polynomial tractability (SPT) if there are positive numbers  $C$  and  $p$  such that

$$n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) \leq C(\varepsilon^{-1})^p \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$



In this case we define the exponent  $p^{str}$  of SPT as

$$p^{str} := \inf\{p : \exists C > 0 \text{ such that } n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq C(\varepsilon^{-1})^p, \forall d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1)\}.$$

- Polynomial tractability (PT) if there are positive numbers  $C$ ,  $p$ , and  $q$  such that

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq Cd^q(\varepsilon^{-1})^p \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$

- Quasi-polynomial tractability (QPT) if there are positive numbers  $C$  and  $t$  such that

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq C \exp(t(1 + \ln d)(1 + \ln \varepsilon^{-1})) \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$

- Uniform weak tractability (UWT) if for all  $t, s > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + (\varepsilon^{-1})^s} = 0.$$

- Weak tractability (WT) if

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \varepsilon^{-1}} = 0.$$

- $(t, s)$ -weak tractability  $((t, s)$ -WT) for fixed positive  $t$  and  $s$  if

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + (\varepsilon^{-1})^s} = 0.$$

We find that  $(1,1)$ -WT is the same as WT and

$$SPT \implies PT \implies QPT \implies UWT \implies WT.$$

In the above definitions regarding classical tractability, replacing  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  with  $(1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))$ , we will have the following definitions about exponential convergence-tractability (EC-tractability).

**Definition 2.** Let  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$ . We say we have the following:

- Exponential convergence-strong polynomial tractability (EC-SPT) if there are positive numbers  $C$  and  $p$  such that

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq C(1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))^p \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$

The exponent of EC-SPT is defined as

$$\inf\{p : \exists C > 0 \text{ such that } n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq C(1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))^p, \forall d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1)\}.$$

- Exponential convergence-polynomial tractability (EC-PT) if there are positive numbers  $C$ ,  $p$ , and  $q$  such that

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq Cd^q(1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))^p \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$

- Exponential convergence-uniform weak tractability (EC-UWT) if for all  $t, s > 0$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + (1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))^s} = 0.$$

- Exponential convergence-weak tractability (EC-WT) if

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

- Exponential convergence-(t, s)-weak tractability (EC-(t, s)-WT) for fixed positive t and s if

$$\lim_{\varepsilon^{-1}+d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + (1 + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))^s} = 0.$$

We note that EC-(1, 1)-WT is the same as EC-WT, and

$$EC-SPT \implies EC-PT \implies EC-QPT \implies EC-UWT \implies EC-WT.$$

Obviously, if the problem APP has exponential convergence-tractability, then it has classical tractability and

$$EC-(t, s)\text{-WT} \implies (t, s)\text{-WT}, \quad EC-UWT \implies UWT, \quad EC-WT \implies WT.$$

In the worst case setting the classical tractability and EC-tractability of the problem  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the weighted Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying

$$1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad 1 < \alpha^* = \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots$$

have been solved by [13,14,16,18] as follows:

- For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}\}$ , SPT holds iff PT holds iff

$$s_\gamma := \inf \left\{ \kappa > 0 : \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j^\kappa < \infty \right\} < \infty$$

and the exponent of SPT is

$$p^{\text{str}} = 2 \max \left( s_\gamma, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right).$$

- For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} = r_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}$ , QPT, UWT, and WT are equivalent and hold iff

$$\gamma_I := \inf_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \gamma_j < 1.$$

For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} \in \{\psi_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}\}$ ,

$$\gamma_I < \infty$$

implies QPT.

- For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}\}$  and  $t > 1$ , (t, s)-WT holds for all  $1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$ .
- For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} = r_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}$ , EC-WT holds iff

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_j = 0.$$

- For  $R_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma} = r_{d,\alpha^*,\gamma}$  and  $t < 1$ , EC-(t, 1)-WT holds iff

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = 0.$$

In the worst case setting the classical tractability such as SPT, PT, and WT of the problem  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the weighted Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying (1), i.e.,

$$1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0, \text{ and } 1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$$

has been solved by [18] as follows:

- For  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$ , SPT holds iff PT holds iff

$$\delta := \liminf_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \gamma_j^{-1}}{\ln j} > 0.$$

The exponent of SPT is

$$p^{\text{str}} = 2 \max \left\{ \frac{1}{\delta}, \frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \right\}.$$

- For  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} = r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}$ , WT holds iff  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_j < 1$ .
- For  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{\psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$  and  $t > 1$ ,  $(t, s)$ -WT holds.

In this paper, we investigate the EC-tractability of the problem  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the weighted Hilbert space  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying (1). We obtain sufficient and necessary conditions for EC- $(t, 1)$ -WT with  $0 < t < 1$  and  $t = 1$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\gamma = \{\gamma_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\alpha = \{\alpha_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfy (1). Then the problem  $APP = \{APP_d\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the weighted Hilbert spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$

- (1) is EC-WT, if and only if

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_j = 0.$$

- (2) is EC- $(t, 1)$ -WT with  $t < 1$ , if and only if

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = 0.$$

#### 4.2. The Proof

In order to prove Theorem 1 we need the following Lemmas.

**Lemma 4.** Let  $\eta > 0, \varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ . We have for any  $d \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq \varepsilon^{-2\eta} \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta \right).$$

**Proof.** By Lemma 3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{d,k}^{\eta} &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} (R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}(k))^{\eta} = \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(k))^{\eta} \right) \\ &\leq \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k))^{\eta} \right) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_j}(k))^{\eta} \right) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\gamma_j}{k^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right)^{\eta} \right) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^{\eta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

This yields

$$n \lambda_{d,n}^{\eta} \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{d,k}^{\eta} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{d,k}^{\eta} \leq \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^{\eta} \right),$$

which means

$$\lambda_{d,n} \leq \frac{\prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^{\eta} \right)^{1/\eta}}{n^{1/\eta}}.$$

It follows from the above inequality and (7)

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) = \min \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \lambda_{d,n+1} \leq \varepsilon^2 \right\},$$

that

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \leq \varepsilon^{-2\eta} \prod_{j=1}^d \left( 1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^{\eta} \right).$$

This proof is complete.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.** Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ . We have for any  $d \geq 2$

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \geq \left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil.$$

**Proof.** Set

$$H = H(\varepsilon, d, \alpha) := \left\{ h \in \mathbb{N}_0 : h \leq \left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil - 1 \right\}.$$

If  $h > \left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil - 1$  and  $d \geq 2$ , by Lemma 3 we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j,\gamma_j}(h_j) R_{\alpha_d,\gamma_d}(h) \leq R_{\alpha_d,\gamma_d}(h) \leq \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} r_{\alpha_1,\gamma_d}(h) = \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \frac{\gamma_d}{h^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \leq \varepsilon^2$$

for any  $\{h_1, \dots, h_{d-1}\} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1}$ , which means

$$\left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1} : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}(h) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} = \emptyset \tag{9}$$

for all  $h > \left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil - 1$ . It follows from (8) and (9) that

$$\begin{aligned} n(\varepsilon, APP_d) &= \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d : \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}(h_d) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \sum_{h \in \mathbb{N}_0} \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1} : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}(h) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \sum_{h \in H} \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1} : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}(h) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \sum_{h \in (H \setminus \{0\})} \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1} : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}^{-1}(h) \right\} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d-1} : \prod_{j=1}^{d-1} R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| \\ &= \sum_{h \in (H \setminus \{0\})} n(\varepsilon R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}^{-1/2}(h), APP_{d-1}) + n(\varepsilon, APP_{d-1}) \\ &= \sum_{h=1}^{\left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil - 1} n(\varepsilon R_{\alpha_d, \gamma_d}^{-1/2}(h), APP_{d-1}) + n(\varepsilon, APP_{d-1}) \\ &\geq \left\lceil \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right\rceil. \end{aligned}$$

This finishes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** For  $\prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right) > \varepsilon^2$  and  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  we have

$$n(\varepsilon, APP_d) \geq 2^d.$$

**Proof.** Set

$$\mathcal{A}(\varepsilon, d) = \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d : \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 \right\}.$$

If  $\mathbf{h} = \{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_d\} \in \{0, 1\}^d$ , we have from (5) that

$$R_{d, \alpha, \gamma}(\mathbf{h}) = \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) \geq \prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right).$$

Thus, we have  $\{0, 1\}^d \in \mathcal{A}(\varepsilon, d)$  for  $\prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right) > \varepsilon^2$ . Hence, it follows from (8) that

$$n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) = |\mathcal{A}(\varepsilon, d)| \geq \left| \left\{ \mathbf{h} \in \{0, 1\}^d : \prod_{j=1}^d R_{\alpha_j, \gamma_j}(h_j) > \varepsilon^2 \right\} \right| = 2^d$$

for  $\prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right) > \varepsilon^2$ . This proof is complete.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.**

If there are infinitely many  $\gamma_j = 0$  for  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , the results are obviously true. Without loss of generality we discuss only that the  $\gamma_j$  are positive for  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(1) Let  $\delta > 0$  and take  $\varepsilon = \prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right)^{\frac{1+\delta}{2}}$ , then we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^d \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{2}\right) > \varepsilon^2.$$

It follows from Lemma 6 that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\geq \frac{d \ln 2}{d + \frac{1+\delta}{2} \cdot \ln \left( \prod_{j=1}^d (2\gamma_j^{-1}) \right)} \\ &\geq \frac{d \ln 2}{d + \frac{1+\delta}{2} \cdot d \cdot \ln(2\gamma_d^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{\ln 2}{1 + \frac{1+\delta}{2} \cdot (\ln 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}))}. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Assume that App is EC-WT, i.e., for the above fixed  $\varepsilon$

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

Combing (10) and the above equality we have

$$0 = \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \geq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln 2}{1 + \frac{1+\delta}{2} \cdot (\ln 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}))}.$$

This implies  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_d = 0$ .

On the other hand, assume that we have  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_d = 0$ . For  $\eta > 0$  we obtain from the upper bound in Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \ln\left(1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta\right)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \limsup_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \sum_{j=1}^d \gamma_j^\eta}{d} \\ &= 2\eta, \end{aligned}$$

where we used  $\ln(1 + x) \leq x$  for all  $x \geq 0$  and  $\limsup_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^d \gamma_j^\eta}{d} = 0$  if  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_d = 0$ .

Setting  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0,$$

which yields that ET-WT holds.

- (2) Assume that APP is EC-( $t, 1$ )-WT for  $t < 1$ . First, we note that  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_d = 0$ . Indeed, if  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_d \neq 0$ , we deduce from Theorem 1 (1) that EC-WT doesn't hold, i.e.,

$$0 < \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})}.$$

This deduces that EC-( $t, 1$ )-WT for  $t < 1$  does not hold.

Next, we will prove  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_d \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\ln\left(\varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d\right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} = d^t$$

for large  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . From the lower bound in Lemma 5 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\geq \frac{\ln\left[\left(\varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d\right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}}\right]}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \geq \frac{\ln\left(\varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d\right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{d^t}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = \frac{d^t}{d^t + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil d^t / 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}) / 2 - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil) / 2} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil / 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}) / (2d^t) - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil) / (2d^t)}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the assumption that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \geq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil / 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}) / (2d^t) - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil) / (2d^t)} \\ &= \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil / 2 + \ln(\gamma_d^{-1}) / (2d^t)}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^t}{\ln(\gamma_d^{-1})} = 0.$$

Using the fact that  $d^t \geq \ln d^t = t \ln d \geq 0$  for large  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$0 \leq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln d}{\ln(\gamma_d^{-1})} \leq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d^t}{t \ln(\gamma_d^{-1})} = 0,$$

i.e.,

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln d}{\ln(\gamma_d^{-1})} = 0.$$

On the other hand, assume that  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = 0$ . Then we obtain that for all  $\delta > 0$  there exists a positive number  $N_\delta > 0$  such that

$$\gamma_j \leq j^{-\delta} \text{ for all } j \geq N_\delta. \tag{11}$$

Let  $\eta > 0$ . We get from Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d) &\leq 2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \ln\left(1 + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta\right) \\ &\leq 2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta, \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

where we used  $\ln(1 + x) \leq x$  for all  $x > 0$ . Choose  $\delta = \frac{2}{\eta}$ . By (11) and (12) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\leq \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{2/\eta}-1} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta + \sum_{j=N_{2/\eta}}^{\max\{d, N_{2/\eta}\}} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_j^\eta}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \frac{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \gamma_1^\eta (N_{2/\eta} - 1) + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \sum_{j=N_{2/\eta}}^{\max\{d, N_{2/\eta}\}} j^{-2}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\leq 2\eta + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{j=N_{2/\eta}}^{\max\{d, N_{2/\eta}\}} j^{-2}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta} \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{-2}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &= 2\eta. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, \text{APP}_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

Therefore, Theorem 1 is proved.

□



**Example 1.** An example for EC-WT.

Assume that  $\gamma_j = j^{-2}$  and  $\alpha_j = j + 1$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Next, we will study EC-WT for the weighted Hilbert spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with weight  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$ . Obviously, we have  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_j = 0$ . By Lemma 4 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \ln\left(1 + [\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) \gamma_j^\eta\right)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d [\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) \gamma_j^\eta}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \limsup_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) \sum_{j=1}^d \gamma_j^\eta}{d} \\ &= 2\eta + \limsup_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) \sum_{j=1}^d j^{-2\eta}}{d} \\ &= 2\eta, \end{aligned}$$

where in the second inequality we used  $\ln(1 + x) \leq x$  for all  $x \geq 0$  and  $\limsup_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^d j^{-2\eta}}{d} = 0$ . Setting  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

Hence, APP is EC-WT.

**Example 2.** An example for EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ .

Assume that  $\gamma_j = 2^{-j}$  and  $\alpha_j = 2j$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Next, we will study EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$  for the weighted Hilbert spaces  $H(K_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}})$  with weight  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$ .

Note that  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{j \ln 2} = 0$ . It follows from Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d) &\leq 2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \ln\left(1 + [\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) \gamma_j^\eta\right) \\ &= 2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \ln\left(1 + [\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) 2^{-\eta j}\right) \\ &\leq 2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d [\alpha_1]^{[\alpha_1]\eta} \zeta([\alpha_1]\eta) 2^{-\eta j}, \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality we used  $\ln(1 + x) \leq x$  for all  $x > 0$ . It yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\leq \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\eta \ln(\varepsilon^{-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^d \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \eta \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) 2^{-\eta j}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \eta \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \sum_{j=1}^d 2^{-\eta j}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &\leq 2\eta + \limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \eta \zeta(\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil \eta) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\eta j}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &= 2\eta. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\limsup_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

Hence, APP is EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ .

**Remark 5.** We note that for Example 1 with  $\gamma_j = j^{-2}$  and  $\alpha_j = j + 1$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , APP is EC-WT, but not EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ . Indeed, let  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_d \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\ln\left(\varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d\right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} = d, \text{ i.e., } \varepsilon^{-1} = \frac{de^{d\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil/2}}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil/2}}$$

for large  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . From Lemma 5 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} &\geq \frac{\ln \left[ \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}} \right]}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \geq \frac{\ln \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil^{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil} \gamma_d \right)^{\frac{1}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}}}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{d}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = \frac{d}{d^t + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil d/2 + \ln d - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil)/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{d^{t-1} + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil/2 + \ln d/d - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil)/(2d)}. \end{aligned}$$

For the above fixed  $\varepsilon$  and  $t < 1$  we obtain

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \geq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{d^{t-1} + \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil/2 + \ln d/d - \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil (\ln \lceil \alpha_1 \rceil)/(2d)} = \frac{2}{\lceil \alpha_1 \rceil}.$$

This means that APP is not EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ .

**Remark 6.** Obviously, for Example 2 with  $\gamma_j = 2^{-j}$  and  $\alpha_j = 2j$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , APP is also EC-WT. Indeed, if APP is EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ , then it is EC-WT. Assume that APP is EC-(t, 1)-WT for  $t < 1$ , then we have

$$\lim_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0.$$

Since

$$0 \leq \lim_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} \leq \lim_{d+\varepsilon^{-1} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d^t + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})},$$

we further get

$$\lim_{d+\varepsilon^{-1}\rightarrow\infty} \frac{\ln n(\varepsilon, APP_d)}{d + \ln(\varepsilon^{-1})} = 0,$$

which means that APP is EC-WT.

## 5. Conclusions

In this paper we discuss the EC-WT and EC- $(t, 1)$ -WT with  $t < 1$  for the approximation problem APP in weighted Hilbert spaces  $H_{R_{d,\alpha,\gamma}}$  for  $R_{d,\alpha,\gamma} \in \{r_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \psi_{d,\alpha,\gamma}, \omega_{d,\alpha,\gamma}\}$  with parameters  $1 \geq \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$  and  $1 < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$ . We obtain the matching necessary and sufficient condition

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_j = 0$$

on EC-WT, and the matching necessary and sufficient condition

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln j}{\ln(\gamma_j^{-1})} = 0$$

on EC- $(t, 1)$ -WT with  $t < 1$ . The weights are used to model the importance of the functions from the weighted Hilbert spaces, so we will further research the other EC-tractability notions such as EC-SPT, EC-PT, EC-QWT, and EC-UWT.

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