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Leonid Slavin* (leonid.slavin@uc.edu). *Best constants for a family of Carleson sequences.*

For a non-negative function Φ on $[1, \infty)$, a dyadic A_2 -weight w , and each dyadic interval J let

$$c_J^\Phi := |J| \Phi \left(\langle w \rangle_J \langle w^{-1} \rangle_J \right) \left[\frac{(\Delta_J w)^2}{\langle w \rangle_J^2} + \frac{(\Delta_J w^{-1})^2}{\langle w^{-1} \rangle_J^2} \right]$$

where $\langle \cdot \rangle_J$ is the average over J ; $\Delta_J(\cdot) = \langle \cdot \rangle_{J^-} - \langle \cdot \rangle_{J^+}$, and J^\pm are the two halves of J .

Under mild monotonicity assumptions on Φ and Φ' we find the sharp functions k_Φ and K_Φ in the inequality

$$k_\Phi([w]_{A_2}) \leq \sup_{I \in D} \frac{1}{|I|} \sum_{J \in D(I)} c_J^\Phi \leq K_\Phi([w]_{A_2}).$$

The upper estimate quantifies the Carleson embedding properties of the sequence $\{c_J^\Phi\}$, while the two estimates combined give a range of equivalent definitions of A_2 . The proof uses Bellman functions of various structure – some are solutions of PDE, some are nowhere differentiable – and presents optimizing sequences of weights. The results obtained make precise and significantly generalize earlier estimates by Beznosova, Wittwer, and others. (Received February 11, 2014)