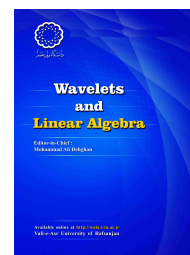


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### Some New Hermite-Hadamard Type Inequalities for Convex Functions

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#### ABSTRACT

Convex sets and convex functions play a fundamental role in the development of various fields of pure and applied mathematics. Recently, many new generalizations of inequalities with respect to Hermite-Hadamard have been proposed in the literature. In this paper, some new inequalities of the Hermite-Hadamard type for differentiable convex functions are given. These new inequalities are based on the second derivative functions.

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## 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Theory of inequalities is one of the most important applications of convex and abstract analysis, while the common usage within inequalities in convex analysis is Hermite-Hadamard's inequality. The Hermite-Hadamard's inequalities give us an estimate of the (integral) mean value of a continuous convex function. Moreover, equality holds in either side only for affine functions (i.e., for functions of the form  $mx + n$ ). In recent years, much attention have given to develop various inequalities for several classes of convex functions and their generalizations using novel ideas (see [1, 3, 2, 7, 8] and the references therein). Hermite-Hadamard's inequality is given as follows:

Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function, and let  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . Then the following inequality holds:

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2},$$

where  $I$  is an interval (finite or infinite) in  $\mathbb{R}$  Throughout the paper we denote by  $I^\circ$  the interior of  $I$ .

The following lemma has been proved in [6], and therefore we omit its proof.

**Lemma 1.1.** ([6]) *Let  $f : I^\circ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function, and let  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f' \in L[a, b]$ , then the following equality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a)}{b-a} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \\ &= \frac{(x-a)^2}{b-a} \int_0^1 (t-1)f'(tx + (1-t)a)dt + \frac{(b-x)^2}{b-a} \int_0^1 (1-t)f'(tx + (1-t)b)dt. \end{aligned}$$

We refer the reader to [1, 3, 2, 5, 4, 7, 8] and the references therein for studying the obtained results and their generalizations related to Hermite-Hadamard's inequality.

## 2. Main results

In this section, we present our main results. We start with the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $f : I^\circ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function, and let  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f'' \in L[a, b]$ , then the following equality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \\ &= \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)f''(tx + (1-t)a)dt + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)f''(tx + (1-t)b)dt. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By some calculations we obtain the desired result.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)f''(tx+(1-t)a)dt + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(t-1)f''(tx+(1-t)b)dt \\
&= \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ \frac{t-t^2}{x-a} f'(tx+(1-t)a) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{1-2t}{(x-a)^2} f(tx+(1-t)a) \Big|_0^1 \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{2}{(x-a)^2} \int_0^1 f(tx+(1-t)a)dt \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ \frac{t^2-t}{x-b} f'(tx+(1-t)b) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{(2t-1)}{(x-b)^2} f(tx+(1-t)b) \Big|_0^1 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2}{(x-b)^2} \int_0^1 f(tx+(1-t)b)dt \right] \\
&= \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ \frac{f(x)+f(a)}{(x-a)^2} - \frac{2}{(x-a)^3} \int_a^x f(t)dt \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ -\frac{f(x)+f(b)}{(x-b)^2} + \frac{2}{(x-b)^3} \int_b^x f(t)dt \right] \\
&= \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt.
\end{aligned}$$

□

In the sequel, we present the following result related to Hermite-Hadamard type inequality.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f : I^o \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function, and let  $a, b \in I^o$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)| + |f''(a)|}{12} \right) + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)| + |f''(b)|}{12} \right) \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx + (1-t)a)|dt \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx + (1-t)b)|dt \right| \right. \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)(|f''(x)| + |f''(a)|)dt \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)(|f''(x)| + |f''(b)|)dt \right| \right. \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} (B(3,2)|f''(x)| + B(2,3)|f''(a)|) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} (B(3,2)|f''(x)| + B(2,3)|f''(b)|) \right| \right. \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)| + |f''(a)|}{12} \right) \right. + \left. \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)| + |f''(b)|}{12} \right) \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

It should be noted that in the above inequalities we used the following fact:

$$\int_0^1 t^2(1-t)dt = B(3,2) = B(2,3) = \frac{\Gamma(3)\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(5)} = \frac{1}{12},$$

where, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
B(x,y) &:= \int_0^1 t^{x-1}(1-t)^{y-1}dt, \quad \Gamma(x) := \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t}t^{x-1}dt, \quad x > 0, y > 0, \text{ and} \\
B(x,y) &= \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.3.** In Theorem 2.2, if we take  $x := b$  or  $x := a$ , then we obtain the following inequality.

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{24} (|f''(a)| + |f''(b)|).$$

**Corollary 2.4.** In Theorem 2.2, if we put  $x := \frac{a+b}{2}$ , then one has

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b) + 2f(\frac{a+b}{2})}{4} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{192} (|f''(a)| + 2|f''(\frac{a+b}{2})| + |f''(b)|).$$

**Corollary 2.5.** In Corollary 2.4, by using convexity of  $|f''|$ , we deduce that

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{4} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{96} (|f''(a)| + |f''(b)|).$$

We now give a similar result to Theorem 2.2 whenever  $|f''|^q$  is convex for  $q > 1$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $f : I^o \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function. Let  $a, b \in I^o$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$  with  $q > 1$ . Then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{12(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{12(b-a)} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Again, by using Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 ([t(1-t)]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [t(1-t)]^{\frac{1}{q}} |f''(tx + (1-t)a)| dt \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 [t(1-t)]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [t(1-t)]^{\frac{1}{q}} |f''(tx + (1-t)b)| dt \right| \right. \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ \int_0^1 t(1-t) dt \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \int_0^1 t(1-t) |f''(tx + (1-t)a)|^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ \int_0^1 t(1-t) dt \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \int_0^1 t(1-t) |f''(tx + (1-t)b)|^q dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \right. \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ B(2, 2) \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ B(3, 2) |f''(x)|^q + B(2, 3) |f''(a)|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left[ B(2, 2) \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ B(3, 2) |f''(x)|^q + B(2, 3) |f''(b)|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \right. \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{6} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{12} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{6} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{12} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \right. \\ & = \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{12(b-a)} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{12(b-a)} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.7.** In Theorem 2.6, by choosing  $x := b$  or  $x := a$ , we have the following inequality.

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} \left( \frac{|f''(a)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

**Corollary 2.8.** In Theorem 2.6, if we set  $x := \frac{a+b}{2}$ , then we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b) + 2f(\frac{a+b}{2})}{4} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{96} \left( \left[ \frac{|f''(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left[ \frac{|f''(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We now present a more general result.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $f : I \subseteq [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$ , where  $a, b \in I^o$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$  with  $q > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Then the following inequality is satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{8(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{8(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* In view of convexity of  $f''$  and Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx + (1-t)a)|dt \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx + (1-t)b)|dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \int_0^1 (t^p(1-t)^p) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 |f''(tx + (1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \int_0^1 (t^p(1-t)^p) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 |f''(tx + (1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} (B(p+1, p+1))^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} (B(p+1, p+1))^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{8(b-a)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{8(b-a)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{8(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{8(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that in the above we used the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 |f''(ta + (1-t)b)|^q dt & \leq |f''(a)|^q \int_0^1 t dt + m|f''(b)|^q \int_0^1 (1-t) dt \\
& = \frac{|f''(a)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, in view of [7], we used the following assertions.

$$\begin{aligned}
B(x, x) & = 2^{1-2x} B\left(\frac{1}{2}, x\right) \text{ and} \\
B(p+1, p+1) & = 2^{1-2(p+1)} B\left(\frac{1}{2}, p+1\right) = \frac{2^{1-2(p+1)} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma(p+1)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}+p\right)}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 2.10.** Let  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $f(x) = x^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is easy to show that  $|f''|^q, q > 1$  is a convex function. Now, Let  $a, b \in I$  such that  $a < b$  then, in view of Theorem 2.9 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(n-1)(b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}) + x(n+1)(a^n - b^n) + (n+1)(b-a)x^n}{(n+1)(b-a)} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{n(n-1)|x-a|^3}{4(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} + a^{(n-2)q}}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + \frac{n(n-1)|x-b|^3}{4(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} + b^{(n-2)q}}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 2.11.** In Theorem 2.9, if we put  $x := b$  or  $x := a$ , we get

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(a)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

**Corollary 2.12.** In Theorem 2.9, by choosing  $x := \frac{a+b}{2}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b) + 2f(\frac{a+b}{2})}{4} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{64} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(a)|^q + |f''(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + \frac{(b-a)^2}{64} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{|f''(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.13.** Let  $f : I \subseteq [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$ , where  $a, b \in I^o$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$  with  $q > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Then we get the following inequality.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + (q+1)|f''(a)|^q}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + (q+1)|f''(b)|^q}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$



*Proof.* In view of convexity of  $f''$  and Hölder's inequality, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx+(1-t)a)|dt \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx+(1-t)b)|dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx+(1-t)a)|dt \right| + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \int_0^1 t(1-t)|f''(tx+(1-t)b)|dt \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)^q |f''(tx+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)^q |f''(tx+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (|f''(x)|^q \int_0^1 (1-t)^q t dt + |f''(a)|^q \int_0^1 (1-t)^q (1-t) dt)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (|f''(x)|^q \int_0^1 (1-t)^q t dt + |f''(b)|^q \int_0^1 (1-t)^q (1-t) dt)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(2, q+1) + |f''(a)|^q \left( \frac{1}{q+2} \right) ]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(2, q+1) + |f''(b)|^q \left( \frac{1}{q+2} \right) ]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + (q+1)|f''(a)|^q}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \left( \frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{|f''(x)|^q + (q+1)|f''(b)|^q}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

**Example 2.14.** Let  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $f(x) = x^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is easy to show that  $|f''|^q$ ,  $q > 1$  is a convex function. Now, Let  $a, b \in I$  such that  $a < b$  then, in view of Theorem 2.13 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(n-1)(b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}) + x(n+1)(a^n - b^n) + (n+1)(b-a)x^n}{(n+1)(b-a)} \right| \\
& \leq \frac{n(n-1)|x-a|^3}{(b-a)} \left[ \frac{1}{p+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} + (q+1)a^{(n-2)q}}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad + \frac{n(n-1)|x-b|^3}{(b-a)} \left[ \frac{1}{p+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} + (q+1)b^{(n-2)q}}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.15.** Let  $f : I \subseteq [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$ , where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$  with  $q > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Then the

following inequality holds.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(3, q+1) + |f''(a)|^q B(2, q+3) ]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(3, q+1) + |f''(b)|^q B(2, q+3) ]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By using convexity of  $f''$  and Hölder's inequality, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(b-x)f(b) + (x-a)f(a) + f(x)(b-a)}{2(b-a)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)dt \right| \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \int_0^1 t(1-t) |f''(tx + (1-t)a)| dt \\ & \quad + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \int_0^1 t(1-t) |f''(tx + (1-t)b)| dt \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \int_0^1 t dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 t(1-t)^q |f''(tx + (1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \int_0^1 t dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 t(1-t)^q |f''(tx + (1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} (|f''(x)|^q \int_0^1 t^2(1-t)^q dt + |f''(a)|^q \int_0^1 t(1-t)^{q+1} dt)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} (|f''(x)|^q \int_0^1 t^2(1-t)^q dt + |f''(b)|^q \int_0^1 t(1-t)^{q+1} dt)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \left| \frac{(x-a)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(3, q+1) + |f''(a)|^q B(2, q+3) ]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \left| \frac{(x-b)^3}{2(b-a)} \right| \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [ |f''(x)|^q B(3, q+1) + |f''(b)|^q B(2, q+3) ]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 2.16.** Let  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $f(x) = x^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is easy to show that  $|f''|^q$ ,  $q > 1$  is a convex function. Now, Let  $a, b \in I$  such that  $a < b$  then, in view of Theorem 2.15 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(n-1)(b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}) + x(n+1)(a^n - b^n) + (n+1)(b-a)x^n}{(n+1)(b-a)} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{n(n-1)|x-a|^3}{(b-a)} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} B(3, q+1) + B(2, q+2)a^{(n-2)q}}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{n(n-1)|x-b|^3}{(b-a)} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \frac{x^{(n-2)q} B(3, q+2) + B(2, q+3)b^{(n-2)q}}{(q+1)(q+2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Applications to special means

Consider the following special means for two nonnegative real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha \neq \beta$  as follows: (see [5, 4]).

(1): The arithmetic mean:

$$A = A(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R},$$

with  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ .

(2): The logarithmic mean:

$$\bar{L} = \bar{L}(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta - \alpha}{\ln \beta - \ln \alpha}, \quad \alpha \neq \beta, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R},$$

with  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ .

(3): The generalized logarithmic mean:

$$L_n(\alpha, \beta) = \left[ \frac{\beta^{n+1} - \alpha^{n+1}}{(n+1)(\beta - \alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n}}, \quad n \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\}, \alpha \neq \beta, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R},$$

with  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ .

These means are often used in numerical approximation and in other areas.

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < a < b, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we have the following inequality

$$|L_n^n(a, b)| \leq C_1 [A(x^{(n-2)q}, a^{(n-2)q})]^{\frac{1}{q}} + C_2 [A(x^{(n-2)q}, b^{(n-2)q})]^{\frac{1}{q}} + C_3.$$

Where,

$$C_1 = \frac{n(n-1)|x-a|^3}{4(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{n(n-1)|x-b|^3}{4(b-a)} \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1+p)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}+p)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$C_3 = \left| \frac{(b-x)b^n + (x-a)a^n + x^n(b-a)}{2(b-a)} \right|$$

*Proof.* It follows from the Theorem 2.13 for  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . □

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