



SOME INEQUALITIES OF HERMITE–HADAMARD TYPE FOR s -CONVEX FUNCTIONS*

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Abstract In this paper several inequalities of the left-hand side of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality are obtained for s -convex functions.

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1 Introduction

A function $f : I \subseteq \mathbf{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$, where $\mathbf{R} = [0, \infty)$ is said to be s -convex on I if the inequality

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \alpha^s f(x) + \beta^s f(y)$$

holds for all $x, y \in I$ and $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$ and for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$. This class of s -convex functions is usually denoted by K_s^2 (see [13]).

It can be easily seen that for $s = 1$, s -convexity reduces to ordinary convexity of functions defined on $[0, \infty)$.

One of the most famous inequality for the class of convex functions is so called Hermite-Hadamard inequality, which states that:

For a convex mapping $f : I \subseteq \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a convex mapping defined on the interval I of real numbers and $a, b \in I$, with $a < b$. Then

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

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For recent results, refinements, counterparts, generalizations and new Hadamard's-type inequalities see [1–8] and [10–19].

In [8], Dragomir and Fitzpatrick proved a variant of Hermite–Hadamard inequality which holds for the s -convex functions.

Theorem 1.1 Suppose that $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is an s -convex function in the second sense, where $s \in (0, 1]$ and let $a, b \in [0, \infty)$, $a < b$. If $f \in L^1 [0, 1]$, then the following inequalities hold

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

the constant $k = \frac{1}{s+1}$ is the best possible in the second inequality in (6). The above inequalities are sharp. For recent results and generalizations concerning s -convex functions see [4, 7–9, 13, 14].

Along this paper we consider a real interval $I \subset \mathbf{R}$, and we denote that I° is the interior of I .

In [14], Kirmaci proved some inequalities of Hermite–Hadamard type for differentiable convex mappings, the main result in [14] is stated as follows:

Theorem 1.2 Let $f : I \subset \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be differentiable mapping on I° , where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{8} [|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|]. \quad (3)$$

One more general results related to (3) was established in [15–19].

In [18], Pearce and Pečarić proved the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3 Let $f : I \subset \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be differentiable mapping on I° , where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|^q$ is convex on $[a, b]$, for some $q \geq 1$, then the following inequality holds

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\frac{|f(a)|^q + |f(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{1/q}. \quad (4)$$

If $|f|^q$ is concave on $[a, b]$ for some $q \geq 1$, then

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|. \quad (5)$$

In this paper, we establish a new inequalities of Hadamard's type for the class of s -convex functions in the second sense.

2 Hadamard's Type Inequalities for s -convex Functions

To prove our main result(s) we consider the following lemma (see [4]):

Lemma 2.1 Let $f : I \subset \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $f' \in L[a, b]$, then the following equality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\int_0^1 t f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) dt + \int_0^1 (t-1) f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) dt \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof We note that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_0^1 t f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{b-a} t f \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \Big|_0^1 - \frac{2}{b-a} \int_0^1 f \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{b-a} f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{2}{b-a} \int_0^1 f \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Setting $x = t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a$, and $dx = \frac{b-a}{2} dt$, which gives

$$I_1 = \frac{2}{b-a} f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f(x) dx.$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_0^1 (t-1) f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{b-a} f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b f(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{b-a}{4} [I_1 + I_2] = \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\frac{4}{b-a} f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \\ &= f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.

Theorem 2.2 Let $f : I \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° , such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|$ is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[|f'(a)| + 2(s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + |f'(b)| \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\leq \frac{(2^{2-s} + 1)(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} [|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|]. \quad (7)$$

Proof From Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\int_0^1 t \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right| dt + \int_0^1 |t-1| \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| dt \right] \\ &\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \int_0^1 t \left[t^s \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + (1-t)^s |f'(a)| \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{b-a}{4} \int_0^1 (1-t) \left[t^s |f'(b)| + (1-t)^s \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \right] dt \\
& = \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\frac{1}{s+2} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} |f'(a)| \right] \\
& \quad + \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} |f'(b)| + \frac{1}{s+2} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \right] \\
& = \frac{(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[|f'(a)| + 2(s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + |f'(b)| \right], \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

which proves inequality (6). To prove (7), and since $|f'|$ is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for any $t \in [0, 1]$, then by (2) we have

$$2^{s-1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \leq \frac{|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|}{s+1}. \tag{9}$$

A combination of (8) and (9), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
& \leq \frac{(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[|f'(a)| + 2(s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + |f'(b)| \right] \\
& \leq \frac{(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[|f'(a)| + 2(s+1) 2^{1-s} \frac{|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|}{s+1} + |f'(b)| \right] \\
& = \frac{(2^{2-s} + 1)(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} [|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|],
\end{aligned}$$

which proves inequality (7), and thus the proof is completed.

Next theorem gives a new upper bound of the left-Hadamard inequality for s -convex mappings.

Theorem 2.3 Let $f : I \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|^{p/(p-1)}$, ($p > 1$) is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{2/q} \\
& \quad \left[((2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(a)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q + (2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right], \tag{10}
\end{aligned}$$

where p is the conjugate of q , $q = p/(p-1)$.

Proof Suppose that $p > 1$. From Lemma 2.1 and using the Hölder inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\int_0^1 t \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right| dt + \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| dt \right] \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q}
\end{aligned}$$

$$+\frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 (1-t)^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.$$

Because $|f'|^q$ is s -convex, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t) a \right) \right|^q dt &\leq \int_0^1 \left[t^s \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + (1-t)^s |f'(a)|^q \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s+1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{s+1} |f'(a)|^q \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q dt &\leq \int_0^1 \left[t^s |f'(b)|^q + (1-t)^s \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s+1} |f'(b)|^q + \frac{1}{s+1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx - f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left(\left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + |f'(a)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(|f'(b)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Now, since $|f'|^q$ is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for any $t \in [0, 1]$, then by (2) we have

$$2^{s-1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \leq \frac{|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|}{s+1}. \tag{12}$$

A combination of (11) and (12), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\quad \times \left[\left(\frac{2^{1-s}}{s+1} (|f'(a)|^q + |f'(b)|^q) + |f'(a)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(|f'(b)|^q + \frac{2^{1-s}}{s+1} (|f'(a)|^q + |f'(b)|^q) \right)^{1/q} \right] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{2/q} \\ &\quad \left[((2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(a)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q + (2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $1/p + 1/q = 1$, which is required.

Theorem 2.3 may be extended to be as follows:

Corollary 2.1 Let $f : I \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|^{p/(p-1)}$, ($p > 1$) is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)^{2/q} \left\{ 2^{(1-s)/q} + (2^{1-s} + s + 1)^{1/q} \right\} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|), \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

where $q = p/(p-1)$.

Proof We consider inequality (10), and we let $a_1 = (2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(a)|^q$, $b_1 = 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q$, $a_2 = 2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q$ and $b_2 = (2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(b)|^q$. Here, $0 < 1/q < 1$, for $q > 1$. Using the fact

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^r \leq \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^r + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^r$$

for $0 < r < 1$, $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \geq 0$ and $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \geq 0$, we obtain that, the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)^{2/q} \\ & \quad \left[((2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(a)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q + (2^{1-s} + s + 1) |f'(b)|^q)^{1/q} \right] \\ & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)^{2/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ 2^{(1-s)/q} + (2^{1-s} + s + 1)^{1/q} \right\} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|). \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem holds.

Theorem 2.4 Let $f : I \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° , such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|^q$, $q \geq 1$ is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{8}\right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)}\right)^{1/q} \left[\{(2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(a)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q\}^{1/q} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \{(2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(b)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q\}^{1/q} \right]. \quad (14) \end{aligned}$$

Proof Suppose that $p \geq 1$. From Lemma 2.1 and using the power mean inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\int_0^1 t \left| f'\left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a\right) \right| dt + \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f'\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| dt \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 t dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left(\int_0^1 t \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &\quad + \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 (1-t) dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left(\int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Because $|f'|^q$ is s -convex, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 t \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right|^q dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \left[t^{s+1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + t(1-t)^s |f'(a)|^q \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s+2} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} |f'(a)|^q \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \left[(1-t)t^s |f'(b)|^q + (1-t)^{s+1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s+2} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} |f'(b)|^q. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{8} \right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left((s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + |f'(a)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(|f'(b)|^q + (s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Now, since $|f'|^q$ is s -convex on $[a, b]$, for any $t \in [0, 1]$, then by (2) we have

$$2^{s-1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \leq \frac{|f'(a)|^q + |f'(b)|^q}{s+1}. \tag{16}$$

A combination of (15) and (16), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{8} \right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left((s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + |f'(a)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(|f'(b)|^q + (s+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{8} \right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right)^{1/q} \left[(2^{1-s} (|f'(a)|^q + |f'(b)|^q) + |f'(a)|^q)^{1/q} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (|f'(b)|^q + 2^{1-s} (|f'(a)|^q + |f'(b)|^q))^{1/q} \\
& = \left(\frac{b-a}{8}\right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)}\right)^{1/q} \left[\{(2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(a)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q\}^{1/q} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \{(2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(b)|^q + 2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q\}^{1/q} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.2 Let f be as in Theorem 2.4, then the following inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
& \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{8}\right) \left(\frac{2}{(s+1)(s+2)}\right)^{1/q} \left\{ 2^{(1-s)/q} + (2^{1-s} + 1)^{1/q} \right\} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) \quad (17)
\end{aligned}$$

holds, where $q \geq 1$.

Proof Using the technique in the proof of Corollary 2.1, by considering inequality (14), with $a_1 = (2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(a)|^q$, $b_1 = 2^{1-s} |f'(b)|^q$, $a_2 = 2^{1-s} |f'(a)|^q$ and $b_2 = (2^{1-s} + 1) |f'(b)|^q$. However, the details are left to the reader.

Now, we give the following Hadamard-type inequality for concave mappings.

Theorem 2.5 Let $f : I \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|^q$, $q \geq 1$ is concave on $[a, b]$, for some fixed $s \in (0, 1]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
& \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[\left| f'\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) \right| + \left| f'\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) \right| \right]. \quad (18)
\end{aligned}$$

Proof From Lemma 2.1 and using the Hölder inequality for $q > 1$, and $p = \frac{q}{q-1}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[\int_0^1 t \left| f'\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a\right) \right| dt + \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f'\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| dt \right] \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f'\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a\right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
& \quad + \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\int_0^1 (1-t)^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f'\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q},
\end{aligned}$$

where p is the conjugate of q . We note that, since $|f'|^q$ is concave on $[a, b]$, and using the power mean inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|f'(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y)|^q & \geq \lambda |f'(x)|^q + (1-\lambda) |f'(y)|^q \\
& \geq (\lambda |f'(x)| + (1-\lambda) |f'(y)|)^q,
\end{aligned}$$

$\forall x, y \in [a, b]$. Hence,

$$|f'(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y)| \geq \lambda |f'(x)| + (1-\lambda) |f'(y)|,$$

so $|f'|$ is also concave.

By the Jensen integral inequality, we have

$$\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a \right) \right| dt \leq \left(\int_0^1 t^0 dt \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{\int_0^1 (t \frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)a) dt}{\int_0^1 t^0 dt} \right) \right|^q \leq \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q,$$

and analogously,

$$\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| dt \leq \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q.$$

Combining all obtained inequalities, we get the required result.

Remark 2.1 i) The above results hold for log-convex (concave) mappings. Simply set $s = 1$, and apply the results for $f' = \log g$, where $g > 0$.

ii) We note that, inequality (6) with $s = 1$ gives a new refinement for inequality (3), and (7) with $s = 1$ improves the bound of (3). Also, (14) improves (4) and (10), (13) and (17) improves the bound of (5).

3 Applications to Special Means

In [13], the following example is given.

Let $s \in (0, 1)$ and $a, b, c \in \mathbf{R}$. We define function $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ as

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} a, & t = 0, \\ bt^s + c, & t > 0. \end{cases}$$

If $b \geq 0$ and $0 \leq c \leq a$, then $f \in K_s^2$. Hence, for $a = c = 0, b = 1$, we have $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1], f(t) = t^s, f \in K_s^2$.

Now, using the results of Section 2, we give some applications to special means of real numbers.

We shall consider the means for arbitrary real numbers $\alpha, \beta (\alpha \neq \beta)$. We take

(1) Arithmetic mean:

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

(2) Generalized log-mean:

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

Therefore, by applying the s -convex mapping $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1], f(x) = x^s$, the following inequalities hold:

Proposition 3.1 Let $a, b \in I^\circ, a < b$ and $0 < s < 1$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |L_s^s(a, b) - A^s(a, b)| &\leq s \left(\frac{b-a}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \right) \left(|a|^{s-1} + 2(s+1) \left| \frac{a+b}{2} \right|^{s-1} + |b|^{s-1} \right) \\ &\leq s \frac{(2^{2-s} + 1)(b-a)}{4(s+1)(s+2)} (|a|^{s-1} + |b|^{s-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.2 Let $a, b \in I^\circ$, $a < b$ and $0 < s < 1$. Then, for all $q > 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |L_s^s(a, b) - A^s(a, b)| \\ & \leq s \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{2/q} [2^{(1-s)/q} + (2^{1-s} + s + 1)^{1/q}] (|a|^{s-1} + |b|^{s-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.3 Let $a, b \in I^\circ$, $a < b$ and $0 < s < 1$. Then, for all $q > 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |L_s^s(a, b) - A^s(a, b)| \\ & \leq \frac{s}{2^{1/p}} \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right)^{1/q} [2^{(1-s)/q} + (2^{1-s} + 1)^{1/q}] (|a|^{s-1} + |b|^{s-1}). \end{aligned}$$

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