

**REFINEMENTS OF HADAMARD TYPE INEQUALITIES
FOR (α, m) -CONVEX FUNCTIONS**

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Abstract: The aim of this work is to establish several new results related to the left hand side of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for functions whose first derivative in absolute value aroused to the q th ($q \geq 1$) power are (α, m) -convex. Some applications to special means of positive real numbers are considered.

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1. Introduction

Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function on the interval I of real numbers and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Then we have the following double inequality, which is well known as the Hermite-Hadamard inequality

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

In 1993 [3], V. Mihesan introduced the class of (α, m) -convex functions as the following:

Definition 1. The function $f : [0, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be (α, m) -convex, where $(\alpha, m) \in [0, 1]^2$, if for every $x, y \in [0, b]$ and $t \in [0, 1]$ we have

$$f(tx + m(1-t)y) \leq t^\alpha f(x) + m(1-t^\alpha)f(y).$$

For recent results and generalizations concerning (α, m) -convex functions, see [1],[7].

In 2011 [4], M. Özdemir et al. obtained some bounds for the right hand side of Hadamard type inequality for (α, m) -convex functions.

The aim of this work is to establish some new bounds to the left hand side of Hermite-Hadamard type inequality for (α, m) -convex functions.

2. Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities

In order to prove main results, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2. Assume $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$ and $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a differentiable function on (a, b) . If $f' \in L^1[a, b]$ then the following equality holds:

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

Proof. We get a simple proof by performing an integration by parts in the integrals on the right side and changing the variable. \square

Theorem 3. Let $f : I \subseteq [0, b^*] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L^1[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$ and $b^* > 0$. If $|f'|$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$ for $(\alpha, m) \in [0, 1]^2$, then the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| &\leq (b-a) \\ &\times \left\{ A(|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) + m \left(\frac{1}{8} - A\right) \left[\left| f'\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) \right| + \left| f'\left(\frac{b}{m}\right) \right| \right] \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $A = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\alpha+2} (\alpha + 3)}{(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 2)}$ and

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

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)}{4(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} \left[|f'(a)| + |f'(b)| + m\alpha(\alpha+3) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right| \right].$$

Proof. From Lemma 2, we have

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

Since $|f'|$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$, so for any $t \in [0, 1]$:

$$\left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right| \leq \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha |f'(a)| + m \left(1 - \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right| \quad (2)$$

$$\left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}b + \frac{1-t}{2}a \right) \right| \leq \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha |f'(b)| + m \left(1 - \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a}{m} \right) \right|. \quad (3)$$

Therefore, as the following way (1), (2) and (3) imply the first inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \int_0^1 \left[(1-t) \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + m \left(1 - \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha \right) (1-t) \left(\left| f' \left(\frac{a}{m} \right) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right| \right) \right] dt \\ & = (b-a) \left\{ \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\alpha+2} (\alpha+3)}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + m \left(\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\alpha+2} (\alpha+3)}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} \right) \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{a}{m} \right) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right| \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|f'|$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$ and $\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b = ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ then for any $t \in [0, 1]$, we have the following inequalities:

$$\left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right| \leq t^\alpha |f'(a)| + m(1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|, \quad (4)$$

$$\left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}b + \frac{1-t}{2}a \right) \right| \leq t^\alpha |f'(b)| + m(1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|. \quad (5)$$

So the inequalities (1), (4) and (5) imply the second inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \\ & \int_0^1 \left[(1-t)t^\alpha (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) + 2m(1-t)(1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right| \right] dt \\ & = \left(\frac{b-a}{4(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} \right) \left[|f'(a)| + |f'(b)| + m\alpha(\alpha+3) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right| \right]. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4. Let $f : I \subseteq [0, b^*] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L^1[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$ and $b^* > 0$. If $|f'|^q$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$ for $(\alpha, m) \in [0, 1]^2$ and $q > 1$, then the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \times \\ & \left\{ \left[A |f'(a)|^q + m \left(\frac{1}{8} - A \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \left. + \left[A |f'(b)|^q + m \left(\frac{1}{8} - A \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a}{m} \right) \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}, \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

where $A = \frac{1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{\alpha+2} (\alpha+3)}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \times \left[\left(|f'(a)|^q + m\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(|f'(b)|^q + m\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \\ & \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[|f'(a)| + |f'(b)| + 2(m\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right| \right]. \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $|f'|^q$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$, we have for any $t \in [0, 1]$:

$$\left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right|^q \leq \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha |f'(a)|^q + m \left(1 - \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \tag{8}$$

Using inequality (8) and Hölder's inequality for $q > 1$ and $p = \frac{q}{q-1}$, we get
(6)

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right| dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (1-t)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} (1-t)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right| dt \\ &\leq \left(\int_0^1 (1-t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \tag{9} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \int_0^1 \left[(1-t) \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha |f'(a)|^q \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + m(1-t) \left(1 - \left(\frac{1+t}{2} \right)^\alpha \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right] dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left[A |f'(a)|^q + m \left(\frac{1}{8} - A \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b = ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ and $|f'|^q$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$, then the inequalities (4), (5) for $|f'|^q$ and (1) and Hölder's inequality for $q > 1$ and $p = \frac{q}{q-1}$ imply

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\int_0^1 (1-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \left\{ \left(\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}a + \frac{1-t}{2}b \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\int_0^1 \left| f' \left(\frac{1+t}{2}b + \frac{1-t}{2}a \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \left[\int_0^1 \left(t^\alpha |f'(a)|^q + m(1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \tag{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left[\int_0^1 \left(t^\alpha |f'(b)|^q + m(1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \Big\} \\
& = \left(\frac{b-a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad \left[\left(|f'(a)|^q + m\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(|f'(b)|^q + m\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^r \leq \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^r + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^r \tag{11}$$

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 (7). \square

If in Theorem 4, we use Lemma 2 and inequalities (2), (3) for $|f'|^q$ and (10), (11), then we get the following theorem.

Theorem 5. *With the assumption of Theorem 4, we have inequalities:*

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

If in Theorem 4, we use Lemma 2 and inequalities (4), (5) for $|f'|^q$ and (9), (11), then we get the following theorem.

Theorem 6. *With the assumption of Theorem 4, we have the inequalities:*

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

Remark 7. From Theorem 4-6, we have

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| \leq \min\{E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4\},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ A^{\frac{1}{q}} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) + m^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{8} - A\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[\left| f'\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) \right| + \left| f'\left(\frac{b}{m}\right) \right| \right] \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_2 &= \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left[|f'(a)| + |f'(b)| + 2(m\alpha)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2m}\right) \right| \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_3 &= \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left[\left(\frac{2-2^{-\alpha}}{\alpha+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + m^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(1 - \frac{2-2^{-\alpha}}{\alpha+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\left| f'\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) \right| + \left| f'\left(\frac{b}{m}\right) \right| \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$E_4 = \left(\frac{b-a}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$\times \left[|f'(a)| + |f'(b)| + 2 \left(\frac{m\alpha(\alpha + 3)}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left| f' \left(\frac{a + b}{2m} \right) \right| \right].$$

3. Applications to special means

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

- (1) The arithmetic mean: $A(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a, b > 0$.
- (2) The logarithmic mean: $L(a, b) = \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a \neq b$, $a, b > 0$.
- (3) The generalized logarithmic mean:

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

The following propositions hold, by applying Theorems 5, 6 for $f(x) = x^n$ and $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ and $\alpha = m = 1$.

Proposition 8. *Let $n \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [1, \infty) \setminus \{-1\}$ and $q > 1$ and $[a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$. Then we have the following inequalities:*

$$|A^n(a, b) - L_n^n(a, b)| \leq \frac{n(b - a)}{2} \left(\frac{q - 1}{2q - 1} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left[\left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] A(a^{n-1}, b^{n-1})$$

$$|A^n(a, b) - L_n^n(a, b)| \leq n \left(\frac{b - a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[A(a^{n-1}, b^{n-1}) + 2^{\frac{1}{q}} A^{n-1}(a, b) \right].$$

Proposition 9. *Let $[a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$ and $q > 1$. Then we have the following inequalities:*

$$|A^{-1}(a, b) - L^{-1}(a, b)| \leq \frac{b - a}{2} \left(\frac{q - 1}{2q - 1} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{q}} \left[\left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] A(a^{-2}, b^{-2})$$

$$|A^{-1}(a, b) - L^{-1}(a, b)| \leq \left(\frac{b - a}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[A(a^{-2}, b^{-2}) + 2^{\frac{1}{q}} A^{-2}(a, b) \right].$$

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