

## POSITIVITY OF SUMS AND INTEGRALS FOR CONVEX FUNCTIONS OF HIGHER ORDER OF $n$ VARIABLES

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*Abstract.* We provide one general discrete identity for  $\sum \cdots \sum P_{k_1 \cdots k_n} f(x_{1k_1}, \dots, x_{nk_n})$  and one general integral identity for  $\Lambda(f) = \int \cdots \int P(x_1, \dots, x_n) f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n$  of Popoviciu type. We obtain necessary and sufficient conditions under which these sum and integral are non-negative for higher order convex functions of  $n$  variables. These identities and inequalities generalize various established results. We also state new generalized Lagrange type and Cauchy type mean value theorems. We obtain an Ostrowski type result as a special case of our main integral identity and we also establish a bound on remainder term of our main integral identity in terms of  $L_p$ -norm by using Hölder's inequality. Finally we apply the functional  $\Lambda(f)$  on the family of some exponentially convex functions and discuss some of its major properties.

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