

HERMITE–HADAMARD TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR RIEMANN–LIOUVILLE FRACTIONAL INTEGRALS OF (α, m) -CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. In the paper, the authors establish some new Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals of functions whose derivatives in absolute value are of (α, m) -convexity.

1. Introduction

The following definition is well known in the literature.

DEFINITION 1.1. A function $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be convex if

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y) \quad (1.1)$$

holds for all $x, y \in I$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. If the inequality (1.1) reverses, then f is said to be concave on I .

Hermite-Hadamard inequality asserts that for every convex function $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}, \quad (1.2)$$

where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Both inequalities hold in reversed direction if f is concave.

DEFINITION 1.2. ([13]) A function $f : [0, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be m -convex if

$$f(tx + m(1-t)y) \leq tf(x) + m(1-t)f(y) \quad (1.3)$$

holds for all $x, y \in [0, b]$ and $t \in [0, 1]$ and for some $m \in (0, 1]$.

DEFINITION 1.3. ([9]) Let $f : [0, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $(\alpha, m) \in (0, 1] \times (0, 1]$. If

$$f(tx + m(1-t)y) \leq t^\alpha f(x) + m(1-t^\alpha)f(y) \quad (1.4)$$

is valid for all $x, y \in [0, b]$ and $t \in [0, 1]$, then we say that $f(x)$ is a (α, m) -convex function on $[0, b]$.

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In recent decades, a lot of inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for various kinds of (α, m) -convex functions have been established. Some of them may be recited as follows.

THEOREM 1.1. ([5, Theorem 2] and [6]) *Let $f : \mathbb{R}_0 = [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be m -convex and $m \in (0, 1]$. If $f \in L([a, b])$ for $0 \leq a < b < \infty$, then*

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \min \left\{ \frac{f(a) + mf(b/m)}{2}, \frac{mf(a/m) + f(b)}{2} \right\}. \quad (1.5)$$

THEOREM 1.2. ([3, Theorem 3.1]) *Let $I \supseteq \mathbb{R}_0$ be an open real interval and let $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I such that $f' \in L([a, b])$ for $0 \leq a < b < \infty$. If $|f'|^q$ is (α, m) -convex on $[a, b]$ for some given numbers $\alpha, m \in (0, 1]$ and $q \geq 1$, then*

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-1/q} \\ \times \min \left\{ \left[v_1 |f'(a)|^q + v_2 m \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right]^{1/q}, \left[v_2 m \left| f' \left(\frac{a}{m} \right) \right|^q + v_1 |f'(b)|^q \right]^{1/q} \right\}, \quad (1.6)$$

where

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} \left(\alpha + \frac{1}{2\alpha} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)} \left(\frac{\alpha^2 + \alpha + 2}{2} - \frac{1}{2\alpha} \right).$$

For more information on Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for (α, m) -convex functions, please refer to [1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15] and closely related references therein.

DEFINITION 1.4. ([7]) *Let $f \in L([a, b])$ and $a \geq 0$. Riemann-Liouville integrals $J_{a+}^\alpha f(x)$ and $J_{b-}^\alpha f(x)$ of order $\alpha > 0$ are defined by*

$$J_{a+}^\alpha f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_a^x (x-t)^{\alpha-1} f(t) dt, \quad x > a \quad (1.7)$$

and

$$J_{b-}^\alpha f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_x^b (t-x)^{\alpha-1} f(t) dt, \quad x < b \quad (1.8)$$

respectively, where Γ is the classical Euler gamma function which may be defined for $\Re(z) > 0$ by

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^\infty u^{z-1} e^{-u} du. \quad (1.9)$$

Moreover, assume that $J_{a+}^0 f(x) = J_{b-}^0 f(x) = f(x)$.

In this paper, motivated by the above mentioned results, we will establish a Riemann-Liouville fractional integral identity including a differentiable mapping and then find some new Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals of functions whose derivatives in absolute value are of (α, m) -convexity.

2. A Riemann-Liouville fractional integral identity

Let $f : [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha > 0$ and $Q_\alpha(a, b)$ be defined by

$$Q_\alpha(a, b) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] - \frac{4^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha+1)}{(b-a)^\alpha} \left[J_{a^+}^\alpha f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) \right. \\ \left. + J_{[(3a+b)/4]^+}^\alpha f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + J_{[(a+b)/2]^+}^\alpha f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) + J_{[(a+3b)/4]^+}^\alpha f(b) \right]. \quad (2.1)$$

It is easy to see that

$$Q_1(a, b) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx. \quad (2.2)$$

LEMMA 2.1. Let $f : [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on (a, b) such that $f' \in L([a, b])$. Then

$$Q_\alpha(a, b) = \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4}t + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2} \right) dt \right. \\ - \int_0^1 t^\alpha f' \left(at + (1-t)\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) dt + \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4}t + (1-t)b \right) dt \\ \left. - \int_0^1 t^\alpha f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2}t + (1-t)\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) dt \right\}. \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. Letting $u = at + (1-t)\frac{3a+b}{4}$ and integrating by parts yield

$$I_1 \triangleq -\frac{b-a}{16} \int_0^1 t^\alpha f' \left(at + (1-t)\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) dt \\ = \frac{1}{4} \left[f(a) - \alpha \int_0^1 f \left(at + (1-t)\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) t^{\alpha-1} dt \right] \\ = \frac{1}{4} f(a) + \frac{\alpha 4^{\alpha-1}}{(b-a)^\alpha} \int_{(3a+b)/4}^a f(u) \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} - u \right)^{\alpha-1} du \\ = \frac{1}{4} f(a) - \frac{4^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha+1)}{(b-a)^\alpha} J_{a^+}^\alpha f \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right).$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$I_2 \triangleq \frac{b-a}{16} \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4}t + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2} \right) dt \\ = \frac{1}{4} f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \frac{4^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha+1)}{(b-a)^\alpha} J_{[(3a+b)/4]^+}^\alpha f \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right), \\ I_3 \triangleq -\frac{b-a}{16} \int_0^1 t^\alpha f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2}t + (1-t)\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{4^{\alpha-1}\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{(b-a)^\alpha} J_{[(a+b)/2]+}^\alpha f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right), \\
I_4 &\triangleq \frac{b-a}{16} \int_0^1 (1-t)^\alpha f'\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}t + (1-t)b\right) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{4}f(b) - \frac{4^{\alpha-1}\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{(b-a)^\alpha} J_{[(a+3b)/4]+}^\alpha f(b).
\end{aligned}$$

Adding the above quantities leads to the identity (2.3). The proof of Lemma 2.1 is complete. \square

REMARK 2.1. Under conditions of Lemma 2.1, if $\alpha = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_1(a, b) &= \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \int_0^1 (1-t) f'\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}t + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) dt \right. \\
&\quad - \int_0^1 t f'\left(at + (1-t)\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) dt + \int_0^1 (1-t) f'\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}t + (1-t)b\right) dt \\
&\quad \left. - \int_0^1 t f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}t + (1-t)\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) dt \right\}. \tag{2.4}
\end{aligned}$$

3. Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals

Now we start out to establish Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals of functions whose derivatives in absolute value are of (α, m) -convexity.

THEOREM 3.1. *Let $f : \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable on \mathbb{R}_0 and $f' \in L([a, b])$ for $0 \leq a < b$ and $\alpha > 0$. If $|f'|^q$ is (α_1, m) -convex function on $[0, \frac{b}{m}]$ for some $(\alpha_1, m) \in (0, 1] \times (0, 1]$ and $q \geq 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_\alpha(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{16(\alpha+1)} \left[\frac{1}{(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \right]^{1/q} \\
&\quad \times \left[\left((\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) |f'(a)|^q + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{3a+b}{4m}\right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\
&\quad + \alpha \left((\alpha+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2m}\right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \\
&\quad + \left((\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{a+3b}{4m}\right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \\
&\quad \left. + \alpha \left((\alpha+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) \left| f'\left(\frac{b}{m}\right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. From Lemma 2.1 and by the power mean inequality and the (α_1, m) -convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[0, \frac{b}{m}]$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Q_\alpha(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \int_0^1 t^\alpha \left| f' \left(at + (1-t) \frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right| dt \right. \\
 &\quad + \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} t + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| dt \\
 &\quad + \int_0^1 t^\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} t + (1-t) \frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right| dt \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} t + (1-t) b \right) \right| dt \right\} \\
 &\leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \left(\int_0^1 t^\alpha dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 t^{\alpha_1} \left(t^{\alpha_1} |f'(a)|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \right. \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} + \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) dt \right]^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^{\alpha_1}) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left. \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} \right. \\
 &\quad + \left(\int_0^1 t^\alpha dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 t^\alpha \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} + \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) dt \right]^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^{\alpha_1}) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left. \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $\int_0^1 t^\alpha dt = \frac{1}{\alpha+1}$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_0^1 t^\alpha \left(t^{\alpha_1} |f'(a)|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \left((\alpha+1) |f'(a)|^q + \alpha_1 m \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right), \\
 &\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \\
 &= \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \left((\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + m\alpha_1(\alpha+\alpha_1+2) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right), \\
 &\int_0^1 t^\alpha \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \left((\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \left((\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
&\quad \left. + m\alpha_1(\alpha+\alpha_1+2) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right)
\end{aligned}$$

into the above inequality and simplifying result in the required inequality. The proof of Theorem 3.1 is complete. \square

COROLLARY 3.1. *Under conditions of Theorem 3.1,*

1. *if $q = 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_\alpha(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{16(\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \left[(\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) |f'(a)| \right. \\
&\quad + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right| + \alpha(\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right| \\
&\quad + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right| + (\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \\
&\quad + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right| + \alpha(\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right| \\
&\quad \left. + m\alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right| \right];
\end{aligned}$$

2. *if $m = 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_\alpha(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{16(\alpha+1)} \left[\frac{1}{(\alpha_1+1)(\alpha+\alpha_1+1)} \right]^{1/q} \\
&\quad \times \left[\left((\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) |f'(a)|^q + \alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right. \\
&\quad + \alpha \left((\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + \alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \\
&\quad + \left((\alpha+1)(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \alpha_1(\alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \\
&\quad \left. + \alpha \left((\alpha+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + \alpha_1(\alpha_1+\alpha+2) |f'(b)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right];
\end{aligned}$$

3. *if $m = \alpha = \alpha_1 = 1$, then*

$$|Q_1(a, b)| \leq \frac{b-a}{32} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left(2|f'(a)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left(\left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + 2 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} + \left(2 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
& \left. + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} + \left(\left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + 2 \left| f'(b) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \Big]; \quad (3.1)
\end{aligned}$$

4. if $m = \alpha = \alpha_1 = q = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_1(a, b)| \leq \frac{b-a}{48} & \left[\left| f'(a) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right| \right. \\
& \left. + 2 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right| + \left| f'(b) \right| \right]. \quad (3.2)
\end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 3.2. Let $f : \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable on \mathbb{R}_0 and $f' \in L[a, b]$ for $0 \leq a < b$ and $\alpha > 0$. If $|f'|^q$ is (α_1, m) -convex function on $[0, \frac{b}{m}]$ for some $(\alpha_1, m) \in (0, 1] \times (0, 1]$ and for $q > 1$ and $q \geq r \geq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_\alpha(a, b)| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} & \left\{ \left(\frac{q-1}{\alpha(q-r)+q-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1} \left| f'(a) \right|^q \right. \right. \\
& + \frac{m\alpha_1}{(\alpha r + 1)(\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1)} \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \Big]^{1/q} \\
& + \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(B \left(\frac{2q-r-1}{q-1}, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right)^{1-1/q} \left[B \left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
& + m \left(B \left(r+1, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) - B \left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \Big]^{1/q} \\
& + \left(\frac{q-1}{\alpha(q-r)+q-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
& + \frac{m\alpha_1}{(\alpha r + 1)(\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1)} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \Big]^{1/q} \\
& + \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(B \left(\frac{2q-r-1}{q-1}, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right)^{1-1/q} \left[B \left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \\
& \left. + m \left(B \left(r+1, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) - B \left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right]^{1/q} \Big\},
\end{aligned}$$

where $B(u, v)$ denotes the well known Beta function which may be defined by

$$B(u, v) = \int_0^1 t^{u-1} (1-t)^{v-1} dt, \quad u, v > 0. \quad (3.3)$$

Proof. Using Lemma 2.1, Hölder inequality, and the (α_1, m) -convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[0, \frac{b}{m}]$ gives

$$|Q_\alpha(a, b)| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \int_0^1 t^\alpha \left| f' \left(at + (1-t) \frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right| dt + \int_0^1 (1-t)^\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} t \right) \right| dt \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \left| dt + \int_0^1 t^\alpha \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} t + (1-t) \frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right| dt \right. \\
& \left. + \int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} t + (1-t)b \right) \right| dt \right\} \\
\leq & \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha(q-r)/(q-1)} dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 t^{\alpha r} \left(t^{\alpha_1} |f'(a)|^q \right. \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} + \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^{(q-r)/(q-1)} dt \right]^{1-1/q} \\
& \times \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^r \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} \\
& + \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha(q-r)/(q-1)} dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\int_0^1 t^{\alpha r} \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} + \left(\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^{(q-r)/(q-1)} dt \right)^{1-1/q} \\
& \times \left[\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^r \left(t^{\alpha_1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m(1-t^{\alpha_1}) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^q \right) dt \right]^{1/q} \left. \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 t^{\alpha(q-r)/(q-1)} dt &= \frac{q-1}{\alpha(q-r)+q-1}, \\
\int_0^1 t^{\alpha r + \alpha_1} dt &= \frac{1}{\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1}, \\
\int_0^1 t^{\alpha r} (1-t^{\alpha_1}) dt &= \frac{\alpha_1}{(\alpha r + 1)(\alpha r + \alpha_1 + 1)}, \\
\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^{(q-r)/(q-1)} dt &= \frac{1}{\alpha} B\left(\frac{2q-r-1}{q-1}, \frac{1}{\alpha}\right), \\
\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^r t^{\alpha_1} dt &= \frac{1}{\alpha} B\left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha}\right),
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 (1-t^\alpha)^r (1-t^{\alpha_1}) dt = \frac{1}{\alpha} B\left(r+1, \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) - \frac{1}{\alpha} B\left(r+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha}\right).$$

into the above inequality and simplifying lead to the required inequality. The proof of Theorem 3.2 is complete. \square

COROLLARY 3.2. *With assumptions in Theorem 3.2,*

1. *if $r = 0$, then*

$$|Q_\alpha(a, b)| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha_1+1} \right)^{1/q} \left\{ \left(\frac{q-1}{\alpha q + q - 1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left[|f'(a)|^q \right. \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + m\alpha_1 \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} + \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} B \left(\frac{2q-1}{q-1}, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right)^{1-1/q} \\
& \times \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right] \\
& + \left(\frac{q-1}{\alpha q + q-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1 \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right] \\
& + \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} B \left(\frac{2q-1}{q-1}, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m\alpha_1 \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right] \};
\end{aligned}$$

2. if $r = q$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_\alpha(a,b)| & \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{\alpha q + \alpha_1 + 1} |f'(a)|^q + \frac{m\alpha_1}{(\alpha q + 1)(\alpha q + \alpha_1 + 1)} \right. \right. \\
& \times \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} + \left[B \left(q+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \right. \\
& + m \left(B \left(q+1, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) - B \left(q+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \right) \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right. \\
& + \left. \left[\frac{1}{\alpha q + \alpha_1 + 1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{m\alpha_1}{(\alpha q + 1)(\alpha q + \alpha_1 + 1)} \right. \right. \\
& \times \left. \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} + \left[B \left(q+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \right. \\
& + m \left(B \left(q+1, \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) - B \left(q+1, \frac{\alpha_1+1}{\alpha} \right) \right) \left. \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right] \right\};
\end{aligned}$$

3. if $\alpha = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
|Q_1(a,b)| & \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-r-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{r+\alpha_1+1} |f'(a)|^q \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{m\alpha_1}{(r+1)(r+\alpha_1+1)} \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} + \left[B(r+1, \alpha_1+1) \right. \right. \\
& \times \left. \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + m \left(\frac{1}{r+1} - B(r+1, \alpha_1+1) \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \left[\frac{1}{r+\alpha_1+1} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{m\alpha_1}{(r+1)(r+\alpha_1+1)} \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \left. \left[B(r+1, \alpha_1+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right. \right. \\
& + \left. \left. m \left(\frac{1}{r+1} - B(r+1, \alpha_1+1) \right) \left| f' \left(\frac{b}{m} \right) \right|^{q-1/q} \right] \right\};
\end{aligned}$$

4. if $\alpha = \alpha_1 = m = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Q_1(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-r-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \left[\frac{1}{(r+1)(r+2)} \right]^{1/q} \left\{ \left[(r+1) |f'(a)|^q \right. \right. \\
 &+ \left. \left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right]^{1/q} + \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{3a+b}{4} \right) \right|^q + (r+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right]^{1/q} \\
 &+ \left. \left[(r+1) \left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q \right]^{1/q} \right. \\
 &+ \left. \left[\left| f' \left(\frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right|^q + (r+1) |f'(b)|^q \right]^{1/q} \right\}. \tag{3.4}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Applications

For two positive numbers $a > 0$ and $b > 0$, let $A(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2}$, $H(a, b) = \frac{2ab}{a+b}$, and

$$L_p(a, b) = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right]^{1/p}, & p \neq 0, -1 \text{ and } a \neq b, \\ \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a}, & p = -1 \text{ and } a \neq b, \\ I(a, b), & p = 0 \text{ and } a \neq b, \\ a, & a = b. \end{cases}$$

It is well known that A , H , $L = L_{-1}$ and L_p are respectively called the arithmetic, harmonic, logarithmic, and generalized logarithmic means of two positive number a and b .

THEOREM 4.1. *Let $b > a > 0$, $q \geq 1$, and $p \in \mathbb{R}$.*

1. *If $p > 1$ and $(p-1)q \geq 1$, or $p < 0$ and $p \neq -1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \frac{A(a^p, b^p) + [A(a, b)]^p}{2} - [L_p(a, b)]^p \right| &\leq \frac{b-a}{32} \left(\frac{|p|}{3} \right)^{1/q} \\
 &\times \left\{ (2a^{(p-1)q} + [A(a, A(a, b))]^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} + ([A(a, A(a, b))]^{(p-1)q} \right. \\
 &+ 2[A(a, b)]^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} + (2[A(a, b)]^{(p-1)q} + [A(A(a, b), b)]^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} \\
 &+ \left. ([A(A(a, b), b)]^{(p-1)q} + 2b^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} \right\}. \tag{4.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. *If $p = -1$, then*

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{H(a, b)} + \frac{1}{A(a, b)} \right] - \frac{1}{L(a, b)} \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{32} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{1/q} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2a^{2q}} + \frac{1}{[A(a, A(a, b))]^{2q}} \right)^{1/q} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left(\frac{1}{[A(a, A(a, b))]^{2q}} + \frac{2}{[A(a, b)]^{2q}} \right)^{1/q} + \left(\frac{2}{[A(a, b)]^{2q}} \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{1}{[A(A(a, b), b)]^{2q}} \right)^{1/q} + \left(\frac{1}{[A(A(a, b), b)]^{2q}} + \frac{2}{b^{2q}} \right)^{1/q} \}. \quad (4.2)
\end{aligned}$$

3. If $q = 1$ and $p \geq 2$, or $q = 1$ and $-1 \neq p < 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \frac{A(a^p, b^p) + [A(a, b)]^p}{2} - [L_p(a, b)]^p \right| & \leq \frac{(b-a)|p|}{48} \{a^{p-1} + [A(a, A(a, b))]^{p-1} \\
& + 2[A(a, b)]^{p-1} + [A(A(a, b), b)]^{p-1} + b^{p-1}\}. \quad (4.3)
\end{aligned}$$

4. If $p = -1$ and $q = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{H(a, b)} + \frac{1}{A(a, b)} \right] - \frac{1}{L(a, b)} \right| \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{48} \left\{ \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{[A(a, A(a, b))]^2} + \frac{2}{[A(a, b)]^2} + \frac{1}{[A(A(a, b), b)]^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} \right\}. \quad (4.4)
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $f(x) = x^p$ for $x > 0$ and $p \neq 0, 1$. Then $f'(x) = px^{p-1}$, $|f'(x)|^q = |p|x^{(p-1)q}$, and $(|f'(x)|^q)'' = |p|^q(p-1)q[(p-1)q-1]x^{(p-1)q-2}$. If $p > 1$ and $(p-1)q \geq 1$, or $p < 0$, the function $|f'(x)|^q = |p|^q x^{(p-1)q}$ is convex on $[a, b]$. By (3.1), we obtain (4.1) and (4.2). The proof of Theorem 4.1 is complete. \square

THEOREM 4.2. Let $b > a > 0$, $q > 1$, $q \geq r \geq 0$, and $p \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. If $p > 1$ and $(p-1)q \geq 1$, or $p < 0$ and $p \neq -1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{A(a^p, b^p) + [A(a, b)]^p}{2} - [L_p(a, b)]^p \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-r-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \\
& \times \left[\frac{|p|}{(r+1)(r+2)} \right]^{1/q} \{ [(r+1)a^{(p-1)q} + [A(a, A(a, b))]^{(p-1)q}]^{1/q} \\
& + ([A(a, A(a, b))]^{(p-1)q} + (r+1)[A(a, b)]^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} + [(r+1)[A(a, b)]^{(p-1)q} \\
& + [A(A(a, b), b)]^{(p-1)q}]^{1/q} + ([A(A(a, b), b)]^{(p-1)q} + (r+1)b^{(p-1)q})^{1/q} \}.
\end{aligned}$$

2. If $p = -1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{H(a, b)} + \frac{1}{A(a, b)} \right] - \frac{1}{L(a, b)} \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-r-1} \right)^{1-1/q} \\
& \times \left[\frac{1}{(r+1)(r+2)} \right]^{1/q} \left\{ \left[\frac{r+1}{a^{2q}} + \frac{1}{[A(a, A(a, b))]^{2q}} \right]^{1/q} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left[\frac{1}{[A(a, A(a, b))]^{2q}} + \frac{r+1}{[A(a, b)]^{2q}} \right]^{1/q} \\
& + \left[\frac{r+1}{[A(a, b)]^{2q}} + \frac{1}{[A(A(a, b), b)]^{2q}} \right]^{1/q} + \left[\frac{1}{[A(A(a, b), b)]^{2q}} + \frac{r+1}{b^{2q}} \right]^{1/q} \Bigg\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. This follows from putting $f(x) = x^p$ for $x > 0$ and $p \neq 0, 1$ in (3.4). \square

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