



Some new integral inequalities for n -times differentiable convex and concave functions

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Abstract

In this work, by using an integral identity together with both the Hölder and the Power-mean integral inequalities we establish several new inequalities for n -times differentiable convex and concave mappings. ©2017 All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a concave function on the interval I of real numbers and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. The inequality

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

is well-known in the literature as Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for concave functions [16]. Both inequalities hold in the reserved direction if f is convex. The classical Hermite-Hadamard inequality provides estimates of the mean value of a continuous convex or concave function. Hadamard's inequality for convex or concave functions has received renewed attention in recent years and a remarkable variety of refinements and generalizations have been found; for example see [1–16].

A function $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be convex if the inequality

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \leq tf(x) + (1-t)f(y),$$

is valid for all $x, y \in I$ and $t \in [0, 1]$. If this inequality reverses, then f is said to be concave on interval

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$I \neq \emptyset$. This definition is well-known in the literature. Convexity theory has appeared as a powerful technique to study a wide class of unrelated problems in pure and applied sciences. For some inequalities, generalizations and applications concerning convexity see [3, 5–11, 15–18]. Recently, in the literature there are so many papers about n -times differentiable functions on several kinds of convexities. In references [2–4, 6, 13, 17, 19], readers can find some results about this issue. Many papers have been written by a number of mathematicians concerning inequalities for different classes of convex functions see for instance the recent papers [1, 5, 7–12, 14] and the references within these papers.

Let $0 < a < b$, throughout this paper we will use

$$\begin{aligned} A(a, b) &= \frac{a+b}{2}, \\ G(a, b) &= \sqrt{ab}, \\ L_p(a, b) &= \left(\frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad a \neq b, \quad p \in \mathbb{R}, \quad p \neq -1, 0, \end{aligned}$$

for the arithmetic, geometric, generalized logarithmic means, respectively.

2. Main results

We will use the following for obtain our main results.

Lemma 2.1. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be n -times differentiable mapping on I° for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f^{(n)} \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. We have the identity

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n!} \int_a^b x^n f^{(n)}(x) dx, \quad (2.1)$$

where an empty sum is understood to be nil.

Proof. To prove, we shall use the induction method. For $n = 1$, by integration by parts we have

$$f(b)b - f(a)a - \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b x f'(x) dx.$$

This coincides with the equality (2.1) for $n = 1$. Similarly for $n = 2$ and using integration by parts as above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^1 (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \frac{(-1)^{2+1}}{2!} \int_a^b x^2 f''(x) dx, \\ \frac{f(b)b - f(a)a}{1!} - \frac{f'(b)b^2 - f'(a)a^2}{2!} - \int_a^b f(x) dx &= -\frac{1}{2!} \int_a^b x^2 f''(x) dx, \\ \int_a^b x^2 f''(x) dx &= f'(b)b^2 - f'(a)a^2 - 2 \left[x f(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \\ &= f'(b)b^2 - f'(a)a^2 - 2 [bf(b) - af(a)] + 2 \int_a^b f(x) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Equation (2.2) coincides with the equality (2.1) for $n = 2$.

Suppose (2.1) holds for $n = t$. That is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{(-1)^{t+1}}{t!} \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx. \quad (2.3)$$

Using the integration by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \int_a^b x^{t+1} f^{(t+1)}(x) dx &= \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \left\{ x^{t+1} f^{(t)}(x) \Big|_a^b - (t+1) \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^t}{(t+1)!} \left[f^{(t)}(b) b^{t+1} - f^{(t)}(a) a^{t+1} \right] - (t+1) \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \left[f^{(t)}(b) b^{t+1} - f^{(t)}(a) a^{t+1} \right] + \frac{(-1)^{t+1}}{t!} \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx, \\ \frac{(-1)^{t+1}}{t!} \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx &= \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \int_a^b x^{t+1} f^{(t+1)}(x) dx - \frac{(-1)^t}{(t+1)!} \left[f^{(t)}(b) b^{t+1} - f^{(t)}(a) a^{t+1} \right]. \quad (2.4) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2.4) in (2.3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b) b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a) a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \frac{(-1)^{t+1}}{t!} \int_a^b x^t f^{(t)}(x) dx, \\ \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b) b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a) a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \int_a^b x^{t+1} f^{(t+1)}(x) dx \\ &\quad - \frac{(-1)^t}{(t+1)!} \left[f^{(t)}(b) b^{t+1} - f^{(t)}(a) a^{t+1} \right], \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b) b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a) a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx &+ \frac{(-1)^t}{(t+1)!} \left[f^{(t)}(b) b^{t+1} - f^{(t)}(a) a^{t+1} \right] \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{t+2}}{(t+1)!} \int_a^b x^{t+1} f^{(t+1)}(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma. \square

Theorem 2.2. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be n -times differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $f^{(n)} \in L[a, b]$ and $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b) b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a) a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{n!} (b-a) L_{n,p}^n(a, b) A^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q, \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is convex on $[a, b]$, using Lemma 2.1, the Hölder integral inequality and

$$\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q = \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a} b + \frac{b-x}{b-a} a \right) \right|^q \leq \frac{x-a}{b-a} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q + \frac{b-x}{b-a} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q,$$

we have

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b) b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a) a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b x^n |f^{(n)}(x)| dx \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^{np} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b |f^{(n)}(x)|^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^{np} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b \left[\frac{x-a}{b-a} |f^{(n)}(b)|^q + \frac{b-x}{b-a} |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right] dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\frac{b^{np+1} - a^{np+1}}{(np+1)(b-a)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[\frac{|f^{(n)}(a)|^q + |f^{(n)}(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n!} (b-a) L_{np}^n(a, b) A^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(|f^{(n)}(a)|^q, |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of theorem. □

Corollary 2.3. Under the conditions of Theorem 2.2 for $n = 1$, we have the following inequality:

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

Proposition 2.4. Let $a, b \in (0, \infty)$ with $a < b$, $q > 1$ and $m \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty) \setminus \{-2q, -q\}$, we have

$$L_{\frac{m}{q}+1}^{\frac{m}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq L_p(a, b) A^{\frac{1}{q}}(a^m, b^m).$$

Proof. Under the assumption of the proposition, let $f(x) = \frac{q}{m+q} x^{\frac{m}{q}+1}$, $x \in (0, \infty)$. Then

$$|f'(x)|^q = x^m,$$

is convex on $(0, \infty)$ and the result follows directly from Corollary 2.3. □

Theorem 2.5. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be n -times differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $f^{(n)} \in L[a, b]$ and $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q \geq 1$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} L_{np}^{n(\frac{q-1}{q})}(a, b) \\
 &\quad \times \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q [L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b) - aL_n^n(a, b)] + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q [bL_n^n(a, b) - L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b)] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From Lemma 2.1 and power-mean integral inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b x^n |f^{(n)}(x)| dx \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^n dx \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^b x^n |f^{(n)}(x)|^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^n dx \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^b x^n \left[\frac{x-a}{b-a} |f^{(n)}(b)|^q + \frac{b-x}{b-a} |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right] dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[\frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{(n+1)(b-a)} \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad \times \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \left[\frac{b^{n+2} - a^{n+2}}{(n+2)(b-a)} - a \frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{(n+1)(b-a)} \right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \left[b \frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{(n+1)(b-a)} - \frac{b^{n+2} - a^{n+2}}{(n+2)(b-a)} \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} L_{np}^{n(\frac{q-1}{q})}(a, b) \\
&\quad \times \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q [L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b) - aL_n^n(a, b)] + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q [bL_n^n(a, b) - L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b)] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of theorem. □

Corollary 2.6. Under the conditions of Theorem 2.5 for $n = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{f(b)b - f(a)a}{b-a} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq 6^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} [(2b+a) |f'(b)|^q + (b+2a) |f'(a)|^q]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Proposition 2.7. Let $a, b \in (0, \infty)$ with $a < b$, $q > 1$ and $m \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty) \setminus \{-2q, -q\}$, we have

$$L_{\frac{m}{q}+1}^{\frac{m}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq 3^{-\frac{1}{q}} A^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(a, b) [2A(a^{m+1}, b^{m+1}) + G^2(a, b)A(a^{m-1}, b^{m-1})]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Proof. The result follows directly from Corollary 2.6 for the function

$$f(x) = \frac{q}{m+q} x^{\frac{m}{q}+1}, \quad x \in (0, \infty).$$

This completes the proof of proposition. □

Corollary 2.8. Using Proposition 2.7 for $m = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$L_{\frac{1}{q}+1}^{\frac{1}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq 3^{-\frac{1}{q}} A^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(a, b) [2A(a^2, b^2) + G^2(a, b)]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Corollary 2.9. Using Proposition 2.7 for $q = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$L_{m+1}^{m+1}(a, b) \leq \frac{1}{3} [2A(a^{m+1}, b^{m+1}) + G^2(a, b)A(a^{m-1}, b^{m-1})].$$

Corollary 2.10. Using Corollary 2.9 for $m = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$L_2^2(a, b) \leq \frac{1}{3} [2A(a^2, b^2) + G^2(a, b)].$$

Corollary 2.11. Under the conditions of Theorem 2.5 for $q = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{n!} \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)| [L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b) - aL_n^n(a, b)] + |f^{(n)}(a)| [bL_n^n(a, b) - L_{n+1}^{n+1}(a, b)] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.12. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be n -times differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $f^{(n)} \in L[a, b]$ and $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \left[L_{nq+1}^{nq+1}(a, b) - a L_{nq}^{nq}(a, b) \right] + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \left[b L_{nq}^{nq}(a, b) - L_{nq+1}^{nq+1}(a, b) \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Proof. Since $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is convex on $[a, b]$, using Lemma 2.1 and the Hölder integral inequality, we have the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b 1 \cdot x^n |f^{(n)}(x)| dx \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b 1^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b x^{nq} |f^{(n)}(x)|^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b 1 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b x^{nq} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a} b + \frac{b-x}{b-a} a \right) \right|^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b 1 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b \left[\frac{x-a}{b-a} x^{nq} |f^{(n)}(b)|^q + \frac{b-x}{b-a} x^{nq} |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right] dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \left[\frac{b^{nq+2} - a^{nq+2}}{(nq+2)(b-a)} - a \frac{b^{nq+1} - a^{nq+1}}{(nq+1)(b-a)} \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \left[b \frac{b^{nq+1} - a^{nq+1}}{(nq+1)(b-a)} - \frac{b^{nq+2} - a^{nq+2}}{(nq+2)(b-a)} \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \frac{1}{n!} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \left[L_{nq+1}^{nq+1}(a, b) - a L_{nq}^{nq}(a, b) \right] + |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \left[b L_{nq}^{nq}(a, b) - L_{nq+1}^{nq+1}(a, b) \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of theorem. □

Corollary 2.13. Under the conditions of Theorem 2.12 for $n = 1$, we have the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{f(b)b - f(a)a}{b-a} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \left\{ \frac{|f'(b)|^q}{b-a} \left[L_{q+1}^{q+1}(a, b) - a L_q^q(a, b) \right] + \frac{|f'(a)|^q}{b-a} \left[b L_q^q(a, b) - L_{q+1}^{q+1}(a, b) \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Proposition 2.14. Let $a, b \in (0, \infty)$ with $a < b$, $q > 1$ and $m \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty) \setminus \{-2q, -q\}$, then we have

$$L_{\frac{m}{q}+1}^{\frac{m}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq (b-a)^{-\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ (b^m - a^m) L_{q+1}^{q+1}(a, b) - G^2(a, b) (b^{m-1} - a^{m-1}) L_q^q(a, b) \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Proof. The result follows directly from Corollary 2.13 for the function

$$f(x) = \frac{q}{m+q} x^{\frac{m}{q}+1}, \quad x \in (0, \infty).$$

This completes the proof of proposition. □

Corollary 2.15. For $m = 1$ from Proposition 2.14, we obtain the following inequality:

$$L_{\frac{1}{q}+1}^{\frac{1}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq \left[L_{\frac{1}{q}+1}^{q+1}(a, b) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} = L_{\frac{1}{q}+1}^{\frac{q+1}{q}}(a, b).$$

Theorem 2.16. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f : I \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be n -times differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $f^{(n)} \in L[a, b]$ and $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is concave on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{n!} L_{np}^n(a, b) \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|.$$

Proof. Since $|f^{(n)}|^q$ for $q > 1$ is concave on $[a, b]$, with respect to Hermite-Hadamard inequality we get

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

Using Lemma 2.1 and the Hölder integral inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left(\frac{f^{(k)}(b)b^{k+1} - f^{(k)}(a)a^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b x^n |f^{(n)}(x)| dx \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^{np} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b |f^{(n)}(x)|^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left(\int_a^b x^{np} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left((b-a) \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \frac{b-a}{n!} \left[\frac{b^{np+1} - a^{np+1}}{(np+1)(b-a)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| \\ & = \frac{b-a}{n!} L_{np}^n(a, b) \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of theorem. □

Corollary 2.17. Under the conditions Theorem 2.16 for $n = 1$, we have the following inequality:

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

Proposition 2.18. Let $a, b \in (0, \infty)$ with $a < b$, $q > 1$ and $m \in [0, 1]$, then we have

$$L_{\frac{m}{q}+1}^{\frac{m}{q}+1}(a, b) \leq L_p(a, b) A_{\frac{m}{q}}^m(a, b).$$

Proof. Under the assumption of the proposition, let $f(x) = \frac{q}{m+q} x^{\frac{m}{q}+1}$, $x \in (0, \infty)$. Then

$$|f'(x)|^q = x^m,$$

is concave on $(0, \infty)$ and the result follows directly from Corollary 2.17. □

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