Integral Inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard Type for Functions Whose 3rd Derivatives Are s-Convex

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ABSTRACT

In the paper, the authors find some new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for functions whose third derivatives are *s*-convex and apply these inequalities to discover inequalities for special means.

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1. Introduction

The following definition is well known in the literature.

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

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \le \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y)$$

holds for all $x, y \in I$ and $\lambda \in [0,1]$.

In [1,2], among others, the concepts of so-called quasiconvex and *s*-convex functions in the second sense was introduced as follows.

Definition 1.2 ([1]). A function

$$f: I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}_0 = [0, \infty) \text{ is said to be quasi-convex if} f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \le \sup\{f(x), f(y)\}$$

holds for all $x, y \in I$ and $\lambda \in [0,1]$.

Definition 1.3 ([2]). Let $s \in (0,1]$. A function $f : \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}_0$ is said to be *s*-convex in the second sense if

$$f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \le \lambda^{s} f(x) + (1-\lambda)^{s} f(y)$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $\lambda \in [0,1]$.

If $f: I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function on [a,b] with $a, b \in I$ and a < b, Then we have Hermite-Hardamard's inequality

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f\left(x\right) \mathrm{d}x \le \frac{f\left(a\right) + f\left(b\right)}{2} \,. \quad (1.1)$$

Hermite-Hadamard inequality (1.1) has been refined or generalized for convex, *s*-convex, and quasi-convex functions by a number of mathematicians. Some of them can be reformulated as follows.

Theorem 1.1 ([3, Theorems 2.2 and 2.3]). Let

 $f: I^{\circ} \subset \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° , $a, b \in I^{\circ}$ with a < b.

(1) If
$$|f'(x)|$$
 is convex on $[a,b]$, then
 $\left|\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}-\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx\right|$
 $\leq \frac{(b-a)(|f'(a)|+|f'(b)|)}{8}$. (1.2)

(2) If the new mapping $|f'(x)|^{p/(p-1)}$ is convex on [a,b] for p > 1, then

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

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

Theorem 1.2 ([4, Theorems 1 and 2]). Let $f: I \subset \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I$ with a < b, and let $q \ge 1$. If $|f'(x)|^q$ is convex on [a,b], then

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

$$\leq \frac{(b - a)}{4} \left[\frac{|f'(a)|^{q} + |f'(b)|^{q}}{2} \right]^{1/q}$$
(1.3)

and

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

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)}{4} \left[\frac{\left| f'(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q}}{2} \right]^{1/q} \qquad (1.4)$$

Theorem 1.3 ([5, Theorems 2.3 and 2.4]). Let



 $f: I \subset \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$. be differentiable on I° , $a, b \in I$ with a < b, and let p > 1. If $|f'(x)|^{p/(p-1)}$ is convex on [a,b], then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \\ \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{4}{p+1}\right)^{1/p} \times \left\{ \left[\left| f'(a) \right|^{p/(p-1)} + 3 \left| f'(b) \right|^{p/(p-1)} \right]^{(p-1)/p} + \left[3 \left| f'(a) \right|^{p/(p-1)} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{p/(p-1)} \right]^{(p-1)/p} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and

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

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4}\left(\frac{4}{p+1}\right)^{1/p}\left(\left|f'(a)\right| + \left|f'(b)\right|\right).$$
(1.5)

Theorem 1.4 ([6, Theorems 1 and 3]). Let

 $f: I \subset \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable on I° and $a, b \in I$ with a < b.

(1) If $|f'(x)|^q$ is s-convex on [a,b] for some fixed $s \in (0,1]$ and $q \ge 1$, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right| \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[\frac{2 + (1/2)^{s}}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right]^{1/q} \quad (1.6) \\
\times \left[\left| f'(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}.$$

(2) If $|f'(x)|^q$ is s-convex on [a,b] for some fixed $s \in (0,1]$ and q > 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right| \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)}{4} \left(\frac{q-1}{2q-1} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{1}{s+1} \right)^{1/q} \\
\cdot \left\{ \left[\left| f'(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} \\
+ \left[\left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} \right\}$$

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{2} \left\{ \left[\left| f'(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} \\
+ \left[\left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} \right\}.$$
(1.7)

Theorem 1.5 ([7, Theorem 2]). Let $f: I \subset \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be an absolutely continuous function on I° such that $f''' \in L([a,b])$ for $a, b \in I^{\circ}$ with $a, b \in I^{\circ}$. If |f'''(x)| is quasi-convex on [a,b], then

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$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{6} \left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{4}}{1152} \left[\max\left\{ \left| f'''(a) \right|, \left| f'''\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \right\} + \max\left\{ \left| f'''\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|, \left| f'''(b) \right| \right\} \right]$$

In recent years, some other kinds of Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities were created in, for example, [8-17], especially the monographs [18,19], and related references therein.

In this paper, we will find some new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for functions whose third derivatives are *s*-convex and apply these inequalities to discover inequalities for special means.

2. A Lemma

For finding some new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for functions whose third derivatives are s-convex, we need a simple lemma below.

Lemma 2.1. Let $f: I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a three times differentiable function on I° with $a, b \in I$ and a < b. If $f''' \in L[a,b]$, then

$$\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right]$$

= $\frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t)(2t-1) f'''(ta+(1-t)b) dt.$
(2.1)

Proof. By integrating by part, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t)(2t-1)f'''(ta+(1-t)b)dt \\ &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{0}^{1} (-6t^{2}+6t-1)f''(ta+(1-t)b)dt \\ &= -\frac{[f'(b)-f'(a)]}{(b-a)^{2}} \\ &+ \frac{1}{(b-a)^{2}} \int_{0}^{1} (-12t+6)f'(ta+(1-t)b)dt \\ &= -\frac{[f'(b)-f'(a)]}{(b-a)^{2}} \\ &- \frac{1}{(b-a)^{3}} \int_{0}^{1} (-12t+6)df(ta+(1-t)b) \\ &= -\frac{[f'(b)-f'(a)]}{(b-a)^{2}} + \frac{6[f(a)+f(b)]}{(b-a)^{3}} \\ &- \frac{12}{(b-a)^{3}} \int_{0}^{1} f(ta+(1-t)b)dt \\ &= -\frac{[f'(b)-f'(a)]}{(b-a)^{2}} + \frac{6[f(a)+f(b)]}{(b-a)^{3}} \\ &- \frac{12}{(b-a)^{4}} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Lemma 2.1 is complete.

3. Some New Hermite-Hadamard Type Inequalities

We now utilize Lemma 2.1, Hölder's inequality, and others to find some new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for functions whose third derivatives are *s*-convex.

Theorem 3.1. Let $f: I \subseteq R_0 \to \mathbb{R}$ be a three times differentiable function on I° such that $f''' \in L[a,b]$ for $a, b \in I$ with a < b. If $|f'''|^q$ is *s*-convex on [a,b] for some fixed $s \in (0,1]$ and $q \ge 1$, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{192} \left(\frac{2^{2-s} \left(s + 6 + 2^{s+2} s \right)}{(s+2)(s+3)(s+4)} \right)^{1/q} \\ \times \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}.$$
(3.1)

Proof. Since $|f'''|^q$ is *s*-convex on [a,b], by Lemma 2.1 and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \Big[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |(2t-1)| |f'''(ta + (1-t)b)| dt \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} A_{0}^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \cdot \Big[\int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |(2t-1)| |f'''(ta + (1-t)b)|^{q} dt \Big]^{1/q} \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} A_{0}^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \Big\{ \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |(2t-1)| \Big[t^{s} |f'''(a)|^{q} \\ & + (1-t)^{s} |f'''(b)|^{q} \Big] dt \Big\}^{1/q}, \end{split}$$

where

 $A_0 = \int_0^1 t (1-t) | (2t-1) | dt = \frac{1}{16}$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A_s &= \int_0^1 t \left(1 - t \right) \left| \left(2t - 1 \right) \right| t^s dt \\ &= \int_0^1 t \left(1 - t \right) \left| \left(2t - 1 \right) \right| \left(1 - t \right)^s dt \\ &= \frac{6 + s + 2^{s+2} s}{2^{s+2} (s+2)(s+3)(s+4)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \Big[f'(b) - f'(a) \Big] \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} \Big(\frac{1}{16} \Big)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \Big(\frac{s+6+2^{s+2}s}{2^{s+2}(s+2)(s+3)(s+4)} \Big)^{1/q} \\ &\times \Big[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \Big]^{1/q} \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{192} \left(\frac{2^{2-s}(s+6+2^{s+2}s)}{(s+2)(s+3)(s+4)} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\times \Big[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \Big]^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Theorem 3.1 is complete. **Corollary 3.1.1.** Under conditions of Theorem 3.1, 1) if s = 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b - a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b - a)^{3}}{192} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}; \qquad (3.2)$$

2) if
$$q = s = 1$$
, then

$$\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{384} [|f'''(a)| + |f'''(b)|].$$

Theorem 3.2. Let $f: I \subseteq R_0 \to \mathbb{R}$ be a three times differentiable function on I° such that $f''' \in L[a,b]$ for $a, b \in I$ with a < b. If $|f'''|^q$ is *s*-convex on [a,b] for some fixed $s \in (0,1]$ and q > 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b - a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b - a)^{3}}{96} \left(\frac{1}{p + 1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{2^{1 - s} \left(s 2^{s} + 1 \right)}{\left(s + 1 \right) \left(s + 2 \right)} \right)^{1/q}$$

$$\cdot \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q},$$
(3.3)

where $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$.

Proof. Using Lemma 2.1, the *s*-convexity of $|f''|^q$ on [a,b], and Hölder's integral inequality yields

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$$\begin{aligned} &\left|\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a)\right] \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |(2t-1)| |f'''(ta+(1-t)b)| dt \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} B^{1/p} \left[\int_{0}^{1} |2t-1| |f'''(ta+(1-t)b)|^{q} dt\right]^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} B^{1/p} \\ &\cdot \left\{\int_{0}^{1} |2t-1| \left[t^{s} |f'''(a)|^{q} + (1-t)^{s} |f'''(b)|^{q}\right] dt\right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

where an easy calculation gives

$$B = \int_{0}^{1} t^{p} (1-t)^{p} |2t-1| dt$$

= $\frac{1}{2^{2p+1} (p+1)}$ (3.4)

and

$$\int_{0}^{1} t^{s} |2t - 1| dt = \int_{0}^{1} (1 - t)^{s} |2t - 1| dt$$

= $\frac{s2^{s} + 1}{2^{s} (s + 1)(s + 2)}.$ (3.5)

Substituting Equations (3.4) and (3.5) into the above inequality results in the inequality (3.3). The proof of Theorem 3.2 is complete.

Corollary 3.2.1. Under conditions of Theorem 3.2, if s = 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{96} \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1/q} \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}.$$

Theorem 3.3. Under conditions of Theorem 3.2, we have

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{24} \left(\frac{1}{(p+1)(p+3)} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{2}{(s+2)(s+3)} \right)^{1/q}$$

$$\times \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}.$$
(3.6)

Proof. Making use of Lemma 2.1, the *s*-convexity of $|f'''|^q$ on [a,b], and Hölder's integral inequality leads to

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$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \Big[f'(b) - f'(a) \Big] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} C^{1/p} \Big[\int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) \Big| f'''(ta + (1-t)b) \Big|^{q} dt \Big]^{1/q}$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} C^{1/p}$$

$$\cdot \Big\{ \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) \Big[t^{s} \Big| f'''(a) \Big|^{q} + (1-t)^{s} \Big| f'''(b) \Big|^{q} \Big] dt \Big\}^{1/q},$$

where

$$C = \int_0^1 t (1-t) |(2t-1)|^p dt = \frac{1}{2(p+1)(p+3)}$$
(3.7)

and

$$\int_{0}^{1} t^{s+1} (1-t) dt = \int_{0}^{1} t (1-t)^{s+1} dt = \frac{1}{(s+2)(s+3)}.$$
 (3.8)

Substituting Equations (3.7) and (3.8) into the above inequality derives the inequality (3.6). The proof of Theorem 3.3 is complete.

Corollary 3.3.1. Under conditions of Theorem 3.3, if *s* = 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{24} \left(\frac{1}{(p+1)(p+3)} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{6} \right)^{1/q}$$

$$\cdot \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q}.$$

Theorem 3.4. Under conditions of Theorem 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \Big[f'(b) - f'(a) \Big] \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{48} \left(\frac{5 + 2^{p+1} (p-1) + p}{(p+1)(p+2)(p+3)} \right)^{1/p} \\ \left(\frac{1}{2^{s} (s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} \right)^{1/q} \\ \times \min\left\{ \Big[(5 + 2^{s+1} (s-1) + s) \Big| f'''(a) \Big|^{q} \right] \\ + (2^{s+1} (s+1)^{2} + s+1) \Big| f'''(b) \Big|^{q} \Big]^{1/q} , \\ \left[(2^{s+1} (s+1)^{2} + s+1) \Big| f'''(b) \Big|^{q} \\ + (5 + 2^{s+1} (s-1) + s) \Big| f'''(b) \Big|^{q} \Big]^{1/q} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $|f'''|^q$ is s-convex on [a,b], by Lemma

2.1 and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |2t-1| \left| f'''(ta + (1-t)b) \right| dt \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} D^{1/p} \\
\left\{ \int_{0}^{1} t(1-t) |2t-1| \left[t^{s} \left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + (1-t)^{s} \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right] dt \right\}^{1/q}$$

and

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b-a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}}{12} D^{1/p} \\
\cdot \left\{ \int_{0}^{1} t |2t - 1| \left[t^{s} \left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + (1-t)^{s} \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right] dt \right\}^{1/q}$$

where a straightforward computation gives

$$D = \int_0^1 t^p (1-t) |2t-1| dt = \frac{5+2^{p+1} (p-1)+p}{2^{p+1} (p+1) (p+2) (p+3)},$$

$$\int_0^1 t (1-t)^p |2t-1| dt = \frac{5+2^{p+1} (p-1)+p}{2^{p+1} (p+1) (p+2) (p+3)},$$

$$\int_0^1 (1-t)^{s+1} |2t-1| dt = \frac{2^{s+1} (s+1)+1}{2^{s+1} (s+2) (s+3)},$$

$$\int_0^1 (t)^{s+1} |2t-1| dt = \frac{2^{s+1} (s+1)+1}{2^{s+1} (s+2) (s+3)}.$$

Substituting these equalities into the above inequality brings out the inequality (3.10). The proof of Theorem 3.4 is complete.

Corollary 3.4.1. Under conditions of Theorem 3.4, if s = 1, then

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx - \frac{b - a}{12} \left[f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right| \\
\leq \frac{(b - a)^{3}}{48} \left(\frac{5 + 2^{p+1} (p - 1) + p}{(p + 1) (p + 2) (p + 3)} \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{8} \right)^{1/q} \\
\times \min \left\{ \left[\left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + 3 \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} , \\
\left[3 \left| f'''(a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'''(b) \right|^{q} \right]^{1/q} \right\}.$$

4. Applications to Special Means

For positive numbers a > 0 and b > 0, define

$$A(a,b) = \frac{a+b}{2} \tag{4.1}$$

and

$$L_{r}(a,b) = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{b^{r+1} - a^{r+1}}{(r+1)(b-a)}\right]^{1/r} &, r \neq -1,0; \\ \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a} &, r = -1; \\ \frac{1}{e} \left(\frac{b^{b}}{a^{a}}\right)^{1/(b-a)} &, r = 0. \end{cases}$$
(4.2)

It is well known that A and L_r are respectively called the arithmetic and generalized logarithmic means of two positive number a and b.

Now we are in a position to construct some inequalities for special means A and L_r by applying the above established inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type.

Let

$$f(x) = \frac{x^{s+3}}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)}$$
(4.3)

for $0 < s \le 1$ and x > 0. Since $f'''(x) = x^s$ and $(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y)^s \le \lambda^s x^s + (1 - \lambda)^s y^s$

for x, y > 0 and $\lambda \in [0,1]$, then $f'''(x) = x^s$ is s-convex function on \mathbb{R}_0 and

$$\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} A(a^{s+3}, b^{s+3}),$$

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} L_{s+3}^{s+3}(a^{s+4}, b^{s+4}),$$

$$f'(b) - f'(a) = \frac{1}{12(s+1)} L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a^{s+2}, b^{s+2}).$$

Applying the function (4.3) to Theorems 3.1 to 3.3 immediately leads to the following inequalities involving special means A and L_r .

Theorem 4.1. Let b > a > 0, $0 < s \le 1$, and $q \ge 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| 12A(a^{s+3}, b^{s+3}) - 12L_{s+3}^{s+3}(a^{s+4}, b^{s+4}) \right| \\ &-(b-a)^2(s+2)(s+3)L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a^{s+2}, b^{s+2}) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^3(s+1)}{16} \left[(s+2)(s+3) \right]^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left[\frac{2^{3-s}(s+6+2^{s+2}s)}{s+4} \right]^{1/q} \\ &\times A^{1/q}(a^{sq}, b^{sq}). \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem 4.2. For b > a > 0, $0 < s \le 1$, and q > 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| 12A(a^{s+3},b^{s+3}) - 12L_{s+3}^{s+3}(a^{s+4},b^{s+4}) - (b-a)^{2}(s+2)(s+3)L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a^{s+2},b^{s+2}) \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{3}(s+3)}{8} \left(\frac{(s+1)(s+2)}{p+1} \right)^{1/p} \\ \times \left[2^{2-s}(s2^{s}+1) \right]^{1/q} A^{1/q}(a^{sq},b^{sq}). \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.4)$$

Theorem 4.3. For b > a > 0, $0 < s \le 1$, and q > 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| 12A(a^{s+3},b^{s+3}) - 12L_{s+3}^{s+3}(a^{s+4},b^{s+4}) - (b-a)^2(s+2)(s+3)L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a^{s+2},b^{s+2}) \right| \\ &\leq 2(b-a)^3(s+1) \left[\frac{(s+2)(s+3)}{4(p+1)(p+3)} \right]^{1/p} A^{1/q}(a^{sq},b^{sq}). \end{aligned}$$

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