



## INEQUALITIES FOR $\log$ -CONVEX FUNCTIONS AND $P$ -FUNCTIONS

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*Abstract.* In this paper we obtain some new integral inequalities like Hermite-Hadamard type for  $\log$ -convex functions and  $P$ -functions.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

We shall recall the definitions of  $\log$ -convex functions and  $P$ -functions.

A function is called  $\log$ -convex or multiplicatively convex on a real interval  $I = [a, b]$ , if  $\log f$  is convex, or, equivalently if for all  $x, y \in I$  and all  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , one has the inequality

$$f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \leq [f(x)]^\alpha [f(y)]^{(1-\alpha)}. \quad (1.1)$$

It is said to be  $\log$ -concave if the inequality in (1.1) is reversed.

A function  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $P$ -function or  $f$  belongs to the class of  $P(I)$ , if it is nonnegative and for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , satisfies the following inequality

$$f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \leq f(x) + f(y).$$

For further information about  $\log$ -convex functions and  $P$ -functions see [1, 2, 4–7, 9–11].

The following inequality is called Hermite-Hadamard inequality:

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 the double inequality

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

holds.

The aim of this paper is to obtain some new integral inequalities like Hermite-Hadamard type for twice differentiable  $\log$ -convex functions and  $P$ -functions.

In order to prove our main results we need the following Lemma from [8]:

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f'' \in L([a, b])$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left[ \int_0^1 (2-t-t^2) f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) dt \right. \\ & \quad + \int_0^1 (2+t-t^2) f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) dt \\ & \quad \left. + \int_0^1 (3t-t^2) f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) dt \right]. \end{aligned}$$

## 2. INEQUALITIES VIA log-CONVEXITY AND $P$ -FUNCTIONS

We shall start with the following result:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f : I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a twice differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$  where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|$  is log-convex on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| \mu_K + \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| \mu_M + |f''(b)| \mu_N \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_K &= -\frac{2}{\ln K} + \frac{3K-1}{(\ln K)^2} + \frac{2-2K}{(\ln K)^3}, \\ \mu_M &= \frac{2M-2}{\ln M} + \frac{M+1}{(\ln M)^2} + \frac{2-2M}{(\ln M)^3} \\ \mu_N &= \frac{2N}{\ln N} + \frac{3-N}{(\ln N)^2} + \frac{2-2N}{(\ln N)^3} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$K = \frac{|f''(a)|}{\left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|}, \quad M = \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|}{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|}, \quad N = \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|}{|f''(b)|}$$

In the sequel of the paper, we set  $K, M, N \neq 1$

*Proof.* From Lemma 1, property of the modulus and log-convexity of  $|f''|$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \int_0^1 (2-t-t^2) \left| f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right. \\ & \quad + \int_0^1 (2+t-t^2) \left| f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| dt \\ & \quad \left. + \int_0^1 (3t-t^2) \left| f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right| dt \right\} \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| \int_0^1 (2-t-t^2) \left[ \frac{|f''(a)|}{\left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|} \right]^t dt \right. \\ & \quad + \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| \int_0^1 (2+t-t^2) \left[ \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|}{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|} \right]^t dt \\ & \quad \left. + |f''(b)| \int_0^1 (3t-t^2) \left[ \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|}{|f''(b)|} \right]^t dt \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is completed by making use of the necessary computation. □

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a twice differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$  where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is log-convex on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds for some fixed  $q > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \frac{3^{p+2} - 2^{p+1}(p+4)}{(p+1)(p+2)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| \left( \frac{K^q - 1 - q \ln K}{(q \ln K)^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad + \left( \frac{2^{p+1}(p+4) - 2p - 5}{(p+1)(p+2)} \right) \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| \left( \frac{(2M^q - 1)q \ln M + 1 - M^q}{(q \ln M)^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \frac{3^{p+2} - 2^{p+1}(p+4)}{(p+1)(p+2)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} |f''(b)| \left( \frac{N^q q \ln N - N^q + 1}{(q \ln N)^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $K, M, N$  are as in the aforementioned Theorem.

*Proof.* From Lemma 1 and using the weighted version of Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)(2+t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left( \int_0^1 (1+t)(2-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1+t) \left| f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \int_0^1 t(3-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 t \left| f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

If we use the log-convexity of  $|f''|^q$  above and calculate the integrals we get the desired result.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a twice differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$  where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left[ \frac{7|f''(a)| + 20 \left[ \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| + \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| \right] + 7|f''(b)|}{6} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Since  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and properties of the modulus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \int_0^1 (2-t-t^2) \left[ |f''(a)| + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int_0^1 (2+t-t^2) \left[ \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| + \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \int_0^1 (3t - t^2) \left[ \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| + |f''(b)| \right] dt.$$

The proof is completed by making use of the necessary computation.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a twice differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$  where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds for some fixed  $q > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \frac{3^{p+2} - 2^{p+1}(p+4)}{(p+1)(p+2)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \left( \frac{|f''(a)|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \left( \frac{|f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \frac{2^{p+1}(p+4) - 2p - 5}{(p+1)(p+2)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{3 \left[ |f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right)|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q \right]}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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

*Proof.* Since  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and using the weighted version of Hölder's integral inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)(2+t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right. \\ & \quad \times \left( \int_0^1 (1-t) \left| f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \left( \int_0^1 (1+t)(2-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \quad \times \left( \int_0^1 (1+t) \left| f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left( \int_0^1 t(3-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 t \left| f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \Big\} \\
\leq & \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \Big\{ \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)(2+t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
& \times \left( \int_0^1 (1-t) \left[ |f''(a)|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \left( \int_0^1 (1+t)(2-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
& \times \left( \int_0^1 (1+t) \left[ \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \left( \int_0^1 t(3-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 t \left[ \left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q + |f''(b)|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \Big\}.
\end{aligned}$$

If we calculate the above integrals, we get the desired result.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.** Under the assumptions of above Theorem, we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\
\leq & \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \frac{3^{p+1}-2^{p+1}}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ \left( \frac{|f''(a)|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \left( \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \right. \\
& \left. + \left( \frac{2^{p+1}-1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ (2^{q+1}-1) \left( \frac{\left| f'' \left( \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q + \left| f'' \left( \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Since  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and using the Hölder's integral inequality, we obtain

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

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (2+t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)^q \left[ |f''(a)|^q + \left| f''\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ &\quad + \left( \int_0^1 (2-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 (1+t)^q \left[ \left| f''\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right|^q + \left| f''\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \int_0^1 (3-t)^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 t^q \left[ \left| f''\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right|^q + |f''(b)|^q \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is completed by making use of the necessary computation. □

**Theorem 6.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ , be a twice differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  such that  $f'' \in L[a, b]$  where  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds for some fixed  $q > 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left[ |f''(a)| + \left| f''\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \right] \left( \frac{1}{(p+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right) \left( \frac{3^{q+1} - 2^{q+1}}{(q+1)} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ &\quad + \left[ \left| f''\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right| + \left| f''\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \right] \left( \frac{2^{p+1} - 1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \frac{2^{q+1} - 1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\quad \left. \left[ \left| f''\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right| + |f''(b)| \right] \left( \frac{3^{q+1} - 2^{q+1}}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{1}{(p+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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

*Proof.* Since  $|f''|^q$  is  $P$ -function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and the weighted version of Hölder’s inequality (see [3, pp117]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \int_0^1 (1-t)(2+t) \left| f''\left( ta + (1-t)\frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right. \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 (1+t)(2-t) dt \left| f''\left( t\frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t)\frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| dt \\ &\quad \left. + \int_0^1 t(3-t) \left| f''\left( t\frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right| dt \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{54} \left\{ \left( \int_0^1 (1-t)^p \left| f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right. \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_0^1 (2+t)^q \left| f'' \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\quad + \left( \int_0^1 (1+t)^p \left| f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_0^1 (2-t)^q \left| f'' \left( t \frac{2a+b}{3} + (1-t) \frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\quad + \left( \int_0^1 t^p \left| f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad \left. \times \left( \int_0^1 (3-t)^q \left| f'' \left( t \frac{a+2b}{3} + (1-t)b \right) \right| dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is completed by making use of the necessary computation.  $\square$

*Remark 1.* One can obtain inequalities for *quasi*-convex functions. The details are omitted to the interested reader.

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