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## **On Some Hadamard-Type Inequalities for** (r,m) – **Convex Functions**

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### Abstract

In this paper, we define a new class of convex functions which is called (r,m) – convex functions. We also prove some Hadamard's type inequalities based on this new definition.

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### 1. Introduction

The following definition is well known in the literature: a function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , is said to be convex on *I* if the inequality

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

holds for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0,1]$ . Geometrically, this means that if P, Q and R are three distinct points on the graph of f with Q between P and R, then Q is on or below chord PR. Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function defined on the interval I of real numbers and  $a, b \in I$  with a < b. Then the following double inequality holds for convex functions:

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

This inequality is well known in the literature as Hadamard's inequality. Pearce et al. (1998) generalized this inequality to r-convex positive function f which is defined on an interval [a,b], for all  $x, y \in [a,b]$  and  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ ;

$$f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \begin{cases} \left(\lambda \left[f(x)\right]^r + (1-\lambda) \left[f(y)\right]^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}, & \text{if } r \neq 0, \\ \left[f(x)\right]^{\lambda} \left[f(y)\right]^{1-\lambda}, & \text{if } r = 0, \end{cases}$$

Clearly 0 – convex functions are simply log– convex functions and 1– convex functions are ordinary convex functions. Another inequality which is well known in the literature as Minkowski Inequality is stated as follows;

Let

$$p \ge 1$$
,  $0 < \int_{a}^{b} f(x)^{p} dx < \infty$ , and  $0 < \int_{a}^{b} g(x)^{p} dx < \infty$ .

Then,

$$\left(\int_{a}^{b} \left(f(x) + g(x)\right)^{p} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(x)^{p} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\int_{a}^{b} g(x)^{p} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$
(1)

### **Definition 1.**

A function  $f : I \to [0, \infty)$  is said to be log-convex or multiplicatively convex if log f is convex, or, equivalently, if for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0,1]$  one has the inequality:

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \le [f(x)]^{t} [f(y)]^{1-t},$$
(2)

[Pečarić et al. (1992)].

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We note that a log-convex function is convex, but the converse may not necessarily be true.

Ngoc et al. (2009) established following theorems for r – convex functions:

### Theorem 1.

Let  $f : [a,b] \to (0,\infty)$  be r – convex function on [a,b] with a < b. Then the following inequality holds for  $0 < r \le 1$ :

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \leq \left(\frac{r}{r+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( \left[f(a)\right]^{r} + \left[f(b)\right]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}.$$
(3)

#### Theorem 2.

Let  $f, g : [a,b] \rightarrow (0,\infty)$  be r-convex and s-convex functions respectively on [a,b] with a < b. Then, the following inequality holds for 0 < r,

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)g(x)dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{r}{r+2}\right)^{\frac{2}{r}} \left(\left[f(a)\right]^{r} + \left[f(b)\right]^{r}\right)^{\frac{2}{r}} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{s}{s+2}\right)^{\frac{2}{s}} \left(\left[g(a)\right]^{s} + \left[g(b)\right]^{s}\right)^{\frac{2}{s}}.$$
(4)

### Theorem 3.

Let  $f,g:[a,b] \to (0,\infty)$  be r-convex and s-convex functions respectively on [a,b] with a < b. Then the following inequality holds if r > 1, and  $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$ :

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)g(x)dx \le \left(\frac{[f(a)]^{r} + [f(b)]^{r}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left(\frac{[g(a)]^{s} + [g(b)]^{s}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$
(5)

Gill et al. (1997) proved the following inequality for r – convex functions.

### Theorem 4.

Suppose f is a positive r – convex function on [a,b]. Then,

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt \le L_{r} \left( f(a), f(b) \right).$$
(6)

If f is a positive r – concave function, then the inequality is reversed.

For related results on r-convexity see [Yang and Hwang (2001), Gill et al. (1997) and Ngoc et al. (2009)]. Toader (1985) defined m-convex functions, as follows:

### **Definition 2.**

The function  $f: [0,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, b > 0$ , is said to be m-convex, where  $m \in [0,1]$ , if we have

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

for all  $x, y \in [0, b]$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$  We say that f is m-concave if -f is m-convex.

We refer to the papers [Bakula et al. (2006); Bakula et al. (2007); Özdemir et al. (2010) and Toader (1988)] involving inequalities for m-convex functions. Dragomir and Toader (1993) proved the following inequality for m-convex functions.

### Theorem 5.

Let  $f : [0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  be a *m*-convex function with  $m \in (0,1]$ . If  $0 \le a < b < \infty$  and  $f \in L_1[a,b]$ , then one has the inequality:

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx \le \min\left\{\frac{f(a)+mf\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)}{2}, \frac{f(b)+mf\left(\frac{a}{m}\right)}{2}\right\}.$$
(7)

Dragomir (2002) proved some Hadamard-type inequalities for m-convex functions as follows.

#### Theorem 6.

Let  $f : [0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  be a m-convex function with  $m \in (0,1]$ . If  $0 \le a < b < \infty$  and  $f \in L_1[a,b]$ , then one has the inequality:

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

$$\leq \frac{m+1}{4} \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} + m \frac{f\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) + f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)}{2} \right].$$
(8)

### Theorem 7.

Let  $f : [0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  be a m- convex function with  $m \in (0,1]$ . If  $f \in L_1[am,b]$  where  $0 \le a < b < \infty$ , then one has the inequality:

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$$\frac{1}{m+1} \left[ \int_{a}^{mb} f(x) dx + \frac{mb-a}{b-ma} \int_{ma}^{b} f(x) dx \right] \leq (mb-a) \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}.$$

$$\tag{9}$$

### 2. Main Results

We will start with the following definition.

### **Definition 3.**

A positive function f is (r,m)-convex on  $[a,b] \subset [0,b]$  if for all  $x, y \in [a,b]$ ,  $m \in [0,1]$  and  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ 

$$f(\lambda x + m(1-\lambda)y) \leq \begin{cases} \left(\lambda f^r(x) + m(1-\lambda)f^r(y)\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}, & \text{if } r \neq 0\\ f^{\lambda}(x)f^{1-\lambda}(y), & \text{if } r = 0 \end{cases}$$

This definition of (r,m)-convexity naturally complements the concept of (r,m)-concavity in which the inequality is reversed.

#### Remark 1.

We have that (0,1)- convex functions are simply log- convex functions and (1,1)- convex functions are ordinary convex functions on  $[a,b] \subset [0,b]$ .

### Remark 2.

We have that (r,1)-convex functions are r-convex functions.

### Remark 3.

We have that (1, m) – convex functions are m – convex functions.

Now, we will prove some inequalities based on above definition and remarks.

#### Theorem 8.

Suppose that f is a (r,m)-convex function on  $[a,b] \subset [0,b]$ . Then, we have the inequality;

$$\frac{1}{b-ma}\int_{ma}^{b}f(t)dt \le L_r\left(m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a), f\left(b\right)\right),\tag{10}$$

for  $r \neq 0$ . If f is a (r, m)-concave function, then the inequality is reversed.

### **Proof**:

Let  $r \neq \{0,-1\}$ . First assume that  $m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a) \neq f(b)$ . By the definition of (r,m)-convexity, we can write

$$\int_{ma}^{b} f(t)dt = (b - ma) \int_{0}^{1} f(sb + m(1 - s)a)ds$$
  
$$\leq (b - ma) \int_{0}^{1} [sf^{r}(b) + m(1 - s)f^{r}(a)]^{\frac{1}{r}} ds$$
  
$$= (b - ma) \left(\frac{r}{r+1}\right) \frac{[f(b)]^{r+1} - [m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a)]^{r+1}}{f^{r}(b) - mf^{r}(a)}.$$

Using the fact that

$$L_{r}\left(m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a),f(b)\right) = \left(\frac{r}{r+1}\right) \frac{[f(b)]^{r+1} - [m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a)]^{r+1}}{f^{r}(b) - mf^{r}(a)},$$

we obtain the desired result. Similarly, for  $m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a) = f(b)$ , we have

$$\int_{ma}^{b} f(t)dt \leq (b - ma) \int_{0}^{1} \left( s \left[ m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a) \right]^{r} + (1 - s) \left[ m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a) \right]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} ds$$
$$= (b - ma) \int_{0}^{1} m^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( s f^{r}(a) + (1 - s) f^{r}(a) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} ds$$
$$= (b - ma) L_{r} \left( m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a), m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a) \right).$$

Finally, let r = -1, for  $m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a) \neq f(b)$ , we have

$$\int_{ma}^{b} f(t)dt \leq (b-ma) \int_{0}^{1} \left[ sf^{-1}(b) + m(1-s)f^{-1}(a) \right]^{-1} ds.$$

Computing the right hand side of the above inequality, we get

$$\int_{ma}^{b} f(t)dt \leq (b-ma)L_{-1}\left(\frac{f(a)}{m}, f(b)\right).$$

The proof of the other case such as  $m^{\frac{1}{r}}f(a) = f(b)$ , may be obtained in a similar way.

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### Remark 4.

In Theorem 8, if we choose m = 1, we have the inequality (6).

### Theorem 9.

Let  $f: [a,b] \subset [0,b] \rightarrow (0,\infty)$  be (r,m)- convex function on [a,b] with a < b. Then, the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{1}{b-ma}\int_{ma}^{b}f(x)dx \leq \left(\frac{r}{r+1}\right)\left[f^{r}(a)+mf^{r}(b)\right]^{\frac{1}{r}},$$
(11)

for  $0 < r \le 1$ .

### Proof:

Since f is (r, m) – convex function and r > 0, we can write

$$f(ta + m(1-t)b) \le \left(t[f(a)]^r + m(1-t)[f(b)]^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

for all  $t, m \in [0,1]$ . It is easy to observe that

$$\frac{1}{b-ma} \int_{ma}^{b} f(x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} f(ta + m(1-t)b) dt$$
$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \left( t [f(a)]^{r} + m(1-t) [f(b)]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt$$

Using the inequality (1), we get

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left( t [f(a)]^{r} + m(1-t) [f(b)]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt \leq \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{1} t^{\frac{1}{r}} f(a) dt \right)^{r} + \left( \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)^{\frac{1}{r}} m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(b) dt \right)^{r} \right]^{\frac{1}{r}}$$
$$= \left[ \left( \frac{r}{r+1} \right)^{r} \left( f^{r}(a) + mf^{r}(b) \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$
$$= \left( \frac{r}{r+1} \right) [f^{r}(a) + mf^{r}(b)]^{\frac{1}{r}}.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{b-ma}\int_{ma}^{b}f(x)dx \leq \left(\frac{r}{r+1}\right)\left[f^{r}(a)+mf^{r}(b)\right]^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

which completes the proof.

### **Corollary 1.**

In Theorem 9, if we choose a (1,m)-convex function on [a,b] with a < b. Then, we have the following inequality;

$$\frac{1}{b-ma}\int_{ma}^{b}f(x)dx \leq \frac{f(a)+mf(b)}{2}.$$

#### **Corollary 2.**

In Theorem 9, if we choose an (r,1)-convex function on [a,b] with a < b. Then, we have the following inequality;

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

#### Remark 5.

In Theorem 9, if we choose a (1,1) – convex function on  $[a,b] \subset [0,b]$  with a < b. Then, we have the right hand side of Hadamard's inequality.

#### Theorem 10.

Let  $f,g : [a,b] \subset [0,b] \rightarrow (0,\infty)$  be  $(r_1,m)$ -convex and  $(r_2,m)$ -convex function on [a,b] with a < b. Then, the following inequality holds;

$$\frac{1}{b-ma} \int_{ma}^{b} f(x)g(x)dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ f(a) \right]^{r_{1}} + m \left[ f(b) \right]^{r_{1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( \left[ g(a) \right]^{r_{2}} + m \left[ g(b) \right]^{r_{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}},$$
(12)

for  $r_1 > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} = 1$ .

### **Proof:**

Since f is  $(r_1, m)$  - convex function and g is  $(r_2, m)$  - convex function, we have

$$f(ta+m(1-t)b) \le \left(t[f(a)]^{r_1} + m(1-t)[f(b)]^{r_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_1}}$$

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and

$$g(ta+m(1-t)b) \leq \left(t[g(a)]^{r_2}+m(1-t)[g(b)]^{r_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{r_2}},$$

for all  $t, m \in [0,1]$  Since f and g are non-negative functions, hence

$$f(ta+m(1-t)b)g(ta+m(1-t)b) \leq (t[f(a)]^{r_1}+m(1-t)[f(b)]^{r_1})^{\frac{1}{r_1}} (t[g(a)]^{r_2}+m(1-t)[g(b)]^{r_2})^{\frac{1}{r_2}}.$$

Integrating both sides of the above inequality over [0,1] with respect to t, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left[ f(ta+m(1-t)b)g(ta+m(1-t)b) \right] dt$$
  
$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \left( t \left[ f(a) \right]^{r_{1}} + m(1-t) \left[ f(b) \right]^{r_{1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{1}}} \left( t \left[ g(a) \right]^{r_{2}} + m(1-t) \left[ g(b) \right]^{r_{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}} \right] dt.$$

By applying Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left[ \left( t \left[ f(a) \right]^{r_{1}} + m(1-t) \left[ f(b) \right]^{r_{1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( t \left[ g(a) \right]^{r_{2}} + m(1-t) \left[ g(b) \right]^{r_{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}} \right] dt$$

$$\leq \left[ \int_{0}^{1} \left( t \left[ f(a) \right]^{r_{1}} + m(1-t) \left[ f(b) \right]^{r_{1}} dt \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{r}} \left[ \int_{0}^{1} \left( t \left[ g(a) \right]^{r_{2}} + m(1-t) \left[ g(b) \right]^{r_{2}} dt \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}} \right]^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ f(a) \right]^{r_{1}} + m \left[ f(b) \right]^{r_{1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{1}}} \left( \left[ g(a) \right]^{r_{2}} + m \left[ g(b) \right]^{r_{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r_{2}}}.$$

By using the fact that

$$\frac{1}{b-ma}\int_{ma}^{b}f(x)g(x)dx = \int_{0}^{1} \left[f(ta+m(1-t)b)g(ta+m(1-t)b)\right]dt.$$

We obtain the desired result.

### **Corollary 3.**

In Theorem 10, if we choose m = 1,  $r_1 = r_2 = 2$  and f(x) = g(x), we have the following inequality;

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{2}(x) dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \Big[ f^{2}(a) + f^{2}(b) \Big].$$

### **Corollary 4.**

In Theorem 10, if we choose m = 1 and  $r_1 = r_2 = 2$ , we have the following inequality;

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)g(x)dx \le \sqrt{\frac{f^{2}(a) + f^{2}(b)}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{g^{2}(a) + g^{2}(b)}{2}}$$

### Theorem 11.

Let  $f : [a,b] \subset [0,b] \rightarrow (0,\infty)$  be a (r,m)- convex function on [a,b] with  $m \in (0,1]$ . If  $0 \le a < b < \infty$  and  $f \in L_1[a,b]$ , then one has the following inequality;

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx \leq \min\left\{L_{r}\left(f(a),m^{\frac{1}{r}}f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right),L_{r}\left(f(b),m^{\frac{1}{r}}f\left(\frac{a}{m}\right)\right)\right\}.$$

### **Proof:**

Since f is (r,m)-convex function, we can write

$$f(tx + m(1-t)y) \le \left(t[f(x)]^r + m(1-t)[f(y)]^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

for all  $x, y \ge 0$  and  $r \ne 0$ , which gives

$$f(ta + (1-t)b) \le \left(t[f(a)]^r + m(1-t)\left[f(\frac{b}{m})\right]^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$
(13)

and

$$f(tb+(1-t)a) \le \left(t\left[f(b)\right]^r + m(1-t)\left[f(\frac{a}{m})\right]^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}},\tag{14}$$

for  $t \in [0,1]$ . Integrating both sides of (13) over [0,1] with respect to t, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{1} f(ta+(1-t)b)dt \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left( t \left[ f(a) \right]^{r} + m(1-t) \left[ f(\frac{b}{m}) \right]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt,$$

or

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$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left( t [f(a)]^{r} + m(1-t) \left[ f(\frac{b}{m}) \right]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt.$$

Now, suppose that  $r \neq \{0,-1\}$ . First assume that  $f(a) \neq m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(\frac{b}{m})$ . Then, we get

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_a^b f(x)dx \le L_r\left(f(a), m^{\frac{1}{r}}f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right).$$

Similarly, for  $f(a) = m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(\frac{b}{m})$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left( t [f(a)]^{r} + (1-t) [f(a)]^{r} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} dt$$
$$= L_{r} (f(a), f(a)).$$

Finally, let r = -1, for  $f(a) \neq m^{\frac{1}{r}} f(\frac{b}{m})$ , we have again

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left(t\left[f(a)\right]^{r} + m(1-t)\left[f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right]^{r}\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}dt$$
$$= L_{-1}\left(f(a), m^{-1}f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right).$$

When f(a) = f(b), the proof is similar. So, we obtain the inequality

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx \leq L_{r}\left(f(a), m^{\frac{1}{r}}f\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right).$$

Analogously, by integrating both sides of the inequality (14), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx \leq L_{r}\left(f(b), m^{\frac{1}{r}}f\left(\frac{a}{m}\right)\right),$$

which completes the proof.

### Remark 6.

In Theorem 11, if we choose r = 1, we have the inequality (7).

### Remark 7.

In Theorem 11, if we choose m = 1, we have the inequality (6).

### Remark 8.

In Theorem 11, if we choose m = r = 1, we have the right hand side of Hadamard's inequality.

### Theorem 12.

Let  $f: [a,b] \subset [0,b] \rightarrow (0,\infty)$  be a (r,m)- convex function on [a,b] with  $m \in (0,1]$ . If  $f \in L_1[a,b]$ , then one has the following inequalities;

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

$$\leq \frac{m+1}{4} \left[ \frac{f^{r}(a) + f^{r}(b)}{2} + m \frac{f^{r}\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) + f^{r}\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)}{2} \right].$$
(15)

### **Proof:**

By the (r, m) – convexity of f, we have that

$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f^r(x) + m f^r\left(\frac{y}{m}\right) \right],$$

for all  $x, y \in [a,b]$  If we take x = ta + (1-t)b and y = (1-t)a + tb, we deduce

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f^r(ta+(1-t)b) + mf^r\left((1-t)\frac{a}{m} + t\frac{b}{m}\right) \right],$$

for all  $t \in [0,1]$ . Integrating the result over [0,1] with respect to t, we get

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{0}^{1} f^{r} \left( ta + (1-t)b \right) dt + m \int_{0}^{1} f^{r} \left( (1-t)\frac{a}{m} + t\frac{b}{m} \right) dt \right].$$
(16)

Taking into account that

$$\int_{0}^{1} f^{r}(ta + (1-t)b)dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{r}(x)dx$$

and

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$$\int_{0}^{1} f^{r}\left((1-t)\frac{a}{m} + t\frac{b}{m}\right) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{r}\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) dx$$

in (16), we obtain the first inequality of (15).

By the (r, m) – convexity of f, we also have that

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[ f(ta+m(1-t)b) + mf\left(t\frac{a}{m} + (1-t)\frac{b}{m}\right) \right]$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ tf^r(a) + m(1-t)f^r(b) + mtf^r\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) + m^2(1-t)f^r\left(\frac{b}{m}\right) \right],$$

for all  $t \in [0,1]$ . Integrating the above inequality over [0,1] with respect to t, we get

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \frac{f^{r}(x) + mf^{r}\left(\frac{x}{m}\right)}{2} dx$$
$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{f^{r}(a) + mf^{r}(b)}{2} + \frac{mf^{r}\left(\frac{a}{m}\right) + m^{2}f^{r}\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)}{2} \right].$$

By a similar argument, we can state

$$\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}\frac{f^{r}(x)+mf^{r}(\frac{x}{m})}{2}dx$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{8}\left[f^{r}(a)+f^{r}(b)+2m\left(f^{r}\left(\frac{a}{m}\right)+f^{r}\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)\right)+m^{2}\left(f^{r}\left(\frac{a}{m^{2}}\right)+f^{r}\left(\frac{b}{m^{2}}\right)\right)\right],$$

which completes the proof.

#### Remark 9.

In theorem 12, if we choose r = 1, we have the inequality (8).

### Remark 10.

In theorem 12, if we choose m = r = 1, we have the Hadamard's inequality.

### 1. Conclusion

In this paper, a new class of convex functions called (r,m) – convex functions have been defined and some new Hadamard-type inequalities have been obtained.

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