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# Hermite–Hadamard type inequalities for exponentially $p$ -convex functions and exponentially $s$ -convex functions in the second sense with applications

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the notion of exponentially  $p$ -convex function and exponentially  $s$ -convex function in the second sense. We establish several Hermite–Hadamard type inequalities for exponentially  $p$ -convex functions and exponentially  $s$ -convex functions in second sense. The present investigation is an extension of several well known results.

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## 1 Introduction

Recently, the study of convex functions has become more important due to variety of their nature. Many generalizations of this notion have been established. For more details see [1–6, 13, 16–19].

Convex functions satisfy many integral inequalities. Among these, the Hermite–Hadamard inequality is well known. The Hermite–Hadamard inequality [14, 15] for a convex function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  on an interval  $\mathcal{K}$  is

$$\psi\left(\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) dw \leq \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2}, \quad (1.1)$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$ . Many authors have made generalizations to inequality (1.1). For more results and details, see [3, 4, 6, 7, 17–19, 22, 24–26].

**Definition 1.1** ([19, 20]) Consider an interval  $\mathcal{K} \subset (0, \infty) = \mathbb{R}_+$ , and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . A function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called  $p$ -convex, if

$$\psi\left(\left[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p\right]^{\frac{1}{p}}\right) \leq r\psi(u_1) + (1-r)\psi(u_2), \quad (1.2)$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $r \in [0, 1]$ . If the inequality in (1.2) is reversed, then  $\psi$  is called  $p$ -concave.

*Example 1.1* A function  $\psi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $\psi(u) = u^p$  for  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , is  $p$ -convex as well as  $p$ -concave.

Iscan [19] gave the following results.

**Theorem 1.2** ([19]) *Consider an interval  $\mathcal{K} \subset (0, \infty)$ , and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $p$ -convex and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ . If  $\psi \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ , then we have*

$$\psi\left(\left[\frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2}\right]^{\frac{1}{p}}\right) \leq \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \leq \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2}. \tag{1.3}$$

**Lemma 1.1** ([19]) *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$ , i.e., the interior of  $\mathcal{K}$ , and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ , and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . If  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \\ &= \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \int_0^1 \frac{1 - 2r}{[ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} \psi'([ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}}) dr. \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

**Definition 1.2** ([16]) Let  $s \in (0, 1]$ . A function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0$ , where  $\mathbb{R}_0 = [0, \infty)$ , is called  $s$ -convex in the second sense, if

$$\psi(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2) \leq r^s \psi(u_1) + (1 - r)^s \psi(u_2), \tag{1.5}$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $r \in [0, 1]$ .

*Example 1.3* A function  $\psi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ , defined by  $\psi(u) = u^s$  for  $s \in (0, 1)$ , is  $s$ -convex in the second sense.

Dragomir et al. [8, 9] gave the following important results.

**Theorem 1.4** ([9]) *Let  $s \in (0, 1)$  and  $\psi : \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0$  be  $s$ -convex in the second sense. Let  $u_1, u_2 \in [0, \infty)$ ,  $u_1 \leq u_2$ . If  $\psi \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ , then*

$$2^{s-1} \psi\left(\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) dw \leq \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{s + 1}. \tag{1.6}$$

**Lemma 1.2** ([8]) *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$ , the interior of  $\mathcal{K}$ , and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  be two distinct points. If  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) dw \\ &= \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 (1 - 2r) \psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2) dr. \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

Awan et al. [4] introduced the following new class of convex functions.

**Definition 1.3** ([4]) A function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called exponentially convex, if

$$\psi (ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2) \leq r \frac{\psi (u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + (1 - r) \frac{\psi (u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}, \tag{1.8}$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $r \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . If the inequality in (1.8) is reversed, then  $\psi$  is called exponentially concave.

*Example 1.5* A function  $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $\psi (u) = -u^2$ , is an exponentially convex for all  $\alpha > 0$ .

The Beta and Hypergeometric functions are defined as:

$$\beta (u_1, u_2) = \int_0^1 w^{u_1-1} (1 - w)^{u_2-1} dw, \quad u_1, u_2 > 0,$$

and

$${}_2F_1 (u_1, u_2; t; z) = \frac{1}{\beta (u_2, t - u_2)} \int_0^1 w^{u_2-1} (1 - w)^{t-u_2-1} (1 - zw)^{-u_1} dw, \quad t > u_2 > 0, |z| < 1,$$

respectively, see [21].

## 2 Exponentially $p$ -convex functions

Now we introduce exponentially  $p$ -convex functions.

**Definition 2.1** Consider an interval  $\mathcal{K} \subset (0, \infty) = \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . A function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called exponentially  $p$ -convex, if

$$\psi \left( [ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \leq r \frac{\psi (u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + (1 - r) \frac{\psi (u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}, \tag{2.1}$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $r \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . If the inequality in (2.1) is reversed, then  $\psi$  is called exponentially  $p$ -concave.

It is easy to note that, by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , an exponentially  $p$ -convex function becomes  $p$ -convex.

*Example 2.1* Consider a function  $\psi : (\sqrt{2}, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $\psi (u) = (\ln(u))^p$  for  $p \geq 2$ . Then  $\psi$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex for all  $\alpha < 0$ , and not  $p$ -convex.

Note that  $\psi$  satisfies inequality (2.1) for all  $\alpha < 0$ . But for  $u_1 = 2$ ,  $u_2 = 3$  and  $p = 5$ , inequality (1.2) does not hold.

### 2.1 Integral inequalities

Throughout this section, we denote by  $\mathcal{K} \subset (0, \infty) = \mathbb{R}_+$  an interval with interior  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . We start with our results for exponentially  $p$ -convex functions.

**Theorem 2.2** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an integrable exponentially  $p$ -convex function. Let  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$ . Then for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have*

$$\psi \left( \left[ \frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \leq \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p} e^{\alpha w}} dw \leq A_1(r) \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + A_2(r) \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}, \tag{2.2}$$

where

$$A_1(r) = \int_0^1 \frac{r dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}} \quad \text{and} \quad A_2(r) = \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r) dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}}.$$

*Proof* By using the exponential  $p$ -convexity of  $\psi$ , we have

$$2\psi \left( \left[ \frac{w^p + z^p}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \leq \frac{\psi(w)}{e^{\alpha w}} + \frac{\psi(z)}{e^{\alpha z}}. \tag{2.3}$$

Letting  $w^p = ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p$  and  $z^p = (1-r)u_1^p + ru_2^p$ , we get

$$2\psi \left( \left[ \frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \leq \frac{\psi([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}} + \frac{\psi([(1-r)u_1^p + ru_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})}{e^{\alpha((1-r)u_1^p + ru_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}}. \tag{2.4}$$

Integrating with respect to  $r \in [0, 1]$  and applying a change of variable, we find

$$\psi \left( \left[ \frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \leq \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p} e^{\alpha w}} dw. \tag{2.5}$$

Hence the first inequality of (2.2) has been established. For the next inequality, again using the exponential  $p$ -convexity of  $\psi$ , we have

$$\frac{\psi([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}} \leq \frac{r \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + (1-r) \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}}. \tag{2.6}$$

Integrating with respect to  $r \in [0, 1]$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p} e^{\alpha w}} dw \\ & \leq \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \int_0^1 \frac{r dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}} + \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r) dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}}}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

By combining (2.5) and (2.7), we get (2.2). □

*Remark 2.1* In Theorem 2.2, by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , we attain inequality (1.3) in Theorem 1.2.

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$  and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex on  $[u_1, u_2]$  for  $q \geq 1$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_1^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ B_2 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + B_3 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &= B_1(u_1, u_2; p) = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \\ & \quad \times \left[ {}_2F_1 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 2; 3; \frac{u_1^p - u_2^p}{u_1^p + u_2^p} \right) + {}_2F_1 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 2; 3; \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{u_1^p + u_2^p} \right) \right], \\ B_2 &= B_2(u_1, u_2; p) = \frac{1}{24} \left( \frac{u_1^p + u_2^p}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \left[ {}_2F_1 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 2; 4; \frac{u_1^p - u_2^p}{u_1^p + u_2^p} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 6 {}_2F_1 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 2; 3; \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{u_1^p + u_2^p} \right) + {}_2F_1 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 2; 4; \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{u_1^p + u_2^p} \right) \right], \\ B_3 &= B_3(u_1, u_2; p) = B_1 - B_2. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* Applying the power mean inequality to (1.4) of Lemma 1.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \int_0^1 \left| \frac{1-2r}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} \right| |\psi'([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})| dr \\ & \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \int_0^1 \frac{|1-2r|}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left( \int_0^1 \frac{|1-2r|}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} |\psi'([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})|^q dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

Since  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \int_0^1 \frac{|1-2r|}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left( \int_0^1 \frac{|1-2r| \left[ r \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + (1-r) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_1^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left[ B_2 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + B_3 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

It is easy to note that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|1 - 2r|}{[ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr = B_1(u_1, u_2; p),$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|1 - 2r|r}{[ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr = B_2(u_1, u_2; p),$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|1 - 2r|(1 - r)}{[ru_1^p + (1 - r)u_2^p]^{1-\frac{1}{p}}} dr = B_1(u_1, u_2; p) - B_2(u_1, u_2; p).$$

Hence the proof is completed. □

*Remark 2.2* In Theorem 2.3,

- (a) by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , we attain Theorem 7 in [19];
- (b) by taking  $p = 1$ , we attain Theorem 5 in [4].

**Corollary 2.4** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ , and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left[ B_2 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + B_3 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right], \tag{2.11}$$

where  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  are given in Theorem 2.3.

*Remark 2.3* In Corollary 2.4,

- (a) by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , we attain Corollary 1 in [19];
- (b) by taking  $p = 1$ , we attain Theorem 3 in [4].

**Theorem 2.5** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$ . Let  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ , and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , and  $q, l > 1$ ,  $1/q + 1/l = 1$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \frac{1}{l+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \left[ B_4 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + B_5 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{2.12}$$

where

$$B_4 = B_4(u_1, u_2; p; q)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1\left(q - \frac{q}{p}, 1; 3; 1 - \left(\frac{u_2}{u_1}\right)^p\right), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1\left(q - \frac{q}{p}, 2; 3; 1 - \left(\frac{u_1}{u_2}\right)^p\right), & p > 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_5 &= B_5(u_1, u_2; p; q) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 2; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_2}{u_1})^p), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 1; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_1}{u_2})^p), & p > 0. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* Using Hölder’s inequality on (1.4) of Lemma 1.1 and then applying the exponential  $p$ -convexity of  $|\psi'|^q$  on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r|^l dr \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \\
 &\quad \times \left( \int_0^1 \frac{1}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{q(1-\frac{1}{p})}} |\psi'([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})|^q dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \frac{1}{l+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \left( \int_0^1 \frac{r^{|\frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}}|^q} + (1-r)^{|\frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}|^q}}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{q-\frac{q}{p}}} dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \frac{1}{l+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \left[ B_4 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + B_5 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{2.13}
 \end{aligned}$$

where after calculations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_4 &= \int_0^1 \frac{r}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{q-\frac{q}{p}}} dr \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 1; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_2}{u_1})^p), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 2; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_1}{u_2})^p), & p > 0, \end{cases} \\
 B_5 &= \int_0^1 \frac{1-r}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{q-\frac{q}{p}}} dr \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 2; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_2}{u_1})^p), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{q-p-q}} {}_2F_1(q - \frac{q}{p}, 1; 3; 1 - (\frac{u_1}{u_2})^p), & p > 0. \end{cases} \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 2.4** In Theorem 2.5,

- (a) by letting  $\alpha = 0$ , we attain Theorem 8 in [19];
- (b) by letting  $p = 1$ , we attain Theorem 4 in [4].

**Theorem 2.6** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ , and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , and  $q, l > 1, 1/q + 1/l = 1$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_6^{\frac{1}{l}} \left( \frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{|\frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}}|^q + |\frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{2.14}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_6 &= B_6(u_1, u_2; p; l) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{p-l}} {}_2F_1(l - \frac{l}{p}, 1; 2; 1 - (\frac{u_2}{u_1})^p), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{p-l}} {}_2F_1(l - \frac{l}{p}, 1; 2; 1 - (\frac{u_1}{u_2})^p), & p > 0. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* Using Hölder’s inequality on (1.4) of Lemma 1.1 and then applying the exponential  $p$ -convexity of  $|\psi'|^q$  on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{p}{u_2^p - u_1^p} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{w^{1-p}} dw \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} \left( \int_0^1 \frac{1}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{l-\frac{l}{p}}} dr \right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \\
 &\quad \times \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r|^q |\psi'([ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{\frac{1}{p}})|^q dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_6^{\frac{1}{7}} \left( \frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{|\psi'(u_1)|^q + |\psi'(u_2)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \tag{2.15}
 \end{aligned}$$

where a simple calculation implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_6(u_1, u_2; p; l) &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{[ru_1^p + (1-r)u_2^p]^{l-\frac{l}{p}}} dr \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u_1^{p-l}} {}_2F_1(l - \frac{l}{p}, 1; 2; 1 - (\frac{u_2}{u_1})^p), & p < 0, \\ \frac{1}{2u_2^{p-l}} {}_2F_1(l - \frac{l}{p}, 1; 2; 1 - (\frac{u_1}{u_2})^p), & p > 0, \end{cases} \tag{2.16}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 r|1 - 2r|^q dr = \int_0^1 (1-r)|1 - 2r|^q dr = \frac{1}{2(q+1)}. \tag{2.17}$$

By substituting (2.16) and (2.17) into (2.15), we get (2.14). □

*Remark 2.5* In Theorem 2.6, by letting  $\alpha = 0$ , we attain Theorem 9 in [19].

### 2.2 Applications

Consider some special means of two positive numbers  $u_1, u_2, u_1 < u_2$ :

- (1) The arithmetic mean

$$A = A(u_1, u_2) = \frac{u_1 + u_2}{2};$$

- (2) The harmonic mean

$$H = H(u_1, u_2) = \frac{2u_1u_2}{u_1 + u_2};$$



(3) The  $p$ -logarithmic mean

$$L_p = L_p(u_1, u_2) = \left( \frac{u_2^{p+1} - u_1^{p+1}}{(p+1)(u_2 - u_1)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\}.$$

In the next three propositions we consider  $0 < u_1 < u_2$  and  $q > 1$ .

**Proposition 2.1** *Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $p < 1$ . Then we have*

$$|L_{p-1}^{p-1} - HL_{p-2}^{p-2}| \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_6^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} A^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \left| \frac{1}{u_1^2 e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q, \left| \frac{1}{u_2^2 e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right) HL_{p-1}^{p-1},$$

where  $B_6$  is defined as in Theorem 2.6.

*Proof* The proof ensues from Theorem 2.6, for a function  $\psi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\psi(w) = \frac{1}{w}$ . Here note that  $|\psi'(w)|^q = \left| \frac{1}{w^2} \right|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex for all  $p < 1$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . □

**Proposition 2.2** *Let  $\alpha \leq 0$  and  $p > 1$ . Then we have*

$$|L_{p-1}^{p-1} A(u_1^p, u_2^p) - L_{2p-1}^{2p-1}| \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2} B_6^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} A^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \left| \frac{1}{u_1^{p-1} e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q, \left| \frac{1}{u_2^{p-1} e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right) L_{p-1}^{p-1},$$

where  $B_6$  is defined as in Theorem 2.6.

*Proof* The proof ensues from Theorem 2.6, for  $\psi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\psi(w) = w^p$ . Here note that  $|\psi'(w)|^q = |pw^{p-1}|^q$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex for all  $p > 1$  and  $\alpha \leq 0$ . □

**Proposition 2.3** *Let  $\alpha \leq 0$  and  $p > 1$ . Then we have*

$$|L_{p-1}^{p-1} A - L_p^p| \leq \frac{u_2^p - u_1^p}{2p} B_6^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} A^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \left| \frac{1}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q, \left| \frac{1}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right) L_{p-1}^{p-1},$$

where  $B_6$  is given as in Theorem 2.6.

*Proof* The proof ensues from Theorem 2.6, for  $\psi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\psi(w) = w$ . Here note that  $|\psi'(w)|^q = 1$  is exponentially  $p$ -convex for all  $p > 1$  and  $\alpha \leq 0$ . □

### 3 Exponentially $s$ -convex functions in the second sense

We first generalize Definition 1.2.

**Definition 3.1** Let  $s \in (0, 1]$  and  $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}_0$  be an interval. A function  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense, if

$$\psi(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2) \leq r^s \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + (1-r)^s \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}, \tag{3.1}$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $r \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . If the inequality in (3.1) is reversed then  $\psi$  is called exponentially  $s$ -concave.

Observe that, by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , an exponentially  $s$ -convex function becomes  $s$ -convex.

*Example 3.1* Consider a function  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $\psi(u) = \ln(u)$  for  $s \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $\psi$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex, for all  $\alpha \leq -1$ , but not  $s$ -convex in the second sense.

### 3.1 Integral inequalities

Throughout this section, we denote by  $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}_0$  an interval with nonempty interior  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $s \in (0, 1]$ . We start our new results with the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an integrable exponentially  $s$ -convex function in the second sense on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$ . Then for  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have*

$$2^{s-1} \psi\left(\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{e^{\alpha w}} dw \leq A_3(r) \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + A_4(r) \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}, \tag{3.2}$$

where

$$A_3(r) = \int_0^1 \frac{r^s dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}} \quad \text{and} \quad A_4(r) = \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r)^s dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}}.$$

*Proof* Applying exponential  $s$ -convexity of  $\psi$ , we have

$$2^s \psi\left(\frac{w + z}{2}\right) \leq \frac{\psi(w)}{e^{\alpha w}} + \frac{\psi(z)}{e^{\alpha z}}. \tag{3.3}$$

Letting  $w = ru_1 + (1-r)u_2$  and  $z = (1-r)u_1 + ru_2$ , we get

$$2^s \psi\left(\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{\psi(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}} + \frac{\psi((1-r)u_1 + ru_2)}{e^{\alpha((1-r)u_1 + ru_2)}}. \tag{3.4}$$

Integrating with respect to  $r \in [0, 1]$  and applying a change of variable, we find

$$2^{s-1} \psi\left(\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{e^{\alpha w}} dw. \tag{3.5}$$

Hence the proof of the first inequality of (3.2) has been completed. For the next inequality, again using the exponential  $s$ -convexity of  $\psi$ , we have

$$\frac{\psi(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}} \leq \frac{r^s \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} + (1-r)^s \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}}. \tag{3.6}$$

Integrating with respect to  $r \in [0, 1]$ , we get

$$\frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \frac{\psi(w)}{e^{\alpha w}} dw \leq \frac{\psi(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \int_0^1 \frac{r^s dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}} + \frac{\psi(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r)^s dr}{e^{\alpha(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)}}. \tag{3.7}$$

By combining (3.5) and (3.7), we get (3.2). □

*Remark 3.1* In Theorem 3.2, by letting  $\alpha = 0$ , we get inequality (1.6) in Theorem 1.4.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$  and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ (3s+4) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + (s+4) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

*Proof* From Lemma 1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left| \int_0^1 (1-2r) \psi'(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2) \, dr \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1-2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)| \, dr. \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Using the exponential  $s$ -convexity of  $\psi'$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1-2r| \left[ r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + (1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right] \, dr \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 (1+2r) \left[ r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + (1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right] \, dr \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 \left[ (1+2r)r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + (1+2r)(1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right] \, dr. \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Since

$$\int_0^1 (1+2r)r^s \, dr = \frac{3s+4}{(s+1)(s+2)}, \tag{3.11}$$

$$\int_0^1 (1+2r)(1-r)^s \, dr = \frac{s+4}{(s+1)(s+2)}, \tag{3.12}$$

by substituting equalities (3.11) and (3.12) into (3.10), we get inequality (3.8). □

**Corollary 3.4** Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.3, we have the following:

(a) If  $s = 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{12} \left[ 7 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + 5 \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

(b) If  $\alpha = 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2(s+1)(s+2)} [(3s+4)|\psi'(u_1)| + (s+4)|\psi'(u_2)|]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ , and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left( s + \frac{1}{2^s} \right) \left[ \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

*Proof* From Lemma 1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left| \int_0^1 (1-2r)\psi'(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2) \, dr \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1-2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)| \, dr. \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

Using the exponential  $s$ -convexity of  $\psi'$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1-2r| \left[ r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + (1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right] \, dr \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 \left[ |1-2r| r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + |1+2r|(1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right] \, dr \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left[ C_1(s) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right| + C_2(s) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

It is easily seen that

$$C_1(s) = \int_0^1 |1-2r| r^s \, dr = \frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)} + \frac{1}{2^s(s+1)(s+2)}, \tag{3.18}$$

$$C_2(s) = \int_0^1 |1-2r|(1-r)^s \, dr = \frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)} + \frac{1}{2^s(s+1)(s+2)}. \tag{3.19}$$

Thus by substituting equalities (3.18) and (3.19) into (3.17), we achieve inequality (3.15). □

**Remark 3.2** In Theorem 3.5,

- (a) by taking  $\alpha = 0$ , we obtain Theorem 1, for  $q = 1$ , in [23];
- (b) by taking  $s = 1$ , we obtain Theorem 3 in [4].

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$  and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$  with  $q > 1$ , then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\frac{s + \frac{1}{2^s}}{(s+1)(s+2)}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[ \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

*Proof* From Lemma 1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left| \int_0^1 (1 - 2r) \psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2) \, dr \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2)| \, dr. \end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

Applying the power-mean inequality, we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2)| \, dr \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| \, dr \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2)|^q \, dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

Since  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| |\psi'(ru_1 + (1 - r)u_2)|^q \, dr \\ & \leq \int_0^1 |1 - 2r| \left[ r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + (1 - r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right] \, dr \\ & = \left[ C_1(s) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + C_2(s) \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right], \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

where

$$\int_0^1 |1 - 2r| \, dr = \frac{1}{2}. \tag{3.24}$$

Using (3.22)–(3.24) in (3.21), we get (3.20). □

**Remark 3.3** In Theorem 3.6,

- (a) by putting  $\alpha = 0$ , we get Theorem 1, for  $q > 1$ , in [23];
- (b) by putting  $s = 1$ , we get Theorem 5 in [4].

**Theorem 3.7** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$  and  $\psi' \in L_1[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$  and*

$q, l > 1, \frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \left[ \frac{|\frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}}|^q + |\frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}|^q}{s+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

*Proof* From Lemma 1.2 and using Hölder’s inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r|^l \, dr \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \left( \int_0^1 |\psi'(ru_1 + (1-r)u_2)|^q \, dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.26}$$

Since  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2} \left( \int_0^1 |1 - 2r|^l \, dr \right)^{\frac{1}{l}} \left( \int_0^1 \left[ r^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|^q + (1-r)^s \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right|^q \right] \, dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & = \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \left[ \frac{|\frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}}|^q + |\frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}|^q}{s+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.27}$$

Hence the proof is completed. □

*Remark 3.4* In Theorem 3.7,

(a) by letting  $\alpha = 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\psi(u_1) + \psi(u_2)}{2} - \frac{1}{u_2 - u_1} \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw \right| \\ & \leq \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \left[ \frac{|\psi'(u_1)|^q + |\psi'(u_2)|^q}{s+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}; \end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

(b) by letting  $s = 1$ , we get Theorem 4 in [4].

### 3.2 Applications

Suppose  $d$  is a partition of the interval  $[u_1, u_2]$ , that is,  $d : u_1 = w_0 < w_1 < \dots < w_{m-1} < w_m = u_2$ , then the trapezoidal formula is given as

$$T(\psi, d) = \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \frac{\psi(w_n) + \psi(w_{n+1})}{2} (w_{n+1} - w_n).$$

We known that if  $\psi : [u_1, u_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is twice differentiable on  $(u_1, u_2)$  and  $\mathcal{M} = \max_{w \in (u_1, u_2)} |\psi''(w)| < \infty$ , then

$$\int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) \, dw = T(\psi, d) + R(\psi, d), \tag{3.29}$$

where the remainder term is given as

$$|R(\psi, d)| \leq \frac{\mathcal{M}}{12} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^3. \tag{3.30}$$

It is noticed that if  $\psi''$  does not exist or  $\psi''$  is unbounded, then (3.29) is invalid. However, Dragomir and Wang [10–12] have shown that the term  $R(\psi, d)$  can be obtained by using the first derivative only. These estimates surely have several applications. In this section, we estimate the remainder term  $R(\psi, d)$  in a new sense.

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$ . Let  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $u_1 < u_2$ . If  $|\psi'|$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$  and  $s \in (0, 1]$ , then in (3.29), for every partition  $d$  of  $[u_1, u_2]$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} |R(\psi, d)| &\leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left(s + \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2 \left[ \left| \frac{\psi'(w_n)}{e^{\alpha w_n}} \right| + \left| \frac{\psi'(w_{n+1})}{e^{\alpha w_{n+1}}} \right| \right] \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|, \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right\} \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left(s + \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.31}$$

*Proof* Applying Theorem 3.5 on the subinterval  $[w_n, w_{n+1}]$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, m - 1$ ) of the partition  $d$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{\psi(w_n) + \psi(w_{n+1})}{2} (w_{n+1} - w_n) - \int_{w_n}^{w_{n+1}} \psi(w) dw \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(w_{n+1} - w_n)^2}{2} \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left(s + \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \left[ \left| \frac{\psi'(w_n)}{e^{\alpha w_n}} \right| + \left| \frac{\psi'(w_{n+1})}{e^{\alpha w_{n+1}}} \right| \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

Summing over  $n$  from 0 to  $m - 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| T(\psi, d) - \int_{u_1}^{u_2} \psi(w) dw \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2 \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left(s + \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \left[ \left| \frac{\psi'(w_n)}{e^{\alpha w_n}} \right| + \left| \frac{\psi'(w_{n+1})}{e^{\alpha w_{n+1}}} \right| \right] \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}} \right|, \left| \frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}} \right| \right\} \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \left(s + \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

□

**Proposition 3.2** *Let  $\psi : \mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $\mathcal{K}^\circ$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $u_1 < u_2$ . If  $|\psi'|^q$  is exponentially  $s$ -convex in the second sense on  $[u_1, u_2]$  and  $s \in (0, 1]$*

and  $q, l > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , then in (3.29), for every partition  $d$  of  $[u_1, u_2]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |R(\psi, d)| &\leq \frac{1}{2(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2 \left[ \frac{|\frac{\psi'(w_n)}{e^{\alpha w_n}}|^q + |\frac{\psi'(w_{n+1})}{e^{\alpha w_{n+1}}}|^q}{s+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{\max\{\frac{2|\frac{\psi'(u_1)}{e^{\alpha u_1}}|^q}{s+1}, \frac{2|\frac{\psi'(u_2)}{e^{\alpha u_2}}|^q}{s+1}\}}{2(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (w_{n+1} - w_n)^2.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.34}$$

**Proof** Using Theorem 3.7 and similar arguments as in Proposition 3.1, we get the required result. □

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