

# SOME COMPANIONS OF FEJÉR'S INEQUALITY FOR CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we establish some companions of Fejér's inequality for convex functions which generalize the inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type from [2] and [7].

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In what follows we assume that the function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex,  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is integrable and symmetric to  $\frac{a+b}{2}$  and we define the following associated functions on  $[0, 1]$  by:

$$G(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ f \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) + f \left( tb + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right];$$

$$H(t) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) dx;$$

$$I(t) = \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f \left( t \frac{x+a}{2} + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) + f \left( t \frac{x+b}{2} + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] g(x) dx;$$

$$L(t) = \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \int_a^b [f(ta + (1-t)x) + f(tb + (1-t)x)] dx;$$

and

$$S_g(t) = \frac{1}{4} \int_a^b \left[ f \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{x+a}{2} \right) + f \left( ta + (1-t) \frac{x+b}{2} \right) + f \left( tb + (1-t) \frac{x+a}{2} \right) + f \left( tb + (1-t) \frac{x+b}{2} \right) \right] g(x) dx.$$

If  $f$  is defined as above, then

$$(1.1) \quad f \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}$$

is known as the Hermite-Hadamard inequality [1].

For some results which generalize, improve, and extend this famous integral inequality see [2] – [16].

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In [2], Dragomir established the following theorem which refines the first inequality of (1.1).

**Theorem A.** *Let  $f, H$  be defined as above. Then  $H$  is convex, increasing on  $[0, 1]$ , and for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have*

$$(1.2) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) = H(0) \leq H(t) \leq H(1) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

In [7], Dragomir, Milošević and Sándor established inequalities related to (1.1). They are incorporated in the following:

**Theorem B.** *Let  $f, H$  be defined as above. Then:*

(1) *The following inequality holds*

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) &\leq \frac{2}{b-a} \int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+3b}{4}} f(x) dx \leq \int_0^1 H(t) dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right]. \end{aligned}$$

(2) *If  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$ , then, for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequalities*

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx - H(t) \\ &\leq (1-t) \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - H(t) \leq \frac{(f'(b) - f'(a))(b-a)}{4}.$$

**Theorem C.** *Let  $f, H, G$  be defined as above. Then:*

(1)  *$G$  is convex and increasing on  $[0, 1]$ .*

(2) *We have*

$$\inf_{t \in [0,1]} G(t) = G(0) = f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

and

$$\sup_{t \in [0,1]} G(t) = G(1) = \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}.$$

(3) *The following inequality holds for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ :*

$$(1.6) \quad H(t) \leq G(t).$$

(4) *The following inequality holds:*

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{2}{b-a} \int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+3b}{4}} f(x) dx &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) \right] \\ &\leq \int_0^1 G(t) dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

(5) If  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$ , then, for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequality

$$(1.8) \quad 0 \leq H(t) - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq G(t) - H(t).$$

**Theorem D.** Let  $f, H, G, L$  be defined as above. Then:

(1)  $L$  is convex on  $[0, 1]$ .

(2) We have the inequality:

$$(1.9) \quad G(t) \leq L(t) \leq \frac{1-t}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx + t \cdot \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and

$$\sup_{t \in [0, 1]} L(t) = \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}.$$

(3) For all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequalities:

$$H(1-t) \leq L(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{H(t) + H(1-t)}{2} \leq L(t).$$

In [8], Fejér established the following weighted generalization of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality (1.1).

**Theorem E.** Let  $f, g$  be defined as above. Then we have

$$(1.10) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx,$$

which is known as Fejér's inequality.

In [11], Tseng, Hwang and Dragomir established the following theorems related to Fejér-type inequalities.

**Theorem F.** Let  $f, g, I$  be defined as above. Then  $I$  is convex, increasing on  $[0, 1]$ , and for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the following Fejér-type inequality

$$(1.11) \quad \begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx &= I(0) \leq I(t) \leq I(1) \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem G.** Let  $f, g$  be defined as above. Then we have

$$(1.12) \quad \begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx &\leq \frac{f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx \\ &\leq \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] \int_a^b g(x) dx \\ &\leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we establish other Fejér-type inequalities related to the functions  $G, H, I, L, S_g$  and therefore generalize Theorems B – D from above.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In order to prove our main results, we need the following simple lemma:

**Lemma 1** (see [10]). *Let  $f$  be defined as above and let  $a \leq A \leq C \leq D \leq B \leq b$  with  $A + B = C + D$ . Then*

$$f(C) + f(D) \leq f(A) + f(B).$$

Now, we are ready to state and prove our results.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $f, g, I$  be defined as above. Then:*

(1) *The following inequality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx \\
 & \leq 2 \left[ \int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f(x) g(4x-2a-b) dx + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{\frac{a+3b}{4}} f(x) g(4x-a-2b) dx \right] \\
 & \leq \int_0^1 I(t) dt \\
 (2.1) \quad & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) *If  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$  and  $g$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ , then, for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.2) \quad & 0 \leq \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx - I(t) \\
 & \leq (1-t) \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} (b-a) - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \|g\|_\infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|g\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |g(x)|$ .

(3) *If  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$ , then, for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.3) \quad & 0 \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx - I(t) \\
 & \leq \frac{(f'(b) - f'(a))(b-a)}{4} \int_a^b g(x) dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* (1) Using simple techniques of integration, under the hypothesis of  $g$ , we have the following identities:

$$(2.4) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx = 4 \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) g(2x-a) dt dx;$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& 2 \left[ \int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f(x) g(4x-2a-b) dx + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{\frac{a+3b}{4}} f(x) g(4x-a-2b) dx \right] \\
&= 2 \int_{\frac{3a+b}{4}}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} [f(x) + f(a+b-x)] g(4x-2a-b) dx \\
(2.5) \quad &= 2 \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ f\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{a+b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3(a+b)}{4} - \frac{x}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dt dx;
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 I(t) dt &= \int_a^b \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(t\frac{x+a}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left((1-t)\frac{x+a}{2} + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dt dx \\
&\quad + \int_a^b \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(t\frac{x+b}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left((1-t)\frac{x+b}{2} + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dt dx \\
&= \int_a^b \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(t\frac{x+a}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left((1-t)\frac{x+a}{2} + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dt dx \\
&\quad + \int_a^b \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(t\frac{a+2b-x}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left((1-t)\frac{a+2b-x}{2} + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dt dx \\
(2.6) \quad &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)x\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dt dx \\
&\quad + \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)(a+b-x)\right) \right] g(2x-a) dt dx;
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx + \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{a+2b-x}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dt dx \\
(2.7) \quad &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ f(x) + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dt dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(a+b-x) \right] g(2x-a) dt dx.$$

By Lemma 1, the following inequalities hold for all  $t \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$  and  $x \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ .

$$(2.8) \quad 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq 2 \left[ f\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{a+b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3(a+b)}{4} - \frac{x}{2}\right) \right]$$

holds when  $A = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{a+b}{4}$ ,  $C = D = \frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $B = \frac{3(a+b)}{4} - \frac{x}{2}$  in Lemma 1.

$$(2.9) \quad 2f\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{a+b}{4}\right) \leq f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)x\right) + f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

holds when  $A = t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)x$ ,  $C = D = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{a+b}{4}$  and  $B = tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  in Lemma 1.

$$(2.10) \quad 2f\left(\frac{3(a+b)}{4} - \frac{x}{2}\right) \leq f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \\ + f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)(a+b-x)\right)$$

holds when  $A = t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ ,  $C = D = \frac{3(a+b)}{4} - \frac{x}{2}$  and  $B = t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)(a+b-x)$  in Lemma 1.

$$(2.11) \quad f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)x\right) + f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq f(x) + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

holds when  $A = x$ ,  $C = t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)x$ ,  $D = tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $B = \frac{a+b}{2}$  in Lemma 1.

$$(2.12) \quad f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f\left(t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)(a+b-x)\right) \\ \leq f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(a+b-x)$$

holds for  $A = \frac{a+b}{2}$ ,  $C = t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ ,  $D = t\frac{a+b}{2} + (1-t)(a+b-x)$  and  $B = a+b-x$  in Lemma 1. Multiplying the inequalities (2.8) – (2.12) by  $g(2x-a)$  and integrating them over  $t$  on  $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$ , over  $x$  on  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and using identities (2.4) – (2.7), we derive (2.1).

(2) On utilising the integration by parts, we have

$$(2.13) \quad \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} - x\right) [f'(a+b-x) - f'(x)] dx \\ = \int_a^b \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(x) dx \\ = \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} (b-a) - \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Using substitution rules for integration, under the hypothesis of  $g$ , we have the following identities

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \\
 &= \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{a+2b-x}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \\
 (2.14) \quad &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} [f(x) + f(a+b-x)] g(2x-a) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(t) &= \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(t\frac{x+a}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left(t\frac{a+2b-x}{2} + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \\
 (2.15) \quad &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left[ f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

Now, by the convexity of  $f$  and the hypothesis of  $g$ , the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ f(x) - f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) \\
 & \quad + \left[ f(a+b-x) - f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) \\
 & \leq (1-t) \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(x) g(2x-a) \\
 & \quad + (1-t) \left(\frac{a+b}{2} - x\right) f'(a+b-x) g(2x-a) \\
 & = (1-t) \left(\frac{a+b}{2} - x\right) [f'(a+b-x) - f'(x)] g(2x-a) \\
 & \leq (1-t) \left(\frac{a+b}{2} - x\right) [f'(a+b-x) - f'(x)] \|g\|_\infty
 \end{aligned}$$

holds for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ . Integrating the above inequalities over  $x$  on  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and using (2.13) – (2.15) and (1.11), we derive (2.2).

(3) Using the convexity of  $f$ , we have

$$\frac{f(a) - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(a - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(a) = \frac{a-b}{4} f'(a)$$

and

$$\frac{f(b) - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(b - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(b) = \frac{b-a}{4} f'(b)$$

and taking their sum we obtain

$$\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{(f'(b) - f'(a))(b-a)}{4}.$$

Thus,

$$(2.16) \quad \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx \\ \leq \frac{(f'(b) - f'(a))(b-a)}{4} \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

Finally, (2.3) follows from (1.11), (1.12) and (2.16). This completes the proof. ■

**Remark 3.** Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$  ( $x \in [a, b]$ ) in Theorem 2. Then  $I(t) = H(t)$  ( $t \in [0, 1]$ ) and therefore Theorem 2 reduces to Theorem B.

In the following theorems, we shall point out some inequalities for the functions  $G, H, I, S_g$  considered above:

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f, g, G, I$  be defined as above. Then:

(1) The following inequality holds for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ :

$$(2.17) \quad I(t) \leq G(t) \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

(2) If  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$  and  $g$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ , then, for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequality

$$(2.18) \quad 0 \leq I(t) - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) dx \leq (b-a) [G(t) - H(t)] \|g\|_\infty,$$

$$\text{where } \|g\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |g(x)|.$$

*Proof.* (1) Using simple techniques of integration, under the hypothesis of  $g$ , we have that the following identity holds on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$(2.19) \quad G(t) \int_a^b g(x) dx = \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left[ f\left(ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\ \left. + f\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dx.$$

By Lemma 1, the following inequality holds for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ .

$$(2.20) \quad f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f\left(t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \\ \leq f\left(ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

holds when  $A = ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ ,  $C = tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$ ,  $D = t(a+b-x) + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $B = tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  in Lemma 1. Multiplying the inequality (2.20) by  $g(2x-a)$ , integrating both sides over  $x$  on  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and using identities (2.15) and (2.19), we derive (2.17).



(2) Using an integration by parts, we have that the following identity holds on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
& t \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left[ \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) f' \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - x \right) f' \left( t(a+b-x) + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\
& = t \int_a^b \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) f' \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) dx \\
(2.21) \quad & = (b-a) [G(t) - H(t)].
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by the convexity of  $f$ , under the hypothesis of  $g$ , the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[ f \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) - f \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] g(2x-a) \\
& \quad + \left[ f \left( t(a+b-x) + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) - f \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] g(2x-a) \\
& \leq t \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) f' \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) g(2x-a) \\
& \quad + t \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - x \right) f' \left( t(a+b-x) + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) g(2x-a) \\
& = t \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - x \right) \left[ f' \left( t(a+b-x) + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - f' \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] g(2x-a) \\
& \leq t \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - x \right) \left[ f' \left( t(a+b-x) + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - f' \left( tx + (1-t) \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \|g\|_\infty
\end{aligned}$$

holds for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ . Integrating the above inequality over  $x$  on  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and using (2.21) and (1.11), we derive (2.18). This completes the proof. ■

**Remark 5.** Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$  ( $x \in [a, b]$ ) in Theorem 4. Then  $I(t) = H(t)$  ( $t \in [0, 1]$ ) and the inequalities (2.17) and (2.18) reduce to the inequalities (1.6) and (1.8), respectively.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $f, g, G, I, S_g$  be defined as above. Then we have the following results:

- (1)  $S_g$  is convex on  $[0, 1]$ .

(2) The following inequalities hold for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(t) \int_a^b g(x) dx &\leq S_g(t) \\
 &\leq (1-t) \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{x+a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{x+b}{2}\right) \right] g(x) dx \\
 &\quad + t \cdot \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx \\
 (2.22) \quad &\leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx;
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.23) \quad I(1-t) \leq S_g(t);$$

$$(2.24) \quad \frac{I(t) + I(1-t)}{2} \leq S_g(t).$$

(3) The following inequality holds:

$$(2.25) \quad \sup_{t \in [0,1]} S_g(t) = \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

*Proof.* (1) It is easily observed from the convexity of  $f$  that  $S_g$  is convex on  $[0, 1]$ .

(2) As for (1) of Theorem 4, we have that the following identity holds on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.26) \quad S_g(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} [f(ta + (1-t)x) + f(ta + (1-t)(a+b-x)) \\
 &\quad + f(tb + (1-t)x) + f(tb + (1-t)(a+b-x))] g(2x-a) dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 1, the following inequalities hold for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ .

$$(2.27) \quad 2f\left(ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq f(ta + (1-t)x) + f(ta + (1-t)(a+b-x))$$

holds when  $A = ta + (1-t)x$ ,  $C = D = ta + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $B = ta + (1-t)(a+b-x)$  in Lemma 1.

$$(2.28) \quad 2f\left(tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq f(tb + (1-t)x) + f(tb + (1-t)(a+b-x))$$

holds when  $A = tb + (1-t)x$ ,  $C = D = tb + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $B = tb + (1-t)(a+b-x)$  in Lemma 1. Multiplying the inequalities (2.27) – (2.28) by  $g(2x-a)$ , integrating them over  $x$  on  $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and using identities (2.19) and (2.26), we derive the first inequality of (2.22). Using the convexity of  $f$  and the inequality (1.12), the last

part of (2.22) holds. Next, by the convexity of  $f$  and the identity (2.26), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_g(1-t) &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left[ f\left((1-t)x + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left((1-t)(a+b-x) + t\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] g(2x-a) dx \\
 &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left[ f\left(\frac{1}{2}(ta + (1-t)x) + \frac{1}{2}(tb + (1-t)x)\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left(\frac{1}{2}(ta + (1-t)(a+b-x)) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{1}{2}(tb + (1-t)(a+b-x))\right) \right] g(2x-a) dx \\
 (2.29) \quad &\leq S_g(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

and the inequality (2.23) is proved. From (2.17), (2.22) and (2.23), we obtain (2.24).

(3) Using (2.22), the inequality (2.25) holds. This completes the proof. ■

**Remark 7.** Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}(x \in [a, b])$  in Theorem 6. Then  $I(t) = H(t)$  ( $t \in [0, 1]$ ),  $S_g(t) = L(t)$  ( $t \in [0, 1]$ ) and Theorem 6 reduces to Theorem D.

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