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## SOME INEQUALITIES FOR $GG$ -CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we establish some new integral inequalities for  $GG$ -convex functions by using an integral equality which is proved by the authors in [11]. We also give some new estimations for special means of real numbers.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The following definition is well known in the literature and several researchers interest this useful definition.

The function  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a convex function on  $I$ , if the inequality

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

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

Hermite-Hadamard inequality gives us upper and lower bounds for the mean-value of a convex function which is given as:

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

Anderson *et. al.* gave the following definition in [4]:

**Definition 1.** A function  $M : (0, \infty) \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is called a Mean function if

- (1)  $M(x, y) = M(y, x)$ ,
- (2)  $M(x, x) = x$ ,
- (3)  $x < M(x, y) < y$ , whenever  $x < y$ ,
- (4)  $M(ax, ay) = aM(x, y)$  for all  $a > 0$ .

Based on the definition of mean function, let us recall special means (See [4])

1. Arithmetic Mean:  $M(x, y) = A(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{2}$ .
2. Geometric Mean:  $M(x, y) = G(x, y) = \sqrt{xy}$ .
3. Harmonic Mean:  $M(x, y) = H(x, y) = 1/A\left(\frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{y}\right)$ .
4. Logarithmic Mean:  $M(x, y) = L(x, y) = (x-y) / (\log x - \log y)$  for  $x \neq y$  and  $L(x, x) = x$ .
5. Identric Mean:  $M(x, y) = I(x, y) = (1/e)(x^x/y^y)^{1/(x-y)}$  for  $x \neq y$  and  $I(x, x) = x$ .

In [4], Anderson *et. al.* also defined mean functions as the following:

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**Definition 2.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be continuous, where  $I$  is subinterval of  $(0, \infty)$ . Let  $M$  and  $N$  be any two Mean functions. We say  $f$  is  $MN$ -convex (concave) if

$$f(M(x, y)) \leq (\geq) N(f(x), f(y))$$

for all  $x, y \in I$ .

Recall the definitions of  $AG$ -convex functions,  $GG$ -convex functions and  $GA$ -convex functions that are given in [2] by Niculescu:

The  $AG$ -convex functions (usually known as log-convex functions) are those functions  $f : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  for which

$$(1.1) \quad x, y \in I \text{ and } \lambda \in [0, 1] \implies f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq f(x)^{1-\lambda} f(y)^\lambda,$$

i.e., for which  $\log f$  is convex.

The  $GG$ -convex functions (called in what follows multiplicatively convex functions) are those functions  $f : I \rightarrow J$  (acting on subintervals of  $(0, \infty)$ ) such that

$$(1.2) \quad x, y \in I \text{ and } \lambda \in [0, 1] \implies f(x^{1-\lambda}y^\lambda) \leq f(x)^{1-\lambda} f(y)^\lambda.$$

The class of all  $GA$ -convex functions is constituted by all functions  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (defined on subintervals of  $(0, \infty)$ ) for which

$$(1.3) \quad x, y \in I \text{ and } \lambda \in [0, 1] \implies f(x^{1-\lambda}y^\lambda) \leq f(x)^{1-\lambda} f(y)^\lambda.$$

Besides, recall that the condition of  $GG$ -convexity is given in the following theorem by Anderson et. al. in [4].

**Theorem 1.** Let  $I$  be an open interval of  $(0, \infty)$  and let  $f : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be differentiable. In parts (4) – (9), let  $I = (0, b)$ ,  $0 < b < \infty$ .

- (1)  $f$  is  $AA$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $f'(x)$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (2)  $f$  is  $AG$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (3)  $f$  is  $AH$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)^2}$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (4)  $f$  is  $GA$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $xf'(x)$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (5)  $f$  is  $GG$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)}$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (6)  $f$  is  $GH$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)^2}$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (7)  $f$  is  $HA$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $x^2f'(x)$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (8)  $f$  is  $HG$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{x^2f'(x)}{f(x)}$  is increasing (decreasing).
- (9)  $f$  is  $HH$ -convex (concave) if and only if  $\frac{x^2f'(x)}{f(x)^2}$  is increasing (decreasing).

In [11], authors proved the following lemma and established new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for  $GA$ -convex functions:

**Lemma 1.** Let  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f' \in L[a, b]$ , then the following identity holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \\ &= (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} f'(x^t a^{1-t}) dt - (\ln x - \ln b) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} f'(x^t b^{1-t}) dt \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

For recent results, generalizations, improvements and counterparts see the papers [1]-[10] and references therein.

The main aim of this paper is to prove some new integral inequalities for  $GG$ -convex functions by using the above integral identity. Also some applications to special means are given.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.**  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$ ,  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$  and  $f' \in L[a, b]$ . If  $|f'(x)|$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then one has the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) L(a^2 |f'(a)|, x^2 |f'(x)|) \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) L(x^2 |f'(x)|, b^2 |f'(b)|) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

*Proof.* From Lemma 1 and by using the  $GG$ -convexity of  $|f'(x)|$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} f'(x^t a^{1-t}) dt \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} f'(x^t b^{1-t}) dt \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} \left[ |f'(x)|^t |f'(a)|^{1-t} \right] dt \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} \left[ |f'(x)|^t |f'(b)|^{1-t} \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

By a simple computatin, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \left( \frac{x^2 |f'(x)| - a^2 |f'(a)|}{\ln(x^2 |f'(x)|) - \ln(a^2 |f'(a)|)} \right) \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \left( \frac{b^2 |f'(b)| - x^2 |f'(x)|}{\ln(b^2 |f'(b)|) - \ln(x^2 |f'(x)|)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.**  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$ ,  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$  and  $f' \in L[a, b]$ . If  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(a^2, x^2) L^{\frac{1}{q}}(a^2 |f'(a)|^q, x^2 |f'(x)|^q) \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(x^2, b^2) L^{\frac{1}{q}}(x^2 |f'(x)|^q, b^2 |f'(b)|^q) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $q \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* From Lemma 1, by using the  $GG$ -convexity of  $|f'(x)|$  and by Hölder integral inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t a^{1-t})| dt \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \left( \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} [|f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(a)|^{q(1-t)}] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \left( \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} [|f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(b)|^{q(1-t)}] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

By making use of the necessary computation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{x^2 - a^2}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{x^2 |f'(x)|^q - a^2 |f'(a)|^q}{\ln(x^2 |f'(x)|^q) - \ln(a^2 |f'(a)|^q)} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{b^2 - x^2}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{b^2 |f'(b)|^q - x^2 |f'(x)|^q}{\ln(b^2 |f'(b)|^q) - \ln(x^2 |f'(x)|^q)} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.**  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$ ,  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$  and  $f' \in L[a, b]$ . If  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then the

following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) L^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}, x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} \right) L^{\frac{1}{q}} (|f'(a)|^q, |f'(x)|^q) \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) L^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} \right) L^{\frac{1}{q}} (|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $q > 1$ .

*Proof.* Since  $|f'(x)|$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and by using Hölder integral inequality, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t a^{1-t})| dt \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq a^2 (\ln x - \ln a) \left( \int_0^1 \left( \frac{x}{a} \right)^{\frac{2qt}{q-1}} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 [ |f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(a)|^{q(1-t)} ] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + b^2 (\ln b - \ln x) \left( \int_0^1 \left( \frac{x}{b} \right)^{\frac{2qt}{q-1}} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 [ |f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(b)|^{q(1-t)} ] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

By a simple computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \left( \frac{x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} - a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}}{\ln x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} - \ln a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{|f'(x)|^q - |f'(a)|^q}{\ln |f'(x)|^q - \ln |f'(a)|^q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \left( \frac{b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} - x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}}{\ln b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}} - \ln x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{|f'(b)|^q - |f'(x)|^q}{\ln |f'(b)|^q - \ln |f'(x)|^q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.**  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$ ,  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$  and  $f' \in L[a, b]$ . If  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then the

following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) L^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( (a^2 |f'(a)|)^q, (x^2 |f'(x)|)^q \right) \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) L^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( (x^2 |f'(x)|)^q, (b^2 |f'(b)|)^q \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $q \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* By a similar argument to the proof of previous theorem, since  $|f'(x)|$  is  $GG$ -convex function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 1 and by using a version of Hölder integral inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \int_0^1 x^{2t} a^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t a^{1-t})| dt \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \int_0^1 x^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} |f'(x^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq a^2 (\ln x - \ln a) \left( \int_0^1 dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 \left( \frac{x}{a} \right)^{2qt} [ |f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(a)|^{q(1-t)} ] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + b^2 (\ln b - \ln x) \left( \int_0^1 dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^1 \left( \frac{x}{b} \right)^{2qt} [ |f'(x)|^{qt} |f'(b)|^{q(1-t)} ] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

By computing the above integrals, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(u) du \right| \\ & \leq (\ln x - \ln a) \left[ \frac{(x^2 |f'(x)|)^q - (a^2 |f'(a)|)^q}{\ln(x^2 |f'(x)|)^q - \ln(a^2 |f'(a)|)^q} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + (\ln b - \ln x) \left[ \frac{(b^2 |f'(b)|)^q - (x^2 |f'(x)|)^q}{\ln(b^2 |f'(b)|)^q - \ln(x^2 |f'(x)|)^q} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Which completes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. APPLICATIONS TO SPECIAL MEANS

Let us recall the special means of two nonnegative real numbers  $a, b$  with  $a < b$  :

a) The arithmetic mean:

$$A = A(a, b) := \frac{a+b}{2}, \quad a, b \geq 0,$$

b) The geometric mean:

$$G = G(a, b) := \sqrt{ab}, \quad a, b \geq 0,$$

c) The harmonic mean:

$$H = H(a, b) := \frac{2ab}{a+b}, \quad a, b \geq 0,$$

d) The logarithmic mean:

$$L = L(a, b) := \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a = b \\ \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a} & \text{if } a \neq b \end{cases}, \quad a, b \geq 0,$$

e) The Identric mean.

$$I = I(a, b) := \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a = b \\ \frac{1}{e} \left( \frac{b^b}{a^a} \right)^{\frac{1}{b-a}} & \text{if } a \neq b \end{cases}, \quad a, b \geq 0,$$

f) The  $p$ -logarithmic mean:

$$L_p = L_p(a, b) := \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right]^{1/p} & \text{if } a \neq b \\ a & \text{if } a = b \end{cases}, \quad p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\}; \quad a, b > 0.$$

The following inequality is well known in the literature:

$$H \leq G \leq L \leq I \leq A$$

It is also known that  $L_p$  is monotonically increasing over  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , denoting  $L_0 = I$  and  $L_{-1} = L$ .

The following propositions holds for our main results:

**Proposition 1.** *Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $s > 0$ . Then, we have*

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & |(b-a) L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a, b)| \\ & \leq \frac{(x-a)}{L(a, x)} L(a^{s+2}, x^{s+2}) + \frac{(b-x)}{L(x, b)} L(x^{s+2}, b^{s+2}) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

*Proof.* The proof is follows from Theorem 2 by applying  $f(x) = \frac{x^{s+1}}{s+1}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s > 0$ , where  $|f'(x)|$  is  $GG$ -convex function.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.** *Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $s > 0$ . Then for all  $q \geq 1$ , one has the inequality*

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & |(b-a) L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a, b)| \\ & \leq \frac{(x-a)}{L(a, x)} L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(a^2, x^2) L^{\frac{1}{q}}(a^{sq+2}, x^{sq+2}) \\ & \quad + \frac{(b-x)}{L(x, b)} L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}(x^2, b^2) L^{\frac{1}{q}}(x^{sq+2}, b^{sq+2}) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

*Proof.* The proof is immediate from Theorem 3 applied for  $f(x) = \frac{x^{s+1}}{s+1}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s > 0$  where  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.** *Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $s > 0$ . Then for all  $q > 1$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & |(b-a)L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a,b)| \\ & \leq \frac{(x-a)}{L(a,x)}L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}\left(a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}},x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}\right)L^{\frac{1}{q}}(a^{sq},x^{sq}) \\ & \quad + \frac{(b-x)}{L(x,b)}L^{1-\frac{1}{q}}\left(x^{\frac{2q}{q-1}},b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}\right)L^{\frac{1}{q}}(x^{sq},b^{sq}) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The proof is immediate from Theorem 4 applied for  $f(x) = \frac{x^{s+1}}{s+1}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s > 0$  where  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.** *Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $s > 0$ . Then for all  $q \geq 1$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} (3.3) \quad & |(b-a)L_{s+1}^{s+1}(a,b)| \\ & \leq \frac{(x-a)}{L(a,x)}L^{\frac{1}{q}}(a^{sq+2},x^{sq+2}) \\ & \quad + \frac{(b-x)}{L(x,b)}L^{\frac{1}{q}}(x^{sq+2},bx^{sq+2}) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* It is easy to see that by applying  $f(x) = \frac{x^{s+1}}{s+1}$  to Theorem 5,  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s > 0$ , where  $|f'(x)|^q$  is  $GG$ -convex function.  $\square$

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