

WEIGHTED GENERALIZATIONS OF OPIAL'S INEQUALITIES FOR p -NORMS AND TWO FUNCTIONS WITH APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we establish some weighted generalizations of Opial's inequalities in terms of p -norms and for two functions. Applications related to Grüss' type weighted inequalities are also given.

1. INTRODUCTION

We recall the following Opial type inequalities:

Theorem 1. *Assume that $u : [a, b] \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an absolutely continuous function on the interval $[a, b]$ and such that $u' \in L_2[a, b]$.*

(i) *If $u(a) = u(b) = 0$, then*

$$(1.1) \quad \int_a^b |u(t) u'(t)| dt \leq \frac{1}{4} (b-a) \int_a^b |u'(t)|^2 dt,$$

with equality if and only if

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} c(t-a) & \text{if } a \leq t \leq \frac{a+b}{2}, \\ c(b-t) & \text{if } \frac{a+b}{2} < t \leq b, \end{cases}$$

where c is an arbitrary constant.

(ii) *If $u(a) = 0$, then*

$$(1.2) \quad \int_a^b |u(t) u'(t)| dt \leq \frac{1}{2} (b-a) \int_a^b |u'(t)|^2 dt,$$

with equality if and only if $u(t) = c(t-a)$ for some constant c .

The inequality (1.1) was obtained by Olech in [12] in which he gave a simplified proof of an inequality originally due in a slightly less general form to Zdzislaw Opial [13].

Embedded in Olech's proof is the half-interval form of Opial's inequality, also discovered by Beesack [1], which is satisfied by those u vanishing only at a .

For various proofs of the above inequalities, see [8]-[11] and [15].

In [5] we obtained the following generalizations of Opial inequalities for p -norms of two functions:

Theorem 2. *Assume that $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$ with $f' \in L_p[a, b]$ and $g' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.*

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(i) If $g(a) = 0$, then

$$(1.3) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)| dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (t-a) |f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q} (b-t) |g'(t)|^q \right] dt.$$

(ii) If $g(b) = 0$, then

$$(1.4) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)| dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (b-t) |f'(t)|^p dt + \frac{1}{q} (t-a) |g'(t)|^q \right] dt.$$

(iii) If $g(a) = g(b) = 0$, then

$$(1.5) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)| dt \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} (b-a) \int_a^b |f'(t)|^p dt - \int_a^b \left| \frac{a+b}{2} - t \right| |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \\ \times \left(\int_a^b \left| \frac{a+b}{2} - t \right| |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ \leq \frac{1}{2p} (b-a) \int_a^b |f'(t)|^p dt + \int_a^b \left| \frac{a+b}{2} - t \right| \left[\frac{1}{q} |g'(t)|^q - \frac{1}{p} |f'(t)|^p \right] dt.$$

In particular, we have:

Corollary 1. Assume that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$ and $f' \in L_p[a, b] \cap L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

(i) If $f(a) = 0$, then

$$(1.6) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)f(t)| dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (t-a) |f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q} (b-t) |f'(t)|^q \right] dt.$$

(ii) If $f(b) = 0$, then

$$(1.7) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)f(t)| dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (b-t) |f'(t)|^p dt + \frac{1}{q} (t-a) |f'(t)|^q \right] dt.$$

(iii) If $f(a) = f(b) = 0$, then

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

In this paper we establish some weighted generalizations of Opial's inequalities in terms of p -norms and for two functions. Applications related to Grüss' type weighted inequalities are also given.

2. THE MAIN RESULTS

We have:

Theorem 3. Assume that $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $f'w^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $g' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

(i) If $g(a) = 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.1) \quad & \int_a^b |f'(t) g(t)| w(t) dt \\
& \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
& \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t) + \frac{1}{q} \left(\int_t^b w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q \right] dt.
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) If $g(b) = 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.2) \quad & \int_a^b |f'(t) g(t)| w(t) dt \\
& \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
& \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p} (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) + \frac{1}{q} \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q \right] dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. (i) Since $g(a) = 0$, then $g(t) = \int_a^t g'(s) ds$ for $t \in [a, b]$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt &= \int_a^b |f'(t)||g(t)|w(t)dt \\ &= \int_a^b (t-a)^{1/p}|f'(t)|(t-a)^{-1/p}|g(t)|w(t)dt \\ &= \int_a^b (t-a)^{1/p}|f'(t)|(t-a)^{-1/p}\left|\int_a^t g'(s)ds\right|w(t)dt =: A. \end{aligned}$$

Using the weighted Hölder's inequality for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.3) \quad A &\leq \left(\int_a^b \left[(t-a)^{1/p}|f'(t)| \right]^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_a^b \left[(t-a)^{-1/p} \left| \int_a^t g'(s) ds \right| \right]^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left[(t-a)^{-1/p} \left| \int_a^t g'(s) ds \right| \right]^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &=: B. \end{aligned}$$

By Hölder's inequality for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ we also have

$$(t-a)^{-1/p} \left| \int_a^t g'(s) ds \right| \leq \left(\int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds \right)^{1/q}$$

that implies

$$\left[(t-a)^{-1/p} \left| \int_a^t g'(s) ds \right| \right]^q \leq \int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds,$$

which gives

$$(2.4) \quad B \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds \right) w(t) dt \right)^{1/q}.$$

Using integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds \right) w(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds \right) d \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) \\ &= \left(\int_a^t |g'(s)|^q ds \right) \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \\ &= \left(\int_a^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right) \left(\int_a^b w(s) ds \right) - \int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\int_t^b w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.3) we get the first inequality in (2.1).

The last part follows by the elementary *Young's inequality*

$$(2.5) \quad \alpha^{1/p} \beta^{1/q} \leq \frac{1}{p} \alpha + \frac{1}{q} \beta, \quad \alpha, \beta \geq 0.$$

(ii) Since $g(b) = 0$, then $g(t) = -\int_t^b g'(s) ds$ for $t \in [a, b]$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)| w(t) dt &= \int_a^b |f'(t)| |g(t)| w(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b (b-t)^{1/p} |f'(t)| (b-t)^{-1/p} |g(t)| w(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b (b-t)^{1/p} |f'(t)| (b-t)^{-1/p} \left| \int_t^b g'(s) ds \right| w(t) dt =: C. \end{aligned}$$

Using Hölder's inequality for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ we also have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.6) \quad C &\leq \left(\int_a^b \left[(b-t)^{1/p} |f'(t)| \right]^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_a^b \left[(b-t)^{-1/p} \left| \int_t^b g'(s) ds \right| \right]^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t)^{-1/p} \left| \int_t^b g'(s) ds \right|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &=: D. \end{aligned}$$

By Hölder's inequality for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ we also have

$$(b-t)^{-1/p} \left| \int_t^b g'(s) ds \right| \leq \left(\int_t^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right)^{1/q},$$

which gives

$$(2.7) \quad D \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right) w(t) dt \right)^{1/2}.$$

Using integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right) w(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\int_t^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right) d \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) \\ &= \left(\int_t^b |g'(s)|^q ds \right) \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) \Big|_a^b + \int_a^b |g'(t)|^q \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.6) and (2.7) we obtain (2.2). \square

Corollary 2. Assume that $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $f'w^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $g' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

(i) If $g(a) = 0$ and w is nonincreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$(2.8) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t)|g'(t)|^q w(t)dt \right)^{1/q} \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p}(t-a)|f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q}(b-t)|g'(t)|^q \right] w(t)dt.$$

(ii) If $g(b) = 0$ and w is nondecreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$(2.9) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t)|f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|g'(t)|^q w(t)dt \right)^{1/q} \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p}(b-t)|f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q}(t-a)|g'(t)|^q \right] w(t)dt.$$

Remark 1. Assume that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $f'w^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $f' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

(i) If $f(a) = 0$ and w is nonincreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$(2.10) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)f(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t)|f'(t)|^q w(t)dt \right)^{1/q} \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p}(t-a)|f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q}(b-t)|f'(t)|^q \right] w(t)dt.$$

(ii) If $f(b) = 0$ and w is nondecreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$(2.11) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)f(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t)|f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (t-a)|f'(t)|^q w(t)dt \right)^{1/q} \leq \int_a^b \left[\frac{1}{p}(b-t)|f'(t)|^p + \frac{1}{q}(t-a)|f'(t)|^q \right] w(t)dt.$$

We have:

Theorem 4. Assume that $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $f'w^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $g' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. If $g(a) = g(b) = 0$, then

$$(2.12) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt \leq \frac{1}{2}(b-a)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b w(s)ds \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_a^b |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}(b-a) \int_a^b |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt - \int_a^b \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \times \left(\int_a^b \left| \int_t^{\frac{a+b}{2}} w(s)ds \right| |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.$$

Proof. If we add the inequalities (2.1) and (2.2) we get

$$(2.14) \quad 2 \int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)|w(t)dt \leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b w(s)ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} + \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s)ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.$$

If we use the elementary Hölder inequality for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

$$(2.15) \quad \alpha\beta + \gamma\delta \leq (\alpha^p + \gamma^p)^{1/p} (\beta^q + \delta^q)^{1/q}, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \geq 0,$$

we have

$$(2.16) \quad \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b w(s)ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} + \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t)dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s)ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt + \int_a^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_a^b \left(\int_t^b w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt + \int_a^b \left(\int_a^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
&= (b-a)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b w(s) ds \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_a^b |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

By making use of (2.14) and (2.16) we get (2.12).

If we use the inequality (2.1) on the interval $[a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.17) \quad &\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |f'(t)g(t)| w(t) dt \\
&\leq \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_t^{\frac{a+b}{2}} w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}
\end{aligned}$$

while if we use the inequality (2.2) on the interval $[\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.18) \quad &\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |f'(t)g(t)| w(t) dt \\
&\leq \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

If we add these two inequalities, then we get by (2.15) that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_a^b |f'(t)g(t)| w(t) dt \\
&\leq \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_t^{\frac{a+b}{2}} w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
&\quad + \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (b-t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^t w(s) ds \right) |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\
&\leq \left(\int_a^b K(t) |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b \left| \int_t^{\frac{a+b}{2}} w(s) ds \right| |g'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$K(t) := \begin{cases} t-a, & \text{if } t \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}] \\ b-t, & \text{if } t \in [\frac{a+b}{2}, b] \end{cases} = \frac{1}{2}(b-a) - \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|.$$

This proves (2.13). \square

Corollary 3. Assume that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $f'w^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $f' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with

$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. If $f(a) = f(b) = 0$, then

$$(2.19) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t) f(t)| w(t) dt \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} (b-a)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b w(s) ds \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_a^b |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b |f'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}$$

and

$$(2.20) \quad \int_a^b |f'(t) f(t)| w(t) dt \\ \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} (b-a) \int_a^b |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt - \int_a^b \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| |f'(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\ \times \left(\int_a^b \left| \int_t^{\frac{a+b}{2}} w(s) ds \right| |f'(t)|^q dt \right)^{1/q}.$$

3. SOME INEQUALITIES FOR THE WEIGHTED ČEBYŠEV FUNCTIONAL

Consider now the *weighted Čebyšev functional*

$$(3.1) \quad C_w(f, g) := \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) f(t) g(t) dt \\ - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) f(t) dt \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) g(t) dt$$

where $f, g, w : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $w(t) \geq 0$ for a.e. $t \in [a, b]$ are measurable functions such that the involved integrals exist and $\int_a^b w(t) dt > 0$.

In [3], Cerone and Dragomir obtained, among others, the following inequalities:

$$(3.2) \quad |C_w(f, g)| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) \left| g(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b w(s) g(s) ds \right| dt \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \left[\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) \left| g(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b w(s) g(s) ds \right|^p dt \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \operatorname{esssup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| g(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b w(s) g(s) ds \right|$$

for $p > 1$, provided $-\infty < m \leq f(t) \leq M < \infty$ for a.e. $t \in [a, b]$ and the corresponding integrals are finite. The constant $\frac{1}{2}$ is sharp in all the inequalities in (3.2) in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

In addition, if $-\infty < n \leq g(t) \leq N < \infty$ for a.e. $t \in [a, b]$, then the following refinement of the celebrated Grüss inequality is obtained:

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3) \quad |C_w(f, g)| &\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) \left| g(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b w(s) g(s) ds \right| dt \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \left[\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(t) dt} \int_a^b w(t) \left| g(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b w(s) g(s) ds \right|^2 dt \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) (N - n).
\end{aligned}$$

Here, the constants $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ are also sharp in the sense mentioned above.

If we write Corollary 2 for the function $f = \int_a h(t) dt$, where $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is integrable on $[a, b]$, then we have:

Lemma 1. *Assume that $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ and $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable, $hw^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$ and $g' \in L_q[a, b]$ for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.*

(i) *If $g(a) = 0$ and w is nonincreasing on $[a, b]$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.4) \quad \int_a^b |h(t) g(t)| w(t) dt &\leq \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |h(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

(1) *If $g(b) = 0$ and w is nondecreasing on $[a, b]$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.5) \quad \int_a^b |h(t) g(t)| w(t) dt &\leq \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |h(t)|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

We have the following inequality for the weighted Čebyšev functional.

Theorem 5. *Assume that $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ and $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is integrable with $fw^{1/p} \in L_p[a, b]$, $g' \in L_q[a, b]$, where for $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.*

(i) If w is nonincreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.6) \quad & |C_w(f, g)| \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (t-a) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (b-t) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\
 & \leq (b-a)^{1/p} \left[\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right]^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (b-t) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If w is nondecreasing on $[a, b]$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.7) \quad & |C_w(f, g)| \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (b-t) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (t-a) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \\
 & \leq (b-a)^{1/p} \left[\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right]^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (t-a) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We use the following *Sonin type identity*

$$(3.8) \quad C_w(f, g) = \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left(f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right) (g(t) - \gamma) w(t) dt,$$

for $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, which can be proved directly on calculating the integral from the right hand side.

Using the inequality (3.4) for $\gamma = g(a)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |C_w(f, g)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right| |g(t) - g(a)| w(t) dt \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \left(\int_a^b (t-a) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_a^b (b-t) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

that proves the first inequality in (3.6).

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b (t-a) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \\ & \leq (b-a) \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt, \end{aligned}$$

hence the second part of (3.6) follows.

Using the inequality (3.5) for $\gamma = g(b)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |C_w(f, g)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right| |g(t) - g(b)| w(t) dt \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \left(\int_a^b (b-t) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{\int_a^b w(s) ds} \int_a^b f(s) w(s) ds \right|^p w(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_a^b (t-a) |g'(t)|^q w(t) dt \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

that proves the first part of (3.7).

The second part follows in the same way as above. \square

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