

GRÜSS INEQUALITY IN TERMS OF Δ -SEMINORMS AND APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. Some upper bounds for the modulus of the Chebychev functional in terms of Δ -seminorms are pointed out. Applications for midpoint and trapezoid inequalities are also given.

1. INTRODUCTION

For two measurable functions $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, define the functional, which is known in the literature as Chebychev's functional

$$(1.1) \quad T(f, g; a, b) := \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx - \frac{1}{(b-a)^2} \int_a^b f(x) dx \cdot \int_a^b g(x) dx,$$

provided that the involved integrals exist.

The following inequality is well known in the literature as the Grüss inequality [9]

$$(1.2) \quad |T(f, g; a, b)| \leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) (N - n),$$

provided that $m \leq f \leq M$ and $n \leq g \leq N$ a.e. on $[a, b]$, where m, M, n, N are real numbers. The constant $\frac{1}{4}$ in (1.2) is the best possible.

Another inequality of this type is due to Chebychev (see for example [1, p. 207]). Namely, if f, g are absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$ and $f', g' \in L_\infty[a, b]$ and $\|f'\|_\infty := \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} |f'(t)|$, then

$$(1.3) \quad |T(f, g; a, b)| \leq \frac{1}{12} \|f'\|_\infty \|g'\|_\infty (b-a)^2$$

and the constant $\frac{1}{12}$ is the best possible.

Finally, let us recall a result by Lupaş (see for example [1, p. 210]), which states that:

$$(1.4) \quad |T(f, g; a, b)| \leq \frac{1}{\pi^2} \|f'\|_2 \|g'\|_2 (b-a)^2,$$

provided f, g are absolutely continuous and $f', g' \in L_2[a, b]$. The constant $\frac{1}{\pi^2}$ is the best possible here.

For other Grüss type inequalities, see the books [1] and [2], and the papers [3]-[10], where further references are given.

In the present paper we point out some bounds for the Chebychev functional in terms of the Δ -seminorms $\|\cdot\|_p^\Delta$, $p \in [1, \infty]$; as will be defined in the sequel.

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2. Δ -SEMINORMS AND RELATED INEQUALITIES

For $f \in L_p[a, b]$ ($p \in [1, \infty)$) we can define the functional (see also [11])

$$(2.1) \quad \|f\|_p^\Delta := \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |f(t) - f(s)|^p dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

and for $f \in L_\infty[a, b]$, we can define

$$(2.2) \quad \|f\|_\infty^\Delta := \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(t,s) \in [a,b]^2} |f(t) - f(s)|.$$

If we consider $f_\Delta : [a, b]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$(2.3) \quad f_\Delta(t, s) = f(t) - f(s),$$

then, obviously

$$(2.4) \quad \|f\|_p^\Delta = \|f_\Delta\|_p, \quad p \in [1, \infty],$$

where $\|\cdot\|_p$ are the usual Lebesgue p -norms on $[a, b]^2$.

Using the properties of the Lebesgue p -norms, we may deduce the following semi-norm properties for $\|\cdot\|_p^\Delta$:

- (i) $\|f\|_p^\Delta \geq 0$ for $f \in L_p[a, b]$ and $\|f\|_p^\Delta = 0$ implies that $f = c$ (c is a constant) a.e. in $[a, b]$;
- (ii) $\|f + g\|_p^\Delta \leq \|f\|_p^\Delta + \|g\|_p^\Delta$ if $f, g \in L_p[a, b]$;
- (iii) $\|\alpha f\|_p^\Delta = |\alpha| \|f\|_p^\Delta$.

We note that if $p = 2$, then,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_2^\Delta &= \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b (f(t) - f(s))^2 dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left[(b-a) \|f\|_2^2 - \left(\int_a^b f(t) dt \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the inequalities (1.2), (1.3) and (1.4), we obtain the following estimate for $\|\cdot\|_2^\Delta$:

$$\|f\|_2^\Delta \leq \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (M - m) & \text{if } m \leq f \leq M; \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}} \|f'\|_\infty (b-a) & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \|f'\|_2 (b-a) & \text{if } f' \in L_2[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, then we can point out the following bounds for $\|f\|_p^\Delta$ in terms of $\|f'\|_p$.

Theorem 1. *Assume that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$.*

(i) If $p \in [1, \infty)$, then we have the inequality

$$(2.5) \quad \|f\|_p^\Delta \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}}(b-a)^{1+\frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \|f'\|_\infty & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ \frac{(2\beta^2)^{\frac{1}{p}}(b-a)^{\frac{1}{\beta}+\frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+\beta)(p+2\beta)]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \|f'\|_\alpha & \text{if } f' \in L_\alpha[a, b], \\ & \alpha > 1, \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1; \\ (b-a)^{\frac{2}{p}} \|f'\|_1 & \text{if } f' \in L_1[a, b], \end{cases}$$

(ii) If $p = \infty$, then we have the inequality

$$(2.6) \quad \|f\|_\infty^\Delta \leq \begin{cases} (b-a) \|f'\|_\infty & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \|f'\|_\alpha & \text{if } f' \in L_\alpha[a, b], \alpha > 1, \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1; \\ \|f'\|_1. & \end{cases}$$

Proof. As $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous, then $f(t) - f(s) = \int_s^t f'(u) du$ for all $t, s \in [a, b]$, and then

$$(2.7) \quad |f(t) - f(s)| = \left| \int_s^t f'(u) du \right| \leq \begin{cases} |t-s| \|f'\|_\infty & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ |t-s|^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \|f'\|_\alpha & \text{if } f' \in L_\alpha[a, b], \alpha > 1, \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1; \\ \|f'\|_1 & \text{if } f' \in L_1[a, b] \end{cases}$$

and so for $p \in [1, \infty)$, we may write

$$\leq \begin{cases} |t-s|^p \|f'\|_\infty^p & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ |t-s|^{\frac{p}{\beta}} \|f'\|_\alpha^p & \text{if } f' \in L_\alpha[a, b], \alpha > 1, \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1; \\ \|f'\|_1^p & \text{if } f' \in L_1[a, b], \end{cases}$$

and then from (2.3), (2.4)

$$(2.8) \quad \|f\|_p^\Delta \leq \begin{cases} \|f'\|_\infty \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |t-s|^p dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty[a, b]; \\ \|f'\|_\alpha \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |t-s|^{\frac{p}{\beta}} dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } f' \in L_\alpha[a, b], \\ & \alpha > 1, \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1; \\ \|f'\|_1 \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } f' \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

Further, since

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.9) \quad & \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |t-s|^p dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left[\int_a^b \left(\int_a^t (t-s)^p ds + \int_t^b (s-t)^p ds \right) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left(\int_a^b \left[\frac{(t-a)^{p+1} + (b-t)^{p+1}}{p+1} \right] dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-a)^{1+\frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}},
\end{aligned}$$

giving

$$\left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |t-s|^{\frac{p}{\beta}} dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \frac{(2\beta^2)^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+\beta)(p+2\beta)]^{\frac{1}{p}}},$$

and

$$\left(\int_a^b \int_a^b dt ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = (b-a)^{\frac{2}{p}},$$

we obtain, from (2.8), the stated result (2.5).

Using (2.7) we have (for $p = \infty$) that

$$(2.10) \quad \|f\|_{\infty}^{\Delta} \leq \begin{cases} \|f'\|_{\infty} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(t,s) \in [a,b]^2} |t-s| \\ \|f'\|_{\alpha} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(t,s) \in [a,b]} |t-s|^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \\ \|f'\|_1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} (b-a) \|f'\|_{\infty} \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \|f'\|_{\alpha} \\ \|f'\|_1 \end{cases}$$

and the inequality (2.6) is also proved. ■

3. SOME BOUNDS IN TERMS OF Δ -SEMINORMS

The following result of Grüss type holds.

Theorem 2. *Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be measurable on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality:*

$$(3.1) \quad |T(f, g; a, b)| \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \|f\|_p^{\Delta} \|g\|_q^{\Delta},$$

where $p = 1$, $q = \infty$, or $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ or $q = 1$ and $p = \infty$, provided all integrals involved exist. Further, $T(f, g; a, b)$ is the Chebychev functional defined by (1.1).

Proof. Using Korkine's identity, we have

$$T(f, g; a, b) = \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \int_a^b (f(x) - f(y))(g(x) - g(y)) dx dy.$$

Now, if $f \in L_\infty [a, b]$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& |T(f, g; a, b)| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \int_a^b |f(x) - f(y)| |g(x) - g(y)| dx dy \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(x,y) \in [a,b]^2} (f(x) - f(y)) \int_a^b \int_a^b |g(x) - g(y)| dx dy \\
& = \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \|f\|_\infty^\Delta \|g\|_1^\Delta,
\end{aligned}$$

and the inequality is proved for $p = \infty, q = 1$.

A similar argument applies for $p = 1, q = \infty$.

If $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then applying Hölder's integral inequality for double integrals, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
& |T(f, g; a, b)| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \int_a^b |f(x) - f(y)| |g(x) - g(y)| dx dy \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |f(x) - f(y)|^p dx dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |g(x) - g(y)|^q dx dy \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \|f\|_p^\Delta \|g\|_q^\Delta
\end{aligned}$$

and the theorem is proved. ■

Remark 1. Taking into account by Theorem 2 that for $p = 1$, we have three bounds for $\|f\|_1^\Delta$ and for $p \in (1, \infty)$ we have another three bounds for $\|f\|_p^\Delta$ and for $p = \infty$, we can state some other three bounds by $\|f\|_\infty^\Delta$, then, by the inequality (3.1), we are able to point out eighty-one bounds for the modulus of the functional $T(f, g; a, b)$, in terms of the derivatives f' and g' .

In some practical applications, the Δ -seminorm of a mapping, say f , can be easily computed. In that case, the number of bounds is much less.

The following result for the trapezoid formula holds.

Theorem 3. Assume that the mapping $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality

$$(3.2) \quad \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq B := \begin{cases} \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} (b-a)^{\frac{2}{p}-1}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \|f'\|_q^\Delta & \text{if } p \in [1, \infty) \text{ and } f' \in L_q[a, b]; \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \text{(for } p = 1 \text{ we choose } q = \infty); \\ \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \|f'\|_1^\Delta. \end{cases}$$

Proof. We know the following identity (see [12]) holds, where many other related results are given,

$$(3.3) \quad \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left(t - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(t) dt,$$

which can be easily proved by applying the integration by parts formula.

We observe that

$$T\left(\cdot - \frac{a+b}{2}, f', a, b\right) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left(t - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) f'(t) dt.$$

If we define $h(t) := t - \frac{a+b}{2}$, and

$$(3.4) \quad D_p(a, b) := \int_a^b \int_a^b |x-y|^p dx dy = 2 \frac{(b-a)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)},$$

then we observe that for $p \geq 1$, from (2.9) and (2.10),

$$\|h\|_p^\Delta = D_p^{\frac{1}{p}}(a, b) = \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-a)^{1+\frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}}$$

and

$$\|h\|_\infty^\Delta = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(x,y) \in [a,b]^2} |x-y| = b-a$$

for which, using (3.1), we conclude the desired inequality (3.2). ■

Corollary 1. *With the assumptions of Theorem 3 and if $f' \in L_2[a, b]$, then we have the inequality*

$$(3.5) \quad \left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left[(b-a) \|f'\|_2^2 - [f(b) - f(a)]^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The proof follows by (3.2) for $p = q = 2$.

For a different proof, see [14].

Remark 2. *If we take*

$$H(t) = t - z, \quad z \in [a, b],$$

then we would obtain

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left(\frac{z-a}{b-a} f(a) + \frac{b-z}{b-a} f(b) \right) + 2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} - z \right) \left(\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a} \right) \right| \leq B,$$

where the bound B is as defined in (3.2) and is independent of z . If $z = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then the perturbation resulting from the application of the Grüss identity vanishes and the results of Theorem 3 are recaptured.

The following result for the midpoint formula holds.

Theorem 4. Assume that the mapping $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality:

$$(3.6) \quad \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq B := \begin{cases} \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}(b-a)^{\frac{2}{p}-1}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}} \|f'\|_q^\Delta & \text{if } p \in [1, \infty) \text{ and } f' \in L_q[a, b]; \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \text{ (for } p = 1 \text{ we choose } q = \infty); \\ \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \|f'\|_1^\Delta. \end{cases}$$

Proof. A simple integration by parts demonstrates that the following identity holds:

$$(3.7) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b k(t) f'(t) dt,$$

where

$$k(t) = \begin{cases} t-a & \text{if } t \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}] \\ t-b & \text{if } t \in (\frac{a+b}{2}, b], \end{cases}$$

which can easily be proved using the integration by parts formula.

We observe that

$$T(k, f'; a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b k(t) f'(t) dt,$$

as a simple computation shows that

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b k(t) dt = 0.$$

We observe that

$$\|k\|_\infty^\Delta = \text{ess sup}_{(x,y) \in [a,b]^2} |k(x) - k(y)| = b-a.$$

Also, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \|k\|_p^\Delta &= \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |k(x) - k(y)|^p dx dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left[\int_a^b \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |k(x) - y + a|^p dy + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |k(x) - y + b|^p dy \right) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left[\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |x - y|^p dy \right) dx + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |x - b - y + a|^p dy \right) dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |x - a - y + b|^p dy \right) dx + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |x - y|^p dy \right) dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &: = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$I_1 = \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |x-y|^p dy \right) dx = D_p \left(a, \frac{a+b}{2} \right)$$

and so, from (3.4),

$$I_1 = \frac{2 \left(\frac{b-a}{2} \right)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)} = \frac{(b-a)^{p+2}}{2^{p+1}(p+1)(p+2)} := \frac{D_p(a,b)}{2^{p+1}}.$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} |x-(y+b-a)|^p dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_b^{b+\frac{b-a}{2}} |x-u|^p du \right) dx = \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_b^{b+\frac{b-a}{2}} (u-x)^p du \right) dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\frac{(u-x)^{p+1}}{p+1} \Big|_b^{b+\frac{b-a}{2}} \right) dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left[\frac{\left(b + \frac{b-a}{2} - x \right)^{p+1} - (b-x)^{p+1}}{p+1} \right] dx \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)} - \frac{(b-a)^{p+2}}{2^{p+1}(p+1)(p+2)} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{p+1}} \right) D_p(a,b). \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$I_3 = \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |x-(y+a-b)|^p dy \right) dx$$

and following a similar argument to the calculation of I_2 gives

$$I_3 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{p+1}} \right) D_p(a,b).$$

An alternate approach is that a substitution of $Y = y - \frac{b-a}{2}$ and $X = x + \frac{b-a}{2}$ in I_3 shows that $I_3 = I_2$.

Now, from (3.4),

$$\begin{aligned} I_4 &= \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left(\int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b |x-y|^p dy \right) dx = D_p \left(\frac{a+b}{2}, b \right) \\ &= D_p \left(a, \frac{a+b}{2} \right) = \frac{D_p(a,b)}{2^{p+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 = 2D_p(a,b) = \frac{2(b-a)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)}$$

and so

$$\|k\|_p^\Delta = \frac{2^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-a)^{1+\frac{2}{p}}}{[(p+1)(p+2)]^{\frac{1}{p}}}.$$

Using Theorem 2, we obtain the desired inequality (2.6). ■

Corollary 2. *With the assumptions of Theorem 4 and if $f' \in L_2[a, b]$, we have the inequality:*

$$(3.8) \quad \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left[(b-a) \|f'\|_2^2 - [f(b) - f(a)]^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The proof follows by Theorem 4 applied for $p = q = 2$.

For a different proof of this inequality see [14].

Remark 3. *If we take*

$$(3.9) \quad K(t) = \begin{cases} t-a, & t \in [a, z] \\ t-b, & t \in (z, b] \end{cases}$$

then the following identity attributed to Montgomery (see [13, p. 565]) may be easily shown to hold

$$(3.10) \quad f(z) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b K(t) f'(t) dt.$$

Now, from (1.1), (3.9) and (3.10)

$$(3.11) \quad -T(K, f', a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - f(z) + \left(z - \frac{a+b}{2}\right) \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a}$$

since

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b K(t) dt = z - \frac{a+b}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f'(t) dt = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a}.$$

We note that from (3.9)

$$\|K\|_\infty^\Delta = \text{ess sup}_{(x,y) \in [a,b]^2} |K(x) - K(y)| = b-a$$

and for $p \geq 1$

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|K\|_p^\Delta \\ &= \left(\int_a^b \int_a^b |K(x) - K(y)|^p dy dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left\{ \int_a^z \int_a^z |x-y|^p dy dx + \int_z^b \int_a^z |x-b-(y-a)|^p dy dx \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \int_a^z \int_z^b |x-a-(y-b)|^p dy dx + \int_z^b \int_z^b |x-y|^p dy dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &: = (J_1 + J_2 + J_3 + J_4)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, from (3.3)

$$J_1 = D_p(a, z) = \frac{2(z-a)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)}$$

and

$$J_4 = D_p(z, b) = \frac{2(b-z)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)}.$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &= \int_z^b \int_a^z |x-b-(y-a)|^p dy dx = \int_z^b \int_b^{b+z-a} |x-u|^p du dx \\ &= \int_z^b \int_b^{b+z-a} (u-x)^p du dx = \frac{1}{p+1} \int_z^b (b+z-a-x)^{p+1} - (b-x)^{p+1} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(p+1)(p+2)} \left[(b-a)^{p+2} - (z-a)^{p+2} - (b-z)^{p+2} \right] \\ &= D_p(a, b) - D_p(a, z) - D_p(z, b). \end{aligned}$$

Using symmetry arguments or direct calculation shows that $J_3 = J_2$. Hence, from (3.12)

$$\|K\|_p^\Delta = 2D_p(a, b) = \frac{2(b-a)^{p+2}}{(p+1)(p+2)}$$

and so, from (3.11)

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - f(z) + \left(z - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \left(\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a} \right) \right| \leq B,$$

giving the same bounds as obtained previously for the trapezoidal and midpoint rules. If $z = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then the midpoint rule is recaptured.

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