

A note on Grüss type integral inequality *

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Abstract

In the present note we establish a new integral inequality similar to Grüss integral inequality by using a variant of the mean value theorem.

1 Introduction

G Grüss [3] has proved the following useful and interesting inequality (See also [4]):

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx - \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right) \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x)dx \right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{4} (P-p)(Q-q) \quad (1.1)$$

provided that f and g are two integrable functions on $[a,b]$ such that

$$p \leq f(x) \leq P, \quad q \leq g(x) \leq Q$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$, where p, P, q, Q are real constants.

During the past few years, many researchers have obtained various generalizations, variants and extensions of the inequality (1.1), see [1,2] and the references cited therein. The main purpose of the present note is to establish a new inequality of the type (1.1) by using the variant of the well known Lagrange's mean value theorem.

2 Statement of Results

In what follows, R and $'$ denotes the set of real numbers and the derivative of a function.

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In the proof of our result we make use of the following theorem, which is a variant of the well known Lagrange's mean value theorem (See[8]).

Theorem 1 . Suppose f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable in (a, b) . Then there exists a point $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$f(y) = f(x) + (y - x)f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(y - x)^2 f''(c).$$

The proof can be completed by applying Rolle's theorem for the function

$$\Phi(t) = f(y) - f(t) - (y - t)f'(t) - (y - t)^2 A,$$

where A is constant.

Our main result is given in the following theorem.

Theorem 2 .Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow R$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ $a < b$; $a, b \in R$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)g(y)dy - \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[\{f(b) - f(a)\} \left(\int_a^b yg(y)dy \right) + \{g(b) - g(a)\} \left(\int_a^b yf(y)dy \right) \right] \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[\left(\int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yf'(y)dy \right) + \left(\int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yg'(y)dy \right) \right] \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \left\{ \int_a^b (y-x)^2 \{ |g(y)| \|f''\|_\infty + |f(y)| \|g''\|_\infty \} dx \right\} dy, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\|f''\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in (a,b)} |f''(t)| < \infty, \|g''\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in (a,b)} |g''(t)| < \infty.$$

Proof: Let $x, y \in [a, b]$ with $y \neq x$. From the hypotheses and applying Theorem 1, there exists a point c between y and x such that

$$f(y) = f(x) + (y - x)f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(y - x)^2 f''(c) \quad (2.2)$$

$$g(y) = g(x) + (y - x)g'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(y - x)^2 g''(c). \quad (2.3)$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.2) and (2.3) by $g(y)$ and $f(y)$ respectively and adding the resulting identities we get

$$2f(y)g(y) = g(y)f(x) + f(y)g(x) + y\{g(y)f'(x) + f(y)g'(x)\}$$

$$-x \{g(y) f'(x) + f(y) g'(x)\} + \frac{1}{2} (y-x)^2 \{f(y) g''(c) + g(y) f''(c)\}. \quad (2.4)$$

Integrating both sides of (2.4) with respect to x over $[a, b]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2(b-a) f(y) g(y) &= g(y) \int_a^b f(x) dx + f(y) \int_a^b g(x) dx \\ &+ yg(y) \int_a^b f'(x) dx + yf(y) \int_a^b g'(x) dx \\ &- g(y) \int_a^b xf'(x) dx - f(y) \int_a^b xg'(x) dx \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b (y-x)^2 [g(y)f''(c) + f(y)g''(c)] dx. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Integrating both sides of (2.5) with respect to y over $[a, b]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2(b-a) \int_a^b f(y)g(y)dy &= \left(\int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b f(x)dx \right) + \left(\int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b g(x)dx \right) \\ &+ \left(\int_a^b yg(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b f'(x)dx \right) + \left(\int_a^b yf(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b g'(x)dx \right) \\ &- \left(\int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b xf'(x)dx \right) - \left(\int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b xg'(x)dx \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b \left\{ \int_a^b (y-x)^2 \{g(y)f''(c) + f(y)g''(c)\} dx \right\} dy. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.6) by $\frac{1}{2(b-a)^2}$ and rewriting we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)g(y)dy - \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \\ &- \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[(f(b) - f(a)) \left(\int_a^b yg(y)dy \right) + (g(b) - g(a)) \left(\int_a^b yf(y)dy \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[\left(\int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yf'(y)dy \right) + \left(\int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yg'(y)dy \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \left\{ \int_a^b (y-x)^2 \{g(y)f''(c) + f(y)g''(c)\} dx \right\} dy. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

From (2.7) and using properties of modulus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)g(y)dy - \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[\{f(b) - f(a)\} \left(\int_a^b yg(y)dy \right) + \{g(b) - g(a)\} \left(\int_a^b yf(y)dy \right) \right] \\ & + \frac{1}{2(b-a)^2} \left[\left(\int_a^b g(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yf'(y)dy \right) + \left(\int_a^b f(y)dy \right) \left(\int_a^b yg'(y)dy \right) \right] \Big| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4(b-a)^2} \int_a^b \left\{ \int_a^b (y-x)^2 \{ |g(y)| \|f''\|_\infty + |f(y)| \|g''\|_\infty \} dx \right\} dy, \end{aligned}$$

which is the required inequality in (2.1) and the proof is complete.

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