

Some new Hermite–Hadamard type inequalities for functions whose n^{th} derivatives are convex

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ABSTRACT. We first create an integral identity for n -times differentiable functions. Relying on this identity, we establish some new Hermite–Hadamard type inequalities for functions whose n^{th} derivatives are convex.

1. Introduction

It is well known that convexity plays a central and important role in modern analysis. We recall that a function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on the interval I of real numbers is said to be convex, if

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

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

One of the well-known inequalities in mathematics for convex functions is the Hermite–Hadamard integral inequality, which can be stated as follows: for every convex function f on the finite interval $[a, b]$, $a < b$, we have

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

If the function f is concave, then (1.1) holds in the reverse direction (see [10]).

The above double inequality has a number of various generalizations, refinements, extensions, and variants. Many papers deal with the estimating of differences

$$\mathcal{A}(f) := \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{B}(f) := f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

under some convexity conditions on derivatives of the function f .

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Assume that the function $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable on I° and $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$, $a < b$. Kavurmaci et al. [6] established the inequality

$$|\mathcal{A}(f)| \leq \frac{b-a}{12} (|f'(a)| + |f'(\frac{a+b}{2})| + |f'(b)|)$$

if $|f'|$ is convex. Moreover, they also showed that if $|f'|^q$ is convex for $q > 1$, then

$$|\mathcal{A}(f)| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left((|f'(a)|^q + |f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} + (|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + |f'(b)|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right), \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1,$$

and if $|f'|^q$ is convex for $q \geq 1$, then

$$|\mathcal{A}(f)| \leq \frac{b-a}{8} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left((2|f'(a)|^q + |f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} + (|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + 2|f'(b)|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right).$$

Özdemir et al. [11], obtained the following results in the case $I = [0, \infty)$:

$$|\mathcal{B}(f)| \leq \frac{b-a}{24} (|f'(a)| + 4|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})| + |f'(b)|)$$

if $|f'|$ is convex,

$$|\mathcal{B}(f)| \leq \frac{(b-a)}{4(p+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left((|f'(a)|^q + |f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} + (|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + |f'(b)|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right)$$

if $|f'|^q$ is convex for $q > 1$ with $1/p + 1/q = 1$, and

$$|\mathcal{B}(f)| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{6}|f'(a)|^q + \frac{1}{3}|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\frac{1}{3}|f'(\frac{a+b}{2})|^q + \frac{1}{6}|f'(b)|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right)$$

if $|f'|^q$ is convex for $q \geq 1$.

Park [12] considered, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$, the difference

$$\mathcal{B}(f, n) := \frac{1}{2} \left[f\left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n}\right) + f\left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n}\right) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$$

and proved that if $|f'|$ is convex, then

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{B}(f, n)| \leq & \frac{b-a}{3n^2} \left\{ \frac{|f'(a)|+|f'(b)|}{2} + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right| \right. \\ & + \left(\frac{n-2}{2} \right)^2 \left(\left| f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right| + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right| \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right| \right) \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

but if $|f'|^q$ is convex for $q > 1$ with $1/p + 1/q = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{B}(f, n)| \leq & \frac{b-a}{n^2} \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\left(|f'(a)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & + \left(|f'(b)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + \left(\frac{n-2}{2} \right)^2 \left(\left(|f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \left. + \left(|f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{B}(f, n)| \leq & \frac{b-a}{n^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} |f'(a)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & + \left(\frac{1}{2} |f'(b)|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & + \left(\frac{n-2}{2} \right)^2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} |f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{(n-1)a+b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} |f' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \left| f' \left(\frac{a+(n-1)b}{n} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

Some similar inequalities may be found, for example, in the papers [1–5, 7–9, 13–17].

Motivated by the results given above, we first establish an integral identity for n -times differentiable functions, and then we prove some new Hermite–Hadamard type inequalities for functions whose n^{th} derivatives are convex. Several known results are also derived, and applications to special means are given.

2. Main results

Lemma 1. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a mapping such that the derivative $f^{(n-1)}$ ($n \geq 1$) is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $a < b$. Then the sum*

$$\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda) := \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p} \left(\left(\left(\lambda - \frac{x-a}{b-a} \right)^{n-p} - (-1)^{n-p} (1-\lambda)^{n-p} \right) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times f^{(n-1-p)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \left(\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda \right)^{n-p} - (1-\lambda)^{n-p} \right) \\ & \times f^{(n-1-p)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the equality

$$\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda) = \int_a^b k_n(x, t) f^{(n)}(t) dt \quad (2.1)$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$ and $\lambda \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and the kernel $k_n(x, t) : [a, b]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is given by

$$k_n(x, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{t-a}{b-a} \right)^n & \text{if } t \in [a, \lambda a + (1-\lambda)b], \\ \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{t-x}{b-a} \right)^n & \text{if } t \in [\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b, (1-\lambda)a + \lambda b], \\ \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{t-b}{b-a} \right)^n & \text{if } t \in [(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b, b]. \end{cases}$$

Proof. The proof is given by mathematical induction. For $n = 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b k_1(x, t) f'(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b} \frac{t-a}{b-a} f'(t) dt + \int_{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b}^{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b} \frac{t-x}{b-a} f'(t) dt + \int_{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b}^b \frac{t-b}{b-a} f'(t) dt \\ &= (1-\lambda) f(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b} f(t) dt \\ & \quad - \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a} - \lambda \right) f((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda \right) f(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b}^{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b} f(t) dt + (1-\lambda) f((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b}^b f(t) dt \\ &= \frac{x-a}{b-a} f(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \frac{b-x}{b-a} f((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt, \end{aligned}$$

i.e., (2.1) holds for $n = 1$.

Assume that (2.1) holds for m , $m \geq 1$, and let us prove it for $m + 1$. We have

$$\int_a^b k_{m+1}(x, t) f^{(m+1)}(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_a^{\lambda a+(1-\lambda)b} \frac{\left(\frac{t-a}{b-a}\right)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(t) dt + \int_{\lambda a+(1-\lambda)b}^{(1-\lambda)a+\lambda b} \frac{\left(\frac{t-x}{b-a}\right)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(t) dt \\
&+ \int_{(1-\lambda)a+\lambda b}^b \frac{\left(\frac{t-b}{b-a}\right)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(t) dt \\
&= \frac{(1-\lambda)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^{\lambda a+(1-\lambda)b} \frac{\left(\frac{t-b}{b-a}\right)^m}{m!} f^{(m)}(t) dt \\
&+ \frac{\left(\lambda - \frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \frac{\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda\right)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \\
&- \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{\lambda a+(1-\lambda)b}^{(1-\lambda)a+\lambda b} \frac{\left(\frac{t-x}{b-a}\right)^m}{m!} f^{(m)}(t) dt \\
&- \frac{(-1)^{m+1}(1-\lambda)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{(1-\lambda)a+\lambda b}^b \frac{\left(\frac{t-b}{b-a}\right)^m}{m!} f^{(m)}(t) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \left(\left(\lambda - \frac{x-a}{b-a} \right)^{m+1} - (-1)^{m+1} (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right) f^{(m)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \\
&- \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \left(\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda \right)^{m+1} - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right) f^{(m)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \\
&- \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b k_m(x, t) f^{(m)}(t) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \left(\left(\lambda - \frac{x-a}{b-a} \right)^{m+1} - (-1)^{m+1} (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right) f^{(m)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \\
&- \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \left(\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda \right)^{m+1} - (1-\lambda)^{m+1} \right) f^{(m)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \\
&- \frac{1}{b-a} \left(\sum_{p=0}^{m-1} \frac{1}{(m-p)!(b-a)^p} \left(\left(\lambda - \frac{x-a}{b-a} \right)^{m-p} - (-1)^{m-p} (1-\lambda)^{m-p} \right) \right. \\
&\times f^{(m-1-p)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \\
&\left. - \left(\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a} - \lambda \right)^{m-p} - (1-\lambda)^{m-p} \right) f^{(m-1-p)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ \frac{(-1)^m}{(b-a)^m} \int_a^b f(t) dt \Big) = \mathcal{C}(f, x, m+1, \lambda),$$

which completes the proof. \square

We are now ready to present our results.

Theorem 1. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping such that $f^{(n-1)}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $a < b$. If $|f^{(n)}|$ is convex, then the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| &\leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{(n+2)!} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)^{n+1} + (x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)(b-a)^n} \\ &\times \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right| + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1} + ((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{(n+2)!(b-a)^n} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right| \\ &+ \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1} + (1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)(b-a)^n} \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right| \\ &+ \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{(n+2)!} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right| \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $x \in [\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b, (1-\lambda)a + \lambda b]$ and $\lambda \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

Proof. Using Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| &\leq \int_a^b |k_n(x, t)| \left| f^{(n)}(t) \right| dt \\ &= \frac{1}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b} \frac{(t-a)^n}{n!} \left| f^{(n)}(t) \right| dt + \frac{1}{(b-a)^n} \int_{\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b}^x \frac{(x-t)^n}{n!} \left| f^{(n)}(t) \right| dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(b-a)^n} \int_x^{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b} \frac{(t-x)^n}{n!} \left| f^{(n)}(t) \right| dt + \frac{1}{(b-a)^n} \int_{(1-\lambda)a + \lambda b}^b \frac{(b-t)^n}{n!} \left| f^{(n)}(t) \right| dt \\ &= \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)a + \alpha(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)) \right| d\alpha \\ &\quad + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \alpha x) \right| d\alpha \\ &\quad + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)x + \alpha((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b)) \right| d\alpha \\ &\quad + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!} \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) + \alpha b) \right| d\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By the convexity of $|f^{(n)}|$, this gives that

$$|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| \leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) \alpha^n d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right| \int_0^1 \alpha^{n+1} d\alpha \right) \\
& + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right| \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{n+1} d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right| \int_0^1 \alpha (1-\alpha)^n d\alpha \right) \\
& + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right| \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) \alpha^n d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right| \int_0^1 \alpha^{n+1} d\alpha \right) \\
& + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right| \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{n+1} d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right| \int_0^1 \alpha (1-\alpha)^n d\alpha \right) \\
& = \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{(n+2)!} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{(n+2)!} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right| \\
& + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)^{n+1} + (x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)(b-a)^n} \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right| \\
& + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1} + ((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{(n+2)!(b-a)^n} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right| \\
& + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1} + (1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)(b-a)^n} \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

which is the desired result. \square

Corollary 1. *If we put $\lambda = 1$ in Theorem 1, then we obtain the following generalized trapezoid inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(b-x)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(b)}{(n-p)!} - (-1)^{n-p} \frac{(x-a)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a)}{(n-p)!} + (-1)^n \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
& \leq \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + \frac{(x-a)^{n+1} + (b-x)^{n+1}}{(n+2)!} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right| + \frac{(b-x)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by choosing $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(b-a)^{n-p}}{(n-p)! 2^{n-p}} \left(f^{(n-1-p)}(b) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a) \right) + (-1)^n \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
& \leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)2^{n+1}} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + \frac{(b-a)^{n+1}}{(n+2)! 2^n} \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| + \frac{(b-a)^{n+1}}{n!(n+2)2^{n+1}} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Remark 1. Corollary 1 reduces, for $n = 1$, to Theorem 4 from [5]. Moreover, if we put $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then we obtain Corollary 2 from [5].

Corollary 2. *If we choose $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 1, then we obtain the following midpoint inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{1-(-1)^{n-p}}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\ \leq \frac{b-a}{(n+2)! 2^{n+1}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + 2(n+1) \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right| \right).$$

Remark 2. Corollary 2 reduces, for $n = 1$, to Corollary 1 from [8]. We also recapture the inequality (1.2) for $n = 2$.

Corollary 3. *If we put $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and $\lambda = \frac{2}{3}$ in Theorem 1, then we obtain the following two-point open Newton–Cotes inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1-(-1)^{n-p} 2^{n-p})}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 6^{n-p}} \left(f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\ \leq \frac{b-a}{(n+2)! \times 6^{n+1}} \left(2^{n+1} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right| + (n+1)(2^{n+1} + 1) \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \right. \\ \left. + 2 \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| (n+1)(2^{n+1} + 1) \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right| + 2^{n+1} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right| \right).$$

Remark 3. Taking $n = 1$ in Corollary 3, we obtain the inequality (1.2) for $n = 3$.

Theorem 2. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping such that $f^{(n-1)}$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$, $a < b$. If $|f^{(n)}|^q$ with $q > 1$ is convex, then*

$$|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| \leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{\frac{n+1}{p}}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{\frac{n+1}{p}}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{\frac{n+1}{p}} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{p}}}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

holds for all $x \in [\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b, (1-\lambda)a + \lambda b]$, $\lambda \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Proof. Using Lemma 1 and Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| &\leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^{np} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)a + \alpha(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{np} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \alpha x) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^{np} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)x + \alpha((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!} \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{np} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) + \alpha b) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)a + \alpha(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \alpha x) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)x + \alpha((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\int_0^1 \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) + \alpha b) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $|f^{(n)}|^q$ is convex, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| &\leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \\
&\quad \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1} (b-a)}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}},
\end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result after simple calculations. \square

Corollary 4. *If we put $\lambda = 1$ in Theorem 2, then we obtain the following generalized trapezoid inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{\left(\frac{b-x}{b-a}\right)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(b) - (-1)^{n-p} \left(\frac{x-a}{b-a}\right)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a)}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
& \leq \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(b-x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if we choose $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(n-1-p)}(b) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a)}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
& \leq \frac{b-a}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q} + n+1}} \left(\left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left(\left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Remark 4. Corollary 4 reduces to Theorem 5 from [5] if we take $n = 1$. Moreover, if we put $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then we obtain Corollary 3 from [5].

Corollary 5. *If we put $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 2, then we obtain the following midpoint inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1-(-1)^{n-p})}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)}{n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{n+1+\frac{1}{q}}}$$

$$\times \left(\left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right).$$

Remark 5. Corollary 5 reduces to Corollary 3 from [8] if we take $n = 1$. Also we recapture inequality (1.3) for $n = 2$.

Corollary 6. If we choose $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and $\lambda = \frac{2}{3}$ in Theorem 2, then we obtain the following two-point open Newton-Cotes inequality for n -times convex functions:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-p} - (-1)^{n-p} \right) \frac{(f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right))}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 3^{n-p}} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{2^{\frac{1}{q}} \times 3^{n+1} \times n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{2^{\frac{1}{q}} \times 6^{n+1} \times n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{2^{\frac{1}{q}} \times 6^{n+1} \times n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{2^{\frac{1}{q}} \times 3^{n+1} \times n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right|^q + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 6. In Corollary 6 if we take $n = 1$, we recapture the inequality (1.3) for $n = 3$.

Theorem 3. By the assumptions of Theorem 2, the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| & \leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \\ & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n (n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $x \in [\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b, (1-\lambda)a + \lambda b]$ with $\lambda \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

Proof. Using Lemma 1 and power mean inequality, we get

$$|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| \leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n d\alpha \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)a + \alpha(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n d\alpha \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \times \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \alpha x) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n d\alpha \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \times \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)x + \alpha((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!} \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n d\alpha \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \times \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) + \alpha b) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& = \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)a + \alpha(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \\
& \times \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) + \alpha x) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b - x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\int_0^1 \alpha^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)x + \alpha((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b)) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \\
& \times \left(\int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \left| f^{(n)}((1-\alpha)((1-\lambda)a + \lambda b) + \alpha b) \right|^q d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the convexity of $|f^{(n)}|^q$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|\mathcal{C}(f, x, n, \lambda)| & \leq \frac{(b-a)(1-\lambda)^{n+1}}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \\
& \times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) \alpha^n d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha^{n+1} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& + \frac{(x - (\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b))^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{n+1} d\alpha \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^n \alpha d\alpha \Big)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \frac{((1-\lambda)a+\lambda b-x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \\
 &\times \left(\left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha) \alpha^n d\alpha + \left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a+\lambda b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha^{n+1} d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &+ \frac{(1-\lambda)^{n+1}(b-a)}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\left| f^{(n)}((1-\lambda)a+\lambda b) \right|^q \int_0^1 (1-\alpha)^{n+1} d\alpha \right. \\
 &\left. + \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \int_0^1 \alpha(1-\alpha)^n d\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{q}},
 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result after simple transformations. □

Corollary 7. *If we put $\lambda = 1$ in Theorem 3, then we obtain the following generalized trapezoid inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{\binom{b-x}{b-a}^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(b) - (-1)^{n-p} \binom{x-a}{b-a}^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a)}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{(x-a)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &+ \frac{(b-x)^{n+1}}{n!(b-a)^n(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(x) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if we choose $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(n-1-p)}(b) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)}(a)}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{b-a}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} 2^{n+1}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\
 &\left. + \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 7. Corollary 7 reduces to Theorem 7 from [5] if we take $n = 1$. Moreover, if we put $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, then we obtain Corollary 4 from [5].

Corollary 8. *If we put $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 3, then we obtain the following midpoint inequality for n -times convex functions:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(1-(-1)^{n-p})}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} f^{(n-1-p)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} n \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{b-a}{n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \times 2^{n+1}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Remark 8. Corollary 8 reduces to Corollary 5 from [8] if we take $n = 1$. We also recapture the inequality (1.4) for $n = 2$.

Corollary 9. If we choose $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and $\lambda = \frac{2}{3}$ in Theorem 3, then we obtain the following two-point open Newton–Cotes inequality for n -times convex functions:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{\left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-p} - (-1)^{n-p} \right) \left(f^{(n-1-p)} \left(\frac{a+2b}{3} \right) - (-1)^{n-p} f^{(n-1-p)} \left(\frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right)}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 3^{n-p}} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^n} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{3^{n+1} \times n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(a) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{6^{n+1} \times n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{2a+b}{3} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{6^{n+1} \times n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{b-a}{3^{n+1} \times n!(n+1)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} \left| f^{(n)} \left(\frac{a+2b}{3} \right) \right|^q + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| f^{(n)}(b) \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 9. Corollary 9 with $n = 1$ gives the inequality (1.4) for $n = 3$.

3. Applications to special means

We shall consider the arithmetic mean $A(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and the p -logarithmic mean

$$L_p(a, b) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } a \neq b, \\ a & \text{if } a = b, \end{cases}$$

$p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\}$, $a, b > 0$.

Proposition 1. If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $0 < a < b$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{b^{3+p} - (-1)^{n-p} a^{3+p}}{2^{n-p-1} (n-p)!(3+p)!(b-a)^p} + \frac{2(-1)^n}{(n+2)!(b-a)^{n-1}} L_{n+2}^{n+2}(a, b) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{2^{n+1}(n+2)!} (2(n+1)A(a^2, b^2) + 2A^2(a, b)). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is immediate from Theorem 1 with $\lambda = 1$ and $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, when it is applied to the function $f(x) = \frac{2x^{n+2}}{(n+2)!}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Clearly we have $f^{(k)}(x) = \frac{2}{(n+2-k)!} x^{n+2-k}$, and $f^{(n)}(x) = x^2$ which is a convex function. \square

Proposition 2. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, with $0 < a < b$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1-(-1)^n}{n!2^n} A^{n+\frac{1}{3}}(a, b) + \sum_{p=1}^{n-1} \frac{(1-(-1)^{n-p})}{(n-p)!(b-a)^p 2^{n-p}} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1-p} \left(n + \frac{4-3i}{3}\right) A^{\frac{4+3p}{3}}(a, b) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{(-1)^n}{(b-a)^{n-1}} L_{n+\frac{1}{3}}^{n+\frac{1}{3}}(a, b) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a) \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (3n+4-3i)}{3^n \times n!(np+1)^{\frac{1}{p}} 2^{n-1+\frac{1}{q}}} \left((a^2 + A^2(a, b))^{\frac{1}{q}} + (A^2(a, b) + b^2)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The result follows immediately from Theorem 2 with $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ and $q = 6$, applying to the function $f(x) = x^{n+\frac{1}{3}}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Clearly, $f^{(n-1-p)}(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1-p} \left(n + \frac{4-3i}{3}\right) x^{\frac{4+3p}{3}}$ with $f^{(0)}(x) = f(x)$, and $f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{4}{3} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(n + \frac{4-3i}{3}\right) x^{\frac{1}{3}}$. \square

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